

Wendy Connors'  
**AUDIO HISTORY of UFOLOGY**  
PRESERVATION PROJECT

# UFOLOGY

A PRIMER in AUDIO

1947 – 1964

Second Edition

Volume One

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**01: *SEARCH for the FLYING SAUCERS* with Walter Kiernon**

Date of Broadcast: 07.10.1947  
Running Time: 00:13:09

**Synopsis:** This is the first public affairs program on the Flying Disc phenomena being observed and reported in the United States and the United Kingdom. The phenomena was not frightening to people and most reports were taken lightly. This recording is an example.

**02: *VARIETY PROGRAMS on UFOs 1947 - 1950***

Dates of Broadcast: 07.10.1947, 07.13.1947 & 03.28.1950  
Running Time: 00:30:00

**Synopsis:** Although technically these are not public service programs per se, this medley gives a rare example of how the flying discs and flying saucers were being perceived at the beginning of the modern age of UFOs and their influence on the population. First, *Take it or Leave it* program monologue from 07.10.1947. Second, *Jack Parr Show* does a comedy sketch regarding the flying discs on 07.13.1947 and finally the *Fibber McGee & Molly* comedy program from 03.28.1950.

**03: *CASE for the FLYING SAUCERS* with Edward R. Murrow**

Date of Broadcast: 05.00.1950  
Running Time: 00:27:46

**Synopsis:** A public affairs program that includes a 1947 telephone interview with Kenneth Arnold, plus several rare recordings of early witnesses to Flying Discs in 1947, 1948 and 1949.

**04: *THINGS in the SKY***

Date of Broadcast: 00.00.1952  
Running Time: 00:18:19

**Synopsis:** A John Keel production for the *Armed Forces Radio Services* (AFRS) while stationed in Germany during the Korean War. This is an excessively rare recording, because all copies were on acetate discs, which deteriorated rapidly and could catch fire easily. Just as important, John Keel gives a short background to the program and the players, including what many of them did following their stint in the military. This is from his original tape recording of 11.18.1968, which is housed and archived (including his notes) at the Faded Discs Archive. The original recording was done on a compact reel-to-reel tape recorder with a 1.5-inch reel and recorded at 1 7/8 ips!

**05: *MEDICAL FILE: UFO***

Broadcast: 00.00.1952  
Running Time: 00:24:30

**Synopsis:** An Australian radio docudrama based upon an actual event. This episode is about a man who fakes being attacked by a flying saucer. This is a rare recording and the earliest known recording that uses the acronym, U.F.O.

#### **06: *AMERICA's TOWN MEETING: Flying Saucers, Fact or Illusion?***

Date of Broadcast: 11.21.1953  
Running Time: 00:31:58

**Synopsis:** An infamous public affairs debate regarding the UFO phenomenon by Major Donald E. Keyhoe, USMC Retired and Jonathan M. Leonard, Science Editor of *Time* magazine. This program was used as a vehicle to promote Keyhoe's second book, *Flying Saucers from Outer Space*. Keyhoe was the second writer to introduce the subject to the public with his article for *True* magazine in late 1949 and his first book based upon that research entitled, *Flying Saucers are Real*. Keyhoe would later become the second Director of the *National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena* (NICAP). By all intents and purposes, Donald E. Keyhoe was the first Ufologist and second only to Kenneth Arnold for bringing the subject to the public.

#### **07: *FAMILY THEATER: UFO***

Date of Broadcast: 10.13.1954  
Running Time: 00:26:12

**Synopsis:** An early religion-based program that takes a look at the possibility of contact with a flying saucer and its occupants from a religious point of view. Historically important recording, as it refers to actual events, such as the Washington National Airport case of UFOs over the Capitol two years earlier and Air Technical Intelligence of the USAF. This recording also showed that the USAF and the government position was wrong, in declaring that disclosure to the public would cause mass panic and harm all religions.

