PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

DATE	1. LOCATION	2. CONCLUSIONS
[illegible]	Benedict, Maryland	☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1[illegible] GMT 2[illegible]	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE AF officers	☐ Was Astronomical X Probably Astronomical Meteor ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3-10 seconds	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE ☐ Other ☒ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING	11. COMMENTS
Greenish white color. Tear drop shape. Straight and level maneuvers.	Phoned to USAF Command Post

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT
FLYOBRPT

AREA
Korea, CR Grid Area

FROM (Agency)
ATIL Office, D/I FEAF

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
16 July 1952	22 June 1952	B-2

PREPARED BY (Officer)
Charles J. Malven, Captain, USAF (ATLO)

SOURCE
1st Marine Air Wing, Marine Air Group 12

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)
AFL 200-5, 29 Apr 52; FEAF Ltr AG 350.07 IN-REC, 5 Mar 52; IR-23-52 & IR-30-52, Hq FEAF.

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 a light, four feet in diameter which maneuvered over K-6 airstrip (CR 2490) in Korea.

2. The original report was forwarded to this headquarters by the 1st Marine Air Wing.

APPROVED:

CHARLES Y. BANFILL
Brigadier General, USAF
Director of Intelligence

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1. Report of Staff Sergeant MOORE
2. Report of Sergeant FINNER

D/I USAF, Cy #1	ComNavFE, Cy #7	File, Cy #11
ATIC, Attn: ATIAA-2C, Cy #2	IN-REC, FEAF, Cy #8	D/I JAIC cy #12
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1. Two (2) sergeants working in the VMA-212 Operations Office, reported sighting an object approximately four (4) feet in diameter and orange in color, at 2245, 22 June 1952 just above the K-6 airstrip in Korea.

2. This object, measuring approximately four (4) feet in width, was first spotted at an altitude of eight thousand (8000) feet above the K-6 airstrip coming from the north. Immediately after sighting, the object went into a vertical dive and suddenly leveled off at a point approximately 1000 feet above the west end of the airstrip. During the dive, observers noted a trail of bright red flame extending from two (2) to five (5) feet in length. Without delay, it headed in a westerly direction for about one-fourth (1/4) mile, (two to three seconds elapsed during this maneuver), where it hovered briefly over the crest of some hills nearby. Grid coordinates of these hills are CR 232905.

3. The object then circled in a 180 degree turn to the right, spending about 45 to 60 seconds in the turn. At the completion of the turn, the object emitted a bright flash and headed in an easterly direction for a distance of about one-half (1/2) mile. No trail was noticed at this time. At this point a second bright flash was noticed, followed by complete darkness.

4. The two observers, because of the sudden darkness could not see the object disappear in any particular direction.

5. No moon was shining at this hour, and during the entire sequence of maneuvers, no sound was heard from the object.

6. Comment by original preparing officer (1st Lt. Walter H. Polak, Intelligence Officer, Marine Air Group 12):

a. As a result of combined and individual interrogation of the two (2) enlisted men concerned, there is little doubt in the writers mind that they did see some sort of flaming object in the sky at the time and place mentioned. A check with the Marine Air Group Aerology Office revealed that average temperatures prevailed, there was no wind activity, no moon and no clouds at the sighting levels. The period of time that elapsed from time of sighting to its disappearance would give added credence to their story. Both men hold responsible jobs in the Operations Office of their squadron.

b. Marine Aircraft Group Aerology reports the weather during this period to be as follows:

Temperature:	74 Degrees
Dew Point:	61
Clouds:	6/10 at Cirus 20,000 feet
Wind:	Surface Calm 5,000' 11 knots at 70 degrees 10,000' 16 knots at 60 degrees
Misc.:	Too Many Jet Aircraft

c. There is no indication of these two (2) witnesses having knowledge of another sighting of similar phenomena in the Korean area. They were on duty at the time, had not been drinking and held responsible positions in their unit.

COMMENT BY PREPARING OFFICER: K-6 airstrip is located at Pyongtaek, (CR 2.90), 55 miles

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South of Seoul. No further information available.

Charles S. Malven
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Captain, USAF
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STATEMENT OF STAFF SERGEANT "A" "P" MOORE CONCERNING FLYING MISSILE.-

At approximately 2245/I Sgt. KINNER and I was returning from the messhall going back to work at VMA-212 Operations. We were traveling in a jeep on the road going around the west end of the runway when we spotted a strange light about four (4) feet in diameter. We first spotted it at about 8,000 feet in the air coming downward at a terrific rate of speed. There was also sparks and a flame of fire attached to it while it was coming down. It got down to approximately a 1000 feet from the deck and went westward until almost out of sight at a terrific rate of speed, it then made a 180 degree turn and gave off two (2) big flashes of light, the flashes were about a mile apart and on the second flash it disappeared and that was the last we saw of it.

Sergeant KINNER and I stopped the jeep we were in when we first saw it and also turned off the engine to see if we could hear any sound, but we were unable to hear any sound or distinguish if it was an aircraft.

/s/A. P. Moore
"A". "P". MOORE
SSgt. USMC

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STATEMENT OF SERGEANT JAMES KINNER, JR., CONCERNING FLYING MISSILE.

On 22 June 1952, Staff Sergeant MOORE and myself were going around the west end of the runway when we noticed a bright object about a 1/4 of a mile coming from the north. It was about four (4) feet in diameter. When it got to the end of the runway it was approximately 1000 feet from the deck and made a 180 degree turn back toward the north. The last we seen of it was when we noticed two (2) bright flashes about one half (1/2) mile apart.

/s/James KINNER, Jr.
JAMES KINNER, JR.
Sgt. USMC

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MAEC6-3 RE AFL 200-5 MRS [redacted] OF [redacted] PA.
REPT THAT ON FRIDAY 20 JUN 52 AT APRX 10.30 PM SHE OB STRANGE
RED LIGHTS IN THE SKY THIS OB WAS MADE WHILE SHE WAS ATTENDING A
DRIVE-IN THEATRE AT BRANDONVILLE PA. WHICH IS NEAR WILKES BARRE PA.
MRS [redacted] WATCHED THESE LIGHTS FOR APRX 1/2 HR. LIGHTS WERE E OF
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HIGH OVERCAST WITH BROKEN DECK AT ABOUT 6000 FT VISIBILITY
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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT

(UNCLASSIFIED) Unidentified Flying Objects Reporting (Short Title: FLYOBRPT)

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
Middletown Air Materiel Area	Intelligence Office Olmsted Air Force Base, Middletown, Pa.

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
24 June 1952	23 June 1952	

PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
John L. Spiegel, 2d Lt, USAF	Civilian observer

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

Air Force Letter No. 200-5, 29 Apr 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.)

Mrs. [redacted] of Ringtown R.D. #1, Pa., reported an observation of a group of strange red lights in the sky while at a drive-in theater at Brandenville, Pa.

The observation was made between 0230Z and 0300Z hours on 20 June 1952.

The observer described the lights as being strange in appearance and not resembling those of an aircraft.

This Office believes that the lights may have been a reflection of a series of red lights used by a circus located approximately fourteen miles east of the location of the observation. However, this report is being forwarded because of the many alleged sightings of flying objects in this area of late.

These so-called sightings may have been stimulated by the recent newspaper publicity on the subject.

(NOTE: This Office was advised by Captain Ruppelt, ATIC Project Monitor for "FLYOBRPT", that no signed statement would be necessary.)

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TO : Chief,
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Attn: ATIAA-2C

Transmitted herewith is copy of SAC IR-37-52. Subject: FLYOBRPT.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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VICTOR E. BERTEL
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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT
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AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
Seven and one-half miles S.E. Macon, Miss.	Director of Intelligence 90th Strat Recon Wing M, Forbes AFB, Topeka, Kansas

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
26 June 1952	20 June 1952	B-2

PREPARED BY (Officer)	REVIEWED BY
GEORGE A. HANSELMAN, Lt. Col., USAF	1/Lt. Milo H. Roberts, Jr., Forbes AFB, Topeka, Kans. 1/Lt. Julius J. Prottengeier

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)
Department of the Air Force Letter, AFOIN-C/CC-2, December 19, 1951

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.)

At 2026 hours CST, 20 June 1952, an unidentified flying object was sighted by 1/Lt. Milo H. Roberts (Airplane Commander), A0748245 and 1/Lt. Julius J. Prottengeier (Bombardier), A0788836. Both observers are assigned to the 380th Bombardment Squadron, 310th Bombardment Wing M, Forbes Air Force Base, Topeka, Kansas.

Observers were flying B-29 No. 44-62204 on a routine training mission, cruising at 17,000 feet, 190 miles per hour on a track of 304°. Object was sighted at 33°02'N, 88°26½'W, for a period of five seconds.

Both observers sighted object at two o'clock position level, approaching the aircraft at a high rate of speed. Airplane Commander attempted a left turn to avoid a collision, but aircraft was on C-1 auto-pilot and before action could be taken, object executed sharp left turn and passed from line of sight.

