PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

2. DATE

22 June 1952

3. LOCATION

Over [illegible] AFB, TEXAS

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

- ☐ Ground Visual
- ☐ Ground-Radar
- ☒ Air-Visual
- ☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. SOURCE

B-29 Engineer

6. NUMBER OF OBJECTS

ONE

7. DURATION OF OBSERVATION

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8. COURSE

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9. PHOTOS

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

10. 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

11. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Flight engineer of B-29 flying at 6000' over [illegible] AFB saw arrow shaped object, pointed with oval trailing edge. Trailed sparks and fire. B-29 made 360° turn but no contact could be made.

12. COMMENTS

1. No other a/c in vicinity.

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

FROM (Agency)	REPORT NO.	PAGE 1 OF 2 PAGES
~~3510th Fly Tng Wg (HB), RAFB, Tex~~		

1. At approximately 1430, 22 June 1952, the Group Intelligence Officer and his assistant interrogated T/Sgt Howard Davis the flight Engineer on B-29 44-86440, after he reported he had seen an unidentified flying object.

2. The interrogation revealed the object to be arrow shaped with a pointed nose and oval trailing edge. The trailing edge appeared to have an opening in the center. The estimated size of the object was 3½ feet long and 3 feet across. The object had a dark blue center which was banded by a white circle with the outer edge being red.

3. No conclusions can be drawn as to the aerodynamic features, other than it appeared flat. A trail of reddish sparks and streaks of light beginning approximately 3 feet behind the object was observed. The speed could not be determined and no sound was heard. The source stated that he was gazing out the flight engineers window when the object came into view. It was making a vertical descent at an estimated 500' off the aircraft wing. The source observed the object through approximately a 45° arc before it disappeared under the right wing. The length of time the object was observed was approximately 1 second.

4. The time of sighting was 1230 CST, 21 June 1952.

5. The observation was made visually from the engineers window of a B-29 which was cruising 190 MPH at 8000 feet. The aircraft was directly over Kelly AFB on a heading of 107 degrees.

6. T/Sgt Davis has approximately 600 hours as an engineer on B-29 type aircraft, his present duty is instructor engineer. Sgt. Davis is sincere and positive of the sighting.

7. The weather in the area and at the time of the sighting was broken cumulus with tops at 6000 feet, with no upper layer of clouds. The wind was from SSE at 25 MPH.

8. It is not known whether there was any activity or condition meteorological or otherwise which could account for the sighting.

9. There is no physical evidence such as fragments, photographs and the like, of the sighting.

10. Immediately after Sgt. Davis reported the object to the aircraft commander a turn was executed to the right through 360 degrees, but the object was not in sight. No other action was taken to intercept the object.

11. No other aircraft were observed in that area at the time of the sighting.

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COUNTRY	REPORT NO.	(LEAVE BLANK)
USA		

AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: FLYOBRPT

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
South Texas	3510th Fly Trng Wg (MB), RAFB, Texas

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
24 June 1952	22 June 1952	B-3

PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
Capt Edgar B. Collie, Ass't Gp Int Officer	T/Sgt Howard Davis

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)
Teletype, this headquarters, # CIG 1100 E FLYOBRPT and AFL 200-5

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.)

1. In reference to teletype, this headquarters, 211649 June 1952, number CIG 1100 E FLYOBRPT and AFL 200-5, dated 29 April 1952, a report is submitted on the sighting of unidentified aerial object.

2. An unidentified flying object was observed from the engineer's window of a B-29 which was cruising 190 MPH at 8,000 feet directly over Kelly AFB on 21 June 1952. The object appeared arrow-shaped with pointed nose and oval trailing edge. The center of the object was dark blue banded with white and the overall outer edge of the object was tinged with red. Its speed was undetermined.

3. This is the second reported sighting of unidentified objects in the San Antonio area within a month. However, resemblance between the objects of the two sightings is slight. (Refer to AIIR, this headquarters, dated 28 May 1952).

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APPROVED:
Marvin P. Thompson
MARVIN P. THOMPSON
Major, USAF
Wing Intelligence Officer

Encl.
1. Sketch
2. Certificate

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Copy furnished direct to Chief, Air Technical Intelligence Center, ATTN: [redacted], Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.

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~~3510th Fly Trng Wg (MB) RAFB, Tex~~		

Comments of preparing officer:

12. The source was positive of the sighting and stated that the object was in sight long enough for him to get a good look at it and the observation gave him some concern due to the fact that he felt he was observing something unreal.

Edgar B. Collie
EDGAR B. COLLIE
Capt, USAF
Asst. Group Intelligence Officer

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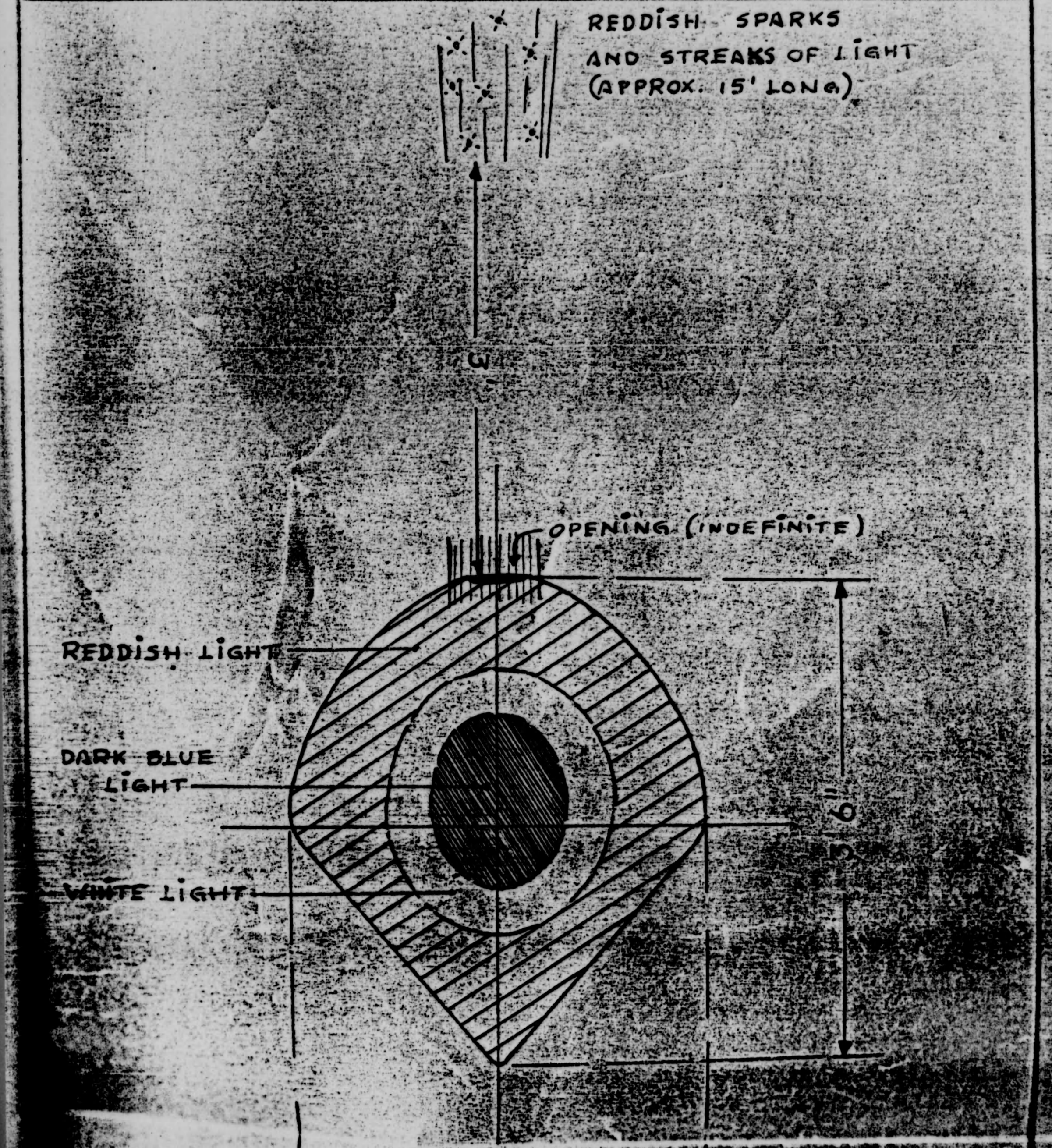
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FROM (Agency)	REPORT NO.	PAGE 1 OF 1 PAGES
~~3520 FLY TRG WG (ME), RAFB, TEX.~~		

CERTIFICATE

I, T/Sgt Howard Davis, AF 6665670, do certify that:

On June 21, 1952, at 1230 hours, while flying in a B-29 at 8000 feet over Kelly Air Force Base, Texas, on a heading of 107 degrees and at an indicated air speed of 190 miles per hour, I observed from my Flight Engineer's window what appeared to me for about one second, an object 500 feet off our right hand wing, moving in a vertical path from above us toward the earth. Its main body was of a dark blue color, glowing like a welding flame, and was surrounded by a white flame glow, having an outer glow of orange flame. It was about three feet in diameter and about three and a half feet long. About three feet from its main body, I noticed a trail of sparks and streaks of light. These lights were of the same colors, blue, white, and orange, and formed a trail about fifteen feet in length. The object had an arrow shaped nose and an oval shaped trailing edge, with an opening in the center that appeared as a blank space in the structure. It was somewhat flattened, and was made of an undeterminable material, for it did not seem to be metallic. It was traveling at a speed similar to that of a 22 calibre bullet fired from a low-cost single shot rifle. I didn't hear any sound coming from the object. The weather at the time was clear above us, and a thin layer of cumulus clouds below us at 6000 feet, with a coverage of about 8/10. There was no other aircraft around the area at the time.

Howard Davis
HOWARD DAVIS
T/Sgt, USAF
AF 6665670

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[redacted] GIQ 11ØØ E FLYOBRT. ATTN: ATIAA-2C WPAFB

ATTN: D/I DCS/O SAFB,FOL IS REPTED ON SIGHTING OF UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJ IAWNAFL 2ØØ-5; ITEM ONE: DESCRIPTION: ARROW SHAPED, POINTED NOSE WITH OVAL TRAILING EDGE, APPROX 3 AND ONE HALF FT LONG AND 3 FT ACROSS; CENTER OF OBJ WAS DARK BLUE, WHITE BAND AROUND BLUE AIZH OUTER RIM RED; ONLY ONE OBJ OBSRD; IT TRAILED SPARKS AND STREAKS OF LIGHT WHICH BEGAN APPROX 3 FT BEHIND OBJ; SPEED UNKNOWN; OBJ DISAPPEARED HEADING STRAIGHT DOWN UNDER R WG OF ACFT. ITEM TWO: OBJ OVSRD AT 123Ø HRS CENTRAL STD, 21 JUN 1952; LGTH OF OBSRN APPROX ONE SECOND. ITEM THREE: OBJ VISUALLY OBSRD BY FLT ENGR ON BAKER -29 ACFT; FLY SPEED 19Ø MPH, ALT 8ØØØ FT. ITEM FOUR; ACFT WAS DIR OVER KELLY AFB, TEX AT TIME OF

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OBSRN; ENGR LOOKING OUT ENGR'S WINDOW SIGHTED OBJ WHICH APPEARED 5ØØ FT OFF RT WG TIP AND MAKING VERT DESCENT . ITEM FIVE: IDENTIFYING INFO OF OBSR: DAVIS, HOWARD (NMI) T/SGT AF-6665570, HAS APPROX 6ØØ HRS FLY TIME AS FLT ENGR. OBSR VERY POSITIVE OF SIGHTING. ITEM SIX: BROKEN CUMULUS WITH TOPS APPROX 6ØØØFT, NO UPPER CLOUD LAYER, WIND SSE 25 MPH. ITEM SEVEN: NO MET OR OTHERCONDS KNOWN TO ACCOUNT FOR SIGHTING . ITEM EIGHT: NO FRAGMENTS OR PHOTOS. INTEM NINE: IM AFTER OBJ RPTD TO ACFT COMDR A 36Ø DEGREE TURN WAS MADE TO RT BUT OBJ NOT IN SIGHT. NO OTHER ACTION TAKEN TO FURTHER INTCP OBJ. ITEM TEN: NO OTHER AIR TRAF OBSRD IN GEN AREA AT TIME OF SIGHTING.

22ØØØ6Z JUN JWFDL

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ROUTING

JOINT MESSAGEFORM

COMMUNICATIONS CENTER NO.

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SPACE ABOVE FOR COMMUNICATIONS CENTER ONLY

FROM: (Originator)

CO, ATIC

TO: CG SAMA KELLY AFB TEX

INFO:

DATE-TIME GROUP: 161300Z July 52

PRECEDENCE FOR: ACTION: ROUTINE | INFORMATION

☒ BOOK MESSAGE ☐ ORIGINAL MESSAGE

☐ MULTIPLE ADDRESS CRYPTOPRECAUTION ☐ YES ☒ NO

REFERS TO MESSAGE:

IDENTIFICATION: SACAR-7-71-2 CLASSIFICATION: Restricted

FROM: AFOIN-ATIAA-7-7Z

Reference your wire 11/2257Z July 52. Typographical error from here. Wire referred to is SA-379 dated 08/2130Z June 52. Will repeat. TT AFOIN-ATIAA-7-4Z dated 9 July 52. Request details on source of report. If observer airborne request type of a/c, speed, etc. Please note Air Force Letter 200-5.

In reply cite Project Blue Book.

AFOIN-5 File

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DRAFTER'S NAME (and signature, when required)

Lt J. K. Rothstein/vm

RELEASING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE

SYMBOL: ATIAA-5

TELEPHONE: 54261

OFFICIAL TITLE: Robert D. Kimmel, Major, USAF
Air Adjutant General

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

FROM (Agency) Intel Office, 4702D Def Wing, Hamilton AFB, California	REPORT NO.	PAGE 1 OF 1 PAGES

Information required by paragraph 7c, AFL 200-5, dated 29 April 1952 is listed as follows:

(1) One dark thin cigar shaped object, approximately 100 feet long and 10 to 15 feet wide. No wings, tail or exhaust was observed. Method of propulsion unknown. Object emitted a high pitched whistle. Object varied altitude in a definite high speed pattern always keeping the same distance below the various cloud levels. Estimated speed five miles per second.

(2) 2005 hours 22 June 1952. Time observed approximately five seconds.

(3) Visual observation.

(4) [redacted], Millbrae, California. (37° 36' N 122° 36' 30" E) 105 feet above sea level. Object sighted proceeding from the Northwest to the Southeast. Red Rock to San Jose or Hunter's Point to over Bay Meadows, California. Distance covered from time first observed until disappearance was approximately 25 miles in approximately five seconds.

(5) Reported by: Mr. [redacted]
Millbrae, California

who has been flying since 1932. (P-6).

(6) 2000 hours 22 June 1952 ceiling: 1700 feet - scattered clouds
2700 feet - broken clouds
12000 feet - overcast
visibility: 20 miles
wind: calm
Source: Hamilton AFB Weather Station.

(7) None known.

(8) None.

(9) One (1) routine flight F-89 took off from Hamilton Air Force Base at 1902 hours 22 June 1952 to 37° 42' N 123° E to 38° 16' N 121° 56' 30"E to Hamilton Air Force Base. Landing time 2041 hours 22 June 1952. Visual observation negative. Radar contact negative.

(10) None other than number 9. This does not preclude the presence of civil or other military airborne aircraft in subject vicinity.

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: ~~UNITED STATES OF AMERICAN~~

Unidentified Flying Objects Reporting

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
Red Rock to San Jose or Hunter's Point to ~~Bay Meadows, Calif~~	Hq, 4702D Defense Wing Hamilton AFB, California

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
24 June 1952	22 June 1952	F-6

PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
ELMER J. BROAD, Capt, USAF, Dir of Intel	Mr. [redacted], Millbrae, Calif

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

AF Letter 200-5 dated 29 April 1952

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.)

The following report was received (telephone) on 22 June 1952 by this headquarters of an unidentified flying object observed by Mr. [redacted], Millbrae, California.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICAN		

AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: ~~UNITED STATES OF AMERICAN~~

Unidentified Flying Objects Reporting

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
Red Rock to San Jose or Hunter's Point to ~~Big Meadows, Calif~~	Hq, 4702D Defense Wing Hamilton AFB, California

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
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PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
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HEADQUARTERS
4702D DEFENSE WING
Hamilton Air Force Base
Hamilton, California

OI 319.1

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects Reporting (Uncl)

THRU: Commanding General, Western Air Defense Force, Hamilton Air Force Base, Hamilton, California
THRU: Commanding General, Air Defense Command, Ent Air Force Base, Colorado Springs, Colorado

TO: Director of Intelligence
Headquarters, USAF
Washington 25, D.C.

INFO CY: CHIEF,ATIC,ATTN:ATIAA-2c,W-P AFB, OHIO

Transmitted herewith are AF Forms 112 in accordance with Air Force Letter 200-5, paragraph 7d, dated 29 April 1952.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

1 Incl:
AF Form 112, Part I & II (3 cys)

Info cy: Chief, Air Technical Intelligence Center,
ATTN: ATIAA-2c,
Wright-Patterson, Air Force Base, Ohio

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RED ROCK TO SAN JOSE OR HUNXER'S POINT TO OVER BAY MEADOWS CMA
CALIF CMA DISCORVERED FR TIME FIRST OBSRD TILL DISAPPEARANCE WAS
APRX TWO FIVE MILES IN APRX FIVE SECONDS PD /5/ REPTD BY: MR
[redacted] CMA CALIF WHO
HAS BEEN FLYG SINCE 1932 CMA /T-6/ PD /6/ 2000 HRS 22 JUN 52 CEILING ONE
SEVENZERO ZERO FEET SCATTERED CLOUDS CMA TWO SEVEN ZERO ZERO FEET
BROKEN CLUDS CMA ONE TWO ZERO ZERO ZERO FEET OVERCAST CMA CISIBILITY
TWO ZERO MILES CMA WIND CALM PD HAMILTON WEA STA PD /7/ NONE KWN PD
/8/ NONE PD /9/ ONE F-89 A/C WAS AIRBORNE IN THE CIVINITY OF HUNTER'S
POINT BETWEEN 1902 AND 2041 HRS CMA 22 JUN 52 PD IT IS NOT KNOWN
WHAT THE MSN WAS PF FURTHER INFO WILL FOL UPON COMPLETION OF
INTERROGATION OF PLT AND RADAR BOSR PD /10/ NONE OHER THAN QUESTION
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[redacted] HAMDWIO 2025 /FLYOBRPT/ PD /1/ ONE DARK THIN CIGAR SHAPED OBJ CMA APRX ONE ZRO ZERO FEET LONG AND ONE ZERO TO ONE FIVE FEET WIDE PD NO WGS CMA TAIL OR EXHAUST WAS OBSRD PD MTHOD OF PROPULSION UNKWN PD OBJ EMITTED A HIGH PITCHED WHISTLE PD OBJ VARIED ALTITUDE IN A DEFINITE HIGH SPPED PATTERN ALWAY KEEPING THE SAME DIS BELOW THE VARIOUS CLOUD LEVELS PD ESTD SPEED FIVE MILES PER SECOND PDN /2/ 2305 HRS 22 JUN 52 PD TIME OBSRD APRX FIVE SECONDS PD /3/ VISUAL OBSR PD /4/ NO 4 CMA MILLBRAE CIRCLE CMA MILLBRAE CMA CALIFORNIA PD /37 DEGREES 36 MIN N 122 DEGREES 36 MIN 30'' E/ ONE ZERO FIVE FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL PD OBJ WASSIGHTED PROCEEDING FR THE NW TO THE SE PD

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ROUTING

JOINT MESSAGEFORM

COMMUNICATIONS CENTER NO.

SPACE ABOVE FOR COMMUNICATIONS CENTER ONLY

FROM: (Originator)

CO, ATIC

TO:

CC 4702 DEF WG HAMILTON AFB CALIF

INFO:

DATE-TIME GROUP: 2515004 June 52

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION: UNCLASSIFIED

PRECEDENCE FOR: ~~ROUTINE~~ ACTION | INFORMATION

☐ BOOK MESSAGE

☒ ORIGINAL MESSAGE

☐ MULTIPLE ADDRESS

CRYPTOPRECAUTION ☐ YES ☐ NO

REFERS TO MESSAGE: X

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FROM: AFOIN-ATIAA-6-16E FOR INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

Cite your message to FLYOBSRPT dated 24 June 52 regarding sighting of unidentified aerial object. Would like pilot and observer of F-89 a/c interrogated for following information:

1. Did they sight anything unusual?
2. Their position, altitude, and heading at approximately 2005 hours.
3. Were they performing any maneuvers and their speed?

In reply cite Project Blue Book.

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DRAFTER'S NAME (and signature, when required)

Lt L C Rothstein/mw

RELEASING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE

SYMBOL: AT 16-5

TELEPHONE: 54261

OFFICIAL TITLE: ROBERT E. KENNEDY, Major, USAF

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JOINT MESSAGEFORM

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FROM: (Originator)

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TO:

CC 4702 DEF WG HAMILTON AFB CALIF

INFO:

DATE-TIME GROUP: 2215Z24 June 52	SECURITY CLASSIFICATION: UNCLASSIFIED
PRECEDENCE FOR: ~~ACTION~~ ROUTINE	INFORMATION
☒ BOOK MESSAGE	☐ ORIGINAL MESSAGE X
☐ MULTIPLE ADDRESS	CRYPTOPRECAUTION ☐ YES ☐ NO
REFERS TO MESSAGE: X	
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FROM: AFOIN-ATIAA-6-16R FOR INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

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SYMBOL: PT-5	TELEPHONE: 5426J	OFFICIAL TITLE: ROBERT J. KENNEDY, Major, USAF	

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TO CO ATIC WRIGHT PATERSON AFB DAYTON OHIO

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2 JUL 7:40

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YELLOWISH COLOR PD FORMATION IN STRAIGHT LINE FOLG OBJ NO 1 PD

AERODYNAMIC FEATURES NOT DETERMINED PD TRAIL OR EXHAUST NONE PD

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MANEUVERS OBJ 2 AND 3 WEAVING BACK AND FORTH BEHIND OBJ 1 PD NOT DETERMINED IF ATCHD BY TOW CABLES OR OTHER MEANS PD NO DISAPPEARANCE TO NW INTO SCATTERED CLOUDS AT APRX 25000 FT PD ITEM 2 CLN 2026 HRS 22 JUN 52 FOR APRX 25 MINUTES PD ITEM 3 CLN FR GND LEVEL BY NAKED EYE AND 7 BY 50 BINOCULARS PD ITEM 4 CLN 116 DEGREES 20 FT N OVER BOISE CMA IDAHO PD ALT 40000 FT DIR OF TVL NW PD ITEM 5 CLN TSGT [redacted] CMA DET NO 3 CMA 4773RD GO SQ CMA BOISE CMA IDAHO PD SIX AND ONE DASH HALF YRS MIL SV WITH EYC RECORD PD CONSIDERABLE EXPERIENCE AS ODS FOR AA UNIT PD MRS [redacted] CMA [redacted] CMA BOISE CMA IDAHO AND MRS [redacted] CMA [redacted] CMA BOISE CMA IDAHO PD ITEM 6 CLN SCATTERED CLOUDS AT 14000 FT CMA THIN BROKEN CLOUDS AT 25000 FT CMA VISIBILITY 30 MILES CMA TEMPERATURE 67 DEGREES DEWPOINT 37 AND AND SW AT 5 MPH ITEMS 7 THRU 10 ARE NEGATIVE PD

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PROJECT [illegible] RECORD CARD

22 June 1 [illegible]

2. LOCATION

KOREA (MUNSONNI)

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar

☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. SOURCE

Marine Sgt.

