

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP SEP 1967	2. LOCATION Houtzdale, Pennsylvania
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Probable (SATELLITE) ✓ <i>gjt</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 2	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION unknown	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	SEE CASE FILE
7. COURSE South	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

FORM
FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

(over the other side of 24. Hornsburg)
just to try out my camera and had to settle for.

taking pictures of the stars and a couple airplanes
after night ~~that~~ try out my camera but don't have to
film back yet to see how it came out, I forgot to push
small button and tore film trying to unwind then opened
camera and exposed it to light.

Went to change film which is only second one
I put in the camera and I opened camera and did it
have it fully rewound. so I'll have to see if I have
any pictures of second satellite or UFO.

? The UFO forms I completed should have been dated for
June 16th. I checked with State Police.

You would be surprised how many have been there
here.

just all of a clear sky I say, "Have you seen
any flying saucers?"

So far I have been told they are round spin on top
one way on the bottom another, Cigar shaped, silver
ball, Red ball of fire.

Several watched a silver ball going over in daylight at
Jonestown.

They were seen over Clearfield, Pennsylvania.

One cigar shaped with lighted windows was seen
at Simeonstown at 7:00 AM one morning.

In Philadelphia I heard we saw so many saucers
coming over blocked out the country.

A State Policeman stopped me this side of Hornsburg,

and I asked him if he had seen any flying saucers and
He said, "I wouldn't say I saw a flying saucer but I saw
a flying object."

I said, "If we don't have them or Russia don't have them
they are manned and from outer space."

He said, "Don't worry about manning them as they are
too d—— fast and if we had them Russia would
stay off our backs."

A lady in Clearfield told me her sister seen one,
a man I knew from New Jersey also told me they
were seen over Clearfield after I asked if he had seen
any in New Jersey.

If the pictures turn out I'll prove something went over
this morning anyway.

Unless they maneuver you can't tell them from
a satellite except they can go slower than a satellite
or twice as fast.

I never saw satellites come over from that direction
so I snapped them to see if my camera would work
if not I'll try getting a telephoto lens.

Thanking you.

Sincerely yours,

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

doesn't
check with
Oct 1, II, on papers.

~~Top Secret~~ 49
~~Highly Confidential~~
September 29th, 1967

Department of the Air Force
Headquarters Foreign Technology Division (AFBC)
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio 45433

Sir;

Would do ask you if you had a satellite going from
East to west and another West to East. September 10th,
at 9:27 P.M. (I told State Police 9:30 P.M. or I didn't know)

I am quite sure ~~that~~ flying object and possibly the
one seen over ~~Sharon~~, Pennsylvania.

I took eighteen pictures and only four turned out, why?

Description of ~~West to East~~ East to west flight

Bright Star in West

TWO BRIGHT STARS

SPACE

BETWEEN

Large space between,

I got the two stars and the object west of

them

object

STARS

has photo
come in pending
same to be sent
for 1 Sept 67

I got the object by itself in the space.

Good 164, Photodata sheet, and request
notations. 7

between.

I shot one before it passed the bright star in
west which can be seen most any night

• bright star

• object

I also shot one after it passed. This was to show
that it was in motion and direction of flight so you
could trace its course.

I could hear the shutter open and close on the camera
so I am not satisfied that I did not get it back. I went
to the State Police and they told me to go to the State and
tell them that I was sending stuff in there and
wasn't getting it back and if their answers didn't
satisfy me to turn it into you for investigation.

I am satisfied with the pictures I got but when you
stand in one place and snap eighteen and you can
see the bright light scattered in the view-finder and
you only get five all together and lose the best ones
it makes you suspicious at least. The film ~~should~~
should be brighter from the extra exposure or I took
longer exposure or I didn't wish to miss it. I

I wanted the State Police to take the film to their
Laboratory and put it under their microscope and
see if there were identifying marks on the film
track recorded to me to show that it was the

same film as I saw through my camera that was
returned to me. But they refused said it was a civil case.

