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UFO OVER LIER IN THE YEAR 1956

She that once has had the strange and frightening experience seeing an UFO formed like a great flying saucer, not similiar to anything one knows on earth, thinks it was very irritating to hear Erik Tandberg Thursday on the evening news commenting on the Australian UFO film. He rather explained that all such sightings could be traced back to natural and technical causes. We felt that we, having seen an UFO being formed quite spesially, shall be mistrusted.

That is what Liv Andreassen from Drammen says to Deammens Tidende, Buskeruds Blad. She is, in fact, one of them having seen an "unidentified flying object", having such a form and sound that we think it difficult to find any natural, technical explanation on the phenomenon. She therefore was irritated hearing that Tandberg in a way brushed aside such sightings as being unlikely. Liv Andreassen thinks that all, having had such such experiences, are entitled not to be mistrusted. And her reaction on Tandberg's commentaries on Thursday has led to that she now, 22 years afterwards, is interested to get in touch with the man in Lier, who probably observed the same UFO as herself.

MISTRUSTED UNTIL THE STORY WAS PUBLISHED IN DT-BB.

Liv Andreassen was only 11 years old when she in the year 1956 saw the strange object hovering through the air at Nedre Eik in Skoger. When she afterwards told her parents and other people what she had seen, they would not believe her. Many thought that the ten-year-old girl had a lively imagination, and she was told that such things only existed in the the comic strips. But some days later people in Skoger had to change their minds: Then they could read in DT-BB about a man in Lier having seen the same object as the girl in Skoger. Liv Andreassen's experience is so stuck to her memory that she can retell the story as had it happened to her the day before.

And here is her story:
"I was playing in the courtyard where we lived. Then I suddenly heard a strange, almost singing sound. I turned after the sound to see what it could be. Then I observed a great, round object with a kind of a cupola both over and under the object, such as you imagine flying saucers look like. On the upper cupola there was a narrow stripe or band with black panels. The whole object was coloured silvery grey and it moved slowly in the direction of Lier. It also rotated, but I am not sure whether the whole object or only a part of it did", she says.

NOT ANY INSECT.

That what I saw was at any rate not an insect seen through a photo-objective such as suggested by Tandberg on TV. The experience and so the fact that I afterwards was mistrusted by grown-up people, made such an impression on me that I had nightmare", L.A. says.

Naturally, the experience has led to that she later has been interested in hearing other people tell about similiar things without being believed either. As when people ask to be anonymous when they stand up and tell about strange sightings on the sky, as they are afraid of being ridiculed. "But why should these people have interest in lying or raving?" Liv Andreassen asks. She herself willingly wants to stand up, telling her name in full, although she is not very fond of publicity.

"But what I saw, I saw, and I stand by with that", she says, and she hopes that the man in Lier, seing nearly the same thing in the summer 1956, will, if he is still alive and read this, come forward. Liv Andreassen saw the object that time in broad daylight. But since she only was a child when he wrote about her experience, she never got into touch with him. Now she would like to hear his version of the sighting of the mystical object - the unidentifical flying thing which scarcely could have been neither a meteor or a burnt-out satelite. The Lier-man in question is hereby called on to re-

port to the editorial office of DT - BB.

Drammens Tidende -
Buskerud Blad
04.01.1979.

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"MANY THINGS ARE GOING ON AT RANDSFJORDEN"

Earlier many strange things happened in the districts along Randsfjorden. Last year a water pillar, two meters high, rose outside the ferry in Nordre Brannbu. At the same time a married couple, driving on the road from Søndre Land, discovered at the same place a black "island", 7-9 meters long. There are now reports from people having seen orange and red-coloured objects along the fjord. This time the orange and red-coloured circles were seen in Gjøvik.

These comments are taken from Oppland Arbeiderblad, January 2 1981

Here we bring a brief survey regarding the strange thing in question:

MARRIED COUPLE AT TREVATN OBSERVED SHINING GLOBE

Part of observation range with many witnesses.

Place : Søndre Land
Date : 18.12.1980
Time : 08.00 and 08.30

"We woke when the bedroom was fully lit up as if someone had turned on the lights in the room. Perhaps the light was much sharper. We became very upset because of the sharp light and we thought someone was standing outside with a searchlight directed towards us. But our bedroom is on the first floor. Looking through the window we saw a great globe shining with a strong, white light. The object disappeared in north-north-easterly direction. Immediately afterwards three smaller objects, the size of a star, emerged. They flew in a sort of a formation. We also saw that a steel-grey cloud was left on the sky."