6. NUMBER OF OBJECTS

one

7. COURSE

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10. CONCLUSIONS

☐ Was Balloon
☐ Probably Balloon
☐ Possibly Balloon
☐ Was Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☐ Possibly Aircraft
☐ Was Astronautical
☐ Probably Astronautical
☐ Possibly Astronautical
☐ Other _____
☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
☒ Unknown

8. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Object 1' in width was observed at alt of 8000' It went into vertical dive & leveled out at 1000'. Object performed various maneuvers, emitting a red flame type tail and intermittent flashes of bright light.

11. COMMENTS

No moon, clouds, or unusual astro activity at time of sighting. Both observers are of the best type, sober at the time.
Comments of prep officer: no explanation.

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AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)	
Korea, CT Grid Area	ATIL Office, D/I FEAF	
DATE	**DATE OF INFORMATION**	**EVALUATION**
16 July 1952	20 June 1952	B-2

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PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
Charles J. Malven, Captain, USAF, (ATLO)	1st Marine Air Wing, Marine Air Group 12

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)
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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.)

1. This report concerns the sighting of an oval-shaped unidentified flying object about 10 to 20 feet in diameter over the CT Grid area of Korea.

2. The original report, including the statements of the four pilots involved, was forwarded to this Headquarters by the 1st Marine Air Wing.

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CHARLES Y. BANFILL
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1. Object was oval in shape, from ten (10) to twenty (20) feet in diameter, was either white or silver. There was only one (1) object and no vapor trails or gas trails of any type were noticed. The object approached from the south, made a complete left-hand orbit of the target area just worked by the flight and headed away in an easterly direction, where it was soon lost from sight.

2. It was first observed at 1503/I and was out of sight at 1504/I on 20 June 1952.

3. Visual observation was made from approximately 5500 feet, aircraft were in a left orbit south of their target indicating 180 knots. Type aircraft flown were F4U-4B.

4. Observers were CT 0909 over the west central sector of Korea. Object was approximately 4000 feet below and about two (2) miles away from the reporting aircraft. Altitude of object was estimated at 1000 feet. It approached from the south and made a 630 degree orbit of the CT 091129 area and headed off on an easterly direction and was out of sight at CT 120118. One (1) pilot made a dive at the object but was outdistanced. Aircraft's speed in dive was 250 knots indicated.

5. Four (4) pilots in a flight of five (5) observed the object after it had been called to their attention by the flight leader. All of these pilots are well trained and have flown an average of 44 combat missions in Korea. The reliability of the report is considered A-1. Pilots names are:

Captain Bobbie (n) FOSTER 021474/7302 USMCR
Captain Richard (n) FRANCISCO 038989/7302 USMCR
Captain Teddy L. PITTMAN 036251/7302 USMCR
Captain Ronnie A. MCDONALD 039833/7302 USMCR

6. There was 4/10 scattered clouds, bases at 6,000 feet with tops at 8,000 feet. Visability was 15 to 20 miles. Temperature was at 85, dewpoint, 53. Wind conditions aloft at 10,000 feet were generally 290 degrees at 25 knots. Intermediate winds at 5,000 feet were 280 degrees at 15 knots, and the surface winds were southwesterly at about 4 knots.

7. Negative

8. Negative

9. One (1) plane attempted to dive on object, but could not make firing run due to friendlies. Object was too fast and pulled away very rapidly.

10. No sketches or photographs of the object are available.

11. Report by original reporting officer: Capt A. Walter H. Polak, Intelligence [illegible] Air Group 21.

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ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY REPORTING OFFICER:

1. Many reports of unidentified flying objects have originated from this area of

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Korea. Most of the reports from the DT Grid area have been traced to the use of balloons by the enemy. Several of the reports from the CT Grid area are at this time still unexplained.

2. The observer who saw this object for the longest period of time, (Captain Foster) has subsequently been declared KIA on 21 June 1952.

Charles J. Malven
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Captain USAF
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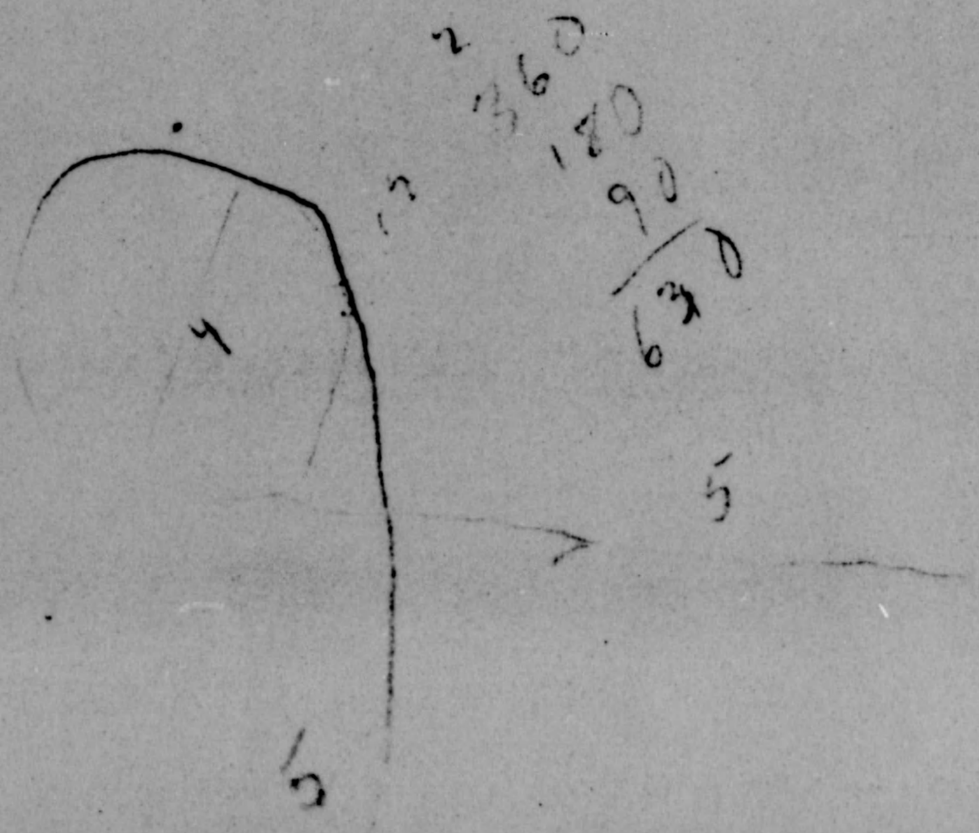
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REPORT OF CAPTAIN BOBBIE FOSTER, 024474/7302, USMCP, CONCERNING SIGHTING OF UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS ON 20 JUNE 1952

At 1415/I I took off from K-6, Korea with five F4U-4B's on a prebriefed flight to work a Close Air Support flight with the First Marine Division. We reported in to Shirley, Bromide, Dentist, Anaconda, Devestate Baker and Childhood 14, our TAC(A). We were directed to our target by our TAC(A) and we were in a left orbit over the target at CT 091129. At 1503/I I observed a white or silver object below me on a north course. At the time I was on an east heading observing the object down at 2 o'clock passing below and in front of me. The object was coming from friendly area. I thought at first it was a shell but observed that it was in a left turn and not in the shape of an artillery shell. This object made a 630° turn and was in sight at all time. It made approximately a 4 mile circle and retired to the east toward friendly lines. At 1504/I I notified my flight when the object was over the target and 4 of 5 of them saw it over the target. I estimate object was 10' to 20' in diameter. Bomb craters on the ground were about 3 or 4 times as large as the object and I later estimated the bomb craters to be 40' to 50' in diameter. It circled our target area and retired east. I started a dive on the object and at an indicated speed of 250 knots at 4000 feet the object went out of sight still low on ground (below 1000') estimated speed 1000 MPH or 4 times mine. I pulled back into flight and we continued our Close Air Support flight. This is my first sighting of such a nature.

/s/BOBBIE FOSTER



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While flying number two man in a five plane division on a Close Air Support Mission in the area of CT 091129, my attention was directed by my division leader, Captain B. FOSTER, to a unidentified object about nine o'clock from me. I was flying west in a left orbit approximately 5500 feet. The object was below me at least 3000 feet and was traveling at a very fast speed and appeared to be white or silver in color. The size was hard to determine but I would estimate it to be at least six (6) feet but not over twelve (12) feet in diameter. I was unable to tell the shape too well but it appeared to be round.

/s/Richard Francisco
RICHARD FRANCISCO

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REPORT OF CAPTAIN T. L. PITTMAN, 036251/7302, USMCR, CONCERNING SIGHTING OF UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS ON 20 JUNE 1952

On 20 June 1952, at approximately 1503/I, I was flying the number 3 position in a five plane flight in the near vicinity of CT 091129. Captain Bobbie FOSTER, the flight leader, made a radio transmission, stating that there was some unidentified flying objects below us, and inside our left hand orbit. At this time, I was north of the target area headed west. The object appeared to be of a round or oval shape. It left no trail of any kind or color. The object made an orbit of 360° to the left and retired in an easterly direction at a very fast rate of speed. My first impression was that it was a bird, but the speed couldn't have been made by a bird. It appeared to be about 3 - 5 feet in diameter. It was white or silver colored. Captain FOSTER made a run at the object, but it pulled away from him. I was at 5500 feet, and the object was below me about 4000 feet.

/s/T. L. Pittman
T. L. PITTMAN

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REPORT OF CAPTAIN RONNIE A. MCDONALD 039833/7302, USMCR, CONCERNING SIGHTING OF UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS on 20 JUNE 1952

At approximately 1510/I, while entering a bombing run, I observed an unidentified object at a position one mile southeast of target, - coordinates CT 091129. It was at an altitude of approximately 1000 feet. It appeared to be a white object, circular or oval in shape and about 10 feet in diameter. It was traveling east at approximately 200 M.P.H. The visual contact was very brief due to concentration on bombing run. No trail or exhaust was observed. My altitude was 4000 feet. At time of sighting, my position was 1/2 mile east of target.

/s/Ronnie A. McDonald
RONNIE A. MCDONALD

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D/I FEAF COMMENT:

1. With no estimation of size, the estimate of speed and altitude is considered to be inaccurate. The cloud layer into which the object disappeared was probably the 7/10 layer, which would indicate the most probable altitude as between 6000 and 8000 feet. This would, in turn lower the estimated speed to a reasonable figure for normal aircraft types.

2. Although no aircraft were reported in this area by Komaki Tower, Air Defense clears aircraft such as the F-94's on Tactical clearances, which although controlled by TACC, could be in the area without the knowledge of personnel at Komaki Air Base.

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SUBJECT

Unidentified Flying Objects

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Thomas F. Weldon, Lt. Col., USAF - ATLO	Paris newspapers

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Thomas F. Weldon

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Après Coca-cola les SOUCOUPES VOLANTES...

Quelques réflexions de

Jean Wolf

LES SOUCOUPES VOLANTES ET NOUS TERRIENS

UNE ENQUÊTE DE LOUIS LAMARRE

Les engins inconnus qui nous intriguent ne peuvent être que d'origine terrestre

nous dit le professeur Alexandre Ananoff, le plus grand spécialiste de l'astronautique

D'où viennent les soucoupes volantes ? Existent-elles réellement ? A la première question presque tout le monde pourrait répondre négativement. Il est bien difficile d'admettre qu'il s'agisse d'engins venus de la planète Mars ou de la planète Vénus.

Cherchons donc une solution plus terre à terre. Mais existent-elles ?

— Je crois que personne ne doute, nous a dit un jour notre ami Alexandre Ananoff, je crois qu'il s'agit réellement d'un engin expérimenté par une puissance qui garde son secret. Il me semble impossible d'admettre, aujourd'hui que tant de personnes et depuis si longtemps aient pu être victimes d'une illusion, d'une hallucination.

Opinions opposées

C'est là un point de vue qui se trouve exprimé de plus en plus dans les milieux les plus divers. Mais il n'en reste pas moins que deux camps continuent de s'opposer farouchement :

D'une côté, les négateurs :

On vient de nous livrer l'explication du phénomène par la réfraction dans les nuages de rayons lunaires. Ou de nous supposer qu'il s'agit d'un phénomène de concentration électromagnétique. C'est de tout cela qu'il faut tenir compte, en effet, pour éliminer les hypothèses déjà lancées : ballons-sondes, Vénus, etc.

De l'autre, les « croyants » :

Ceux-ci disent : « Si elles existent, c'est bien la preuve qu'elles nous viennent d'ailleurs. »

Un Allemand, le Dr Miethe, qui aurait été employé pendant la guerre au laboratoire secret de Peenemünde, déclare à Tel-Aviv qu'il s'intéresse à la question, et donne une description du Penguin V-1 — hélicoptère à douze réacteurs, carburant à hydrure, 20.000 kilomètres de rayon d'action, vitesse supersonique.

Du Liban, M. Pierre Rainert nous fait connaître que dès 1936 il avait déposé le brevet d'une machine circulaire, le « Rotoplan ». Le profil extérieur de l'appareil nous dit-il, agit à la façon d'un volant. Il régularise le couple, accumule une énergie importante utilisable au décollage, aux reprises et facilite l'atterrissage aux basses vitesses. Le plan de M. Rainert lui aurait été volé, sans doute par les constructeurs des mystérieuses soucoupes.

En fait, depuis la naissance de l'aéronautique, nombre de chercheurs ont étudié le comportement d'appareils volants de forme circulaire. Dans notre précédente enquête « Soucoupes volantes ou serpents de l'air ? » nous citions le « disque » de M. Dreux-Huzard (1925), l'avion à ailes rondes de Chance-Vought, qui déçut ses constructeurs et fut abandonné.

Impossible !

M. Alexandre Ananoff, qui, on le sait, a réussi à rendre plus [illegible] de monter catégoriquement à disques volants de nature interplanétaire, leur [illegible] et formelle. Cela [illegible] définitivement fait pour

[illegible] Quand [illegible] martienne, que [illegible] difficultés que nous rencontrons dans l'astronautique. Le [illegible] plein de débris et êtres qui se [illegible] dans notre atmosphère. (On en recueille sur porcelaine au sommet des montagnes) nous doute les particules dans l'espace mettraient en danger de mort les passagers de la fusée.

C'est là l'un des problèmes non résolus de l'astronautique. Au début des tentatives, M. Ananoff (moins ambitieux que l'Allemand Max Braun, partisan d'un satellite artificiel gravitant à 2.000 km. au-dessus de la terre et contenant une fusée vide qu'on abandonnerait à son sort dans l'espace sidéral).

Mais les « soucoupes ». Pour ce qui est du Dr Miethe, M. Ananoff demeure sur la réserve.

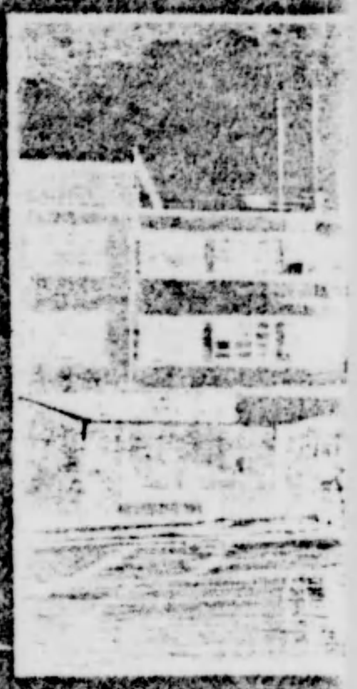
— Je sais, nous a-t-il dit en relation depuis vingt ans avec quelques-uns des Allemands qui ont fait la fusée V-2. Je pense qu'il y a une exagération dans ce qui a été dit sur les disques volants. Ce qui est certain, c'est que les Russes ont pris un grand intérêt à ce problème. Ils ont fait venir en Russie un grand nombre de savants allemands qui travaillaient à ce problème. Ne pourrait-il pas s'agir d'un de ces savants dont nous n'entendons plus parler ?

Quoi qu'en soit l'inventeur, les disques volants intéressent également M. Ananoff.

Tout comme M. Degrande, champion professionnel de [illegible] pratique à l'école supérieure d'aéronautique, il constate qu'il y a un problème insuffisamment étudié chez nous. Depuis longtemps en balistique on a observé qu'un obus animé d'un mouvement tournant était plus [illegible]

Après les déclarations formelles de témoins dignes de foi

SOUCOU volan



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QUE FAUT-IL penser des soucoupes volantes ?



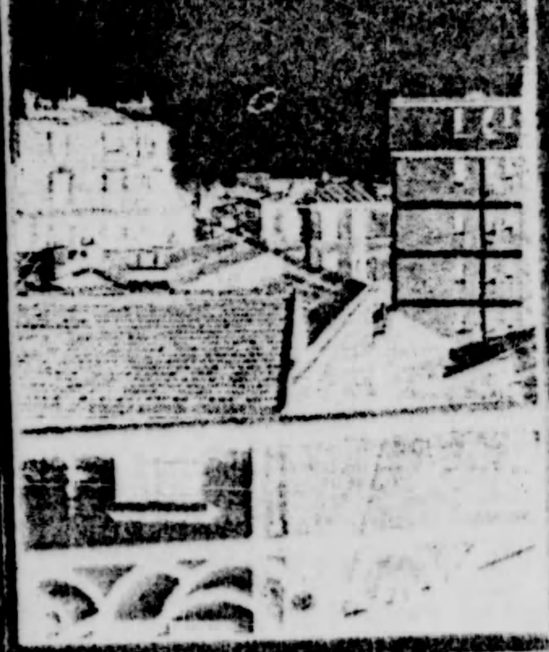
...jours, on ...plus en plus de ...soucoupes, et tout ...comme du terri-

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QUE FAUT-IL PENSER DES SOUCOUPES VOLANTES ?

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...ces de l'Air, qui certifient avoir vu des « soucoupes » sur Paris, un pilote renommé, M. Navarri, dans la nuit du jeudi 12 au vendredi 13, vers 1 heure, a aperçu un engin extraordinaire dans le ciel alors qu'il allait pour l'Aéropostale Nice-Paris F-BEPM au Bourget. Un technicien averti de l'aviation, M. Veillet, propose à la presse les courbes du Bourget qui vient d'atterrir au même moment et d'Orly, un étrange aéronef tout flamboyant...

« Pour » les soucoupes...

Le premier argument qui vient à l'esprit est celui-ci : les « soucoupes volantes » sont-elles TECHNIQUEMENT POSSIBLES ?

A cet égard, tout le monde a vu des athlètes lancer le disque. Lancé par la force humaine, il parcourt en l'air, en tournant sur lui-même, des dizaines de mètres avec une grande stabilité. Il ne retombe que parce que la puissance qui l'a propulsé n'existe plus renouvelée.

Dans l'état actuel de la science, on peut très bien concevoir qu'un engin dissocié muni d'un moteur quelconque — une « réaction » solaire, électromagnétique, atomique — puisse voler. Le pourtour du disque, muni de récepteurs par exemple, tournerait autour d'une partie centrale fixe, selon le système du roulement à billes. L'abrasif serait parfaitement habitable et par plusieurs révolutions, au fond, par rapport à nos propres mouvements, que nous ressentons les forces centrifuges, il y aurait de la pesanteur.

Des engins semblables, par leur grandeur, projetés à l'horizontale, pourraient, à quelque temps, qui croyait à l'existence des soucoupes et qui, selon ses tempéraments, se sentirait des personnalités, il en existait de deux sortes, les grosses (50 mètres de diamètre) et les petites (2 mètres de diamètre environ), ces dernières étant inoccupées et téléguidées.

Voilà donc les arguments POUR : à noter que, récemment, les soucoupes ne semblent pas, loin de là, incroyables.

...et « contre »

Mais les arguments CONTRE ne manquent pas non plus.

Le premier, le plus simple, est celui que l'observateur de Meudon et la direction de l'aéroport du Bourget ont officiellement répondu au pilote et se proposent de tenir pour de comble :

— Vous avez sûrement vu quelque chose, ce n'est pas contestable. Mais vous avez pris pour une soucoupe un phénomène atmosphérique lumineux banal.

De même, le professeur Picard, de Marseille, a déclaré :

— Il est très souvent des ballons sondes météorologiques que l'on prend comme des soucoupes volantes. Très gros points en gris-argenté, ils semblent au soleil et progressent par culbutes successives sous l'effet des coups de vent.

Autre déclaration encore, condamnant l'hypothèse des soucoupes : le 11 mars 1952, M. Danjon, directeur de l'Observatoire de Paris, affirmait :

— Quelque soit sans doute vu de très larges travaux faits par les soucoupes volantes. Or, j'ai constaté moi-même sur des photographies astronomiques des traînées analogues : elles étaient faites par de simples MÉTÉORITES...

Nouvel argument contre les soucoupes : il ne paraît guère vraisemblable qu'un pays quelconque, en fabriquant le secret, ne parvienne pas à se ruiner en produisant des avions classiques alors qu'il démontrait le secret d'un engin aussi formidable que cette soucoupe dont la vitesse et la maniabilité surclasseraient tous les appareils existants.

Or, que voyons-nous ?

