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UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS

Incident No. \_\_\_\_\_

1. Date of Observation 10 Aug 49 Date of Interview 11 Aug 49
2. Exact time of observation (local) 2035 - 2207 - 2220 - 2248
3. Place of Observation: CP Crossville Mountain 913.3 - 853.6  
(Map Coordinates)
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):  
Standing
5. What attracted attention to object:  
Unusual moving light in the sky
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or groupings:  
One object at each time of sighting
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):  
Appeared to be the size of a large flare
8. Color of object:  
White
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object);  
Round blur - with trail
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):  
30 to 45 degrees
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):  
Due North
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):  
Great distance unascertainable
13. Direction of flight of object (s):  
East to East
14. Time of sight:  
3 or 4 seconds or less
15. Speed (time to cover given angular disty.co):  
Greater speed than any observed plane

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16. Sound and odor:  
None
17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)  
White trail, even throughout, brilliance faded toward the end.
18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance)  
Almost as brilliant as the evening star.
19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennas, canopies, etc.):  
None
20. Manouvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):  
Level flight with a slight gain of altitude.
21. Manner of disappearance:  
Burned out very quickly and particles appeared to drop to within 200 ft of earth.
22. Effect on clouds:  
None
23. Additional information concerning object:  
None
24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:  
Absolutely Clear.

Name and address of observer: Pvt George G. Smith  
Co - 17th AIB  
2d Armd Div., Ft Hood, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:  
US Army

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

Fair observer.

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? None

Pages 3 & 4 of this form not applicable to this incident.

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Interviewed by:

*George M. Lewis*  
George M. Lewis  
Captain, Inf  
Eq 2d Armd Div  
Camp Hood, Texas

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: August 16, 1949

FROM: SAC, San Antonio

SUBJECT: PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS

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I am attaching hereto a number of copies of reports being received in great numbers in this office concerning the so-called flying disks or unnatural phenomena being frequently observed around Camp Hood, Texas. This is, of course, a primary concern of the Air Corps. Consequently, this office is following the practice of reviewing these data and then destroying them in the event there appears to be nothing of FBI interest therein. It is pointed out that the filing of these would result in the rapid accumulation of very bulky files.

Unless the Bureau believes this is unwise, this practice will continue.

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Incident No. 1

1. Date of Observation 28 July Date of Interview 29 July
2. Exact time of observation (local) Approximately 2045
3. Place of Observations: Just outside Hood Village on highway 190  
(Map Coordinates)
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):  
Driving west on highway 190.
5. What attracted attention to object:  
Unusual light.
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:  
One
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):  
About the size of evening star.
8. Color of object:  
Predominately white, tint of blue green.
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):  
Round with tail.
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):  
30°
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):  
290° North West.
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):  
Approximately 2 miles.
13. Direction of flight of object (s):  
North to South.
14. Time of sight:  
3 to 5 seconds.
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):  
Unestimable.

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16. Sound and odor:

None

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)

Blue green - same degree of persistence as main body.

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):

Brighter than evening star.

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):

None

20. Manuevers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):

Fairly level flight, gaining some altitude.

21. Manner of disappearance:

Faded out.

22. Effect on clouds:

None

23. Additional information concerning object:

None

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:

Very clear, with an abundance of stars.

Name and address of observer:

Cpl John B. BECKER, Killam Barr. Killam, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:

Soldier, some photography.

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

Fair observer of average intelligence.

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Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? None

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*George M. Stiles*  
GEORGE M. STILES  
Captain, Inf  
Hq 2d Armd Div  
Camp Hood, Texas

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Incident No. 2

1. Date of Observation 28 July Date of Interview 29 July
2. Exact time of observation (local) 2253<sup>00</sup> ~~2330~~
3. Place of Observation:  
(Map Coordinates) 212.5 - 862.1
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):  
Driving west on highway 190.
5. What attracted attention to object:  
Looking at the sky when an object that appeared blue, turned white and started to move.
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or groupings:  
One
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):  
3 times Evening star.
8. Color of object:  
Initially blue turning white.
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):  
Round (No Tail).
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):  
30°
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):  
Due North.
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):  
3 or 4 miles.
13. Direction of flight of object (s):  
North to North West.
14. Time of sight: 15 to 20 seconds, stationary 5 to 10 seconds,  
time in flight 5 to 10 seconds.
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):  
5 to 10 seconds.

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16. Sound and odor:

17. Trail (color, length, width, porastence, etc.):

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):

20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):

21. Manner of disappearance:

22. Effect on clouds:

23. Additional information concerning object:

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:

Name and address of observer:

1st Lt Harold Morris  
401 Base Sq., Ellers Park  
Ellers, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:

Officer in US Air Force (Pilot).

Comments of investigator relative to intelligence and character of observer (check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

Special observer:

Did observer wear glasses, especially polorized glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? **None.**

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Interviewed by:

*James M. Lawrence*  
George X. Simpson  
Capt. J. J. ...

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Camp Hood, Texas

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Incident No. 2

1. Date of Observation 22 July Date of Interview 29 July
2. Exact time of observation (local) 2259
3. Place of Observations:  
(Map Coordinates) 911.5 - 462.1
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):  
Driving east on highway 190.
5. What attracted attention to object:  
Bright light.
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or groupings:  
Two.
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb  
or fist at arms length):  
Tennis ball.
8. Color of object:  
Predominately white one had an orange glow to the tail.
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):  
Round with tail following.
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon,  
90 degrees overhead):  
Approximately 30°.
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):  
170° South.
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over  
which object appeared to be):  
3 miles.
13. Direction of flight of object (s):  
South to North.
14. Time of sight:  
# 1 - 2 or 3 seconds # 2 - 10 or 12 seconds
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):  
Same as 14.

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16. Sound and odor:  
**None.**
17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)  
**# 1 trail blue green # 2 light orange.**
18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):  
**Bright flood light.**
19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):  
**None.**
20. Manouvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - skotch of flight path):  
**Straight flight south to north in an arc.**
21. Manner of disappearance:  
**Faded out.**
22. Effect on clouds:  
**None.**
23. Additional information concerning object:  
**None.**
24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:  
**Clear sky with an abundance of stars.**
- Name and address of observer: **Cpl John D. HICKER**  
**Killeen Base**  
**Killeen, Texas**
- Occupation and hobbies:  
**Soldier, photographer.**
- Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):  
**Fair observer.**

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? **None.**

**Pages 3 & 4 of this report not applicable to this incident.**

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Interviewed by

*George M. Squires*  
**GEORGE M. SQUIRES**  
**Captain, Inf**  
**Hq 2d Armd Div**  
**Camp Hood, Texas**

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: September 24, 1957

FROM : Mr. R. Roach

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
- Boardman \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
- Mason \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Parsons \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holloman \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT REPORTED ON SEPTEMBER 20, 1957; INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE - WATCH COMMITTEE

Reference is made to my memorandum of September 23, 1957, on the captioned matter which reflected an Intelligence Advisory Committee (IAC) evaluation of an Air Defense Command (ADC) report that radar stations at Montauk Point, Long Island, New York, and Benton, Pennsylvania, detected an unidentified object proceeding in a westward direction with an altitude of 50,000 feet and a speed of 2,000 knots (approximately 2,300 miles per hour) on September 20, 1957. The IAC intelligence evaluation of this report reflected that "It is highly improbable that a Soviet operation is responsible for the unidentified flying object reports of September 20, 1957."

Today, at an Executive Session of the IAC, General Millard Lewis, Director, Air Force Intelligence, advised that although the ADC has not completed its investigation of the evidence on this matter, there are continuing indications that the object detected was an atmospheric phenomenon. The radar pickups now reflect speed variations in the object's course, ranging from 1,500 miles per hour to 4,500 miles per hour. This latter speed is improbable according to U. S. scientific theory for any type flying object which this could conceivably be. General Lewis added that the present sun spots are associated with the peculiar radar activity throughout the globe and that this could have some cause for the captioned report.

ACTION:

Liaison will report further information on this matter as quickly as it is developed.

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
  - 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
  - 1 - Mr. D. E. Moore
  - 1 - Mr. Whitson
  - 1 - Liaison Section
  - 1 - Mr. Kuhrtz

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TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont *abr*

DATE: September 23, 1957

FROM : R. R. Roach *RR*

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 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT REPORTED  
 ON SEPTEMBER 20, 1957; INTELLIGENCE  
 ADVISORY COMMITTEE WATCH COMMITTEE

The following information was obtained by Liaison Supervisor M.W. Kuhrtz at the Intelligence Advisory Committee - Watch Committee special meeting on September 21, 1957, relative to the captioned matter. The initial report in this matter was given by the U.S. Air Defense Command to the White House on September 20, 1957, reflecting that an unidentified flying object was picked up by radar station at Montauk Point, Long Island, New York, at approximately 4 p.m., proceeding in a westward direction with an altitude of 50,000 feet and a speed of 2,000 knots (approximately 2300 miles per hour). The radar station at Montauk Point maintained an image for approximately one minute, and thereafter it was picked up by a radar station at Benton, Pennsylvania (Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania), which coincided with the Montauk Point pickup and was tracked by Benton for approximately 9 minutes. Thereafter, jamming was reported by several radar stations westward as far as Chicago.

The Watch Committee at its meeting on September 21 was told by the Air Defense Command that the original reports had been downgraded, since there was an 11-minute break in the tracking by the various radar stations, and further that weather stations in the area were of the type which have in the past produced false radar "pips" and electronic information. Also, there were a number of Strategic Air Command planes in the Chicago area on a training flight. The Watch Committee was told that the Air Defense Command has not completed its investigation of this incident; however, in any event it was reported that the phenomena reported west of Buffalo, New York, were not related to the object as reported by Montauk Point and Benton, Pennsylvania.

The Watch Committee concluded that, "It is highly improbable that a Soviet operation is responsible for the unidentified flying object reports of September, 1957." The Watch Committee in considering this matter also concluded that there is no intelligence on Soviet activities which can be related to a missile launching of this type.

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. W.C. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. D.E. Moore
- 1 - Mr. L. Whitson
- 1 - Liaison Section

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ON SEPTEMBER 20, 1957; INTELLIGENCE  
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over the U.S. It is unlikely that a Soviet aircraft could conduct a mission at this speed and altitude and return to Soviet territory. The Soviets are given credit for the capability of a "submarine launched cruise-type missile of low supersonic performance" and a range of about 500 nautical miles; however, there is no evidence of the existence of such a missile by the Soviets.

The Watch Committee also examined possible Soviet motives for launching a one way missile on an operation over the U.S., and it was concluded that there would be little motivation at this time except possibly a psychological or retaliatory motive. The Watch Committee ruled out one way reconnaissance operations on the likelihood that the results would be of small value and the risk of compromise would be very great. (This possible retaliatory motive by the Soviets could be in response ~~to U.S. flights~~ to a U.S. "Project Aquatone" flight over the USSR which was detected on September 9, 1956, by Soviet planes and mentioned in my memorandum of September 19, 1957.)

ACTION:

The above is submitted for information. Since the Air Defense Command is still investigating this report, further information will be reported as a more conclusive evaluation can be made.

*MR*

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1. Date of Observation 30 July 1949 Date of Interview 1 August 49
2. Exact time of observation (local) 2134
3. Place of Observation: Map, Camp Hood, 1:50000  
(Map Coordinates) At estimated altitude 1500-2000 feet over  
912.07-657.8
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):  
In 1/2 ton truck (open) located at 912.5-655.55
5. What attracted attention to object:  
Bright light appearing in sky.
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:  
One
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb  
or fist at arms length):  
Appeared to be a rocket of type unknown to observer. In length,  
including tail, was about 1 1/2 thumbs.
8. Color of object:  
Freshly blue tail with nose round in shape and exceedingly brilliant  
like a magnesium flare only more intense.
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object);  
Shaped like rocket but larger than ordinary. Appeared to have a  
ball-like nucleus emitting a blue-white tail.
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon,  
90 degrees overhead):  
Estimated 39°.
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):  
40° magnetic azimuth (taken by compass).
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over  
which object appeared to be):  
Estimated 3500 yards.
13. Direction of flight of object (s):  
Southeast to North West.
14. Time of sight:  
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15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance): Estimated  
2 - 2.5 seconds to cover arc about 15°

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16. Sound and odor:  
**None**
  17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)  
**None - white, broadening with distance from nucleus.**
  18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):  
**Nucleus was extremely brilliant; trail much less so.**
  19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):  
**None**
  20. Manouvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):  
**Glided in arc, rather slight, angle of climb about 15°.**
  21. Manner of disappearance:  
**Faded out.**
  22. Effect on clouds:  
**None**
  23. Additional information concerning object: Reconnaissance of area where object might have fallen conducted by helio copter. Result negative.
  24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:  
**Weather clear, quarter moon.**
- Name and address of observer: **Capt Max W. BOLGATER, CO Co B, 62nd Ass Bn Camp Hood, Texas.**
- Occupation and hobbies:  
**Army officer, horsemanship, shooting, other field sports.**
- Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):  
**Excellent observer with considerable experience in ground reconnaissance.**

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? **Wore glasses, not polaroid.**

Pages 3 & 4 of this report not applicable to this incident.

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*George M. Siders*  
**GEORGE M. SIDERS**  
**Captain, Inf**

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Incident No. 2

1. Date of Observation 30 July Date of Interview 1 August
2. Exact time of observation (local) 2200
3. Place of Observation: 912.9 - 856.9  
(Map Coordinates)
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):  
Dismounted patrol walking.
5. What attracted attention to object:  
Bright light.
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:  
One
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):  
Evening star or planet.
8. Color of object:  
Predominantly white with blue tint.
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):  
Round with long trail.
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):  
Approximately 30°.
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):  
140°
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):  
3 or 4 miles.
13. Direction of flight of object (s):  
South East to South West.
14. Time of sight:  
2 or 3 seconds.
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):  
Very fast - unestimable.

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16. Sound and odor:

**None**

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)

**Long trail of same consistency as main body.**

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):

**Similar to photographers flash bulb.**

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):

**None**

20. Manouvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):

**Straight flight losing altitude.**

21. Manner of disappearance:

**Gradually faded out.**

22. Effect on clouds:

**None**

23. Additional information concerning object:

**None**

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:

**Clear**

Name and address of observer: **Cpl Raymond O. GARCIA  
Pfc Giuseppe Van CHIARI  
Co "B", 82nd Air Assn**

**2d Armored Division  
Camp Hood, Texas**

Occupation and hobbies:

**EM - US Army.**

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

**Fair observers of average intelligence of EM of their grade.**

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? **No.**

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1. Date of Observation 10 Aug 49 Date of Interview 11 Aug 49
2. Exact time of observation (local) (1-2100)-(12-2120)-(13-2215)-(14-225)
3. Place of Observation: Greenville Wn. - 913.3-858.6  
(Map Coordinates)
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):  
Standing at field force observation post.
5. What attracted attention to object:  
Moving light in a clear sky.
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:  
One at each time indicated in # 2.
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):  
Large star.
8. Color of object:  
Primarily white followed by orange trail.
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):  
Generally round with trail.
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):  
40° to 70°
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):  
(1-1.1-40°) (2-3-45 North) (3-4-11. 330°) (4-5-05°)
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc. which object appeared to be):  
Great distance - unestimable.
13. Direction of flight of object (s):  
# 1,3,4 & Almost horizontal with slight increase in altitude, # 2 - ascended almost vertical.
14. Time of sight:  
1/2 second or less.
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):  
Great speed - unestimable.

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16. Sound and odor:  
**None**
17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)  
**Flame like trail with ragged end.**
18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):  
**As brilliant as a star of the first magnitude.**
19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):  
**None**
20. Manouvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):  
**/ 1, 3, & 4 Horizontal flight with slight gain in altitude, / 2 Almost straight up.**
21. Manner of disappearance:  
**Went out like a light.**
22. Effect on clouds:  
**None**
23. Additional information concerning object:  
**Falling stars were observed in the course of the evening but objects reported on were slower moving.**
24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:  
**Clear, moon almost full.**

Name and address of observer: **1st Edwin H. Fildes  
OO - 4th Co., 60th Med Bn  
2d Armd Div., Cp Hood, Texas**

Occupation and hobbies:  
**Officer, US Army.**

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):  
**Excellent observer.**

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? **None.**

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*George W. Sikes*  
**GEORGE W. SIKES  
Captain, Inf  
2d Armd Div  
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1. Date of Observation 20 Aug 49 Date of Interview 21 Aug 49
2. Exact time of observation (local) 2035
3. Place of Observation: GP Crossville Mountain 913.9 - 858.6  
(Map Coordinates)
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):  
Standing
5. What attracted attention to object:  
Moving light in sky
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:  
One
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):  
Looked like the headlight of an old car in the distance
8. Color of object:  
yellow to orange
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object);  
No definite shape - just a moving light
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):  
Straight out from GP - elevation of which is approx. 150 ft above surrounding terrain
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):  
Due North
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):  
Initially sighted 1 to 2 miles from observer
13. Direction of flight of object (s):  
From North to South passing over Killian Base.
14. Time of sight:  
1 to 2 seconds
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):  
600 in 2 seconds

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- 16. Sound and odor:  
**None**
- 17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)  
**Very narrow orange trail - 7 or 8 times the length of main object**
- 18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):  
**Of less intensity than a star**
- 19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennas, canopies, etc.):  
**None**
- 20. Manouvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):  
**Absolutely level flight**
- 21. Manner of disappearance:  
**Out out in a fraction of a second.**
- 22. Effect on clouds:  
**None**
- 23. Additional information concerning object:  
**Past, over Guard House of IB - and was observed by some one at that instn**
- 24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:  
**Very clear**

Name and address of observer: **Lt Ralph E. Schaefer  
4th Co, 66th Med Tk Bn  
2d Armd Div, Camp Hood, Texas**

Occupation and hobbies:  
**Officer, US Army**

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):  
**Excellent observer**

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Did observer wear glasses, especially polarized glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? **NONE**

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*George M. Sifers*  
**GEORGE M. SIFERS**  
**Capt 2nd**  
**Bn, 2d Armd Div**  
**Camp Hood, Texas**

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1. Date of Observation 10 Aug Date of Interview 11 Aug 49
2. Exact time of observation (local) 20:0
3. Place of Observation: Observation Post - Crossville Mo.  
(Map Coordinates) 91.3 - 35.6.
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):  
Standing.
5. What attracted attention to object:  
Moving light.
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:  
One
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):  
20 M. M. tractor ammunition.
8. Color of object:  
Predominantly orange with white trail.
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):  
Rocket.
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):  
30°
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):  
Due North.
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., ever which object appeared to be):  
Great distance - unestimable.
13. Direction of flight of object (s):  
North to South.
14. Time of sight:  
3 to 5 seconds.
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):  
Very great speed - similar to falling star.

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16. Sound and odor:  
**None**
17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)  
**White trail approx. 4 times the length of main body.**
18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):  
**Not as brilliant as a star.**
19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):  
**None**
20. Manouvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):  
**Traveled in a horizontal flight with a slight arc.**
21. Manner of disappearance:  
**Light gradually dimmed and went out.**
22. Effect on clouds:  
**None**
23. Additional information concerning object:  
**Observer did see falling stars but there was no comparison with object mentioned in this report.**
24. Weather conditions and light at time of sightings:  
**Clear.**

Name and address of observer: **Sgt Chester F McFair**  
**SC-Co - 12th AIB**  
**2d Armd Div., Cp Hood, Texas**

Occupation and hobbies:  
**BCO - US Army.**

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

**Fair observer, had difficulty describing his observations.**

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? **None.**

**Pages 3 & 4 of this form not applicable to this incident.**

Interviewed by:

*Robert M. Slavin*  
**Robert M. Slavin**  
**Captain, USAF**  
**Sq 2d Armd Div**  
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2. Exact time of observation (local) APPRX. 2200 & 2230
3. Place of Observation:  
(Map Coordinates) Crossville TN. - 93.3-658.6
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):  
Standing at observation post.
5. What attracted attention to object:  
Unusual light in sky.
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:  
One at a time.
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):  
Shooting star.
8. Color of object:  
White with yellow trail.
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):  
Oval
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):  
APPRX. 30° above horizon.
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):  
Generally North
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):  
1000 - 2500 yards.
13. Direction of flight of object (s):  
From South to North, level flight.
14. Time of sight:  
1 to 2 seconds
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):  
300 M. P. H. or faster.

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16. Sound and odor:

None

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)

Long yellow trail - similar to that left by falling star.

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):

Same brilliancy as average star.

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):

None

20. Manouvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):

Almost level flight, possible slight arc.

21. Manner of disappearance:

Faded out.

22. Effect on clouds:

None

23. Additional information concerning object:

Observer did not see any falling stars during the period of observation.

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:

Clear - Large - Moon.

Name and address of observer: LA Floryan & Yakinovics  
Sp Co - 66th Med Bn  
2d Armored Division, Coy Hood, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:  
Officer.

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

Observer had difficulty explaining in detail what he saw.

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Did observer wear glasses, especially polarized glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? None.