Object was described as "Ball of Fire" type, clearcut, brilliant white, cone shaped at rear. Length was approximately three times the diameter; diameter estimated as: (a) Eight to ten feet at a distance of 400 to 500 yards, (b) One hundred feet at a distance of 15 miles. Weather was clear at and above the altitude of the aircraft, with light low haze below; nearest thunderstorm activity was about 50 miles distant.

Lt. Roberts was a B-29 pilot during World War II and has a total of 2,000 hours flying time.

Lt. Prottengeier was a World War II B-29 Bombardier and has a total of 750 hours.

George A. Hanselman
GEORGE A. HANSELMAN
Lt. Col., USAF
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1. Description of the object.

a. Size - One observer estimated size to be approximately 8 to 10 feet in diameter at about 400 to 500 yards distance. Other observer estimated size to be approximately 100 feet in diameter, 15 miles out at first sighting, coming in to 10 miles.

b. Color - Very brilliant white.

c. Number - One.

d. Formation - None.

e. Aerodynamic features - Round ball shape with tapering cone at rear; length of cone was about three times the diameter of the object.

f. Trail or exhaust - None.

g. Propulsion system and speed - Unknown.

h. Sound - None.

i. Maneuvers - Sharp left turn.

j. Manner of disappearance - Object made sharp left turn and disappeared out of sight of observers to right of their aircraft. Trajedtory was flat, possibly descending a little.

k. Unusual features - None.

2. a. Time sighted - 2026 CST, 20 June 1952.

b. Length of time observed - 5 seconds.

3. Manner of observation - Visual. Observers were an experienced Airplane Commander and Bombardier.

4. Location of observers during sighting.

(1) Coordinates: 33°02'N 88°26'W, on a track of 304°.

(2) Both observers were in forward section of B-29. Airplane Commander in left seat, Bombardier in nose section.

b. Location of object with respect to observers.

(1) Distance - Statements conflict. One observer states 400-500 yards, the other 10-15 miles. Since observation was during hours of darkness and object was such a brilliant white, judgment of distance was difficult.

(2) Direction - Object appeared at two o'clock level, headed directly into aircraft, made sharp left turn and passed out of line of sight behind the rear of the aircraft.

(3) Altitude - Approximately 17,000 feet.

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ESTIMATES DUTY OFFICER RECD TELEPHONE MESSAGE FROM HQ COMMAND POST PAREN CAPT TWEDT PAREN AT 1145 HOURS 21 JUNE 1952 AS FOLLOWS CLN MAJ. [redacted] AND CAPT [redacted] CMA FROM 6969TH SECURITY SUQDRON CMA ANDREWS AFB CMA REPORTED BY TELEPHONE SIGHTING UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT AT 2128Z 20 JUNE. THEY WERE FISHING IN PATUXENT RIVER ONE MILE BELOW BENEDICT CMA MD. CMA WHEN THEY SAW A GREENISH WHITE TEAR-SHAPED OBJECT TRAVELLING FROM NE TO SW CMA PASSED FROM 40 DEGREES TO 5 DEGREES BEFORE DISAPPEARING. REMAINED IN SIGHT 8 TO 10 SECONDS. NO SOUND.

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5. Estimate of Observers' reliability.

a. Veracity - Both, good.

b. Skill and technical background - Both, good.

6. Weather and wind conditions at time and place of sighting.

a. Birmingham, Alabama: 25,000' scattered, 12 miles visibility, lightning in clouds to south. Winds, 18,000' - 300°/15 knots, 16,000' - 300°/15 knots.

b. Jackson, Mississippi: 25,000' scattered, 10 miles visibility, occasional lightning and thunderstorms to south. Winds, 14,000' - 260°/4 knots.

c. Observing Aircraft Commander reports weather at point of sighting clear above altitude of aircraft, light low haze below, nearest thunderstorm activity about 50 miles distant.

7. Any activity or conditions, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for sighting - Unknown.

8. Physical evidence - None.

9. Interception or identification action taken - None.

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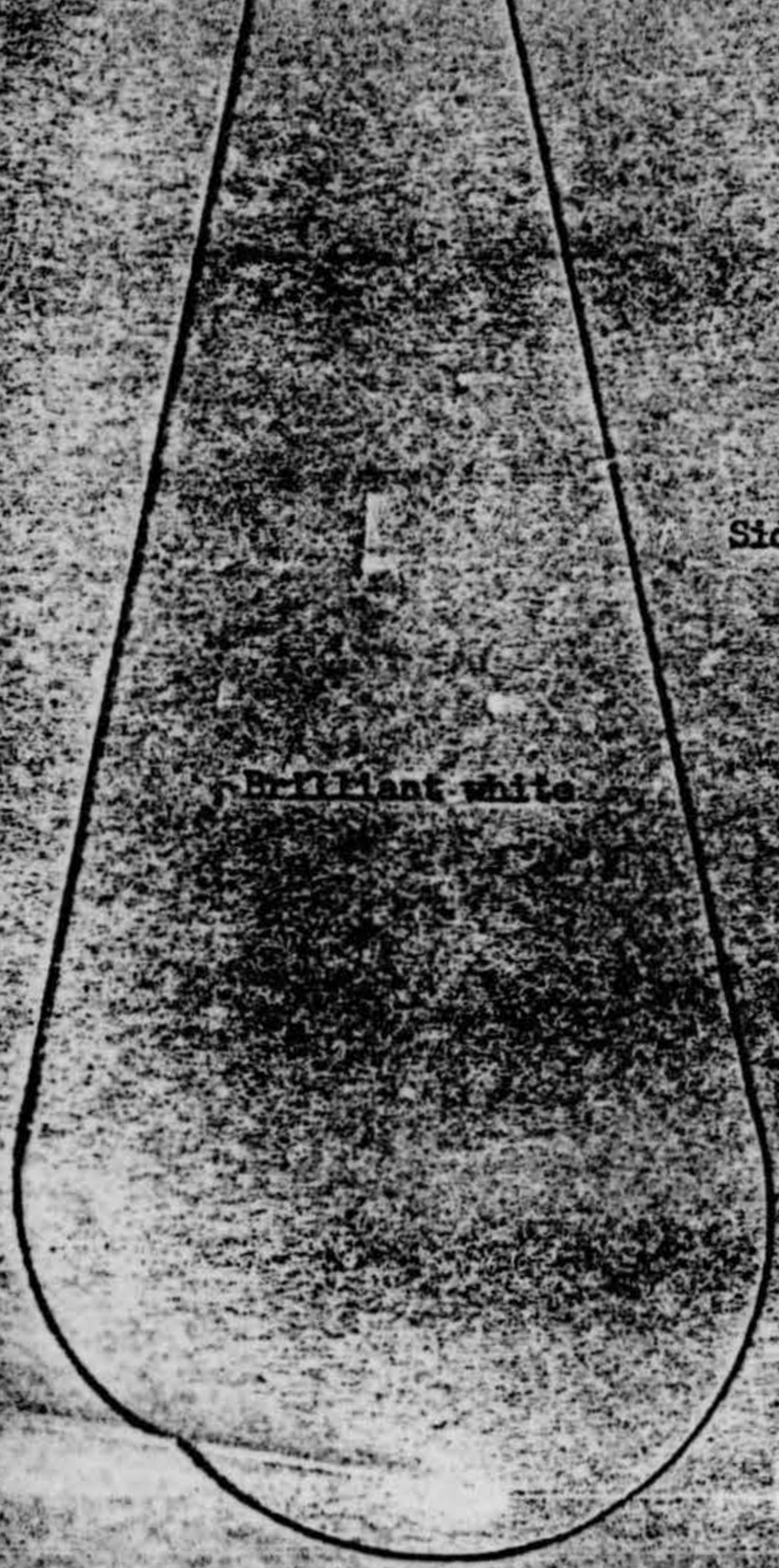

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Point of Observation

2145 a object reappeared at a 45° angle in
eastern sky moving in a similar motion for approx
3 min before disappearing.

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects Reporting (Short Title: FLYCERPT)

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
Erding, Germany	85th Air Depot Wing, APO 207, US Air Force

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
25 June 1952	21 June 1952	See par 2, page 2

PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
CHARLES S PELLINGER, Captain, USAF	Captain [redacted] USAF

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

TWX MCD 3364 dtd 24 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.)

1. The following information pertaining to the sighting of an unidentified flying object near Erding Air Depot, Erding, Germany (48°18'N/11°56'E) is a follow up report on Restricted TWX MCD 3364, this station, dated 24 June 1952. Information is based on visual observations of Captain [redacted], 85th Medical Group, Depot, Erding Air Depot; Mrs [redacted], dependent wife of Captain [redacted] and Mrs [redacted], mother-in-law of Captain [redacted]

a. At approximately 2220 hours local time (Central European) on Saturday 21 June 1952, Captain [redacted], his wife and mother-in-law were returning to their quarters in Williamsville (Dependent Housing Area Erding Air Depot) after having attended the late movie on the Depot. This housing area is located on a hill approximately 1/8 mile off the Depot proper. This 1/8 mile is a large open space void of trees or buildings. Captain [redacted] being mildly interested in astronomy and/or the study of heavenly bodies, was pointing out various constellations, formations, etc., to his wife and mother-in-law.