Les « Plus Grands » de l'aviation : U.S.A., U.R.S.S., Grande-Bretagne, ont tous mis au point, ou « B-36 », « Tupolev », « Vickers 100 », ou « Tupolev » et dépassent des sommes folles à une dotter leurs escadres. Les plus révolutionnaires des avions qu'ils fabriquent sont l'aile Delta GAIS (pour les appareils de chasse qui ne dépasse pas 1.300 km-h) et le « Skyrocket » (pour les prototypes, qui va à une vitesse approchant de celle qu'on attribue aux soucoupes (2.400 km-h) mais ne peut voler que durant 5 minutes...

Alors ? Bluff d'une nation qui cacherait le terrible secret des soucoupes continuerait à fabriquer ostensiblement des avions classiques pour donner le change ? Oui, mais pourquoi travaille-t-elle en même temps si prodigieusement aux soucoupes aussi bien à Boulogne-Billancourt de Paris que de Sidi-Bel-Abbès, Alger ou Mexico ? Il serait plus simple, semble-t-il, de ne rien faire du tout. Ou, si elle veut surprendre, ne pas construire de soucoupes, mais garder le secret absolu sur ses recherches.

Reste l'hypothèse d'un (ou plusieurs) envoyé par une autre planète.

Seulement, la plupart des savants sérieux ne croient pas à la possibilité d'une vie quelconque sur la Lune, Mars ou Vénus.

Et ces savants n'admettent que les soucoupes viennent d'une autre planète, puisque aucune de celles-ci ne peut supporter la vie humaine.

Que conclure ? Sinon qu'il faut rester dans un état d'esprit qui semble le plus favorable : Technique, Expérience, Prudence, Patience, Curiosité, Objectivité, Impartialité, Sérénité.

Et, surtout, ne pas se laisser influencer par les témoignages, souvent contradictoires, qui nous parviennent de toutes parts.

Ainsi, M. Danjon n'a-t-il pas déclaré qu'on ne peut publier les photographies prises par les astronomes professionnels ? Or, ces photographies ont été publiées, et elles représentent MANIFESTEMENT des météorites ou des étoiles filantes.

Alors ?

Alors,

ES SOUCOUPES VOLANTES URVOLENT LE CIEL DE PARIS

sieurs personnes ont aperçu les mystérieux engins

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...sieurs personnes ont aperçu ces mystérieux engins...

...Le point de vue officiel

...Au Bourget

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LE MONDE — 19 juin 1952

LES HOMMES DE SCIENCE vont-ils enfin aborder le problème des "SOUCOUPES VOLANTES"?

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APRÈS CINQ ANS D'APPARITIONS au-dessus de tous les pays du monde

Les soucoupes volantes semblent avoir été enfin aperçues dans le ciel de Paris !

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Les soucoupes volantes et nous Terriens

UNE GRANDE ENQUÊTE DE LOUIS LAMARRE

DE LA PREMIÈRE PAGE

...faire une photographie astronomique. Un cliché d'amateur sans valeur scientifique peut montrer une étoile, une planète, une comète nouvelle, un fait divers du ciel.

...ne croyez pas la chose impossible. Beaucoup prennent appareil, ouvrent à l'infini, dirigent la direction de...

...Au premier abord, constatation encourageante : Vénus présente quelques ressemblances avec la terre.

Vénus qui se trouve au 1/3 de la distance terre-soleil a un diamètre à peu près égal à celui de notre planète. Comme elle est un peu moins dense, un homme s'y sentirait peut-être moins lourd. L'année est de 224 jours. Vénus enfin a une atmosphère importante. Les difficultés qu'on éprouve à observer la surface dans le télescope sont attribuées à la présence de nuages très épais.

... à ... 130° !

Voyons, maintenant, les différences notables. Il y a des montagnes de 100 kilomètres d'altitude, et la durée de la journée...

Prochain article :
LE MYSTÈRE DE MARS

...planète que nous puissions admirer à l'œil nu et en plein jour. C'est Mercure.

Comme Vénus, l'astronome ne...vice le découvre facilement car Mercure se trouve toujours près du soleil avec lequel il ne forme jamais un angle de plus de...

La grande inconnue de Mercure

...

Les soucoupes volantes et nous Terriens

Les disques volants ne peuvent

ON EN EST (PRESQUE) CERTAIN

provenir ni de Vénus ni de Mercure

Le climat de ces deux planètes a de quoi décourager les plus audacieux candidats à l'astronautique 4C 8453-3

LE problème des « soucoupes » incite bien des personnes à lever les yeux vers le firmament et à méditer sur l'infini : « Ah que j'aimerais être astronome ! »

— Si vous le voulez, vous pouvez, répond avec calme M. Henri Baum, un des nombreux pionniers du ciel. En France et de par le monde, il y a plus d'astronomes amateurs qu'on ne le croit généralement. Il n'est besoin pour cela d'instruments comme on en trouve aux Observatoires. En effet, sur l'œil, le nombre d'étoiles visibles dépasse à peine la réalité que de 2.000. Mais une simple paire de jumelles vous en augmentera déjà le nombre. Avec une lunette, vous pourrez vous livrer à d'intéressantes études.

La photographie des étoiles à la portée de tous

Et M. Séguet d'ajouter :

— Et la photographie ? Avec l'appareil le plus modeste vous obtiendrez en dernière heure, sur la



Last Week the one piece of [illegible] was [illegible]

L'étoile du Berger

Un fait qui ne peut manquer de frapper Vénus, l'étoile du Berger ? Voici une planète qui, dans le ciel du mois ou bien à l'aurore, offre un point brillant d'une vivacité telle qu'elle est si belle que son nom a explique tout seul.

C'est un des astres les plus proches de nous et astronomes amateurs qui ne disposent pas encore, hélas ! du carburant suffisant pour tenter la grande aventure sont tout naturellement amenés à songer à cette proche voisine.

Pourrait-on y aller ? Y poser une fois la fusée refroidie ? La vie animale et végétale — et nous pensons à des mystérieux fabricants de soucoupes volantes — y est-elle possible ?

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Ce Matin
16 Juin

Un Nommé
CUSENIER
WHISKIES ECOSSAIS
COGNAC
FINE CHAMPAGNE V.S.O.P.
(C.S.O.P.)



D'après les astronomes de M
(Ridicule)

La "soucoupe volan
observée au Bourg
serait qu'un aéro

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LA CHASSE
aux soucoupes volantes
EST OUVERTE
(officiellement)
AUX U.S.A.

On voit des soucoupes volantes partout. Les derniers bonds [illegible] les dirait à forme de [illegible] requise pour mettre notre [illegible] tion — aux yeux toujours de [illegible] mains obérées par leurs inexplicables et fantomatiques apparitions — ont été entrevus ces jours derniers en France.

Les Américains, peu satisfaits des explications fantaisistes ou pseudo-savantes émises pour expliquer leur nature et leur provenance, sont inquiets en outre de leur multiplication dans le monde.

Les forces aériennes américaines ont déclaré hier le général Twining, chef d'état-major, qu'on n'en avait le cœur net.

Après avoir rassemblé [illegible] huit cents témoignages, [illegible] de techniciens, a établi que [illegible] 99 pour cent des cas il [illegible] corps célestes, dans [illegible] d'oiseaux et d'avions, dans [illegible] pour cent de ballons-sondes, dans [illegible] cent de déformations [illegible] mais que dans 1% pour cent [illegible] le mystère [illegible] le dessin.

Des équipes de [illegible] soucoupes » ont été constituées [illegible] U.S.A. Elles seront dotées [illegible] équipement scientifique [illegible] ne rien laisser inexpliqué [illegible] que les appareils enregistreurs [illegible] Des caméras spéciales [illegible] mant les images et des spectrographes analyseront la nature [illegible] lumière émise.

Une "soucoupe" volait dans le ciel d'Eaubonne à 18.000 m. d'alt.

Cette fois, ça y est ! Un habitant d'Ile-de-France a vu de ses yeux vu sa « soucoupe volante ».

Rendons grâce à l'excellence de la rue de M. Albert Roux, entrepreneur de maçonnerie, 22 rue Albert-Ier, à Eaubonne, qui reperant le mystérieux disque à 18.000 mètres d'altitude (sic) nous a évité de faire figure de parent pauvre.

Le témoignage de M. Roux — un Monsieur qui n'a pas la réputation d'être un plaisantin — confirmé par un sien voisin, M. Viard, des Lilas, a été recueilli par M. le Commissaire de police d'Ermont.

Voici l'essentiel de cette déposition spontanée :

« Dimanche, vers 17 h. 30, nous avons vu un engin de forme sphérique, blanc, qui filait à une vitesse vertigineuse. Venant du nord, il se dirigeait vers le sud. La vision a duré quelques secondes. Je crois qu'il devait voler à 18.000 mètres d'altitude. »



La tour de contrôle du Bourget a signalé
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Il s'agirait d'un phénomène atmosphérique

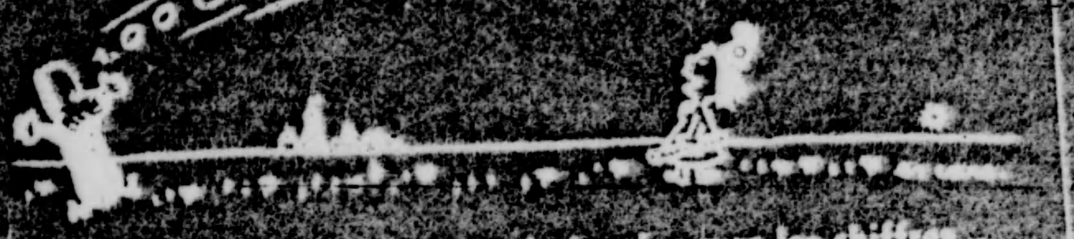


Une Marque
CUSENIER
VIEILLE FINE CHAMPAGNE V.S.O.P.
« COGNAC »

D'après les astronomes de Meudon

La "soucoupe volante" observée au Bourget ne serait qu'un aérolithe

SOUCOUPES VOLANTES



— Naturellement, à force de jongler avec les chiffres...

Le tour de contrôle du Bourget a signalé le passage d'une "boule de feu"

Il s'agirait d'un phénomène atmosphérique

La direction de l'aéroport de Paris a reçu vendredi matin le rapport suivant émanant de la tour de contrôle du Bourget :

« Le matin, à 1 heure, alors que le ciel était couvert, une boule de feu plus brillante qu'une étoile, a parcouru le ciel dans le Sud-Ouest du Bourget, après une longue période de luminosité. Ce phénomène a été également signalé par l'avion commercial F.B.E.P.M., en provenance de Lyon. La boule a disparu à l'horizon en scintillant et en effectuant un déplacement de plus en plus rapide.

» Notons que dans la journée du 12 à 13 h. 15, par deux fois une personne nous a téléphoné de Montmartre pour nous signaler la présence d'un disque argenté au-dessus de Paris. »

A l'aéroport de Paris, on se borne à faire remarquer que cette mystérieuse apparition est probablement due à un phénomène atmosphérique local et que rien ne permet de formuler l'hypothèse d'une éventuelle « soucoupe volante ».

Cette opinion semble se confirmer, car si l'Observatoire de Paris et la Société d'astronomie de France n'ont enregistré d'observations particulières dans la nuit de jeudi à vendredi

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UN RAPPORT OFFICIEL DU BOURGET SIGNALE :

Des "soucoupes volantes" dans le ciel de Paris

GLOBES LUMINEUX dans le ciel de Seine-et-Oise...

Dimanche après-midi, vers 17 h. 20, [illegible] se trouvait dans son jardin M. Albert Roux, entrepreneur habitant 22, rue Albert-Ier, à Rambouillet, a observé dans le ciel un engin sphérique de couleur blanc argenté se déplaçant à une vitesse vertigineuse du nord-ouest vers le sud-est.

Le ciel était alors à moitié couvert. Mais M. Roux, [illegible] l'engin disparut dans les nuages au bout de quatre à cinq secondes. Sa vision avait duré au maximum trois quarts de minute. Il s'agissait d'un globe d'une grande netteté et d'un éclat [illegible] de réflection. [illegible] appareil de grosseur égale à celle de la moitié de la lune. Aucun bruit [illegible] particulièrement caractéristique [illegible] perçu. Aucun bruit [illegible] les membres de sa famille [illegible] trouvaient à ce moment-là près de lui, n'a aperçu, lui aussi, [illegible] disparition sphérique [illegible] pu voir aussi [illegible] s'agit d'un engin placé à la verticale.

Des [illegible] on pourra rapprocher celui qui a été observé dans le secteur nord de la région parisienne par [illegible] précisément, où furent observés ces phénomènes font l'objet [illegible] dans l'article ci-contre, que ce nouveau témoin aperçu un mystérieux engin.

...de la Meuse

NANCY, 17 juin (de notre correspondant par téléphone). — Alertés par [illegible] des chasses de Robert-Espagne et Magneville (Meuse), situés entre Bar-le-Duc et Verdun, les gendarmes ont interrogé des bûcherons, témoins de phénomènes aériens extraordinaires. M. Marius Aubry, l'un d'eux, a déclaré :

— Mes camarades Joseph Rousseau, Collet et moi avons aperçu un appareil ayant la forme d'un [illegible] parachute descendant très vite sur la forêt.

...et de l'Anjou

CHOLET, 17 juin (de notre correspondant par téléphone). — Un disque blanc se déplaçant à une vitesse [illegible] a été vu par trente personnes

La tour de contrôle de l'aérodrome, un pilote de ligne, un industriel parisien et plusieurs autres témoins ont constaté l'étrange phénomène

DES « soucoupes volantes » sillonnent le ciel de la région parisienne. Des « soucoupes volantes » ou du moins le phénomène mystérieux que l'on baptise ainsi.

Une série de témoignages dignes de foi et jugés assez importants pour avoir figuré aussitôt dans un rapport officiel de l'aéronautique française sont venus, en effet, dans la journée de jeudi dernier, 12 juin, et dans la nuit suivante, enrichir d'une pièce maîtresse le dossier déjà volumineux consacré à ce qu'il est convenu d'appeler les « soucoupes volantes ».

Parmi les bulletins qu'il reçoit chaque jour, des aérogares de la région parisienne, le directeur de l'aérogare d'Orly trouva, vendredi matin, le communiqué suivant émanant de la tour de contrôle du Bourget :

« Ce jour, à 1 heure, alors que le ciel était couvert, une boule de feu plus grosse qu'une étoile parcourt le ciel dans le sud-ouest du terrain après une longue période d'immobilité. Ce phénomène est signalé par l'avion F-BEFM, qui l'indique lui-même à la tour de contrôle. Cette boule disparaît à l'horizon en scintillant et en effectuant un déplacement de plus en plus rapide.

» Il faut noter que dans la journée du 12, à 13 h. 45, par deux fois, une personne nous a téléphoné de Montmartre pour signaler à la tour de contrôle la présence d'un disque argenté au nord de Paris. »

En interrogeant les différentes personnes qui observèrent le phénomène — objet de ce rapport technique — nous avons pu reconstituer les faits dans leur ordre chronologique, tout par leur importance géographique, revêtent une extrême importance au moment précisément où, un peu partout dans le monde et plus particulièrement en France, on signale le passage d'engins mystérieux dans le ciel.

Pierre FOURNIER.

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SOUCOUPES VOLANTES

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Au début de l'après-midi du jeudi 13 juin, le ciel était absolument pur au dessus de la région parisienne. M. Jean-Paul N... (1), directeur d'une importante maison de tissus du boulevard Haussmann, déjeunait devant la fenêtre ouverte de son living-room dans l'appartement qu'il occupe au troisième étage du 100 de la rue Lamarck. Il était environ 14 h 30 (les heures indiquées dans le rapport du Bourget (G.M.T.) sont en avance d'une unité sur l'heure locale). De sa fenêtre M. Jean-Paul N... découvre un vaste horizon qui va au delà des manomètres de Saint-Denis, s'étend jusqu'à Ermont et Eaubonne.

C'est juste au-dessus des gazomètres, c'est-à-dire dans la direction nord-nord-est que, soudain, M. Jean-Paul N... aperçut une tache brillante, immobile sur l'azur, à 20 ou 40 degrés d'altitude (l'angle formé par la Terre et le zénith étant de 90 degrés).

Il alla chercher ses jumelles qui restent à sa fenêtre. Il distinguait maintenant un corps au reflet argenté, semblable à une immense feuille de zinc rectangulaire aux angles rognés. Il ne montrait pas de l'horizontale, mais selon un plan légèrement incliné. Il se mit bientôt à se déplacer par longues embardées vers la droite puis vers la gauche, vers le haut puis vers le bas. Il ne s'agissait pas d'une propulsion obéissant aux lois normales d'accélération, mais procédant par « jets ».

M. Jean-Paul N... appela sa femme. Il passa ses jumelles bien gentiment rapprochés, le corps mystérieux fut nettement visible à l'œil nu. Mme N... fit remarquer à son mari le petit halo rouge qui entourait le rectangle argenté. La femme de ménage était venue à son tour à la fenêtre et observait elle aussi le phénomène.

Chute en feuille morte

Espérant le bientôt d'obtenir d'autres témoignages susceptibles de confirmer le sien, M. Jean-Paul N... demanda à sa voisine du deuxième étage de monter. Mme Marie-Louise Z... dont nous avons également recueilli les déclarations le rejoignit et resta, pendant plusieurs minutes, aux évolutions de l'étrange boule. Celui-ci montait très haut, une vitesse et grande qu'on ne pouvait le suivre à la jumelle, puis redescendait plus lentement. Au bout de 15 à 20 minutes, il amorça une « chute » en feuille morte » puis stationna rapidement et disparut.

Au cours de l'après-midi, M. Jean-Paul N... qui avait téléphoné au Bourget pour signaler sa découverte, l'engin semblant parfois survoler l'aérodrome, reçut, dans son bureau du boulevard Haussmann, la visite de son imprimeur, M. B..., qui habite rue du Dobropol, c'est-à-dire non loin de la rue Lamarck. M. D..., un ancien aviateur, n'avait rien vu mais avait entendu, au moment même où M. Jean-Paul N... voyait évoluer le rectangle argenté, un bruit prolongé encore qu'assez faible de moteur à réaction.

A la tour de contrôle

Nul autre témoignage ne rapportant aux heures suivantes de l'après-midi n'a été recueilli. La tour de contrôle du Bourget qu'avait alertée M. Jean-Paul N... n'observa rien d'insolite dans le ciel pas plus au moment où M. Jean-Paul N... lui téléphona que plus tard dans la soirée. Ce n'est qu'au milieu de la nuit, le vendredi 13, à 2 heures environ, que M. Veillet, employé à la tour de contrôle de l'aérodrome, aperçut une lueur fixe au-dessus de l'horizon.

— Le ciel était couvert à 8/8e, c'est-à-dire complètement, à 2 000 mètres un peu plus de 1 000 mètres. Dans la direction sud-ouest, à 10 degrés environ au-dessus de l'horizon, j'aperçus soudain une boule rouge immobile. Elle m'apparaissait à peu près trois fois plus grosse que l'étoile du Berger (invisible alors) comme tous les autres astres. Je la regardai pendant près d'une heure : je crois, sans qu'elle bouge. C'est alors que l'avion postal F.B.K.M., venant de Nice via Lyon, s'annonça.

« Vous avez vu cette boule rouge ? m'demanda par phonie le pilote qui s'apprêtait à atterrir. Je lui répondis que je l'observais depuis très longtemps déjà. Tandis que le pilote garait son appareil, elle se mit à se déplacer vers l'ouest, assez lentement. Elle disparut au bout de dix minutes environ. L'avion postal de Pau s'annonçait justement. Je demandai au pilote de faire un tour supplémentaire au-dessus du terrain et d'essayer de voir si une boule rouge ne se promenait pas dans le ciel. Il n'observa mais n'aperçut rien. Quelques instants plus tard, M. Navarri, le pilote de l'avion F.B.K.F.M. qui avait aperçu la lueur mystérieuse, vint me parler du phénomène qu'il avait observé. »

Pilote chevronné, familier des aéronefs, M. Navarri a bien voulu, à son tour, nous faire part de ses constatations :

— C'est alors que je volais vers le Bourget que j'aperçus dans le ciel, au-dessus de l'horizon, ce point lumineux beaucoup plus gros qu'Sirius et d'une couleur rougeâtre. Je pensai à un [illegible] Montesson. J'en parlai à l'observateur [illegible] de Montesson. Il me répondit qu'il [illegible] de 17 [illegible] comme.

(1) Craignant l'indiscrétion [illegible] de son personnel, M. Jean-Paul N... [illegible] une personnalité connue de la Résistance, qui a mis ses ordres plus de neuf employés, a préféré ne pas [illegible] imprimer son nom.

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Forwarded as inclosure 1 are clippings from various Paris newspapers on the subject of "flying saucers".

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Unidentified Flying Objects

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Thomas F. Weldon, Lt. Col., USAF - ATLO	Paris newspaper "France Soir"

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1. The subject of "flying saucers" made the headlines in France for the first time when a bright unidentified object was observed in the Paris sky at high noon on 12 June 1952.

2. Inclosed is a newspaper clipping from the 18 June edition of "France Soir". It describes the Paris sighting and three other recent sightings in France not in the Paris area.

3. The Paris sighting was made simultaneously by the pilot of an aircraft flying near the Le Bourget airport and another individual in the City of Paris. Both described the object as a "ball of fire".

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1. The following is translation of letter from Ing. Romano TONON to the Embassy in Rome:

"Udine, 20 June 1952

To the Embassy of the United States of America

I learned that the American authorities disposed long-range operations to intercept flying saucers (or discs) which have been observed several times in the States: I am sending a report which gives a solution of the problem of flying saucers.

The study requires a general knowledge of meteorological optics and astronomy.

I hope this will facilitate the experiments which are being carried out in the States.

I would appreciate to be informed of the results which will undoubtedly confirm my theory.

Sincerely yours,

Ing. Romano TONON

Address: Ing. Tonon Romano
Viale Duodo 52/4 - Udine"

2. The following is translation of Ing. Tonon's study on Flying Saucers:

"SUBJECT: Solution of the Problem of Flyirg Saucers, Traced to a Phenomenon of Physics.

Udine, 17 June 1952

"On the basis of personal observations made during World War II, and of reports published, I deduced that the flying saucers can be traced to phenomena of meteorological optics, and, namely, artificial halos, both solar and lunar, with parhelions and paraselenes, caused by planes in flight in the atmosphere. These flights are made almost everywhere.