I have a lot of other pictures I took here too that didn't
turn out but I have a record and the direction they took
on it. when it get time I'll send the record in by
copying it. One I have tried to get three different
times I think it is a satellite but the others I have
only seen once. I work with a string of lights overhead
which is a handicap but I put them out now to take pictures
where I ~~see~~ can move in the sky. That one I can only
just see going over the roof of the building then I have to
run down the end to see it further.

One object was seen in Chapfield here by four people
and it zig zagged across the sky and went toward
Hawthorn. Richey reminded me of the first one I turned in
to you.

I got to thinking do they zig zag to fool your
radar or possibly think there might be anti aircraft
guns and they zig zag so they won't get hit.

I forgot to tell you last time one fellow watched
one way up in the sky and watched smaller ones
come out and go back in.

I picked up two boys from Mississippi and said
have you seen any flying saucers and one said he
had. I asked what it looked like and he said white
oval shape. I asked the time and he said about
dark last December. I have their names.

About three weeks ago about fifty people

watched them out back of the Philadelphia State Hospital,
I have one name for source of information,

Hope this might be of some help to you.

Sincerely yours,

~~Very truly yours,~~

P.S. Regarding that first report I turned in to you you
asked where it went my notebook pointed out to
me what he said was still the object and it
watched it for a couple hours and it seemed
to be climbing to the north west like line
below — but since I had lost track of it
myself & I did not wish to commit myself
so I stuck to just what I had seen. Space
is so vast & that would possibly explain
its staying in sight that long and it could
have then go again too.

Observed at 7 slides enclosed
return 164. Can 2 X 2 Color ASA 67
All nothing on slide
Mentioned additional sightings of
9/11/67 & 12 Aug 67

[REDACTED]
Houtzdale, Pennsylvania
16651
Tuesday October 3rd, 1967.

(FTD(TDET)/UFO)

Project Blue Book

Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45733

Sir;

wish to report what I consider a real UFO.?

my son and [REDACTED] were coming
down Route 53 from Harvey to Houtzdale and
around 4:00 or 5:00 AM.
just as they came through the cut below Kendrick,
there was a bright light hovering low in the sky.
It started to move when they would stop, then would
stop and when they would about catch up to it it
would start again (possibly watching their headlights).
It stopped over Kavalogga about halfway between
West Meashannon and Houtzdale. Stopped again
over Houtzdale then went out in the mountains
by Elliott Coal mining Company and it was
babbling up and down.

They were going to take the road up over
the hill by Donkey Service Station to see
what it was doing out there but decided
against it.

They started toward my place in Oresock
mill to tell me so I could get a picture

but were low on gas so they went home and tried to call me from there twice.

I was fixing way up no 13 Kiln on the far side from the phone thought I heard the phone ring a couple of times but it didn't go to answer it.

[redacted] called me after I got home and finished my sleep and asked me if I had seen it and I told him I hadn't.

I asked Bruce if he would fill out one of your forms and he said he would. His address is [redacted], [redacted], Houtzdale, Pennsylvania.

They told their girl friends the next night and one said it was watching that program too and one got lost in space they didn't know where it went.

This brought out another one who said he watched them south of Houtzdale about one mile two or three months ago (seem to have a flight pattern through here) His name is [redacted] He told some people and they didn't believe him so he just watched them. Houtzdale, Pa.,

16651

I also got another name of a lady who works in the [redacted] at the Philipshurg State Hospital who seen the activity I told [redacted] of the Hospital. Her name was [redacted] The other lady was Mrs. [redacted] of Madera

who was a patient at the Hospital at the time,

my wife is out right now and she has the names
and addresses of the two boys from Mississippi
in her pocketbook. I'll send these later.

I am sending the colored slides I have no projector
so I can't pick them out so I'll just send the slides
I can't see anything on by looking through them.

These should be a picture of the object alone
another object . STAR

, STAR,

three stars each of some haze or object
and two stars

a group of stars with light spilling the
slide from the bridgehead and they are the stars
~~in the~~ the object went through that came from
west to east, the stars in the north with a
moving object going through or the stars it tried
taking from the bridgehead in the south part of
sky lens opening 5.6 X 30 X f₈

No 1 Group pictures taken from 12 To 30

Lens opening 5.6 X 30, 15, 8, 9, 2 X f₈

No. 2 ? To 30 5.6 X 1 X f₈

I usually keep it on 1.8 X 30 X f₈ but I
had it set for daylight and hurried in and grabbed
the camera and start taking pictures and forgot
to change the lens opening.