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Interviewed by:

*George M. Sibley*  
GEORGE M. SIBLEY  
Captain, Inf  
Eq 2d Arm Div  
Coy Hood, Texas

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  2. Exact time of observation (local) 2215
  3. Place of Observations: GP Greenville Mountain - 913,3 - 898,6  
(Map Coordinates)
  4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):  
Standing
  5. What attracted attention to object:  
Moving light coming toward observer
  6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping:  
One
  7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):  
Much larger than evening star
  8. Color of object:  
Light red, fading to light yellow
  9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object);  
Round with jagged trail
  10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):  
Possible 8000 ft or greater
  11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):  
Due North (off the west end of Camp Road)
  12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):  
2 or 3 miles
  13. Direction of flight of object (s):  
North to South
  14. Time of sight:  
2 or 3 seconds
  15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):  
Same as above
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16. Sound and odor:  
None
17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)  
Object had a yellow trail and it appeared that there was a colored vapor trail in the sky after the object disappeared
18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):  
Was not very brilliant
19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):  
None
20. Manouvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):  
Straight flight with gradual incline
21. Manner of disappearance:  
Cut off like a light
22. Effect on clouds:  
None
23. Additional information concerning object:  
Object had a jagged outline, appeared to be burning up and disintegrating  
Observer saw falling stars but this object had no comparison to them.
24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:  
Clear

Name and address of observer:

Cpl Joseph E. Madison  
SG Co 12th AID  
2d Armd Div  
Camp Hood, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:

BOO - US Army

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

Fair observer

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Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? None

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*George E. Adams*  
GEORGE E. ADAMS  
Capt  
SG, 2d Armd Div  
Camp Hood, Texas

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Subject: OBJECTS SIGHTED OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE

Attached to this summary are enclosures which clarify and substantiate the information submitted in Summaries of Information, subject as above, dated 25 October 1950, 2 November 1950, and 8 November 1950.

The following is a revised chronological summary of the reported events which have occurred at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, concerning "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge, Tennessee."

(Refer to Summaries of Information, "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge, Tennessee," dated 13 October 1950, 17 October 1950, 21 October 1950, 2 November 1950, 8 November 1950, and 14 November 1950.)

June 1947. Mr. W. R. Pressley photographed a flying object at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. The street in the foreground has been identified as Illinois Avenue, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

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20 June 1949. At 1900 hours Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Anderson and Mrs. John A. White sighted three objects at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, similar to SUBJECT.

1 - 6 March 1950. Mr. Stuart Adcock reported peculiar readings on his "Ham" Radar Scope. These objects reappeared at approximately the same time of day which is similar to SUBJECT. (Refer: Summary of Information, Subject; Unidentified Objects Over Oak Ridge Vicinity, dated 6 March 1950.)

12 October 1950. 2325 hours. Knoxville Airport Radar Unit indicated a series of unidentified targets over the "Restricted Zone" at Oak Ridge.

12 October 1950. 2347. Fighter aircraft was at the position of the radar target and made three perfect interceptions but could see nothing.

13 October 1950. 0000-0100 hours. Additional Radar plots as before.

15 October 1950. Approximately 1400 hours. Major L. E. Ronniger, accompanied by his daughter, heard intermittent noises.

15 October 1950. 1517 hours. Fighter plane made unsuccessful passes at a good radar target four (4) miles from the East Boundary (Kerr Hollow Gate).

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30 July 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECURITY OFFICER, OCAMA

Subject: DAN NELSON, Attorney-at-Law, 926 Perrine Building,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: Flying Saucer Mystery Solved.

On 30 July 1947 DAN NELSON was interviewed at his office, 926 Perrine Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, relative to his alleged solving of the Flying Saucer Mystery.

Subject, whose age is 53, is at present engaged in practicing law and is the agent for the Dual Parking Meter Company. Subject advised he is married and has two sons, ages seven and ten, residing at 2613 N.W. 14th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Nelson stated he was a sergeant in World War I, being wounded in action while serving with Company L, 58th Infantry, and that before entering the service he had an eighth grade education. After leaving the service he finished his education and graduated from the University of Oklahoma in 1929. He advised that since 1929 he has practiced general law in both Norman and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Subject stated he notified the War Department by letter on 19 July 1947, advising them of his discoveries concerning the Flying Saucer Mystery. He received an answer dated 23 July 1947 advising him his letter had been referred to the Air Forces. NELSON stated he heard no more from the War Department as of 29 July 1947, at which time he released his statement to the "Daily Oklahoman," Oklahoma City local newspaper.

Subject advised the basis for his theory concerning the Flying Saucer Mystery was obtained from simple experiments which he conducted while driving his automobile. NELSON stated he believed that many people had seen lights or shining objects cast onto their windshields and side ventilator windows of their automobile and reflected as a saucer or disc shaped object. He stated that the movement of the automobile, plus the fact that the glass was not a perfect mirror and passing objects could be seen in relation to the objects gave them an appearance of great speed.

Subject advised that the vibration of the car gave the objects an appearance of rotating and that the reflections caused them to appear flat or saucer shaped. NELSON stated that any number of objects might be seen according to the direction that the car is traveling and the number of bright objects being reflected onto the window. He further stated that these objects might be seen in an ordinary window in a house according to the lighting

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conditions, and that the objects might be either vertical or horizontal. The subject related that any change in speed of the car resulted in a change in speed of the object, and that changes of direction resulted in a change in the angle of travel of the object.

NELSON stated he has not talked to any persons that had actually seen flying saucers or discs but he believed that these reflections plus the excitement and hysteria caused by other reports has been the basis for most flying saucer reports. Subject also stated that this same theory could be true in relation to flying saucers seen from aircraft.

Attached hereto is a detailed statement by NELSON covering his findings and explaining his solution to the so-called Flying Saucer Kystery.

*Kalman D. Simon*  
KALMAN D. SIMON  
C.I., U.S. Army

# FLYING SAUCER MYSTERY SOLVED

July 12, 1947.

The most impressive reports of the so-called flying saucers or discs were those from aviators who claim they saw disc-shaped objects flying through the air in various formations at high altitudes and at a high rate of speed. The first report was from an aviator who stated that these so-called flying discs had a somewhat shiny appearance and would fly in formation and change their position from time to time. Most reports stated that they appeared in the late afternoon or about dusk.

Most all reports were to the effect that these objects had the appearance of an inverted disc or saucer, and some of them reported that they appeared to be rotating in their flight.

The mystery of the flying saucers or discs may be solved by the use of a little applied science along with a few simple experiments.

These flying discs or saucers can be observed by any motorist traveling along the highways when the sun is shining on most any afternoon or evening. During the daylight most of these so-called flying discs are reflections from the sun shining upon some bright object in or on the automobile driven by the observer. For instance, if you were driving in a north-westerly direction with the sun shining on the handle of the front or rear door on the left side of the car, you may notice a shiny object appear in the ventilation wing of the window on the drivers left, if it is opened to about a 45° angle.

These shiny objects may have various forms and there may be more than one, depending on the number of reflections. They may appear to be in the sky when the driver looks through the ventilation wing glass. Their position in the sky depends upon the angle at which the object is reflected in the ventilation wing and the position of the observer. They may have various forms but very frequently they are of a saucer shape or a flat shape when they appear to be in the sky.

The ventilation wing during day-light is not of course a perfect mirror, therefore, it appears to the driver or observer that he is actually looking through the glass into the sky. As he moves along, the bright objects appear to be traveling at a high rate of speed in comparison with the stationary objects on the ground, or the distant horizon, that he sees through the window, or in comparison with the faintly silhouetted objects on the landscape which at times are reflected in the window.

The flying saucer appears to be traveling in the same general direction as the automobile but sometimes a little to the right which makes it appear that it will eventually cross the drivers path. The apparent flight direction of the saucer is due to the angle of the ventilation wing glass in its relation to the direction in which the car is traveling. The number and position of the saucers reflected in the glass depend upon the number and contour of objects reflected therein by the sun. Bright objects on a car approaching from the rear may cast such reflections on your ventilation wing in the daytime.

If the ventilation wing window were a perfect mirror the objects causing the reflections would appear therein, as well as all other objects within range, but the ventilation wing, being a sort of a semi-mirror, does not reflect the object but only the bright spot, which leaves the impression that the observer is actually looking through the glass and that the object actually appears to be in the sky, or at times a long distance away. These results are best obtained in the late afternoon, or after sun down.

The aviators who reported seeing flying discs or saucers, undoubtedly were seeing the reflection of bright objects in or on their own plane. They saw them as reflected in their canopy or wind shield, but failed to recognize them as reflections. Otherwise they were reflections from other air craft.

As the aviator traveled along observing the movement of the disc in comparison with the mountains, clouds or stationary objects on the earth, made them appear to be traveling at a high rate of speed. The sloping angle of the aviators wind-shield and his position in the plane made it appear that the discs were in the sky. The position of the discs also depend upon the position of the observer and the angle at which they are reflected in the glass.

Some of the reports stated that where there were more than one flying disc, they appeared to be fastened together and frequently performed a dipping or rising motion and when one would dip, they would all go through the same motion simultaneously. The simultaneous movement is due to the reflections all coming from the same object. For instance, if they

are reflected from some bright object in or on the car or plane, the up and down motion of the car or plane causes the flying discs to appear to be going through a dipping and rising motion, or, if the reflecting object is stationary and the car moving, the results will be the same.

The statement that the discs appeared to be rotating as they sailed through the atmosphere is due to the vibration of the automobile or plane. Vibrations make them appear to be rotating at a very high rate of speed. Vibration is what gives them a flat or disc-like shape also.

If you wish to see some flying discs, make a drive at about dusk or at night, open your ventilation wing window at about a 45° angle from the drivers seat and watch the reflections of the stationary electric lights that appear on your left, if you are driving, after you pass them, and see how many discs you can observe flying through the air. If there are not too many lights to your rear, you may have a perfect formation of beautiful flying discs which may be red, green or silver according to the color of the electric lights which you have passed. They appear most realistic when traveling about forty-five or fifty miles per hour. If you do not get satisfactory results from your first experiments, try again. After you have learned when and where to look for them, your observations become more pleasing and interesting.

Even the lights of an approaching automobile from your rear may appear as one flying disc in your ventilation wing. The reflections of the approaching lights will appear in your ventilation wing unless the side of your car protrudes out so far as to prevent the light beam from shining on the wing.

These appear best when the approaching car is some distance away, perhaps a quarter or half a mile. The results at night may not be as impressive as those in the late afternoon because at night your ventilation wing window makes a more perfect mirror and the passing landscape is not as pronounced, therefore, the reflections therein are more easily detected as reflections. In the late afternoon, however, you have a feeling that you are actually looking through the glass and the reflected objects appear more real. The sun shining on a bright ring on your finger with your hand resting on the steering wheel may cast disc-like reflections in your wind shield. The form of the reflection will depend upon the ornamental decorations on your ring.

The rear door handle on my automobile reflects nine beautiful, little, silver, flying discs in the bright sun-light. These appear in the lower part of the ventilation wing and when traveling on a level highway, they appear to be racing along with me at the road side. These nine discs appear in a formation of two rows of four each, with the ninth one in the lead at the center of the formation. They appear as whirling propellers in a vertical position. These discs also have streamers which are due to the curvature and decorative pattern on the handle. While traveling north in the early afternoon under a bright sun, these nine discs appeared far below to my left, racing up the valley at a terrific rate.

You may be able to see flying discs in your own home. If you will turn on a small electric light in the hall-way and then look through the window at the other end of the hall,

you may see as many as three flying discs from one electric light bulb, which may have more or less of a ball shape. These discs many times appear as inverted saucers, and if you will change your position slowly you will see that they change their position also. These are best observed in the late afternoon or between sun down and dusk, when it appears to you that you are merely looking through the window pane at the discs suspended in the distance. As darkness comes on, the window pane becomes a more perfect mirror and your discs appear as reflections in a mirror.

To watch the discs, through your ventilation wing, sail along with you as you drive through the country, becomes very fascinating, especially if you use a little imagination. It may absorb your thoughts completely, therefore, I would admonish automobile drivers watching the flying discs, to be cautious and not run off the road or into some other car.

Some of the reports on flying saucers, heretofore not explained in this article, such as those reported seeing bright flashes in the sky, were no doubt reflected sun-light from planes. These light beams chanced to cross the line of vision of the observer. They frequently appear very brilliant and may more or less blind the observer for an instant. If the plane is very high it may not be seen by the observer, which may be due to impaired vision or the great height at which the plane is flying. We very often get these same blinding flashes from automobile wind-shields. Many of the reports around July 4th. were incited by various forms of fire works.

Some reports stemmed from pure imagination or hysteria, while others were deliberate hoaxes. Any other reports can be explained if all the surrounding facts are known.

Most all of the reports and descriptions of the flying saucers coincide so clearly with the findings herein, that there could be no doubt but that we have the correct solution.

The foregoing statement may not be couched in precise scientific terms, and may not be scientifically exact, however, we believe it is so worded that the average layman can understand it and that it is sufficiently correct to prove the proposition.

Personally, I do not believe that the so-called flying saucers or the solution thereof, are of any military value, unless the Government wished to retain this information for the psychological effect upon any potential enemy nation, such as Germany did in regard to their so-called secret weapons during the war.

*Don Nelson*  
Oklahoma City

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: February 10, 1949

FROM: SAC, EL PASO

SUBJECT: PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS  
Bureau file #65-58300

*Flying Disc*

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Mr. Tolson	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Ladd	.....
Mr. Nichols	.....
Mr. Rosen	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Gurnea	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Hendon	.....
Mr. Pennington	.....
Mr. Quinn Tamm	.....
Mr. Nease	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

Reference is made to the letter from the San Antonio Office to the Director dated 1/31/49. *u*

On 2/6/49 PAUL RYAN, Office of Special Investigations, Roswell, New Mexico, advise the resident agent at Roswell that he had just left a conference with Dr. LINCOLN LA PAZ, Meteorologist, who has written a letter summarizing the search for the "Unidentified Aerial Phenomena".

RYAN advised that Dr. LA PAZ came to Roswell after one of these objects had been observed by several persons in the Roswell area the night of January 30, 1949 at approximately 6:00 P.M. One of these persons who witnessed the object was an OSI Investigator who stated the object appeared to explode or (disseminate) near the Walker Air Force Base at Roswell, New Mexico. *disseminate*

RYAN informed that all of his agents had been searching the area around Roswell, Artesia, Tatum, and Kenna, New Mexico; Amherst, Brownfield, and Lamesa, Texas, where the phenomena had recently been observed. These searches all met with negative results.

Dr. LA PAZ advanced the theory to RYAN that the objects were controlled missiles traveling around the earth at an altitude of approximately 25 miles and at a speed of approximately 15 miles per second. The missile was probably controlled by agents stationed at various intervals who are able to bring the missile down over a designated area and explode it. He stated that Dr. LA PAZ added that he believed the Russians or some other country was practicing with these weapons which carried no war head and were being exploded at an altitude of approximately 10 miles. After the practice period LA PAZ assumed the weapons would be loaded with an atomic war head.

LA PAZ told RYAN that two men whom he interviewed at Kenna, New Mexico, who had observed phenomena which appeared to have disseminated near Tatum, New Mexico, had informed him "nothing will be found". LA PAZ stated he attached significance to the above statement and that the men apparently had some knowledge that the phenomena was not a meteorite. *disseminate*

RYAN advised his Office would keep this Office informed of any current developments.

CC: San Antonio

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A review of your referenced letter reflects that Dr. Lincoln La Paz, Meteorologist, indicated to Mr. Paul Ryan, Office of Special Investigations, Roswell, New Mexico, that two men whom he interviewed at Kenna, New Mexico apparently had some knowledge that the "unidentified aerial phenomena" was not a meteorite.

It is believed desirable that you endeavor to ascertain the identity of these two individuals at Kenna, New Mexico and to interview them for any information which they may be able to furnish relative to this matter.

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- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
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See

July 21, 1947

Chief of Army Intelligence  
Washington 25, D.C.

Sir:

On Sunday, July 20th, I observed an aircraft in flight that was unlike any I have seen to date and may shed some light on the "Flying Saucer Mystery".

I served four years - 1942 to 1946 - with the Army Air Service as a member of Naval Signal Corps assigned to the "Light" Center and where the aircraft was inspected. During this time I had the opportunity to observe all types of aircraft and understand all types of conditions but I never saw one like this one.

At 9:25 AM (EST) Sunday July 20th, I observed an unknown object that appeared to me circular or possibly round, light almost white in color, with a dark area at or near its center, flying on a North West by West direction on the same route used by Commercial Airlines between Washington, D.C. and Baltimore, Md. The point of observation was approximately 25 miles East of Cumberland, Md. from the Northwest bank of the Potomac River.

The object was about three feet (3 ft) across and I was about 1000 feet away from it. I was at an altitude of 6000 and was just at the top of the clouds. I was wearing a dark suit and morning to which I paid little attention, but with the opposition of the craft, my question was a most thing.

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... that given a steady increase until it  
reached the proportion of as loud as or where  
the craft was over head. This sound was  
not unlike that of a jet propelled plane except  
the terrific volume was unusually loud.

Due to the over cast conditions of the day  
I was unable to see the aircraft until it had  
passed overhead and going away from me  
across a cleavage when it was clearly visible  
for a period of about twenty (20) seconds. The  
aircraft was above the top most layer of clouds  
or somewhere in the vicinity of 12000 ft  
altitude. At 07:47 AM saw D.C.4 aircraft  
passed over going in the same direction and  
on the same course at about 5000 ft altitude.

The peculiar differences were:

- a. The craft was considerably longer than  
in shape.
- b. It was almost or silver white in color with  
a dark area at the center.
- c. There was no track of smoke made as  
usual in the jet.
- d. It passed over about 15 to 20 times faster  
than the one mentioned D.C.4.
- e. Its size by comparison and possibly  
comparable with a baseball hit soft from the  
eye.

The only conclusion I have reached is  
the matter was ...

as this is an entirely new type of aircraft

It is a high powered jet propelled aircraft with a point jet designed to hide the tail assembly and wing tips, since neither were considered.

A check of aircraft in this area at the time specified should determine our present answer this instance.

If possible, I should like very much to know the answer.

John D. Thompson

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- 15 October 1950. 1520 hours. SUBJECT seen at Kerr Hollow Gate by Troopers Rymer and Zarzecki, Mr. Hightower, and Mr. Moneymaker.
- 15 October 1950. 1520 hours. Radar scopes at McGhee-Tyson Airport indicate unidentified targets.
- 16 October 1950. 1455 to 1530 hours. Objects seen by Troopers Isabell, Briggs and Clark.
- 16 October 1950. 1520 hours. Radar scopes at McGhee-Tyson Airport giving unintelligible readings.
- 16 October 1950. 1956 to 2004 hours. NEPA Guards, Brown, Herron, and Davis, report peculiar sounds.
- 20 October 1950. 1655 hours. Visual sighting by Larry P. Riordan, Security Chief, X-10 Plant.
- 23 October 1950. 1630 hours. Visual sighting made by Francis J. Miller (Geiger counters in the vicinity had unexplainable readings at about this time.)
- 24 October 1950. 1855 to 1900 hours. Visual sighting of a light by Major Sullivan, Mr. Fray, and the Radar Station.
- 25 October 1950. 1855 to 1900 hours. Several small, slow lights detected in the area.
- 26 October 1950. Robert W. Lassell and five others sighted object from the Knoxville Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee.
- 5 November 1950. 1155 to 1200 hours. Visual sighting by Don Patrick.
- \*25 May 1949. In the vicinity of Loudon, Tennessee, a flat, metallic object, accompanied by "a flapping noise", was seen by five people living in that area.

List of Enclosures:

1. Statement by Robert F. Myers, Weather Section, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, concerning the peculiar sighting on 25 May 1949.
2. Statement by William G. Frey, Security Section, NEPA Division, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, concerning "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge" on 24 October 1950.
3. Statement by Major Lawrence H. Ballweg concerning "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge" on 24 October 1950.
4. Interview with Mr. Don Patrick, Illustrator, NEPA Division, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, concerning "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge" on 5 November 1950 and a sketch thereof.
5. Certified true tracing copies of the original notes and sketches made by Mr. Don Patrick at the time and place of observation.
6. Interview concerning objects sighted over Knoxville Airport on 29 October 1950.
7. Interview concerning the releases of balloons, the captive Blimp, and other weather data, and the release of radioactive particles in "Argon".
8. Interview with Francis J. Miller concerning "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge" on 23 October 1950, and Geiger counter readings in that vicinity.
9. Knoxville Radar Site report concerning "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge" on 25 October 1950.

21 October 1950

FAO #8, P. O. Box 379, Knoxville, Tennessee

**OBJECTS SIGHTED OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE**

(Refer: Summaries of Information, Subject; as above, dated 13 and 17 October 1950)

Attached to this Summary is eleven (11) inclosures which tend to clarify information contained in the former two (2) Summaries of Information on SUBJECT. These inclosures are composed of witness statements; background information concerning previous sightings of peculiar objects over Oak Ridge; and radar reports. The most reliable sources available were utilized in the compilation of this report. The employment records and the Federal Bureau of Investigation reports concerning the witnesses were inspected to ascertain their reliability, integrity, and loyalty to the United States Government.