Description of the Phenomenon

"It is to be cleared that this study neglects experiments made with rockets, balloons and luminous missiles as well as the apparitions sometimes diurnal of the planet Venus which is slightly bigger than a first class star.

"Below I am describing the halos, distinguished in ordinary halos, which appear naturally, and artificial halos, which are caused by atmospherical disturbances.

Ordinary Halos

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An Explanation of Flying Saucer Phenomenon

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Transmitted herewith a letter and translation thereof which submits an explanation of the flying saucer phenomenon as being due to artificial halos caused by flight of aircraft in the atmosphere.

Anthony Mony

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Lt Colonel, USAF
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zones. When they appear very high clouds composed of very small ice needles can be seen on the sky at high altitude. In our regions the altitude nears 8000 meters.

A big circle which is the principal halo is formed with the center in the sun and a radius of near 12 degrees; then, another halo, the secondary, takes shape almost parallel with the horizon and across the sun.

In the four points in which the secondary halos cross the principal halo, parhelionspr "mock sun" appear. The two horizontal parhelions extend sometimes and take the shape of a torch in a direction contrary to that of the sun.

The parhelions often spread a white and/or iridescent light. Paraselenes or mock moons are formed in a similar way. They are less luminous than parhelions and have different sizes.

In cold zones one can see, sometimes, more complicated forms of parhelions, which we consider negligible in this case.

These phenomena can last up to one hour.

When the sky is covered by low and thick clouds these phenomena cannot occur.

Artificial Halos

These phenomena which occour when the weather is fine and have been observed for several years in hot and mild zones generated the myth of flying saucers.

They are formed in the sky apparently at the same distance from the sun as the halos and ordinary parhelions but, since in these zones the sky is clearer and not obscured by fog, they are more luminous and visible.

These phenomena are due to aircraft which fly in the atmosphere. They leave behind some clouds resembling a sort of cirrus which disappear and move parallel westward.

When they are at a distance from the sun where halos and ordinary parhelions are generally observed (see the sketch) portions of artificial halos or portions ofhalo with artificial parhelions can be seen. The portions of the halos have a light yellow color which most of the observers fail to notice. They have a glittering splendour almost vitreous. They are white; I think that is due to the sun rays they reflect, or iridescent, and may be due to sun rays partly reflected and partly refracted. I noticed that parhelions parrallel to the horizon are often followed by short torches.

I remarked these phenomena at intervals until the clouds continued to pass overhead, sometimes even for one hour. (The duration of the phenomenon depended on the number of aircrafts flying over Udine and the outskirts.) Three parhelions were visible at intervals; the ones aside the sun and the upper one. Each appearance, if the cirrus was large, lasted even a few minutes; if the cirrus was small and at different altitude from the earth, only very short appearances occurred at intervals and caused the observers to believe that the parhelion was hopping and moving.

I observed the phanomenon even one hour after the planes had flown over Udine (between noon and 1 p.m. of 10 June 1944) and sometimes even four times in the afternoon.

In conclusion, the artificial parhelions are the so-called flying saucers and the visible portions of the circumference of the halo are what is erroneously considered the trajectory of the saucers.

The artificial moon halo and the mock moons have a similar nature.

I think that the optical phenomena of paraselenes and parhelions, though similar to the natural phenomena, are to be considered new.

In case my theory will be confirmed by scientists' experiments I propose it be called "Friuli effect" from the name of the region where I first observed the phenomenon.

Astronomists' Opinion on the Nature of Flying Saucers

Some astronomists admit that flying sucers' origin is to be traced to meteorological phenomena such as round lightning (in this case they should have become common only now, while they were quite rare in the past), meteorites, fire balls, Venus planet, but nobody thought of optic phenomena. They exclude that saucers are built my men. In general the lack of interest in a scientific inquiry caused the most absurd hypothesis.

Demonstration That Flying Saucers are not Objects or Machines Built by Men

1. Such phenomena have been observed for more than five years, but no discs or other objects have ever been found.

2. Radar, which reached a considerable sensitivity, would have spotted any unidentified object in the atmosphere.

3. Anybody who has a fair knowledge of physics (especially gravitation) astronomy, biology will never admit that from the moon (384.500 kilometers from the earth) or from Mars or Venus, mechanical bodies may arrive flown by human beings through the atmosphere, may stop and maneuver at some miles of distance from the earth without stopping.

On the other hand, they cannot be umpiloted because in some way they would have been attacked.

4. An additional demonstration that flying saucers are optical phenomena is given by the fact that they have not been observed but in certain places and in a limited range (never more than 2 kilometers).

5. I am adding now a plain and clear proof in support of my theory; a newspaper clipping reporting a description of flying saucers made by two employees of good sense:

a. Cividale: At about 1:30 yesterday evening a sergeant and a police man of the Police patrol were reported to have observed

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phosphorescent disc was dark red. They could see it for about three seconds; the disc suddenly stopped and disappeared from the sight of the observers.

b. Catania: A very luminous object was observed at a considerable altitude by many persons in Catania, at about noon.

a.(Cividale): It was certainly a paraselenes.

b.(Catania): It must have been a parhelion.

CONCLUSION

I hope that it can be easily deduced from this brief account that the phenomenon of the so-called flying saucers is an optic phenomenon caused by planes in flight in the stratosphere.

I am ready to give additional details to anybody to whom the subject matter may interest."

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Volnie, 20 Giugno 1952.

All' Ambasciata degli Stati Uniti d'America

in Roma.

Avendo io appreso per radio il giorno 17 mese corrente alle ore 24, che il Governo degli Stati Uniti d'America ha disposto grandi operazioni di ricerca dei dischi (o piatti) volanti, che sono sempre più frequenti negli Stati Uniti, mi permetto di inviare d'urgenza una mia relazione dalla quale risulta risolto il problema dei dischi o piatti volanti.

Lo studio richiede cognizioni generali di ottica meteoro-

gine ed astronomia.

Con ciò potranno essere facilitate di molto le esperienze negli Stati Uniti e spero che ciò potrà essere un bene.

Pregherei di darmi un cenno dei risultati che certamente confermeranno la mia teoria.

Con osservanza

ing Romano Tonon

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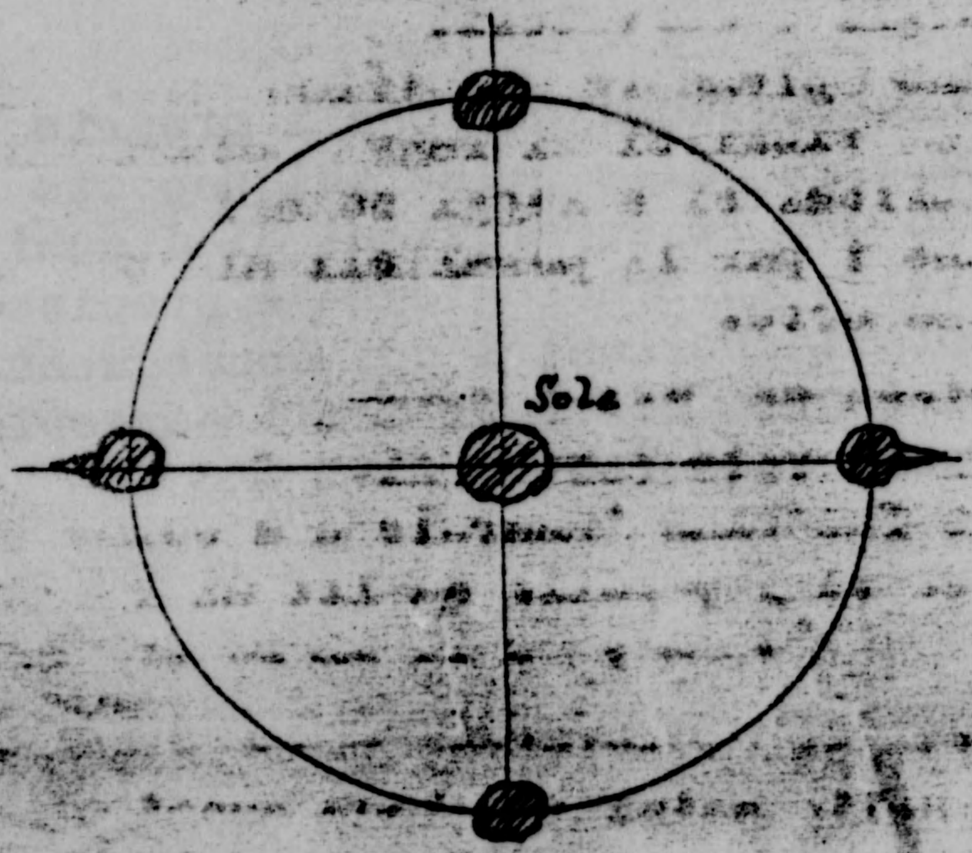
DESCRIZIONE DEL FENOMENO.

Si premette che in questo studio non vengono prese in considerazioni le esperienze che si fanno con razzi, draghi volanti, palloni, proiettili luminosi e simili, -nè le apparizioni talvolta diurne del pianeta Venere, che sono della grandezza di poco maggiore di una stella di primo ordine.

Di seguito vengono descritti gli aloni, che lo scrivente distingue in ordinari, quelli che compaiono naturalmente, e artificiali quelli che vengono prodotti da turbamenti nella stratosfera.

Aloni ordinari.

Gli aloni solari sono visibili spessissimo nelle regioni fredde, già a partire dalle coste settentrionali della Francia, e si osservano pure in zone nell'alta montagna. Risultano con la presenza di nuvole leggerissime formate da minutissimi aghi di ghiaccio dette cirri.
Altezza di queste nuvole nelle nostre regioni: almeno 8.000 metri.
Con centro nel Sole, raggio circa 12 gradi, si forma nel cielo un grande cerchio, che è l'alone principale, poi, quasi parallelo all'orizzonte e attraversante il Sole si forma un alone secondario; un terzo alone si forma dall'alto al basso e attraversante il Sole.
Nei quattro punti che gli aloni secondari incrociano l'alone principale, si formano i Pareli o soli falsi. I due Pareli orizzontali si prolungano spesso in forma di fiaccole in senso contrario al Sole.



Relazione eseguita dall'Ing. ROMANO TONON, abitante in Udine,
Viale Duodo 52/54

Oggetto: Risoluzione del problema dei "dischi volanti" o indicazioni di un fenomeno di fisica ritenuto nuovo.

Udine, 17 giugno 1952

Lo scrivente, basandosi sulle osservazioni personali proprie fatte durante l'ultima guerra mondiale, e sulle relazioni esposte nelle varie pubblicazioni, ha dedotto che le apparizioni di dischi volanti luminosi sono fenomeni di ottica metereologica - e precisamente sono aloni artificiali, sia solari che lunari coi conseguenti pareli e parasceni,- causate dai voli stratosferici degli aereoplani. Tali voli sono attualmente comuni quasi dappertutto.

I Pareli splendono spesso di luce bianca o iridescente.

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In modo analogo si formano gli aloni lunari e le Paraseleni o Lune false. Sono meno luminosi dei fenomeni solari e sono di dimensioni diverse.

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Nei luoghi freddi si vedono talora forme più complicate di aloni, che non dovrebbero servire nel nostro caso.

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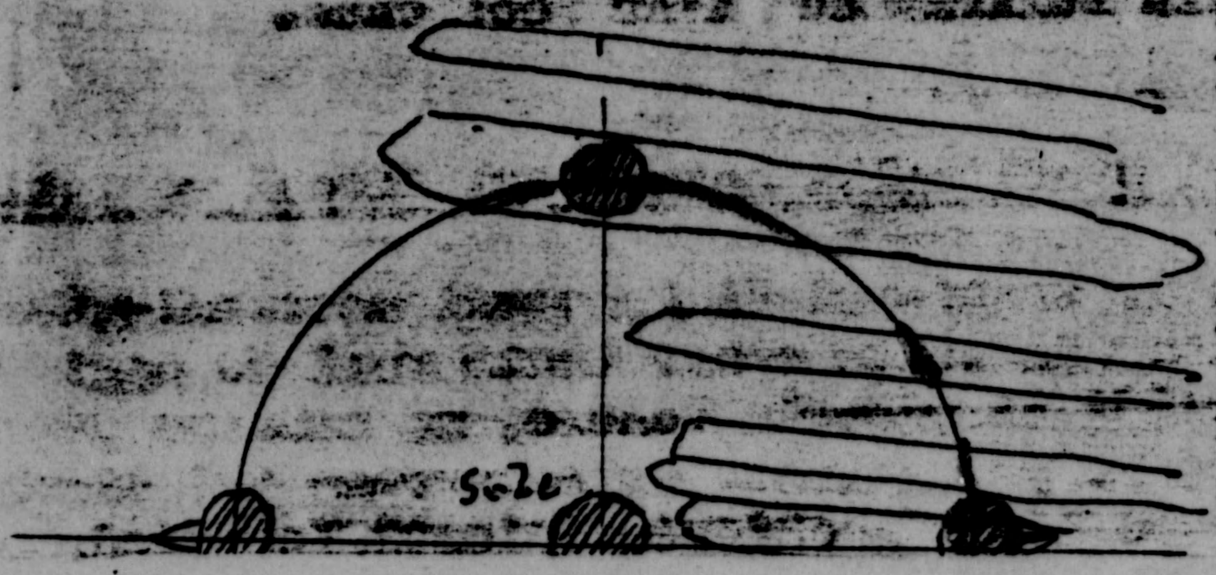
Durata di questi fenomeni: anche oltre un'ora.

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Quando il cielo è coperto di nuvole basse, dense, tali fenomeni non si possono osservare.

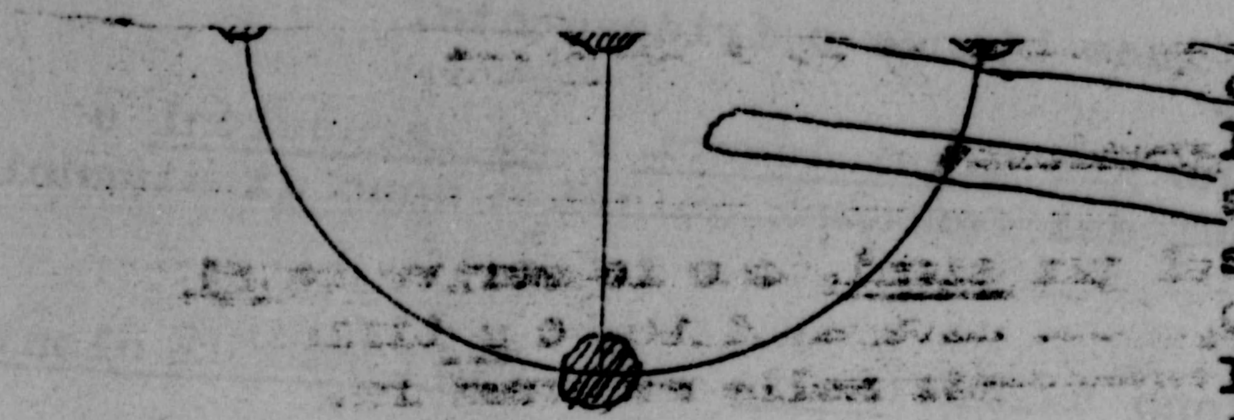
Aloni artificiali.

Sono fenomeni che appariscono con tempo bello da alcuni anni nelle zone calde e temperate della terra, per la prima volta nella storia e che hanno dato adito al mito dei dischi volanti.



Si formano nel cielo apparentemente alle stesse distanze dal Sole degli aloni e Pareli ordinari, ma, essendo in queste zone il cielo più chiaro, non disturbato da nebbie basse, sono più belli, più splendenti.

Cause della formazione di questi fenomeni sono i viaggi degli aerei nella stratosfera. Essi lasciano indietro delle nuvole in forma di striscie bian-



Parelli e porzioni di alone visibili in questo caso.

che dense,-una specie di cirri- le quali vanno allargandosi e diradandosi e si spostano parallelamente tra loro verso ovest.

Quando arrivano nelle posizioni del cielo corrispondenti circa alle distanze dal Sole degli aloni e pareli ordinari, -vedi figura- allora si vedono o sole porzioni degli aloni artificiali, o porzioni di aloni con parelio artificiale. Le porzioni degli aloni hanno un colore bianco pallido, che sfugge alla gran parte degli osservatori.

I Pareli artificiali si vedono di uno splendore magnifico quasi vitreo Di colore o sono bianchi -e questo attribuirei ai raggi solari riflessi- o sono iridescenti -e questo attribbirei a raggi solari parte riflessi e parte rifratti. Osservai che i pareli paralleli all'orizzonte sono spesso accompagnati da brevi fiaccole.

Questi fenomeni li vidi saltuariamente finchè durava il passaggio -talvolta un'ora- delle nuvolette. (La durata complessiva dei fenomeni dipendeva dal numero degli aerei che facevano incursione a Udine o zone limitrofe). Si vedevano saltuariamente 3 pareli: quelli ai 2 lati del Sole e quello di sopra ed ogni apparizione, se il cirro era largo durava anche qualche minuto, se i cirri erano stretti e a diverse altezze dalla superficie terrestre, c'erano apparizioni brevissime, intermittenti, che davano l'illusione della scintillazione quasi come se il Parelio saltasse o si muovesse?

Il fenomeno talvolta l'ho osservato già un'ora dopo il passaggio

degli aerei (tra le 12 e le 13 del 10 giugno 1944, bombardamento di Udine e di Trieste), altre volte anche quattro ore dopo, al dopo pranzo.

Dunque i pareli artificiali sono i cosidetti dischi volanti e le parti visibili della circonferenza dell'alone sono le erroneamente ritenute traiettorie del disco.

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Fenomeni simili sono gli aloni lunari artificiali e le relative parselene.

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Tutti questi fenomeni non possono,naturalmente, essere osservati quando il cielo è coperto da nuvoli bassi.

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Il fenomeno ottico degli aloni artificiali solari e lunari con relativi parasoli e parseleni, benchè somigliante a quello naturale, mi risulterebbe distinto e nuovo.

Nel caso che venisse confermato un tanto, proporrei che venisse denominato "effetto Friuli" dalla regione che l'ho osservato.

Pareri di astronomi ed altri studiosi sulla natura dei dischi volanti.

Alcuni astronomi ammettono di trattarsi di fenomeni metereologici, come fulmini globulari -(curioso! una volta erano tanto rari ed oggi sarebbero comuni!)- meteore, bolidi il pianeta Venere, ma nessuno pensò ai fenomeni ottici! Escludono la provenienza extraterrena dei dischi.

In generale il poco interesse ad un'inchiesta scientifica diede adito alle ipotesi più assurde da parte di [illegible]

Dimostrazione che non può trattarsi di macchine od altri oggetti fisici terrestri nè extraterrestri.

1. Da almeno cinque anni si osservano tali apparizioni, ma nessun disco od altro oggetto del genere è mai caduto sulla Terra.

2. Gli apparecchi "Radar" sensibilissimi e ben diffusi, avrebbero senz'altro segnalato da tempo la presenza di corpi fisici nell'atmosfera.

3. Origine estraterrena: Chiunque abbia una certa conoscenza di fisica (gravitazione specialmente), astronomia, biologia, non potrà mai ammettere che dalla Luna (384.500 chilometri dalla Terra), o da Marte o Venere (distanti dalle posizioni piu vicine alla Terra alcune decine di milioni di chilom.), possano venire corpi meccanici abitati da esseri organici nell'atmosfera terrestre e fermarsi a manovrare a qualche chilometro dalla superficie terrestre senza mai toccarla.

D'altra parte non potrebbero essere macchine non abitate, perchè in qualche modo verrebbero aggredite.

4. Che le apparizioni di dischi volanti siano fenomeni ottici basta tra l'altro tener presente che sono comparse solamente in certe località ed entro limiti di spazio ristretti(Da frazioni di Km. a forse un paio di Km.)

5. E' intuitivo che proprio gli Stati Uniti d'America abbiano la esclusività di queste apparizioni.

6. Aggiungo infine una chiara, semplice prova, quella che mi ha indotto a fare questa relazione: un ritaglio di giornale col racconto fatto da due impiegati pratici, di buon senso.

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CIVIDALE

Un disco volante nel cielo di Cividale?

Cividale, 4 giugno

Verso l'una e trenta di ieri notte ad una pattuglia di P. S., che prestava servizio in località «al Gallo», appena fuori l'abitato, si parava dinanzi agli occhi una strana apparizione: i due componenti la pattuglia, un brigadiere ed un agente del corpo di P. S., sono infatti concordi nell'affermare di aver visto un corpo, dalle dimensioni e dalla forma pressochè della luna, viaggiare lentamente nel cielo di Cividale proveniente dalla direzione di Udine e diretto verso Nord-Ovest.

Il disco, secondo la versione del brigadiere, era fosforescente, mentre nella sua deposizione l'agente afferma che lo strano corpo era di colore rosso cupo. La visione, dopo esser stata visibile per circa tre secondi, improvvisamente si fermò e in un baleno si sottrasse agli occhi attoniti degli osservatori dello strano fenomeno, salendo a velocità impressionante nel cielo.

Interrogati se pensassero trattarsi di un disco volante, secondo la comune attribuzione del fenomeno, i due agenti si sono mostrati in dubbio, però sono decisi nell'affermare la realtà della loro visione: disco volante, corpo celeste o fenomeno atmosferico che sia.

— A Catania verso mezzogiorno, molte persone che affollavano le vie principali hanno notato nel cielo, per la durata di pochi secondi, un corpo molto luminoso a notevole altezza.

Dischi volanti al «Gallo»!

In altra parte del giornale diamo notizia dell'apparizione di un «corpo», in tutto somigliante a quelli che vengono ormai usualmente chiamati «dischi volanti», che sarebbe stato osservato da due agenti di P. S. mentre erano in perlustrazione al «Gallo».

A quanto riferiscono concordemente gli agenti, il «corpo» si spostava con movimenti e velocità de le stesse caratteristiche descritte da altri osservatori che a suo tempo (ed anche in queste ultime settimane) ebbero a far registrare, in varie parti del mondo, a giornalisti ed autorità.

Un elemento singolare, invece è quello che dalla relazione risulta a proposito della «fosforescenza» del disco e del colore «rosso cupo» osservato dai due fortunati spettatori.

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Caso A (Cividale)
L' chiaro che trattasi di una Paraselene. In quella sera si era vicini al plenilunio.

B

Caso B (Catania)
Trattasi di un Parelio.

Conclusione.

