PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 3 May 49 03/1400Z	2. LOCATION Sidney, Ohio
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION AIRCRAFT
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Two minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observer sighted a bright, shiny silver object. It was heading Northeast at a very fast speed. The object appeared to be disc-shaped. It wavered, climbed and descended slightly, and finally disappeared behind an obstacle after about two minutes.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE NE	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
THE INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

NO. [illegible]

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STATUS: CLOSED

TITLE: PROJECT "GRUDGE"
Incident, 7 May 1949
Sidney, Ohio

CHARACTER: SPECIAL INQUIRY

REFERENCE: NONE. This is an initial report.

SYNOPSIS

Investigation requested by Colonel W. R. CLINGERMAN, Chief, Analysis Division, Intelligence Department, Headquarters, Air Material Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, to investigate a report contained in the 7 May 1949 edition of the Dayton Daily News, Dayton, Ohio, that a "flying saucer" was seen at Sidney, Ohio on 6 May 1949. An unidentified bright silver object was observed traveling through space at a fast rate of speed on 3, 4 and 6 May 1949, by residents of Sidney, Ohio and Hamlewood, Ohio.

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DETAILS:

1. This investigation was predicated upon receipt of a Routing and Record Sheet, dated 10 May 1949, from Colonel W. R. CLINE JRAH, Chief, Analysis Division, Intelligence Department (MCIAW), Headquarters, Air Material Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, requesting an investigation be conducted of the "flying saucer" seen at Sidney, Ohio and reported by a newspaper article in the 7 May 1949 edition of the Dayton Daily News, Dayton, Ohio.

AT DAYTON, OHIO

2. Mr. [redacted], Dayton Daily News, Dayton, Ohio, was contacted on 18 May 1949 and he stated that Miss MILDRED CROSLEY of the Sidney Daily News, Sidney, Ohio, had furnished them the information for their newspaper.

AT SIDNEY, OHIO

3. Miss [redacted] Sidney Daily News, Sidney, Ohio was interviewed 18 May 1949 and she stated that the only information that she had on the "flying saucer" was published in their paper on 3 May 1949 and 6 May 1949. Photostatic copies of the two newspaper articles attached hereto. CROSLEY stated that Mr. [redacted] Street, Sidney, Ohio and Mr. [redacted] Sidney, Ohio saw the "flying disc" on 3 May 1949. Mrs. [redacted], Englewood, Ohio saw a "flying disc" on 4 May 1949 and [redacted] SMITH, 107 North Ohio Street, Sidney, Ohio saw a "flying disc" on 6 May 1949.

4. Mr. [redacted] was interviewed on 18 May 1949 and he stated that he had observed an unidentified aerial object at approximately 0900 hours on 3 May 1949, just as he was opening his jewelry store for business [redacted] stated that he was watching some birds on a high wire that crossed the street in front of his store when the bright shiny silver object appeared high in the sky. The object was shaped like a disc, approximately five inches in diameter and appeared to be traveling at a fast rate of speed. The object appeared at approximately eighty-five degrees overhead and was traveling northeast. WIFORD lost sight of the object when the building obstructed his view. [redacted] stated that the object wavered in flight, climbed and descended slightly and was in sight for approximately two minutes. The weather was clear, no wind was blowing and no planes were in the vicinity at the time the object was in sight. The object didn't make any sound or leave any trail. [redacted] did not take any photographs of object.

5. Mr. [redacted] was interviewed on 18 May 1949 and he stated that he saw the object when WIFORD called his attention to it. [redacted] stated that the time was between 0900 and 0915 hours on 3 May 1949. The object was oblong in shape and appeared to be about the size of a softball. The object was in sight for approximately two minutes and was traveling north in a straight line

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leaving a greyish colored trail behind.

6. Mr. [redacted] Ohio Street, Sidney, Ohio was interviewed on 15 May 1949 and he stated that he observed object at approximately 0830 hours on 6 May 1949, in front of Dockie Spot Restaurant, located at the corner of South Ohio and West Court Streets, Sidney, Ohio. The brightness of the object attracted CIVILIAN's attention. CIVILIAN was unable to determine the shape of the object due to its bright reflection, but appeared to be approximately five inches in diameter. The object was about a half mile west and traveling south at a great altitude. The object was in sight approximately two minutes, appeared to be traveling at a fast rate of speed and faded out in the sky. The object traveled in a straight line and was very billiant against a clear, blue sky. The object did not make any sound or leave any trail [redacted] not see any projections on the object was too bright and too far away. [redacted] the owner of the camera store at the above address but did not take any photographs of the object.