The opinions of the officials of the Security Division, AEC, Oak Ridge; Security Branch, NEPA Division, Oak Ridge; AEC Security Patrol, Oak Ridge; FBI, Knoxville; Air Force Radar and Fighter Squadrons, Knoxville; and the OSI, Knoxville Tennessee, fail to evolve an adequate explanation for SUBJECT, however the possibilities of practical jokers, mass hysteria, balloons of any description, flights of birds (with or without cobwebs or other objects attached), falling leaves, insect swarms, peculiar weather conditions, reflections, flying kites, objects thrown from the ground, windblown objects, insanity, and many other natural happenings have been rejected because of the simultaneous witnessing of the objects with the reported radar sightings; because of the reliability of the witnesses; because of the detailed, similar description of the objects seen by different persons; and because of impossibility.

The trend of opinions seem to follow three patterns of thought. The first is that the objects are a physical phenomenon which have a scientific explanation; the second is that the objects are experimental objects (from an undetermined source) guided by electronics; and the third is similar to the second except that an intended demoralization or harassment is involved. The fantastic is generally rejected.

These objects have apparently followed only two patterns. The first is that they were sighted at the same hour on two consecutive days and the second is that the time of flight is either to or from the Northeast and Southwest, which directions parallel the terrain ridges in this locality.

Attention is invited to the 1947 photograph of a flying object (inclosure #8). Atomic Energy Commission officials advise that the Air Force Laboratory at Wright Field, Ohio, indicate that the object is a water sport on the photograph. Because this object does not resemble other water sports on the photograph, and because the object in the second photograph is following the dim trail left by the first object, some officials at Atomic Energy Commission question the veracity of

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this statement. They also believe it significant that the Air Force did not return the negative of this print.

Following is a chronological summary of the reported events which have occurred at Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

- June 1947 - Mr. W. R. Pressley photographed a flying object at Oak Ridge, Tenn. The street in the foreground has been identified as Illinois Avenue, Oak Ridge, Tennessee. (Inclosure # 8)
- 20 June 1949 - At 1900 hours Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Anderson and Mrs. John A. White sighted three objects at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, similar to SUBJECT. (Inclosure #9)
- 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, March 1950 - Mr. Stuart Adcock reported peculiar readings on his "Eum Radar Scope. These objects reappeared at approximately the same time of day which is similar to SUBJECT. (Refer: Summary of Information, Subject; Unidentified Objects Over Oak Ridge Vicinity, dated 6 March 1950.)
- 12 October 1950 - 2325 hours - Knoxville Airport Radar Unit indicated a series of unidentified targets over the "Restricted Zone" at Oak Ridge. (Incl. #)
- 12 October 1950 - 2341 Fighter aircraft was at the position of the radar target and made three perfect interceptions but could see nothing. (Incl. #)
- 13 October 1950 - 0000 to 0100 hours. Additional Radar plots as before. (Incl. #1)
- 13 October 1950 hours. Major L. E. Romiger, accompanied by his daughter, heard intermittent noises. (Inclosure # 7)
- 15 October 1950-1511 hours. Fighter plane made unsuccessful passes at a good radar target four (4) miles from the East Boundary (Kerr Hollow Gate (Inclosure # 4)
- 15 October 1950-1520 hours. SUBJECT seen at Kerr Hollow Gate by Troopers Rymer and Zarzecki, Mr. Hightower, and Mr. Moneymaker. (Inclosures #3,10,
- 15 October 1950-1520 hours. Radar scopes at McGhee-Tyson Airport indicate unidentified targets. (Inclosure # 4)

16 October 1950-1455 to 1530 hours. Objects seen by troopers Isabell, Briggs and Clark. (Inclosures #5 and #6)

16 October 1950-1520 hours. Radar scopes at McGhee-Tyson Airport giving unintelligible readings. (Inclosure # 4)

16 October 1950 - 1956 to 2004 hours. NEPA Guards, Brown, Herron, and Davis Report peculiar sounds. (Inclosure # 7)

Attached to the original only are two Knoxville OSI reports concerning SUBJECT.

CORRECTION on second page of the S/I, Subject as above, dated 13 October 1950, replace the word Oliver Springs for "Sulphur Springs".

SOURCE: Major R. C. Care, Capt. W. Akin, Lt. Clevenger, (Knoxville Radar Site); Lt. Wolf (Pilot of fighter aircraft); Eastern Air Defense Command Representative; Special Agent OSI; Officials of Security Division, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee; Atomic Energy Commission Security Patrol; Security Troopers Rymor, Zarzecki, Briggs, Clark, and Isabell; John Moneymaker; E. W. Hightower; Federal Bureau of Investigation; Officials of Security Branch, NEPA, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

17 October 1950

CIC, FAO # 8, P.O. Box 379, Knoxville, Tennessee

OBJECTS SIGHTED OVER OAK RIDGE

(Refer: Summary of Information, Subject: as above, dated 15 Oct 1950.)

On 13 October 1950 Atomic Energy Security Patrol Trooper, Edward D. Rymer, and a caretaker, John Moneymaker, from the University of Tennessee Research Farm, at Oak Ridge, saw an object at about 12,000 to 15,000 feet above Soloway Gate of the "Control Zone." This object appeared to be an aircraft which was starting to make an outside loop, trailing smoke behind. Soon these two men realized that the formerly described smoke behind the aircraft was a tail. This object continued to descend in a controlled dive, much slower than an aircraft would dive, and when it approached the ground it levelled off and flew slowly, parallel to the ground. This object came within two hundred and ten (210) feet of the two observers and was paralleling the ground at approximately the speed that a man could walk, at a height of approximately six (6) feet. Trooper Rymer attempted to approach the object but as he approached the object became smaller and started moving in a southeasterly direction. This object is said to have approached a nine (9) foot cyclone chain link fence and made a controlled movement to clear the fence, then a Willow tree, then a telephone post and wire, after which the object gained momentum and altitude and cleared a hill at approximately one (1) mile away. The object appeared to be pear shaped. When this object was over the hill it was still visible as the same sized object that was observed when only fifty (50) feet away. (The explanation given was that this object grew larger as it gained altitude and speed.)

Approximately five minutes later the object appeared again having reappeared from approximately the same location from which it had disappeared. The object was seen again five minutes later for approximately ten seconds.

During the above happenings, Mr. John Moneymaker had visual reference of this object during its first slight for approximately seven minutes. Trooper Rymer was interrupted twice during which times he called his headquarters in an attempt to get other observers. Also, during the fantastic flight of this object, Trooper Rymer stopped Mr. E. W. Hightower, who was on the highway in his vehicle, to verify what was being seen. Mr. Hightower's statement substantiates the description as before.

By the time the object appeared the second time, Joe Zarzecki, Capt. of the Atomic Energy Commission Security Patrol, was present and also witnessed this phenomenon.

Each of the observers described the object substantially as follows:

- a. When the object was first sighted it appeared to be an aircraft, trailing smoke, or better described as "smoke writing."

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- b. When the object was approaching the ground in its descent, it took on the shape of a bullet with a large tail.
- c. When the object was sighted on the ground (from approximately two hundred and ten (210) feet) it appeared to be approximately the size of a 2x5 card, with a twenty (20) foot ribbon tail. The object and the tail was alternately moving up and down, and the ribbon appeared to be waving in the breeze. The color was a metallic grey.
- d. When Trooper Rymer came within fifty (50) feet of the object he described it similar to the above except that the first two and one-half feet of the tail appeared more solid, but the last seventeen and one-half (17½) feet of the tail appeared almost transparent and was glowing, intermittently, in sections. The tail appeared to have four or five sections which would glow intermittently.

Trooper Rymer's record is among the best of the troopers at the Atomic Energy Commission Security Patrol. Mr. John Moneymaker holds badge No. UT-1817, and is employed by the University of Tennessee Agricultural Research Farm as a caretaker for small animals. Mr. E. W. Hightower holds badge No. 6633 and is an employee of the Maxon Construction Company.

The Controller, Capt. W. Akin, of Detachment No. 2, 662 AC and W Sqd., McGee-Tyson Airport, P. O. Box 202, Maryville, Tennessee, at the Knoxville Airport Radar Site, made a report that he had seen peculiar readings on the radar scopes at approximately 1520 hours. Apparently the radar picture was indefinite, intermittent, and inaccurate, because the objects sighted by radar would only make a short "painting" on the scope and would then disappear only to reappear at another location.

On 16 October 1950, at approximately 1520 hours, five persons (as yet unknown) sighted objects hovering over the K-25 plant at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Further information and description is expected from these sources. However, the radar scopes at Knoxville Airport were giving an unintelligible reading. Apparently the Commanding Officer was reluctant to make any statement concerning these readings due to higher Headquarters doubting the event of the past few days.

Nevertheless, a fighter aircraft from the 5th Fighter Sqd. was sent to identify an object which was reported to be hovering over K-25. Upon approaching the area the radar equipment aboard the aircraft got an image on its scope and the pilot pursued this image and identified it as a light type aircraft. Ground

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observers state that the fighter plane passed beneath the object which they were observing. The Security Division, Atomic Energy Commission, will attempt to have the observers, or some of the observers, make these same statements while undergoing a polygraph test.

Further information will be submitted as soon as possible as soon as an adequate verification has been obtained.

SOURCE: Atomic Energy Security Patrol Trooper, Edward D. Rymer; John Moneymaker; Joe Zarzecki, Cap. of the Atomic Energy Security Patrol; E. W. Hightower; Officials of the Atomic Energy Commission, Security Division; Major Care, Capt. W. Akin, McGee-Tyson Radar Site.

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OBJECTS SIGHTED OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE

At 1655 hours, on 20 October 1950, Mr. Larry P. Riordan, AEC Badge No. 522, Superintendent of Security at X-10 in the "Control Zone" at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, while enroute from X-10 to the Oak Ridge residential area, on Benton Valley Road, saw an object in the sky which appeared to be directly over the University of Tennessee Agricultural Research Farm. This object gave the general appearance of an aerial balloon which had lost its "basket." In other words, the object was generally round; appeared to come together at the bottom in wrinkles (rather indistinct), and something was hanging below. The balloon was described as being from eight to ten feet long; of a lead pipe or gunmetal color; and seemed to be approximately one-fourth ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) mile from the observer, at a thirty (30) degree elevation above the horizon. The object was apparently stationary but since the observer was in a moving vehicle, he did not verify that it was stationary. As the vehicle in which he was travelling changed position, and went around a curve, Mr. Riordan noticed that this object appeared to be thinner. He concludes that by reason of his changing position, or the object changing its altitude, he observed another angle of the object which appeared to be thinner than upon his first sighting.

At the time of the observation there was adequate light and the object was plainly visible. Mr. Riordan is a responsible person, as is indicated by his position, and he has been aware of the many instances of reported objects flying in the sky. He is also very familiar with the weather balloons which are sent up hourly each day over Oak Ridge between 6:00 a.m. of one day until 1:00 a.m. of the next day. The size of these balloons vary but, generally, they are similar to a circus balloon which is about twenty-four (24) inches in diameter. Mr. Riordan is certain the object seen was not a weather balloon but his first impression was that this object was an experimental "gab" being utilized by the University of Tennessee Agricultural Research Farm.

Mr. Riordan has been the Security Chief of X-10 since 14 July 1943. His vision is normal except that he has negligible impairment of the right eye. Like many of the Atomic Energy Commission officials, Mr. Riordan has hoped for the opportunity to see one of these objects, and under the circumstances, he visualized it as accurately as possible.

At 1845 hours, on 24 October 1950, Mr. William B. Fry, Assistant Chief of Security, NEPA Division, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, while attending a Drive-in theater with his wife and child, at Oak Ridge, noticed an object in the sky North-Northwest of his position, at a thirty (30) to forty (40) degree,

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elevation. This object was moving gently in a horizontal plane, back and forth, within thirty (30) degrees of his line of sight. This object emitted a glow, varying in color from red to green, to blue-green, to blue, and to orange. The variations were checked on the vertical window post of Mr. Fry's vehicle and were witnessed by Mr. Fry's wife. The attention of another observer, the Projectionist at the Drive-in theater, was also called to the object and verification of this sighting was made. The object disappeared from his sight at 1920 hours.

At 1855 hours, on 24 October 1950, an Air Force Major, Lawrence Ballweg, NEPA Division, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, also saw from his residence an object which he described similarly. The object disappeared from the sight of Mr. Ballweg at 1920 hours, which coincides with the time of disappearance of the object from Mr. Fry's sight.

On 20 October 1950, at 1527 hours, aircraft No. AF-409, Pilot Wolf, 5th AW-Fighter Sqd., took off from the Knoxville Airport for a "local patrol". The Radar Unit at Knoxville Airport received readings on their Radar scope and sent the aircraft after these targets. The aircraft Pilot was unable to identify any flying object in the vicinity of the said targets. All targets were between eighteen (18) and twenty-five (25) miles from the Airport at 320 degrees. The aircraft was landed at 1713 hours. (Attention is invited to the fact that these targets were sighted at approximately the same time, and locality, that was reported by Mr. Larry Riordan.)

On 24 October 1950, at 1823 hours, several small, slow targets were seen on the Radar screen at the Knoxville Airport Radar Site. These targets appeared in the Southeast sector of the "Restricted Flying Zone" and over the city of Oak Ridge. These targets moved from the city area to and along the East boundary of the area. At 1826 hours, the fighter aircraft was "scrambled" and proceeded to the area where it was vectored among the targets but the pilot reported no visual contact with said targets. At 1920 hours the targets disappeared from the Radar Screen and the fighter was vectored toward another target believed to be one of three (3) aircraft enroute from Andrews Field to Stewart Field. (Note: 1920 hours is also the time that the object sighted by Mr. Fry and Major Ballweg disappeared from their view).

(Overall evaluation: C-3)

SOURCE: Mr. Larry P. Riordan, Security Superintendent, X-10; William M. Price, OSI, Knoxville, Tennessee; Mr. George Rathman, Security Division, AEC, Oak Ridge, Tennessee; and Major Raymond C. Care, USAF Area Defense Commander, Knoxville Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee.

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OBJECTS SIGHTED OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE:

On 26 October 1950, at approximately 500 hours, Col. Edwin W. Thompson, 0-340793, Camp Stewart, Georgia, heard a noise which he described as "similar to Jet aircraft blast". This noise was intermittent and continued for several moments. Col. Thompson was on the turnpike at Oak Ridge for a morning walk at the time, and he believed that this noise was being emitted from a factory in the near vicinity. Although he was aware of some of the facts concerning "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge" during the past two weeks, he still did not contribute this as pertinent.

NOTES: Col. Thompson is unfamiliar with Oak Ridge, having arrived for the first time there on 25 October 1950. His description coincides with that of Major L. E. Ronniger who heard a similar noise on 17 October 1950, and also coincides with the description of the noise heard by Guards S. R. Brown, H. C. Harris, George R. Davis between the hours of 1950 and 2004 hours on 16 October 1950.

On 23 October 1950, at 1630 hours, Mr. F. J. Miller at the X-10 plant, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, saw an object generally referred to as "the flying saucer". He stated that this object was at an altitude of approximately 1000 feet. The speed of the object was not determined.

The following is an article printed in the Clinton Courier-News, dated 26 October 1950:

"Anderson county finally got into the act.

"After two years of reports from all over the nation concerning flying saucers, and after writers have made scads of money arguing the authenticity of flying discs back and forth and up and down, one of the "ships from Mars" has at last been reported as seen in Anderson county.

"This saucer was seen about a week ago in the Oak Ridge area. Just what day no one knows - or will tell. However, the saucer was reported by Jay Moneymaker, an Oak Ridge worker who lives near Edgemoor Bridge, an Oak Ridge guard and another unidentified man. The three men saw it hovering, flying, crouching or something over the area at Oak Ridge, they said.

"Moneymaker isn't talking, however. His family isn't talking. In fact the whole neighborhood is making like a bunch of professional clams. Other than to say he saw "something," he is saying nothing. His family also says he saw "something," but nothing more. The neighbors just say nothing.

"This modesty of Moneymaker, his family and his neighbors is reportedly the result of a visit one night recently from several species of intelligence officers from heaven knows where.

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1 cc Sec. Div., AEC, Oak Ridge, Tenn.  
1 cc OSI, Knoxville, Tenn.

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OBJECTS SIGHTED OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE (continued)

"The intelligence-officer reports that leaked out, however, state that the disc was large and that smoke was coming from it. There was no report as to whether the smoke was black, white or lavender blue. The same reports also indicated that the objects came close to the ground and that the men were mistaken in their identity of it.

"No one will even say whether it was day or night, whether it was raining or the moon was shining when the three men happened to look up. However, Moneymaker works the day shift."

NOTES: Neither of the incidents mentioned in this summary were verified by Radar screen sightings at McGhee-Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee.

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19 October 1950

The following accounts of activity at the Radar Operations Section, of Detachment # 2, 662nd AC & W Squadron, McGhee-Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee, is extracted from their official report dated 13 October 1950. Other pertinent information was submitted in a previous Summary of Information, Subject: Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge, Tennessee, dated 13 October 1950.

"The first target, H-47 at 2325 E.S.T., 12 October 1950, appeared as per diagram (Inclosure #2). Then in rapid succession, we had H-48, H-49, and H-51 appear.

"Called AEC; they had no report of an Aircraft at this time --2325.

"Called Atlanta; they had no flight plans on anything coming from the North.

"Arrow (Fighter Aircraft) airborne at 2339 E.S.T. and vectored on 290 degrees, Angels (altitude) 2500. There were three perfect intercepts on the scope on H-48, but no joy (Fighter aircraft made no contact). Height Finder gave approximate angels of target at 3000. These angels varied from 1500 to 5000 feet on various targets throughout the evening. One intercept of H-48 was 14 miles at 270 degrees and from a stern approach; no joy.

"Pulled fighter off this target and sent him back into area at angels 5000. He made complete sweep of area and saw nothing.

"Notified Radar Maintenance, who checked the operation of the Radar and switched channels.

"By this time all targets had faded and area was clear. We steered Arrow back to base and he pancaked (landed) at 0014, E.S.T., 13 October 1950.

"Very shortly after pancake, various targets again appeared through the area. They gave good paints (images) on the Radar Scope) but faded completely at times and then would reappear.

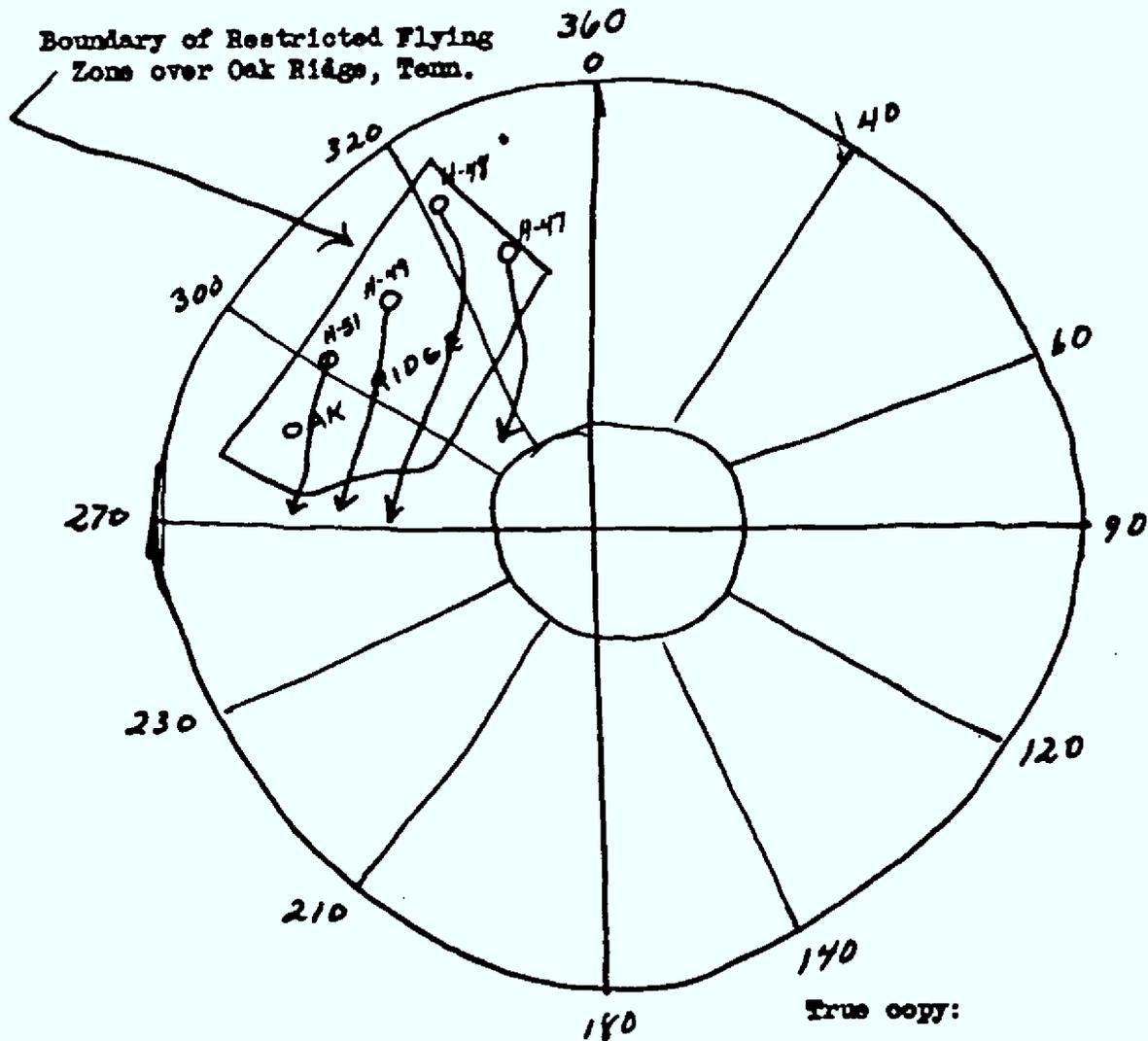
"AEC still had no report for us, but had alerted all guards and were beginning to get searchlights out in case they were needed.

