

Get ready for aromas of bananas, orange groves

That putrid odor that has occasionally lingered over Altona this summer — it stems from the sewer lagoon east of town — may soon give way to aromas of orange blossoms and banana groves.

That is, if the "lagoon deodorizer" a salesman has offered the town smells as good as it sounds.

Bill Loewen, town superintendent, told council Tuesday that he'd been visited by a salesman offering the deodorant.

Council (to a man) asked Mr. Loewen to follow up the offer as soon as possible, and check out the cost of such smell substitution.

"Let's try it", said one alderman. "Who knows with the smell of bananas all over town people may soon be clamoring to live in Altona."

Lack of proper garbage disposal at some Altona business places was brought to council's attention Tuesday. Apparently garbage had been placed outside in cardboard boxes and rain had disintegrated them, spilling the contents around. The offenders will be notified. It was stressed that garbage containers should be durable.

Blockage of traffic flows by trucks unloading at street entrances of business places was also in for some criticism.

It was decided that truckers or business places should provide flagmen to direct traffic around parked trucks when they are unloading in traffic areas. Most places have loading areas in lanes or at side entrances, but a few must be serviced from the front entrance. It will become the responsibility of the business taking delivery to provide needed safety precautions.

Delegations request dust control

Dust control for village streets was the concern of two delegations that attended the regular meeting of council of the rural municipality of Rhineland held on Tuesday, June 10.

In all, a total of seven delegations attended the afternoon session of the RM's meeting held in its Altona council chambers.

William (Bill) Siemens and Pete Wieler appeared before council with the full intention of laying \$425 down on council's table and receiving assurance that dust control treatment for the village of Rosenort South street would be proceeded with.

Council however, was in no mood to set a precedent, and felt that it should be proceeded with on the condition that a grant-in-aid for the work was approved.

Apply For Grant

Councillors John E. Wieler and Abe J. Froese moved and seconded a resolution that the municipality make application to the highways department to provide a grant-in-aid for graveling of \$400 and for liquid calcium (dust treatment) of \$1,200 on a 50-50 basis for a total of \$1,600 covering the following: from p. 248 to the east boundary

If no grant-in-aid is involved as in the case of Blumenort, it means that village residents must pay 75 per cent, somewhere in the neighbourhood of \$700.

Rhineland councillors also passed a resolution granting \$50 to the village of Reinland towards the cost of its centennial celebration. The village will commemorate the West Reserve's 100th anniversary on July 18-20.

In a vote of 4-1 council also passed a resolution authorizing the issuance of an occasional permit for the sale of beer and liquor in the RM of Rhineland in 1975.

"Dry Spots"

The resolution came as a result of a law amendments committee approval of issuing such permits for social events in those municipalities where there are "dry" spots in the province. Rhineland is such a "dry" spot, since no referendum for the sale of liquor in the municipality has been passed.

With the approval of the council of Rhineland, the Government Liquor Control Commission will now be able to issue liquor permits in the municipality for social events.

Council also passed a resolution requesting the Manitoba



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Three of the four members of the Plantetarium Investigation team are shown discussing findings at the mystery spot at Halbstadt. In photo at left, from left to right are electronic engineer Ernie Speelman, Ed Barker, who headed the team of investigators, and photographer and recorder



Tibor Bodi. The picture at right shows the bare spot in the beet field with Hans Osted, the fourth member of the team, making a plaster cast of one of the indentations of the field with Ed Barker in the background.

UFO or hoax at Halbstadt?

Strange markings studied

BY DAVID PENNER

Has a UFO (Unidentified Flying Object) touched down at Halbstadt and left its markings in a beet field owned by Elmer Friesen? Or is the whole affair a hoax that has everybody in the area talking?

Talk there certainly has been.

Here's how the Halbstadt UFO story unfolded and what's known to date.

A mysterious patch of dying sugar beets was discovered recently by Elmer Friesen of Halbstadt in an otherwise lushly green field of beets.

Mr. Friesen says there was ab-

Alex Godkin, the Manitoba Sugar Co. representative for the area told the Echo that although the three markings were difficult to explain, he considered the area to have been struck by lightning.

On July 8 the Plantetarium in Winnipeg was notified of the

SCALE DRAWING OF MARKED SITE:



from p.r. 248 to the east boundary of Lot 24, Plan 555 (rosenort South).

The preamble to the resolution noted that the hamlet of Rosenort South wishes to apply gravel and dust treatment on their village street in 1975.

A second delegation consisting of John Klassen, Pete Hildebrandt and Jacob Falk attended concerning dust treatment of the village road in Blumenort.

By a narrow majority vote of 3-2, council passed a resolution setting a general policy whereby the R.M. will contribute 25 per cent of the cost toward application of calcium chloride on village streets.

No blank cheques

Council wants trustees to plan jr. high school

A motion endorsing the concept of a centre for the performing arts in any new junior high school complex built in Altona received the support of Altona town council Tuesday.

It was the consensus of council however, that it was the responsibility of the Rhineland school board to do the planning (as

tax requesting the Manitoba Health Services Commission to make a per capita grant for the ambulance service in Altona and Winkler. The fire brigades in both of the towns had approached Rhineland council with a request for this assistance.

It was noted by resolution that both Altona and Rhineland have agreed there be no financial settlement of assets and liabilities in the annexation of half a section of land along the north side of the town of Altona. The annexation of the land from Rhineland to Altona took place January 1, 1975. Both municipalities have agreed since then that no award be made in connection with the annexation.

Talk there certainly has been, and in an effort to obtain some scientifically reliable information The Echo contacted the planetarium at the Manitoba Museum of Man and Nature in Winnipeg.

A four-man crew consisting of Ed Barker, Hans Osted, Tibor Bodi and Ernie Speelman visited the Halbstadt site Wednesday, July 9, and conducted extensive scientific study of the area.

(Several persons who at one point were said to have sighted a UFO, and given chase in vehicle, have told The Echo they are not certain of what they saw. It may well have been a star, one of them said.)

Mr. Friesen says there was absolutely no indication whatever that beets in this particular area were unhealthy before his discovery and there are no indications on any other part of the field of such damage.

Friesen made the discovery on June 25 while cultivating the field. He noticed an area about 30 feet across where all the beets were withering. On closer inspection of the spot he noticed three peculiar markings in the shape of a triangle indicating the presence, at one time, of a tripod-like device.

Friesen said all the beets in the area died within a day or two of the discovery.

Oval patch

Each of the three markings were exactly in the middle of a row of beets and measured 17 inches across and 3 inches deep with evidence of a probe or a deeper marking in the middle. The patch of dead beets was oval in shape, being 30 feet across at the narrowest point and 39 feet at the widest point. A secondary area of dead beets was evident just outside of and to the west of the oval patch.

Due to the location of the patch on the field Mr. Friesen completely discounted chemical kill, because the spot was at the edge and toward the middle of the field and there was no indication of damage anywhere else on the field, not even on the edges. According to farmers in the area, no farm machinery is capable of making the kind of marks that exist on the Friesen field.

Councillor Abe J. Thiessen summed it up with the comment that: "We aren't about to hand out any blank cheques." It was agreed that council would like to participate, but that the major task was up to the trustees in whose jurisdiction school planning falls.

