

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 8 May 52		2. LOCATION <u>Mishawake, Indiana</u>		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☒ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>2130 CST</u> GMT <u>07/0330 L</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE <u>16 year-old girl</u>			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <u>30 seconds</u>		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>1</u>		9. COURSE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Reddish color. Oval shape. Hovered then moved. None - Balloons are launched at 0300. Balloon extremely high could appear to be red this late at night.				11. COMMENTS Object hovered for 28 seconds, (approx) then moved last 2 seconds of observation.	

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FIED FLYING OBJECT PD 1 PD DESCRIPTION PD SHAPE CMA SAUCER PD SIZE
CMA UNK PD COLOR CMA DULL RED PD NO CMA ONE PD TRAIL OR EXHAUST CMA
NONE PD PRPLN SYS CMA NONE PD SOUND CMA NONE PD MANEUVERS CMA SLIGHT
CLIMB TO DISAPPEAR PD MANNER OF DISAPPEARANCE CMA INTO CLOUD PD 2 PD
TIME OF SIGHTING CLN APPROX ^{0330 Z} 2130 HRS CST 8 MAY 52 PD 3 PD DURATION OF
SIGHTING CLN 1/2 MIN PD 4 PD MANNER OF ABSRN CLN VISUAL CMA FR SURFACE
PD 5 PD LOC OF ABSR CLN ON 700 BLK ON 3D ST CMA MISHAWAKE CMA IND PD
OBJ WAS SW OF OBSR PD 6 PD OBSR IS FEMALE CMA AGE 16 PD RELIABILITY AND
EXP UNK PD NO OTHER WITNESS PD 7 PD WEA CLN CLEAR WITH SCATTERED CLOUDS
PD 8 PD LOCAL ACFT ABN AT TIME OF SIGHTING CLN UNDETERMINED PD 9 PD

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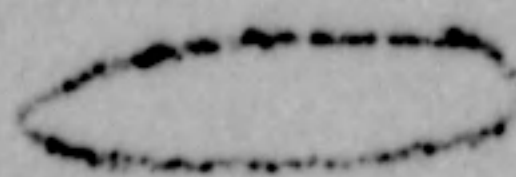
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Dear Sirs;

Having read the April 7 issue of "Life" with the article on flying saucers, I thought I would write in my own experience.

What I saw seems to be different from anything mentioned in "Life", so if there is a natural explanation I would appreciate your telling me so that I would make no more mistakes.

My "saucer" was red, a dull, intense red. I saw it about 9:30 in the evening. I regret to say I don't remember the day. The shape of the object was rather like this  It was not an airplane light or something like that. It remained in one place for about a half a minute and then suddenly went up a little and into a cloud bank. It made no noise that I could hear, but it was quite far away. I am no mathematician so I can not say anything as to the height or the speed of the object. If this is any use to you I will draw a picture of what I saw.

 The object went south west up. the line represents the angle which the object made on its rise.

Please tell me if this is any use. This is an entirely true story.

Sincerely,

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/s/

(Miss)

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COUNTRY / United States of America		REPORT NO. 4706DW-1-52	(LEAVE BLANK)
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT			
SUBJECT Sighting of Unidentified Flying Object			
AREA REPORTED ON Mishawake, Indiana		FROM (Agency) Hq 4706th Defense Wing, O'Hare Int Aprt	
DATE OF REPORT 28 May 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 22 May 1952	EVALUATION F-3	
PREPARED BY (Officer) EDGAR C. HANFORD JR. 1st Lt. USAF		SOURCE Letter, and personal interview.	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) Msg, this hq, Intel-5-793, dtd 22 May 52.			

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112-Part II.)

This officer interviewed the observer of a purported "flying saucer." Observer first reported sighting in letter addressed to this headquarters (Inclosure #1). Details of interview are found in PART II hereto.

This report is forwarded in compliance with instructions contained on page 30, Air Defense Command MISSION INTELLIGENCE, Issue No. 3, dated 16 April 1952.

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2 INCL.