Johanne and Harald Warpestuen told this to the newspaper. They live close at the road going from Søndre Land to Trevatn, wich is situated up on the hill.

The time of the observation was 02.45 a.m. on December 11, 1980. They also observed a shining object at 06.45 o'clock on December 13.

At the first observation they heard a sound like this from bees outside the hive, or perhaps it was more like the song from light- and telephone-wires heard in the winter before colder weather is expected.

"We were upset", Johanne says. "You hear so many strange things nowadays". She tells that they have had such observations several times, for instance in the winter last year when they observed a sharp, red light. It was starlit during the observation. The light-ball went very low, and the beams from it lit up and made it clearer than in daylight, they tell.

The witnesses, some pupils, tell:

"We woke when the bedroom was lit up as if someone had switched on the light, but this light was sharper. When we looked out of the window, we saw a great globe moving north-eastward. On the sky there was a steel-gray cloud, the only one we could see.

We became a bit uneasy as we observed an intense shining, red circle, 5 x 6 meters in diameter, and at least one and a half meter heigh. The circle rushed around us three times before it disappeared. We felt an intense warmth through the clothes".

"I suddenly became aware of a sharp limited circle of 70 meters in diameter. The light came from above and had a strong, orange colour. I felt a fine warmth as if it was spring".

The first of these incidents occurred in the night of December 1980, this time also on a Thursday.

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MYSTICAL LIGHT OVER BREISKALLEN

A man, resident on Breiskallen, tells that he at 17.30 a.m. the same day (18.12.81) observed two violently red lights on the sky, which partly was covered with clouds. At first he thought it was connected with the northern lights, but the two strange red blazes he found curious.

AND ALSO OVER SNERTINGDAL

A woman from Selvik being on a week-end-trip to a cottage in Midtre Snertingdal, tells: "We were two couples and in the evening our friends from

Oslo went back to their own cottage. On their way they got sight of a blue and bluish-green light over Tranafeltet and on the southern sky. I went to bed, but woke up at halv past twelve in the night by a strong, greyish-blue light which lit up the whole cottage. First I thought it was the moon, but got out of bed and went to the window. Over the forest at Tranafeltet I saw a huge shining object, formed like a star. Suddenly the light turned and became oblong. At the same time it began sparkling out of the light bunch, both over and under it. After a while the light crackled and gathered to a kind of an axis and turned into a cross. So it was gone, came back, and vanished again. It was in motion horizontally and vertically the whole time. When the time was 02.30 it was entirely gone."

(Oppland Arbeiderblad, 03.01.81)

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Henry Nilsen, resident between Randsfjorden and the highroad 35, south of Hov, tells:

"I found myself in the middle of a sharp, orange-coloured circle. It was 70 meters in diameter. The light source came from above and in north-easterly direction. All things around me became orange-coloured, and the edges of the circle were sharply limited. It became warm and fine, like being in the spring, and I found pleasure in that. Suddenly the light disappeared and it was hazy and grey. The light was very strong. In the air there was no drone or whistling to be heard."

This occurred on December 18 1980 at 08.30 o'clock in the morning or perhaps a bit earlier. The witness, about 40 years old, was this morning outside sanding the road.

(Oppland Arbeiderblad, 02.01.81)

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ØSTBYHØGDA

Place : Østbyhøgda
Date : 18.12.1980
Witness : Leif Aashaug, Gjøvik

He tells:

"I was inside our hothouse on Østbyhøgda when I cought sight of a strong light through one of the plastic walls. I went out and at once I saw an object shining strongly white on the sky. It came from the north and went very slowly. I could look at it for more than two minutes. I have seen fireballs and I know what that are, but I am quite sure this was something totally different. The object looked like a helicopter-house with windows. All was lit up and I could distinctly see something reminding me of window posts. Behind the windows it also was possible to see something moving. The object had a tail which was a bit darker, and had a small bend at the end. Under the tail we could see something like a red warmth coming out. It came by fits and starts and was not smoke. Besides, the object had three legs. I thought I felt a faint warmth when the object passed by. The UFO came from the north-east and disappeared towards Hadeland/Hurdal. It has not flewn particularly high, I think."