"We did not report these additional plots to Nobody (Call sign for Air Defense Command Control Center, Selfridge Field, Ala.) until 0100. Called Captain Summers at this time and explained that the same Rat Race (activity on the radar scope) had started again. He knew of no practice mission by higher headquarters but said he would call EADF (Eastern Air Defense

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These objects appeared to be A/C small, traveling between 100-125 mph. AEC was notified but their guards didn't see a thing. 2339 E.S.T. our fighter was airborne to intercept H-48. Pass directly over one target. Pilot couldn't spot a thing. These targets appearing along the N.W. corner. One at a time. Some were very strong echoes. Tracked from 15 to 20 minutes.



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Description of object seen by Atomic Energy Commission Security Patrol Troop Edward D. Rymer; who approached the object as close as Fifty (50) feet, at about 1520 hours on 15 October 1950, is substantially as follows: When first seen at an estimated altitude of twelve (12) to fifteen (15) thousand feet, the object appeared to be an aircraft starting to "skywrite". The "streamer" left behind estimated to be approximately one-fourth ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of a mile long. The object then started a controlled descent, almost vertical, at a slower speed than an aircraft would dive, and the "tail" followed the object. "It" then appeared to take the shape of a large bullet with a streamer, or ribbon, as thick as the bullet, trailing in the path of the object but connected to it. The object then levelled off parallel to the horizon, decreased its speed, and passed within seventy (70) yards of Rymer and another observer whom Rymer had stopped (John Moneymaker). Rymer reported via telephone that this object was a "falling object". As the object decreased its speed to less than a mans normal walk, Rymer attempted to approach the object, but when he got within fifty (50) feet of it, the object moved toward the Southeast at about six feet altitude above the terrain; made almost a mechanical maneuver to go over a nine (9) foot cyclone chain link fence; then another similar maneuver to pass over a willow tree and a telephone line; and finally gained altitude and speed and went over a hill about one mile distance.

When Rymer was within fifty (50) feet of the object it appeared to be a two (2) by five (5) card (similar to the ones issued to vehicles entering the "Control Zone" at Oak Ridge) with a twenty (20) foot ribbon tail, the first two feet of which were easily visible and the last eighteen (18) feet of which was almost transparent and divided into several sections. The sections of the tail would pulsate a dim "glow" alternately. Through the entire length of the tail, was a black line which might be described as a "wire". The entire color was bluish-gray similar to the color of the top of a "wood cooking range". The "body" of the object was gently moving up and down, and the tail waved in the breeze like a ribbon or a worm and followed the path of the "body" of the object. There was no breeze at the time! (Knoxville Airport reports a high breeze of eight (8) miles per hour). Further, from fifty (50) feet away, the object looked no bigger than it did from two hundred and ten (210) feet away, and when it disappeared over the hill, one (1) mile away, it still looked the same size that it had appeared at only fifty (50) feet, but the "body" was then "bladder" or "pear-shaped".

When questioned further, Rymer stated that the object had to change size from the time they first observed it until it came near the ground; and it had got larger as it went over the hill or they would not have been able to see it such distances.

The object appeared two more times within the next ten (10) minutes and Rymer was able to get two other observers to verify that they could see the same "thing".

The three observers, other than Rymer, [REDACTED]

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and Joe Zarzecki, Captain of the AEC Security Patrol, Oak Ridge, Tennessee. At no time were any noises from this object heard.

AGENTS NOTES: Mr. George Rathman, AEC Security Division, stated that all these persons' description of the object was substantially the same when questioned separately, except that Rymer had been the closest and was the only person to report the transparent portion of the "tail". [REDACTED] stated substantially the same except that he did not see the transparent portion of the "tail". *bb*

*bb* [REDACTED] was wearing his glasses at the time and his vision, with glasses, is 20/20 in the right eye, and 20/30 in the left eye. Rymer's vision is 20/20 in both eyes without glasses.

Rymer's record indicates that he is one of the "better" and most respected troopers on the AEC Security Patrol. Nothing in his record indicates any weaknesses or peculiar inclinations.

Rymer stated that he would not have reported this incident if there had not been a witness. Moneymaker was reluctant to give information because of the fantastic nature of the incident.

Captain Zarzecki saw the object for only a moment on its third appearance and stated that the object appeared to be round as it crossed the sky at a high rate of speed.

NOTES: The above information was obtained on 16 October 1950 from interviews *bb* with Trooper Edward D. Rymer; [REDACTED]; George Rathman, Security Division, Atomic Energy Commission; John S. Davis, Chief of Atomic Energy Commission Security Patrol; and Captain Joe Zarzecki.

In addition, the Atomic Energy Commission Security Division took Geiger counters to the scene of the incident but could get no reading.

FIELD AREA OFFICE # 8  
P. O. Box 379  
Knoxville, Tenn.

18 October 1950

The following accounts of activity at the Radar Operations Section of Detachment # 2, 662nd AC & W Squadron, McGhee-Tyson Airport, Maryville, Tennessee, is extracted from their official report, dated 15 October 1950. (Refer: Summary of Information, Subject; Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge, Tennessee, dated 13 October 1950):

"Prior to this report, (report by AEC patrolman Edward Rymer) we had a recurrence of targets like Thursday night (Midnight 12 - 13 October 1950). We had sent one scramble (flight of aircraft) out and made several good passes at one target which painted (imaged on Radar Scope) very well. It was on a heading of 180 degrees (Magnetic compass heading) and approximately 4 (four) miles inside the Eastern boundary of the area (Restricted flying space where other aircraft are not supposed to fly). Our fighter worked from 2500 to 5000 feet but saw nothing. The speed of these targets varied from 40 to 100 miles per hour. Every characteristic was the same as before except that the speed was slower.

There was nothing on the scope (Radar Scope) at the location of this strange object (the location was called in by telephone from ground observers at Oak Ridge).

The strange visitor was reported to Captain Cole at Nobody (Call sign for Air Defense Command Control Center, Selfridge Field, Ala.) who carried through to EADF (Eastern Air Defense Command). Their orders were to put a patrol over the area, which was done.

Lt. Guthrie, operating under my control and later Captain Duffy's, saw nothing in the area except one large flock of birds, which were painting (giving images on the Radar Scope). He estimated their number between 200 and 300. This was at 7000 feet. His patrol up until 1730 E.S.T., when I left duty, ranged from a low level pass over the gates to 7000 feet.

He was vectored after several well painted targets, but saw nothing.

EADF sent a list of questions to be answered by the observers. These answers were forwarded. They concerned speed, time, sky, and terrain conditions, altitude, when smoke disappeared, etc."

This report was signed by Captain William Akin, Controller at the Radar Site, at the time of these occurrences.

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Closed:	Incident Report No. 1424-50
Date:	
By:	Date 10-16-50
W.R.:	
M.R.:	Time 1:30 p.m.

<b>CLASSIFICATION</b>	<b>TROOPER</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
Flying Object	John L. Isabell	Blair Gate
<b>PERSON INVOLVED</b>		<b>BADGE NO.</b>
Trooper Lendelle Clark		212
Trooper Hank N. Briggs		156

**REMARKS:**

At approximately 1:30 P.M., October 16, 1950, while working at Blair Gate, I saw an object in the air over K-25 traveling in a northeast direction from the southwest. It was traveling in a straight line and going very fast. The object was white or silvery in color and round like a ball and was about the size of a baseball as seen at the distance it was from me. It seemed to be very high.

At exactly 2:55 P.M., October 16, 1950, this object reappeared from the northeast at a considerably lower altitude and traveling a lot slower than before. It stopped a car that was coming in the gate in order to have witnesses to what I saw. The occupants of the car were Troopers Lendelle Clark and Hank N. Briggs going in to work. I pointed out the object to Troopers Clark and Briggs and we watched the object for several minutes. This object was slowly circling in a wide circle and spinning very fast, that is, the object itself was spinning around and around. The object drifted toward the southwest and in just a few minutes it reappeared at a very high altitude going back into the northeast and going very fast. We watched the object disappear into the northeast.

This information was phoned in to Headquarters immediately by the undersigned. About fifteen minutes after the object disappeared into the northeast, an F-82 Fighter plane showed up in the area where the object was last seen but appeared to be thousands of feet lower than the object which Troopers Clark, Briggs, and the undersigned saw and reported.

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/s/ John L. Isabell, Trooper  
Oak Ridge Patrol Force

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The "Contract Guards" who guard the building at the NEPA project were warned by the NEPA Security Section to report any peculiarity, regardless of how silly or fantastic it might seem. These guards were unaware of the previous events concerning objects seen over Oak Ridge, but some of the guards had reported peculiar sounds during the evening of 16 October 1950.

Independent reports from different guards were received by the Security Section, NEPA, Oak Ridge. These reports were submitted by Guards S. E. Brown; H. C. Herron; and George E. Davis. They all stated substantially the same and described hearing an intermittent noise resembling the blast of a Jet Fighter Aircraft. Each noise lasted for about three and one half (3½) seconds and would recur frequently between 1956 hours and 2004 hours on 16 October 1950. Each noise would sound like a jet plane which had increased its thrust tremendously. The sounds seemed to leave the vicinity making an ascent almost vertical. None of the guards could see an object in the sky.

On 17 October 1950, Major L. E. Romniger, Sr. Instructor, ORC Group, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, returned from Nashville, Tennessee, and visited an official of the Security Division, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Major Romniger was amused when informed of the fantastic sights that some of the persons at Oak Ridge had seen but then he recalled an incident which he thought was not connected to the "Objects Sighted over Oak Ridge." After having been away from Oak Ridge during Monday and Tuesday, the 16th and 17th of October 1950, and without knowledge of the occurrences which had taken place except for the item about which he was being told (which had to do with visual sightings of the object), Major Romniger stated that he had heard a noise at about 1500 hours on 15 October 1950 which he described exactly as the guards who heard the noise on the night of 16 October 1950. Major Romniger, accompanied by his daughter, attempted to locate a jet fighter in the sky but could see nothing whatever.

The Radar crew of Detachment # 2, 662nd AC and W Squadron, McGhee-Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee, did not get an image on their scope during either of these occurrences, according to Major R. C. Care.

NOTES: The above information was obtained on 17 October 1950 from Major L. E. Romniger; Mr. George Rathman, Security Division, Atomic Energy Commission, and Mr. Gene Gaedjon, NEPA, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, and John S. Davis, Atomic Energy Security Patrol/

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The attached photographs were taken in June 1947 by [REDACTED] of what he thought was a fantastic flying object. The first photograph, in which only the smoke trail is visible, was taken a few minutes before the second photograph where the flying object is in view.

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On 19 October 1950, [REDACTED] stated that this object was traveling in the same line of flight as the first object, and its distance appeared to be approximately over the hills in the background.

NOTE: Only one set of photographs is available.

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20 October 1950

The following is extracted from the files of the Security Patrol, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee. This report was originally an OSI report:

"3. At 1900 hours, 20 June 1949, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], stated that at approximately 1200 hours, 19 June 1949, they sighted three unidentified objects flying from the southeast, over Oak Ridge, Tennessee. [REDACTED] first sighted the objects and called [REDACTED] attention to them. They watched the objects until they came into closer view. They described two of the objects as being rectangular in shape, and identical. The third object was described as circular in shape, and flying either in between or slightly above the two rectangular objects. The two rectangular objects appeared to be flat and flexible. The third object was flat but did not have a flexible appearance. The rectangular objects in traveling, followed a wave-like course, and appeared to be dark in color underneath, and of bright metal finish on top. Their movements were coordinated, and their reflection in traveling was light and dark. The rectangular objects seemed to have an area of from four to ten square feet. The circular object was described as being the color of frosted glass. This third object did not follow the wave-like movement of the rectangular objects, but maintained a level flight. There was no noise to indicate how these objects were being propelled. They remained in view from 10 to 15 minutes after being sighted, and when last seen were traveling in a northwest direction. During this time the objects did not appear to either gain or lose altitude. The weather was clear with the exception of high scattered cumulus clouds, and the wind which was from an easterly direction was very slight. b6

"4. At 2000 hours, 20 June 1949, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], stated that [REDACTED] her neighbor, called her attention to the three flying objects sighted by the Andersons at approximately 1200 hours, 19 June 1949, and that she watched them for approximately 10 minutes. Mrs. White's description and details regarding the objects were the same as Mr. and Mrs. Anderson's. b6

"5. The witnesses of these objects are reputable people, and their statements are considered reliable. [REDACTED]

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A. L. Rydzewski, Acting Assistant Chief, Security Division

REPORT OF MYSTERIOUS FLYING OBJECT

SYMBOL: S:AIR

Pursuant to receipt of a report from John S. Davis, Chief, Oak Ridge Patrol, indicating that a mysterious flying object was observed in the vicinity of the Kerr Hollow Entrance, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was interviewed by F. P. Callaghan, Acting Chief, Security Division, AEC, ORO, in the presence of A. L. Rydzewski, Security Division, ORO, and Charles Jones, Security Agent, Maxon Construction Company, at approximately 10:15 p.m., October 15, 1950. [REDACTED] Hightower is an electrician employed by the Edenfield Electric Company, which is under subcontract with the Maxon Construction Company, performing work at the K-29 Plant. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] gave the following account of his observations. He was driving to work at approximately 3:15 p.m., October 15, 1950, and upon nearing the Kerr Hollow entrance to the Oak Ridge Controlled Area, he was requested by the guard on duty to stop and observe an object which the guard and another civilian were looking at. He got out of the car and noticed a white spot in the sky. He said it was "awful high" and moved from a position southeast of Kerr Hollow entrance in a westerly direction toward the Plant Areas. He noted that the sky was clear and the object was merely white, not shiny and emitted no trail of smoke and appeared to have no appendages. He observed the object for about 5 minutes and continued on his way to work before the white object disappeared from sight.

When asked what he thought of the object, [REDACTED] related that his first impression was that it might be a toy balloon, because it looked quite similar to a toy balloon which one of the neighborhood girls had released in his presence several weeks ago. [REDACTED] was not sure of the size or shape of the object, however he indicated by hand gesture that it might have been about 9 inches in diameter and probably was in the shape of a disc or ball.

[REDACTED] said that the guard and civilian appeared to be excited and told him that when they first saw it, the object was "Quite big" and that it moved along the road at very low altitude and that it suddenly ascended at an angle to the point where they were observing it at the time. He stated that the guard originally asked him to look at the object, just to make sure that he wasn't merely imagining he was seeing things.

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[REDACTED] stated that as far as he knows his eye-sight is good and that he only had to use glasses for reading purposes. He had his eyes tested about 4 years ago by [REDACTED], at which time the reading glasses were prescribed. He also had taken a pre-drivers license eye test about 3 weeks ago at the Maxon First Aid Station. b6

b6 [REDACTED] stated that the only other person to whom he mentioned seeing the object was a guard stationed at Gate Two to the K-29 Plant.

Note: The Maxon Guard was later identified as being Jack Laxton, who was interviewed at approximately 11:15 p.m. Laxton stated that a man was driving through the portal shortly after 3:00 p.m. and stopped to chat with him for about 5 minutes. The man [REDACTED] stated that he had a headache and that he had been observing an object in the sky which was called to his attention by a guard at the Kerr Hollow entrance. According to Laxton, the man further related that the object was so high he didn't know what it was, but it looked more or less like a toy ballon. Laxton stated that he was not excited by this report; however he did mention something about flying objects to a fellow guard about two hours later when they observed aircraft which they believed were P-38's flying over the plant areas. b6

Note: Other individuals who had observed the object were identified as AEC Patrolman Edward Dean Rymer and [REDACTED] b6

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FIELD AREA OFFICE #8  
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Incident Report

AEC PATROL

Incident report No. 142-50  
Date: October 15, 1950  
Time: 3:25 P.M.

Classification	Trooper	Location	
Unidentified Flying Object	E. D. Rymer	Kerr Hollow	
Person Involved	Address	Badge No.	Company
Trooper E. D. Rymer		206	"D" Troop
Person Involved	Address	Badge No.	Company
Capt. J. J. Zarzecki			
[REDACTED] b6		[REDACTED]	b6

John Moneymaker stopped at Kerr Hollow gate where I was on duty October 15, 1950, 3:20 P.M. He and I observed what appeared to be a skywriter in the air. He was one-quarter of the way through a letter "O". The object appeared to be 12,000 to 15,000 feet high and east by north of the gate, approximately one mile distance from the gate. At this time, the size appeared to be about the size of a four or five passenger plane. The object had a smoke trail the same cross-sectional size of its body and about one-quarter of a mile long. The smoke was grayish in color. The color of the body of the object was silver metallic. The object gave off no reflection. It was dull in appearance. When first observed, it was describing an arc toward the ground. When the object failed to complete the outside loop, I went into the gate house to report its appearance. Up till this time I thought it to be a plane doing some skywriting. While I was making the phone call, [REDACTED] watched the object continue downward to 1,500 feet. At that altitude, a second object was noticed alongside the smoke trail. b6 The second object was the same size and shape and was about 50 feet behind the first object. The second object appeared to be attached to the first object's smoke trail with about an 80 degree forward thrust, yet the second object was moving in the same direction of the first object and not drawing away from the smoke trail of the first object the way it should have been doing according to its angle and direction. At this altitude, both objects changed from a bullet shape to a bladder shape. Also, at 1500 feet both objects began pulling out of the vertical dive. During the entire descent, both objects diminished in size. From 1,500 feet, the angle of descent was about 45 degrees. At about 500 feet, the second or trailing object disappeared. The object continued downward to a point north of the perimeter fence over the roadway about 60 yards from the gatehouse toward Solway bridge. This was where the object was when I came out of the gatehouse. At this time, the object had diminished to about 2x5 inches.

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The smoke trail had discontinued but there was a tail that had the appearance of a ribbon about 5 or 6 feet long. At times the tail lengthened to almost 20 feet. While hovering it had a burnt or dark brown appearance. The tail had an opalescent grayish appearance with a dark line running down through the center of it. The main object was still gray metallic in color. The object was hovering about 5 or 6 feet above the road in a completely stationary position. I went toward the object and the object started moving southward as I moved toward it. When I got to within 50 feet of it, the main object was about 4 to 6 feet from the chain link fence on the south side of the road. It moved straight up to about 12 feet then described a horizontal movement southward across the fence, then it again moved straight up to about sixty feet where it again moved south over a light pole and a willow tree. After it passed over the willow tree, it changed its direction to the southeast. At this time, [REDACTED] b6 [REDACTED] came along and I stopped him and asked him to observe it. He was unable to see the object at first and I returned to the gatehouse to make another report. [REDACTED] continued his observation of the object and soon after I went into the gatehouse, Hightower sighted the object. The object was now ascending at an angle about 45 degrees in a southeast direction. As it moved away, it got larger in size and again assumed a pear or bladder shape. The object continued in this manner until it had passed over the ridge south of Solway road and disappeared.

About five minutes later, Capt. Zarzecki drove up and as he came down the road I remarked that I wished it would show up again so he could see it. We looked toward the ridge and saw it again. The object was moving from west to east about 8 or 9 feet above the field south of the fence. Its speed was about 15 to 20 miles per hour. I motioned for Capt. Zarzecki to hurry out of his car. He came over to where we were standing on the first island from the gatehouse. Capt. Zarzecki looked to where I pointed and saw the object immediately. At this time, the object was about 200 feet high and ascending at about 45 degrees in a southeast direction. We saw it for about 60 seconds before it disappeared at about 1,500 to 2,000 feet. It had a bladder or pear shape at this time.

In about five more minutes, [REDACTED] b6 and I saw it again about 20 degrees above the center island house. It had pear shape again and appeared to be about the same size as a small pear. The object was moving west at about 20 miles per hour. It continued west about 50 feet above the road until we lost it in the glare of the sun. This was the last time it appeared. None of us noticed any odor at any time.

When I first saw the object diving, its speed was very slow. It was much slower than a plane could dive. On the 45 degree downward slant, it slowed even more. When it moved across the road, the speed was about 15 miles per hour. During the upward slant, the speed was much faster than the downward slant and it must have been increasing in size because as it drew away, we could see it just as plainly and about the same size as when observed up close.