#### **08: *GRAY BARKER RADIO SHOW, Clarksburg, West Virginia***

Date of Broadcast: 07.20.1957  
Running Time: 00:08:29

**Synopsis:** Barker discusses the Green Castle, Indiana case. Barker's radio show was very short-lived and he was a good friend with famous radio personality, Hugh McPhearson, who also played interviews he had with witnesses to UFOs on his own radio program.

#### **09: *ARMSTRONG CIRCLE THEATER: UFO, the Enigma of the Skies***

Date of Broadcast: 01.22.1958  
Running Time: 00:52:00

**Synopsis:** Hosted by Douglas Edwards. Guests were: Major Donald E. Keyhoe, USMC Ret., Col. Spencer Whedon, USAF and Dr. Donald Menzel. This is the program that allegedly censored Keyhoe, causing hard feelings between both himself and the United States Air Force over their secrecy regarding the UFO phenomenon. Kenneth Arnold declined to appear at the last minute and his explanation can be heard on the 03.26.1958 Long John Nebel *Party Line* recording listed further down in this guide. Captain Edward J. Ruppelt, first and former Director of the USAF Project Blue Book was also scheduled to appear on the program, but could not get a leave of absence from his employer to attend the program. Tracks 09, 10 and 12 relate to this infamous controversy.

#### **10: *MIKE WALLACE INTERVIEWS, The***

Date of Broadcast: 03.25.1958  
Running Time: 00:25:30

**Synopsis:** Major Donald E. Keyhoe, USMC, Ret. is interviewed regarding the alleged censorship on the *Armstrong Circle Theater* and his / NICAP's position regarding UFOs and the Extra-terrestrial Hypothesis (ETH).

## LONG JOHN NEBEL'S PARTY LINE BROADCASTS - WOR-NY

Tracks 11 – 16

Long John Nebel was the first to bring the concept of Talk Radio to fruition. He had various guests and regulars who discussed many topics of interest. His program ran from 12:00 am to 5:30 am, six nights a week. He is known for the eccentricities of guests and provided a forum for both serious researchers of Ufology and the Contactees. Following his radio talk show, Nebel appeared on television in the 1960s and early 1970s with his talk format. Below is a selection of well-known Nebel programs dealing with the subject of UFOs and Ufology.

### 11: ***BIOLOGICAL THEORY of UFOs***

Date of Broadcast: 11.25.1956  
Running Time: 01:01:54

**Synopsis:** Guest: Dr. Ivan T. Sanderson, biologist/zoologist and naturalist. He was also a spy and Intelligence operative for the U.S. and UK, although nobody knew at that time, but a few people know now. This aspect of his background was revealed during a meeting in Seattle, WA in 1959. This data, on the original recordings, is archived at Faded Discs. Sanderson discusses his *Biological Theory of UFOs*. His theory remains popular as one of the theories regarding the origin of UFOs, but pales to both the *Extra-terrestrial Hypothesis* (ETH) and the possibilities that UFOs are inter-dimensional conveyances or time travelers. Sanderson also wrote a book about his theory.

### 12: **RECOLLECTION of the SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO UFO INCIDENT of 03.1952.**

Date of Broadcast: 03.11.1957  
Running Time: 00:06:26

**Synopsis:** Jay Glick, a passenger on a *Pan American* flight from NY to Puerto Rico, relates the aircraft's encounter with a UFO. This incident is mentioned in the next track.

### 13: ***NICAP versus USAF on CENSORSHIP of UFO INFORMATION***

Date of Broadcast: 03.26.1958  
Running Time: 04:06:22

**Synopsis:** Guests: Major Donald E. Keyhoe, USMC Ret., Cortland Hastings, Charles Ledham, Jules B. St. Germaine, Ben Isquith and Dave Fields. Historically important recording covering the rise of the *National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena* (NICAP), alleged Keyhoe censorship and the influence of the Contactee Movement on legitimate UFO investigations. Commercials edited out during the Keyhoe visit. Ben Isquith joins the group after Keyhoe departs. Nebel goes to great lengths to promote NICAP and every one of the guests were members. This aspect, however, did not give Keyhoe any leniency as far as tough questions asked of him by the other guests. For all intents and purposes, Keyhoe and the U.S. Air Force had become enemies over the censorship issue. Last twenty minutes of this program are missing.