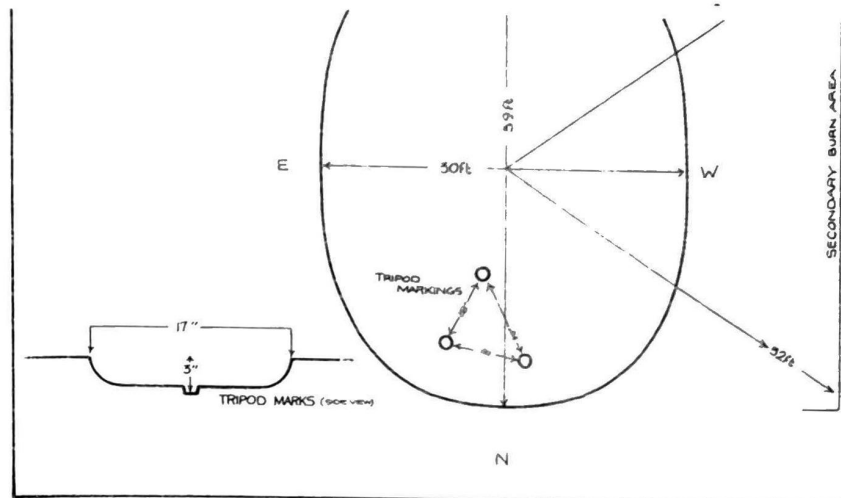
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Winnipeg was notified of the Halbstadt occurrence and they sent out an investigation unit to test the area. The team of four investigators arrived at the spot Wednesday afternoon equipped to do a complete evaluation, including plant and soil samples, plaster casts of the markings, measurements and radiation tests of the area. Mr. Friesen was interviewed on all details and all aspects of the spot were recorded on tape as well as paper.

On a quick evaluation of the Halbstadt site both Ernie Speelman and Ed Barker of the Planetarium staff completely discounted the theory that lightning had struck the spot. According to Speelman the group has investigated numerous lightning strikes and there was absolutely no similarity. Speelman, the electronic engineer, stated that if lightning had struck the soil type of the field would have resulted in severe tunnelling by the bolt of lightning.

No radiation

Although the crew found no evidence of radiation in the area Speelman was careful to state that a UFO landing should not be discounted. Barker said he and Speelman had been involved in checking the Carman area for radiation, and levels had been high enough to cause illness to people who might remain on the spot for several days. Mr. Barker also stated that the UFO had not actually landed in Carman but had merely hovered over the spot where high levels of radiation were found.



The tripod markings on the Halbstadt beet patch were of particular interest to Barker because each mark was exactly on the center of a different row of beets, two marks being 88 inches apart and the other 98 inches from each of the other two. Speelman felt that if the markings had been made when the earth was dry, a tremendous amount of weight would have been necessary to cause such indentations.

Barker said tripod markings had been discovered in Charleswood several years ago along with numerous small footprints, sightings had also been made at this time. Often in cases

like this, security has been very tight and all evidence is destroyed after government researchers are finished and organizations like the planetarium aren't allowed to research the spot.

Barker said often evidence of a sighting or a strange spot somewhere was "flimsy" but he said people know what they see

Juvenile judges too lenient?

Altona council expressed concern with the way juvenile offenders are handled who are in violation of the town's anti-noise by-law.

A police report for the months of May and June showed five juveniles apprehended and charged in this connection. The report stated that all had appeared before juvenile court and been reprimanded.

Four adults charged on the same count before the Justice of the Peace had been fined.

Police Commission Chairman Abe Dueck said most of the offences were by repeaters who had already been reprimanded for a similar offence in the past.

Mayor D. K. Friesen asked Commissioner Dueck for some details. He said he would contact the attorney-general's department in an attempt to get juvenile judges hearing these cases to take a much stronger stand.

It was noted that residents aware of anti-noise offences should be notifying police so that action can be taken.

and should contact organizations like his to have such information checked.

Has seen UFOs

Barker himself has seen UFOs at close range and has studied areas where Unidentified Flying Objects have landed and is convinced that interplanetary travel and research is being conducted by beings from outer space. The numerous sightings from around the world (and most recently at Carman) seem to support such a theory.

The Halbstadt spot was puzzling and couldn't be written off as a freak of nature, he said. The area will be studied over the next several years for any peculiar growing patterns or even sterility which could add more information about the occurrence.

Barker claims that the UFO landing in the Whiteshell a number of years ago which resulted in severe radiation burning of the immediate surroundings and of the man who made the sighting and was at the spot at that time has affected the trees in the area to this day, almost ten years later.

Few such explicit landings have occurred but Barker encourages anyone who sights UFOs or finds mysterious areas like the Halbstadt one to contact him at the Planetarium in Winnipeg.

WEATHER

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Fourteen contestants vying for Sunflower Queen 1977

When the Manitoba Sunflower Festival rolls around on Friday and Saturday, July 25 and 26, one of the highlights of the annual event in Altona will be the crowning of Miss Manitoba Sunflower Queen for the new year.

This year the event promises to be even more suspenseful than in the past. Speculators and judges will contend with 14 contestants. Two were undecided at press time.

Choosing the queen and her two princesses this year will be former Winnipeg Blue Bomber quarterback Don Jonas and his wife Rosemary, as well as two broadcasters — Barbara Mills and Alice Poyser, both associated with the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation.

The judges and queen candidates will join in a supper of Mennonite food and several other activities. The judges will inter-

view each contestant, as well as observe her at the parades.

Friday afternoon at 3 p.m. the queen contestants will take charge of the information booth in the Altona Mall, where they will dispense information about events, food and shelter.

Saturday they will be busy with the judges, and in the evening they will be on stage at the arena, where Miss Sunflower Queen of 1974, Jean Zacharias, will crown

her successor and the two princesses for 1975.

The 1975 Sunflower Queen will be escorted on a four-day, all-expenses-paid trip to Toronto. Her chaperone, provided by Treflan, the sponsoring company, will take her to many places of interest including Ontario Place, the Canadian National Exhibition and Niagara

Falls. A gift of \$100 will be hers to spend on a shopping spree in Toronto.

The organizers of the Sunflower Queen Contest expressed pleasure with the "positive response" from the district in regard to sponsoring candidates. They were also encouraged to find so many contestants willing to support the Festival with their participation.

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↑ Monday PM.

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Several Constables have seen UFOs

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Nov 62 near El Dorado (6 1/2 mi)

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Captain Del Scott
left on Fox

Cement bridge green Dodge

6-22-76

Jacqueline Russell - Eldorado

Lloyd Bateman, farmer

473-2714

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6-12-76 - P.1, + 2d Front

6-14-76 - P.1 + P.3

6-16-76 - 2d Front

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6-12 Dave Sally 378-2361

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Dennis Craigen 28, R11 Nantux
378-2368
4 objects 6-12 4pm

Archie Davis
388-2286

Howard Tolmow
378-2468

7 objects
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from Newburgh
to Yarker

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26¢

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- Prentiss -

✓ Holmes - Rt 12 - rt of Howard Court Q. - left

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Constable Robt Bruce - MADoc
473-2387

? MAC WILSON 473-2698
6-1 (Holmes Road)

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Christine Bailey 473-2772

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+ Photos

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ASK

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Car 744-6261

Carpenter - Peavee

~~Murray Ferguson~~ -
Mr. Haworth - Chicago

Case: Peavee

Boy whole
Solomon
Cough

Peavee
Peavee, Mrs
414-636-6011

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F1AT = Alis / Deerfield Ill.
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15 mi'

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(\$1.25 per kg)

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~~House~~

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~~Trailer~~

B₁ 11

Seven Holmes 5 trees -

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~~Casper 29~~

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CONTENT

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Civics - 46.7/8

Hydro - 47.1 (4)

Hydro - 48.3 (1.6)

Jordan - 48.7 (2.2)

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Helen

~~Heuberg~~

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613-378-2361

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(Hives)

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^{1st 75}
① July 1st
12 yr old

nothing grows there

② Closest to house, spruce, we get it: are stuck

Reynolds 6-5-76

Portia's disc on June 1st 2, killed in mine ditch
↑ HUSSEN ↑

28
TOKARZ 6-24-76

Burn marks —

dry patch in corn or barley field.
in circular formation

veg. scattered on one side

up to 30' in diameter

Tests

MIN. break down

Soil

veg

"Rocks in ditches def. scratched & crystallized"

magnetic anomalies
but esp. copper & lead

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12 yrs

5. Open
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Star Trek

July 23-25

Royal Pk / 1st

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Madoc UFOs
Pratt/staff reporter
For Cathcart
June 27, 1976

Huge chunks of earth weighing hundreds of pounds have been mysteriously lifted from the ground and moved--neatly intact like giant pieces of a jigsaw puzzle--up to 21 feet away in a farming area where a number of UFOs have been reported seen.