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time with constant visual reading, failed to produce any results and negatives appeared as if they had not been exposed).

d. SOURCE stated that at no time did he hear any sound or observe any trail or exhaust connected with object.

e. A check by this office with the Operations Officer on duty at the Radar Site at time of observation met with a negative result.

f. No air traffic was in the general area at the time of sighting according to Flight Service records.

g. Weather conditions at time of sighting were as follows: Winds at 5,000 feet were 260 degrees at twelve (12) knots with temperature at plus six (6) degrees centigrade, relative humidity 80%; winds at 10,000 feet were 270 degrees at thirty (30) knots with temperature zero degrees centigrade, relative humidity 69%; winds at 18,000 feet were 270 degrees with temperature minus fifteen (15) degrees centigrade, relative humidity 69%; winds at 25,000 feet were 280 degrees at thirty (30) knots with temperature minus thirty (30) degrees centigrade, relative humidity 60%. Surface conditions were scattered clouds at 7,000 feet with visibility of twelve (12) miles. There were no fronts and a high pressure ridge moving from France.

According to the Weather Office this station, observing conditions were ideal.

h. No known meteorological condition or other celestial activity was present at time of sighting.

i. Attached as inclosures are statements of persons observing this object, with sketches of behavior of object while they were observing same. These statements and sketches were made separately and without corroboration with each other.

j. This office has received no other reports of similar sighting by other persons.

2. Captain [redacted] is a Medical Officer on duty at this station and in the opinion of this office is a person who can be relied upon to make an accurate statement.

Charles S. Pellinger

Tpt: BAD - 302

CHARLES S. PELLINGER
Captain USAF
Wing Intelligence Officer

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b. Upon looking more directly overhead in the Eastern sky, Captain [redacted] sighted what he at first believed to be a meteor but almost immediately realized that this object, which was between a "point" and a "round" source of light with a "rosy" constant or steady glow, was not a meteor. This object appeared to be approximately two (2) or three (3) times greater in diameter than the larger stars and was moving back and forth in a pendulum motion. SOURCE stated that he would estimate the height at which object appeared would be from 8,000 to 10,000 feet, however, he acknowledged that this would be a rough estimate.

After two (2) to four (4) minutes SOURCE left his wife and mother-in-law to observe the object and went into his apartment to call the Operations Officer on duty at the 604th AC&W Squadron to determine if any unidentified object appeared on the radar screen. After calling the Radar Site Captain [redacted] returned outdoors to join his companions and was told that the object had moved rather swiftly on a horizontal to the North and disappeared at approximately 2230 hours local time.

c. At approximately 2245 hours local time Captain [redacted] observed a faint reddish light which he believed to be the same object he had previously observed. This time object appeared to be at about a 45 degree angle above the Eastern horizon and much dimmer. Captain [redacted] then attempted to obtain a picture of object, using a Retina I camera with a 3.5 lens opening, giving it a two (2) second exposure. (Subsequent development of this film, which was "souped" to 200 percent over normal

3 INCLS.

1. Statement & Sketch - Captain [redacted]
2. Statement & Sketch - [redacted]
3. Statement & Sketch - [redacted]

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Erding, Germany
23 June 1952

S T A T E M E N T

At approximately 2220 hours on 21 June 1952, while walking up a hill between the Depot Theater and Williamsville area, I was looking at the stars and pointing out the Big Dipper, Cassiopeia and the North Star to my wife and mother-in-law. On looking more directly overhead I momentarily thought I was seeing a meteor but then realized that the light I saw was not going anyplace and was not "burning out". It was a rose-colored (pale red) round light about 2 - 3 diameters larger than the largest stars, tho not as bright, yet having a more steady glow like Venus (in the Southwest). It was about 30° below being directly overhead and to the East (according to the North Star). This light did not appear to be connected with any object. It moved back and forth through an arc of only perhaps 2 - 5 degrees with the impression of a pendulum, tho rather quickly. After 2 - 4 minutes it started getting smaller and more faint as though it were rising, for it stayed still in the same part of the sky. It seemed as though it were proceeding directly toward a certain bright star. At this point I left my companions and telephoned the officer on duty at the 604th AC&W Squadron, describing what I had seen and asking him to check with his operators to see if they could locate anything. This was at 2235 - 2240. My wife and mother-in-law had continued to watch the light until about 2230, they said it moved in a horizontal manner rather swiftly before it disappeared.

At 2245 I took my 35mm Retina outdoors and at once located a faint red light about 45° above the Eastern horizon. It was only as large as the smaller stars and much dimmer than before. However, it had a red tinge and appeared to be moving slowly in relation to the stars in that area. It slowly moved in a zigzag fashion for a few seconds and disappeared. I took two (2) photographs pointing the camera in the general direction of the light. The first was at f/3.5 at about 1-2 seconds when I first saw the light and again for 2-4 seconds, steadying the camera on a post.

At no time was any sound heard. It was an unusually clear night (for Bavaria) and no fog or clouds were evident at the time. The air was cool and still. There was no moon.

[redacted]
Captain [redacted]
Medical Officer

Incl #1

This Case Includes

Four (4) 5"x7½ photos

of Sketches.

TENTATIVE
OBSERVERS DATA SHEET

Where Choice is Given, Circle Proper Answers, or Insert Answer

1. Date of your observation: 21 (Day) June (Month) 52 (Year)

2. Date you reported the observation: 21 (Day) June (Month) 52 (Year)

3. What time was it when you sighted the object: 11 (Hrs.) 45 (Min.)

A. M. P. M. (Daylight) Standard

Zone: (Eastern), Central, Mountain, Pacific, _____ (Other)

4. Length of time object was observed. Estimate: _____ (Hours) _____ (Minutes) 8 to 10 (Seconds)

5. Where observed:

[redacted] (Postal Address) Benedict (City or Town) Maryland (State) USA (Country)

6. Where were you at time of observation:

Inside building, In Car, (Outdoors), Fishing (Other)

7. Were you moving at any time during this sighting: No (Yes or No).

8. Did you stop at any time during this sighting: — (Yes or No).

9. If you were moving - give _____ (Direction) and _____ (Speed) miles per hour.

10. How was object observed: (Naked eye)
Eye glasses
Other glass (Window or Windshield)
Binoculars, Telescope, Theodolite
Other_____

11. How did you happen to notice the object: _____

21 June 1952
Erding, Germany



1 1½" to 2" in diameter
round
SIZE - SHAPE
COLOR - pale red (rose)
BRIGHTNESS (less than
Venus but
with a similar
steady glow)
20 hours LOCATION: 60° (due East horiz)
nearly overhead.

2 for
ORIGINAL (approx
MOTION - 33 minutes)
Abrupt but
Rather quick, jerking
to and fro, almost
as though rocking
or swinging; as
though not
going anyplace
however.