(Oppland Arbeiderblad, 06.01.81)

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Place : Bus stop at highway 35 at Nymoen boarding house in Holmen.
Date : 18.12.80
Time : 08.030 o'clock
Witnesses: Three pupils, 13-14 years old.

"We were on our way to school when suddenly it was lit up around us in a circle, at first faint and so stronger and stronger. At last the light, wich was orange, turned into white and disappeared. No sound was to be heard."

(Oppland Arbeiderblad, 02.01.81)

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VARDALSÅSEN

At 08.00-08.30 o'clock there was also reported a shining object at Verdalsåsen. Driving school teacher Per Otto Strandlien from Fluberg came driving in his car on his way home to Gjøvik whwn he suddenly got sight of a round globe right above Mustadhaugen. The colour was orange which went out into green. Straight behind came a shining bow.

The ball had a great speed and was visible only a few seconds before it disappeared towards Snertingdalen over a hill in north-easterly direction.

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VÅLER

Vidar Bjørnengen and Tom Roger Ottesen wander if they observed an UFO over Vestsiden in Våler on Thursday night 15.01.81. The boys were on a trip with their chair sledge when they became aware of an oval, strongly shining object which moved slowly downwards.They heard no sound from it. The object emitted yellow and red flashes. The size was that of a full moon.

(Glåmdalen, 17.01.81)

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TOTEN - KRABY - LENA

Place: Østre Toten/Kraby and Lena.
Date : 08.01.81
Witnesses: Pupils at Hovsvangen school, 3. and 4. cl.

Summary of the observations:

From a dark cloud a fiery red object sunk down, nearly to the ground. Then it disappeared up towards the clouds, and so once more the object sunk down before it disappeared in south-westerly direction.

The object was seen at many different places, and the spot where it sunk down to the ground must have been the field belonging to Fodstad farm opposite Hovsvangen school. The witnesses describe the object as"a car upside down, and another placed on the wheels of the first."

Synnøve Rognlien (13) was on her way to the school together with Anja and Jarle Stensrud. They went skiing. Suddenly all things became fiery red around them. "We all became red, the snow and, in fact, even the skies, though being blue before. We almost were dazzled from the strong, red colour."

The sighting lasted about 30 seconds. As they did not see the object moving up and down, it is probable that the pupils were nearly right under it.

"I first thought the lights were from a car, but then I cought sight of the red-orange-coloured globe. I was some distance longer away from the object than Synnøve Rognlien, and I saw the up and down movement of the globe before it disappeared in westerly direction."

It is the teacher at Hovsvangen school, Kari Røddum, who tells this. For them being furthest off, the object seemed orange-coloured, while they who stood close by say it was fiery red.

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C o m m e n t a r i e s

An explanation on most of the observations may be fireballs. As backing for the theory we can mention that the meteor swarm "the Geminids" was notified on 7. - 15.12.80, and "the Butids" on 1. 6. January 1981. Fireballs can be created, and they may seem moving low, but as a rule they are formed in a height of aboout 40 kilometers.

The report from Leif Aashaug, Gjøvik, seems to separate from the rest and leaves behind a question mark.

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Other reports:

HØLAND

Place: Løken in Høland
Date : 20.06.81
Time : 22.00 - 22.01

The witness wishes to stay anonymous.

The object: Red and yellow shining. Yellow halo, constant light and colour, no sound to be heard. Made changes of course. The angle size as a pea at an outstretched arm. (Like the full moon).

The object passed in front of a factory, about 150 meters from the witness. The speed was estimated by the witness to 250-300 km/h.

The object divided into two smaller, red balls, and was gone. They appeared again in the north and disappeared in westerly direction.

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SAME PLACE AND WITNESS AS BEFORE

Date: 02.07.81
Time: 06.50 - 07.00
Cloudy - Calm.

The object: Metal-grey, discus-formed, no sound was heard from the object. Angle-size: A needle head on a outstretched arm. Actual size, estimated by the witness: 5-10 meters in diameter. Distance from the witness: About 500-1000 meters. Estimated angle height: 5-10 degrees above the sea.

The object stood still over a tree-top in the east. The witness went in to fetch his binoculars, but when he came out again, the object was gone.

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Another observation.

Place: Hemnes in Høland.
Date : 02.07.81.
Time : 23.50 - 24.00.
Witness : A farmer (39)
Clear - Twilight.

