

No Case (Information Only)

6 January 1960
Las Vegas, Nevada

3 JANUARY ?

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NEWS BRIEFS: On January 6th a mysterious blue light was seen racing silently across the sky by personnel at McCarran Field, near Las Vegas, Nevada. Earlier the same evening two commercial airlines planes reported seeing the same light. Their radio reports concerning the UFO were intercepted by the McCarran tower. A private plane leaving the field at the time also confirmed the sighting.

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Fort Worth, Texas

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Recent Sightings...

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TWO UAO REPORTS AT FORT WORTH, TEXAS

On the 8th of January several young couples panicked and left secluded regions of Cobb Park in Fort Worth, Texas, and officers were dispatched to the park after an excited caller reported a "flying saucer had just landed in Cobb Park and is chasing all the cars out." The Fort Worth Star-Telegram which reported this incident, reported also that Detective V. U. King spotted a bright light from the southeast part of the city and felt sure it was a blazing meteorite. The Weather Bureau described a current meteorite shower and a local amateur astronomer said his piece about meteors also. No one stopped to think, apparently, that the light which purportedly "landed" surely would not have been still visible in the sky much later, if it were a meteorite.

On the following night, a Fort Worth man reported seeing an unconventional aerial object just south of the General Motors plant at Arlington, Texas. The man, who reported the sighting to police, was described as near hysteria. He said the object had landed on a road and then "took off after a car." The police who took this information apparently failed to get the man's name and have found no further witnesses to corroborate the story.

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10 January 1960
Appleton, Wisconsin



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ALAMOGORDO, NEW MEXICO — JANUARY, 1960

UFO Haunts Lake In Minnesota

Investigation of a Mutual Broadcasting System news item concerning a UFO "as big as a two-story house" revealed some unusual information about the unidentified object itself, plus an example of how information is frequently misconstrued. Clippings kindly forwarded by E. O. Dahl and Mrs. Charles Brunes indicate that something indeed strange took place somewhere over Lake Mille Lacs in northern Minnesota late Saturday night, January 16, and early the next morning.

The object was shaped somewhat like a Christmas tree, with lights of red, white, blue, orange and green colors. Deputy Sheriff Bud Kisskeys of Crow Wing county stated that after receiving the initial call reporting the strange lights, he proceeded to the lake shore near Garrison. The report was made to him by a patrolman in a car in the vicinity. Kisskeys said, "There was one big cluster of lights that looked like a Christmas tree way out on the lake about 10 miles. You could see other lights, one at a time, along the shoreline. I drove to the spot where I thought one would be but it always seemed as far away no matter how long I drove."

Scores of other witnesses, including patrolman Johnny Hogan of Aitkin, and Frank Gowran of the Blue Goose Resort, Garrison, also observed the lights. Hogan, who was quoted as saying that five state highway patrol squads and sheriff's deputies from three counties plus 300 other curious spectators had seen it, compared the object's apparent size to that of a two-story house which he described as appearing to move up and down slowly between altitudes of 300 and 1000 feet.

While interviewed on a TV news program, from Alexandria, Deputy Sheriff Kisskeys said the lights had occasionally flashed on and off, and that they could not have been lights from fishermen's shacks out on the lakes.

On Sunday afternoon, the Director attempted to telephone Gowran who had left his resort, and the individual who answered the phone said he wasn't expected to return until almost midnight. A call was then put in to Hogan who was out on patrol and not expected to return until late evening. Hogan's wife gave the name of a George Hasse who supposedly saw the lights. A call and short conversation with him, however, indicated that he had not seen the lights at all, but he offered the opinion that they were only lights from fishermen's shacks out on the ice. Mrs. Lorenzen, who is familiar with these small buildings, having lived at Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, rejected this explanation; it did not fit the facts. Neither did the possibility that it may have been an experimental balloon, aurora borealis, or reflections. The most revealing bit of information came from APRO member Mrs. Charles Brunes who quoted Kisskey's statement on television to the effect that he had previously laughed at reports of UFOs but he knew he would not try to explain them away too easily any more.

And so the story died—letters of inquiry to the local editor, to whom Mrs. Lorenzen spoke via long distance, have not been answered to date, nor have those sent to Kisskeys and Hogan. Should more information on this startling incident come to hand it will be printed in the next issue of the Bulletin. It is interesting to note that clippings which contained this sighting also contained a mention of "mysteriously bright lights seen Friday (January 15) from scattered points in Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota were thought to be meteors." Apparently reports had been made to someone somewhere relative to those "mysterious" lights, but they had not seen print until the Crosby object gained attention.

