

DECEMBER 5, 1980 – FOXBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS

On the very cold evening of December 5, 1980, under a clear uncloudy sky, at about 06:30 pm, a 13 year-old boy ran inside from his backyard in fear, telling his mother and step-father to be struck by a beam of light from an unknown object, 20 minutes before. The town is Foxborough. According to his account, the craft appeared above him from nowhere, hovering so close that he could estimate its size to be "bigger than a house."

The investigation on the same evening revealed that the boy experienced paralysis, a "mumbling in his head", and about ten minutes of time during which he lost consciousness.

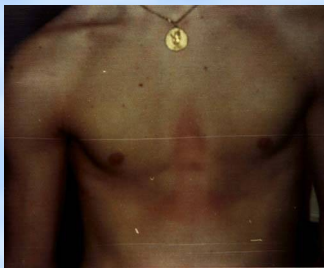
The investigators noted a painless, sunburn-like redness on the boy's chest, that he had not even noticed himself, and was found only when he was asked to lift his shirt up.

His parents knew that the boy used to talk in his sleep after tragic events in his life, and so they placed a tape recorder next to his bed as soon as he started to sleep. That's how they realized what really happened.

In the following days, a number of seemingly paranormal events involving the 13 year-old kid were reported as well: lights going on and off, small objects moving around, water faucets turning on and off... everything without apparent reason.

Several weeks later, a regressive hypnosis session revealed that the boy's "mumbling in his head" was a mental communication from a being he perceived behind the row of windows on the UFO. It was a message to reassure the percipient that he would not be harmed and that "they wanted to examine him."

Joseph Nyman pointed out that in this case the family had strong reasons not to publicize the incident. The boy's mother was in the middle of a custody action vs his natural father. Any publicity, she felt, would compromise her legal act. All this assumed, an attempted hoax must be considered as inconsistent.



The boy's chest showing burns and the site today

**Reliability evaluation:
high**

**one witness only, hypnosis message inconsistent
due to supposed bad psychological disorder,
possible invention to cover a different incident
or ordinary military craft with occupant**