No tracks or marks were found near the holes. Neither construction-equipment manufacturers nor scientists can explain the puzzle.

Residents have reported seeing UFOs in the area--a remote farming region in eastern Ontario Province in Canada--since mid-December. At least five people reported having vivid, close-up sightings while others say they have heard strange beeping sounds.

In addition, curious circles, semi-circles and other alien marks have been found on area farms.

All this occurred near the hamlet of Cooper, 10 miles north of Madoc and ¹⁶⁰~~10~~ miles northeast of Toronto.

The holes are the most puzzling part of the mystery.

"There has been no explanation for it as far as I know," Police Constable Robert Bruce told The ENQUIRER.

A member of the Ontario Provincial Police detachment at Madoc, he investigated one case where three large triangular pieces of sod ^{and weighing up to 600 pounds} 8 to 10 inches thick had been moved 16 to 21 feet. The holes formed a triangular pattern--as did the pieces of dirt.

"The sod was laced in the same triangular patterns as the holes and could have fit back into the holes just like a jigsaw puzzle," Bruce said.

They were discovered May 9 in a hayfield on a hilly, rocky farm owned by Reginald and Nettie Trotter, one of the most isolated farms in the area.

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"My son, Elmer, found them on Mother's Day," Trotter, 68, told The ENQUIRER. "I had been in the field the Friday before and there was nothing wrong then.

"On Sunday my son and his wife came up from Cooper and he went back in the fields to check on some young cattle. That's when he found the holes. He came right back to the house and wondered what was going on.

"I didn't know what he was talking about and I rode back there with him. The earth had just been picked right up in big chunks and moved. I didn't know what to think.

"It was an awful looking thing, the field all torn up so. I don't have any idea how it could have happened. I've lived on this farm all my life and I've never seen anything like that before."

Trotter examined the rest of the field but found nothing else unusual. He then phoned a Canadian military base at Trenton, 50 miles to the south, and reported what had been found. Officials there referred the matter to Ontario Provincial Police in nearby Belleville, who in turn referred it to the Madoc O.P.

"I went out there and looked at the holes and the sod and took CONSTATABLE measurements," Bruce said. "I didn't find any tracks or marks either."

The largest hole--and corresponding chunk of earth with hay growing from the top of it--measured 11 feet by 7 feet by 6 feet. The shorter sides were relatively straight while the longest was concave.

"All three pieces were roughly 8 to 10 inches thick and the biggest piece had to weigh at least 600 pounds," Bruce said.

The other two pieces were about the same size--roughly 4 feet by 5 feet by 7 feet. The biggest chunk of dirt had been moved east 16 feet, one of the smaller ones 20 feet and the other one 21 feet.

"I don't know of any machine that could take earth up and move it the way this was without leaving tracks and also without the sod" MORE

breaking apart," Bruce added.

Trotter's farm is one of three in an area known as "The Island." It is called that locally because it is virtually surrounded by water--two lakes on the west and northwest that are connected by streams and by a river that circles around the north, northeast and east sides of the farms.

The only way a car or truck can get to the farm is by Route 12, which ends 15 miles north of Madoc at Trotter's farm. It is paved only the first 7 miles. The farm is 5 miles north of Cooper and the last 3 miles the road is only one lane.

The Trotters' two-story frame home sits at the end of a lane a quarter of a mile east of the end of the road. To get to the hayfield you have to go past the house and barn, down another lane and go across another field.

The hayfield itself is ^S half a mile ^{NORTHEAST OF} ~~from~~ the house and is not visible from the house.

"There's absolutely no other way to get in there except to go right past my house," said Trotter. "Any vehicle would have to go right through my yard."

Similar holes were found on two other farms not far away. Two holes were discovered by Glenn Rollins on his farm half a mile east of Cooper two weeks earlier, but Rollins promptly filled the holes in after showing them to a couple of neighbors. *NOT MANY OTHERS KNEW ABOUT THEM UNTIL AFTER TROTTER'S DISCOVERY WAS MADE PUBLIC.*

"I didn't know what caused it but I wasn't really too concerned with it," said Rollins, who is a carpenter as well as a farmer.

"Rather than leave them there and have trouble when I was cutting the hay, I just took my loader and filled them in."

He said the two holes and the pieces of sod were roughly rectangular shaped but were also 8 to 10 inches thick.

"One of mine would have weighed at least 600 pounds or more, and MORE

the piece of dirt must have been about 30 feet from the hole," Rollins told The ENQUIRER.

"One piece was about 5 feet across one end and 3 or 4 the other. The second piece was about 3 feet by 4 feet by 6 feet. One little piece of dirt broke off one of the two chunks but I couldn't tell which one.

"There was no sign of anything in the bottom of the holes, no tracks or marks. It was just as though they had been lifted out, and of course the sod was sitting up nice and square on the edges.

"My dad and I have farmed this place altogether for more than 60 years now and in all that time neither one of us has seen anything like that."

The third farmer is Clayton Whiteman, 37, whose farm lies between Trotter's and Rollins'.

"I heard Reggie talking about it up there and I went up to see," Whiteman told The ENQUIRER as he stored bales of hay in his barn.

"About a week later I spotted some strange little mounds sticking up out of the water in a ~~spring~~ ^{that forms in the ~~spring~~ SPRING} pond about a fourth of a mile west of the barn.

"I had a funny feeling that it was pretty near the same thing Reggie had. When the water started drying up completely, I could see it was. Dirt was out of the holes in chunks like his and the sod was moved intact but not as far as Reggie's was.

"The holes and pieces of earth on my farm were smaller, only 3 or 4 feet to a side. I was born on this farm and I've lived here all my life but I've never seen anything like this before. ¹¹ ~~se~~

Whiteman left the holes and dirt where they were ~~because~~ ^{(cow) and} the field is used as a pasture. Since then, the cows have oawed and walked through them so much they are barely distinguishable now.

Trotter filled in his holes. On the second Sunday in June, hundreds of sightseers--^Ucurious after seeing newspaper and TV accounts of the MORE

strange holes--clogged the roads of this little community, tramping through fields uninvited ~~and~~ and so disturbing residents that police were called in.

"I got sick of people coming up," Trotter said, when asked why he filled the holes in. "People would go right past my house and out into the fields and not say a word."

A month after he found the holes, Trotter's son filled them in, using a tractor to push the chunks of dirt back into the holes.

Now a metal ~~gate~~ ^{gate} with a big "No Trespassing" sign on it blocks access to Trotter's farm.

Before the holes were filled in, they were measured not only by Constable Bruce but by several newsmen and UFO investigators. Harry Tokarz of the ~~Reptune~~ ^{CCQ} Reptune Research UFO organization in Toronto, also took soil, rock and vegetation samples for testing.

"When I dug into the bottom of the biggest hole with a trowel, the dirt came up glowing a phosphorescent green," Tokarz told The ENQUIRER. "Mr. Trotter ~~about~~ ^{and} some other people were with me at the time."

Asked by the glowing soil, Trotter said it was true.

"The ground was so rich down there that when he dipped it up and it hit the sun, it really hurt my eyes to look at it," said Trotter. "I never in my life heard of anything like that."

Some people suggested that the weather's freezing and thawing actions in the spring could have cause the earth to be moved in this manner, and others suggested lightning could have been the culprit.