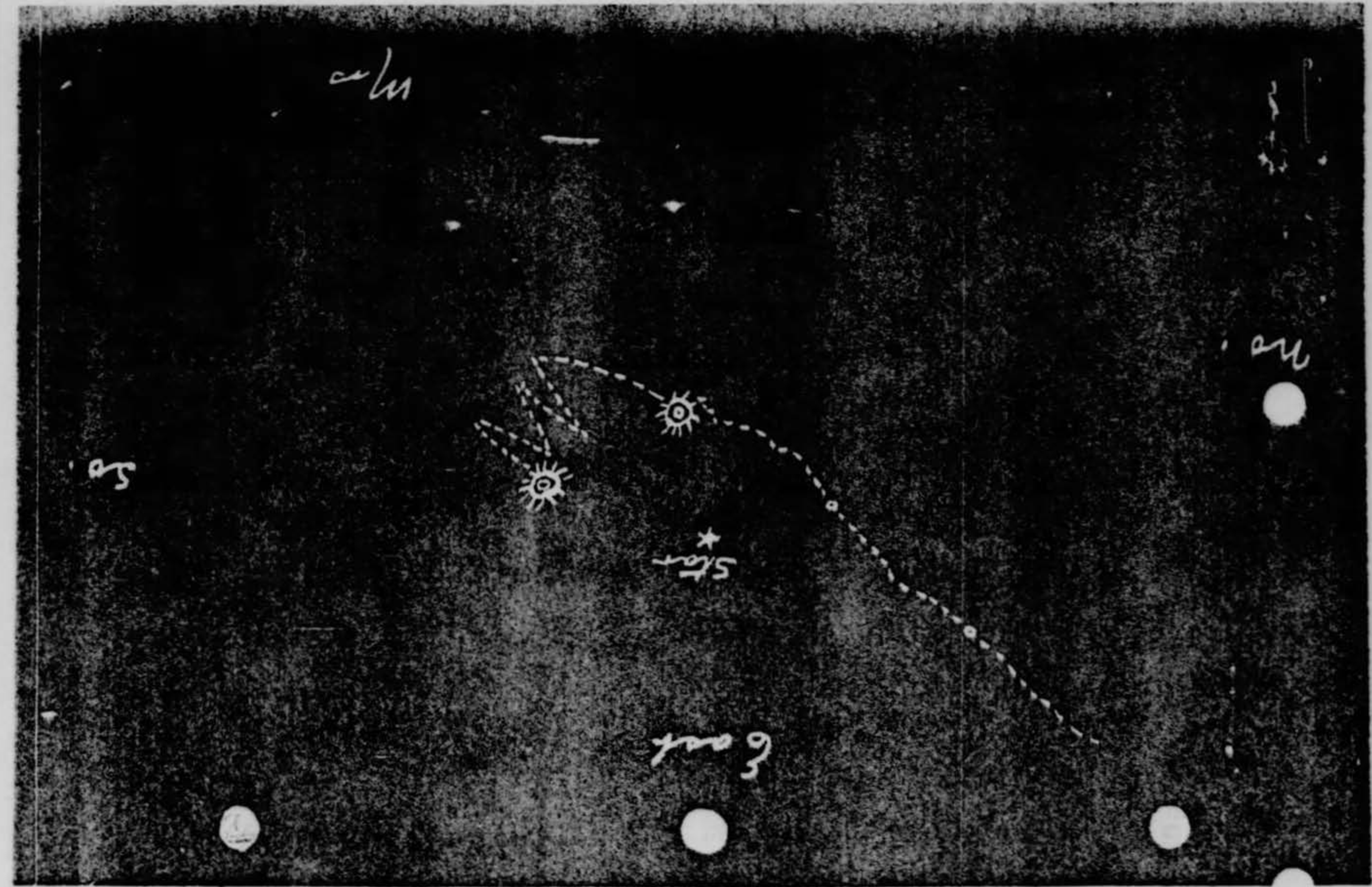


(for approx
= 30 secs)

COND
OVEMENT:
brupt beginning
stopping, then
ightness with only a
little increase in
ration as though
"braking for" the
next sighting.

4 SECOND
SIGHTING:
(approx. 2245 hours)
for about 2 minutes

COLOUR: pale red
BRIGHTNESS: Dimmer than stars
LOCATION: 45° above East horiz
SIZE: small



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ATIC WPAFB OHIO
ENT AFB COLO
INFO DIR OF INTELL HQ USAFE WIESBADEN GERMA[redacted]

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FLYOP RPT UNIDENTIFIED OBJ SEIGHTED IN EASTERN SKY. ERDING AIR DEPOT, GERMANY ON 21 JUNE 1952 AT APPROX 2120 HRS Z, OBJ VISIBLE FOR APPROX 13 MINUTES, OBJ APPEARED TO BE A ROSY COLORED CIRCULAR LIGHT APPROX 2 TO 3 TIMES DIAMETER OF LARGER STARS AND MOVING BACK AND FORTH IN A PENDULUM MOTION. OBJ ESTIMATED AT 8000 TO 10000 FEET HEIGHT. OBJ MOVED SWIFTLY IN A HORIZONTAL POSITION TO THE NORTH AND DISAPPEARED AT APPROX 2133 HRS Z. AT APPROX 2145 HRS Z OBJ REAPPEARED AT A 45 DEGREE ANGLE ABOVE HORIZON IN EASTERN SKY MOVING IN A ZIG ZIG MOTION FOR APPROX 3 MINUTES BEFORE DISAPPEARING. WEA CONDITIONS AT TIME OF SIGHTING WERE AS FOLLOWS: WINDS AT 5 ERKXYC W CUTWKUAS WERE 260 DEGREES AT

PARAPHASE NOT REQUIRED. SEE CRYPTO-CENTER BEFORE DECLASSIFYING

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12 KNOTS TEMP PLUS 6 DEGREES CENTIGRADE RELATIVE HUMIDITY 80 PERCENT, WINDS AT 10000 FEET WERE 270 DEGREES AT 30 KNOTS TEMP 0 DEGREES CENTIGRADE RELATIVE HUMIDITY 69 PERCENT. WINDS AT 18000 FEET WERE 270 DEGREES AT 30 KNOTS TEMP MINUS 15 DEGREES CENTIGRADE RELATIVE HUMIDITY 69 PERCENT. WINDS AT 25000 FEET WERE 280 DEGREES AT 30 KNOTS TEMP MINUS 30 DEGREES CENTIGRADE RELATIVE HUMIDITY 69 PERCENT. SURFACE CONDITIONS WERE SCATTERED CLOUDS AT 7000 FEET WITH 12 MILES VISIBILITY. NO FRONTS. HIGH PRESSURE RIDGE MOVING FROM FRANCE. NO KNOWN METERORLOGICAL CONDITION OR ACTIVITY AT TIME OF SIGHTING. NO AIR TRAFFIC IN GENERAL AREA AT TIME OF SIGHTING. VIS SIGHTINGS WAS MADE BY CAPT [redacted] R THIS STA AND 2 OTHERS. COMPLETE REPORT ON AF FORM 112 FOLLOWING

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Erding, Germany
23 June 1952

S T A T E M E N T

On the evening of June 21, 1952, my son-in-law and my daughter (Captain and Mrs [redacted] and I were walking home from the picture show. It was about 1020 P.M. The night was unusually clear and we were observing the stars. We located the big dipper, the north star, etc., when all at once there came to our attention an unusually bright object, redder in color than the stars; it was larger and appeared to be round. At first I thought it was a meteor, since it was moving in a downward direction, but the next instant it was back in its first position. It moved in this manner for a few minutes, probably 3 or 4 minutes. I could tell it was gaining distance, for at first it was to the right of one star and while we watched it moved far to the left of the same star and the light grew dimmer until it was out of sight.

When we first noticed this bright object it was almost overhead, in the eastern sky, then moved toward the north as it appeared to be ascending. Altogether I watched it for about 10 minutes before it disappeared completely from sight.

Mrs. [redacted]
[redacted]
Palo Alto, California

Knots:

+1) 1-2 [illegible] X-X

+) 2-4 [illegible]

Light [illegible] stop, tap, turn, write,
[illegible] shoot so bright.)

[illegible] doors (+13.5 bulb=infinity)
[illegible] into dark.
[illegible]

Erding, Germany
23 June 1952

S T A T E M E N T

On Saturday night the 21st of June 1952 at about 1020 P.M., while walking home from the Depot Theater with my mother (Mrs. [redacted]) and my husband (Captain [redacted]), we saw a reddish light in the eastern sky. It was easily noticeable because of its strange movements and greater size than the surrounding stars. When first seen it appeared to be bouncing around in the sky, moving very quickly in one direction then in another.

After watching for what seemed to me about 4 minutes it suddenly went directly north in a straight line and appeared to be climbing, for it gradually disappeared. I watched it for about 8 minutes in all. I could not see that it had any definite shape as it was merely a round spot of light. I do not know how high it was beyond the fact that it was noticeably larger than the stars. The air was very still and the sky clear so that it was easy to observe the movements of this red light and to feel sure that the motion could not have been caused by wind.

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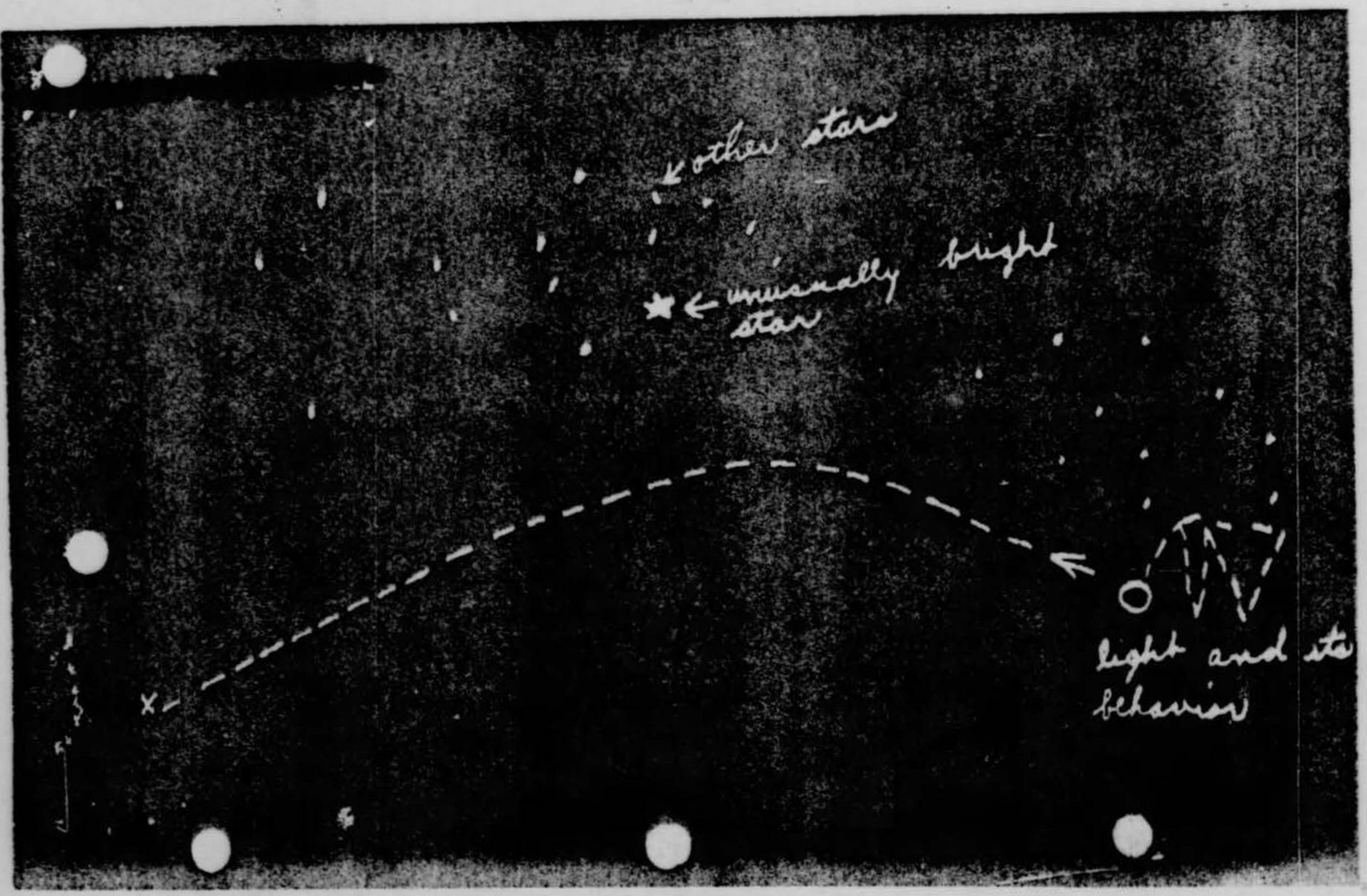
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UFOs and the Opposition of Mars