Lo scrivente spera che da quanto è stato qui brevemente esposto potrà risultare in modo chiaro che il fenomeno dei cosidetti dischi volanti è un fenomeno ottico causato dal passaggio di aeroplani nella stratosfera.

Si dichiara pronto a fornire eventuali altri chiarimenti e dettagli al riguardo a chiunque interessi il problema.

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Ing. ROMANO TURON
UDINE- Viale Duodo 52/54

ing. Turon

Relazione eseguita dall'Ing. ROMANO TONON, abitante in Udine, Viale Duodo 52/54

Oggetto: **Risoluzione del problema dei "dischi volanti" o indicazioni di un fenomeno di fisica ritenuto nuovo.**

Udine, 17 giugno 1952

Lo scrivente, basandosi sulle osservazioni personali proprie fatte durante l'ultima guerra mondiale, e sulle relazioni esposte nelle varie pubblicazioni, ha dedotto che le apparizioni di dischi volanti luminosi sono fenomeni di ottica meteorologica - e precisamente sono aloni artificiali, sia solari che lunari coi conseguenti pareli e parasceni,- causate dai voli stratosferici degli aereoplani. Tali voli sono attualmente comuni quasi dappertutto.

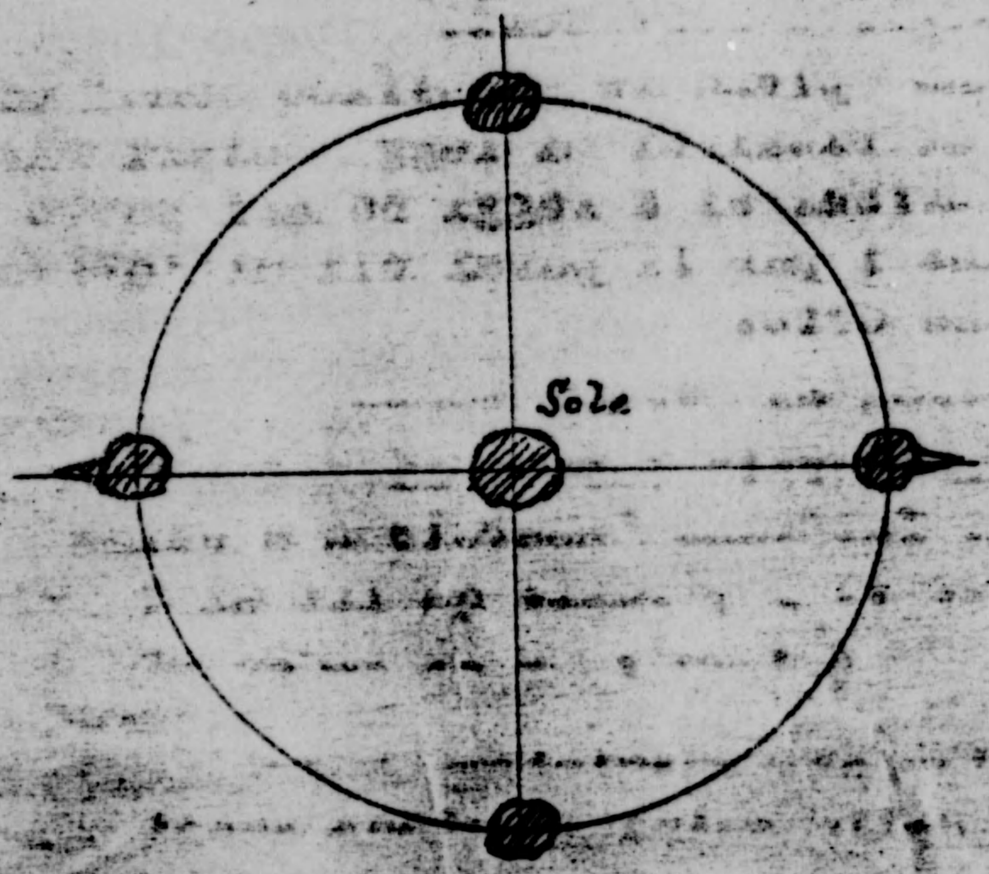
DESCRIZIONE DEL FENOMENO.

Si premette che in questo studio non vengono prese in considerazioni le esperienze che si fanno con razzi, draghi volanti, palloni, proiettili luminosi o simili, -nè le apparizioni talvolta diurne del pianeta Venere, che sono della grandezza di poco maggiore di una stella di primo ordine.

Di seguito vengono descritti gli aloni, che lo scrivente distingue in ordinari, quelli che compaiono naturalmente, e artificiali quelli che vengono prodotti da turbamenti nella stratosfera.

Aloni ordinari.

Gli aloni solari sono visibili spessissimo nelle regioni fredde, già a partire dalle coste settentrionali della Francia, e si osservano pure in zone nell'alta montagna. Risultano con la presenza di nuvole leggerissime formate da minutissimi aghi di ghiaccio dette cirri.
Altezza di queste nuvole nelle nostre regioni: almeno 8.000 metri.
Con centro nel Sole, raggio circa 12 gradi, si forma nel cielo un grande cerchio, che è l'alone principale, poi, quasi parallelo all'orizzonte e attraversante il Sole si forma un alone secondario; un terzo alone si forma dall'alto al basso e attraversante il Sole.
Nei quattro punti che gli aloni secondari incrociano l'alone principale, si formano i Parèli o soli falsi. I due Parèli orizzontali si prolungano spesso in forma di fiaccole in senso contrario al Sole.



23 - 30 JUNE 1952 SIGHTINGS

DATE	LOCATION	OBSERVER	EVALUATION
23	George AFB, California	Military	BALLOON
23	Pacific	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
23	Spokane, Washington	Multiple	Astro (METEOR)
23	Broadview, Illinois (CARDS MISSING)	[redacted]	INSUFFICIENT DATA
23	South Korea	Military	Other (FUEL TANK)
23	Spokane, Washington (CARDS MISSING)	[redacted]	UNIDENTIFIED
23	McChord AFB, Washington	Military	UNIDENTIFIED
23	Kirksville, Missouri (CASE MISSING)		UNIDENTIFIED
23	Chicago, Illinois	Military	AIRCRAFT
23	Oak Ridge, Tennessee (CARDS MISSING)	[redacted]	UNIDENTIFIED
23	Near Owensboro, Kentucky	Depp	UNIDENTIFIED
24-27	Michigan (CASE MISSING)		Other (WEATHER CONDITIONS)
24	Labrador	Military (RADAR)	AIRCRAFT
24	Los Alamos, New Mexico	Multiple	Astro (METEOR)
24	Huntington, Alexandria, Va.	[redacted]	BALLOON
25	Santa Catalina, California	Civilians	INSUFFICIENT DATA
25	Tokyo, Japan (CARDS MISSING)	Military	UnIDENTIFIED
25	Charlottsville, Virginia	[redacted]	AIRCRAFT
25	Meade, Kansas	Civilian	Astro (METEOR)
25	Los Gatos, California	Multiple	Other (SEARCHLIGHTS)
25	Chicago, Illinois	Multiple	UNIDENTIFIED
25	Cisco, Texas (CARDS MISSING)	[redacted]	INSUFFICIENT DATA
25	Eustis, Florida (CARDS MISSING)	[redacted]	AIRCRAFT
25	Japan, Korea Area (CARDS MISSING)	Military	UNIDENTIFIED
26	Terre Haute, Indiana	Military	UNIDENTIFIED
26	Spokane, Washington	[redacted]	AIRCRAFT
26	Baffin Island, Canada	Military	INSUFFICIENT DATA
26	Pottstown, Pennsylvania	[redacted]	UNIDENTIFIED
26	Kissimee, Florida	[redacted]	AIRCRAFT
27	Urbana, Maryland	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
27	Mitchel AFB, New York	[redacted]	BALLOON
27	Topeka, Kansas	Military	UNIDENTIFIED
27	Orlando, Florida	[redacted]	AIRCRAFT
27	Bronx, New York	Multiple	INSUFFICIENT DATA
27	Lemoyne, Pennsylvania	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
28	Pacific	Military	Astro (METEOR)
28	Kirtland AFB, New Mexico (CASE MISSING)		
28	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	Civilian	Astro (METEOR)
28	Lake Kishkonoug, Wisconsin	Civilian	UNIDENTIFIED
28	Platteville, Wisconsin	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
28	Nagoya, Honshu, Japan	Military	UNIDENTIFIED
29	O'Hara Airport, Chicago, Ill.	Military	UNIDENTIFIED

PROJECT [illegible] RECORD CARD

DATE

23 June 1952

2. LOCATION

GEORGIA [illegible], GA.

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

[illegible] Ground Visual

[illegible] Radar

[illegible] Aerial

[illegible] Combination

5. SIZE

AC Pilot

6. NUMBER OF OBJECTS

1

7. COURSE

Stationary

8. DURATION

a. 1/2 min.

b. [illegible]

9. METHOD OF OBSERVING

Continuously visible

10. COMMENTS

1. Second object stationary at 5m (?) over Cuyuh Pine. Observed 2 1/2 minutes.
2. Bright luminous metallic object - a skyhook balloon with sun reflecting [illegible]

RETURN TO

Director
Aerospace Studies
ATTN: Archives
Maxwell AFB, Ala.

23-30 Jun 1952

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Sighting usually seen for longer period of [illegible].

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FLYOBRPT

Southern California

24 June 1952

[redacted]

Commanding Officer
146th Fighter-Bomber Group

23 June 1952

Probably True Report

1st Lt Earl H. Hayes
Group Intelligence Officer

Usually Reliable

AFL 200-5 (FLYOBRPT)

1. Observer was unable to determine the size or shape of the single object because of its great height. Object had a luminous, bright metallic surface. It left no vapor trail or exhaust. It appeared to be suspended in the sky without moving in any direction but it turned slowly on its own axis, alternately glimmering and dimming out.

2. The sighting was made at 0645 PDST on the date indicated and lasted about 2½ minutes before disappearance of the object made it impossible to see it any longer.

3. Observation was made from the surface with the naked eye.

4. At the time of sighting, the observer was approximately 18 miles southwest of George Air Force Base. The object was directly over Cajon Pass at an altitude of between 20 and 25,000 feet. It was stationary.

5. 1st Lt. James D. Reed is a fighter pilot with the 146th Fighter-Bomber Group.

6. At the time of observation, the weather was calm, with scattered clouds and a temperature of about 70° F. The object was in the clear part of the sky.

7. There was no activity or condition, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.

8. There appeared to be no physical evidence, fragments, photographs and the like, of the sighting.

9. There was no interception or identification action taken.

10. No aircraft were observed in the vicinity at the time the unidentified object was observed.

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24 June 1952

I, 1st Lt James D. Reed, AO 1 903 473, 146th Fighter-Bomber Group, do make the following statement concerning a certain unidentified object observed by me on 23 June 1952:

1. I was unable to determine the size or shape of the single object because of its great height. It had a luminous, bright metallic surface. The object left no vapor trail or exhaust. It seemed to be suspended in the sky without moving in any direction but it turned slowly on its own axis, glimmering, then dimming out in turn.

2. I made the observation at 0645 PDST on the date indicated. I was able to keep the object in sight for approximately 2½ minutes before it disappeared.

3. I observed the object with the naked eye from the surface.

4. I was approximately 13 miles southwest of George Air Force Base when I sighted the object. It was directly over Cajon Pass at an altitude of between 20 to 25,000 feet and it was stationary.

5. I am a fighter pilot with the 146th Fighter-Bomber Group.

6. At the time that I made the sighting, the weather was calm with no winds, scattered clouds and a temperature of about 70° F. The object was in the clear part of the sky.

7. There was no activity or condition, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.

8. I saw no physical evidence, fragments, photographs and the like, of the sighting.

9. There was no interception or identification action taken.

10. I observed no aircraft in the vicinity at the time that I made the observation of the unidentified object.

James D. Reed

JAMES D. REED
1st Lt, USAF
146th Fighter-Bomber Group

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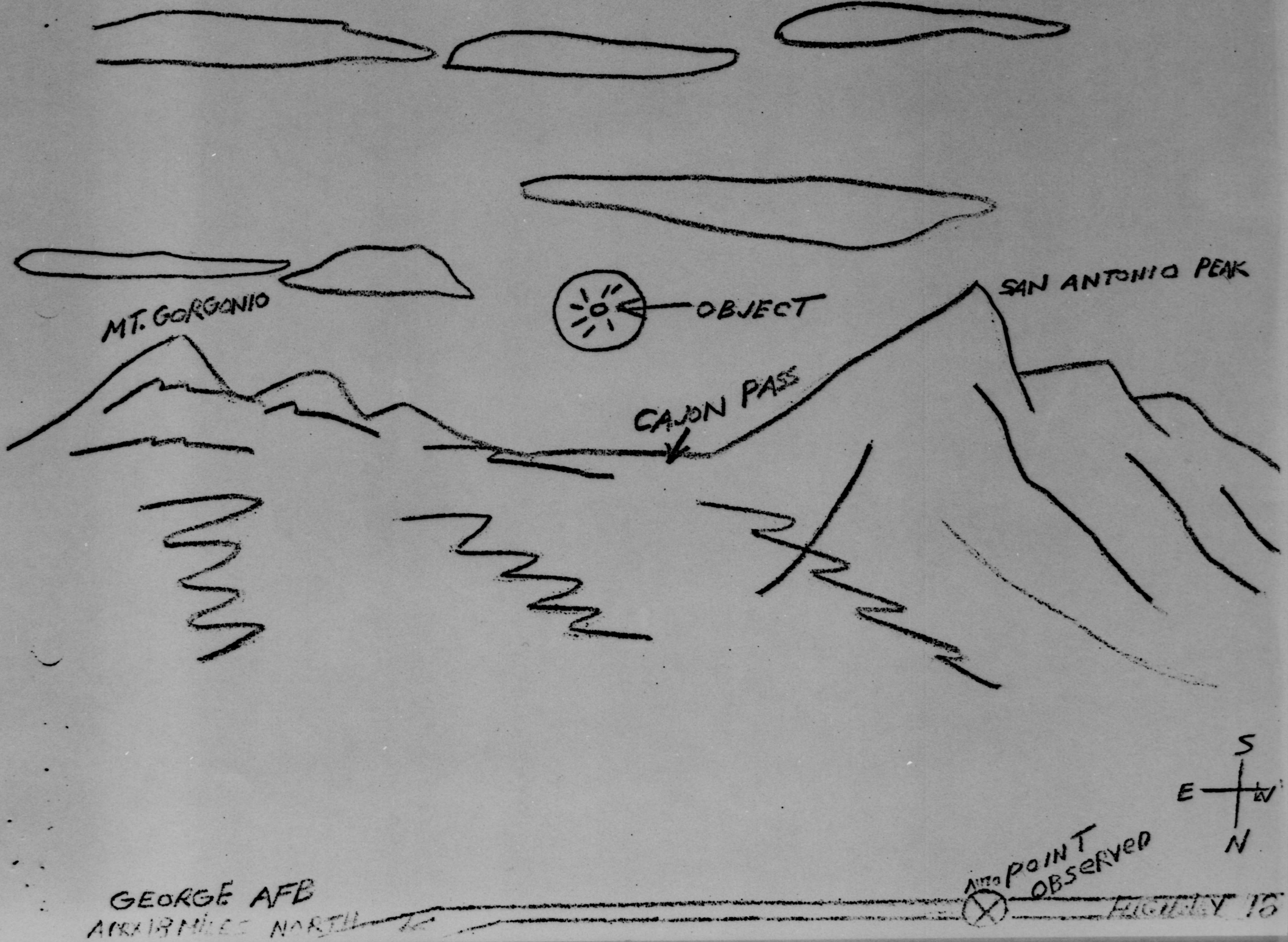

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OBJECT
SAN ANTONIO PEAK
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GEORGE AFB
AIR MILES NORTH
AIR POINT OBSERVED

FIGURE 15

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ACTION

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JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COL
JESDF/CG 9TH AF POPE AFB NC
[redacted] CITE 146 TH FBW FGO2 1Ø4 PD ATIC
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W/146 TH FTR-BMR GP PD WEA CALM

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W/NO WINDS AND SCATTERED CLOUDS PD TEMPERATURE SEVENTY DEGREES F PD
OBJ WAS IN CLEAR LART OF SKY PD NO ACTY MET OR OTHERWISE TO ACT
FOR SIGHTING PD NO PHY EVIDENCE OR FRAGMENTS NOR PHOTO OF OBJ PD
NO INTCP OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION PD NO ACFT IN VICINI AT TIME OF
SIGHTING PD
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ROUTING

JOINT MESSAGEFORM

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SPACE ABOVE FOR COMMUNICATIONS CENTER ONLY

FROM: (Originator)

CO, ATIC

TO: INTELLIGENCE OFFICER GEORGE AFB
VICTORVILLE CALIF

INFO:

DATE-TIME GROUP: 271600Z June 52

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION: [redacted]

PRECEDENCE FOR: ACTION: ROUTINE | INFORMATION

☐ BOOK MESSAGE ☐ ORIGINAL MESSAGE

☐ MULTIPLE ADDRESS CRYPTOPRECAUTION ☐ YES ☒ NO

REFERS TO MESSAGE:

IDENTIFICATION: JWPGG 038 CLASSIFICATION: [redacted]

RFC

FROM: AFOIN-ATIAA-6-17E

Cite your message JWPGG 038, 26 June. Would like following information:

1. Time of balloon launchings at George AFB and other bases in your area between 0500 and 0800 PST on 23 June 52. Of particular interest is Edwards AFB where balloons may have been launched irregularly.

2. Path of balloon and time and altitude of burst.

3. Winds aloft at approximately 0645 PST on 23 June.

In reply cite Project Blue Book.

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DRAFTER'S NAME (and signature, when required)

Lt J. K. Rothstein/vs

RELEASING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE

SYMBOL: ATIAA-5

TELEPHONE: 54261

OFFICIAL TITLE: [redacted], Major, USAF
Air Adjutant General

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ATIC 86

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SECURITY INFORMATION
EMERGENCY

DEPT OF ARMY MSG

FROM: 1704 ATG TRAVIS AFB CALIF

TO : SEC DEF WASH DC, CGARMYSIX SFRAN CALIF, CGAIRDEFCOM ENT AFB COLO

INFO: COMCONTINENTAL DIV MATS KELLY AFB TEX, MATS WASH DC

NR : TAFB 23 OIN 013 23 Jun 52 (DTG 232220Z)

Text of message on following page.

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CAF OUT 52269 (24 Jun)
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ACTION: OIN

INFO : OOP

CAF IN: 78902 (24 Jun 52) DA IN 153654 MTM/v1s

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
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FROM: • 1704 ATG TRAVIS AFB CALIF

TO: SEC DEF WASH DC, CGARMYSIX SFRAN CALIF, CGAIRDEFCOM EMT AFB COLO

INFO: COMCONTINENTAL DIV MATS KELLY AFB TEX, MATS WASH DC

NR: TAFB 23 OIN 013 232220Z JUN 52

[redacted] CIRVIS confirm 2319452 the folg info is fwdd as recd fr [redacted] copilot on DC 4 N 90407 USOA enroute fr Hickam AFB Hawaii to Travis AFB Calif. "At approx 0830Z brilliant green light observed at same altitude as acft 9000 ft. Light was observed at coordinates 2650 north 14945 west light was seen for a period of 4 seconds at about 30 deg to right of ships course of 051 deg. Size was estimated to be larger than the average size acft and the speed was estimated to exceed 1000 miles per hour. Light was estimated to be between 20 and 50 miles away light did not change in size during the 4 seconds it was visible before disappearing into cloudbank estimated to be at 5000 ft light had no tail and angle of descent was about 30 deg fr sighting point.