### 14: ***MAN-MADE UFO.***

Date of Broadcast: 08.18.1958  
Running Time: 02:48:30

**Synopsis:** Guests: Dr. Ivan T. Sanderson, Lester del Rey (Science Fiction Writer), Hans Stefan Santeson (Editor of *Fantastic Universe* magazine), Ben Ahman (Swedish Journalist), Ben Isquith, Vyacheslav Vavalischin (former USSR Military Officer) and translator, Jim Runyon. An early discussion of the possibility that UFOs are man-made and came from German technology (Horten Brothers, etc.). This controversy continues to this day with theories regarding the German influence in flying saucers during and following World War II. Ben Ahman gives an interesting insight into the *Ghost Rockets* being observed over the Baltic in 1946. Lester del Rey is quite opinionated and argumentative, with a closed mind on the topic of UFOs in general. Considering that he was a science fiction writer of note, one would tend to think that a man with his reputation would at least be more open-minded on the reality of the UFO phenomena. It is quite odd to listen to his ranting. In future years others would arrive on the airways and in print, proclaiming Ufology to be a foolish endeavor, yet none of them would ever take the time to do any lengthy and long-term research on the data collected, then be offended if they were not triumphant in the debate. These people were not, and are not, rational and provide a disservice to the subject itself and the people who diligently try to do the work that science and government have defaulted on, since the beginning of the modern age of the phenomenon. Logic would dictate that the fields of science and government have been negligent regarding this enigma's importance to science. Last few minutes of this portion of the program are missing.

**15: *FLYING SAUCERS and LITTLE GREEN MEN.***

Date of Broadcast: 10.05.1958  
Running Time: 04:05:30

**Synopsis:** Alternate title is *Flying Saucers and the Straight Line Mystery*, which was used after the program aired. Guests: Isabel Davis of *Civilian Saucer Intelligence – NY* (CSI-NY), Hans Stefan Santeson (Editor of *Fantastic Universe* magazine), Dr. Ivan T. Sanderson, Lester Del Ray and Ben Isquith. Isabel Davis was representing one of the oldest UFO investigation groups with such early luminaries as Max Mebane and Ted Bloecher. This recording comes from the Max Mebane collection. Debate covers many aspects of Ufology, including *Little Green Men*, Contactees and Aimé Michel's newest theory on UFOs in his book, *Flying Saucers and the Straight Line Mystery*. Davis was a thorough researcher and close friend to Major Donald E. Keyhoe, Director of the *National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena* (NICAP), of which Davis was also a member. Dr. Sanderson and science fiction writer, Lester Del Rey, have an on-air heated exchange over various topics. However, when all is said and done, this recording was an early attempt to get Ufology separated from the Contactees and Isabel Davis was a champion in showing the world the difference. She is an unsung hero in the field of Ufology.

**16: *Excerpt from the Long John Nebel Party Line Program***

Date of Broadcast: 11.16.1959  
Running Time: 00:56:00

**Synopsis:** Jackie Gleason, Frank Edwards and Gray Barker make the first 3-way telephone conference call in radio history. Gleason criticizes Gray Barker's publishing the Contactee material as if it was true.

**17: *AERIAL PHENOMENA INVESTIGATIONS SOCIETY***

Date of Broadcast: 01.00.1959  
Running Time: 00:58:52

**Synopsis:** Robert Barry broadcast a short-lived radio program in New York entitled *The UFO Story*. This is a medley of those broadcasts.