Venus is not the only heavenly body to simulate a flying saucer. Jupiter and even Mercury, the smallest of the planets, have inspired their share of UFOs. Mars, which can also be very bright, has frequently been reported as a spaceship.

On June 21, 1952, an F-47 aircraft was on routine patrol over the Atomic Energy Commission installation at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, when at 10:58 P.M. a spotter from the Ground Observer Corps informed the pilot that a slow-moving craft was moving in the area at very high altitude. At about the same time the pilot observed a blinking white light, of no definite shape and with no exhaust or trail, apparently making passes at him. For the next eighteen min-

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utes the pilot tried vainly to intercept the unknown. The plane was at 15,000 feet, moving at about 250 knots. As the pilot turned to meet the pass, the UFO would pull up some 4000 to 5000 feet above the plane and then move in again. When the plane reached 22,000 feet, the UFO appeared to make a final dive from 28,000 feet, pulled back up to its previous altitude, and then disappeared. The pilot's reaction is indicated by his answer to one of the routine questions on the Air Force report form: "Did you stop at any time during the sighting?" His reply read: "Ha Ha!"

Investigating the incident, officials from ATIC at first suspected that the object might have been a balloon, released as a hoax; only a few weeks earlier a crank had launched a flight of balloons near Oak Ridge and had been caught. But after interviewing the witnesses, the investigators concluded that the UFO was far more probably the planet Mars. As so often happens, however, they could not convert the "probable" into a "positive" identification because they lacked one essential fact: the bearing of the aircraft [1].

MARS?

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TENTATIVE OBSERVERS DATA SHEET

Where Choice is Given, Circle Proper Answers, or Insert Answer

1. Date of your observation: 21 (Day) June (Month) 52 (Year)

2. Date you reported the observation: 21 (Day) June (Month) 52 (Year)

7? 3. What time was it when you sighted the object: 10 (Hrs.) 58 (Min.) (0358Z)

A. M. P. M. Daylight ? Standard

Zone: (Eastern), Central, Mountain, Pacific, _____ (Other)

4. Length of time object was observed. Estimate: _____ (Hours) 17 (Minutes) _____ (Seconds).

5. Where observed:

_____ (Postal Address) Maryville (City or Town) Tenn. (State) USA (Country)

6. Where were you at time of observation:

Inside building, In Car, Outdoors, In F-47 A/C at 22,000 (Other)

7. Were you moving at any time during this sighting: Yes (Yes or No).

8. Did you stop at any time during this sighting: ha ha (Yes or No).

9. If you were moving - give _____ (Direction) and _____ (Speed) miles per hour.

10. How was object observed: (Naked eye)
Eye glasses
Other glass (Window or Windshield)
Binoculars, Telescope, Theodolite
Other_____

11. How did you happen to notice the object: _____

1 Suggest Dir. H. see
This.

12. Describe what you saw as briefly as possible in the following spaces:

a. Sound — b. Shape "light"

c. Color — d. Size _____

e. Number one f. Light brightness _____

g. Light color white h. Motion _____

i. Speed — j. Other _____

13. How did object disappear from view: Suddenly or Gradually
Circle One

14. At any time did the object:

a. Change direction. b. Change speed. c. Move behind something; Cloud, House, Tree, _____ d. Blend with background. e. Decrease
Other

in size. f. Decrease in brightness. g. Move in front of something.

h. _____
Other

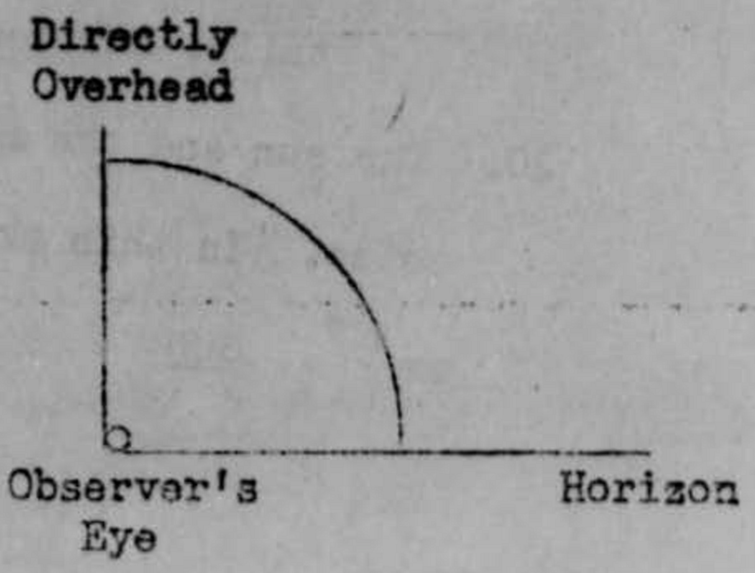
15. When you first looked at the object, what direction were you facing? _____

16. When you last saw the object, what direction were you facing? _____

17. In the following Sketch A, draw lines from the observer's eye to the circular arc to show the apparent elevation of the object in the sky.

A. When first seen, label a.

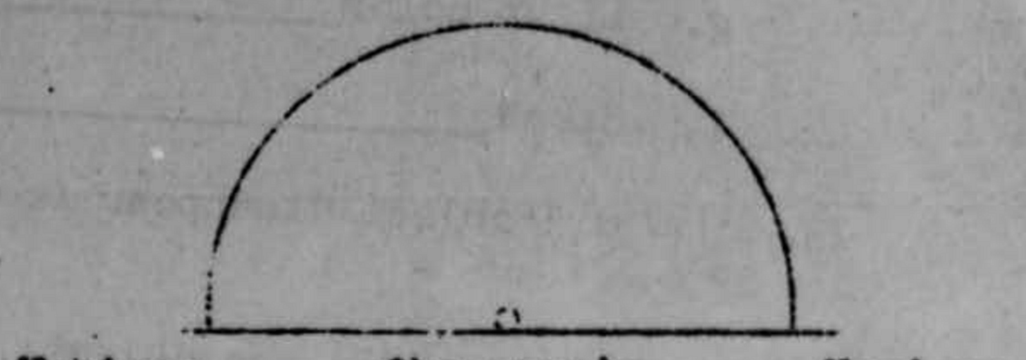
B. When last seen, label b.



SKETCH A

18. On the following Sketch B, label a at the apparent position of the object when first seen and b at point last seen. Trace the apparent path of the object between points a and b.

If possible label 1, 2, 3, etc., along the traced path to show the successive positions of the object after equal intervals of time during the sighting.



SKETCH B

19. In Sketch C please show the observed features of the object such as;

A. Apparent shape, (were edges pointed or rounded),

B. Apparent direction of motion (show by arrow), and

C. Other details, exhaust, trails, tails, surfaces, etc.

SKETCH C

20. The sun and the moon are shown below as they appear in their correct relative size. In this sketch D, show the apparent size of what you saw.



SKETCH D

21. In your own words please describe the sighting you observed. Use sketches if desired. All observations from the time of first sighting to the time of dissappearance are important. Include a description of the weather, wind, and cloud conditions at the time of this sighting.

22. Your full name:

23. Your Address:

24. Your Occupation:

25. Last school you attended:

26. Year of last attendance at this school:

27. Please list the names and addresses of persons who discussed this sighting with you. It is not necessary to list the names of officials or investigators.

28. Further comments which you believe are important should be entered here. Use additional sheets of the same size if necessary.

