

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 19 March 1953	2. LOCATION Red Lion, Ohio
3. SOURCE <u>Civilian</u>	10. CONCLUSION BAZOOKA SHELL
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	WW II Bazooka Shell
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION N/A	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Report of object found on ground
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE On Ground	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☒ Yes ☐ No	

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OPERATIONS REPORT - 16-21 March 1953

From the 16th to the 20th of March, the following items of importance happened in Project Blue Book's operations:

1. On 20 March, Capt E. J. Ruppelt, the Project Monitor for the past two years, left ATIC for temporary duty at the Officers Air Intelligence School, Lowry AFB, Denver, Colorado, for three months TDY and upon return will be assigned to the Guided Missiles Section.
2. The number of reports of unidentified aerial objects received during this period totaled 10 and among these probably the most important was one on 3 March from Luke AFB, Ariz. In this sighting an F-94 pilot observed a long contrail-like object at 25,000 ft. and exposed his gun camera film while chasing it. Blue Book has received the subject film and is now analyzing it.
3. On the 19th of March, a report was submitted to Project Blue Book concerning an unidentified object at Red Lion, Ohio, which was in a field on the property of a Mr. [REDACTED]. Project Blue Book personnel accompanied by an armament specialist and demolition specialist took a staff car to Red Lion and found that the object was merely a discarded WW II bazooka shell and assured and Mrs. [REDACTED] that there was nothing to worry about and returned.
4. During the period of this report, a sample statistical survey of 1950 reports was submitted by Project Stork as a result of a contract set up by Project Blue Book. A complete study which has been going on for approximately nine months will be received in two or three weeks. On the basis of the sample test made there appears to be no significant trends on the report of unidentified aerial objects as far as maneuvers, color, speed, time of sighting, locality, etc., or any combination of these items. However, such a study will give Project Blue Book a file of percentage data on FLYOBRPTS something that will be useful in

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20 - 31 MARCH 1953 SIGHTINGS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>OBSERVER</u>	<u>EVALUATION</u>
20	Old Baldy & Pork Chop Hill, Korea	Ground RADAR	Insufficient Data
		Ground Visual (MILITARY)	
20	Anchorage, Alaska	Civilian RR Employee	Astro (JUPITER)
21	Elmira, New York	4 GOC Observers	UNIDENTIFIED
23	Casper, Wyoming	REDACTED	Balloon
23	Casper, Wyoming	REDACTED	A/C
23	Pasadena, Texas	Gd Visual and RADAR	Balloon
23	Bay City, Michigan	REDACTED	Astro (METEOR)
24	Kent, England	REDACTED	Insufficient Data
24-26	Gambill, St Lawrence, Alaska	Two Witnesses	Astro (VENUS)
25	Caribbean Sea (Hydrographic Bulletin)	(INFO) Solar Phenomena	"Bishop's Ring"
25	Panama City, Florida	REDACTED	A/C
25	Rabat, French Morocco	Military Air Visual	1. A/C and Ground Light
		Gd Visual	2. Ground Light
		Gd RADAR	(A/C Only)
25	San Antonio, Texas	Military	UNIDENTIFIED
27	Sheaves Cove, Newfoundland	REDACTED	Astro (METEOR)
27	Canal Zone, Panama	Military Air	Astro (VENUS)
27	Mt Taylor, New Mexico	Military Air	UNIDENTIFIED
28	Mascoutah, Illinois	REDACTED	Other (MIRAGE)
29	Spooner, Wisconsin	REDACTED	UNIDENTIFIED
29	Cochransville, Pennsylvania	REDACTED	Balloon
30	Lyle, Washington	REDACTED	Balloon (Moby Dick)
31	Honshu, Japan	Air Visual	Astro (VENUS)
31	Williams AFB, Arizona	REDACTED (Air Visual)	Balloon
31	Conrad, Montana	GOC	Astro (VENUS)