**[NORBERT GARIETY'S S.P.A.C.E. STATION BROADCASTS](#)**

## TRACKS 18 - 19

### 18: **S.P.A.C.E. STATION**

Date of Broadcast: 06.13.1959  
Running Time: 00:24:27

**Synopsis:** Gariety broadcast his show out of Miami, FL on WMIE radio for several years. His organization was known as, *Saucer Phenomena & Celestial Enigma* (S.P.A.C.E.) He was a right-wing ideologue who was a rabid anti-communist. These are the only known programs existing at this time. Program missing first half of the recording.

### 19: **S.P.A.C.E. STATION**

Date of Broadcast: 00.00.1961  
Running Time: 00:58:28

**Synopsis:** Guests were Gene and Eileen DuPlantier. Gene was the editor of *Saucers, Space and Science*, in Canada. They were visiting Florida on a vacation.

### 20: **DAVE GARROWAY Show**

Date of Broadcast: 12.05.1960  
Running Time: 00:27:48

**Synopsis:** Infamous encounter between Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe of the *National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena* (NICAP) and Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Tacker, Public Information Officer for the *United States Air Force* (USAF). This was the second major confrontation between Major Keyhoe's, NICAP and the USAF that would continue for the next decade.

### 21: **JOE PYNE Show**

Date of Broadcast: 00.00.1960  
Running Time: 00:22:28

**Synopsis:** Dr. Frank Stranges takes the hot seat on the *Joe Pyne Show*. He is promoting his new book, *Stranger at the Pentagon* that alleges a man by the name of Val Thor is known by the government and is from outer space. Stranges attempts to be serious, but Pyne obviously knows a sham when he bumps into it. Not one of Frank Stranges' better media days.

### 22: **BEN ALEXANDER Show**

Date of Broadcast: 01.25.1961  
Running Time: 00:24:00

**Synopsis:** Jules B. St. Germaine, a regular guest on Long John Nebel's *Party Line* on WOR-NY, is interviewed regarding the show and the Contactees who have appeared on it. A very historical recording and rare in that two interviewers of the early Contactees compare notes on how legitimate Ufology was wrongfully overshadowed by them. Original recordings from St. Germaine's collection are maintained at Faded Discs.

### 23: **TEXAS COUNTDOWN**

Date of Broadcast: 05.21.1961  
Running Time: 00:15:00

**Synopsis:** *Texas Countdown* was a production of WFAA-TV, Fort Worth, TX. The program was a weekly summary of events in the local aerospace industry. Guest: Texas Ufologist William E. Daniels of *Project Target* fame. This segment also portrays the silliness surrounding the early space race with the Soviet Union and Cold War paranoia. The Daniels recordings are maintained at Faded Discs.

## 24: **CAPITOL ASSIGNMENT**

Date of Broadcast: 12.27.1961  
Running Time: 00:19:18

**Synopsis:** Major Donald E. Keyhoe is interviewed regarding the *National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena* (NICAP) and his conflict with the United States Air Force.

## **PROGRAM P.M. BROADCASTS**

### TRACKS 25 – 30

Earl J. Neff of the *Cleveland Ufology Project* (CUP), teamed with Harvey Morgan of KYW radio, Cleveland, OH in 1962 to do a weekly series of half-hour programs entitled *Ufology Round-Table*. When KYW became WKYC the series was discontinued, but Neff remained a regular guest host on Harve Morgan's new show, *Contact* and continued with the *Ufology Round-Table* designation when he appeared on the program. The following recordings represent the programs recovered to date. Although no exact number of programs available is known, it is estimated that Neff and Morgan did approximately 52 such programs. One of the more interesting aspects of this early radio program is that the FCC wouldn't allow two-way telephone conversations with listener call-ins, so Harve Morgan would take calls from listeners and then relate the question to the appropriate guest. Long John Nebel's phone conversations with listeners were always recorded to avoid running into problems with the FCC and contained the required *beep* every 10 seconds.