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GROUND OBSERVER DID NOT SEE FOX FOUR SEVEN

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CITE PROJECT BLUE BOOK PD REF URMSG AFOIN-ATIAA-U-2E CMA INCIDENT DID TAKE PLACE UNDER 23ØØØ CLOUD LAYER BUT ENDED WITH FTR AT 23ØØØ AND OBJECT AT APPROX 25ØØØ CMA US WEATHER BUREAU ADVISES /A/ YES /B/ YES /C/ BALLON OBSERVER DOES NOT RECALL TIME LIGHT WENT OUT PD THE TIME HAS BEEN REQUESTED AND WILL BE SUBM WHEN RECD PD FILE OPS 319.1 PD

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Telephone call from Col. Bowers

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REMARKS

Telephone call from Bob Myers. Weather Bureau at Oak Ridge, Tenn.

No balloons launched since Dec 1 1950 (Research on air pollution).

AEC Security recently advised Crank in area launched lighted balloons about 2 mos ago in Oak Ridge area — was apprehended

FROM NAME OR TITLE	DATE
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION	TELEPHONE

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FROM: (Originator)

O'HARA, COMMANDING, AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER, WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO

DATE-TIME GROUP	SECURITY CLASSIFICATION
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☐ BOOK MESSAGE	☒ ORIGINAL MESSAGE
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REFERS TO MESSAGE:

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TO: US WEATHER BUREAU STATION
OAK RIDGE TENN

INFO:

FROM: AFOIN-ATIAA-6-1SE

Urgently need info on whether or not balloon launched at 0300Z on 21 June 52 was lighted. Also request winds aloft for that run. If info is available, desire to know whether or not observers noted s/c near balloon, height, and time balloon burst, and highest altitude reached by balloon.

In reply cite Project Blue Book. If necessary, reply collect at Government expense.

DONALD L. BOWER, COLONEL, USAF
CHIEF, TECHNICAL ANALYSIS DIVISION
AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER

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DRAFTER'S NAME (and signature, when required)	RELEASING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE
Capt [illegible]	
SYMBOL / TELEPHONE	OFFICIAL TITLE [illegible], Major, USAF, Air Adjutant General

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TO: CG HQ 30TH AIR DIV (DEFENSE)
WILLOW RUN AIRPORT BELLEVILLE MICH

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IDENTIFICATION: IIT 7206	CLASSIFICATION: Unclassified

FROM: AFOIE-ATIAA-6-343 FOR DIVISION INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

Reference your message IIT 7206 dated 2116352 reporting object sighted by F-47 on 21 June. Request info as to whether time given was Zebra or Eastern Standard Time. Did ground observer see F-47 "dog fighting"?

In reply cite Project Blue Book.

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DRAFTER'S NAME (and signature, when required): Capt E. J. Ruppelt/rs

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SYMBOL: ATIA-5

TELEPHONE: 54261

OFFICIAL TITLE: ROBERT D. KENNEDY, Major, USAF
Air Adjutant General

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JEDWP/AIR TECHINAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER, WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO

ATTN: ATIAA-2C

JEDEN/COMMANDING GENERAL, ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO

JEPNB/COMMANDING GENERAL EADF STEWART AFB NEWBURGH N.Y.

INT 7206 PD FLYOBRPT FOLLOWING REPORT FORWARDED FORM SIX SIX THREE ABLE CMA CHARLIE CMA AND WILLIAM SQUADRON AND REWRITTEN AND FORWARDED BY THIS HEADQUARTERS PD AT TWO ONE JUNE ZERO THREE FIVE EIGHT REPORT RECEIVED FORM GROUNB OBSERVER AT OAKRIDGE TENNESSEE THAT AIRCRAFT WAS FLYING THERE AT VERY HIGH ALTITUDE PD PARA AT APPROZIMATELY SAME TIME PILOT AIRBORN IN FOX FOUR SEVEN ON ROUTINE FLIGHT IN CAT TWO AIR CRAFT OBSERVED BLINKING WHITE LIGHT MAKING PASSES AT HIM PD FOX FOUR SEVEN AT ONE FIVE ZERO ZERO ZERO FEET AT INDICATED TWO FIVE ZERO KNOTS ONE ZERO MILE NORTH NORTHEAST OF MARYVILLE TENNESSEE PD PILOT TURNED TO MEET PASS AND UNKNOWN WOULD PULL UP FOUR ZERO ZERO ZERO TO FIVE ZERO ZERO ZERO FEET PD NO SILHOUETTE VISIBLE DASH ONLY WHITE LIGHT PD AT ZERO FOUR ONE FIVE PILOT OF FOX FOUR SEVEN WAS AT TWO TWO ZERO ZERO ZERO FEET

ACTION

12. Describe what you saw as briefly as possible in the following spaces:

a. Sound None b. Shape "Teardrop"

c. Color Greenish-White d. Size —

e. Number one f. Light brightness —

g. Light color _____ h. Motion _____

i. Speed _____ j. Other _____

13. How did object disappear from view: Suddenly or Gradually
Circle One

14. At any time did the object:

a. Change direction. b. Change speed. c. Move behind something; Cloud, House, Tree, _____ d. Blend with background. e. Decrease
Other

in size. f. Decrease in brightness. g. Move in front of something.

h. _____
Other

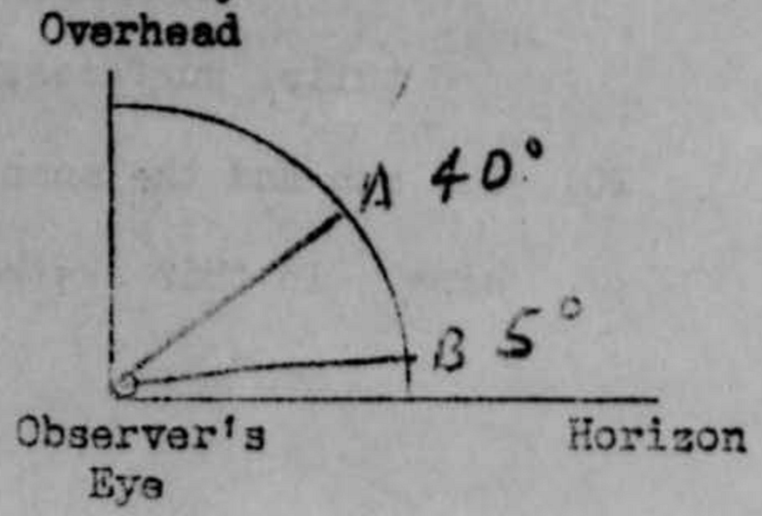
15. When you first looked at the object, what direction were you facing? NE

16. When you last saw the object, what direction were you facing? SW

17. In the following Sketch A, draw lines from the observer's eye to the circular arc to show the apparent elevation of the object in the sky.

A. When first seen, label a.

B. When last seen, label b.



SKETCH A

WHEN UNKNOWN MADE FINAL PASS FORM TWO EIGHT ZERO ZERO ZERO FEET AND PULLED UP TO SAME ALTITUDE AND DISAPPEARED PD PILOT SAW NO EXHAUST OR TRAIL BUT THOUGHT OBJECT TO BE A JET BY REASON OF ITS SPEED AND RATE OF CLIMB PD ENTIRE INCIDENT TOOK PLACE WITH RADIUS OF TWENTY FIVE MILES OF MARYVILLE TENNESSEE PD ON ELECTRONIC READING OF FOX FOUR SEVEN OR UNKNOWN DUE TO GROUND CLUTTER ON EQUIPMENT PD

ONE. WHITE BLANKING LIGHT NO EXHAUST VERY ELUSIVPD

TWO. TIME SIGHTED 21/0358 TO 21/0415.

THREE. VISUAL FORM AIR TEN ZERO ZERO ZERO FEET ON LEVEL PD

UNITED STATES
ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

Oak Ridge, Tennessee
July 17, 1952

Colonel D. L. Bower
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

Dear Colonel Bower:

A further investigation of the incident referred to in your teletype of June 24, 1952, brought forth the following data which may be of use to you. A lighted 100 gram pilot balloon with an ascent rate of about 1000 ft./min. was released at 22:00 EST June 20, (210300Z) from the McGhee-Tyson Airport near Knoxville. This balloon was observed for 15 minutes at which time the lighting unit failed. The 0300Z radiosonde balloon from Nashville was followed presumably by an SCR 658, to an altitude of 25,000 ft. No winds above 25,000 ft. were reported by Nashville.

The 210300Z wind data from this area are as follows:

	TYS		BNA		GSD	
SFC	250°	11 knots				
2000	240	20				
3000	230	22				
4000	210	24				
5000	200	22				
6000	200	18				
7000	190	16				
8000	190	20				
9000	190	22				
10000	190	21				
12000	190	12				
14000	250	07	290	13		
16000	light out		290	20		
20000			270	24		
25000			270	18		
30000					270	39
35000					280	42
40000					290	45

No balloons were released officially in Oak Ridge at the time of the incident. This station has not released any balloons or flown any captive balloons since December, 1950.