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Mr [REDACTED] Chapel [REDACTED]

Lt Bolen called Mr
Barger 1505 31 March 60.
Mr [REDACTED] refused to send
the photos to ATIC. He
wanted someone to go to
Indianapolis to look at them.
He was told that we could
not go to Indianapolis
and if he didn't want to
send them in, fine.

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17 January 1960
Indianapolis, Indiana

30 March 1960

Subject: Unidentified Flying Objects

To: Major Friend, Aerial Phenomena Group

Through: ASO

1. At about 2100hours, 30 March 1960, I received information from the Base Information Officer, via Capt. J. Edwards, Patterson Operations, that a Mr. [REDACTED] of Indianapolis, Phone [REDACTED], had some "very interesting" photographs.
2. I could not reach Major Friend in Springfield, for the number given in the DO book was incorrect according to the operator, and Major Friend is not listed in the Springfield directory. Therefore, I called Sgt. Bolieu, and after discussion decided to call Mr. [REDACTED] and inform him that a responsible person would contact him on 31 March.
3. I called Mr. [REDACTED] and he briefly described the photographs to me. The photos were made on the third night after the first full moon in January. The camera, an Argoflex 75 ml, 4.5 setting, was focused on the moon for a series of 3 second shots. Upon development, a number of unusual objects appeared. According to Mr. [REDACTED] the photos have good depth. On an 8X10 enlargement, the objects appear to be the underneath shot of object(s) travelling at extremely high speed. One object is approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ wide, and there is a vapor trail.
4. Mr. [REDACTED] called a Mr. Mason at the Technical Lab of the nearby AFB and was advised not to take the photographs to the press, which he was about to do.
5. I committed ATIC to call Mr. [REDACTED] tomorrow for further information. He can probably not be reached as he drives a truck all day. However, a Mr. Max Miller can be reached at the same number (above) after 1500 hours. Mr. Miller apparently also knows all about the operation.
6. Mr. [REDACTED] was not willing to send the photos to ATIC but agreed not to take them to the newspapers until he hears from ATIC tomorrow.

George W. Luhrmann, Jr.
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1st Lt. USAF
Duty Officer

NO CASE 27 JAN 1960

A Large, Ticking Object Drops on Upstate Town

NY Times
SCHODACK LANDING,
N. Y., Jan. 28 (AP)—A large,
ticking object fell from the
sky here yesterday onto the
icy Hudson River.

Those who saw it before it
sank said it had a sharp nose,
was about fifteen feet long,
and was made of aluminum
and had engines inside.

"I heard a loud explosion.
It shook the whole Post Of-
fice," reported Ernest Chio-
vini, acting postmaster of this
community about ten miles
south of Albany.

Four men put a rope around
an exposed portion and tried
to pull the object from the
water. But "they heard it
ticking and decided to leave
it there," according to Kenneth
Jennings, who runs a general
store. Later the entire object
sank in twenty feet of water.

Mr. Chiovini said he heard
a plane overhead immediately
after the explosion. Spokes-
men at Plattsburgh and West-
over Air Bases said they knew
of nothing that had fallen
from any of their planes.

NY TIMES 28 JAN 60

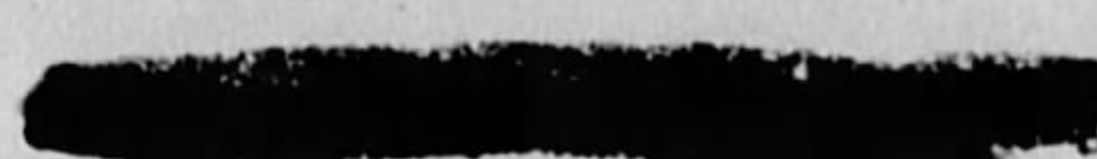
FEBRUARY 1960 SIGHTINGS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>OBSERVER</u>	<u>EVALUATION</u>
Feb	British Columbia, Canada		Other (HOAX)
1	53.05N 22.15W (N Atlantic)		Astro (METEOR)
3	22 Mi NW Carbondale, Illinois	Civilian Pilot	Insufficient Data
6	Fletcher, Ohio		Other (CEILIMETER)
7	McHenry, North Dakota		Aircraft
8,9,10	Sebring, Florida		Insufficient Data
14	Sparrevohn, Alaska		Astro (METEOR)
14	Nome, Unalakleet, Alaska	Multi,	Astro (METEOR)
15	San Jose, California		Aircraft
18	Rockledge, Florida		Other (BIRDS)
18	Marlboro, New Jersey		Insufficient Data
20	Dayton, Ohio		Insufficient Data
20	Grand Blanc, Michigan	(PHOTO)	Other (EMULSION FLAWS)
21	Munich, Germany		Insufficient Data
22	Alexandria, Louisiana	Military	Astro (METEOR)
22	Alexandria, Louisiana	M/Sgt Callen (PHOTO)	Astro (SPICA)
24	Japan 35N 135E, 34N 130.34E	Military	Astro (METEOR)
24	Tucson, Arizona		Other (REFLECTION)
26	Downing, Missouri		Balloon
26	San Juan, Puerto Rico	Multi	Other (NIGHT ILLUMINATION EXERCISE - N)
27	Las Vegas, Nevada	Multi	Astro (METEOR)
27	Corwall, Vermont		Aircraft
27	Rome, New York	Military	UNIDENTIFIED