Dr. John Westgate, a geologist on the faculty of the University of Toronto's Scarborough College campus and an authority on pleistocene geomorphology (roughly, the study of land changes in the ice ages), sees no natural explanation for it.

"If these were very clean cut shapes they'd be pretty regular, and that wouldn't be due to a frost action, which would be quite

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irregular," Dr. Westgate told The ENQUIRER.

"~~I~~^f doesn't sound like a naturally produced phenomenon to me. I really can't see how something like that, with triangular lumps of sod, could be moved around. I can't think of any natural process that would have done that."

The lightning theory was discounted by Dr. Frank C. Creed, a high-voltage engineer and lightning expert for the Canadian government's National ^eR~~s~~earch Council in Ottawa.

"When lightning strikes it is the equivalent of an explosion," Dr. Creed told The ENQUIRER. "I can't see it moving earth intact at all. It would shatter and scatter the dirt. It's literally an explosion ~~where~~^{it} it hit^s the ground."

"I actually watched a lightning ~~stroke~~^{strike} hit on a golf club green two years ago. I was about 40 feet from it and looking right at it when it hit--and it was like a mortar shell landing, the same kind of damage. The earth flew in all directions.

"There is no way I can see that the earth would remain intact after being hit by lightning."

Nor could construction equipment manufacturers provide a clue.

"I can't think of anything that would do that without leaving some kind of tread mark or track," said Bob Reincke, a spokesman for Fiat-Allis in Milwaukee.

"I talked with^d one of our engineers about it and^d he said he doesn't know of anything that would do that. The stuff we make is so big and heavy it would leave some kind of mark, particularly an excavation mark."^{///}

Jim Howley of International-Harvester in Chicago, said:

"I don't know of anything in our equipment line or in anybody else's that could do this without leaving some kind of tracks or teeth marks."

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Roy Wheeler, salesman for Case Equipment in Toronto, explained:

"If you get a piece of equipment that's going to do that, you're going to break up the dirt. Say, for example, you went in there with a crawler, rolled up the sod in a bucket and then went to another section and unrolled the sod out of the bucket, that would be impossible.

"There would be tracks all over the ground from the crawler and you could never do it without breaking up the sod in a few places, especially not with a piece 8 inches thick.

"If you had a crane, you'd still have to get down beside and underneath to lift it up, and there'd still be crane marks where the crane sat on the ground, or tracks somewhere in the area.

"And if you did it with a helicopter, you'd still have marks on the ground where you dug it up to loosen it and put something under the sod to pick it up with."

Tom Slocum, spokesman for the Caterpillar company in Georgia, Ill., said: "Most earth-moving equipment would gouge it out rather than cut it out."

The explanation favored by a number of area residents is that UFOs were ~~connected with~~ ^{responsible for} the holes in some way. Nothing unusual was seen or heard in connection with any of the three farms but UFOs have been reported seen in the area since last December 11.

It was on that night that Mrs. Pauline Dudgeon saw a brilliantly glowing object sitting on Route 12 about 1,000 feet north of her house. She and her husband Jack live in a two-story red brick ~~house~~ ^{farmhouse about} 2 miles south of Cooper.

"I'd just come home from night school and happened to look out the window--and the whole God-blessed thing up there was lit up," Mrs. Dudgeon told The INQUIRER.

"It was just a huge big thing sitting on the road and it was all lights. The lights seemed to be ungodly white bright except for this (MORE

big red one on top and it blinked off and on all the time.

"Jack was in ^{asleep}bed and my son Don and his wife live across the road. They don't have a phone but I didn't think to call anyone. I must have watched that thing for 10 minutes when suddenly all the lights went out.

"I said to myself, 'I don't know what it is, for God's sake.' I went over and put a couple of pieces of bread in the toaster and then looked out the window again--and the lights came back on!

"This time I thought, 'By God, that's an accident sure as the deuce. There must be police cars, ^Cruisers, ambulances and all.' So I ran out of the house and right around to the northwest corner--and when I did I thought my face was going to freeze into a mask.

"It's pretty cold in December but the air on the south side of the house wasn't anywhere near as cold as this. This was deathly freezing--and those lights! In about 5 seconds I got the hell out of there, for I thought I was going to go blind. I never did see the thing take off."

A few days later her eyes began bothering her. "When I'd go to bed at night it seemed a million lights were dancing in my mind. I put up with that for about 2 weeks and I just couldn't take it any more.

"I went to a doctor and he gave me eyedrops and some medication, but that didn't help. So he sent me to another doctor in Belleville, who gave me every kind of checkup but couldn't find anything wrong. He told me it was like I'd been looking at a ^blowtorch, and that it would probably clear up in a month or so.

"It finally did but I had some terrible headaches before then. I hope I never see another one of those things."

A month later, about dusk at 6:30 p.m. on January 9, Frank and Barbara Bringle had an almost identical experience at almost the same spot

"We saw what looked like a child's top that had been stolen."

~~50~~, 51, Pringle told this reporter at the Pringle home a mile west of Cooper.

"In other words, a large saucer turned upside down and a similar saucer underneath it, with a dome and a red light on it.

"Barbara and I were just coming home from Belleville, where we both work, and she first noticed it when we were about half a mile south of the Dudgeon farm on Route 12.

"She was driving and she had seen this very bright light. As we drove by the Dudgeons' house and got about 2,000 feet beyond, we saw it very clearly and stopped.

"This thing was about 1,000 feet east of the road and about 200 feet above the ground. It was completely still and it had lights all the way around it. They were shining^N down toward the ground at what appeared to be a 45-degree angle, and the lights appeared to be recessed. They were shining out like a funnel and lit up the ground.

"You couldn't look at them. They were the brightest lights I ever saw in my life. I had rolled the window down and stuck my head and shoulders outside so I could see better."

Barbara interjected: "I was scared and I wanted to go."

Frank continued: "But I wanted to hear if there was any motor noise and I said, 'Let's wait and see if it moves.' That night was just as still--not a sound anywhere, and there wasn't any sound from this thing either.

"After 4 or 5 minutes, those lights suddenly went out and it started to move--and when it started to move it went directly south over the Dudgeons' house and barn.

"It was gone just like that," Pringle said, snapping his fingers. "The only noise I heard was just like a vacuum cleaner making a sucking sound--and it was out of sight!

"I don't know if the lights came back on or not, it moved so fast. The only thing I noticed was that red light until it was out of sight."

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He said the object appeared to be about 25 feet wide and 15 feet high.

The object also was seen by Mrs. Dudgeon's daughter-in-law, Fran Dudgeon, and grandson Brian, 7.

"I didn't believe Brian at first when he said, 'Come here, Mammie, there's a bunch of lights in the sky,'" said Fran Dudgeon. She and her husband Don live across the road from Jack and Pauline Dudgeon.

"But he made me come and sure enough there was this great big round thing all covered with lights moving straight across the sky. Don was milking cows in the barn across the road and I wanted to get him to see it but it was gone so quick.

"We told people around here about it but nobody thought much about it until this thing happened up at Trotter's farm, and then things sort of got out of hand."

A number of people living on the Cooper-Queensborough road less than 2 miles east of the Dudgeon farm have seen or heard things or found mysterious marks in the fields.

Karen and Bill Holmes say they have seen strange lights five times since December, the first time the same night Mrs. Pauline Dudgeon had her experience.

"It was a Thursday evening around 11 when we were getting ready to go to bed when we spotted a very bright, pulsating light through the window," Karen Holmes, 27, told ^dThe INQUIRER.

"It was traveling so slowly, that's what caught our attention. We watched it for 5 minutes or so before it went out of sight. We found out later Mrs. Dudgeon saw something that same night."

Similar sightings were made by the Holmeses in January and March. Then on June 4, they saw something different, Mrs. Holmes said.