NOTE: THIS MSG HAS BEEN RELAYED TO CIA BY CODE CENTER

ACTION: AF

INFO: CSA, G2(CIA), G3, AFSA, NAVY, JCS, OSD

DA IN 153654 (24 Jun 52) rmh/4

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4. Cotton Tail

2 JUN 1952 09 04 Z

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ACTION

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R 24Ø529Z
FM HQ USAF WASHDC
TO ATIC WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO ATTN: ATIAA-2C
[redacted]/FROM AFOIN 52270 CRYPTOPRECAUTION APPLIES
PD SECURITY INFORMATION PD REF TAFB 23 OIN Ø13 CIRVIS CONFIRM 231945Z
THE FOLG INFO IS FWDD AS RECD FR [redacted]K COPILOT ON DC 4
N 9Ø4Ø7 USOA ENROUTE FR HICKAM AFB HAWAII TO TRAVIS AFB CALIF.
"AT APPROX Ø83ØZ BRILLIAN GREEN LIGHT OBSERVED AT SAME ALTITUDE AS ACFT 9ØØØ FT. LIGHT WAS OBSERVED AT A COORDINATES 265Ø NORTH 14945 WEST LIGHT WAS SEEN FOR A PERIOD OF 4 SECONDS AT ABOUT 3Ø DEG TO RIGHT OF SHIPS COURSE OF Ø51 DEG. SIZE WAS ESTIMATED TO BE LARGER THAN THE AVERAGE SIZE ACFT AND THE SPEED WAS TO BE ESTIMATED TO EXCEED 1ØØØ MILES PER HOUR. LIGHT WAS ESTIMATED TO BE BETWEEN 2Ø AND 5Ø MILES

AWAY LIGHT DID NOT CHANGE IN SIZE DURING THE 4 SECONDS IT WAS VISIBLE BEFORE DISAPPEARING INTO CLOUDBANK ESTIMATED TO BE AT 5ØØØ FT LIGHT HAD NO TAIL AND ANGLE OF DESCENT WAS ABOUT 3Ø DEG FR SIGHTING POINT
24/Ø6ØØZ JUN JEPHQ

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24 Jun 52
ATIAA

ACTION

CSAF ITEM 3 [redacted]

SECURITY INFORMATION

TO ATIAA-5 CAPT RUPPELT

FROM AFOIN-2B3 FOURNET

FOLG [redacted]MSG TAFB 23 OIN 013 DTD 23

JUN FROM 1704 ATG TRAVIS AFB CALIF QUOTED

FOR YOU INFO(CAF IN 78902):

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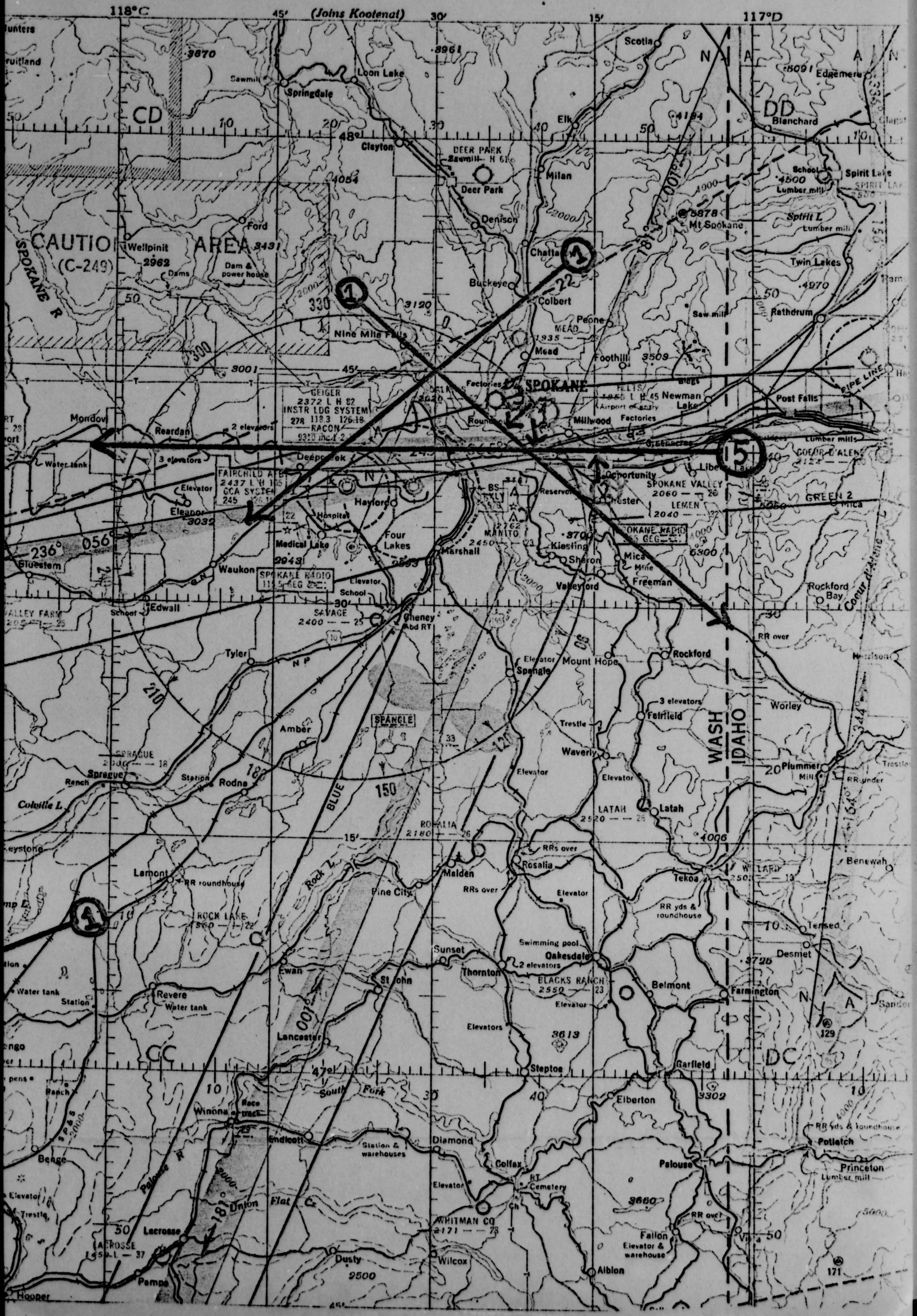
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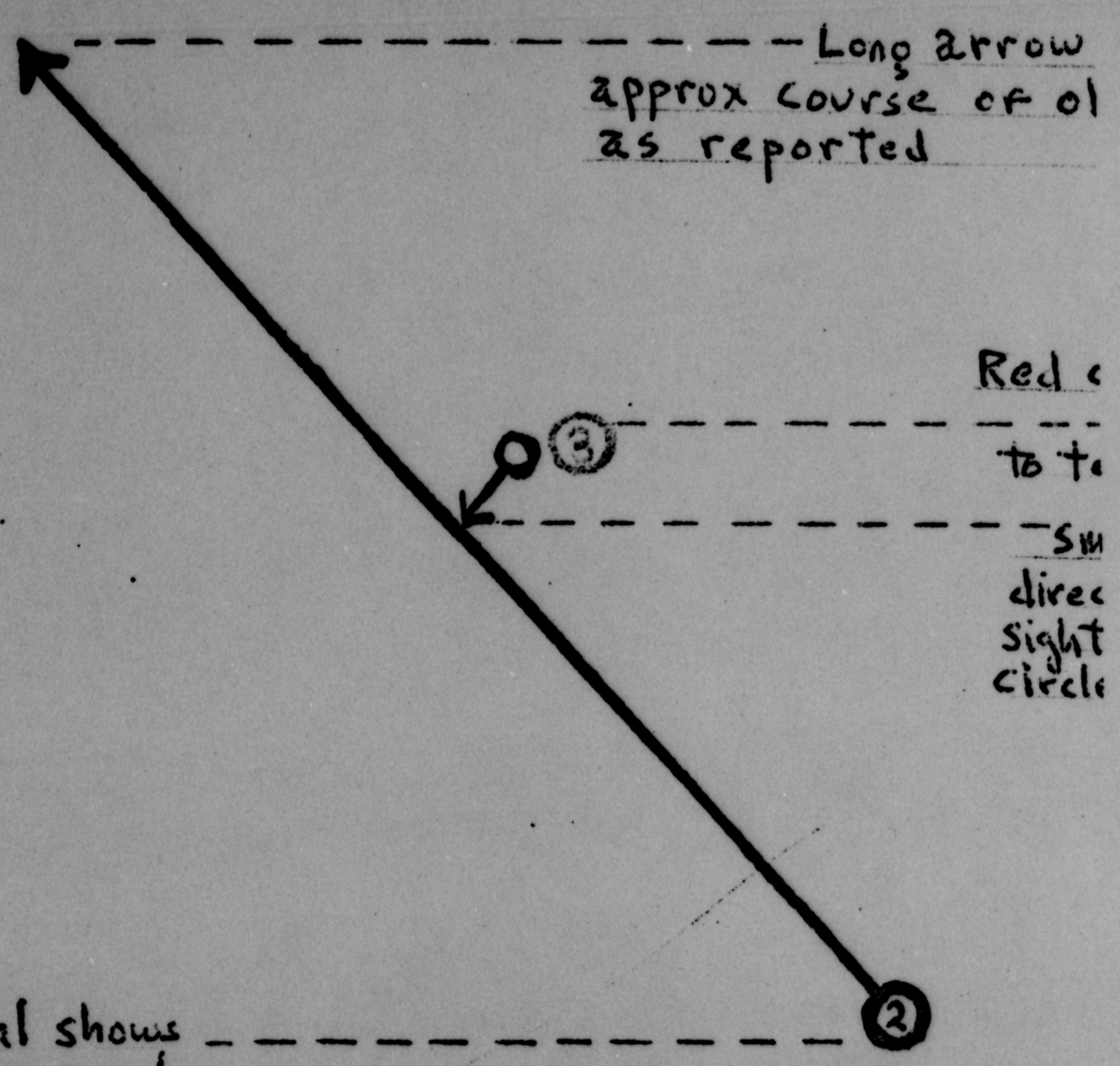
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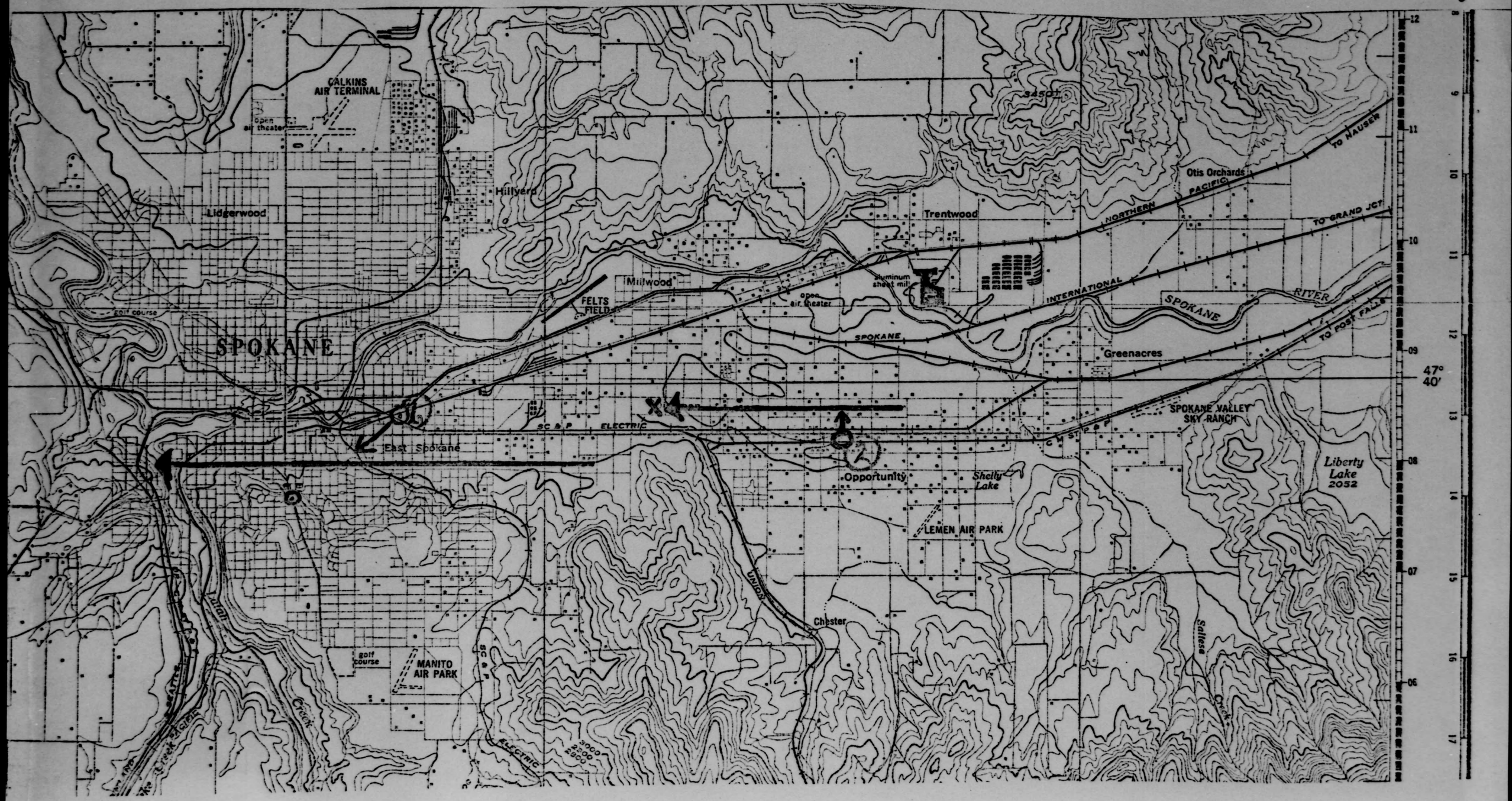
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LEGEND FOR SECTIONAL and URBAN CHART ANNOTATIONS



Circled numeral shows number of persons who reported object on the course indicated by main arrow


CALKINS AIR TERMINAL
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TO HAUSER
NORTHERN PACIFIC
TO GRAND JCT.
INTERNATIONAL
SPOKANE RIVER
TO POST FALLS
Millwood
FELTS FIELD
Aluminum sheet mill
Open air theater
Golf course
SPOKANE
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Greenacres
47° 40'
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East Spokane
SPOKANE VALLEY SKY RANCH
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Liberty Lake 2052
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UNION
Chester
Saltese
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MANITO AIR PARK
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SC & P ELECTRIC
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NOTE THIS ARTICLE APPEARED IN THE SPOKANE CHRONICLE LAST NIGHT

24 June 52
CHRONICLE

Green Celestial Flash Sighted by Many Residents of Spokane

A luminous greenish celestial ball flashed over Northwest skies last night from British Columbia to eastern Washington.

Civil aeronautics administration officials said it had been reported by their installations in Seattle, Ellensburg and Yakima.

In Spokane the object was seen at about 9:30 p. m. by two residents.

Police Officer Sydney Johnson, who was in a prowl car on East Trent, reported: "I saw it flash across the southern sky from east to west. I watched it for only about 10 to 15 seconds before it seemed to vanish in thin air as it neared the sky, seemingly over High Drive."

Across the city, Mrs. G. Duane Ray, N4317 Elton, Orchard Avenue, said she saw it "right over the house."

Associated Press reports said the object was described as "bluish-green with a red tail" in Seattle. It was "white with an edging of greenish hue" here.

Air force officials here were reported to have said descriptions of the body probably ruled out a meteor.

In Seattle, however, Theodore S. Jacobsen, associate professor of astronomy at the University of Washington, said that on the basis of descriptions the ball could have been a brilliant meteor.

The air force has asked persons sighting unidentified objects in the sky to contact them.

Persons in this area may call such information to (Extension 2520) the intelligence office at Fairchild air force base, or the public information office at Geiger field, air force officials said.

Officials at McChord air force base said they had been "swamped" with requests for information but otherwise did not comment.

MON. JUNE 23

They did not.

NOTE THIS ARTICLE APPEARED IN THE SPOKESMAN REVIEW THIS MORNING

25 June 52

GREEN OBJECT IN SKY VIEWED BY VALLEY MAN

An Opportunity, Wash., resident yesterday reported viewing the ball of green light that streaked across Spokane skies Monday night.

Elmer Goodykoontz, E11409 Sprague, said the object was "shaped like a drop of water coming out of an eyedropper."

"It was elongated in shape and tapered off to a long tail," Goodykoontz said. "It was all green except for a whitish color in the center."

Goodykoontz said the object was traveling low, from east to west, and it appeared to crash into a cluster of trees near Dishman.

MON. JUNE 23

Ball of Light Seen in Sky

SPOKANE, June 24 (AP)—Numerous Spokane citizens and air force technicians reported seeing a ball of green light streak across the sky Monday night.

The light, described as being "white with an edging of greenish hue and a long tail, first was sighted on the Pacific coast and later was seen as far east as Spokane.

A city police officer, Sydney Johnson, was the first to report seeing the "fiery ball" here.

"I watched it for only about 10 to 15 seconds before it seemed to vanish in thin air," Johnson said.

A civil aeronautics administration official said the "thing" was sighted at Seattle, Yakima and Ellensburg and each witness gave a similar description.

Air force officials said the object's description probably ruled out the possibility of a meteor.

[redacted]
PRINEVILLE, OREGON

June 25th, 1952

Dear Sirs -

The enclosed clipping is from the Portland Oregonian, and I find it interesting both in likeness and difference in what I saw. I am passing on what information I have first in case it is of any interest to you.

Monday night June 23d at approximately 10 35 P.M., Daylight Saving Time, I saw what I then assumed was a meteor. My attention was first caught by the immense size of a sudden illumination - v thinking of flash lightning I looked about and saw instead of small ball of light — bright light. If I described the sun — the size of a basketball. I would describe this

as somewhat the size of a tennis ball. There appeared to be a small green fuzzy tail at the end of it → ◯ green. However I was not aware of anything that might be called a tail. It retained as it traveled horizontally & vanished where it would disappear over the horizon. It didn't - it just ~~in~~ split apart and was not to be seen - no fading, or sparkling. Right now what seem most interesting to me if this newspaper account is correct is the fact that it was definitely traveling West to East. I mean, it was traveling from East to West, bearing north. There was no sound. Another thing that interested me was the fact that it appeared to change rather

[redacted]

PRINEVILLE, OREGON

than Alice. If that describes anything to you. It had rained earlier and though it was not raining at the time, the sky was dark and overcast. I had no way of judging its distance though I had a feeling of looking at no great distance either off near up. I was facing north & it appeared a little ahead and above me.

Very truly yours,

[redacted]

"METEOR" REPORT
23 June, 1952
2130 PST

Based On Eight Reported Sightings

INTRODUCTORY: Reports phoned in to reporting officer all followed the appearance of newspaper articles on the sighting and the publicity given the phenomenon was taken into account in evaluating subsequent reports.

[redacted] REPORT:

Mr [redacted] employee of the Great Northern Railroad, home phon[redacted] reported an object glowing light green, throwing off red, glowing particles, which he saw at 2130 PST while riding the engine cab of a train pulling into Hillyard on the outskirts of Spokane. His sighting lasted 5-10 seconds and the object appeared to move from NW to SE (at variance with other reports which follow general East to West course). He said that he had had experience with seeing meteors and that this was not one. In his first report, made by phone to another person than reporting officer, he mentioned that the object disappeared in the direction of Fair-child AFB, which does not tie in with the course he described. Home Address: [redacted].

[redacted] REPORT:
(Chart ref. no. 4)
[redacted] phone [redacted], office [redacted], was driving South on U.S. Hwy. 395, about eight miles north of Lind when he observed object at 2130 PST. It was a green ball with an "orange-

fire" rim and a tail of an arc-light hue. The object was moving SW, appeared from behind his car and burned itself out 30 degs. from horizon. It appeared to be the size of a baseball. When asked how much space the object occupied on his windshield he said a 2-3 in. diameter.

[redacted] REPORT:
(Chart ref. no. 1)

The [redacted] report was considered the most accurate and authoritative of all those studied by investigating officer. [redacted] is a graduate geologist, PHD Harvard, 1952, and will join the faculty of Northwestern University in fall of 1952. He was residing with his parents at [redacted] at time of report. A double check was made of his identity and background and these seemed to be reliable.

[redacted] saw the object while he was watching a ball game at Ferris Ball Park in the north part of town. He was seated high in the grandstand, facing south when he saw the object at 2130 PST. He saw it travel in a general direction from East to West and at 5-10 degs. angle to the point where it disappeared. He stated that the angle at which it was descending gave every indication that it was about to hit the ground. He was impressed by its closeness because he saw it pass between his point of observation and the lights on the construction scaffolding which covers the new tower of St. John's Episcopal Church. The church is located roughly 12 blocks SW of Ferris Ball Park on the"South

Hill" of Spokane, estimated 300-400 ft. higher than the ball park.

He estimated the object's altitude at about 500ft. Its course showed no curvature and he did not see it break up. He estimated that it was not over 20ft in diameter and approximated the speed of jet fighters he has seen over Spokane. He said he had seen meteorites before and that this one displayed typical meteoric colors of white center, greenish outside glow with a typical meteorite tail. He indicated that his geological studies have caused him to become a trained observer of distances.

NEWSPAPER REPORTS AND INVESTIGATOR'S COMMENTS AND CONCLUSIONS:

Various newspaper reports (see attached clippings) confirmed east to west course of object. Police officer [redacted] observation from a point slightly north of [redacted] viewpoint adds credence to the belief that the object passed over Spokane on a course south of the northern part of the city.

If true, [redacted] report in the newspaper provides a northward "fix" on the course. He observed the object from his residence on [redacted] (dividing line between south and north Spokane and almost in line with the ball park. [redacted] and claimed that the object seemed to disappear into Dishman, which is north of Sprague but bordered on the south by it. This would

place the course of the object in a belt of a few blocks between [redacted] point of observation and that of [redacted] in the ball park but does not preclude, rather supports, the theory that the object could have been travelling on a southwesterly course rather than due east to west.([redacted] ref. no. 2)

The observation of [redacted], who was driving south, about 50 miles SSW of Spokane when he saw the object, raises the possibility: 1) that there was a second like object to the south at the same time, or 2) that the object passed over Spokane and veered south sharply. Since [redacted] claims to have made his sighting at about 9:30 p.m., either he was off on his time or the object was moving at a very high speed.

An object of similar description, except for a blue glow instead of green as in Spokane, was reported at Seattle at 10:35 p.m. daylight saving. A metereologist at Washington University established the possible identity of the object as a bolide or brilliant meteor. On the basis of [redacted] report and the authoritative report from Seattle, the investigator has concluded that the object was a meteorite and therefor reasonably identified.

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United States AFXOI FLYOBRPT 3-52

Reporting of Information on Unidentified Flying Objects

Illinois Director of Intelligence, Hqs Tenth AF

15 July 1952 23 June 1952 F-3

2nd Lt. [redacted] Mr. [redacted], Illinois

AFOIN-C/CC-2, 19 December 1951 and AFL 200-5

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This report contains information on unidentified aerial objects as reported to this headquarters..

APPROVED:

W. M. ZEINE
Lt Col, USAF
Assistant Deputy for Operations

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1. Sketch of Mr. Reidel's positions during observations
2. Certified true copy of Mr. Reidel's statement

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Hqs Tenth Air Force AFXOI ALYOBRPT 3-52 1 2

1. At 0435Z, 24 July 1952, Mr. [redacted], Broadview, Illinois, upon leaving his place of employment observed three (3) large, intensely bright, self-illuminated lights in the sky. Mr. [redacted] states that the objects were flying in a loose, widely spaced "V" formation at a point due west of his position at the time and moving toward the south. Mr. [redacted] noted that the only light or object trailing the formation appeared to be a small red light or glow at the rear of each object. No form or shape of the objects was distinguishable and no sound could be heard. While the objects were at this position, Mr. [redacted] observed a conventional type, single-engine aircraft fly past apparently below the objects on a course of NNW; the running lights of the conventional aircraft were plainly visible and the sound of its engine clearly and loudly audible in contrast to the silence of the unidentified objects.

2. Mr. [redacted] drove fourteen (14) blocks to his home at a speed of approximately 30 MPH. Upon arrival at his home, Mr. [redacted], his wife and his mother-in-law observed the objects disappear into the southwest.

3. Mr. [redacted] gives these reasons for his belief that the objects were not conventional aircraft:

a. No beams emanating from the objects.

b. The objects appeared the same at all positions observed which were head-on, rear and side.

c. Flying speed of the objects was approximately the same as speed Mr. [redacted] was driving in his car which could hardly be achieved and maintained by conventional aircraft.

d. If the objects had been conventional type aircraft, the slow seeming speed would have necessitated an extremely high altitude and the conventional type aircraft lights would not have seemed so large, bright, intense and immediate to a ground observer.

e. The absence of sound from the objects.

4. Weather: Scattered clouds at 25,000 feet; visibility eight (8) miles.

Winds:	Surface	165°/10 knots
	5,000'	220°/35 knots
	10,000'	260°/19 knots
	15,000'	260°/19 knots

No observation at higher altitudes

Moon: Negative

TENTH AIR FORCE DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE COMMENT:

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1. Mr. [redacted] is a S/Sgt in the inactive reserve component of USAF presently assigned to Headquarters Tenth Air Force, having completed his last tour of active duty on 9 August 1951.