ADDITIONAL REPORTED SIGHTINGS (NOT CASES)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>EVALUATION</u>
Feb	Universe	Science News Ltr	
5-6	Hollywood, California	NICAP Report	
7	Utah, Montana, California	Newsclipping	
7	Midwest, U.S.	Newsclipping	
8	Fitchburg, Massachusetts	Newsclipping	
12	Marionet, Massachusetts	Newsclipping	
16	Findlay, Ohio	Duty Officer Report	
21	Marionet, Massachusetts	Newsclipping	
27	Graton, Connecticut	Newsclipping	

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 10-11 January, 1960		2. LOCATION Pacific (30-30N 139-05W)		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 11/0438Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☐ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 12 seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE S to NE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Very bright light with irregular edges. Roughly round in shape about half the size of a full moon. Speed about 1/3 that of a falling star. 				11. COMMENTS Description conforms to that of a slow meteor of the "fireball" type.	

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

From: Commandant, Twelfth Naval District (Commander, Central Sector,
Western Sea Frontier)
To: Commander Western Sea Frontier

Subj: Unidentified flying object; report of sighting at 110438Z JAN 60 of

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 3820.9 of 10 Nov 55, same subj

1. A CIRVIS report was originated by the commander of a Navy R7V-1 aircraft, Bureau No. 44051, of VR-7, stationed at U. S. Naval Air Station, Moffett Field, California. This aircraft, under the operational control of Military Air Transport Service, departed Hickham Air Force Base at 102327Z January 1960 for Travis Air Force Base, arriving Travis at 110940Z. Flight number of the aircraft was PKA 660 of 11 January. Cargo only was carried on this flight, no passengers. On instructions received from the Commander Western Sea Frontier, an agent of the District Intelligence Officer, Twelfth Naval District, in support of the Commander, Central Sector, Western Sea Frontier (Commandant, Twelfth Naval District), interviewed the individuals who observed the unidentified flying object when they arrived at U. S. Naval Air Station, Moffett Field, during the morning of 11 January.

2. The information obtained from these individuals is as follows:

a. The time the object was sighted was 110438Z January. Position was 30-30 North, 139-05 West. The aircraft was making good a course of 073 degrees true at a speed of 235 knots. The position of the aircraft had been fixed accurately eight minutes earlier at 0430Z when in the vicinity of Ocean Station Vessel NOVEMBER. The weather in the vicinity of the aircraft was described as clear with unlimited visibility. The aircraft was above an overcast which extended to the 9,000-foot level. The aircraft later entered an overcast area in the vicinity of longitude 134-30 West. No other aircraft were observed nor known to be in the area.

b. James A. HAUSER, 283 28 20, ATC, USN, residing at 1595 Bayshore, Garden Court, Santa Clara, California, first observed the object. At the time, he was occupying the copilot's seat on the starboard side forward of the aircraft. When he first observed it, the object was slightly aft of the aircraft and approximately 30 degrees higher than the aircraft. It was irregular, but roughly round, in shape, about half the size of a

Subj: Unidentified flying object; report of sighting at 110438Z JAN 60 of full moon. He further described it as similar to a very bright white light with an irregular edge. He estimated its speed as about one-third that of a falling star. As it moved, the object constantly decreased in size until it disappeared in a position forward and about 30 degrees above the aircraft. The object appeared to move in a straight line during the 10 to 15 seconds it was under observation.