"This was the best one we've ever seen," said Karen. "I ^hheard this hip-crwall singing as loudly as it could, and I hadn't heard a whipeer-

will since I was young and at home. So I turned the TV down and went to the window to listen, and while I was there I saw a light behind the trees in the field across the road to the west of us.

"At first I thought it was the moon--but the moon was up in the sky in the same area here I was looking. I called Bill and we watched this light for a minute and it began to rise above the treeline.

"The light was a brilliant red, the first red one we've seen, and except it went in the opposite direction. This one went it followed the same course as the other ones, ~~going~~ south and around to the east side of the house before disappearing beyond the trees."

The fifth sighting occurred on June 12, the same night a number of UFO sightings were reported in the Newburgh-Napanee area 40 miles ~~away~~ to the southeast.

"We had just gotten home and were going to bed around 1 a.m.," said Karen. "took A ^{saw} As usual, I ~~looked~~ around--and/a bright, slowly pulsating light off in the direction of the Dudgeons' house. It moved slowly around until it went out of sight."

Earlier that same evening, Bob and Ona Gordon--who live just half a mile south of the Holmeses--heard a strange ^{of} sound coming from the back end of their property, in the direction of the Dudgeon farm.

"We had just gone to bed shortly after 11 when I heard this sound," Mrs. Gordon told The ENQUIRER. "I went to the window and stood there listening. It was just a beeping sound.

"My husband had dozed off but he woke up and asked me what I was doing. I asked, 'Do you hear that beeping sound?' He did.

"I don't know how to describe the sound. Once we watched a TV program about Martians with little antennas and everything, and this beeping was like that.

"The sound got fainter at times and then stronger, as if it was slowly moving around out there west of us. I ~~kept~~ watching because people had been seeing things around here, but I never saw anything. MORE

"I got cold and finally went back to bed. It was still beeping when I fell asleep."

On the adjacent farm directly south of the Gordons live Bernard and Beulah Barry and their son, Garry. A number of strange markings have been found in several of their fields.

"We have this horseshoe-shaped ring maybe 15 feet across that is very dark green, much greener than the surrounding vegetation, which we found in May," said Beulah Barry.

"Then we found this big ring in June."

- about 100 feet away from the horseshoe -
The big ring is nearly 40 feet in diameter and, like the horseshoe,

it has short grass but is much darker than surrounding vegetation. Nearly the big ring
are a number of very dark green arcs 5 to 8 yards long.

In addition, more than 200 dark green spots 20 to 24 inches in diameter have been discovered.

"We don't know what caused them or how they got there," said Mrs. Barry. "It sort of got to us for a while. It doesn't frighten us but I am curious. I'd like to know what it is."

"My son and I have both heard that beeping sound, too. One night before that mob of people showed up, I heard something going beep-beep-beep off to the west of us. It sounded to be way back of the farm."

Clayton Whiteman, one of the three farmers who found strange holes on his land, also discovered some peculiar marks in an oat field on the farm located across the road from the Bill and Karen Holmes house. *Cooper - Queensborough*

"This was around the first of ~~late~~ June," Whiteman said. "I was surveying the field for the man who rents it when I came across these petal-shaped scorched-looking areas."

"They were tear-drop shaped and about the size of a car. The grain in them had grown to 4 or 6 inches and then just went yellowish and

shriveled up while all the oats around were tall and green. It was as if a terrific heat had curled them up.

"These ~~are~~ two patches were close together but were separated by a green patch 4 feet or so wide.

"This was in a field across the road from Bill and Karen Holmes, about 300 to 400 yards into the field. It did look strange. I got out of the tractor and walked all around it."

Ron Hiuser, news editor of the Madoc Review, said he has been told a number of other people have seen UFOs but because of the publicity surrounding the Dudgeon and Trotter cases most people refuse to talk about them now.

"These are very conservative[✓] people," said Hiuser, "and they're beginning to resent all the strangers coming in."

Robin Chase, a reporter for the Belleville Intelligencer, who has investigated a number of UFO sightings in the area, said:

"All of these people in the Cooper area are upstanding citizens who are not highly imaginative. We checked out their credibility with the police and businessmen, and they are basic, down-to-earth people who are highly reliable."

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Ron Hiuser, editor of Madoc Review, Madoc, Ontario, Canada, told the ENQUIRER: "I have been running stories about a rash of UFO sightings since May 26, 76. There have been many UFO ~~sightings~~ sightings in this area for about 10 years. But untill now they have all been visual accounts. Now we have concreat evidence that something strange is going on here.

"Now farmers are finding triangular shaped holes in the ground and burn marks -- along with visual sightings.

"These have been investigated by the police and an independent UFO investigation organization. Electro-magnetic, and radiation readings have been taken along with soil samples.

"Reptune Research from Toronto has been doing the research. They have been here twice. ~~XX~~ P.O. Box 133 Westhill, Ontario (a suburb of Toronto) -- (416) 284-0247.

"We have been running stories about reported sightings and wil be glad to make clips available to you.

"The people in this area are very conservative. One man, Reg Trotter (ten miles of Cooper - farm) ~~is not the type to make this up~~ had landing on one of his fields. ?

"There have been sightings of UFO hovering in mid air and taking off at phenominal speeds. ?

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Holes in ground on Trodger (so⁷) farm was triangular in shape. two @ 5' X 5', and a third 7' X 7' X 10'. Sod was intact and each triangle of sod was located about 21' from the holes. Placed in exactly the same triangular shape.

Harry ~~K~~^Tokarz, from Reptune, chief researcher,
said, "We went up to Reg Trotter's farm. We found three
craters in the ground in a triangular configuration. @
~~10' X 5' X 5'~~ 10' X 5' X 5' / 3' X 5' X 5' / ditto.

The distances between the depressions A, B, C -- A to B (clockwise
A at top) was $19\frac{1}{2}$ feet, B to C was $26\frac{1}{2}$ ', C to A was $30\frac{1}{2}$ '.

If we assume that we are talking about a spherical craft we have
something on the order of 75 feet in diameter minimum.

"These craters were left from uprooted soil to a
depth of 8". The soil from all depressions was neatly places
about 20 feet away. The ammount of intact soil - the same configuratin
as the holes, would weigh near 1,500 to 2,000 pounds.

? (If you could have lifted any one of these divots you could have neatly
placed it back into its hole.

? ("magnetic anamalies -- the compass registered
a 5 degree deflection at one particular hole.

("The rocks at the bottom of the holes showed
definite sighns of scratch marks and abrasions -- they look as
though something hard come across them.

"We didn't check for radiation because the area is
rich in uranium, magnetite, gold, flouride, lead, arsnic --
wealthy area for minerals.

"Last Sunday we found definite rings - circular,
and fresh - from a diameter ~~38'9"~~ 38'9" to 25' in diameter.

Width of ring itself
Rings of lush vegetation. Ring is about 3" in diameter 

Vegetation is extremely green and healthy - much more so than
surrounding vegetation. Areas of accelerated growth.

? (("UFOs sighted in immediate area of rings -- rings
found later -- 15 eye-witness accounts of sightings.

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(~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ five rings found in 50 acres farm. of bird

"found many spherical areas where the grass is different color - lush and rich -- stopped counting at over 200 -- possibly beam probes striking ground.

? ("Light beam probes have been reported in area.

"At trotter farm we dug down to about 4 or 5 inches.

? The soil actually glowes phosphorescent green. Trotter says he never had seen anything like this before -- he has been working farm all his life.

"In fall wheat farm we found several depressions in burnt areas around the farm about 17' in diameter. In the middle the wheat was still growing.

"On the Trotter farm we found scorched vegetation -- scorched on one side only. ?

? "No visuals on Trotter farm -- it is large -- but at Twiller (sp?) lake behind farm lights have been seen over lake for last few months. But not sure if UFO.