The object: Yellowish, medium brightness, made course, height and speed changes. Constant light and colour. Estiamated distance: 4-5 kilometers from the witness. Moved slowly and disappeared behind ridge, going down in northerly direction. Angle height: About 25 degrees above the sea. No stars were visible. The witness tells:

"By a coincidence (looking out of the window) we observed a shining phenomenon, which might look like a star. At first it seemed as if the object stood still, but after a while we could see it sinking slowly in northerly direction

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FEVIK

Date: 17.07.81.
Time: 23.20.
Witness: Kjell Ove Nygren,Fevik.

He tells:

"On Friday night I tried to come in on Strand Hotel, but since they were full up I went on my way home. As I had reached the curve on the road from Strand up against Feviktoppen, I cought sight on a light on the sky close by the hotel. The light was orange or reddish, about 1 meter long and 30-40 centimetres broad. I had my camera, but first I had to put in a flesh gun. It took me few seconds, but in the course of that time, the light disappeared at a violent speed. I never have experienced anything like that."

(Agderposten, 21.07.81)

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The newspaper "Driva", Sunndalsøra, has on July 27 a notice about an observation made by the newspaper's coworker in Aure. There was also a photo of the object - being probably a balloon.

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Sandefjords Blad reported on July 31 about a strange object hovering over the town. After some investigation we could disclose "the UFO" as a balloon. The case caused much scribbling in the newspaper.

Sources: Reports to NIVFO, phoneinterviews with the witnesses and so on.

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Borghild and Edgar Johansen in Ådal have, according to Ringerike Blad for August 10 1981 seen a great, round and shining object on the sky over Torsteinsrud, close by Elsrud in Ådal. It was in the evening at 23.30 o'clock. 20 minutes later it moved over to the east side of Sperillen, and when they last time saw the object it was at midnight. A similiar observation was made in the same place last winter by Toralf Struksnes. (The case will be further investigated).

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UFO OVER HELGEROA, LARVIK

"The strong light made us fall to the ground."

Was an unidentified flying object registered over Helgeroa the other day by eight children, 5-11 years old? The children themselves are convinced that this was an UFO, not a plane or a fireball.

"The light from the object was so strong that more of us were thrown to the ground. First we believed it was the light from a plane, but it moved round and round the whole time. Erik thought it was a man reeling drunk. I myself saw windows on the object. Therefore I think it must have been a flying saucer." This is what one of the eight children, Linn (10) tells.

Linn tells that they were out playing when they suddenly discovered a strong light coming in from the sea. At first they did not respond particularly on it, because they believed it was a plane switching on the lights. But when they saw the movements of the object, they soon realized that this could not be one of the airplanes they were used to see.

"The lights were that strong that more of us were thrown to the ground. When one of them came home, his mother asked him whether he was sick. He was, in fact, quite white in his eyes", Linn tells.

After having watched the object for a while, it disappeared behind some trees in the direction of Stavern. But before this, more of the eight children registered something like a suitcase being thrown down from the object.

"Oh, this must be a suitcase full of money for us", was their first reaction when they saw the thing coming down.

One of the parents, Synnøve Gausdal, being herself at work when this happened, tells that the children came home screaming and were rather hysterical (putting it mildly). Tor Gausdal, her husband, did not understand what had happened. After having calmed down the children, he got the story. He asked one after another, and each and all told the same story. Afterwards he begged his daughter to draw what she had seen. Tor Gausdal soon understood that something specially had happened, so he brought the children with him to the police in Larvik, where they told the whole story. Gausdal was frightened too, especially at the children's reactions.

The police in Larvik got in touch with both the flight control at Fornebu and with some meteorologists. According to them could the children have seen neither airplanes nor ball lightnings.

Other people in the area around Helgeroa have also registered strong glimpses of light at the time in question.

The observation took place on October 31 1981 at 19.30 o'clock.

"UFO OVER HELGEROA"

As this is written we have had some phone calls on the subject, among other things with interested journalists in Larvik. Report forms, instructions and so on are sent, and we hope to get a phone interview with the eldest children, together with some of the parents.

Just now the following additional informations can be given:

The object is described as being saucer-shaped. It came at great height in towards Helgeroa from the seaward side. It "sparkled" at the outer edges, moved slowly and was twinkling the whole time. "There also were some shining, red-coloured beams emitting from the object, but at the point of the beams, the light was white".