b. Ensign John S. STEWART, USN, 629514, who resides at 808 Iris Avenue, Sunnyvale, California, observed the object when it was brought to his attention by Chief HAUSER. At the time, Ensign STEWART was occupying the pilot's seat, port side forward. Normally Ensign STEWART is copilot (second pilot) for the aircraft. At the time he first observed the object he estimated it to bear approximately 050 relative to the aircraft, and to be above the aircraft. As he watched, he observed it to be on a flat trajectory and moving slowly. It appeared to be round in appearance and white in color, approximately 15 to 20 times larger than a planet. The object continued to move in a slightly downward course, decreasing in size until it disappeared from sight ahead of the aircraft. He was unable to determine whether or not the object was approaching the aircraft or going away. He estimated the time he observed the object to be 12 seconds. His impression of the object in general was comparable to that of Chief HAUSER, except that it appeared to be more solid, lacking the irregularity in the edges described by Chief HAUSER. Ensign STEWART commented he had observed a similar object while en route from Travis to Hickham about a month earlier and had been interviewed relative to that sighting by the Air Force upon arrival at Hickham. He compared the object sighted on the previous occasion as being larger than the one sighted on this occasion; that the previous object had been bluish white whereas this one was white. Ensign STEWART also commented that the original CIRVIS message had indicated the estimated course of the object as about 310 degrees, but that this could be in considerable error, and probably the course was in a more northerly direction.

c. At the time of the observation the radar for the aircraft was not in operation, precluding confirmation of the presence of the object through use of radar. Both persons observed the object without binoculars.

d. An unsuccessful attempt was made to report the sighting to Ocean Station Vessel NOVEMBER. A CIRVIS message was filed to McClellan Air Force Base and was acknowledged at 110503Z January.

3. Ensign G. R. NELSON, Officer Personnel Officer for VR-7, advised that Ensign STEWART had entered naval service in November 1947 in an

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4. Fleet Weather Facility Alameda (U. S. Naval Air Station, Alameda) advised weather conditions in the vicinity of OSV NOVEMBER, near the position of the sighting at 110600Z, were as follows:

<u>Altitude (ft)</u>	<u>Wind Speed (knots)</u>	<u>Wind Direction (degrees)</u>
Surface	Not reported	
6,000	8	350
10,000	9	340
16,000	22	340
20,000	44	270
30,000	32	290
38,000	35	300

Further, there was heavy cloud cover in the area, cumuliiform clouds, which may have extended to 13,000 feet (location of this 13,000-foot cloud cover may have variation of up to 5 degrees longitude). Also, there was a very good chance of thunderstorms in the area at that time with possible precipitation and lightning.

5. The Commander Western Sea Frontier was advised of the results of the interview of Ensign STEWART and Chief HAUSER through local liaison on 11 January.

H. A. ADAMS, JR.
By direction

Copy to:
→ Air Technical Intelligence Center (USAF)
CNO

UFO ANALYSIS SHEET

Location PACIFIC 30-30 N 139-05 W

Date 10/11 JAN 60 Hour (Z) 0438

WX CLEAR - UNLIMITED VIS.

Description ROUGHLY ROUND IN SHAPE, HALF
SIZE OF FULL MOON (APPROX 1/4°).

VERY BRIGHT LIGHT WITH IRREGULAR EDGES.

OBJECT IN SIGHT APPROX. 12 SECONDS.

Direction of Motion GENERALLY SOUTH TO NORTH-EAST.

Satellite: (AFCIN-4F3, Phone 69219) —

Astronomical Phenomena (Meteor, Comet, Planet, etc) PROBABLY A

METEOR OF "FIREBALL" CLASS

Radar Analysis (AFCIN-4E1) N/A

Natural Phenomena (Ball Lightning, etc) SPEED TOO GREAT

Aircraft, Balloons, Airships, etc. SPEED TOO GREAT.

Other —

Evaluation of Source Reliability PROBABLY VERY GOOD.

Analysis and Conclusions: THIS OBJECT WAS THE CLASSIC
DESCRIPTION OF A METEOR OF THE FIREBALL
CLASS. — THE PILOT OF THE AIRCRAFT
INDICATED IT WAS SIMILAR TO AN OBJECT
WHICH HE HAD SEEN EARLIER (11 DEC 59). THIS
OBJECT WAS ALSO ANALYZED AS A PROBABLE
METEOR —