"Dudgen farm -- county highway 12. six witnesses to two spectacular sightings -- Dec. 11 at about 9:30 P.M. saucer on highway. face num -- air oppressive. ?

next day went to hospital - eye trouble for three weeks

"three weeks another sighting in clearing of field due north - hovering over ground - seen by many. Took exit path over house - over two barns and took off at high rate of speed.

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> "Holmes had five sightings in five days at 11:00
P.M. ist three last two around 1:00A.M.

"He now has camera may have six.

"Six or seven farms have physical evidence.

"recent sightings.

? "Holmes sighting coupled with physical evidence.
burnt rings

To: John Cathcart

6/15/76

From: Patrick Edwards

Subject: UFO sighting affects eyes - Madoc, Canada: #329142-T

Mrs. Pauline Dudgeon, Cooper, Ontario, Canada,
says:

"I had just come back from my night school class when I looked out my window. ^{*It was 9:45 @ Dec. 11, 1975*} ~~There were flashing lights on~~ the road near my house. I thought it was an accident and the police were there. Then I took a closer look and realized something was strange.

"Down the road about 1,000 feet from my house on a farm in the country was a UFO. ^{*flashing*} The ~~lights~~ were dazzling.

"It was as long as two cars and about four to five feet high. The lights around its edge were bright as any I have ever seen. There was a red light on top.

"I watched it ~~from~~ for about 10 minutes from inside the house -- then the light ^{*s*} went off.

"I went outside for a better look. Then I realized how cold it had suddenly ^{*was*} ~~getten~~. It had been ^{*a*} ~~sweltering~~ day and now it was bitterly cold, very unusual, very strange, even for Canada.

"After a few minutes the lights went on again -- blinking and flashing.

"They were so bright I went back inside. When I looked out again it was gone.

"I wasn't afraid but it was all extremely strange.

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"After the UFO left my eyes were still seeing flashing lights. I thought it would go away but it didn't. I could still see things but they were blurred. It wasn't so bad during daytime but got worse⁸ at night.

"After two weeks I went to see Dr. Dosaj.

What type of Doc?

"I didn't think to call the police.

"My son and I went up the road the next day to the spot where it landed. There were no marks on the road.

"Soon all the neighbours around were talking about seeing something similar the same night.

"Barbra and Frank Pringle, Donny Dudgeon and his wife, seven people in all. A Mr. Holmes up the road said he saw it floating in the air and then land near his house a short time before I saw it.

"There have been other sightings here since then. The police investigated them and burn marks and depressions found in the fields of several farmers, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ four farms near Cooper and one near Queensborough. Someone took soil samples from holes and burn marks in the fields where they landed. I don't know who, but the police could tell you."

Doctor Dasaj says, "Pauline is old enough that if she had seen bright enough light to damage her vision it probably wouldn't show up in a physical exam. I referred her to Dr. R.K. Patterson in Bellville, Ontario. ~~XX~~ Her problems with her vision persisted for a while and went away gradually just as if she had been looking at the light from a welding torch."

Local paper is North Hastings Review.

Contact Barbra Pringle at 8:30 P.M.

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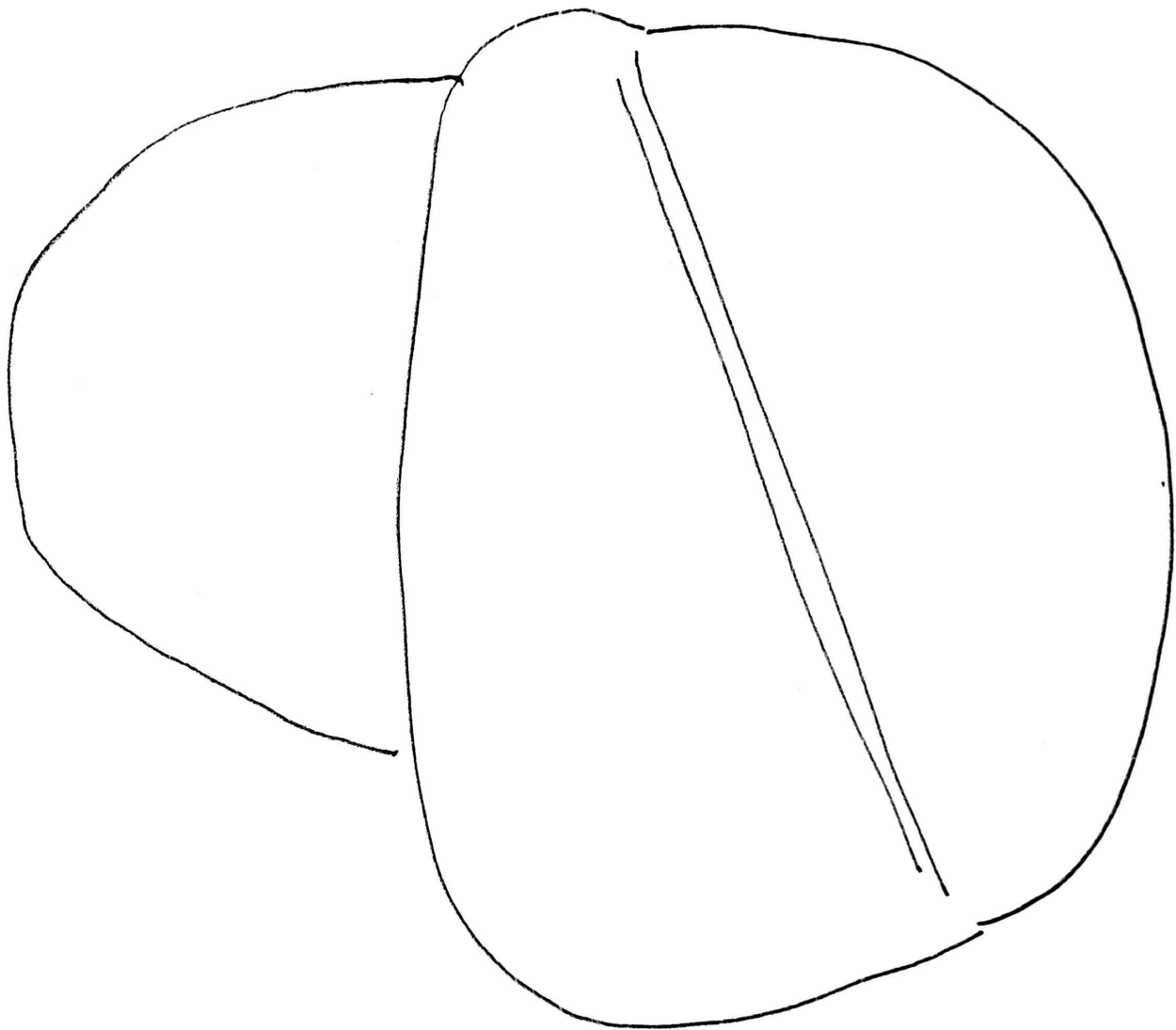
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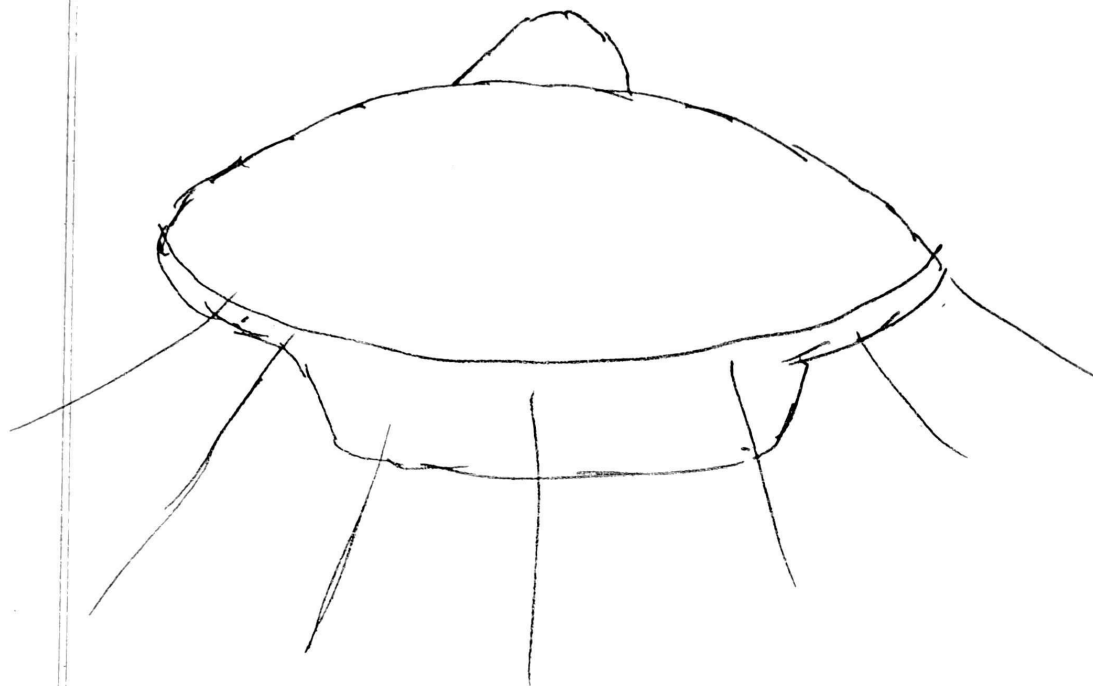