Pictures taken, Sept (?)
No 1
-
Group

I am well satisfied I done that good as they
are very nice on screen from projector,
at least I got something to show for my
efforts.

Crop II
pictures

The above one from September 10th, 1967
9:27 pm, object going from east to west and
west to East. The single picture is definitely
the object between the bright stars and the
bright star in west, Bright star in west

Bright star in west

• object •

• object ————— object ————— star

These were taken on ASA 64 Color film.
Some moonlight to my left but I never went around
the trees to see if it was a $\frac{1}{4}$ $1\frac{1}{2}$ $1\frac{3}{4}$ or full moon.
I hurried about fifty feet to get into position to take
pictures of the one going from west to East.

Thanking you for your cooperation

If you wish I will report all moving objects in
satellite category that I am fortunate enough to see
but I'll only take pictures of the ones that
zig zag or bob up and down.

prob. Satellites *Sept. 67*
Houtzdale, Pa
Sept. 1967 OCT 23 1967

TDET/UFO

UFO Observations & Photographs

Mr. [REDACTED]

Houtzdale, Pennsylvania 16651

1. Reference your latest letter of October 15, 1967 in which you inclosed two photographs and two slides of alleged unidentified flying objects (UFOs). We are returning your photographs and slides for it is useless to have a photo of a point light source analyzed since all that photo analyst personnel will be able to determine is that it is truly a photo of a point light source.
2. In order for something to be called an UFO, the observer must see details that cannot easily be explained by conventional means. Therefore, satellites, balloons, aircraft and stars cannot be called UFOs.
3. The purpose of the photograph is to show that:
 - a. The object really existed and/ or
 - b. To give the physical details of the object.
4. We have previously written to you that we feel that most of your sightings are of satellites. As you describe the objects, they appear to be satellites. Therefore, they do not meet the definition of an UFO. Your photos only show that the light in the sky that you saw really exists; something which was never doubted.
5. When a person sees something in the sky that he cannot explain (a UFO) he should submit his report to the nearest Air Force installation for they are in a far better position to conduct an on-the-spot investigation. The nearest Air Force UFO investigator to you is:

Mr. Eugene Rehrer
Greater Pittsburg Airport
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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Your Echo II time was pretty close to my time
September 1st. Record: Dark and foggy S.E. TO
North West, Pictures taken at end of object flight,
side of office toward @ would avoid ground lights
from lights.

STAR .

• object first seen here time 3:35 AM

• STAR

STAR .

STAR .

• STAR

STAR .

Lost Pictures

object

• object

• STAR

no pictures turned out. Roll 25 color.

ROLL HIGH SPEED BLACK & WHITE 400 36 pictures
SEPT 2ND, 1967 2:55 AM. BOTH rolled northwest
of brickyard 4:30 AM.

9/1/67

• STAR

SATELLITE

new
sighting

9:55 PM. SOUTH WEST TO NORTH EAST

Also took pictures of three stars in north, two stars in east, group in south. All taken to show you which way the object went ^{eighty at antineal light} June 16th. That I turned in but none of the pictures turned out. Going to try a filter.

Another story I got was a boy who set his camera out for 200 nights with an open shutter and one night he caught a big object going through didn't know what it was I told him to tell the boy to turn it into the Air Force.