"When we looked at the object, the light was so strong that we were pushed backwards. Some of us really fell to the ground and felt a pain in our eyes. The object made a sort of a buzzing sound, ticking like a grasshopper".

"Østlandsposten" asked one of the children, Monica, to draw the object. She then wished to have a red, blue and yellow felt pen, and began drawing a rounding which she coloured red, with the exception of several quadrangles which she said were windows. At the bottom there was something blue, and out from the rounding she drew red beams shining yellow at the ends.

The children tell that the object was nearly as great as the moon, and that it moved very strange, as if it jumped and jerked along.

Sources: "Nybrott", 15. and 16.10.81.
"Østlandsposten", the same date
Phone calls with journalists.

The case will be further investigated.

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GREAT UFO OVER HJELSET, MOLDE, about 25.10.81.

In accordance with Romsdal Folkeblad for 22.10.81, several persons on Hjelset, about three Norwegian miles outside Molde, saw an enormous, shining"UFO" move accross the sky. The person concerned, a young man, calling the newspaper, told that they could see the object for one whole

hour, and that it twinkled strongly in red, blue and yellow. He asserted having seen an antenna on the object which he estimated to be about 100 meters long.

We had a phone call with the journalist concerned, who had a talk with the main witness. The case will now be further investigated.

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SHINING OBJECT AT GREAT SPEED OVER TRONDHEIM

At the moment we know very little about the case, but we want to mention this:

Witness: A femal commercial school pupil (22).
Place: Ranheim
Time : 29.08.81, from 22.10 to 22.13 o'clock.
Clear and calm weather.
The object was round, yellow-shining with a constant light.

The speed of the object was faster than that of a jet-plane. No sound was heard. The angle-size was estimated to be like a needle head on an outstretched arm. The object moved eastward towards the town, but came back after a little while at the same great speed. The case is under investigation.

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Source: Report form to NIVFO and a preliminary quick talk with the witness.

U F O I N A L T A ?

"The night between Tuesday and Wednesday I was driving in a beautiful moonshine to Sennaland", a man from Alta tells to Finmark Dagblad, "but on the sky I saw something curious I never have seen before. A long, conical formed object moved at a great speed over the vault of heaven, followed by a shining tail. The object went in north-westerly direction and it left behind great and white gas skies. The strong light flashes at one minute's intervals were also observed before the object in a way divided and two identical cones disappeared in the horizon. The whole observation lasted for 3-4 minutes", the man from Alta told. He had stopped the car and went out to look at the phenomenon.

"I do not believe in UFO and such things, and I think this phenomenon has a realistic cause, maybe a rocket launch from Soviet", the man wonder. He also asks if more people have seen the same phenomenon.

(Finmark Dagblad, 17.10.81.)

More people from Alta have observed the light and the object moving over the sky on the night before Wednesday. Among others, two persons on Elvebakken and one in Rafsbotn observed the phenomenon for 4-5 minutes. "It looked very gloomy", one of them who called us, says. He can tell that the object had a long, shining tail behind, and that no sound was heard from the object. Finmark Dagblad has been in touch with the control tower at the airfield in Alta, and with the Defence, but no one can comment the sky-phenomenon. Several people from Alta toy with the idea that they perhaps had witnessed an UFO.

(Finmark Dagblad, 17.10.81)

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UFO OVER LASSEMOEN, NORD-TRØNDELAG

REPORT TYPE: CE II

PLACE:		7892 Lassemoen
TIME :		18.09.81, from o9.00 to 09.10 o'clock.
WEATHER/LIGHT conditions	:	Clear - the sun in the west.
THE OBJECT	:	Formed like a"humming top". Green and bright shining. No sound.
MOVEMENTS	:	Low speed/height changes. Moved from the north to the south, and mounted very high.

The main witness, Bente May Bredesen, tells that the object was discovered accidentally when one of the other witnesses looked out of the window.

The main witness tells:

"It is some difficult to draw the object, but for me it looked like a

kind of a humming top. The object twinkled green and bright when the sun shone at it. It came moving at a great height when Mrs. Nergård got sight of it. We went out to have a closer look at it. The object came down a bit, and we could see it standing still and that it rotated, was moving round in the air. Such it stood still for some minutes, before it moved further away in the southerly direction. Then it mounted very high (towards zenith, according to the drawing on the report form.)

