World round-up

of news

and comment about recent sightings

From all over the world reports of UFOs continue to reach this office in ever-increasing numbers. As we have space for only a small proportion, we would like to thank all our readers for sending in (and in some cases personally investigating) details of sightings which have occurred in their neighbourhood. Because some of these reports, perforce, cannot be printed, it does not mean that the effort has been wasted. All details are of the utmost importance to us, for from the totality of reports we are able to build up a global picture of the extraterrestrial survey to which the Earth is being subjected.— Editor.

ENGLAND: Merseyside woman sees saucer

"It was just like those pictures of flying saucers," declared Mrs. M. Sperring, of 30 Tilstock Avenue, New Ferry. She was describing an object she had observed on November 24, 1959. "I was hanging out clothes in my garden, which faces the river, when I noticed this object in the sky. It was definitely not an aircraft. It was shaped like a saucer, round, with a dome on the top from which a light was flashing. It appeared to be spinning. It was stationary at first, then began to move in the direction of Liverpool." A control officer at Liverpool Airport said that he knew of no aircraft in the vicinity at the

The sighting was reported in the Liverpool Echo and Evening News of the same day, but we are indebted to Mr. R. A. Rawlinson who obtained further details from Mrs. Sperring. She wrote that she saw the object "with no ifs and buts." "It was a beautiful day," she added, "I was doing a very ordinary job of work."

On the report form which she filled in for the FLYING SAUCER REVIEW she mentions that the object had a silvery base with a

yellow dome which looked as though it was lit up. It was spinning with a clock-wise motion. Giving an opinion of its apparent size, she estimated it as about that of a Dakota aircraft.

ENGLAND: Cheltenham visitor

We are indebted to Mr. Arthur Constance who promptly investigated an occurrence in his neighbourhood on December 27. Miss H. McKean, a 77-year-old retired physiotherapist who lives in Suffolk Square, Cheltenham, saw a luminous gold-coloured object cross her window. When interviewed she said: "It moved slowly over Montpellier at 3.30 in the morning, travelling silently from East to West."

ENGLAND: Contact claim

Engineer James Cook, of Runcorn, Cheshire, claims contact with a visitor from outer space. Further, he claims that during November, 1959, he was picked up by a space vehicle which had alighted at the top of Helsby Hill, Frodsham. "After flying about for a while, the saucer went into

a mother ship and off to the planet Shebic," claims Mr. Cook. "The planet was bigger than earth," he continued," and the days are longer and the nights exceedingly cold. The people are 5 ft. 2 in. tall with golden brown skin. There is no industry and no birds." Mr. Cook returned the next night, landing at Moore, not far from his home.

ENGLAND: Banbury folk see UFO

Many people in Banbury and the surrounding area saw an unidentified object travelling across the sky in a westerly direction on December 7, 1959. The police received a number of calls reporting the incident.

The object first appeared in the evening over the Adderbury and Twyford area. Lord Elton's son, the Hon. Rodney Elton, was one of those who got in touch with the police. He said that the object was a "pear-shaped, bright light with a trail of vapour at the rear."

Two police officers, P.C. Eric Prescott and P.C. Charles Boland, were patrolling the Banbury-Oxford road and they saw the object at Twyford. To them it appeared as a very bright blue flash. A railwayman working near Banbury station gave this descrip-