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Sincerely,

[Redacted]

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Another conventional
sighting

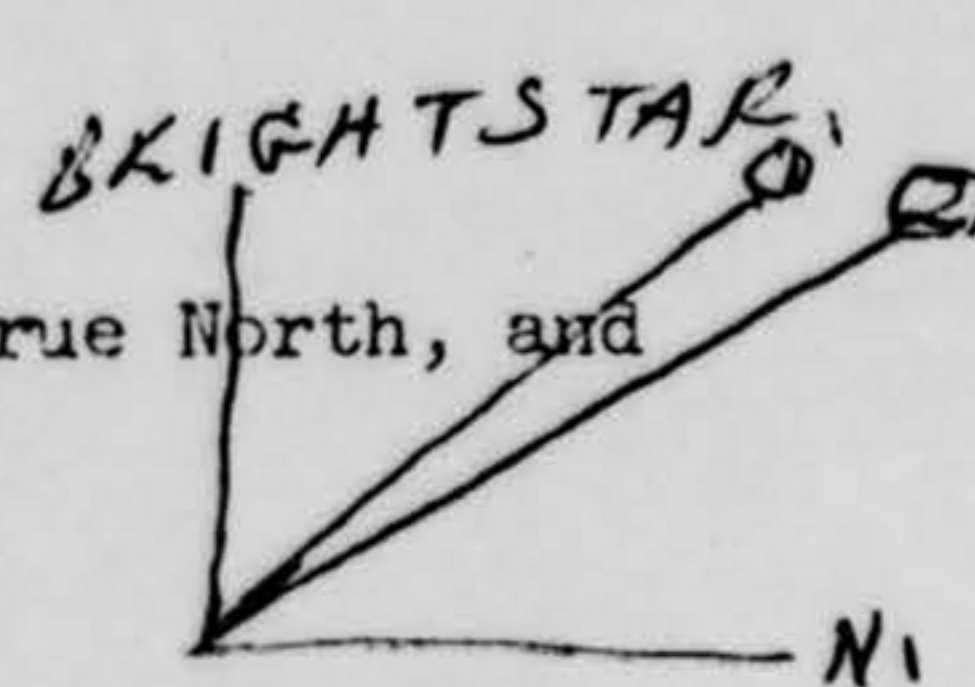
South
SATELLITE PATH

August 13th 11:30 PM -

7 SLIDES ENCLOSED

2 X 2 1/1 Color ASA 64

PHOTOGRAPHIC DATA

1. Type and make of camera KONICA
2. Type, focal length, and make of lens ^{KONISHIROKU} ~~HEXANON~~ 1:1.8 F = 52MM
3. Brand and type of film ASA 64
4. Shutter speed used 15 TO 1
5. Lens opening used; that is, "f" stop 5.6
6. Filters used NONE
7. Was tripod or solid stand used NO, HELD TIGHT AGAINST LEFT SIDE OF NOSE.
8. Was "panning" used NO
9. Exact direction camera was pointing with relation to true North, and its angle with respect to the ground. ~~ABOUT~~ 75°

10. If supplemental information is unobtainable, the minimum camera data required are the type of camera, and the smallest and largest "f" stop and shutter speed readings of the camera.

NO 1 for single picture

NO 2 for two stars and object

object.

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Huntzdale, Pennsylvania
16651
October 24th, 1967.

United States Air Force
Wright - Patterson AFB, OHIO
754 33

Sir;

Regarding your letter of OCT 17th, 1967.

① If you would of ~~put~~ those slides I sent you in a lamp type CZA, GZA 500 W, 660 W total you would have gotten stars and objects that looked like the bottom of an ordinary size waste basket. no detail except it looked a little weird on top. It was what my boy and I both seen and I never seen anything like it before.

③ I never followed a satellite with my eye. that it wasn't easy to follow in a steady line.

④ showed I had good eyes even though I use glasses to read. I am far sighted and not much game in the woods escapes me at least seeing it.

I got an idea out of this one. If when I was lucky enough to see an object changing direction in the sky if they could send some of those rockets over where I work or at Huntzdale and above a certain altitude we could let whoever it was know we are alive down here and let them know we meant no harm. But don't mistake my hat for a flying saucer. I wouldn't want one to explode that close over my head. They look

like they explode pretty hard, know that all your
 air traffic ~~was~~ above a certain height possibly we
 could explode one pretty close and follow it up with
 a live one that would fasten on and follow the light
 until it hit it and we would ~~really~~ find out what it
 is or if you could send a rocket out with a TV camera
 on it with an explosive charge and when your control
 men were convinced it was just a plain light let it
 fasten on to it and contact it and blast it & I can pick
 out the planes as they flash their lights off and on and also
 their red light. ~~With~~ the object I reported June 16th, is
 just a single light.

