

# Section 31:

## Langenberg, Saskatchewan: the Edwin Fuhr interview

*Because Langenberg is such a well-known landing case, and because Edwin Fuhr showed up at John's exhibit (with well-known Canadian researcher, Chris Rutkowski) and engaged in a lengthy discussion, it seems appropriate to repeat all of that content at length here. The Langenberg event happened on September 1, 1974, and Mr. Fuhr will tell you the rest. "F" is Fuhr, "T" is Timmerman, and "CR" is Rutkowski. The year of this interview is 1991.*

**F:** This was on a Sunday. And it was a cold dreary day. I was swathing at that time. I was cutting on the east end of the field, a fifteen acre field. It was all by itself in one corner. And I was swathing this crop east and west. Proceeding down to the center of the field towards where that object was. You couldn't see them from that distance but when I got close to, I noticed like there was something in the slough. I got off the swather. I walked towards the machines and there was one in front of me. And I never noticed the other three or four on the other side of me. I observed the first one and when I got close the machine like...

**T:** How close?

**F:** I was about fifteen feet away from it. It was about a foot off the ground when I noticed like the grass was moving under it. So I backed up. I got back onto the swather because I didn't trust myself, and when I got back on the swather I noticed there was four more on the left of me. And they was sitting like in a half moon position. Three big ones were sitting in the center and the smaller ones were on the end.

**T:** They were different dimensions?

**F:** Yeah, there were two small ones and three big ones. I'd say they were about 25 to 50 feet apart. They were gray metal color. You couldn't tell if

there was windows in it or not because they were spinning at the time.

**T:** Spinning so fast you wouldn't have been able to tell?

**F:** Well, you could tell there was something on the outside like rivets of some kind but you couldn't tell if there was a window in them or not.

**T:** Were they very tall?

**F:** They were around four feet high.

**T:** Were they very wide?

**F:** Yeah, fairly wide.

**CR:** How wide was the big one?

**F:** The big one was about thirteen feet like in circumference.

**T:** By measuring the swirl in...

**F:** Yeah, the circle.

**T:** And the smaller ones?

**F:** The smaller ones were about, if I remember correctly, I think seven or eight. They weren't really that big.

**T:** Were the ones that were wider also taller? Or could you tell?

**F:** Well, I don't know. I didn't even take notice of that. I don't remember that. [laughs] But there's a few things on the machine. It's like the object or whatever it was, it had a lip on the outside. It was like it was hot at one time. It was about a foot to eighteen inches wide all the way around.

**T:** Around the lower edge.

**F:** The lower edge of the machine. But, I don't know, I can't remember too much but I only remember September 1, 1974, but if I keep talking about it, it comes back.

**T:** Were there any animal reactions?

**F:** Yeah, they had put the cattle through the fences all over. We had a pasture close by and none of the cattle were going through that field where they were sitting because the slough was about maybe 500 yards from the gate. There was a power line and there was water in the slough and there was grain all around it. They never landed in either the water or the grain but they were in that half moon position. When they took off, they took off in a step formation. One of them was in front of me. He took off first, and



then the three in the center and then the one on the end. And they stopped over top of my head, I'd say maybe about a hundred feet up, and that's when I noticed on the bottom the machine that there was ports in the bottom of it. They looked like stovepipes for the direction of steering the machine or what, I don't know.

**T:** Remember how many you saw?

**F:** Five.

**T:** You saw five machines. How many stovepipes in each machine?

**F:** I think there was either four or five of them, I can't...

**T:** There were several.

**F:** There was several, yeah.

**T:** Were they small or large in comparison to the bottom?

**F:** Well, the stovepipe looked like about eight inches in diameter. The pipe.

**T:** Were they situated around the bottom in equidistant, around the edges, looked like they were regular spaced?

**F:** Yeah, but... you would tell they looked like they were in a four-corner position, like each corner and some in the center, and to me it looked like it was a way of guiding it. But those other, I can't remember too much of it. I'd have to go back and read all the history on it. There's a lot more.

**CR:** The next morning when you looked in the field, did you look and see all the markings? Were there any additional markings? There was a story that you found other markings.

**F:** Yeah, there as one back on Monday night. Next morning there was none there but Monday night, this was Tuesday morning when I noticed another circle in the field in the same spot, just from the front one where... was about 25 to 15 feet west of that spot and it had landed on the top of a rock.