The wind direction was north-northwest and 8 MPH, according to the Knoxville Weather Station.

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FROM : SAC, Knoxville

DATE: October 18, 1950

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SUBJECT: RADAR DETECTION OF UNIDENTIFIED  
OBJECTS OVER OAK RIDGE, October 12,  
15, 16, 1950  
PROTECTION OF VITAL INSTALLATIONS

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Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Winterrowd	
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Mr. Holloman	
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Remytel October 13, 1950.

There is being submitted herewith a copy of two reports made by District Representative of the OSI, 8th District, U. S. Air Force, with regard to the detection of unidentified objects by the means of radar, as set forth in referenced teletype. These reports continue to set forth additional reports concerning unidentified objects in the air space area over Oak Ridge, Tennessee, which to date have not been explained.

No investigation is being conducted by the Knoxville Office in this matter, but any further information received from OSI or from CIC representatives will be forwarded immediately.

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KNOXVILLE DETACHMENT  
8th District OSI (IG)  
PO Box 401  
Knoxville, Tennessee

14 October 1950

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects over Oak Ridge, Tennessee

TO: District Commander  
8th District OSI (IG)  
Maxwell AFB, Ala.

This letter is to confirm spot report given your headquarters on 13 October 1950.

Beginning at 2325, EST 12 October 1950 a total of eleven (11) objects and possibly more appeared on the radar screen of the CPS-1 Air Force Radar Station at McGhee-Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee. The objects began appearing on the north edge of the Oak Ridge controlled area and proceeded south for about twenty (20) to thirty five (35) miles at the rate of 100 to 125 mile per hour, at an altitude of 1000 to 5000 feet, on a course of 170 to 230 degrees and with densities varying from that of light liaison aircraft up to that of a C-47 type aircraft. [REDACTED] b, controller at the radar station, "scrambled" an F-82 fighter at 2330 and the fighter was airborne at 2339. [REDACTED] vectored the plane on two (2) specific targets on stern approaches at distances of one (1) and eight (8) miles respectively. On each occasion the fighter appeared to intercept the target on the ground radar screen; however, on each occasion the crew of the fighter observed no target either visually or on their airborne radar screen. The aircraft returned to the airport at 0014.

After the sighting of the unidentified targets the Oak Ridge Security Patrol was alerted and attempts at ground observations were made; however, nothing could be seen or heard from the ground. At 0100 more objects, having the same readings as previously, appeared on the screen. On this occasion no attempt at fighter interception was made. Ground observation results in the Oak Ridge area were negative.

During the above sightings Eastern Air Defense Force Headquarters was notified and checked for possible flights in the area. Checks were also made with flight service at Atlanta and Maxwell AFB. All checks proved negative.

On the afternoon of 13 October 1950 the undersigned accompanied officials of the Security Division Atomic Energy Division and the Knoxville CIC office to the radar station where a conference was held with officers of the radar station and a team of radar experts from Eastern Air Defense Headquarters. Numerous explanation such as flocks of migratory birds, clouds, a flight of light planes from the nearby Oliver Springs Airport, etc. were ruled out. One explanation advanced that it might have been due to

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atmospheric conditions. Further attempts to explain the sightings were postponed until a complete report was prepared by the radar station and until the EADF team had checked the various Air Force Commands and the other services.

In an evaluation of the above sightings the following conditions should be considered:

- b7c a. [REDACTED], the controller, is considered to be a competent and well qualified radar officer.
- b. The CPS-1 radar set undergoes daily maintenance. Such maintenance was performed on 12 October at 1600. Checks were made on the equipment during and after the sightings and found to be in good operating condition.
- c. The crew of the fighter plane is considered to be one of the four (4) best in the 52nd Fighter Group.
- b7c d. Weather conditions during the incident were excellent. The sky was cloudless, the air was practically calm and visibility was excellent. [REDACTED], pilot of the F-82, reported that he had made visual sightings earlier in the same evening at a distance of ten (10) to fifteen (15) miles.

A more complete report will be rendered as soon as the findings of the EADF are learned and when the radar station report is completed.

WILLIAM M. PRICE  
S/A OSI  
Detachment Commander

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KNOXVILLE DETACHMENT  
8th DISTRICT OSI (IG)  
PO BOX 401  
Knoxville, Tennessee

16 October 1950

SUBJECT: Visual Sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects  
over Oak Ridge, Tennessee

TO : District Commander  
8th District OSI (IG)  
Maxwell AFB, Ala.

1. At 0830 16 October 1950, Mr. George Rathman, Security Division, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, notified the undersigned that visual sightings of an unidentified flying object had been made by several persons at Oak Ridge. Accompanied by W. B. Gray, SAC Knoxville CIC, the undersigned proceeded to Oak Ridge.

2. At the AEC Security Division, Oak Ridge AEC Security Patrol [redacted] was interviewed by Mr. Rathman, Mr. Gray and the undersigned. In substance [redacted] related the following: At about 1525 EST, 15 October 1950 [redacted] was on duty at the Solway entrance to the Oak Ridge controlled area. He was conversing outside the guard house with [redacted], attendant at the University of Tennessee Research Farm Program, Oak Ridge. [redacted] happened to glance in the sky and called [redacted] attention to an object in the sky. The men observed that the object was starting to describe an arc in the sky. They estimated the object to be about twelve to fifteen thousand feet altitude. At this altitude the object resembled a sky-writing plane because smoke appeared to be trailing from the object. After the object described about a quarter of an arc it began to make a controlled descent at a speed estimated at about 100 miles per hour. [redacted] then noticed that the object had no wings and that it appeared to be bullet shaped. By this time the men could observe that what appeared to be smoke coming from the object was an attached tail. At this time [redacted] went in the guard house and called the Captain of the Guard to report a falling object. [redacted] continued to observe the object. When [redacted] came out of the guard house the object had descended to a height of about six (6) feet and was about seventy (70) yards from the two (2) men. By this time the object had assumed the shape of a two (2) by five (5) inch grayish colored card and attached to the object was a ribbon like tail about twenty (20) feet long and an inch wide. The object had no thickness. The tail of the object, which was light gray color, had a small black line running down through its center. The tail appeared to be waving or rippling and the latter fifteen (15) feet of the tail gave off a pulsating glow intermittently in different sections of the fifteen (15) feet. The latter fifteen (15) feet of the tail appeared to be somewhat transparent.

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[redacted] estimated that the object was traveling out three (3) mile per hour and that the main body of the object was rocking slightly showing the corners and the under and top side. [redacted] advanced on the object to within fifty (50) feet but it did not appear to get any larger. At [redacted] approach the object picked up speed slightly, proceeded across highway, came to a nine (9) foot chain link fence, rose vertically and parallel with the fence and proceeded over the fence. After clearing the fence it dipped toward the ground for a few feet and then rose sharply to clear a thirty (30) foot willow tree and proceeded in a southeasterly direction at an increased speed to a ridge about a mile away and disappeared over the top of the ridge. The object during the flight to the ridge, changed to a pear shape but the tail continued to be present. While the object was heading for the ridge a car driven by [redacted], empl of the Maxon Construction Company, Oak Ridge, approached the Solway gate. [redacted] called [redacted] attention to the object and he also saw it disappear over the ridge. Shortly after the object disappeared Captain of the AEC Security Patrol [redacted] arrived at the scene. Shortly thereafter another similar object appeared in the sky within sight of the men at a height of about 300 feet, traveling in the same direction as the previous object and it disappeared over the same ridge. The object was visible to the men for about thirty (30) seconds. About five (5) minutes after the second appearance another similar object again was visible at an altitude of about 500 feet for about a ten (10) second interval.

3. After a discussion of the incident Mr. Rathman, Mr. Gray, [redacted] and the undersigned proceeded to Solway Gate, scene of the observation. A check was made of [redacted] estimate of distances and they were found to be substantially accurate. The immediate area around the gate is fairly level with wooded hills and ridges rising around the area. There were no obstructions or hindrances to visibility noticeable. At the direction of Mr. Rathman [redacted] was brought to the scene. He gave substantially the same account as did [redacted] except to add that while [redacted] was phoning and the object had descended to about 1500 feet the object appeared to be pear shaped and another pear shaped object appeared on one side of the object. As it came lower the object assumed the 2" x 5" card shape.

[redacted]

5. At 1400, 16 October Mr. Gray and the undersigned proceeded to the Air Force Radar Station at McGhee-Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee. Major R. C. Care, Defense Area Commander stated that the radar screen had picked up indistinct, unidentified objects during the afternoon of 15 Oct. Major Care produced the incident report of [redacted], controller; excerpts from his report are as follows:

"Prior to this report [redacted], we had a reoccurrence of targets like Thursday night. We had sent one scramble out and made several good passes at one target which painted very well. It was on a heading of 180 degrees and approx. 4 miles inside the eastern boundary of the area. Our fighter worked from 2500 to 5000 feet, but saw nothing. The speed of these targets varied from 40 to 100 miles per hour. Every characteristic was the same as before except that the speed was slower.

There was nothing on the scope at the location of this strange object.

The strange visitor was reported to [redacted] at Nobody, who carried through to EADIF. Their orders were to put a patrol over the area, which was done. b7c

[redacted] operating under my control and later [redacted] saw nothing in the area except one large flock of birds, which we were painting. He estimated their number between 200 and 300. This was at 7000 feet. His patrol up until 1730 EST when I left duty, ranged from a low level pass over the gates to 7000 feet.

He was vectored after several well painted targets, but saw nothing."

6. At about 1520 EST 16 October, while the undersigned was present, a report came from the AEC Patrol to the radar station relating that a [redacted] and four civilian employees at Oak Ridge had observed a "silver disk" hovering over the K-25 plant in the controlled area. The radar screen was able to pick up an indistinct target about every three (3) or four (4) sweeps of the indicator. An F-82 fighter plane was sent to attempt an intercept of the object. The airborne radar of the fighter picked up a target which later proved to be a light aircraft. The ground observers reported that the F-82 passed under the "silver disk", while it was in pursuit of the light plane. The crew of the fighter observed nothing unusual. Nothing further was learned of the sightings.

7. Investigation will continue 17 October at which time [redacted] and other witnesses will be interviewed.

WILLIAM M. PRICE  
S/A OSI  
Detachment Commander b7c



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10 November 1950

SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects

TO : District Commander  
8th District OSI  
Marvell AFB, Ala.

In compliance with AFCSI Ltr. No. 85, dtd 23 Oct 50 and AFOIC-CC-1 ltr. dtd 8 Sep 50 the following report is submitted on a sighting of an unidentified flying object by [REDACTED], Oak Ridge, Tennessee: b7

1. Description - The object observed by [REDACTED] changed shapes rapidly from pear shape to bean shape and to other shapes as noted on enclosed drawing. The object was light gray in color with a core that was a much darker gray. The object appeared to be translucent. The mass of the object was constant and had sharply outlined edges and the core also had definite lines. Speed could not be estimated but was described as "rapid and darting". The object maneuvered within an area of a circle as illustrated on the enclosure. [REDACTED] further described the core as assuming the shape of the whole object, that is, when the object elongated the core would be elongated also. The object disappeared while [REDACTED] was attempting to locate a witness to the phenomena. No sound could be heard nor could the means of propulsion be determined. [REDACTED] made on-the-spot notes of his observation. Pertinent of these are as follows: "rapidly changing shape. Constant mass. Sharply outlined edges. Gray color, cool in contrast with warm, pinkish gray of clouds. No spectral reflection of light, no bright highlights. Definite suggestion of form. Movements rapid, darting in all directions within small area. Seemed to be moving in and out of cloud (this may have been because of semi-transparent characteristics.) Must be some phenomena of light on clouds. Very weird. Movements did not seem to be result of wind. First impression - balloon, too rapid and random in movements. Too rapid and extreme in changes of shape." b7

2. Time Sighted - For five (5) to ten (10) minutes on 5 November 1950 at 1155 hours.

3. Manner of observation - Visual

4. Location of observer - At the corner of [REDACTED], Oak Ridge, Tennessee. The object appeared to be near a mountain ridge about six (6) miles distant. The object was on a compass bearing of 90 degrees. The altitude of the object remained within a short distance above [REDACTED]

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Below the ridge of the mountain. (Note: [REDACTED] stated that for the object to be as large as he described and to be six (6) miles distant its size would be comparable to a three (3) story building a half a block long).

Information on Subject - [REDACTED]

6. Weather and wind conditions - according to the Weather Bureau at Oak Ridge, the temperature was 51 degrees and there was a nine (9) to twelve (12) mile an hour West wind. Visibility was unlimited.

7. Unknown

8. Physical Evidence - None

9. Interception or identification action taken - None

/s/ WILLIAM M. PRICE  
S/A OSI  
Detachment Commander

14 November 1950

On 13 November 1940, the undersigned was informed by personnel at the Civil Aeronautical Administration (CAA), Communications Section, Knoxville Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee, that a [REDACTED], Boston, Mass., commercial airline Pilot, and six other persons (names unknown), while awaiting a flight at Knoxville Airport, saw an object traveling to the Southwest at a great rate of speed. [REDACTED], who has considerable flying experience, was extremely excited and stated that this object was not an aircraft. He described it as a circular object, leaving a trail of smoke. Before further information may be obtained concerning this sighting, [REDACTED] should be interviewed in an attempt to learn the names of the other five observers. The incident occurred on 29 October 1950.

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[REDACTED], Knoxville Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee, maintains a record of unidentified and identified objects, and/or aircrafts which he is requested to contact by radio prior to the Air Force Fighters attempted interception. His record further verified some of the sightings and listed Air Force activity heretofore not reported. Apparently an object traveling at eighty (80) miles per hour from the Northeast to the Southwest, over the restricted area, on 5 November 1950, at 0929 hours, was intercepted by a fighter aircraft according to radar screen readings. The Fighter intercepted this object near or over the restricted zone and circled to the right, so as to trail the object for about 20 miles. The pilot reported that he made no visual contact with any object during this interception.

NOTES: No record of this interception or radar sighting was found to be listed at the USAF Radar Site at the Knoxville Airport.

/s/ WILLIAM B. GRAY  
EAC, KNOXVILLE

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10 November 1950

On 9 November 1950, Mr. J. Z. Holland, Chief of the Weather Section, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, revealed information concerning the release of balloons, the captive weather Blimp, and other weather data, during the periods of electronic, visual, and audible contacts with objects sighted over Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Attached hereto is a chart showing date, time of sightings over Oak Ridge, and the release of weather balloons, the Blimp, and weather data.

Mr. Holland described the weather balloons as being 30 grams which rise at 600 feet per minute, and are released from the X-10 plant. The captive Blimp is stationary and is allowed to rise from a cable to an altitude of 1500 feet. The balloons are composed of "pigments of synthetic rubber" and vary in color, which colors are organic and, therefore, would not cause any reflection on radar equipment. Mr. Holland advised that radar readings may be received from echoes, off of moisture saturated clouds, certain types of thermos, some water droplets, and lightening, but he had never heard of the reflection of radar waves from radio active material although such reflection seems possible if enough radio active material was released to cause ionization of particles of air. However, no radio active material is known to have been released accidentally or intentionally during the month of October, which precludes the possibility that the radar sightings during October, of objects sighted over Oak Ridge, being of radio active matter.

NOTES: During the next two weeks, the Weather Section at the Atomic Energy Commission will conduct research designed to ascertain whether or not the Knoxville Radar Station can receive radar interference and/or readings of the radioactive energy ejections at Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

/s/ WILLIAM B. GRAY  
SAC KNOXVILLE

10 November 1950

On 9 November 1950, [REDACTED], H.E.P.A. Division, Fairchild Engine and Airplane Corporation, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, stated substantially as follows: Between 1155 and 1200 on 5 November 1950, [REDACTED] observed an object flying over Oak Ridge, Tennessee. During the past six months [REDACTED] has made illustrations from a vantage point at the intersection of [REDACTED], at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, and he was therefore quite familiar with the terrain and various features of the locality. At the time of [REDACTED] observation he was adjacent to house number 322 West Outer Drive and he described the object as a "wiggly, fat cell, with characteristics of a toy balloon. However, this object has a substantial outline and its mass remained constant although the shape of the object changed rapidly. The object made quick movement in the general vicinity above the ridge shown on the attached illustration, which ridge is approximately six miles away. [REDACTED] was unable to judge the distance of the object from his vantage point, however, it appeared to be over the ridge but could have been either closer or farther. If the object was over the ridge (Six miles away.) it would have been approximately the size of a thirteen story building. [REDACTED] noticed no light or glow emitting from the object and it appeared to have no inner lighting. Attached hereto is an illustration on which there are certified true notations made by [REDACTED] at the time and place of his observation.

The following notes are quoted:

"No F-82 (fighter type aircraft). Must be some phenomenon of light on clouds." [REDACTED] explained that the object itself did not appear to be a phenomenon of light on clouds but rather was affected by light on clouds.)

"Rapidly changing shape - constant mass - translucent appearance - sharply outlined edges - gray color, cool in contrast with warm, pinkish, gray of clouds - no spectral reflection of light, no bright highlights - definite suggestion of form - movements rapidly, darting in all directions within small area - seemed to be moving in and out of clouds (this may have been because of semi-transparent characteristics). Movements did not seem to be result of wind. First impression - balloon but too rapid and random in movement - too rapid and extreme in change of shape. Seemed to be this side of mountain (Waldron Ridge). Observation observed for five to ten minutes. Very clear. No haze. Compass bearing from my position 305 degrees. Date - 11-5-50. Time - 1155 - 1200."

b7c [REDACTED] stated that the core (triangular shape dark portion of the illustration) remained constant and the apex of the core varied only a few degrees while the base of the object seemed to change shapes rapidly and would become elongated during a quick movement of the object.

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Supplement  
Incident Report No. 1424-50

Date: 10/16/50

Time: 2:55 P.M.

CLASSIFICATION	TROOPER	LOCATION
Flying Object	John L. Isabell	Blair Gate
PERSON INVOLVED	ADDRESS	BADGE NO.
Trooper Lendelle Clark		212
PERSON INVOLVED	ADDRESS	BADGE NO.
Trooper Hank N. Briggs		156

**REMARKS:**

On October 16, 1950, at approximately 2:55 P.M., Trooper Isabell stopped us at this Installation and showed us an object in the north that was traveling toward the north. It looked to be about 2,000 feet in the air and a white-silverish looking color, rotating in a counter clockwise manner. It was round in shape and going in a rather fast motion. This object was at a high altitude and seemed to come in sight and then disappear. It looked about the size of a ball and round at every angle we looked at it.

/s/ Lendelle Clark  
/s/ Hank N. Briggs

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/s/ W B Gray  
SAC, Knoxville

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AGENT'S NOTES:



The weather and wind conditions at the time of observation, according to the Weather Bureau at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, was: "Visibility: Unlimited. Wind: Nine (9) to twelve (12) m.p.h. West Wind. Temperature: Fifty-one (51) degrees."

/s/ WILLIAM B. GRAY (initialed)  
SAC, Knoxville

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UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT OVER OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE - 27 October 1950

On the evening of 24 October 1950 at approximately 1855 I heard a plane fly over my home in the Woodland area. Being a curious individual I went outdoors to watch it with my binoculars. While looking for the plane I saw an object in the western sky which appeared at first to be a star but upon closer observation I noticed that it was rapidly changing colors from red to blue to white. When first seen it appeared over a telephone pole about 100 yards from my house and seemed to be moving very slowly in a northwest direction. It was moving relative to the other stars. The object was too small to be able to see any details even with the glasses. It disappeared from sight about 1920. During this period of time my wife also observed the object.

/s/ [REDACTED] 67C  
Major, USAF

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

/s/ William B. Gray  
[REDACTED] Knoxville, Tenn.

On the evening of October 24, 1950 I was attending a moving picture show at the Oak Ridge out-door drive-in theater. I arrived approximately at 6:45 which was about 15 minutes prior to show time. While sitting in the car with my wife and children I casually glanced skyward towards the southwest and observed what I at first thought to be an unusually bright star. The exceptional brilliance caused me to continue to observe it when it suddenly seemed to change color rapidly from a reddish hue to a bright orange and again to a brilliant light blue. My son noticed that I was observing something and questioned as to what it was at which time I asked him to look at the star and tell me what he saw. At first glance he immediately said that it did not look like a star to him at all because of the change in coloring. My wife also noticed the same phenomena. By now I was certain that I was not merely having an optical illusion. A few moments later I heard a plane directly overhead making passes over the Oak Ridge area, which was later identified as one of the F-82 fighter planes from the Air Force unit stationed at the McGhee-Tyson Airport.

