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I'VE MET "E.T." - CLOSE ENCOUNTER NEAR PAVIA

PAVIA - Before all the people sighted UFOs on June 6, is it possible that a UFO landed near Pavia and E.T. emerged from it? Hundreds of witnesses saw the UFO in the sky of Pavia. All witnesses agree on the details of the sighting. The UFO was seen at Pavia, Voghera, Coreolona, Villanterio, Casteggio and Mortara, and we have all the names, surnames, professions and ages of the witnesses. The night of the UFO, or at least of the UFO sightings, started officially Monday night (June 6), but on Sunday morning (June 5), a few minutes before 6:00 a.m. in locality Ca' Bianca di Varzi, near the farmhouse of Prof. Carlo Azzaretti, the ex-mayor of the village, occurred a close encounter of the second kind; an amazing encounter made by a couple of pensioners (husband and wife) and by a farmer. These three persons reported the fact to Varzi's Carabinieri (Italian Military Police). But now for the facts: it is 5:58 a.m. on Sunday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Claretto, respectively aged 56 and 57, living at Magenta, but temporarily on vacation in Varzi, are awakened by the furious barks of Spiro, the dog of a neighbor farmer, Bruno Stafforini, 60. Mario Claretto got up from the bed and went to the window.

The thing he saw at about one hundred meters was incredible: "It was like an egg-shaped object, hovering about 50 centimeters from the ground. From its rotating top when out a strange yellow-reddish light that was intermittent. I called my wife and she also sighted that strange 'thing.' Then I noticed that our neighbor, Bruno Stafforini, was also observing the thing near the metallic enclosure of his courtyard."

Mr. Stafforini explains: "Yes, I was giving the fodder to the chicks when my dog was almost breaking his chain and barking very loudly in the direction of the field. There was a great silence when I sighted that strange thing surrounded by the light. I don't know anything about such things, but I was very afraid. We all watched the object, myself and Mr. Claretto with his wife, while my dog continued to bark as if he was ill. Then, the 'thing' raised up without any noise, remained motionless over us for some moments and then flew away at an incredible speed toward Staffora Valley and then toward Voghera."

Bruno Stafforini, Mario Claretto and his wife Velia, re-entered their houses and watched the sky for ten minutes. Only yesterday morning did they report the event to the Carabinieri.

"We feared that they thought we were crazy," they said, "but after we heard that hundreds of witnesses saw a UFO the day after, we decided to report the fact."

On the table of Captain Bevacqua, chief commander of Carabineer's Brigade of Voghera, there is a detailed report on the incident. The three witnesses of the close encounter are judged by all as trustworthy persons.

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