Vidar Fjerdingøy did not see the object until it began mounting. He also believed it might be something like an UFO.

The questions in the report form (31-40) are answered with "no".

Main witness: Bente May Bredesen, Setervollen, 7892 Lassemoen.

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MORE UFO-OBSERVATIONS THIS AUTUMN (1981)

Turid Grønnesby tells.

"I newly read in Adresseavisen about the UFO-incident in Lånke this summer. As I myself for some time have been engaged in UFO-problems, especially viewed in the light of my own experiences, I here want to tell about a couple of observations:

Some time ago I and some more persons from Byåsen, Trondheim, observed in southerly direction a cigar-formed object standing immovable on the evening sky. It was in January and so it was quite dark. We could, however, yet see this object very distinctly. It seemed as if it was limited by a kind of a shining field, and, in fact, we could see something which looked like a lot of windows or light openings.

The object stood quite immovable for a long time, and the whole time we could see a sort of a shining tail or light field in the front. Our impression was that the object was far away out in the space, and that it suddenly disappeared in an inexplicable way.

A year ago I also experienced something which had a strange effect on me. A globe, the size of a football and rotating the whole time, flew close to the surface of the sea where we stood fishing.

In a way this globe was transparent and seemed extremely airy and light, like a huge soap-bubble, but it did not behave exactly like such a one. There was a fresh breeze and the ball flew against the wind until I lost the sight of it.

I hope that my experience may be an inspiration for others to step forward and tell about it if they have had similiar observations. In the same way I hope that persons in Lånke, being witnesses to the incident of July 25 this year, shall not be afraid of telling what they saw.

Adresseavisen, 2.10.1981.

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"TO-DAYS UFO"

"Was it an so-called UFO I observed straight north of Levanger centre on Sunday, November 1 1981?" This is what a lady in Levanger asks herself about, and she can tell the following story from this Suday afternoon:

"We came driving from Okkenhaug and made a stop to drive on to the main road E6. I then saw in backlight an object on the clear North-east sky. At first I reacted on that being such a strange plane. There was something like a turn on it, which I thought was the wings. The object looked like a half deep saucer being turned upside down. My husband was taken up with the traffic, and he did not see the object. It disappeared over the Bamberg mountain, and even if the object moved quite quickly, it made not the same speed as a plane."

The lady in Levanger says that she never has experienced anything like that.

Adresseavisen, 13.11.81.

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ONE MORE UFO-OBSERVATION

The UFO-wave over Trøndelag, a county in the middle of Norway.

"I never have believed in such visions,

but now I do, because I myself have seen an UFO. This happened on Tuesday, November 10 1981, in broad daylight. The time was half past two. An object came flying up the valley. It was greyish-black and looked like a vaulted saucer. I never have seen anything like that."

That is what Nils Løberg in Lundamo tells. He is convinced that the object he saw could not possibly be a plane. The object came sailing at a rather great speed on the east side of the valley in the direction towards Støren. Suddenly it stopped and moved rapidly back and disappeared in the fog hanging over Vassfjellet.

But only few minutes later it came back. But the speed, direction and height was the same.

Two other men was standing beside me and watched the phenoemnon, and we are convinced having not seen things", Løberg says. To see further details, the object was not near enough. The men were not able to estimate the size of it either. "The object at least was as great as an airplane", Løberg maintains.

One and a half week ago, several persons at Lundamo among others watched a shining object on the sky. It was in the evening at nightfall. The shining object stood still for a long time, but suddenly it increased the speed violently and disappeared over the Drygen hill in the direction of Sømsjøen.

"I did not consider it very much, but the observation on Tuesday have made me very interested in UFOs. I mean that somebody have to put themselves at the head of an investigation to find out what is going on", Løberg maintaines.

H.M.

Adresseavisen, 13.11.1981

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CURIOUS LIGHT-PHENOMENON

Wednesday on November 25 this year a boy, Sven Erik (9), resistent in Nordli, Nord-Trøndelag, was in the evening at 6.30 o'clock standing in the courtyard when he caught sight of a shining object high up on the evening sky. It moved very fast in north-easterly direction to a certain point where it disappeared. The light seemed oblong, was a bit greater than an ordinary star and had a more reddish colour. No tail was seen behind. Sven Erik watched the shining object until it disappeared. And then a new bright spot of the same size and colour started from the same place on the sky and rushed along until it disappeared in the same way as the first, in north-easterly direction. In the meantime Sven Erik gave notice to his parents who came out and watched the phenomenon too. And similiar lights or objects continued to start, apparently still from the same spot on the sky. This happened six times. The last three times, however, the object moved in a southerly direction.