I hesitated to approach other vehicles in the theater to witness the object, but managed to reach a telephone at the projection building and called [REDACTED], MEPA Division, Fairchild Engine and Airplane Corporation, at his home to ask him whether or not he could see in that direction and possibly observe the object. A later check with [REDACTED] indicated that his home was located in a poor geographical position to observe anything towards the southwest because of hills and other obliterating features of the terrain. He did, however, drive to a higher location but failed to see the object. b7

While returning to my car I met a friend, [REDACTED] of Knoxville, to whom I pointed out the object. He stated he had been observing the same object. I continued to observe the object together with my wife but it seemed to be in a slightly more northerly position which caused me to select a fixed point to determine whether or not the object was changing in either altitude or direction. There seemed to be a deviation from north to south for approximately five to ten degrees. The changing in colors were still very evident but the object seemed to be continually getting smaller and smaller as though it was becoming more distant. At approximately 7:18 by my watch it disappeared from view entirely. During these observations my wife continued to report to me the identical things that I was observing. During the entire time the F-82 airplane continued to make passes over the area until approximately 7:15. The weather conditions were excellent; the air was calm; and the sky was cloudless with the exception of a very slight haze over the distant horizon. b7

The following morning, upon reporting to work I confided my story to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] stationed at Oak Ridge with the NKPA Project, but I hesitated to go on record as having observed such an unidentified object. However, a few hours later Mr. William M. Price of the Knoxville OSI Office visited my office at which time I gave him an off-the-record account of the subject. b7

In the meantime, I learned that [REDACTED] had also observed an unidentified object on the prior evening. In the presence of [REDACTED] and Price, I telephoned [REDACTED] and asked him to relate what he had seen. [REDACTED] listened on an auxiliary phone as a witness. [REDACTED] observations during the prior evening were identical as to the time, location, coloring, etc., with the one exception in which he did not observe any deviation in direction other than gradual disappearance of the object while it was getting smaller and smaller and finally disappearing from view entirely in the northwest at exactly the same moment that my wife and I had observed. Mr. Price telephoned the radar unit at the McGhee-Tyson Airport and learned that an unidentified object appeared on the screen at 6:30 at an altitude of approximately 5000 feet in the same general vicinity as I had observed and disappeared from the screen at 7:20 the same evening.

[REDACTED] b7

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s/ WILLIAM B. GRAY  
SAC, Knoxville, Tenn.

November 9, 1970

On May 25, 1949, about 4:00 a.m., a captive balloon escaped. The balloon was of rubberized nylon fabric, 18' long and 7' in diameter. The balloon was found to have landed on the outskirts of Loudon, Tennessee, before 5:00 a.m. on the same date.

An unsuccessful search was made for the balloon by aircraft on the afternoon of May 25. A phone call from an employee of the University of Tennessee ( [REDACTED] ) reported seeing an object pass over his house about noon on the 25th. It was described as a flat metallic object and was accompanied by a flapping noise. [REDACTED] , and myself picked up the preacher at the University's Agricultural Division and began a search for the object which supposedly was our escaped captive balloon. The result of this search was that 5 people living in an area of about ten (10) square miles, each of whom gave a definite time and direction on an object of the same description passing over this section at the time which the preacher had stated he had seen a metallic object. The path of the floating object was traced to the river, at which time the preacher was returned to his work at the University and [REDACTED] and I crossed the river and resumed the search behind Mentor along the approximate tract described by the previous people interviewed. A family was located, whose names are not recorded, who described the same type of metallic object resembling a sheet of roofing flying through the air at a low altitude, and making a flapping or cracking noise at the approximate time given by the first group of people interviewed.

As no further reports could be obtained, return was made to the Knoxville Airport with a view toward continuing air search in this section. At this time, 3:00 p.m., May 26, 1949, a phone call was received stating that the balloon had been stored in a shed since 5:00 a.m. on the 25th.

[REDACTED] b7c

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/s/ WILLIAM B. GRAY  
SAC, Knoxville, Tenn.

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Date	Time of Visual, Radar, or Audible Contact	Weather Balloons	Captive Blimp	Other
October				
12	2325 - 2400	None	2320 - 2330 1700 feet	None
13	0000 - 0100 1500	0015 - 0030 (1 piball) Heading - 90 degrees		None
15	1300 - 1400 1510 - 1520	Off Duty Off Duty	Off Duty Off Duty	Off Duty Off Duty
16	1455 - 1530	None	None	None
	1950 - 2004	1915 - 1930 1905 - 2030 (Two neutral balloons)	1950 - 2010	None
20	1510 - 1720	1645 - 1715 (Two neutral balloons) 1615 - 1630 (1 piball)		Wind W. 4.7 mil
23	1630	None	None	1505 - (Thunder storm w/ rain) 1609 - (rain)
24	1823 - 1920	1815 - 1830 (1 piball)	1855 - 1910 1935 - 1950	Off Du
25	0200 - 0300	Off Duty	Off Duty	Off Du
26	0500	Off Duty	Off Duty	Off Du
November				
5	1155 - 1200	Off Duty	Off Duty	Off Du

Piball - 30 gram balloons which travel vertically.

Neutral Balloons - 30 gram balloons which hover over the ground and travel horizontally.

NOTE: During the above times and dates there was never any wind, either surface or aloft, which exceeded speed of thirty miles per hour.

14 November 1950

On 25 October 1950, between 0200 and 0300 hours, the Radar Site at the McGhee-Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee, reported several small, slow-moving targets as described in Summary of Information, Subject: "Objects Sighted Over Oak Ridge, Tennessee," dated 21 October 1950, Enclosure b.

/s/ WILLIAM B. GRAY  
SAC, KNOXVILLE

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19 October 1950

Command, Stewart Air Field, Newburgh, New York). He called back and said their only instructions was to keep fighters on Alert Status. Told him we could have both off the ground in 4 (four) minutes.

"Targets were appearing with some regularity and proceeding South.

"They all traveled at a speed of between 100 and 125 miles per hour. Fading and reappearing at various intervals. All but one originated in the area. One did appear at 10 miles North of Clinton and faded right at the area line. Reappearance of this target or at least one on the same course 180 degrees was 8 (eight) miles inside area. This target faded after three sweeps (Revolutions of the indicator on the Radar Scope which makes four revolutions per minute).

"The tracks varied at time from one applicable to very light A/C (aircraft) up to A/C of the C-47 variety (Meaning the reflected intensity of Radar waves made the target appear at first like a small aircraft and then like a large one).

"We operated both on High and Low Beam and picked up the same tracks.

"All traveled at the same approximate speed and general course. During the night this course spread from 170 degrees to 230 degrees (magnetic compass heading).

"At 0210 E.S.T., called Captain Summers at Nobody; he called EADF, Captain Hutchinson, and received permission to release fighters to normal status."

AGENTS NOTES: This document was signed by Captain William Akin, the Radar Controller on duty at the time of these occurrences.

THIS IS A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

BY: /s/ Wm B Gray  
SAC, Knoxville

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, F.B.I.

DATE: July 14, 1950

FROM : SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re telephone call to [REDACTED] at the Bureau on July 12, 1950.

On July 11, 1950, [REDACTED], furnished this Office with a copy of a letter addressed to the Daily Oklahoman and Times, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated July 10, 1950. Copies of this letter were designated for the FBI, Washington, and the Oklahoma City Police Department. The letter itself is quoted:

"Gentlemen:

"Reference to a fellow being 'soused', in your paper of this date, applied to me. To say that, was not libel, because, sometimes that is true and, here in the Bible Belt, who determines when one is 'soused'.

"What I have to say is, that the 'piece of an old meteorite' was no doubt true. But, on close accord with the circumstances, I examined the piece and found a wire attached. That was the reason for calling the FBI and the Oklahoma City Police Department.

"The Oklahoma City Police Department did their duty, in this little incident, but the FBI office seemed to care little about it. Had it been of major importance, would the local office acted as it did?

Yours very truly,

[REDACTED SIGNATURE]

In the Oklahoma City Times of July 10, 1950, there appeared an article entitled, "Flying Saucer Lands in Police Trophy Room." This article is attached.

Submitted herewith is a copy of a memorandum by night clerk [REDACTED] relative to this matter. There is also enclosed a memorandum submitted by clerk [REDACTED] on the same matter.

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[REDACTED]

This information is being furnished the Bureau in view of the fact that a copy of the letter addressed to the Daily Oklahoman was designated for the FBI in Washington, D. C. It is apparent from the memorandums submitted by the clerks receiving the calls from [REDACTED] that he was arrogant and possibly drunk.

[REDACTED] Oklahoma City, was interviewed by Agents of this Office in accordance with Bureau instructions. Mr. [REDACTED] opened the conversation by stating he believed he had been doing too much telephoning.

The Bureau's appreciation for his thoughtfulness in contacting this Office on matters in which he thought we would be interested was expressed and it was explained to him that there was no necessity for him to correspond with any newspaper in order to obtain action by this Bureau on matters over which we have investigative jurisdiction. Mr. [REDACTED] stated he was still under the influence of alcohol at the time he observed the newspaper article wherein he was designated as being "soused" and he thereupon wrote the letter mentioned above. He stated it was not his intention to cause any trouble for the Bureau and that he contemplated changing his brand of whisky. He stated it is his desire to cooperate with this Bureau in every possible way.

[REDACTED]

A photograph with descriptive data is being enclosed herewith.

ENC. TO THE BUREAU:

- Article in the Oklahoma City Times of July 10, 1950, entitled, "Flying Saucer Lands in Police Trophy Room."
- Memorandum submitted by night clerk [REDACTED] dated July 10, 1950, at Oklahoma City.
- Memorandum by clerk [REDACTED], Oklahoma City.

[REDACTED]

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

MEMO SAC:

NO RECORD

RE: UNKNOWN OBJECT FOUND IN BACKYARD OF  
[REDACTED]

NO RECORD

At 6:00 P.M. this date, [REDACTED] Okla. City, advised that he had found an object in the backyard with a piece of wire attached. He said that he had called the OCPD about it and then had called this office about it. Prior to calling this office the second time, he called the PD and had been advised they "hadn't investigated it yet".

[REDACTED] further stated in an incoherent manner that he didn't know what the object was, that he didn't think it was a flying saucer "or anything like that" but that it looked like a piece of metal of some kind with a piece of wire "or something sticking out of it".

[REDACTED] further stated that the officers from the OCPD had taken the object with them and had at the time "asked him how many drinks he had had".

[REDACTED] was very difficult to understand and voluntarily furnished information that he "had been drinking some". [REDACTED] was thanked for furnishing his information.

[REDACTED]  
Clerk

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ENCLOSURE

7-10-50  
6:55 a.m.

REPORTED FLYING SAUCER

817 NORTHWEST 7th

At 6:55 a.m. this date received a call to 817 Northwest 7th, get a report.

We talked with [REDACTED], WM-45 who stated there was something in his backyard which he believed to be a flying saucer. Mr. [REDACTED] warned us about touching the object, stating it had wire on it; however, on examining the object we found it to be a rock.

We also observed that Mr. [REDACTED] had been drinking; however, he was at home and not disturbing anyone, therefore we left him there

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[REDACTED]

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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
July 10, 1950

MEMO FOR THE SAC:

RE: [REDACTED]  
St. Okla. City, Okla.  
Unknown object found in backyard.

At 6:30 A. M. this date, Mr. [REDACTED] telephonically contacted this office, and advised that he had found a strange object in his back yard. Mr. [REDACTED] described the object as a metallic corrugated ball, slightly larger than a baseball, with a wire attached to it. The writer asked Mr. [REDACTED] what he thought the object was, and he replied, "not being a geologist he could not say". Mr. [REDACTED] was asked if he thought the object was a bomb, and he replied that he did not know, but it hadn't blown up yet.

The writer referred Mr. [REDACTED] to the Oklahoma City Police Department. Mr. [REDACTED] volunteered that he had been drinking, but that he was not drunk. It was apparent from Mr. [REDACTED] incoherent speech and thickness of tongue, he was under the influence of liquor.

Mr. [REDACTED] called again at 7:00 A.M. and he was again told to call the Oklahoma City Police Department.

At 7:30 A. M. the complainant called the office, and advised that he had called the police department, and that they tried to make a damned fool out of him and he didn't like it a bit. Mr. [REDACTED] was very arrogant and demanding during this conversation. He wanted the FBI to do something. The writer was courteous to Mr. [REDACTED] and informed him that his call would be made a matter of record and in the event the matter was within the investigative jurisdiction of this office, he would be contacted.

[REDACTED]  
Clerk.

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ENCLOSURE

**'Flying Saucer' Lands  
In Police Trophy Room**

A city resident called police Monday morning and reported a flying saucer in his yard. It developed that he was well soured, police reported, but at least he had something tangible to offer in evidence.

When scoutcar officers W. L. Brown and W. B. Cole arrived, the man warily circling an object about the size of a softball. Now the police squad room has a new trophy—a piece of an old meteorite.

Oklahoma City Times  
July 10, 1950

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ENCLOSURE

1 - [REDACTED]

March 21, 1961

100-862-103581-10

[REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

I have received your letter dated March 13, 1961, and the interest which prompted your communicating with me is indeed appreciated.

This Bureau has conducted no investigation of the organization about which you inquired. In addition, the jurisdiction and responsibilities of the FBI, strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government, do not extend to furnishing evaluations or comments concerning the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. I am sure you will understand the necessity for this policy and will not infer that we do or do not have in our files the information you desire.

MAR 21 6 55 PM '61

In view of your interest in the internal security of the United States, I am enclosing some literature which you may wish to read.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Mr. [REDACTED]

**NOTE ON YELLOW:**

Bufiles contain no identifiable references to correspondent.

[REDACTED] has corresponded with the Bureau since 1957, forwarding various material concerning flying saucers. No investigation of the organization has been conducted by the Bureau and, to date, no complaints have been received against the organization alleging violation of law over which this Bureau has jurisdiction.

The following items of literature have been forwarded to correspondent:

1. "Communist Target - Youth"
2. "One Nation's Response to Communism"
3. "God and Country or Communism?"
4. "The Communists Are After Our Minds"
5. "Breaking the Communist Spell"



HOTEL *Neff*  
2ND AND MARKET  
SUNBURY, PENNA

[Redacted]

March 13, 1961

Edgar J. Hoover  
Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover;

On March 1, 1961, I subscribed for a one year membership (\$5.00) to "The U.F.O. Investigator," published by the National Investigation Committee on Aerial Phenomena - NICAP. This organization is located at: 1536 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Today, I received acknowledgement of membership and my first issue of "U.F.O. Investigator."

The contents of this issue points up the pressure being applied to the United States Air Force, Congressional leaders and others to divulge secret information regarding Flying Saucers, etc.

If our Air Force (or any other agency) has such information and our government desires to keep same secret in the interest of national security, I would appreciate your answering this question for me.

// "IS N I C A P a Communist sponsored outfit???"

If so, I have inadvertently contributed my name and support to their cause, by my membership for one year.

Thank you for your interest and reply.

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Sincerely yours,

[Redacted signature]

January 31, 1949

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Washington D.C.

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

Here is a bit of information which may be of great significance, or may be merely an observation of a scientific experiment. It may be known by military authorities and the A.E.C. or only a few may have seen it and none reported it to the right place. Here it is. Can you pass it to the right persons?

Last May one afternoon I saw four beams in the sky passing from the northwest to the southeast and converging in the Cascade mountains. In those four narrow beams small clouds were forming. And where the beams met apparently against the mountains a great explosion effect was to be seen. I would say that they were visible for at least 10 minutes or longer.

The sight brought to mind an article read before the war about experiments carried on in Europe with various types of radio beams to effect rainfall. I would guess that I had seen the article in the Science Digest.

The Columbia River flood of last summer and the unusual precipitation this winter have forced me to feel that this observation of mine should be sent somewhere in the interest of national security.

I have one son in the Air Corps and another works with the A.E.C. at Hanford which causes me to pray for peace, as well as the fact that as a minister I deplore the waste and tragedy of war. That is one reason that I have refrained from passing on information and ideas that might incite warlike attitudes.

May I add these words to paragraph two. The explosion effect seemed to rise to a height of about ten thousand feet.

Sincerely,

[Redacted signature]

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November 16, 1961

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[REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Mr. Hoover has been called out of the city and asked me to acknowledge your letter to him, which was received on November 13, 1961.

Although Mr. Hoover would like to be of service, information in FBI files must be maintained as confidential through a regulation of the Department of Justice. In this connection, the FBI is strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government and, as such, does not make evaluations nor draw conclusions concerning the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. Please do not infer either that we do or do not have data in our files relating to the subjects of your inquiries.

In light of the foregoing, you can be assured that this Bureau does not have a list of organizations of the type you discussed; however, there is enclosed a list of groups designated by the Department of Justice as coming within the purview of Executive Order 10450. The material you enclosed is being returned to you under separate cover.

Sincerely yours,

~~John Edgar Hoover~~

Helen W. Gandy  
Secretary

MAILED 20  
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COMM-FBI

Enclosure

Organizations designated under Executive Order 10450

Mr. [REDACTED] Room 4726 (Sent Direct)

USC Material (listed next page)

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**USC Material**

3 piece form mail from The Golden Dawn Press  
Methods of the Magi  
The Flying Saucers Are Real  
My Friend from Beyond Earth  
Flying Saucerama  
Outwitting Tomorrow

**NOTE:** Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. The date received is being used as her letter was dated March 23, 1961, and no postmark date could be located. Correspondent enclosed three pieces of form mail from The Golden Dawn Press, 1044 South Clive Street, Los Angeles 15, California, and five books or pamphlets, namely: Flying Saucerama by Dr. Frank E. Stranges; My Friend from Beyond Earth by Dr. Stranges; Outwitting Tomorrow, a publication from The Golden Dawn Press; The Flying Saucers Are Real by Donald Keyhoe; and Methods of the Magi, another publication of The Golden Dawn Press.

She is being given an in-absence reply as it is believed these are not the type of books on which the Director would want to comment nor is the material in them of interest to the Bureau. She asks are the books subversive and if they are, is there any way to stop them or expose them. In view of the size of the books and pamphlets correspondent enclosed they are being returned to her under separate cover.

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FEDERAL BUREAU of INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Sirs;

I have come across some literature, that I believe may be subtly subversive. I am sending as much of this literature as I was able to obtain and keep in my possession. The book, "Out-witting Tomorrow" seems designed to "brain wash" the well-meaning and serious person, preparing the mind for the subsequent monographs, and lessons, which are apparently an indoctrination, teaching self-hypnosis. This doctrine seems to be tied up with the idea, that U. F. O.s are visitors from other planets. Monograph, number twelve, takes a legal refuge on its cover and warns that some individuals who may try to practice one of its exercises ( a kind of mental masturbation) might become degenerates. These monographs appear to be let out to the prospective convert, in small, well planned, amounts at a time. Probably to keep the victims intelligence from rejecting the material in its entirety. The emphasis is on secrecy, deception, and silence. I think it is their policy to go on declaring to be the same religion they were before they became addicted to this weird doctrine, (at least the one my husband met did) You would never know who they are. I believe this to be as dangerous as dope addiction. It is my opinion, that if the communist are able to get our irresponsible people on dope, and the responsible but slightly gullible people self-hypnotized into an "outer space" condition, and the rebellious, nonconformist demonstrating, they

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might not be enough of us left to stop them. the Reds operating behind our precious freedom of religion? If they are, they are dangerous. Please investigate and expose them.

The people who spoke on their avowed sightings of U.F. O.S. at their convention, in the Shrine Auditorium, in Los Angeles in either late July or August of 1960, Also the books by Major Keyhole and books by Dr. Strangers, seemed to have been written for the express purpose of discrediting our Air Force (Intelligence division).

Are they subversive? If they are, is there some way to stop them, or at least expose them? Hoping you will investigate the matter. I am

Sincerely 

P.S. Is there a printed list of known Communist and Communist Organizations. That the average person may obtain for his or her personal protection? (to keep out and away from such people and organizations) I would like to have such a list.

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice

422 - Federal Office Building  
Civic Center, San Francisco 2  
September 4, 1947

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Director, FBI

RE: WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE CONFERENCE

Dear Sir:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Although Lt. [REDACTED], A2, Hamilton Field, California, was not present, due to the death of two of his investigators returning from an investigation concerning flying discs, DIO and G2 representatives were advised of the Bureau's current interest in investigating reported sightings of flying discs and of the Bureau's cooperation with the IAF intelligence in this matter.

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Director, FBI, from SAC, San Francisco

September 4, 1947

RE: WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE CONFERENCE

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Lt. Colonel [REDACTED] discussed the investigation being conducted in connection with the "Flying discs," all of which has been the subject of a separate communication to the Bureau.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Director, FBI, from SAC, San Francisco

September 4, 1947

RE: WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE CONFERENCE

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Lt. [REDACTED] again discussed the activities of the Air Force in investigating the "flying disc" complaints, and also reported an additional complaint of this nature which has been the subject of a separate communication to the Bureau.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/2/65

FROM : *JPM*  
*K*  
*C* SAC, PITTSBURGH (62-0) (c)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL INVESTIGATIONS  
COMMITTEE ON AERIAL PHENOMENA  
MISCELLANEOUS

Enclosed for the Bureau are 2 copies each and for Washington Field Office 2 copies each of a LHM and reliability memo concerning captioned organization.

[REDACTED]

He furnished this information on 8/9/65 to [REDACTED] OSI, Greater Pittsburgh Airport, Coraopolis, Pa., and to SA [REDACTED] who was present at the invitation of [REDACTED] in the event [REDACTED] had information of interest to the Bureau.