CC: Fred White, Wash.
Cleo E. Baca, Sec.
Chief Davis, AEC Patrol

Sincerely yours,
J. Z. Holland
J. Z. Holland
Meteorologist in Charge
Weather Bureau

Myers:sc

ROUTING

JOINT MESSAGEFORM

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FROM: (Originator)

O'HARA, COMMANDING, AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER, WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO

DATE-TIME GROUP
72000Z July 52 [redacted]

PRECEDENCE FOR: | ACTION ROUTINE | INFORMATION

TO: 663rd ACSI SQUADRON
HC GHEZ TYSON AIRPORT KNOXVILLE TENN

☐ BOOK MESSAGE ☒ ORIGINAL MESSAGE

☐ MULTIPLE ADDRESS CRYPTOPRECAUTION ☐ YES ☒ NO

REFERS TO MESSAGE:

IDENTIFICATION | CLASSIFICATION

INFO:

FROM: AFOIN-ATIAA-7-2E

Reference sighting of unidentified aerial object by F-47 pilot Lt [redacted] on 21 June 1950. Did incident take place under the reported 23,000 cloud layer? Request you contact U.S. Weather Bureau and forward following information to ATIC:

a. Was a lighted balloon launched at 0300Z on 21 June 52? Y.

b. Could this balloon have been 10 miles NNE of Maryville at 0358Z? Y.

c. Did balloon observer note the time the light went out? NO

In reply cite Project Blue Book.

DONALD L. BOWER, COLONEL, USAF
CHIEF, TECHNICAL ANALYSIS DIVISION
AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER

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DRAFTER'S NAME (and signature when required)
Capt E. J. Ruppelt/ts

RELEASING [illegible] SIGNATURE

SYMBOL ATIAA-5 | TELEPHONE 54261 | OFFICIAL TITLE [illegible], USAF, Asst Adjutant General

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INFORMATION COPY TO: Commanding Officer, Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

CF1360.1 2nd Ind

Hq Air Training Command, Scott Air Force Base, Ill, 19 JUL 1957

TO: Director of Intelligence, Headquarters USAF, Washington 25, D. C.,
ATTENTION: AFOIN-1A

Forwarded for your information.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

M.N. JONES
MAJ USAF
ASST ADJ GEN

1 Incl
FLYOSHEET
(in trip, 1 cy w/d)

Copy furnished:
ATIC, Wright-Patterson AFB

HEADQUARTERS AIR COMMAND AND STAFF COLLEGE MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE, ALABAMA

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HEADQUARTERS
3450TH TECHNICAL TRAINING WING
FRANCIS E. WARREN AIR FORCE BASE
WYOMING

COPY

RB-319

1 JUL 1952

SUBJECT: FLYOBRPT [redacted]

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

THRU: Commanding General
Technical Training Air Force
Gulfport, Mississippi

1. At the present time AF Form 112 and 112A, required by AFL 200-5 as the media for reporting, are on requisition.

2. Inclosed are four (4) copies of subject report. One information copy is for: Chief, Air Technical Intelligence Center, ATTN: ATIAA-2c, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/t/ JAMES R. FOEHR
2nd Lt, USAF
Asst Wing Adjutant

1 Incl
FLYOBRPT (In quad.)

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Ltr Warren AFB RB 319 Subject "FLYOBRPT [redacted]"

GI 000.9 (1 Jul 52) 1st Ind COPY

HQ TECHNICAL TRAINING AIR FORCE, Gulfport, Mississippi 10 Jul 1952

TO: Commanding General, Air Training Command, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois

Forwarded for your information and transmittal to Headquarters USAF.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

/s/t/ NATHAN KAPLAN
CWO, USAF
Asst Adj Gen

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n/c

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HEADQUARTERS
3450TH TECHNICAL TRAINING WING
FRANCIS E. WARREN AIR FORCE BASE
WYOMING

RS-319

Unidentified Flying Objects Reporting (FLYOBRPT)

DESCRIPTION

An intense blue-green light was seen traveling at a high rate of speed across the horizon in a level line of flight at an altitude of about 20,000 feet. The light was traveling in a south-easterly direction on a line between Cheyenne Wyoming, coordinates 41°3'N 104°48'W, and Wellington Colorado, towards Limon, Colorado, bearing 150°.

The source of the light could not be determined. No object of any shape or size characteristic of any conventional aircraft could be seen. The blue-green light seemed to be a high frequency timed flash about two feet in area. The observer stated that although the object appeared to have a definite line of flight, no sound could be heard to denote any type of propulsion system.

TIME

The object described above was observed on 22 June 1952 at about 0600 zonal time by a Mr. [redacted] of Cheyenne, Wyoming. Due to the terrific rate of speed at which the object was traveling the time of observation lasted from twenty to twenty-five seconds.

MANNER OF OBSERVATION

This sighting was visual. Mr. [redacted], a night watchman for the Frontier Refinery Company in Cheyenne, was the only observer. There were no other witnesses. Mr. [redacted] was at work at the time of sighting. No type of optical or electronic equipment was used in this observation.

Mr. [redacted] has been a night watchman in the same area for three and one-half years. During the course of his present employment he has witnessed many astronomical occurrances and is familiar with typical aircraft movement in this area. This is the first time that he has ever observed this type of object.

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FLYOBRPT (cont'd)

WEATHER

The weather conditions for the time of observation were as follows:

The weather was clear, visibility fifteen miles. Winds aloft 350° 8 knots. No meteorlogical conditions affecting the report, nor air traffic in the vicinity of sighting to resemble or contradict the existence of the sighted object.

EVIDENCE

There is no physical evidence to this report. Due to the fact that the observation was visual, based solely on the observation of one witness, lack of more definite identifying features of the object, this report is being submitted mainly for information and as a record of sighting.

RALPH E. HOLLISTER
Major, USAF
Intelligence Officer

INFO JEDWP/AIRTECH INTELLIGENCE CENTER WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COLO

JESKW/CG TTAF GULFPORT MISS

JEDST/CG ATRC SCOTT AFB ILL

AF GRNC

RB82EF. FLYOBRPT THE FOL INFO FWD UR COMD ICW PAR 7C AFL 200-5. [redacted] NIGHT WATCHMAN AT FRONTIER REFINERY REPORTED SEEING FLYING OBJS APPROXIMATELY [redacted]Z 21 JUN 52. COULD NOT SEE OBJECT BUT ONLY BLUE GREEN EXHAUST AT ABOUT TEN THOUSAND FEET TRAVELING IN A SE DIRECTION PASSING CHEYENNE TO THE SSW AT GREAT SPEED. OBJECT IN VIEW POSSIBLY 10 SEC. WEATHER CLEAR VIS 15 MI. UPPER WINDS 350 DEGREES 8 KNOTS. NO WITNESSES NO OTHER REPORTS. OBSERVER APPEARS TO BE RELIABLE. HAS WORIED SAME POSITION FOUR YEARS NEVER SEEN SIMILAR OBJECT DURING THAT TIME. STATES IT EAS NOT METEOR. HAS SEEN MANY METEORS. THERE WAS NO TAIL AND HE COULD HEAR NO SOUND. NO ELECTRONIC EQUIP USED.

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FM CO FRANCIS E WARREN AFB WYO

TO JEPHQ/DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE HQ USAF WASH DC

ACTION

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2. ATIA
3. Cent Files

24 JUN 1952

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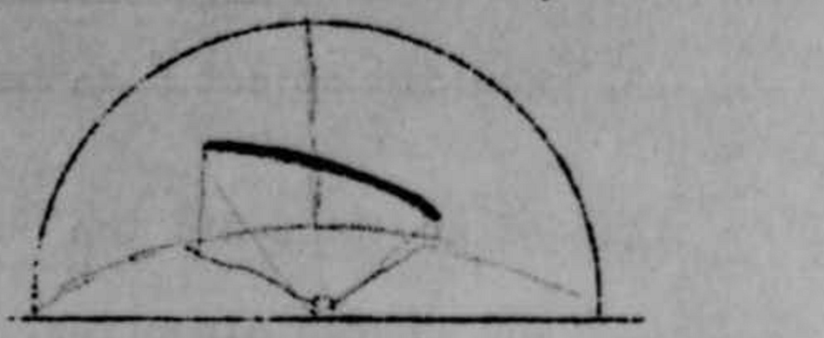
18. On the following Sketch B, label a at the apparent position of the object when first seen and b at point last seen. Trace the apparent path of the object between points a and b.

If possible label 1, 2, 3, etc., along the traced path to show the successive positions of the object after equal intervals of time during the sighting.



SKETCH B

19. In Sketch C please show the observed features of the object such as;

A. Apparent shape, (were edges pointed or rounded),

B. Apparent direction of motion (show by arrow), and

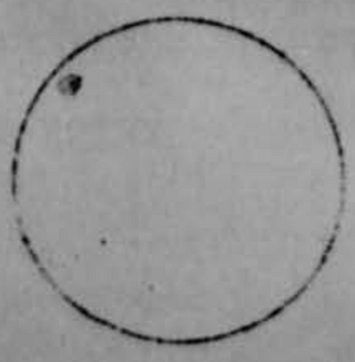
C. Other details, exhaust, trails, tails, surfaces, etc.