The boy's father, Göthe Persson (51) estimated the distance to about 3000 kilometers, and the speed of the object to at least that of a jet plane. He found it very curious not seeing it come back to the starting point if it turned upon the same object the whole time.

The observation lasted for 2-3 minutes. It was starlit and calm weather. There was no moonlight.

(Report given the same evening to Anton Lidstrøm, NIVFO)

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The phenomenon was the same evening reported to Namdal Arbeiderblad. At the editorial office they told, however that phone calls had come in from the whole Namdal (part of Nord-Trøndelag county) and several people could tell about having seen the light-phenomenon. But what is written in the newspapers about a single object, seen very low by several witnesses, does not agree with the story told by Göthe Persson. The newspaper's explanation is that the object was a meteorite. Göthe Persson doubt that what he and his family saw could be one single meteorite or meteorites at all.

BLUE-COLOURED UFO ROTATING ABOVE TOKHEIMSNUTEN, ODDA

On the morning of June 2 this year it was, according to reliable sources, observed an UFO-like object above Odda. The phenomenon, observed for 10 minutes, was seen by two persons at a distance of about 300 meters. The time was 11.00 in the morning.

At the grove by Tokheimsnuten, a rotating, sharp and blue light turned up with a muddy, soundless, unidentified and possibly saucer-shaped object below.

The shine from the object was about as strong as the main lights of a car.

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"IT MUST HAVE BEEN AN UFO - ?"

People at Sand were studying mystical heavenly body for several hours.

A lot of people at Sand observed yesterday afternoon a great, round and shining object on the sky. The object stood still for several hours and did not look like any known air craft. The observers also have some difficulties in accepting the explanations that this might have been a weather balloon or perhaps a phenomenon caused by merely meteorological conditions. Quite simply they rather would believe the object to be an UFO."Why should we repudiate things we can not understand? If people in the days of Harald Hårfagre (an ancient Norwegian king) had seen a helicopter, they undoubtedly would be as puzzled as we are towards UFO-phenomena today."

This says Halldis Pettersen, living in the housing estate called Maleniusåsen. She observed the object the first time at 13.55 o'clock. It then was situated at the right side of the sun, in south-westerly direction. Later she took a bearing by help of a compass, and she found that the direction was 250 degrees. At first it looked like a condensation trail after a jet-plane having past by some time ago. But at the end of the trail there was a round object with indistinct limits. It was the size of a full moon and looked like the moon seen through a thin haze. The part nearest to the sun was red. Further was one part yellow and another was blue. The light was bright and pulsated strongly, but unregularly.

The object kept quiet on the same place about two hours while the clouds around were drifting with the wind. After about two hours the object suddenly moved in a straight southerly direction, and with that it placed itself on the left side of the sun. Immediately afterwards a new, similiar object appeared on the south-west sky again, and for a while both objects were visible. The last-mentioned disappeared and came back several times, and was, according to the inormations we got, seen the last time at 16.50 o'clock.

Halldis Pettersen tells that at the same time both her children and a number of neighbours in Maleniusåsen watched the phenomenon, and some also through binoculars. The object was also observed from the local council house at Stord. Halldis Pettersen called Sola Air Base to find whether the Defence could give any explanation. After some hours they called back from Sola, saying they only thought it must have been been a weather ballon. They did not have any other explanations. Halldis Pettersen did not believe this having been a balloon. And she had seen several air vessels during the day, and she thought the phenomenon could not be mixed up with them.

Neither the vassal office in Suldal nor the main rescue co-ordination centre knew about anything to explain the phenoemenon seen above Sand on Friday afternoon. From Karmøy, however, it is reported about a similiar observation in that a reddish, shining object was seen over Bokn in the morning hours.

Beyond that Halldis Pettersen tells that she at one time in the year 1946 observed something which might have been an UFO. That time she lived in Førde, Hordaland, and she saw an orange object moving soundless across the night sky.

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