PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE

11 March 1955

2. LOCATION

Redwood Valley, Calif.

3. DATE-TIME GROUP

Local _____

GMT 12/0042Z

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar

☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. PHOTOS

☐ Yes

☒ No

6. SOURCE

Civilian (GOC Observers)

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION

three minutes

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS

one

9. COURSE

southerly

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

One, round, silver, object which sounded like a jet but which was the size of a silver dollar held at arm's length was observed to be heading in a southerly direction, with "smoke" cmming from it. The obj faded from sight after about three minutes.

11. COMMENTS

The fact that the obj sounded like a jet & the observer's descriptions fitting that of a jet, coupled w/ the fact that a B-47 type aircraft was observed in the area of sighting at approximately the same time leads to the conclusion that this sighting was probably the above mentioned a/c (B-47).

12. CONCLUSIONS

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

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UFOB INDEX CARD

1. DATE

~~22~~ 11 March 1955

2. LOCATION

Redwood Valley, California

3. DATE-TIME GROUP

Local _____

GMT ~~22/0018Z March 1955~~

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar

☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. PHOTOS

☐ Yes

☐ No

6. SOURCE

~~Civilian (100 observers)~~

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION

~~Three (3) minutes~~

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS

~~One (1)~~

9. COURSE

~~Southerly~~

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

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☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
☐ Unknown

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Source "Flying Saucer Magazine"

12 March 1955
Lincoln AFB, Nebraska

Source FLYING SAUCERS MAGAZINE May 1955 issue

My second "sighting" occurred from Lincoln AF Base (SAC), on March 12th, 1955 (if my memory of the date is correct), about 4:00 p.m. just at the close of the day's work at Nebr. ANG Supply Office, while I waited for the driver of my car pool to pick me up for the ride home.

For March, the afternoon seemed warm and pleasant. A 15 mph ground wind was blowing from southwest. At about 20,000 feet (I judged) were patches of cirrus (ice-crystal) clouds, rather heavy and dark far to the west, but thinning out toward Lincoln so that they were medium-heavy to the south, and thin and sparse to the north and east. All clouds were in broken-up masses, no solid overcast anywhere within sight. The clouds were moving right along, suggesting fairly strong jet-stream influence. Out into space between the cloud masses, and under them, visibility was unlimited. (The cloud movement was straight east.)

Suddenly, directly to the north, at a 45-50 degree angle from horizontal -in a clear portion of the sky, I spotted a plain, round, white light, slightly bigger, I judged, than a dime held at arm's length. It seemed like a very large, powerful searchlight-or better, like the full-glare reflection of bright sunlight from a mirror-smooth, white-metal surface. Its appearance suggested that its glare should be blinding--but I don't recall any blinding effect from it, on my vision.

I'm quite positive it remained absolutely motionless for at least 10 or 15 seconds, possibly longer. For I (1.) looked down to my right-front, 2 or 3 times, to where two of our warehousemen were storing goods into a paint shed (they were too far away to hear me over their own racket); (2) I started, two or three times, for the office door, 50 feet to my right-rear, to call the others out each time stopping again to watch

I SAW A FLYING SAUCER

the light; (3.) I watched my supervisor start to come out then return inside without answering me, to answer a query being put to him from office personnel still at work. During all this time I'm certain that the light was completely motionless.

Then it "came alive" in a curious pulsating that made it seem, for a second or two, to be diving straight at me. I started for the office door in earnest-then stopped again, as the light faded and disappeared.

As my vision adjusted to the absence of the light, I saw what seemed to be a solid, blue-gray object like a large cargo-plane fuselage-what I might best describe as a "thin teardrop": a rounded nose; very fat in the forward third of it; and tapering to a sharp-pointed tail. There were no wings, tail fins, or other protruding points that I could see. There seemed to be a blur of fuzziness about it, suggesting (I thought) great height. I could not really judge its size, tho I got the impression it probably was at least as large as the largest aircraft.

When I first spotted it, the tail end was just leaving the left (west) rim of the former lighted circle, and it was in barely-perceptible motion. But it accelerated steadily, and within 10-15 seconds seemed to be doing jet-bomber speed-or faster. It pursued what I judged to be a west-northwest course, in a straight shallow climb. When it got straight to the northwest of my position-still at an angle from horizontal of 35-40 degrees-it seemed to grow rapidly small and indistinct as if from the great distance between us --just like any airplane fades away into the distance-and quickly disappeared. I marveled at both the speed and the high angle of sight at which it faded away.

There's a bit more. Less than 30 seconds later a B-47 jet bomber at about 25,000 feet (I judged conservatively; it may have been higher), came in from the north-northeast, passing directly through the spot where I had first seen the light. At that altitude the bomber was clearly recognizable as a B-47; could not be mistaken for anything else. Its trim fuselage, swept-back wings, jet nacelles, stood out like sore thumbs, in a sharp contrast to the fuzzy indistinctness of the "UFO". Sunlight reflecting from the B-47 caused little glints and sparkles along its rounded edges.

I told the members of my car pool what I had seen. They marveled; whether they believed me, I do not know. (I have told a few friends of my "sightings". I have never officially reported them. I could not have proved either of them, two minutes after they occurred.)

I "estimated" the "UFO" at not less than 20,000 feet. If correct, it would have been hovering about 2 miles north of Lincoln AF Base. For all I know, it could have been 50 miles high-which would have put it about 20 miles north of the base. I had no reference point against which to measure it, for either size or altitude.

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