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is an indication "we have become too permissive." They should say the premier in an interview following a meeting sponsored by Belleville Kiwanis Club.

At least one Canadian television network, said the

then it is going to have some effect," said the premier.

age doesn't make alcohol less accessible," said Mr. Davis.

Strange Occurrences Noted As Far Away as Bancroft

By ROBIN CHASE
Staff Reporter

BANCROFT — While most of the recent alleged unidentified flying object (UFO) phenomena discoveries in the Quinte area have been centred around the hamlet of Cooper, located about 35 miles south of here, The Intelligencer has learned of a May 23 sighting by a Bancroft area family.

Andre Freymond of RR 1, Bancroft said Friday his family was driving home east-bound on the Maxwell Settlement Rd. just northeast of here at about 9:45 p.m. when they saw a light land, they believe, among trees in the area of a hill near their resi-

dence just north of Grace Lake.

Mr. Freymond said they slowed at an intersection and saw the unknown light losing altitude. "It was coming straight down."

He said when the light, "as red as the tail lights of a car," was first spotted, it seemed to be about 80 feet above the treetops.

Mr. Freymond said he, his wife and four children aged 3-16, were about one-half mile from the site and "it appeared to be real close."

Although he could not discern any structure, he said the light was the shape and size of a 45-gallon oil drum

placed on its end. It was a steady light which vanished as it hit the treetops, he added, and seemed to decelerate. "I'm sure it wasn't a plane or a helicopter," he commented. "It was a far bigger light than that of a plane's or a helicopter's."

Mr. Freymond said he also noticed a smaller, bright, steady light trailing the first. ("I think it was on the same object"), which disappeared as both lights neared the trees.

He said he never visited the area afterwards "I was thinking of trying to find a road, but there wasn't any."

He eventually reported the sighting to Ontario Provincial Police here at 10:45 p.m. but only after observing another strange occurrence in the same direction at 10:15.

Mr. Freymond related that after they reached home, he was watching for a possible re-appearance of the first light when a small one rose above the tree-lined horizon at an unknown distance.

He said that after about 20 minutes, "it just got fainter and all of a sudden, it was gone. I would say it went away from me," in a south-east direction which, on a map would be towards the Lingham Lake area near Cooper. He described it as a large star, predominantly orange in color and its motion as "jerky".

In neither occurrence did he hear any sound, he said.

Mr. Freymond is a Bancroft area native and his family have lived for 17 years at their current residence. He said he had seen nothing like the lights before.

Study Centre to Check Marks in Farm Field

Reptune Research, a Toronto-based unidentified flying object (UFO) study centre, will return to the Madoc area Sunday to investigate soil disturbances on a farm in the Queensboro area, about eight miles northeast of Madoc.

Beulah Barry, whose farm is located about two miles north of Queensboro, told The Intelligencer this week she has found "markings on the surface" of a large field about 20 yards apart and about 25 yards from farm buildings.

Mrs. Barry said she noticed a mark in the shape of a horseshoe about three weeks ago, inside of which the soil is of a different texture than

that of soil around the disturbance.

Last Saturday evening, a strange circular mark was found near the first which "looks like you used a cup upside-down and gave the cup a turn," Mrs. Barry related.

But that same evening, she made a more startling discovery — scattered over about five acres of hayfield in the area are many unexplained marks of a substance unknown to her, she said.

"There's blotches all through that meadow and they're round, they're solid," Mrs. Barry noted. She estimated the diameter of each blotch at from 1½ - 2 feet.



Sinking Holes

Lower Trent Region Conservation Authority workman Dick Richards guides drill Friday, as he digs holes for posts for a fence to delineate a parking lot at the Proctor Conservation Area in Brighton. The approximate 75-acre area will be officially opened June 26.

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Dudley Hillier, Barbara Murray, a court school to be started help Centennial students problems are unable

Centennial Approach

By RON CARSON
Staff Reporter

Centennial Secondary School is launching its own native school next September with a different twist — it try to help the student is academically inclined due to social problems unable to achieve.

The project's co-ordinator Dudley Hillier, vice-principal at Centennial and the project teacher, Barbara Murray with representatives various social and community services this week in an effort to gain their support.

During an interview, Hillier said "the emphasis the program will be on development of social and academic skills with credit structure and a flexible schedule." Initially the project will enrol six students between the ages of 14 and from Centennial Secondary School. Mr. Hillier said project could handle up to students.

Unlike many of the alternative schools in the Centennial's will draw basically good students

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(CP) - A blood test for cancer
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orbit Ends

(CP) - "The United Nations
 ended Friday with high sound-
 iere also were bitter expressions
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 ber.
 Karen Holmes of RR 2, Madoc
 said in an interview this week
 she, her husband William and
 five-year-old daughter, Kathy,
 observed a UFO airborne near
 their residence June 4 on the
 Cooper-Queensboro Rd., about 10
 miles northeast of Madoc.

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 spoke further on the subject
 with CJOH again Friday.
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 boro area located about 10 miles
 northeast of Madoc.

Dr. Barton said the beings will
 land to assist development of
 world-wide understanding and
 harmony.
 She added that open-minded
 and positive attitudes, rather
 than hostile or frantic reactions,

tion of membership
 Mr. Dieffenbaker said that
 with what happened here in
 the city of Vancouver in the last
 few days, unless there is reform
 of the United Nations—and
 there is no hope of that in my
 opinion—that institution without
 which civilization could not sur-
 vive, will not continue."

UFO Sightings in Area Total 6 Since December

light cleared the tree tops and
 Mrs. Holmes described it as
 being of a medium shade of red,
 at a low altitude and proceeding
 northeasterly towards the lake.
 "As soon as this thing came
 into view, we ran out to listen,"
 she said. "I couldn't see a
 structural shape, but the light
 was shaped like a top."

Mrs. Holmes related that when
 the light was over the trees,
 all insects, bird and other animal
 life sounds, which had been
 noisily apparent, abruptly ceas-
 ed and the air was still. The
 event occurred at dusk, not
 quite time enough for stars to
 appear.
 She said no sound could be
 detected from the light which
 was of a steady brilliance when
 close and seemed to pulsate the
 further it flew away.
 She added she could not tell
 if it began pulsating deliberately
 or if the pulse was due to an
 optical effect caused by increas-
 ing distance. The light was in
 sight for about eight minutes.