Indices of the Pittsburgh Office contain no information identifiable with captioned organization, [REDACTED] to other individuals mentioned in the attached LHM.

Furnished to the Bureau and Washington Field Office for information. No further action is being taken and this matter is closed.

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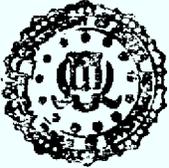
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

September 2, 1965

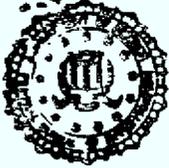
[REDACTED]

On August 9, 1965, a source advised that the

[REDACTED]  
 which had headquarters at [REDACTED]  
 Washington, D. C., 20036, has an informal chapter in  
 Pittsburgh, Pa. [REDACTED], an University of Pitts-  
 burgh graduate student, and one [REDACTED] are members  
 of the Pittsburgh organization. They are acquainted with a  
 NASA employee, one [REDACTED] (phonetic), and have  
 stated that he furnishes them information by mail about  
 unidentified flying objects (UFO) which he obtains from  
 NASA files. The source believes that the information  
 furnished may be classified. The source said, for example,  
 that [REDACTED] had seen a motion picture film  
 showing a missile separation and an UFO appearing on the  
 screen. Prior to the flight of Gemini 4, [REDACTED]  
 informed [REDACTED] to watch out for something  
 interesting because the space ship had devices aboard  
 to detect UFO's. [REDACTED] furnished the infor-  
 mation received from [REDACTED] to the headquarters of the  
 National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena.  
 [REDACTED] have informed the source that [REDACTED]  
 posts his letters in a mail box away from NASA and puts  
 hairs in the glue of the envelope so that the addressee  
 can determine if the envelope was opened. This source  
 stated he had no reason to believe that the information  
 secured by [REDACTED] was going to any foreign power.

This document contains neither  
 conclusions of the FBI, nor  
 the FBI and is loaned to your  
 agency; its contents are not to be distributed outside  
 your agency.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

September 2, 1965

Title

[REDACTED]

Reference

Memorandum dated and  
captioned as above at  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Source has not been contacted a sufficient number  
of times to establish reliability.

This document contains neither recommendations nor  
conclusions of the FBI. It is the property  
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# Memorandum

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Evans	_____
Malone	_____
Rosen	_____
Sullivan	_____
Tavel	_____
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Tele. Room	_____
Ingram	_____
Gandy	_____

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 9-22-61

FROM :

SUBJECT: AERIAL OBJECTS  
INFORMATION CONCERNING  
[REDACTED] COMPLAINANT

[REDACTED], Howard University, Washington, D. C., called at 2:25 a.m., 9-22-61, to report that for last several minutes he had been observing a light in the eastern sky which he felt could be a flying disc. He explained that the light, which appeared to change colors and to ascend and descend, had gradually diminished. [REDACTED] discounted possibility light he observed was aircraft light or falling star.

Matter was immediately discussed with [REDACTED], Staff Duty Officer, Air Force, who advised that he had not received any similar reports.

Bufiles contain no information identifiable with [REDACTED]

ACTION:

File.

- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - [REDACTED]
- 1 - [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

1 - Liaison  
1 - [redacted]

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Date: September 27, 1961  
To: Office of Special Investigations  
Air Force  
Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence Division  
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director  
Subject: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT  
SEPTEMBER 22, 1961, IN VICINITY  
OF WASHINGTON, D. C.

On September 22, 1961, [redacted], [redacted] Howard University, Washington, D. C., advised this Bureau that between 2:00 a.m. and 2:25 a.m., on September 22, 1961, he had observed a light which he felt could be a flying disc. He explained that the light which was in the East seemed to change colors and to ascend and descend. He discounted the possibility that the light was from an aircraft or was a falling star.

The above information was furnished to Captain [redacted] Department of the Air Force, at 2:30 a.m., September 22, 1961, by Special Agent [redacted] of this Bureau. We are taking no further action with respect to this matter.

JFW:akg  
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BY COURIER SVC.  
87 SEP 28  
COMM-FBI

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
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[REDACTED]

August 10, 1961

Mr. William C. Sullivan  
Chief Inspector  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

*1111 1021E*

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

Our company possesses a guest house on a mountain top southwest of Carlisle.

A number of us were holding a meeting Tuesday Evening, August 8. It was warm and we were sitting on an uncovered veranda.

At two minutes of ten we noted a bright light overhead longitudinally but a few degrees Northwest latitudinally. It moved in an East by North direction. At five minutes after ten it disappeared behind the tree tops.

The night was clear, stars were plainly visible. The North star provided a sense of direction. The light was brighter than any star.

As we followed the course of the light it seemed to move a bit erratically from side to side and on a few occasions seemed to jump ahead. Though all of us observed these variable movements, I recognize they could be attributed to atmospheric conditions or eye concentration.

I have been at a loss as to whether to report this and, if so, to whom. *REC-32 62-85552-1792*

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I would like to assure you that the light observed was not an airplane. With the sky so full of "exotic objects" one hesitates to report any observation today.

Sincerely yours,

[REDACTED]

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REC-32

62-85557-1972

August 15, 1961

EX-107

Mr. [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter dated August 10, 1961, which was directed to Assistant Director William C. Sullivan of this Bureau has been called to my attention and I appreciate your furnishing the information contained therein. Since, however, this is a matter within the jurisdiction of the Department of the Air Force, I am taking the liberty of furnishing that agency a copy of your letter.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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AUG 15 1961  
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NOTE: Assistant Director Sullivan knows [REDACTED] a retired businessman connected with Dickinson College, Carlisle, as vehemently anticommunist. Bufiles contain a clipping from the "Los Angeles Times" of 4-1-61 in which [REDACTED], described as [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Carlisle, is listed as a council member of the John Birch Society. Bufiles also indicate that [REDACTED] in 1957 wrote a letter to the Bureau attesting to the anticommunist nature of one [REDACTED] a lecturer on whom Bufiles contain no references.

In his letter to Assistant Director Sullivan of 8-10-61 [REDACTED] pointed out that he had observed an unusual flight in the sky. No action indicated by Bureau. Air Force being furnished copy of [REDACTED] letter by separate communication.

- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Callahan \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Conrad \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Evans \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Malone \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Tavel \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Ingram \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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1 - Liaison

REC-32

62-82857-1972

EX-102

Date: August 15, 1961  
To: Office of Special Investigations  
Air Force  
Attention: Chief, Counterintelligence Division  
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director  
Subject: ~~RIGHT OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT~~  
CARLISLE, PENNSYLVANIA, AUGUST 8, 1961  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING  
(NATIONALITIES INTELLIGENCE)

There is enclosed a copy of a letter received by this Bureau from [redacted] Carlisle, Pennsylvania, dated August 10, 1961, which is self-explanatory.

By letter dated August 15, 1961, [redacted] was advised by this Bureau that the matter discussed in his letter was within the jurisdiction of the Department of the Air Force. [redacted] was also advised that a copy of his letter was being furnished the Department of the Air Force.

We are taking no further action in this matter.

BY COURIER SVC.  
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COMM-FBI

Enclosure

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- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
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- Callahan \_\_\_\_\_
- Conrad \_\_\_\_\_
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- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Ingram \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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**Office of Special Investigations  
Air Force**

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. DeLoach
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Bishop
- Mr. Casper
- Mr. Callahan
- Mr. Conrad
- Mr. Felt
- Mr. Gale
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Sullivan
- Mr. Tavel
- Mr. Trotter
- Tele. Room
- Miss Holmes
- Miss Gandy

TO  
FROM

Mr. Moore

DATE: 3/5/75

Mr. Hein

LSH

SUBJECT: **LIEUTENANT GENERAL JEAN E. ENGLER,  
USA (RET.), 819 UNION TRUST BUILDING  
740 15TH STREET, NORTHWEST,  
WASHINGTON, D.C.  
REQUEST TO REPRINT ARTICLE FROM  
FBI LAW ENFORCEMENT BULLETIN**

*Handwritten signature/initials*

Captioned telephoned 2/28/75 and requested permission to reprint in "Officer Review," a publication of the American Ordnance Association, the article entitled "The UFO Mystery," which appeared in the February, 1975, issue of the Bulletin. Engler was given the permission he requested, and he promised that appropriate credit would be given to our magazine.

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He was most appreciative for our cooperation and was highly complimentary concerning the UFO article.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

1 - Mr. Moore

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January 30, 1975

Dr. J. Allen Hysak  
Director  
Center for UFO Studies  
Post Office Box 11  
Northfield, Illinois 60093

Dear Dr. Hysak:

FBI/EO

Your article entitled "The UFO Mystery," which you prepared for the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin, has been published in the February, 1975, edition and begins on page 16. I am sure that the information contained in this interesting article will be of value to law enforcement officers throughout the country, and my associates and I want to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for your cooperation.

Several advance copies of the Bulletin are enclosed, and I shall be glad to see that additional ones are sent to you if desired.

Sincerely yours, ST-105

Cl. M. Kelley REC-19

Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

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- Mr. Tolson
  - Mr. DeLoach
  - Mr. Mohr
  - Mr. Bishop
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  - Miss Holmes
  - Miss Gandy
- Enclosures (5)  
Chicago  
JHC (6)

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The above-mentioned phraseology was immediately shown to Inspector [redacted] of the Records and Communications Division and was found not to be objectionable. [redacted] expressed thanks for such quick coordination and indicated he would continue to be at the service of the Laboratory in any matter they might wish to refer to him affecting balloons. Before leaving [redacted] mentioned that Mr. Richard Wilson, who is known to Mr. Nichols and Mr. [redacted] was coordinating the material for the proposed article.

ACTION:

This is for informational purposes.

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The Literal-minded FBI, skeptical but determined could not let the flying saucer excitement go by without getting to the bottom of it. Such a profusion of strange objects littering the American skies was too important to ignore.

A 10-page report by the nuclear physics branch of the Office of Naval Research, has given the answer:

Flying saucers were, and are, undeniably real.

ENCLOSURE

94-3-4317-321

Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: January 10, 1951

FROM :

SUBJECT: ARTICLE TO APPEAR IN "LOOK" MAGAZINE EXPLAINING "FLYING SAUCERS"

[REDACTED] came by the Liaison Section on January 8, 1951, and indicated to Special Agent DeLoach that he had been requested to publish an article in "LOOK" Magazine, at an early date, explaining the Navy's development of so-called "Flying Saucers." Dr. [REDACTED] indicated he desired to refer to the FBI in the first paragraph of his article and, therefore, he desired clearance for this purpose. Before presenting his article he expressed the opinion that publication of such an article would save the Bureau time and expense in running down numerous reported leads regarding balloons or reported saucers within the confines of this country. He also indicated release of erroneous information by amateur scientists concerning "flying saucers" had nearly caused waves of hysteria among the public in certain areas of the United States. Dr. [REDACTED] explained that he had submitted to the FBI Laboratory a complete explanation of the development of the "flying saucers" which he said in effect was merely a huge balloon able to travel at a speed of 200 miles an hour and which was used for the purpose of promoting cosmic rays in order to intercept and destroy planes and missiles bent on destruction of the United States.

The first paragraph of Dr. [REDACTED]'s proposed article was phrased as follows:

"The Literal-minded FBI, skeptical but determined could not let the flying saucer excitement go by without getting to the bottom of it. Such a profusion of strange objects littering the American skies was too important to ignore."

"A 10-page report by the nuclear physics branch of the Office of Naval Research, has given the answers."

"Flying saucers were and are undeniably real."

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nichols

DATE: July 5, 1950

FROM : [Redacted]

SUBJECT:

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

By letter dated June 24, 1950, addressed to Assistant Director Tracy, Mr. [Redacted], Cosmos Club, Washington 5, D. C., requested a statement from the FBI as to whether any of its Agents have ever confirmed any report of an actual flying saucer being found or a general statement on the subject. Mr. [Redacted] desires the statement for an article he plans to write under the title, "Let's End This Flying Saucer Craze."

Bureau files reflect Mr. [Redacted] was investigated by the Bureau in May of this year in connection with his application for employment by the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Washington, D. C. as Historian. [Redacted] It is noted that [Redacted] is a writer and at the time of the investigation, he was self-employed, residing at the Cosmos Club, Washington, D. C. [Redacted] has in the past received assistance from the Bureau in the preparation of articles and he was furnished data by Mr. Tracy in November, 1949, with reference to the footprinting of infants for use in an article on that subject to be published in "House and Garden" magazine. Data pertaining to [Redacted] is entirely favorable and our relations have been cordial.

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the suggested statement **ATTACHED** in reply to Mr. [Redacted] request be furnished to him.

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July 6, 1950

The jurisdiction and responsibility for investigating reports of flying saucers have been assumed by the United States Air Force. Information concerning this matter received by the FBI is turned over immediately to the Air Force and the FBI does not attempt to investigate these reports or evaluate the information furnished.

*Original mailed  
to Capt. John H. ...  
Cameo Club, Wash. DC  
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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tracy	_____
Mr. Egan	_____
Mr. Gurnea	_____
Mr. Harbo	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Pennington	_____
Mr. Quinn	_____
Mr. Nease	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

TO : MR. TOLSON

FROM : Mr. S. J. Tracy

SUBJECT:

DATE: 6/30/50

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Mr. [redacted] of the Historian's Office, Department of Defense, telephoned and advised that he was very anxious to get some type of a general statement whether "no comment" or otherwise for use in connection with the article he has written on flying saucers. He feels that the article will be well rounded and will answer many questions in the minds of readers if a reference is made to the FBI even though it merely states that the FBI had adopted a "no comment" position in connection with the subject matter in view of the fact that it seemed to be the primary responsibility of the Air Force.

*We should tell him "NO COMMENT"*

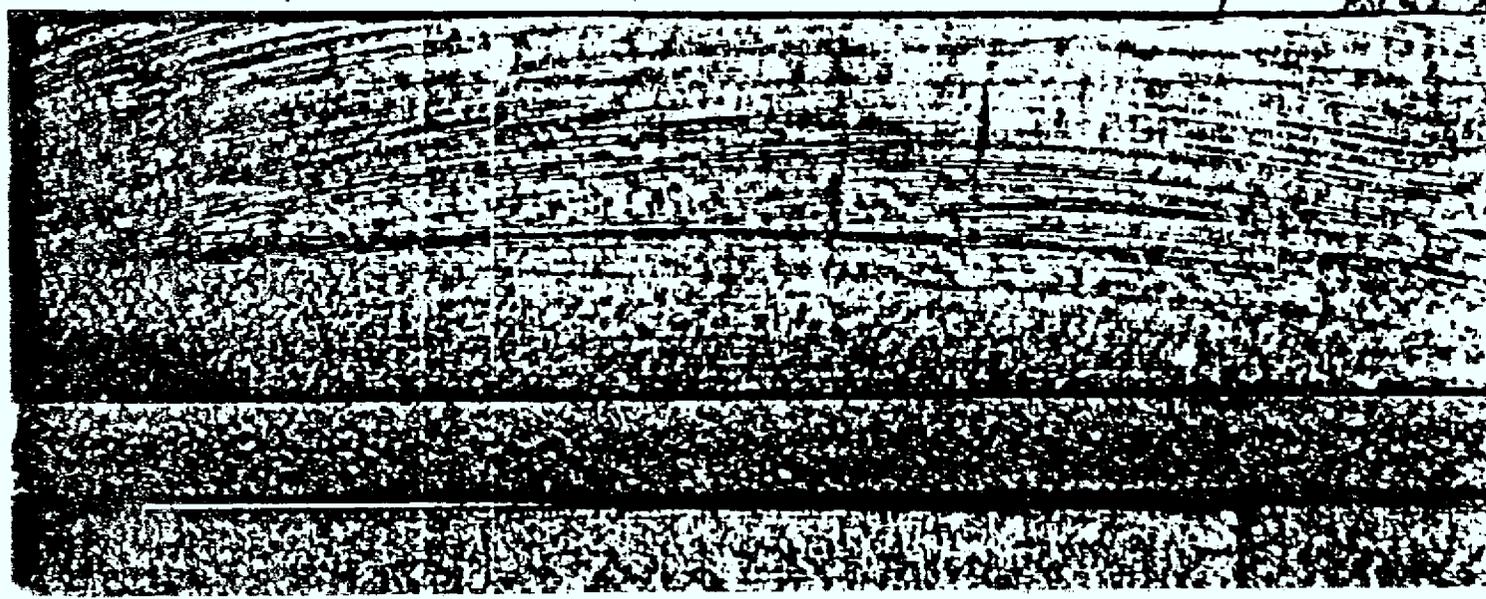
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FBI

Date: 6/18/56

Transmit the following message via

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(Priority or Method of Mailing)

From SAC, NEW YORK (62-0-34871)

To: BUREAU

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Boardman	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Parsons	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Winterrowd	
Mr. Holloman	
Miss Gandy	

BROOKLYN 1, NY  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

Bureau is referred to letter dated 4/21/54 from Director, FBI, to [redacted] at above address, thanking [redacted] for information furnished.

At 11:10 A.M., on 6/18/56, [redacted] telephonically contacted SA [redacted] at the NYO of the FBI. Mrs. [redacted] spoke incoherently and said that her son was on the verge of a mental breakdown because certain people would not leave him alone.

On 6/30/54, SA [redacted] had telephonically contacted [redacted] and thanked him for some material on flying saucers he had mailed to the NYO.

The only information that could be obtained from [redacted] was that a [redacted], associated with the [redacted] Fort Lee, New Jersey, had written to her son sometime in June or July, 1956. According to [redacted] the letter contained information concerning saucers, but also had a cover letter which stated the FBI has gotten after [redacted] who is slowly disintegrating.

[redacted] stated she does not have this letter. [redacted] became hysterical on the phone, and stated that something must be done to save her son. [redacted] stated she would hold the FBI responsible if anything goes wrong with her son. [redacted] talked on and on, and would not listen to anything concerning the jurisdiction of the FBI.

The above is being sent for the information of [redacted]

- 3 - Bureau (RM)
- 1 - Newark (RM)
- 1 - NY 62-0-34871

Mr. Mohr

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Date: 6/18/56

Transmit the following message via \_\_\_\_\_

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

From SAC,

To: BUREAU

RE:

[REDACTED]

BROOKLYN 1, NY

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

the Bureau, and no further investigation is contemplated at NYO, UACB.

// OSI, NY, will be advised by separate communication.

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62-101030-5

April 21, 1954

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[REDACTED]

Brooklyn 1, New York

Dear [REDACTED]:

Your letter postmarked April 8, 1954, and addressed to [REDACTED] of the FBI, has been received. I appreciate your thoughtfulness in bringing this information to our attention.

As a matter of convenience to you, it is suggested that in the future you communicate with our office at 290 Broadway, New York 7, New York.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

CC--New York, with copy of incoming.  
ATTENTION SAC: Correspondent previously submitted similar data on 3-1-54 which was referred to OSI by cover memorandum. His letter was acknowledged 3-10-54 and he was not advised of this referral. A copy of the attached letter from him is also being transmitted to OSI. You will note his statement that the information he furnishes is based solely on "impressions" rather than concrete facts.

NOTE: [REDACTED] Mail Clerk, assigned files, EOD 3-29-54. Routing Unit advised they had received previous correspondence from [REDACTED] which was sent registered mail, return receipt requested. On the last two occasions, [REDACTED] has signed the return receipt which accounts for the manner in which correspondent obtained her name.

Copy of incoming by cover memo to OSI.

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Ladd \_\_\_\_\_
- Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
- Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
- Glavin \_\_\_\_\_
- Harbo \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Tracy \_\_\_\_\_
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[REDACTED]  
BROOKLYN 1. N. Y.

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April 6 1954

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Pennsylvania and 9th  
Washington DC

Subject: Possible subversive ri

Gentlemen;

Further to my registered letter 33520 of March 1, listing persons who planned contacting for the new CIVILIAN SAUCER INTELLIGENCE, to discuss Saucers, I am sending a second report on membership. I have reached much definite impressions since then, on some members, and enclose these for they are worth.

From her actions, general attitudes, and methods, I am almost positive [REDACTED] is part of some other group, possibly subversive, investigating the field for possible civilian information on the subject.

From her attitude, toward [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] her contacting me after I had written [REDACTED] twice after long activity, his unusual will to cooperate with our group, different from his previous closemouthed attitude I am almost positive he is part of the same group, and either directs her the entire group in New York City. He does a great deal of travelling from New York to Washington and Baltimore, and may be some sort of courier.

A clipping has come in that [REDACTED] also previously listed, states he is a research 'Assistant Professor' to PROFESSOR [REDACTED] in Albuquerque, now studying 'Meteoritics'. I have nothing as to Professor [REDACTED] background other than he has given out some peculiarly mis-informed ideas on the subject in recent years.

These include: a widely circulated release that the Green fireballs were not 'natural' phenomena, and probably were American secret weapons; an article in People Today that saucers and fireballs were probably coming from north Russian bases; a news release that flying saucers over Northern Japan in Jan. 1953, were probably Russian guided missiles, contrary to all known performances of missiles.