you might be able to fix it so I could call the State
 Police at Philip'sburg, Pennsylvania and have them
 call Wallops Island ^{Va.} and if they could shine a few
 in here I could at least give you the altitude, I could
 get on the phone then run out and look and see how
 close they were coming and tell them how to shoot
 their next shot. There isn't much time but if it is
 planned ahead and utilized you might be lucky enough
 to make it. And if the State Police would get out
 there and look too except the one on the phone
 they might see it going too and I would have extra
 witnesses at least.

If they start tracking close to it will see what it
 does, will see if it turns around and comes back right away.
 If you wish to give me the number of your nearest
 Air Force Base here or give it to the State Police at
 Philip'sburg. If anyone else is around I'll have them call

while it takes pictures. I would like to have colored film in too. It runs \$2.75 a roll here out in Philadelphia it runs \$1.39. I sent \$5.00 down there to my son-in-law about 3 weeks ago and he is so busy I haven't any film yet. Will have to send direct to the store I guess.

Thanks for the time and effort to send me your nice informative letter. I'll probably start looking for some of those books to read. You'll make a real flying saucer hunter out of me.

Sincerely,

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

P.S. Suppose I would call in and say it is South East of Ocala where I was going in such and such a direction and they would pick me in there approximately. Then I could call the shots from there on. I could try and get a picture of the burst and the object. Then call again. That would be a real test.

Or if your plane came in with his ground light on or some distinguishing features that someone from the ground could notice I could direct it toward the object, by keeping in touch with our Air Force Base and they could radio plane in code possibly. When I knew where our plane was, and the object was I could direct plane or planes toward object. I have others alerted around here to call me too.

Bright light seen going ^{East} over Mount Lake 7:45 TO 8:00 P.M. October 25th. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ MADEIRA, PENNSYLVANIA. Heard about it 10:30 P.M.

6. If the local investigator cannot determine the cause of a sighting, only then is the report transmitted to the Aerial Phenomena Branch (Project Blue Book) at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.

7. Further information on satellites can be obtained from the 1st Aerospace Squadron, Ent AFB, Colorado.

8. We sincerely hope that we have not offended you in any way by returning your photographs without having them analyzed for you. Thank you for your continued interest in the Air Force UFO program.

 JAMES C. MANATT, Colonel, USAF
Director of Technology and Subsystems

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1. Two Polaroid Photographs
2. Two Color Slides

~~Montgomery, Pennsylvania~~
Houtzdale, Pennsylvania 16651
October 15th., 1962.

United States Air Force

FTD (TD-ET/UFO)

Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.
45933

Sir;

I was showing other pictures to a friend of ours last evening and found a picture I thought I had already sent you ~~also~~ another one that will have something on it. I couldn't see anything on the small slide viewer.

I will also enclose two other pictures I got developed off KX135, BLACK AND WHITE FILM of the object I told you I was chasing. If I had pictures No. 1 and No. 2 on slides they would look good if run through a good projector on a screen. The one was going from West to East in northern part of sky September 26th. 9:10 P.M.,.

I asked the Photographers if they could make slides and they said that type of film wouldn't stand the heat.

If you would care to analyze the negatives I can send them to you. I am still going to try for better pictures under different light conditions so if I see what I know - is a flying object for sure I will be able to show and tell you both which way it went. I hope.

I just got out of the Philadelphia State Hospital after a neck operation.

While in there I talked with [REDACTED]
COALPORT, PENNSYLVANIA. He saw a flying object out West. Shown to him by another fellow. Who would stand still then do it.

I also talked with a nurse and she described those objects the same as Mr. Zimmerman. The State Policeman and she said, "She heard on the State College news the next morning that they were testing down in Virginia. So I guess that's clear that up or you can find out just what they were testing."

Thanking you.