Mrs. Holmes said a bright
 steady light was observed a few
 weeks later at night at a lower
 altitude with no sound.
 And on a "Thursday night
 something in January at the
 same hour, she, her husband
 and daughter observed an
 "identical" light under "identical"
 circumstances but it was detected
 in the opposite direction towards
 the lake area, she said.
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 steady light was observed a few
 weeks later at night at a lower
 altitude with no sound.

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 on this planet.
 Roger Levelle, an NIAM
 member, told The Intelligencer
 in an interview this week, "When
 she (Barton) is coming herself
 on and how she got this inter-
 mation, I don't know."
 Mr. Levelle said he has been
 unable to speak with Dr. Barton
 by telephone to discuss the pre-
 diction and would only have
 been able to do so if he had been
 able to get into the city.

ment, that was the message
 and got
 He explained NIAM only a
 investigates the spiritual as-
 pects of UFO phenomena and
 added NIAM has now moved into
 the Madoc area recently.
 "We're not into investigating
 UFO things, we're concerned
 with the psyche and person-



facts on the credibility of
 Dr. Barton and NIAM
 Dr. Barton and NIAM
 Dr. Barton refused to
 comment.
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 recently in Toronto, which
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World to Change Sunday, Aliens Here to Help Claim

Belleville Ensigns - Local 597 -
 Wheelchair Friday to 14-year-old Greg Shu-
 the disease Muscular Dystrophy. Above, B
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First Battery

From Glowing Object

Mrs. Dudgeon neither heard nor saw the object arrive or leave and during the 20 minutes she had it under observation, it did not produce any noise. She was unable to discern any physical features of the object due to the bright light which was powerful enough to shine on her.

Immediately afterwards, she noticed an impression of the light remained, distorting her vision and causing her to continually blink and wipe her eyes. Mrs. Dudgeon was eventually referred to a Belleville eye specialist who told her the trouble was similar to that caused when someone has been life.

Mrs. Dudgeon and her husband, Jack, have been area farmers for the past 20 years and are life residents of the Madox area. She said she has never seen anything like the object in her life.

Woman Suffers Eye Damage

BY ROBIN CHASE

Staff Reporter

COOPER -- A R R. 3. Madox

Madox, located about 10 miles north of Madox, Indiana Dudgeon related the following account of a December experience in a telephone interview with The Intelligence Tuesday. At about 9:30 p.m., she was attracted to her window by a bright light and observed a large object covering the width of the object when the bright light emanating from around its exterior bothered her eyes and forced her back into her house.

of County Rd. 12 She assumed at first a traffic accident had occurred due to a red light on the top of the object.

Mrs. Dudgeon went outside and was well within 1,000 feet of the object when the bright light emanating from around its exterior bothered her eyes and forced her back into her house.

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It was cold that evening but she felt a sensation inconsistent with the temperature. "You felt as if your face would freeze," she commented.

Canvassers to seek arena pledges

For the next two weeks, canvassers will be asking for donations and pledges for the new Community Centre.

The canvass was officially started Tuesday, June 8, at a special gathering of the canvassers held in the Orange Hall, here.

About 50 people from the village, Huntingdon and Madoc Townships, attended the dinner and canvass instruction meeting.

Bob Henderson, chairman of the drive and, there were two things which were to be done at the meeting, an understanding of the project and to distribute the official canvasser's kit.

At the head table, Mr. Henderson held up a trophy which he said was the symbol of the impossible dream. The trophy, which was made by a student of Centre Hastings Secondary School, had a hockey puck mounted on wood.

Mr. Henderson said that less than three months ago the final outcome of the old arena became known, but it is hoped to have a new community centre opened in less than a year since the padlock was placed on the old one.

"There is a great deal of work to be done," he said, but there is co-operation.

He said that the new centre will be individually designed and will meet the needs of this community for the next 40 years.

"We need now, commitments from a large number of people. Tell a story of accomplishment," Mr. Henderson told the canvassers.

The new centre will provide, he explained, facilities for hockey, figure skating, recreational skating, and curling during the winter. While in the summer, the centre will be used for lacrosse, roller skating and indoor tennis.

The centre will not only provide a place to hold sports or recreational events. It will be a major exhibition centre for the Fair and other community groups," he said. The centre will also serve for conferences, workshops, conventions as well as for variety shows and public meetings.

Mr. Henderson told the canvassers to ask for commitments and pledges.

To start the ball rolling, Mr. Henderson presented a cheque to the treasurer for the

driver Joe Ash, Madoc village councillor. Mr. Henderson pledged a cheque of the same amount every three months until the community centre is built.

After Mr. Henderson spoke, George Wood, reeve of Huntingdon Township, voiced confidence in the project saying, "I'm sure it's going to go ahead."

Assurance for the project also came from Cecil Woods of Madoc Township, and T.C. Barton, reeve of the Village of Madoc.

Mr. Barton also mentioned that he is sure the drive will be receiving a grant of \$5,000 from the county. He said, the grant may not be in the county's budget for this year, but two other communities received a

\$5,000 grant, and the Madoc District Community Centre will also.

Mr. Henderson said the contractor has quoted a price of \$577,720 which will not be exceeded. The money will be raised from government grants which hinge upon the amount of money raised from donations. If the drive can obtain \$133,750, the balance

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Kicking-off the New Community Centre Drive were [l-r] Reeve T. C. Barton, Cecil Woods, Madoc Township, Ray Robinson,

secretary, Bob Henderson, chairman, George Wood, reeve of Huntingdon Township, and Joe Ash, Madoc village

councillor. The men are holding the trophy which Mr. Henderson called the symbol of the Impossible Dream.

Another location possible UFO's

There has been another location of what some people claim to be traces left by unidentified flying objects.

In Queensboro there have been three marks left in three fields, discovered last week on the farm of Beulah Barry.

The marks, horseshoe in shape, left a distinct depression on the grass.

One of the marks has been there since last year, noted Mr. Barry. He said he saw the mark during the harvest but did not think much of it at the time. "I thought it might

be grubs but they don't leave marks like that," he said.

When Mr. Barry went back to that area earlier this year, he noticed that the vegetation was not growing again. "I don't know what caused it."

A second horseshoe-shaped mark was also found in an isolated part of another field. Again the grass has not grown in that area.

Not far from his house, two marks, a circular shaped and a horseshoe shaped

mark was discovered.

"It looks like you used a cup upside-down and gave the cup a turn," said Mrs. Barry. Mr. Barry said he has not heard any noise. "When I sleep, a person could drive up, blow his car horn and I still would be sleeping."

Another unique trace is the finding of blotches on the grass. The grass in the different locations are darker than the rest of the field. The blotches are circular and have an estimated diameter of two feet.



Practicing before the show at the Madoc Township Public School were Ann McKinnon and Shelly Donaldson as the

robbers, Cindy Robinson and Mary Jane Ramsey as the good guys, Lorraine Murphey as the waitress, Sherry Gordon

as the rich lady, Rhonda Alexander as the bartender, and Susy Nalls in the part of the banker. [Review Photo]

Show time at Madoc Public School

It was show time at the Madoc Township Public School, June 10 for a large group of students.

Approximately 50 people attended the special presentation of the school's Drama Night.

Under the direction of Wendy Molyneux and Nana Walther, students performed the operetta, Round-up On The Moon, and different sketches which were written by the students in the Theatre Arts Class. There were between 40 to 50 students taking part, said Mrs. Molyneux.

The students have been working "very enthusiastically" on the project since the March school break, she said.

The Theatre Arts class is part of the normal academic program where as the music class is extra to the subjects, said Mrs. Molyneux.

"We received the co-operation of the whole school to put on these plays," she said.

A silver collection was taken with all the proceeds going to the pupil fund of the school.