**CR:** And it wasn't there before.

**F:** No. It wasn't there before.

**CR:** You said on top of a rock, so the markings were over top of the rocks, somehow?

**F:** Yeah. It had landed on top of a rock.

**CR:** One big rock or...

**F:** No, just part of a rock. The scientists, they dug the rock out and took

them along back to where... I don't know which scientist it was, either a guy from New York or wherever he was. They took this... the rock wasn't very big. It was about I'd say maybe, oh, ten inches in circumference. It wasn't a very big rock.

**T:** But apparently the machine had come in contact with the rock.

**F:** Yeah. It had landed right on top of it.

**T:** Perhaps they saw what they thought was evidence of some scarring or marking or...

**F:** I don't know.

**T:** They didn't tell.

**F:** No, because they could have took the whole stone pile for... *[laughs]*.

**CR:** Were there a lot of rocks in the area?

**F:** Yea. It was a stone pile just west of the spot where they had landed. The only thing is... like the slough was still radioactive. It still is.

**T:** Who makes that determination?

**F:** Well, there's a fellow... told me he's got a geiger counter and he done some tests up there and he says it still is radioactive.

**CR:** As far as I know, it wasn't radioactive originally.

**F:** He's an electrician. He used to work in a radioactive place.

**CR:** And he took a counter ...

**F:** He took a test on it. He's got a geiger counter.

**CR:** When did he take the test?

**F:** This was a couple of years ago. I don't know if it's still radioactive or not.

**CR:** I have not heard of any radioactivity.

**F:** It was radioactive at the time.

**T:** It was?

**F:** Oh, it was. Because they had undercover... out with the geiger counters and it was radioactive.

**CR:** Because that effect has not been reported. I don't recall it.

**F:** That's kept quiet. I was there when they done the tests.

**T:** Did you see the needle on the geiger counter?



**F:** Yeah. It was in the red. And he wouldn't... there was two guys walking side by side and they were holding this geiger counter and I'd want to have a peek at it. They'd move it the other way but I was quicker than they thought *[laughs]* so I seen it.

**T:** Did they tell you not to go near the place?

**F:** I really didn't go into the place. I saw enough that time when it landed. My father, he was all afternoon in there. Sunday, from the time I had seen them. And Ron Moyer, a constable from Langenberg, he crawled around in there all day Monday.

**T:** Has anything ever happened to those two gentlemen?

**F:** No, my father passed away several years ago.

**T:** Remember how he died?

**F:** Of cancer.

**T:** Of what part of the body?

**F:** Pancreas. So, that following winter he had a lot of pain in his hands for some reason. And I still blamed it on that because it was, I'd say maybe 15 or 20 minutes when I had went to the house and he went back out because he read about that years ago in the papers and he never, ever seen a spot like that so he went out with the car and he spent all afternoon out there. And I was swathing the field and I stopped a couple of times and asked him what he was looking for. Oh, he said, they could have dropped anything. But I don't know, I looked all over. I couldn't find anything. But the only thing you could tell... they done tests. There was probe holes in the ground beside the three big machines.

**T:** Probe holes by whom?

**F:** By the aliens or whatever it was, but...

**T:** This was done before they were examined by scientists?

**F:** Yeah.

**CR:** Yes, they were there when they found them.

**F:** The holes were there. The size of holes like broom handles.

**T:** Beside each of the marks?

**F:** No, just by the three big machines.

**T:** Did they make much noise?

**F:** No. No noise at all.

**T:** How long do you suppose they were on the ground before you saw them depart?

**F:** Well, apparently some people in Langenberg had seen them the night before, because they saw this huge ball of fire in the north, and a fellow had picked up his father in Saskatoon hospital and they were coming home and his dad said: "The moon is kind of low in the north." We never thought nothing of it, but some fellows said in Langenberg the sky was all lit up. In the north. So what time they landed, I don't know.

**T:** They were already there when you arrived and they left shortly after you got there.

**F:** Uh-hum. (Yes) Well, I could say shortly but I can't say how long because I can't remember. There's about an hour, maybe an hour and a half that I was sitting there, because I was sitting there from 10:30 to 2:00.

**CR:** Did it seem like that long when you were sitting there?

**F:** Not really. Seemed to me like fifteen minutes. Because she'd been waiting dinner for me and I didn't show up until about 2:00.