7. Miss [redacted] Street, Sidney, Ohio was interviewed on 15 May 1949 and she stated that she saw the object when [redacted] called her attention to it. The object appeared to be five inches in diameter, one inch in thickness and was probably larger due to the great distance. The object had a flat, circular shape. CIVILIAN stated that she lost sight of the object once but that it reappeared in the same position. The rest of CIVILIAN's statement corresponded to that of CIVILIAN's.

8. Mr. [redacted] Sidney, Ohio stated that he saw the object but couldn't give any description other than that it was a round, bright, shiny object traveling south through space at a fast rate of speed.

AT HALLSWOOD, OHIO

9. Mrs. [redacted] Hallswood, Ohio was interviewed on 15 May 1949 and she stated that at approximately 1830 hours, 4 May 1949, while she was working in the garden of her farm which is approximately three miles northwest of Fort Jefferson, Ohio and four and a half miles west of Hallswood, Ohio, she was attracted by the sudden glare of an unidentified object. The object reflected very bright light when the sun hit it and it was whirling and traveling through space at a great rate of speed. The object appeared to be six inches diameter, a bright, silver color and had a flat round or flat oblong shape. Mrs. [redacted] sighted the object at a high altitude, traveling northeast. The object appeared to be between her farm and Fort Jefferson. The object was in sight for less than two minutes and disappeared by fading out in the sky. The object did not make any sound or leave any trail. The weather was clear, no wind was blowing and no planes were in the vicinity at the time the object was in sight. No photographs were taken of the object.

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1. Date of Observation 3 May 1949 Date of Interview

2. Exact Time (local) 0900

3. Place of Observation Sidney, Ohio

4. Position of observer Ground

5. What attracted attention to object.

6. Number of objects 1

7. Apparent size 5 inches in diameter

8. Color of object Bright, shiny silver

9. Shape

10. Altitude High 85°

11. Direction from observer

12. Distance from observer

13. Direction of flight of object(s) Northeast

14. Time in sight 2 Minutes

15. Speed Fast

16. Sound and odor None noticed

17. Trail None noticed

18. Luminosity

19. Projections

20. Maneuvers Wavered, climbed and descended slightly

21. Manner of disappearance Disappeared behind obstacle

22. Effect on Clouds

23. Additional Information Concerning Object-

24. Weather Conditions. Clear, no wind.

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Aircraft

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 Incident 334

Name and address of observer:

Mr [redacted]

Occupation and hobbies:

Operator of Jewelry Store.

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

Mr. [redacted] interviewed on 18 May 1949 and he stated that he had observed an unidentified aerial object at approximately 0900 hours on 3 May 1949, just as he was opening his jewelry store for business [redacted] stated that he was watching some birds on a high wire that crossed the street in front of his store when the bright shiny silver object appeared high in the sky. The object was shaped like a disc, approximately five inches in diameter and appeared to be traveling at a fast rate of speed. The object appeared at approximately eighty-five degrees overhead and was traveling northeast. [redacted] lost sight of the object when the building obstructed his view. [redacted] stated that the object wavered in flight, climbed and descended slightly and was in sight for approximately two minutes. The weather was clear, no wind was blowing and no planes were in the vicinity at the time the object was in sight. The object didn't make any sound or leave any trai[redacted]id Not take any photographs of object.

For original report see Incident 310.

INCIDENT NO. 334A

1. Date of Observation 3 May 1949 Date of Interview 18 May 1949

2. Exact Time (local) 0900-0915 Hours

3. Place of Observation Sidney, Ohio

4. Position of observer Ground

5. What attracted attention to object. Mr [redacted]

6. Number of objects 1

7. Apparent size Soft ball

8. Color of object Silver

9. Shape Oblong

10. Altitude

11. Direction from observer

12. Distance from observer

13. Direction of flight of object(s) North

14. Time in sight 2 Minutes

15. Speed

16. Sound and odor

17. Trail Gray-colored

18. Luminosity

19. Projections

20. Maneuvers Straight flight

21. Manner of disappearance

22. Effect on Clouds

23. Additional Information Concerning Object-

24. Weather Conditions.

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 Incident 334A

Name and address of observer: Mr. [redacted]

Occupation and hobbies:

Dairy deliveryman

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

Mr. [redacted] was interviewed on 18 May 1949 and he stated that he saw the object when [redacted] called his attention to [redacted] stated that the time was between 0900 and 0915 hours on 3 May 1949. The object was oblong in shape and appeared to be about the size of a softball. The object was in sight for approximately two minutes and was traveling north in a straight line leaving a grayish colored trail behind.

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