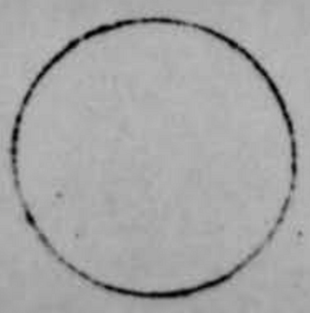


SKETCH C

20. The sun and the moon are shown below as they appear in their correct relative size. In this sketch D, show the apparent size of what you saw.

SUN OBJECT MOON





SKETCH D

HqOCAMA Form No. 9
(31 May 48)

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OKLAHOMA CITY AIR MATERIEL AREA
TINKER AIR FORCE BASE
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

OCIP/MS/emh

IN REPLY REFER TO:

2 July 1952

SUBJECT: Report of Information on Unconventional Aircraft

TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
ATTN: Air Provost Marshal
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

1. The attached letter pertaining to the above subject was received at this Headquarters on 1 July 1952.

2. Due to the lack of specific instructions pertaining to reporting such matters, this Headquarters is following the procedure outlined in ConAC Letter 200-1, dated 12 February 1951, same subject as above. Paragraph 4c of subject letter reads as follows:

"Reports will be submitted as follows:

(1) In duplicate to the Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, ATTN: MCIS"

3. In event this procedure is correct it is requested this correspondence be forwarded to MCIS.

4. In event this reporting procedure is not correct, will you please advise as to the correct procedure?

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

1 Incl
Ltr fm [redacted]
[redacted] 24 Jun 52

ROBERT T. RUST
Major, USAF
Air Provost Marshal
Inspector General's Office

[redacted]on
Stillwater, Oklahoma
June 24, 1952

Intelligence Officer
United States Air Force
Tinker Field Air Base
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Dear Sir:

I should like to report the sighting of an unusual illuminated aerial object which my wife, my daughter, and I saw the evening of June 22, 1952 between 9:00 and 9:30 P.M.

2100

I was pointing out the stars of Ursa Minor when the object moved across the sky in a path some distance below Polaris. It was almost as plainly seen as quarter moon. Its shape was roughly "tear drop" with the forward portion rather clearly defined and the rear portion feathered out. The color ranged from (warm yellow in the forward center area to turquoise blue at the borders and rear). It had a dark band running through the front center area. We each made independent sketches of our impressions of the object and they all agree favorably. I am enclosing a sketch of my impression.

The object was first seen by my wife who called it to my attention. It was first seen as it came from behind the second story of our house, traveled through about 30° and disappeared behind trees on the neighboring lawn. We immediately made estimations of the size and location. The altitude was approximately 35° and the path seemed to descend at about 10°. The size approximately two thirds the size of the index finger at arms length from the eye. The length of time in passing was probably two or three seconds. There was no noise heard.

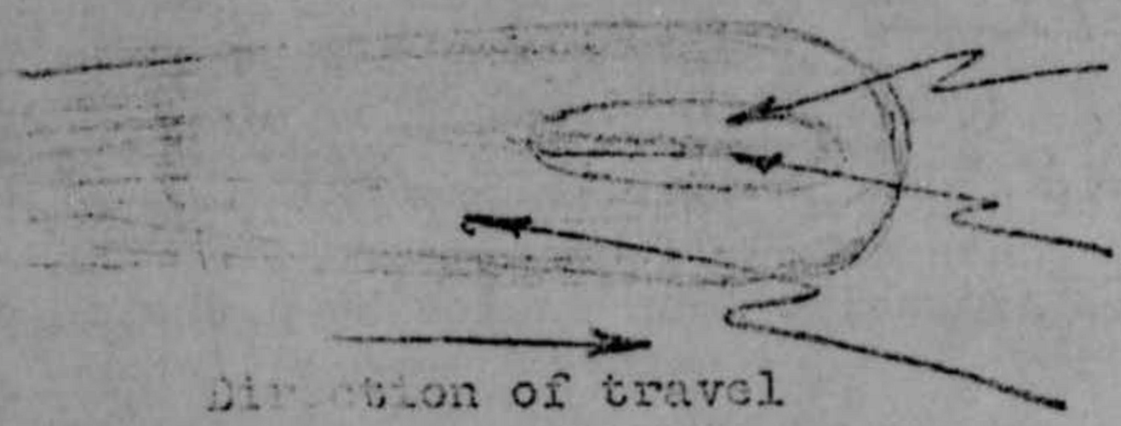
I spend a considerable amount of time observing the heavens with a small telescope and with the naked eye. I have observed a number of the larger nubulae, galaxies, and star clusters. I have also observed numerous meteors. This object was many, many times more spectacular than the most brilliant meteor I have observed. It was an object not soon to be forgotten.

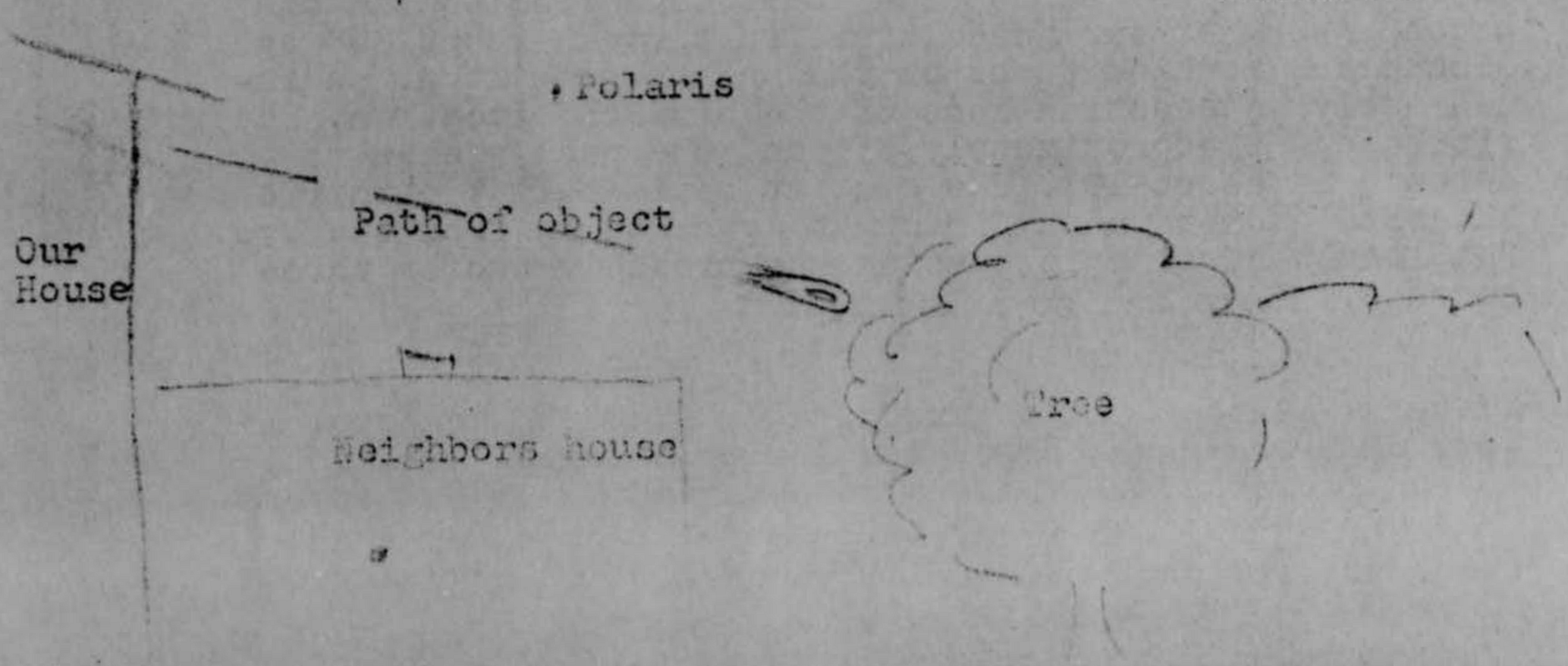
Enc #1

My wife and I both have college degrees. I have been on the teaching staff of Oklahoma A.& M. College and am now employed as an instrument maker in oneof the research laboratories. My daughter is nine years old. I do not want publicity and ask that my name be with-held. I have been honest in this report and have tried to avoid any exaggeration. I am sincere in stating that we have seen a very unusual thing.

Very truly yours,

[redacted]





21. In your own words please describe the sighting you observed. Use sketches if desired. All observations from the time of first sighting to the time of dissappearance are important. Include a description of the weather, wind, and cloud conditions at the time of this sighting.

Two AF officers, while fishing on the Patuxent River one mile below Benedict, Md. observed Greenish White Tear drop shaped object.

22. Your full name: major [redacted] and Capt. [redacted]

23. Your Address:

24. Your Occupation: AF officius

25. Last school you attended:

26. Year of last attendance at this school:

27. Please list the names and addresses of persons who discussed this sighting with you. It is not necessary to list the names of officials or investigators.

28. Further comments which you believe are important should be entered here. Use additional sheets of the same size if necessary.

ATIC Comment: Probably astronomical - Dr Hynek Should be able to help on this. Data is sketchy and we probably cant get any more without a great deal of trouble.