2. The preparing officer can offer no explanation for this phenomenon.

George H. Janczewski

GEORGE H JANCZEWSKI
2nd Lt USAF
Director of Intelligence

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PROJECT [illegible] RECORD CARD

[illegible] 52

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[illegible] DESCRIPTION

One object would like an aspirin tablet, white in color, [illegible], traveled at an estimated 300 mph, headed to [illegible].

[illegible] COMMENTS

Flight of F-51's provided [illegible] of sighting. Possibility that A/C dropped a fuel tank with small amount of fuel left in it causing what would appear to be a vapor trail.

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On the morning of June 23, 1952 at 0920 I went to coffee call and as I passed through my quarters a buddy who works nights (Cpl. Joseph Kalliker) was preparing for bed and asked me to bring him back a cup of coffee. I picked up the coffee and came back to the tent and placed it on the table because it was still very warm. I sat down and told Joe the coffee was pretty hot.

I then heard what I thought were F-51's on a morning mission and I walked outside quickly to take a look at them. As I looked in the direction of sound I couldn't see them and all at once a white object, the size of an asperin tablet or just a little larger, appeared and as I watched it I called to Joe but before he could ever slide into his slippers I lost sight of it because a radio antenna that obstructed my view.

The object appeared at my right, North, traveling to my left which was almost due south. It was white and didn't have the usual metalic reflection of aircraft. It was just white. It traveled faster than any jet I've ever seen and it also left a thin vapor trail.

I told Joe and he kidded me about it so I drank my coffee and went back to work. I thought about it and I didn't know if I should report it to anyone. I then told it to Lt Sakellaris of the G-2 PI section and he advised me to relate it to Tech Intell. I did and they took me to the Air Intell section of A Corps and they made out a report.

Joesph A. Ollio
Sgt., US52106527

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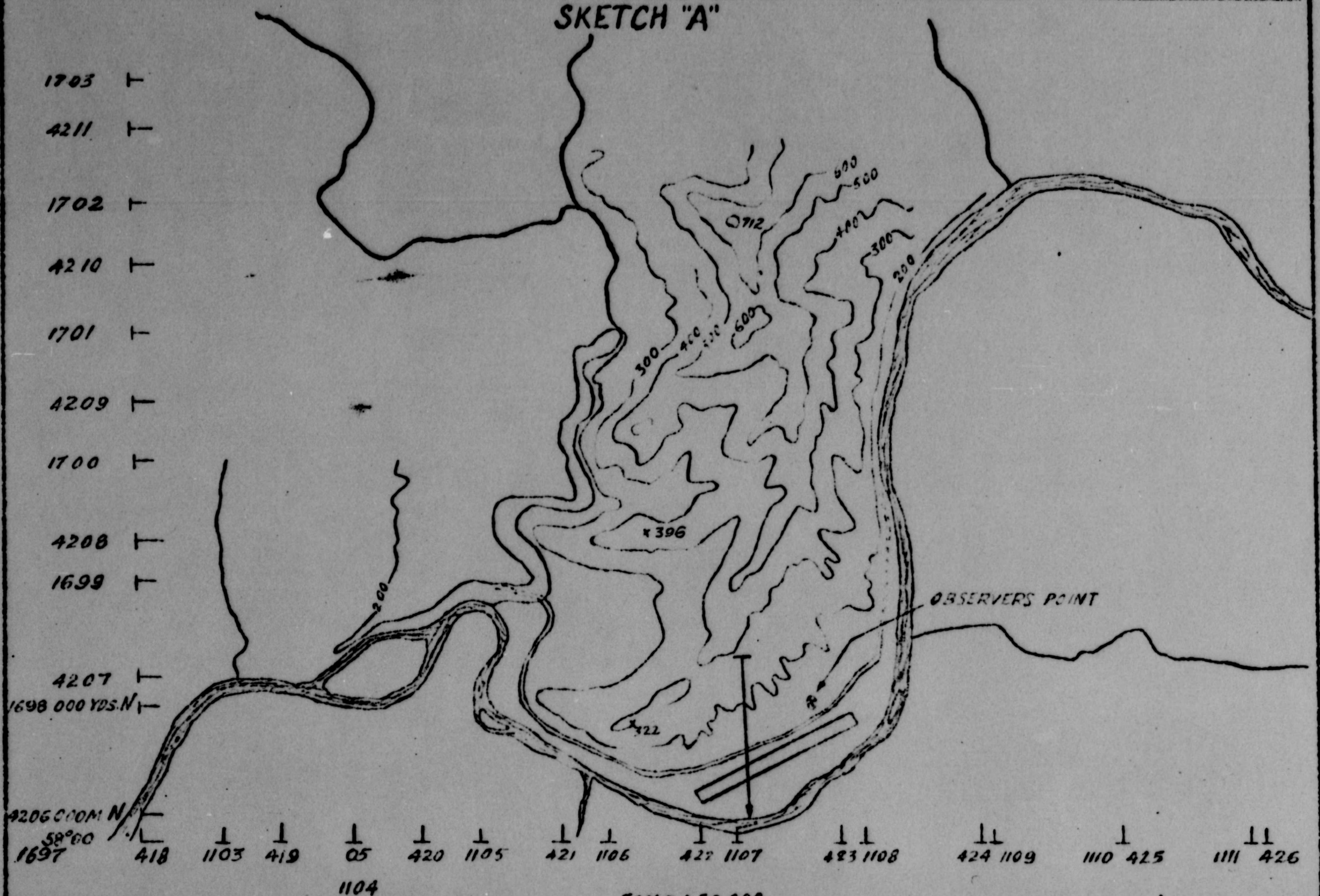
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SKETCH "A"



SCALE 1:50,000

1 ½ 0 1 2 3 MILES
1000 500 0 1000 2000 3000 4000 METERS
1000 500 0 1000 2000 3000 4000 YARDS

CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 METERS WITH SUPPLEMENTARY CONTOURS AT 10 METER INTERVALS
ELEVATIONS ARE BASED ON MEAN SEA LEVEL

TRANSVERSE MERCATOR PROJECTION

INJE, KOREA SHEET 6828 III AMS SERIES L751
OBSERVERS LOCATION PLOTTED ON MAP

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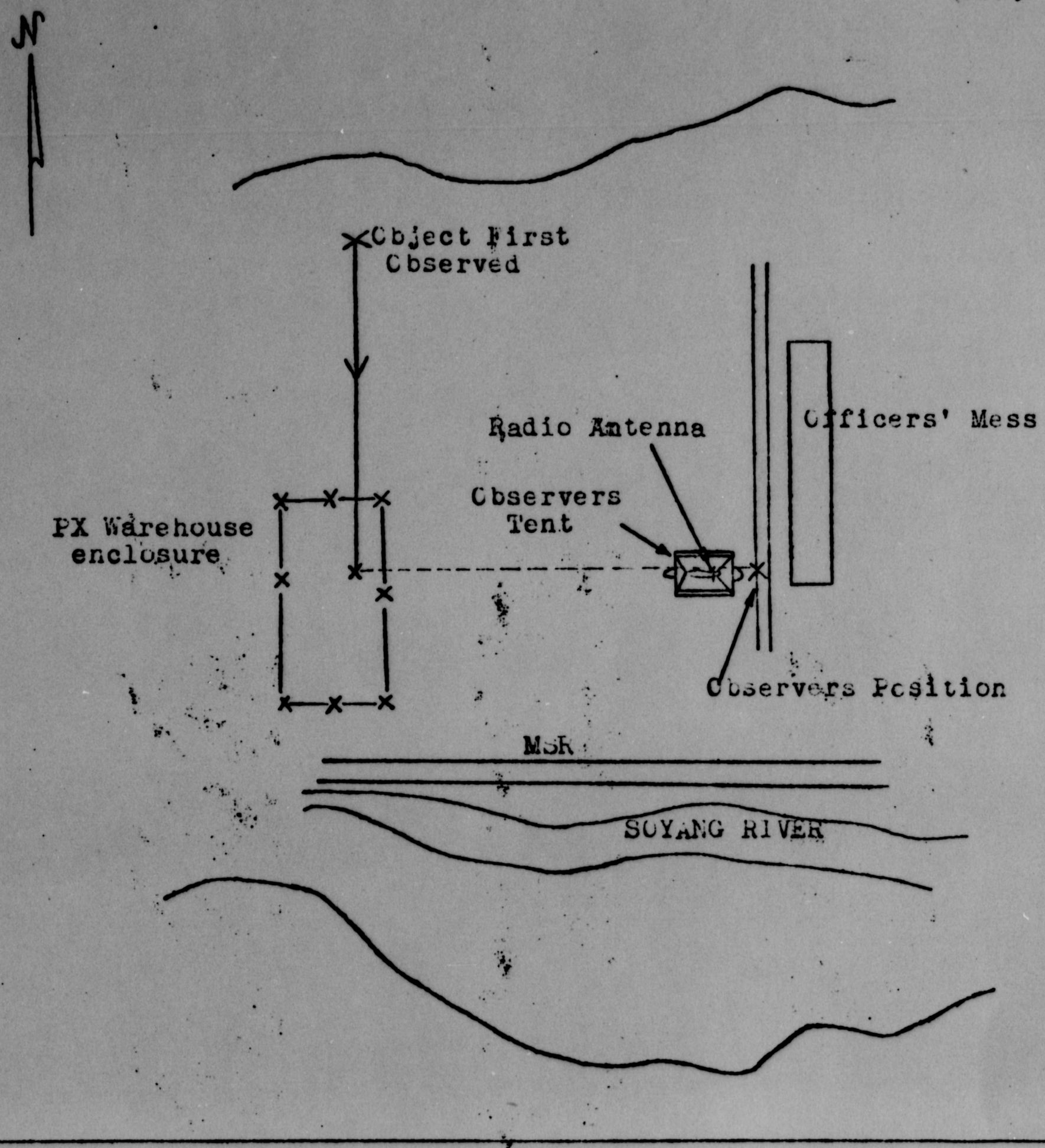
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SKETCH "B" ITEM 1



ITEM 2



Shape of object as drawn by the observer

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Det 1, 6004th AISS, APO 970	52-138	

At 0945I on 23 June 1952 at DT228078 an object the size of an aspirin tablet was ~~observed for a period of two~~ (2) to three (3) seconds by Sgt Joseph A. Ollio, US 52 106 527, G-2 Publications and Maps Section, 10th US Corps Headquarters.

Object was seen by observer when he stepped out of his tent (see sketch A) to look at a flight of F-51's passing over. The object appeared to observer to be shaped like an aspirin tablet, (see sketch B item 2) white in color and non-metallic in appearance. Observer judged he was looking up at a 60 degree azimuth but could not estimate the altitude of object. The speed of the object was estimated to be 1000 miles per hour. Direction of travel of object was north to south. The observer saw the object travel through an arc estimated to be 90 degrees on a level plane, and lost sight of the object behind a radio antenna on his tent. Sgt Ollio stated the object seemed to leave a thin vapor trail.

Sgt Ollio is 23 years old, he has been in the service 16 months and in the Korean theater for 10 months. He has an equivalent high school education and was a commercial artist prior to entry into the service.

His judgment of distance, time and direction is good. He has been trained to retain observations.

Comments of Reporting Officer:

1. The contrail level at the time of the sighting was 40,000 ft plus or minus 1000 feet. The weather was CAVU.

2. There were no reported friendly jet aircraft in the area at the time of this sighting.

3. The possibility of the person observing the origin of a contrail as the object can possibly be ruled out due to the facts that the trail would remain persistant and grow in size instead of diminishing. The object was reported as remaining a constant size, and emitting only a thin vapor trail. Positive color of the vapor trail could not be made by the observer despite the fact that he is trained in retaining observations.

4. There is a possibility that the object could have been a wing tip tank or a belly tank dropped by hostile aircraft. A tank containing some fuel would possibly emit a vapor trail such as the observer saw.

John H. Cumming
JOHN H. CUMMING
Captain, USAF
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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

Part Thirteen

SUBJECT: Sighting of Unidentified Flying Object

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
South Korea	Det 1, 6004thAISS, APO 970

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
28 June 1952	23 June 1952	C-6

PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
1st Lt Robert W. Forbus	Sgt Joseph A. Ollio, G-2 10th US Corps

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

TWX 775 this Detachment dated 27 June 1952

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 report contains information on an unidentified flying object shaped like an aspirin tablet.

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JEAN H. DAUGHERTY
Colonel, USAF
Director of Intelligence

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1. Sketch overlay of map
2. Sketch by observer
3. Statement by observer

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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT
23 June, 1952
1605 PST

1) Description of Object: A round object, flat on one axis since it gave appearance of a flipped coin when in movement. Displayed no color, just a metallic shine. There was no trail or exhaust. The course of the object gave indication of arcing horizontally. It flashed off and on, fluttering and gyrating in the manner of a flipped coin. It maintained an apparently constant altitude and disappeared from view gradually. Observer did not hazard a guess at the object's size.

2) Time Sighted: Object sighted first at 1605 PST and period of observation lasted five to seven minutes.

3) Method of observation was visual from the ground.

4) The observer was located in the yard of his home in north Spokan[redacted] The course of object covered 100 degs. of a 180deg. horizon (see attached chart) and ran from about 10 degs. south of due east to 5 or 10 degs. short of due north. Altitude of object was approximately 65 degs. from the horizon. When first seen, the object appeared above and behind of a C-47 aircraft estimated to be at 2,500 ft. alt. The observer guessed the objects altitude at 40,000ft- - higher than the cirrus layer of clouds then in evidenc e.

5) Identity and Reliability of Observer: The observer was [redacted], residing at [redacted], Spokane, home phone [redacted] He is employed as

a weather observer at Geiger Weather Station, Geiger (Spokane) municipal airport. His report of the sighting was given in a serious and factual manner. [redacted] served one year and three months as an Army weather man at Rapid City and Amarillo, with training at Kelly Field. He has been a civilian weather man for 17 months and is an aviation hobbyist. The object was also seen by the observer's wife.

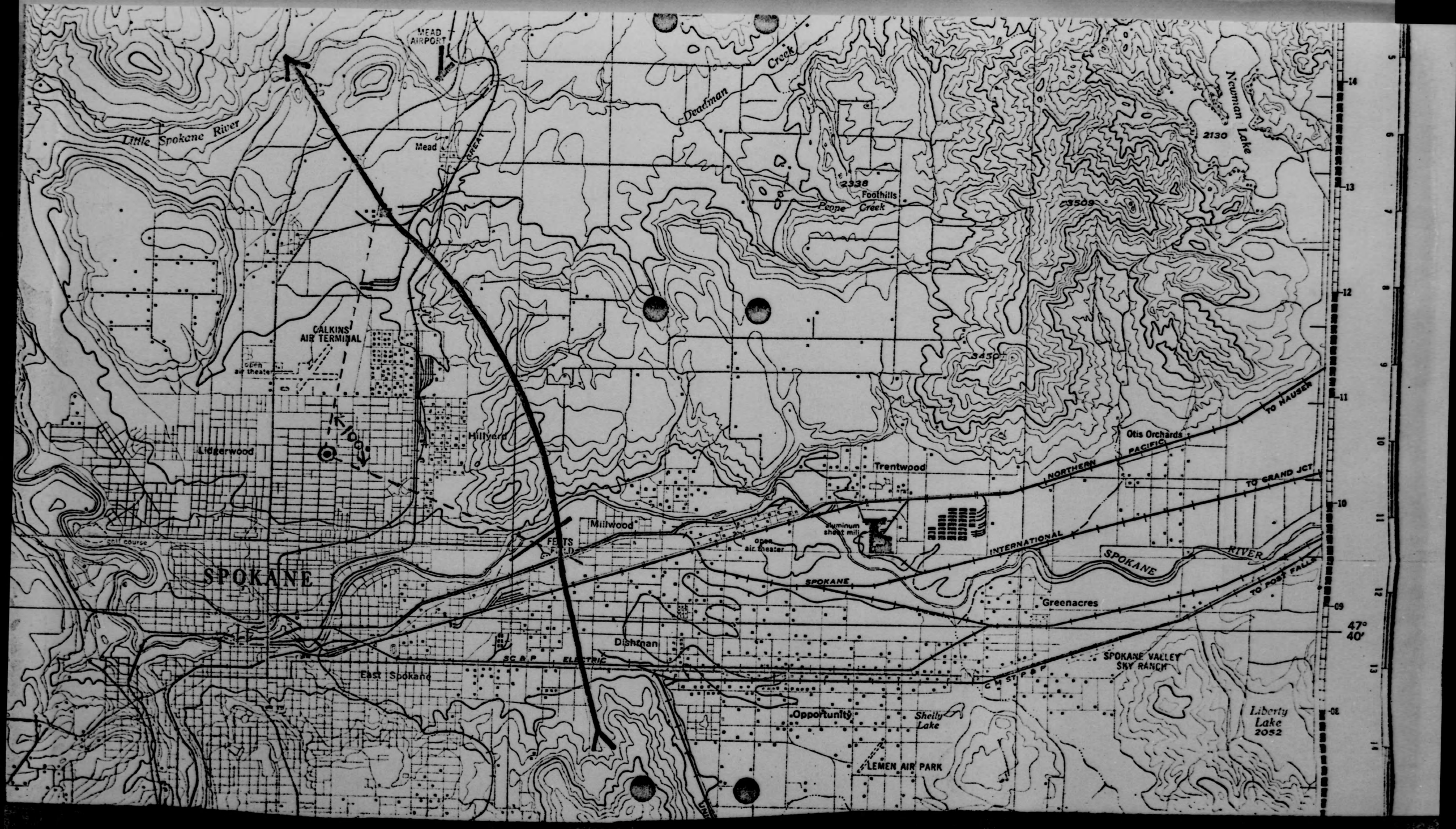
6) Weather and Wind Conditions: The weather as of the Geiger station 24 June 0030Z reading was: visibility 40 miles; 5,000 scattered, 20,000 scattered; temp. 70d egs; dewpoint 39%; surface wind from west at 5 knots; altimeter setting 981. Winds aloft: 18,000ft, SSE at 15 knots; 30,000ft, South at 27 knots; 40,000 ft, South at 7 knots.

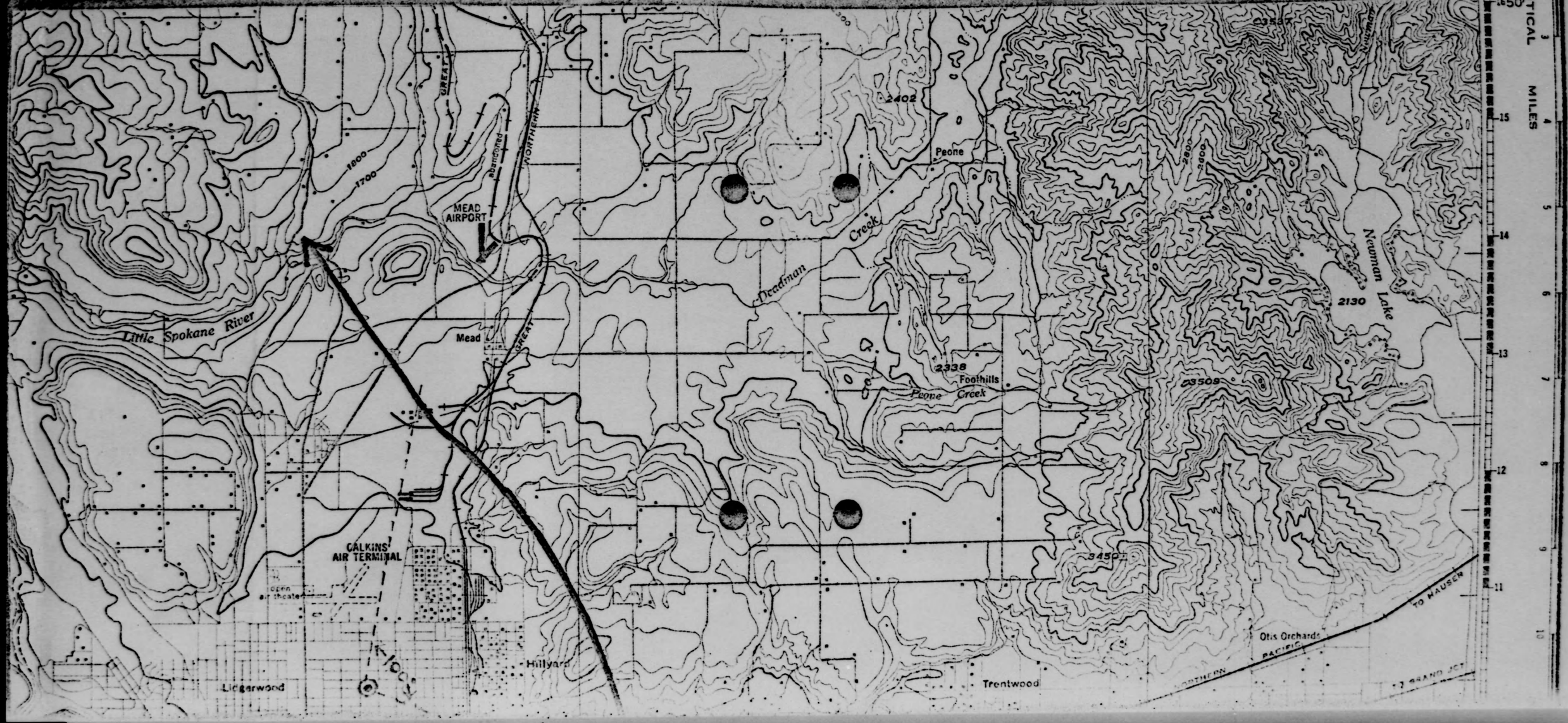
7) No meterological conditions which might account for phenomenon.

8) No physical evidence available.

9) No interceptiom action taken as report was too late for action.

10) Narrative: [redacted] was outside his home, looking up at a C-47 travelling east, when he saw the flashing object, over and behind the C-47 (relative position). When he first saw it the object was moving towards him, gyrating. Then it seemed to arc away from him and finally straightened out and ~~XXXX~~ headed into the northern quadrant, disappearing gradually.