**CR:** Has anyone ever suggested that you had some missing time and maybe there is more to what happened?

**F:** Some fellows, yeah. Said I should go under hypnosis. And I won't go under hypnosis.

**T:** Do you have some special reason for not doing that?

**F:** I got that from professionals. They told me not to.

**T:** Professional what?

**F:** Something like lawyers. They said that...

**T:** Something like lawyers... there's very few things like lawyers.

**F:** They said it's something to do with money.

**T:** Money?

**CR:** You want money from this?

**F:** I could have made a lot of money. I haven't made a nickel out of anything. Because there was people there—I'd say maybe from four to five thousand, maybe even more, because this kept up for one whole month. And the cars were bumper to bumper and my road is a mile and a quarter into my



yard and it was bumper to bumper. In and out. They came at night. They came when it was raining cats and dogs. They come all the time. And some people who really couldn't believe it, who thought it was a hoax, and they told me I'd made it with a big air compressor. But the RCMP's undercover agents out there, they did all the checking.

**CR:** Were there any marks leading into the field besides your swather that you were on?

**F:** No. There wasn't any marks.

**T:** No indication that anybody had hauled them in there or something?

**F:** No. I know the scientist from Ottawa. He told me that he could tell what kind of oil used in the grain swather, but he took samples with a hair comb.

**CR:** Oh, really. Was this Peter Millman?

**F:** Yeah, I think so, because he wrote a letter to the RCMP later on, apologizing for the mistake he had made of taking soil samples with a hair comb, and grass samples. It was the oil he was checking on his own head and not on my grain swather. Because the scientist from the States, the samples he took, he never touched anything. He took it with all his instruments.

**CR:** Can you say something about the UFOs that you've seen recently since then?

**F:** Well, the ones I seen recently, they're about in the same form as the ones I've seen before, but I've seen... these were quite a ways away. I was about maybe a mile and a half away. The ones that were hovering over top of Langenberg, well, that playground, actually.

**T:** Do you remember what the date was?

**F:** Oh, gee...

**CR:** '89, sometime in '89.

**T:** Remember the time of the year?

**F:** It was midsummer.

**T:** How many did you see?

**F:** One. The only ones I seen are the lights, was one.

**CR:** It was just a light.

**F:** Just a light and you couldn't tell.

**T:** No object?

**F:** Yeah. I thought it was an airplane like the smaller planes with those big lights, landing lights. That's what it looked like. But it was proceeding west toward where the new elevators were setting that way. I just took it for granted it was a small plane. When I heard the kids had spied it, seen this UFO, so I don't know. I talked to some of the kids and they don't explain it too good.

**T:** Sometimes young people get excited about things they see inaccurately and they can't quite explain.

**F:** I think they were more scared. They were very close to the machine. They could have viewed it very easily. They shouldn't have run and waved at it. What I found out is, if you don't bother them that much, they won't bother you. But for the elapsed time, I can't explain that. Because I was only fifteen feet from the machine.

**T:** The elapsed time, again, you say was about how long?

**F:** About an hour and a half.

**T:** An hour and a half sitting there on your tractor.

**F:** On the swather. It was a swather, hydrostatic, because you couldn't move it. It was completely froze.

**T:** So the thing wouldn't operate.

**F:** No.

**T:** And you were there for that time and the object had not yet left.

**F:** No. They had left. To me it seemed like fifteen minutes but it was longer than fifteen minutes.

**CR:** Do you ever have any funny dreams about what happened?

**F:** No, not really. I don't try to think about it. Because I don't think they're down here to cause harm to anybody. I think they're more down here for experimental, the way it looks to me. The way they had landed, how can they tell the difference between water and grain? Or land, whatever. The fellows have told me, they said they're radio controlled. I says, well I don't know if anybody can pinpoint any landing machine radio controlled, unless it's controlled by a spaceship further up. How can you land without hitting the water? You know, it's so close and never hit the water. They were



approximately three feet from the water and about three feet from the grain.

**T:** Is there anything that you'd like to ask us? Chris Rutkowski is his name. John Timmerman is mine.

**F:** What I'd like to know is what brings them down here?

**T:** You mean me?

**F:** No, the objects.

**T:** If we knew, we wouldn't need to be doing quite so much research.

**F:** Well, I should have brought all that information along because I've got letters there from all over the world. Lots of people think it's account of... well, like this war that broke out and all this stuff. Seems to me they're down here to control it. And I said if they wanted to control it, they could have controlled it from up there, wouldn't have to come down here.

**T:** These are just dreams on the part of the people who are guessing. We're all guessing.

**F:** They seem to be like professionals that wrote me these letters.

**CR:** There are people with alphabets after their names, PhDs, this, that and the other thing, who are just as crazy as anybody else.