Sincerely,
[REDACTED]

Prot Satellites Sept 67

~~3 Oct 67~~

Houtzdale, Pa

TDET/UFO (Maj. Quintanilla/70916/jaf/13 Oct 67)

Satellite Observations

OCT 17 1967

Mr. [REDACTED]

Houtzdale, Pa. 16651

1. Since we couldn't find any object at all on your slides because they are so underexposed, we are returning them without any photo-analysis having been performed on them. As we stated earlier, we feel that the object you saw on 1 Sept at 3:25 A.M. and 5:10 A.M. was Echo II. There are over 1,000 objects in orbit around the earth at the moment, of which about 40 are visible to the naked eye. Not all these satellites have an easterly component either. Some are in polar orbits and some are retrograde satellites or in other words, travel from east to west. However, the majority of the satellites travel approximately from west to east.

2. Not all these satellites travel at the same speed either. For example, Echo I and Echo II are about 700 miles high and make one revolution around the earth in about 2 hours. Pageos A is about 3600 miles high and makes one revolution about every 3 hours. The higher the satellite is, the longer the time for one rotation.

3. It is also known that the human eye does not continuously follow an object as it moves across the sky, but rather jumps from spot to spot, focusing at each spot. Because of this effect, satellites may seem to cross the sky in a sawtooth fashion.

4. Your sighting of 3 Oct 1967 was very interesting. This is the type of sighting we like to work on rather than small lights in the sky. We have determined that this sighting was of a Barium Cloud release from Wallops Island, Va. There were two cloud releases from this sight; one on the 3rd at about 7:25 P.M. and one on the 4th at about 7:30 P.M. When we receive more complete info on the release such as type of rocket used, exact time of launch, and height of release, we will send this additional info on to you.

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5. Inclosed is a copy of Project Blue Book and also some selected summaries of past cases.

6. If in the future you have any more sightings, the correct procedure is to contact your nearest Air Force Base as soon as possible so that a complete investigation can be made. The function of this office is to investigate really difficult cases that cannot be solved at the local level.

7. If you want to get good slides of satellites for your own enjoyment we suggest you try panning. That is a time exposure in which you move the camera so as to keep the object in the same spot in the viewfinder.

 JAMES C. MANATT, Colonel, USAF
Director of Technology and Subsystems

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1. Project Blue Book
2. Case Summaries
3. Slides

Handwritten notes:
photos attached

Handwritten: Echo II
and others.

SEP 27 1967

TDET/UFO (Maj Quintanilla/70916/mhs/26 Sep 67)

Satellite Observation, 1 Sep 67

Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Houtzdale, Pennsylvania 16651

1. Reference your recent letter of September 1, 1967. On September 1, at approximately 3:25 am, ECHO II should have been visible in the eastern sky, traveling approximately south to north. At 5:10 am ECHO II should have been visible slightly to the west of your position, again traveling from south to north. ECHO II is considerably brighter than most stars and is easily visible to the naked eye.

2. If you wish to report your observation as an unidentified flying object (UFO) sighting, please complete the inclosed FTD Form 164. If you would like the Air Force to perform an analysis on your photographs, complete the attached photographic data sheet and also forward the original negatives in the self-addressed envelope. Your negatives will be returned upon completion of analysis. Thank you for bringing your observations to the Air Force's attention.

JAMES C. MANATT, Colonel, USAF
Director of Technology and Subsystems

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1. FTD Form 164 w/envelope
2. Photo Data Sheet

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Montgomery, Pennsylvania
Sept. 1st, 1967, 11657

TP ET/VFO

H. Quintilla Jr, major

Department of the Air Force

Headquarters Foreign Technology Division (AFBC)

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio 45433

Sir;

If you don't mind me bothering you I got some VFO
pictures this morning if you didn't have satellites over
this area at 3:35 AM and one at 5:10 AM, 1 Sept.

First one I spotted in the East right above two stars



with three stars to the north it went to the north ^{1st}
West and I took several pictures trying to include
a star in the picture so you could see that it was
moving and changing position.

The other one came over further west. I spotted it
in the south and it also went to the north west.

I hurried to change film in the camera to get
several shots of it as it was closing in on a star
in the north west but I didn't get the film in
in time, so went right toward the star in the
north west.

I watched and watched the sky for the last month