## 25: **UFOLOGY ROUND-TABLE**

Date of Broadcast: 12.27.1962  
Running Time: 00:25:00  
Program: 13

**Synopsis:** USAF secrecy and general UFO topics. Guest Host: Earl J. Neff. Guests: Rick Hilberg and Bob Miller of the *United Saucer Council*. Program was devoted to young Ufologists and the *Toledo Area Aerial Phenomena Investigation Bureau* (TAAPIB). Opening sequence is missing.

## 26: **UFOLOGY ROUND-TABLE**

Date of Broadcast: 01.03.1963  
Running Time: 00:26:34  
Program 14

**Synopsis:** Earl J. Neff and Bob Grove are co-hosts. Topics include: Angel Hair, Wilbert B. Smith, artificial gravity and interview of a witness to a recent UFO incident. Final few seconds of the program sign-off is missing.

## 27: **UFOLOGY ROUND-TABLE**

Date of Broadcast: 01.10.1963  
Running Time: 00:26:34  
Program 15

**Synopsis:** Program is devoted to questions from listener call-ins, which Earl J. Neff, Bob Grove and Harve Morgan, attempt to answer. Good grass roots radio that did by far better with the subject of Ufology than the Jeff Rense and the George Noory's of today. Today the Internet is the preferred method of communicating with others about Ufology while this more personal method of Ufology in days past taught and shared Ufology in a most unique way.

## 28: **UFOLOGY ROUND-TABLE**

Date of Broadcast: 01.17.1963  
Running Time: 00:53:24

Program 16

**Synopsis:** Mr. X (a USAF officer they call "Joe"), joins Earl J. Neff, Bob Grove and Harve Morgan. The program's normal thirty minutes are expanded this night. Morgan plays a tape of Major Donald E. Keyhoe talking about flying saucers and the United States Air Force.

### 29: **UFOLOGY ROUND-TABLE**

Date of Broadcast: 01.24.1963  
Running Time: 00:29:00  
Program 17

**Synopsis:** Wesley Fitch joins Earl J. Neff and Harve Morgan to discuss his collection of UFO photographs and the evidence they might portray. It is hilarious having photographs described on the radio. However, it did give insight to listeners who were visually impaired. Not exactly a medium for photographic evidence discussion. Also, two witnesses to alleged UFOs are interviewed.

### 30: **UFOLOGY ROUND-TABLE**

Date of Broadcast: 01.31.1963  
Running Time: 00:29:44  
Program 18

**Synopsis:** Joining the weekly discussion with Earl J. Neff, Bob Grove and Harve Morgan, was Bob Novak, an engineer, who spoke on UFO propulsion and anti-gravity.

### 31: **PROJECT 60: The FLYING SAUCER STORY**

Date of Broadcast: 10.00.1963  
Running Time: 00:51:58

**Synopsis:** Clyde McCain of WBT radio in North Carolina, presents the *Flying Saucer Story*. Interviews with Riley Crabb and Bryant Reeve are included.

### 32: **PEOPLE, PLACES and THINGS**

Date of Broadcast: 00.00.1963  
Running Time: 00:25:02

**Synopsis:** Witnesses to UFOs are interviewed on WDNC radio in Durham, NC. Several are members of the *National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena* (NICAP). A local program that is typical of the way the subject was handled in the early 1960s by hundreds of small local radio stations across America.

### 33: **COMMUNITY DIALOGUE**

Date of Broadcast: 00.00.1964  
Running Time: 00:27:30

**Synopsis:** Television panel show hosted by Harry Clarkson. Guests: Dr. Mark Harrison, Chairman of the Physics Department at American University, Dr. B. L. Clark, Astronomer at the U.S. Naval Observatory, Dr. Norman L. Trot, Theologian and George Adamski, Contactee. Discussion centers on UFOs, their existence and possible origins, what aliens might look like and the government's viewpoint regarding UFOs.