**T:** Yes, so don't let that fool you.

**CR:** Just as crazy as you and me, right?

**F:** That's what they tell me. *[laughs]* You see, I didn't actually report this. A friend of mine reported it. He ended up in the hospital here, with an infection in his eye because he was out at this sighting on, was it Sunday? No, Monday. I don't remember. But he ended up in Yorkton and he told the nurses this and they went and reported to the television station, and the first thing they were out there and I couldn't figure how they got out there *[laughs]*.

**CR:** Why didn't you report it?

**F:** Well, the RCMP told him to keep it quiet because they were doing an investigation, and I never said anything because I never left the farm. I had undercover agents. I had dogs. I had everything out there. I had a hundred TV stations out there and CBC done a movie. They shot film, a length of film. Rain or shine. They were out there shooting film. And why I don't know. I still don't know.

**CR:** Tell you what. Just for our own sake, can you go back to the spot where one of the big ones was sitting and just fill up like a baggie or something like that with some dirt from there?

**F:** Well, you'd have to go to the RCMPs. They've got the...

**CR:** No, no. Right now.

**F:** Right now. Gee, that spot's been worked under. I wouldn't even know where the hell it is.

**CR:** Take a good guess.

**F:** I'd have to get a lineup of the center of the slough to whereabouts the three big ones were sitting, because that's where they took most of the samples from. The three big ones.

**T:** Well, the purpose of doing this now is...

**CR:** To see if there is any residual. If you said that fellow a few years ago had taken samples and said it was still radioactive, we might be able to detect any residual radioactivity.

**T:** We'd just like to verify his statement.

**F:** The only thing, he took it with a geiger counter. He walked all over the place. He didn't just walk to those spots.

**T:** Did he say it was everywhere?

**F:** He said the whole slough was like that.

**CR:** It wouldn't matter where it was taken from.

**F:** But if it still is, I don't know.

**CR:** If it was two years ago, it would be now.

**F:** Well, there was a guy from B.C. He loaded his station wagon up and he went into town to get a release from the RCMP. He had to come back out and unload it. They wouldn't accept it. They wouldn't let him go.

**CR:** Sounds very strange.

**F:** He was a fellow that was in research. Why he needed a station wagon full of it, I don't know.

**CR:** No, I don't know either. Maybe sell it. The uranium mines are north of here, a good 500 miles, right?



**F:** *Um-hum.* (Yes)

**CR:** Is there a river that flows this far south that might drain . . .

**F:** I don't know. Would it be an underground? Like there's underground lakes, would they be . . . , but they're quite a ways down.

**CR:** Uranium City, in the Northwest Territory, is just across the border from Saskatchewan. There are stories of the tailings from that contaminating the immediate area. Now it's possible that something could have been dumped, you know. And they were concerned about that or an underground stream or something. Possible, but unlikely, but a possibility. So it would still be nice to get a chunk of that soil.

**F:** I don't know.

**CR:** It would take just a baggie full, send it to us or myself or somebody. It takes just five minutes to take a check or overnight for a more thorough analysis.

**F:** Well, I'd have to go to the RCMP to get a release form.

**CR:** It's your soil, though.

**F:** They will not release any soil. It's all undercover. You cannot take any soil of any kind, anywhere, no.

**CR:** Well, it's your property, though.

**F:** You still can't . . . they've got permission.

**T:** You signed papers.

**F:** Yeah, I signed papers. Says no soil can be released unless they release it. They've got all the samples, if you want it.

**T:** Well, what about this fellow two years ago?

**F:** Well, I don't know if he took soil or what. He was just an electrician. He got a geiger counter and he wanted to see the spots where they had landed and I says, sure, I'll take you out there. And as soon as he got out of the van, he noticed like the tops of his hands and the back of his neck would get red, and I says well, what's that supposed to do? Well, he said he worked in a place where it was radioactive at one time.

**T:** I'd be very suspicious about that man.

**F:** So I don't know. He had a geiger counter and he went out and he said it's radioactive today.

**T:** I have a geiger counter, too, but that doesn't makes me a radiation scientist.

**F:** You can run out there and have a look at it, I don't know.

**T:** I don't have it with me.

**CR:** The only trouble with that . . . I find it odd that the RCMP would tell you that you can't give people soil from your own property.

**F:** You can't release it. It's under investigation.

**CR:** That's the Langenberg RCMP or the RCMP here?

**F:** No, it's Langenberg detachment, but in '74 there was a guy, he's retired, he was in the investigating, and there was nothing to be released without signing a piece of paper.

**CR:** Okay. If we were to get a letter from the RCMP, stating that it would be okay for you, you would do that for us?

**F:** Oh, I can do it for you, yes.