MEAD AIRPORT
Little Spokane River
Mead
GREAT
Deadman Creek
Newman Lake
2130
2338
Foothills
Peone Creek
3509
3450
CALKINS AIR TERMINAL
open air theater
golf course
Liggerwood
Hillyard
Trentwood
Otis Orchards
TO HAUSEN
NORTHERN PACIFIC
TO GRAND JCT
Millwood
FEETS FIELD
aluminum sheet mill
open air theater
INTERNATIONAL
SPOKANE RIVER
SPOKANE
TO POST FALLS
Greenacres
SPOKANE
Dishman
SC & P ELECTRIC
East Spokane
SPOKANE VALLEY SKY RANCH
C M St P & P
Opportunity
Sheily Lake
Liberty Lake 2052
LEMEN AIR PARK
47° 40'


Little Spokane River
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1800
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CALKINS AIR TERMINAL
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SPOKANE, WASH.

23 JUNE, 1952 1605 PST

NOTE: Arrow does not indicate distance of course from sighting point - only direction.
100° Arc shown is not azimuth but sweep of sky covered.

PROJECT [illegible] RECORD CARD

2. LOCATION

Lt Miles W Mcchord AFB, Washington

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

☒ Ground Visual ☐ Ground-Radar

☐ Airborne ☐ Airborne Radar

5. SOURCE

Several 325mm Fletcher Cams

6. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 7. COLORS

one white

3. DATE

20 minutes 360°

8. DESCRIPTION

Estimated many times the size of an a/c landing light. Also many times as brilliant. Object had ... of observers. Weather - CAVU - vis. 15 miles.

11. COMMENTS

1. Many of the observers are reliable USAF personnel.

4. ATIAA-2C.
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FOL-FLYOBRPT-FWD IAW AFL 200-5: 1, UNIDENTIFIED FLY OBJ, SHAPELESS, APPREARED AS 1 YELLOWISH WHITE LIGHT, EST AT MANY TIMES THE SIZE AND BRILLIANCE OF AN A/C LANDING LIGHT. TVL IN STRAIGHT LINE ROUGHLY SOUTH TO NORTH WITH NO TRAIL, EXHAUST, PROPULSION SYSTEM OR SOUND NOTED. 2, SIGHTED APRX 2100 PST, 23 JUNE 52 AND OBSR FOR 10 MINUTES. 3, OBSR FROM GRD WITH OBSR USING NO OPTICAL EQUIP. 4, OBSR FR PT APRX 4 MILES WEST OF MCCHORD AFB. OBJ WAS NORTHEAST OF OBSR AT AN UNK DIS, WITH SPEED EST BY OBSR AS SAME AS C-47 A/C AND ALT GIVEN AS 10000 FT OR LOWER. 5, OBSR BY SECOND LT KERMIT C THOMPSON, 318 FTR INTCP SQ, MCCHORD AFM, WASH, CONSIDERED A RELIABLE OBSR. LT THOMPSON

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RPT THAT HE HAD SEEN AN OBJ SIMILAR IN ALL RESPECTS TVL AT SAME SPPED AND ALT ALONG SAME TRACK IN OPPOSITE DIR, THAT IS NORTH TO SOUTH, AT 2110 PST, 15 JUN 52. 6, WEA 6000 FT SCATTERED, VISIBILITY 15 MILES. WINDS ALOFT, 210 DEGREES AT 3 KNOTS AT 10000 FT, 170 DEGREES AT 4 KNOTS AT 20000, 120 DEGREES AT 22 KNOTS AT 30000 . SURFACE WIND WEST NORTH WEST AT 2 KNOTS. 7, NO ACTY OR COND WHICH MIGHT ACCT FOR THE SIGHTING IS KNOWN. 8, NO PHY EVIDENCE IS AVAL. 9, NO INTCP OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION TAKEN. 10, ATTN INVITED TO MSG THIS HQ WI 6-920, 192200Z AND WI 6-925, 210900Z IERI WOPB MANY OBSR NOW RPT OF VERY SIMILAR SIGHTINGS ON 15, 17, 19 AND 23 JUN 52 IN THIS AREA. NAVY CONTACTED. TO OTHER INFO AVAL. REQ INFO AVAL TO HIGHER HQ ON ANY MIL ACTY IN THIS AREA WHICH MIGHT ACCT FOR THESE OBSR AND ARE UNK TO THIS HQ. RECENT OBSR INCLUDE RELIABLE AF PERSONNEL

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TO: CO 4704TH DEFENSE WING MC CHORD AFB WASHINGTON

☐ BOOK MESSAGE ☒ ORIGINAL MESSAGE

☐ MULTIPLE ADDRESS

CRYPTOPRECAUTION ☐ YES ☒ NO

REFERS TO MESSAGE:

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INFO:

23 McCHORD AFB

ATIAA-5 File

FROM: AFOIN-ATIAA-7-3E

Reference sightings of similar unidentified objects on 6 July and 23, 19, and 17 June 1952. Request that you check with Army, Navy, Coast Guard and Boeing Aircraft Co. giving them dates, times, and locations of reported object to determine whether or not they had any type of aircraft or object that was only tested on these nights that could be object in question. Also request that questionnaires left with you on 27 June be completed and that the tower at Sea-Tac be contacted to determine whether or not they ever observed this object. It is sugested that a possible method of determining size would be to have sources view an oncoming automobile headlight and measure how far away the automobile was from the source when the headlight corresponded to the size of the object.

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DRAFTER'S NAME (and signature, when required)
Capt E. J. Bennett/vrs

RELEASING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE

SYMBOL: ATIAA-5 | TELEPHONE: 54761 | OFFICIAL TITLE: ROBERT R. KENNEDY, Major, USAF Air Adjutant General

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PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

2. LOCATION

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar

☐ Air-Visual ☐ Airborne Radar

6. SOURCE

Wilson, Captain, USAF

7. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 8. SHAPE

5 Varied

9. COMMENTS

Several brilliant white lights observed to be in formation flying over Chicago.

1. Observer heard engines similar to helicopter engines.

10. CONCLUSION

☐ Was Balloon
☐ Probably Balloon
☐ Possibly Balloon

☒ Was Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☐ Possibly Aircraft

☐ Was Astronomical
☐ Probably Astronomical
☐ Possibly Astronomical

☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
☐ Unknown

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: Flying Object Report (FLYOBRPT)

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
Foster and Harlem Ave, Chicago, Illinois	57th St. & S. Lake Shore Dr., 4671st Grd Obsr Sq. Det. 2, Chicago, Ill.

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
3 July 52	23 June 52	B-2

PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
Franklin A. Fenner, Capt, USAF D/I	Director of Cadets John H. Elsveld, Jr., Major, CAP.

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

AFL 200-5, dtd 29 April 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 113—Part II.)

1. At approximately 2200 hours on 23 June 1952 Major John H. Elsveld Jr., Hq Sq, Civil Air Patrol, USAF, Room 378, U.S. Court House, 219 South Clark St., Chicago 4, Illinois, observed from the corner of Foster and Harlem Avenues two extremely brilliant lights right near the horizon to the southeast. These lights appeared to be at the same level quite a distance apart and without any motion. Their appearance was that of two stars. However, they were in a position where one would not normally see a star.

2. Major Elsveld proceeded south and west to the intersection of Grand Avenue and Route 83 at which time he turned south and again noticed these two objects which had by this time moved in a westerly direction. The observer continued south on Route 83 [redacted] and observed the objects continuing at a rather slow rate of movement towards the west. As he approached the intersection of Route 83 and Route 66 he noticed that a third similar object appeared at a slightly higher level than the other two. It had the same intense white brilliance. After turing west on to Route 666he continued to observe the objects and saw the center one increase its altitude abruptly so that the three objects formed a very extensive triangle. Continuing west he noticed the appearance of two more of these objects which seemed to have come from the southwest. At this point all five objects formed a rather irregular line in the sky running east and west and their movement was reversed so that all five were moving eastward.

3. As they approached my Major Elsveld position on the highway he stopped his car and stepped out to observe these objects to better advantage. He assumed their altitude to be in the vicinity of 6000 to 7000 feet, each one having tremendous white brilliance similar to a light bulb when seen from a distance. To the rear and slightly above the white light was a rather intense red blinker light. He assumed these objects to be approximately 1000 yards apart in a single file traveling at a rather slow rate of speed. He heard the sound of engines which to all indications sounded more like the engines used on a helicopter. These objects to his observation were not conventional type aircraft. The brilliance of the lights as well as the position and type of blinker were not like anything now in use on commercial or military aircraft.

4. Major Elsveld reported this information to Capt. Everett A. Turner, USAF, 4671st Grd Obsr Sq. Det. 2, 57th St. and S. Lake Shore Dr., Chicago, Ill. at approximately 0100 hours 24 June 52.

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5. These objects were also observed by his wife, who was with him at the time and who is also a qualified aircraft pilot.

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TENTATIVE
OBSERVERS QUESTIONNAIRE

SECTION A

1. When did you see the object:

1.1 Date: 23 (Day) 6 (Month) '52 (Year)

1.2 Time of day: 3 (Hrs.) 30 (Min.) (A.M.) or P.M. (Circle One)

1.3 Time Zone: (Circle One):

a. Eastern
(b.) Central
c. Mountain
d. Pacific
e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving
(b.) Standard

1.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above question 1.2:

(a.) Certain
b. Fairly certain
c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

2. Where did you see the object?

_____ (Postal Address) Oak Ridge (City or Town) Tenn (State) Anderson (Country)

3. Where were you located when you saw the object:

(Circle One): a. Inside a building
b. In a car
(c.) Outdoors
d. In an airplane
e. At sea
f. Other _____

3.1 Were you:

(Circle One): a. In the business section of a city?
(b.) In the residential section of a city?
c. In open countryside?
d. Flying near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other _____

4. How did you happen to notice the object? Looked up into sky at stars.

5. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

6 (Day) 23 (Month) 52 (Year)

SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object? Hanging out washing.

6.1 What had you been doing for the 30 minutes before you saw the object? Try to list the activity or activities, and the approximate amount of time spent on each.

Hanging out clothes

7. Were you moving at any time while you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes or (No.)

IF you answered YES, then complete the following questions.

7.1 What direction were you moving?

(Circle One):

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

7.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

7.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One): Yes or No

8. What direction were you facing when you first saw the object?

(Circle One):

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
(f.) Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

8.1 What direction were you facing when the object disappeared?

(Circle One):

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
(f.) Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

8.2 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above two questions. (8 and 8.1).

a. Certain
(b.) Fairly certain
c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

9. Were you wearing eye glasses when you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes or (No)

10. How was the object seen?

(Circle One):

a. Through window glass
b. Through windshield
c. Through binoculars
d. Through telescope
e. Through theodolite
f. Through sun glasses
(g.) Through open space
h. Other _____

11. What do you remember about the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

11.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

(a.) Clear sky
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
d. Thick or heavy clouds
e. Don't remember

11.2 WIND (Circle One)

(a.) No wind
b. Slight breeze
c. Strong wind
d. Don't remember

11.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

(a.) Dry
b. Fog, Mist, or light rain
c. Moderate or heavy rain
d. Snow
e. Don't remember

11.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

a. Cold
(b.) Cool
c. Warm
d. Hot
e. Don't remember

SECTION C

12. Estimate how long you saw the object? _____ Hours _____ Minutes 30-60 Seconds

12.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 12:

(a.) Certain
b. Fairly sure
c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

13. Did the object look: (Circle One) (Solid) or Transparent?

14. Did the object at any time:

(Circle One for each question)

14.1	Change direction?	Yes	(No)	Don't know
14.2	Change speed?	Yes	(No)	Don't know
14.3	Change size?	Yes	(No)	Don't know
14.4	Change color?	Yes	(No)	Don't know
14.5	Break up into parts or explode?	Yes	(No)	Don't know
14.6	Give off smoke?	(Yes)	No	Don't know
14.7	Change brightness?	Yes	(No)	Don't know
14.8	Flicker, throb, or pulsate?	Yes	(No)	Don't know
14.9	Remain motionless?	Yes	(No)	Don't know

15. Did the object give off a light? (Circle One): (Yes) No Don't know

15.1 IF you answered YES, what was the color of the light? Burnt orange from rear

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object?

16.1 Sound none

16.2 Color dark gunmetal with burnt orange glow from rear

17. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? only one
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction they were traveling.

18. Did the object at any time:

18.1 Move behind something? (Circle One) (Yes) No Don't know

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind.

Just disappeared as instantly as it appeared

18.2 Move in front of something? (Circle One) Yes (No) Don't know

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved in front of.

18.3 Blend with the background? (Circle One) Yes (No) Don't know

19. Which of the following objects is about the same actual size as the object you saw? (Circle One):

a. Pea
b. Baseball
c. Basketball
d. Bicycle wheel
e. Office desk
f. Automobile
g. Small airplane
h. Large airplane
i. Dirigible
j. Other football (from distance had definite shape of a bullet

19.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 19.

(a.) Certain
b. Fairly certain
c. Not very sure
d. Uncertain

20. Try to tell the following things about the object:

20.1 How high above the earth was it? 5,000 feet.
20.2 How far was it from you? _____ feet or c. 6 miles
20.3 How fast was it going? c. 300-500 miles per hour. (Guess)
Unbelievable rate of speed.
20.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above questions:

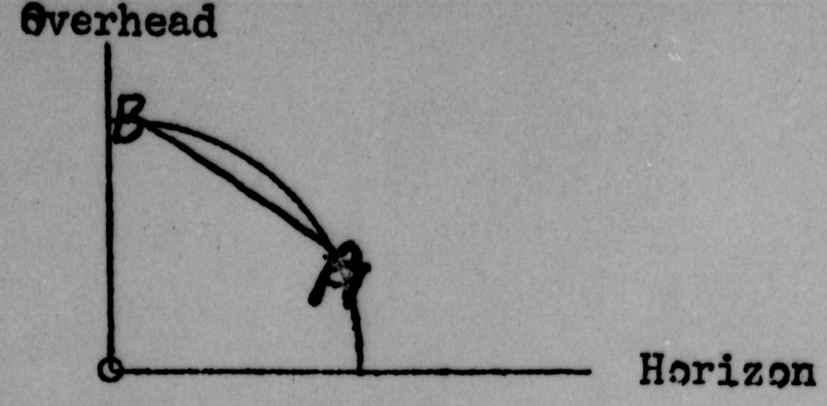
a. Certain
(b.) Fairly certain
c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

21. How did the object disappear from view?

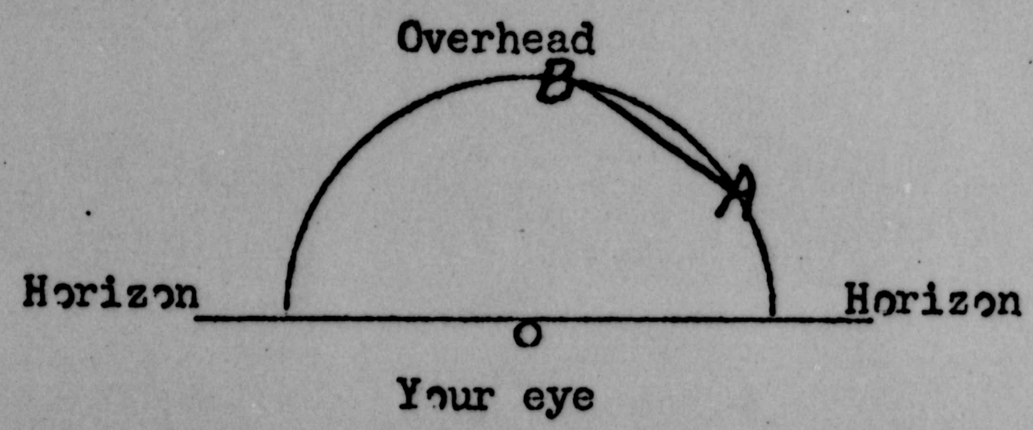
(Circle One): (a.) Suddenly
b. Gradually
c. Other _____
d. Don't remember

SECTION D

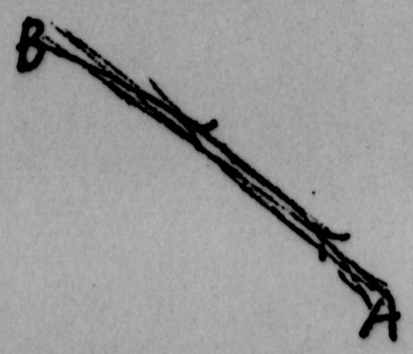
22. In the following sketch, imagine your eye at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon when you <u>first</u> saw it. Place a "B" to show where it was when when you <u>last</u> saw it.



23. In the following sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you first saw it, and a "B" at its position when you last saw it.

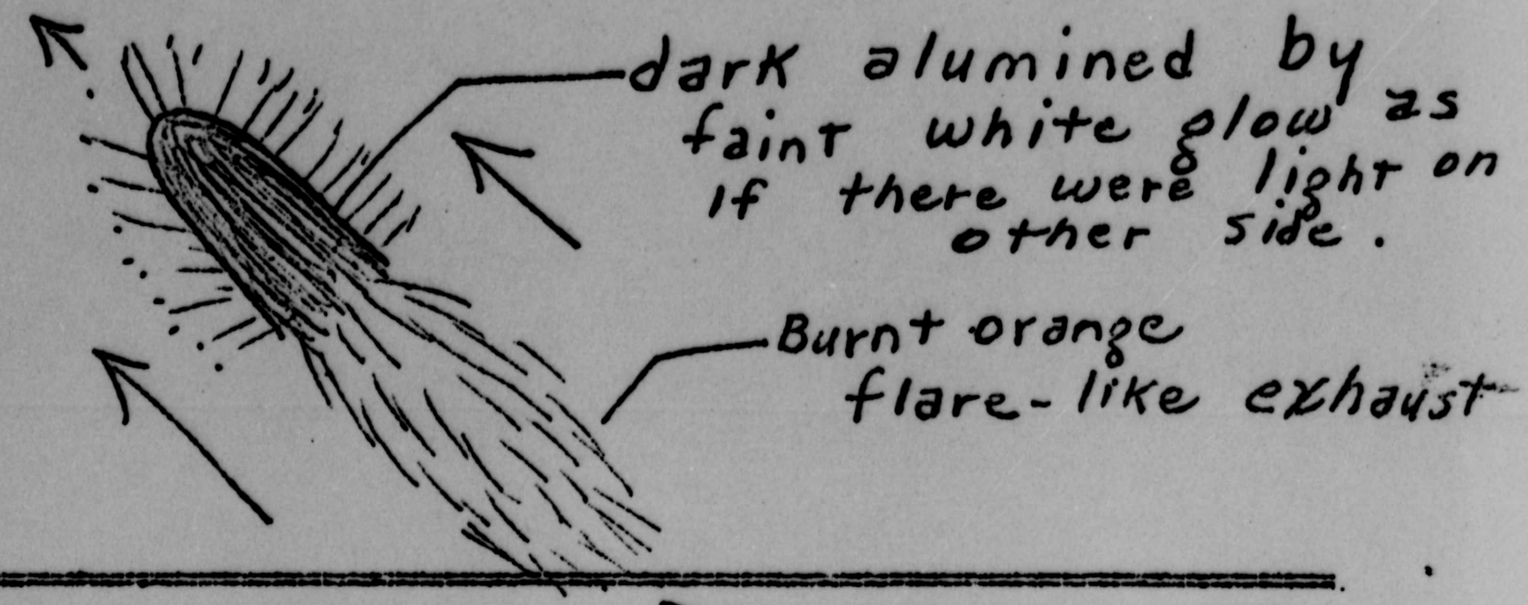


24. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object made. Place an "A" at the beginning of its path and a "B" at the end of its path.



"Straight" steady, swift movement.

25. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw, and place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



SECTION E

26. Was this the first time that you have seen an object like this?
(Circle One): (Yes) No

26.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what conditions did you see other ones? _____

27. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?
Could have been a test flight of new type of rocket, if it was ours. If not, could have been foreign guided-missile.

28. Give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted]
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADD [redacted] Tenn.
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMB [redacted]

What is your present job? Secretary

Age 29

Sex female.

Last School Attended Rhea Central High School

Year of last attendance at this school 4th.

Also Abel School of Business (6 mos.)

29. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One): Yes or (No)

29.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.2 Please list their names and addresses:

30. Please add here any further comments which you believe are important. Use additional sheets of the same size paper if necessary.

At the object appeared to be about 10 miles away, the suddeness of its appearance and disappearance could indicate it's being in space, since it did not change direction nor follow the "curve" of the earth.

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DATE	2. LOCATION	
23 June 1952	[illegible], Arizona	
1200	X	
1630		
	Lt Col in U.S.A.	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	6. NUMBER OF WITNESSES	7. COLORS
5 seconds	two	N

8. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Two objects resembling giant soap bubbles, flying in trail (one behind the other), noise similar to a/c at high alti. Two observers:- one observing two objects and the other observing one object.

9. COMMENTS

OSI report borders on [illegible] unit.

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, USAF
5TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, DAYTON, OHIO

IN REPLY REFER TO: 5D-24-21

3 July 1952

23 June 52
Owensboro, Kentucky

SUBJECT: Sighting of Unconventional Aircraft
Near Owensboro, Kentucky, 23 June 1952
SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO: Commanding Officer
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Ohio

1. The following information pertaining to the above captioned subject is transmitted to your headquarters, as received by this office from the 5th District OSI, Louisville, Kentucky Detachment:

"On 27 June 1952, Captain JACK WEBB, 109th CIC Detachment Louisville, Kentucky, advised that Special Agent EDWARD J. LEATHEN, 109th CIC Detachment, interviewed on 26 June 1952, Mr. [redacted] DEPP, Contractor, Owensboro, Kentucky, concerning instant matter. DEPP is a former Major (Engineer Corps) and presently a Lt. Colonel in the Kentucky National Guard. DEPP stated that he saw his first 'flying saucers' on 23 June 1952 at approximately 1000 hours. The sighting took place 3 miles east of Owensboro on U.S. highway No. 60. DEPP was walking north when he heard a noise similar to a flight of aircraft at high altitude. Upon looking up and ahead of the noise, he saw two round objects resembling giant soup bubbles that reflected the sun in a yellow-lavendarish light. The objects were proceeding north, flying in trail (one behind the other) and passed out of sight in about five (5) seconds. DEPP estimated the objects were at 15 to 20 thousand feet altitude. The sighting took place on a very bright, clear day. DEPP added that he was accompanied by C. C. FRYAR, who saw only one of the objects. No further pertinent information was obtained from DEPP by Special Agent LEATHEN."

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2. No further action is contemplated by this office unless otherwise requested by your headquarters.

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