Charles 'Pete' Conrad Reference to Apollo-12 mission (November 1969)

They've been after me for years because we were followed by a UFO on the way to the moon. That, of course, was untrue. The guy who came up with it was going by our transcript where we saw debris from our own rocket and we were joking with the ground crew about it. He took this out of context... I called the ground and said, 'Hey, gang, we're being followed, there's some flashing object out there.' Some scandal sheet took that and made a helluva story out of it. But it was nothing like anything I was connected with."

Letter quoted in 'Space World' magazine, Feb 1977, p. 14.