1. Ltr fr Miss [REDACTED], dtd 14 May 52.
- 2 (To ADC only). Diagram prepared by interviewing officer.

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The following report is submitted in compliance with ADCL 200-1, dtd 11 Apr 51, as amended by ADC MISSION INTELLIGENCE, Issue No. 3, dtd 16 Apr 52.

1. Description of object sighted.

a. The shape of the object sighted was described as oval (see Inclosure #1). Definition (sharpness of outline) was described as slightly hazy, this being attributed to the fact that the object was apparently a great distance away.

b. Size. The object was described as being slightly less than one-half the size of the moon.

c. Color. Described by the observer as being a dull, intense red.

d. Number. One (1).

e. Formation. Not applicable.

f. Aerodynamic features. Undetermined.

g. Trail or exhaust. There was no trail or exhaust observed, either while the object was stationary or in motion.

h. Propulsion system. Undetermined.

i. Sound. None.

j. Maneuvers. The object was in sight for a total of approximately thirty (30) seconds, twenty-eight (28) of which the object was stationary. Then in approximately two (2) seconds time, the object was observed to describe an arc in the horizontal plane of about 20 degrees to the right and about 20 degrees in the vertical plane. (See Inclosure #2).

k. Manner of disappearance. The object disappeared into a cloud. This observation is unusual because although the object was described as being a dull, intense red color, the clouds were described by the weather observer at Bendix Field as being thin to the point that stars could be vaguely discerned.

COMMENT: The object could have been high enough above the clouds to catch sun rays giving red color.

1. Other pertinent information. From the various angular bearings made at the scene, the following data is submitted as an intelligent estimate, assuming that disappearance of the object was at an altitude of 25,000 feet.

Speed - 6,120 mph.

Track - 225°.

Distance covered - 4,840 ft.

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2. Time. The time of the sighting was 2130 hours on 8 April 1952. Duration of the observation was approximately 30 seconds.

3. Manner of observation. The sighting was visual. The observer was out of doors, and was not wearing glasses.

4. Location of observer.- object. The observer was standing near a residence located at 841 East Third Street, Mishawaka, St. Joseph County, Indiana. Location of

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the object (based on disappearance at 25,000') is estimated as follows:

Original sighting - 4,840' away (horizontal), at 8,160' altitude.

At disappearance - 9,100' away (horizontal), at 25,000' altitude.

5. Identifying information on observer. The observer is an intelligent, well-informed high school student, who is, although not well versed in aerodynamics nor in meteorology, in the opinion of the interrogating officer, convinced of the authenticity of this phenomena and has been completely honest in her statements.

NAME: [REDACTED]

AGE: 16 years.

ADDRESS: [REDACTED] Mishawaka, Indiana.

6. Weather.

a. The following weather information was obtained from Bendix Field, South Bend, Indiana, which is approximately 8 miles to the northwest of the observer.

Clouds - Thin broken at 25,000 feet.

Visibility - 7 miles.

Temperature - 45 degrees.

Dew Point - 35

Wind - Southeast at 15.

Altimeter setting - 30.14

b. The weather observer on duty at Bendix Field on the night of 8 April 1952 informed the investigating officer that he received two telephone calls on that evening reporting unusual objects (or object) in the sky. Receiving calls of this nature is unusual. However, when the weather observer looked for the object, he saw what was in his opinion a searchlight reflection on the clouds. The color of this reflection was light silver or white.

COMMENT: The observer of the red object was definite about the fact that the object was sighted in a space where there were no clouds and that it then disappeared into a cloud. A searchlight shining on a cloud would give an effect the reverse of this. At the time of the sighting there was enough light to distinguish clearly the outline of the clouds.

7. Activities or conditions which might account for the sighting.

a. NONE.

(1) The Dodge Manufacturing Co., which lies on a direct line between the observer and the object sighted, and which has blast furnaces, ceases operation of its furnaces at 1600 hours daily. There are no other industrial sites on or about the line of sight. There were no fires in the area; and the Police, Newspaper, and radio station received no reports of unusual objects.

8. Existence of any physical evidence. NONE. DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVAL
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9. Interception or identifying action taken. NONE. DOD DIR 5200.10

10. Local aircraft airborne at the time of sighting. Unknown.

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