After sending [REDACTED] some special information on saucer reports he mentioned after long delay that he had been at Cambridge, Mass. Whether or not there is a connection, PROFESSOR [REDACTED], who wrote a deluge of misinformative and debunking book on flying saucers, lives near Cambridge while working at Harvard. According to some persons who have supposedly seen his daughter, they are unquestionably communists or fellow travellers. However I am not sure of the character of the persons who [REDACTED] must state is only hearsay evidence.

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We have also received info from a [redacted] flying saucer  
for George Adamski, a [redacted] the subject. Her [redacted] phone number was  
given as [redacted] SHE [redacted] She is  
apparently cooperating with the British Book Center, in the publicising of  
Adamski's books with Desmond Leslie, FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED. He will  
speak at our meeting this Friday April 9th. [redacted] has been especially  
energetic in putting this meeting across, in spite of Adamski's material.

Through [redacted] special efforts, a Mr. [redacted] of the [redacted]  
Bronx division may send reporters to this meeting, for a possible article  
writeup. Other than seemed insistent that the [redacted] be contacted rather than  
other newspapers, I have nothing to add to Mr. [redacted]

All information enclosed, is sent for whatever value it may have. I  
continue sending this, until I either quit this group, or subject. It should  
be understood at all times, that this material is purely impressions I get  
from the behavior of the persons mentioned, and is NOT based on any concrete  
facts I have been able to obtain. If at any time you require correspondence  
on these or any other correspondents, my files are at your disposal.

Sincerely,

[redacted signature block]

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DATE: April 21, 1954  
TO: Director of Special Investigations  
The Inspector General  
Department of the Air Force  
The Pentagon  
Washington 25, D. C.  
FROM: John Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
SUBJECT: [REDACTED]  
BROOKLYN 1, NEW YORK

Reference is made to my letter of March 10, 1954, captioned as above.

Attached is a copy of a subsequent letter R-1 received from the above individual which is dated April 6, 1954. This is being furnished for whatever action is deemed appropriate and the correspondent has not been advised of this referral.

Attachment

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BROOKLYN 1. N. Y.

Latest reports like  
analyzed in Flying  
Review, printed Since

April 14 1954

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Pennsylvania & 9th  
Washington DC

Gentlemen;

Further to my previous letters, I am attaching a photostat of some recent correspondence with a new subscriber, MR. [REDACTED] president of [REDACTED]. From some of the facts mentioned in his letter, I think he may be a part of the possibly subversive group that I have previously mentioned.

I find it very difficult to believe any ordinary person would spend depending on type of coverage, from \$250. to \$1200. per year, for 6 years on clipping services, on a subject for whatever "pleasure I am able to get out of it." And after this, remain "somewhat nebulous" on the matter. I would suggest a check of files on this name as well as others previously mentioned.

His appearance within 2 weeks after mentioning to [REDACTED] that it would require several thousand dollars, is also a little too well timed.

She has also stated that the 6 person business meetings, held in her home between public meetings is not too necessary, and that I only need appear. She has spoken to Mr. [REDACTED] several times, and mentioned that he may be able to appear at one of these business meetings, one planned for next week.

From this, I would assume that they either plan further attempts to obtain information from me, or make a possible business agreement to do joint work. I do not plan to enter any agreement, in the possibility it is of any value.

If you require any further information, files are at your disposal. All above material is once again, from impressions I gather of the persons mentioned, and I do not have any concrete data to back these suspicions, have no accusations to make.

Sincerely,  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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62-101930-1

March 19, 1954

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

New York, New York

Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of March 1, 1954, has been received, together with enclosures.

The thought prompting your advising me of the activities of your group is very much appreciated; however, I am unable to comply with your request.

For your information, data appearing in FBI files are confidential and available for official use only. I would like to point out that this Bureau is strictly a fact-finding agency and does not make evaluations or draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any individual or organization.

I know you will understand the reasons for these rules and will not infer either that we do or that we do not have information relating to the individuals whose names you submitted to me.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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NOTE: Neither correspondent nor his organization is identifiable in Bufiles. Bufile 62-83894 reflects that previous inquiries and data concerning flying saucers has been made available to OSI, which agency has primary jurisdiction. A copy of incoming and copy of one of correspondent's enclosures listing the names of persons whom [REDACTED] has contacted is being forwarded to OSI by cover memorandum.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
BROOKLYN 1. N. Y.

The First Civilian Research  
Group, established July 1951  
to study all Saucer Phenomena

Latest reports listed  
analyzed in Flying Saucer  
Review, printed Since Au

March 1 1954

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Pennsylvania and 9th  
Washington DC NW

Subj: Request for  
Information

Gentlemen;

I have been printing an amateur magazine for several years on the Flying saucers for a small group. Recently, a New York City subscriber [REDACTED] has expressed a great interest in starting a separate group primarily for meetings and discussions of the subject, and I have supplied a listing of active and inactive persons from my files in NYC and New Jersey, as I do not have time to contact them myself.

The idea impresses me as a good one for a public information center, but considering the importance of the subject, I feel it will attract unwanted members, possibly subversives. My chief basis for this was the mention of several subversive groups working in this field, mentioned by columns of Robert S. Allen and Dorothy Kilgallen, both generally informed on governmental matters.

I am therefore sending you a duplicate list of persons we have contacted and would appreciate your checking these for the above reasons. This is purely a request for information, as I have no concrete facts for or against them in any way. I realize your work is primarily with other government bureaus, however the importance of this subject would tend to place it out of the usual run of civilian matters.

Attached is some literature describing my own past work for inquiring newspapers, and some sample magazine. All information I have come solely from newspapers and eyewitnesses, and I have none, nor claim any government contacts, or sources.

This is my own request only, and if I do not receive your reply in the next 2 weeks, I will assume this to mean there is nothing of consequence to reply, and will state this to the group. I do not want to bring any person I know into a group I start, with the possibility of unknown subversives in it, and will be happy to cooperate in any way you may feel necessary.

If you feel there is some action or information to be studied, please contact me at my office; [REDACTED] NYC, phone [REDACTED] during the daytime; or at my home at [REDACTED] Brooklyn, phone [REDACTED].  
Thanking you for your attention in this matter. I remain,

GENERAL INFORMATION SHEET  
OF THE

New group

The [REDACTED] has been founded to promote better public knowledge and attitudes toward flying saucers by means of public meetings, and also to further flying saucer research. We feel that you are interested in such an important subject, and therefore list below our present plans for coming meetings, for your consideration.

Planned topics: Some discussions and lectures of C.S.I. meetings will include:

- 1 Discussions of all alleged landing reports made within the United States.
- 2 Discussions of all possible theories of saucer origin and a questions-answer period following each.
- 3 Discussions of Menzels, Heards, Adamskis and Keyhoos theories.
- 4 Discussion and display of latest saucer reports and similar phenomena.
- 5 Discussion of famous Green Fireball phenomena.
- 6 Display and discussion of various saucer aircraft types.

EXHIBITS: Material discussing saucer reports will be on display in room. These will include:

- 1 Saucer photos and authentic sketches from eyewitness reports, on loan from the FLYING SAUCER RESEARCHERS.
- 2 Famous front page reports, from 1946 to 1952, from leading newspapers.
- 3 Historical reports from 1860 on, from original newspaper reports and old magazines.

MEMBERSHIP CHARGE:

- 1 A one year membership in the group, is \$1.00 per person. You will receive a membership card, and possibly a lapel pin later.
- 2 Dues of .50 per meeting will be charged. These funds will be used to notify you of each meeting, and printing a group bulletin giving a resume of each meeting, and the planned schedule of the next one.

MEMBERSHIP PRIVILEGES:

- 1 Lending library of material on all unidentified flying objects. This includes all books, and more than 100 magazine articles, with clippings attached.
- 2 Free information on all saucer phenomena.

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**PURPOSE:** 1 To obtain as many reports as possible using this magazine as the clearing center for all reports, in order to keep up to date on all saucer sightings.

2 To study these reports for individual and overall patterns in an attempt to understand the motives and possible future actions of the extra-terrestrials causing them.

**POLICIES:** The Saucer Review is a quarterly newsmagazine printed in exchange for these clippings, for persons who recognize the importance of this phenomenon, and who want to help follow it by sending in all recent or old reports in their papers.

The Saucer Review uses all clippings received to directly contact the original area of sighting, for the most complete and best coverage of each report.

You can obtain extra clippings by calling your local papers and asking for the clipping department or 'library', then asking for the dates of newspaper editions that carried saucer clippings and meteor reports, and then either sending the requested amount in postage, or informing the Review who will obtain the reports. This is a sure method of catching reports you may miss as they appear in the papers and also get them as far back as 7 months. One method of easing the asking for these reports is to ask for meteor data, and mention they might mistakenly be included among Flying Saucer Reports.

The DATE of each report is extremely important, and each clipping would be more useful with the newspaper name and date torn out and sent with the clipping.

The [redacted] analyzes all flying saucer reports using as a working theory, not a definitely established fact that they are caused by one or more extra-terrestrial life forms. This is in turn based upon a careful study of all available historical reports, including the Works of Charles Fort; during this study, 1 fact located definitely backs this origin, with much more unexplained data apparently backing it. However, the entire subject is still open to other theories, as there is simply insufficient data at present to absolute prove their origin, and this working theory will be used until such proof is presented.

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Section 2 - Analysis Section of all reports to find if any motive or pattern can be discovered, and possible future activity.

Section 3 - Historical Report Section of past reports with

ANALYSIS OF SAUCER REPORTS #15 to 43, from July 1 to October 30, 1951

**NOTE:** [REDACTED] analyzes flying saucer reports using as a temporary working theory, not as a definitely established fact, that they are caused by one or more extra-terrestrial life forms. This in turn is based upon a careful personal study of the various books on the subject, including the works of Charles Fort; during this study, I felt seems to definitely back this theory with much more unexplained data apparently backing it. However, the entire subject is still considered open to other theories, as there is simply insufficient data that will give absolute, acceptable to any theory of their origin. Until such proof is available, and has a more or less scientific basis, this working theory will be used.

**OVERALL PATTERNS:**

#1 Amount of saucer activity - has definitely increased, from 14 reports during the first 6 months, to 28 during the following 4 months. I believe this was caused by the closest approach of Venus in 19 months with Venus Inferior Conjunction occurring on Sept. 3, and the 4 (known) formations of gigantic saucers (or saucer carriers) observed over Texas 2 weeks prior to this date. My records show this has been generally true of Mars and Venus approaches in the last 7 years, and I list some prior data backing this; it is interesting to note that the rare "rocketship" sightings were observed on these dates.

July 1948 Venus Inferior Conjunction (Keyhoe 72,162)  
July 20, 1948 Arnheim, Holland. Rocketship-like object with 2 decks no wings, was seen 4 times, travelling at great speed  
July 24 1948 US. Famous Chilea-Whitted observation of a blue-edged rocketship with flaming red exhaust occurred (Keyhoe 6  
July 26 1948 Brisbane, Australia. Large 'meteor' passed over. It was watched for 10 seconds by an airline pilot whose description was "a bluish-steel colored ball with trailing red flame", and which he thought at first was a "rocket rather than an aircraft". (Apparently, the possibility of its being a meteor did not occur to this trained observer.) (Doubt Vol. 24, p369)

Aug-Oct 19' 6 Sweden. Hundreds of rocket-like fiery objects were observed.

Nov. 12 1946 Venus Inferior Conjunction.

Nov. 12 1946 Providence Bay, Siberia. Huge fiery-white object crossed over. NY Times

May 1945 Venus Inferior Conjunction

June 1 1945 Morgantown, North Carolina. Silvery rocketship-like object apparently struck nearby mountains. (Doubt)

Of course, this does not explain all reports, just that an increase of such dates is noticeable. Very generally speaking, Venus seems to mean rockets and fiery cone-like or ball-like objects, and Mars opposition seem to mean saucers, aerial explosions, and peculiar earthquakes, and parallel Forts conclusions on earlier approaches. Considering the Mars Opposition coming up on APRIL 30, 1952, and the recent increase of reports during the Venus Conjunction, a new phase of saucer activity may be expected, possibly direct communication or landings in some prominent area, such as Kansas, which is noted for its long and suspicious history of meteors and meteoric explosions, the last such being on Feb. 18, 1948, when a tremendous explosion occurred over it.

#2 Area of Activity: has shifted from far west to general areas of midwest, central south, and northwest. Indiana had 3 reports in 1 day within a 100 mile area, or 4 reports in 7 days. Texas had 6 very important reports in 5 days, while the NY, N.J. and Pennsylvania area had 6 reports in 2 months, formerly a very weak area for observations

#3 Types of saucers: The reports of saucer formations over Texas are unusual in 2 ways -- almost all reports since 1947 have been nearly all of single saucers seen. Also, the huge size of these saucerships is almost unknown, the last aerial object known to be their size was the Mantell report over Godman Field on Jan. 6 1948, and these huge craft possibly hint a serious changeover in action. The 2 reports of rocket-like ships over Denmark and Norway are similar to the Aug-Oct. 1946 "ghost rockets" over Sweden, previously mentioned.

## GENERAL ANALYSIS OF SINGLE REPORTS:

#15 Florida; Insufficient information for definite conclusions, but apparently the observers on board the sailing vessel did see something falling from the sky; a meteor would be very difficult, if not impossible to watch, and would strike the ocean with immense impact. As no known aircraft were missing, and nothing was found, it is possible this object was (A) a saucer landing underwater, as has been reported several times in the past, (B) refuse ejected from a saucer similar to the dozen or so inexplicable "iceblocks" that have fallen on England in the last 3 years or (C) some sort of communication signal. This is the second of 3 "falling or burning" airplanes seen in a 4½ month period, the others being at Paducah, Ky. on May 17, and Grayling, Mich. on Sept. 7.

#16 Lynchburg, Va. A typical saucer report. Object resembled no known aircraft, hovered as only a helicopter could, then zigzagged as no plane can do, and which would result in a stall, if attempted.

#17 Los Angeles, California: An ordinary report with an interesting sidelight. One of the minor saucer puzzles is the connection between the rather varied types of objects seen, ranging from the 1,000 foot object over Godman Field, to 200 foot rocketships, to 40 foot saucers to the 1 or 2 foot self-luminous globes. This is the first report I have that shows a definite connection between the ordinary mysterious saucers, and the very mysterious luminous small globes, whose size makes its propulsion very difficult to imagine. Keyhole has theorized the saucer is a pilot-carrying ship, and the luminous small globes are a non-pilot TV or radar reconnaissance device; while a writer under Palmers wing has theorized they are the actual 1 foot form of life of the extraterrestrial. The maneuverings of the 2 objects, alternatively leading each other does nothing to clear up the problem, although the 4 or 5 flashes seem to indicate some sort of communication by the globe, and are reminiscent of similar flashes mentioned in the last issue of Saucer Review.

#18 Hagerstown, Maryland: Insufficient information for definite conclusions, but included because of later occurrences in same arc. Possibly an airplane at great making its tail light seem to move slowly.

#19 Ohio, Pennsylvania, Maryland: Object apparently intercepted 2 times by aircraft, and probably was a weather balloon. A very noticeable fact is that all reports describe the object as moving very slowly and being visible for many moments - completely contrary to most



- JUNE 29 1951? Daytime? TEN THOUSAND ISLAND area, FLORIDA. 26° Lat, 81° Long. Object resembling a small plane fell into sea. No known aircraft missing, and widespread search found nothing. #15 SOURCE: ST. PETERSBURG TIMES JULY 2
- JULY 6, 1951 6:25 - 6:29 AM. LYNCHBURG, Virginia. 37° Lat, 78° Long. Sky Clear. A bright orange disc-like object hovered high in sky, suddenly zigzagged about, then appeared to roll on edge as it moved westward in a straight course without any visible exhaust and audible sound. #16 SOURCE: LYNCHBURG NEWS SEPT 28, personal letter.
- JULY 7, 1951 Evening. LOS ANGELES, California. 34° Lat, 118° Long. Brilliant motionless light hovered high in sky. Later, a pale circular disc appeared under it, and then both objects suddenly moved southwards, with disc leading. They suddenly changed direction, and light now lead disc. Then the light blinked on and off 4-5 times, went out, and disc sped away at great speed. #17 SOURCE: FATE MAGAZINE NOV 1951 letter section.
- JULY 30 1951 12:00 PM (MONDAY) HAGERSTOWN, Maryland. 45° Lat, 77° Long. Bright light high in sky moving slowly in northwest sky. #18 SOURCE: Hagerstown Morning Herald Aug 3
- AUG. 1, 1951 Morning (WEDNESDAY) CLEVELAND, Ohio. 41° Lat, 81° Long. Unknown object at 35,000 feet was apparently intercepted by 4 airplanes, and tentatively identified as a weather balloon. SOURCE: Detroit Free Press Aug 2
- AUG. 1, 1951 Morning (WEDNESDAY) YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio. 41° Lat, 80° Long. Same aerial object sighted. PITTSBURGH PRESS AUG 1
- AUG. 1, 1951 Afternoon (WEDNESDAY). BUTLER, Penna. 41° Lat, 80° Long. Silvery sphere approximately 150-200 feet wide, intercepted at 45,000 feet by group of jets, identifying it as a weather balloon. SOURCE: NY Daily News AUG 2
- AUG. 1, 1951 7:30 to 9:00 PM. (WEDNESDAY) HAGERSTOWN, Maryland. Oblong silvery object with reddish and bluish edges, and possibly carrying 2 lights, moved slowly from northwest to southeast. Height calculated from different airports simultaneously as 19,000 feet, 17,000 feet, and 78,000 feet. SOURCE: Hagerstown Morning Herald Aug 2, 3 Pittsburgh Sun Telegraph Aug. 2
- AUG. 1, 1951 8:50 PM? FREDERICK COUNTY, Maryland. 39° Lat, 77° Long. Same object seen, but becoming dimmer. SOURCE: Hagerstown Morning Herald Aug 2
- AUG. 1, 1951 9:00 PM? (Dusk) HAGERSTOWN, Maryland. 45° Lat, 77° Long. A small luminous object crossed sky at speed greater than silvery object. #19 SOURCE: Hagerstown Morning Herald Aug 2

- AUG. 1, 1951 10:00 PM? (Dark) HAGERSTOWN, Maryland. 45° Lat, 77° Long.  
Flashes of light apparently at regular intervals came from eastern sky, and was ascribed to a thunderhead cloud  
SOURCE: Hagerstown Morning Herald Aug 2, 3
- 11:00 PM? (Dark) HAGERSTOWN, Maryland. 45° Lat, 77° Long  
Aurora or northern light appeared on horizon.  
SOURCE: Hagerstown Morning Herald Aug 2
- AUG. 2, 1951 9:00 PM? (Thursday) HOMETOWN, Penna. 40½° Lat, 80° Long.  
Cigar or oval-shaped, self-luminous object sped noiselessly across sky from horizon to horizon in 60 seconds.  
SOURCE: Pittsburgh Sun Telegraph Aug 2; Pittsburgh Post Gazette Aug 2
- #20
- AUG. 12 1951? Daytime? NORTHERN FORWAY. 68° Latitude, 16° Longitude.  
Aerial Object resembling a rocket guided missile, passed over 4 fishermen from direction of the Arctic.  
SOURCE: NY World Telegram and Sun Aug 15
- #21
- AUG. 13 1951 Near Shiraz, Iran. 30° Latitude, 53° Longitude  
Falling 'meteors' killed 300 sheep, cows, donkeys, 12 persons injured 19 people, and flattened 62 buildings.  
SOURCE: NY state newspaper.
- AUG. 20 1951? Near MALONE, New York. 45° Latitude, 53° Longitude.  
Larger silvery ball-like object at great height crossed sky at great speed travelling eastward.  
SOURCE: MASSENA Observer Oct 8
- #22
- AUG. 20 1951? Monday Evening? LUBBOCK, Texas. 33½° Lat., 102° Long.  
A group of glowing objects in an uneven crescent formation, crossed sky at great speed, observed by the Journalism Professor of Texas Tech.  
SOURCE: DALLAS Morning News Aug 27
- #23
- AUG. 24 1951 9:10 PM. (Saturday) LUBBOCK, Texas. 33½° Lat, 102° Long.  
A group of glowing objects in uneven crescent formation (resembling a string of beads), noiselessly crossed sky in 3 seconds, from Northeast towards southwest. Depending on approximate heights estimated from 5,000 to 50,000 feet, their speed was between 1,500 mph, and 18,000 mph and size of each object was between 1,000 and 10,000 feet in diameter. Observed by 3 Texas Tech professors with astronomical training at a meeting, and a German teacher from Texas Tech elsewhere in same city. No known jet planes in flight.  
SOURCES: NY World Telegram & Sun Aug 27; FATE Magazine Jan. 1952; AMARILLO Daily News Aug 27; Dallas Morning News Aug 27; Lamesha Daily Reporter Aug 27.
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saucer reports where the object flashes past in a blur during 10-15 seconds of observation. Included in the story are 3 suspicious facts which suggest saucers were active, if they weren't observed. The apparently regular flashes of light in the eastern sky suggest signals but was conveniently ascribed to a thunderhead cloud, as no thunderstorm could be located. The 'auroral' light seen appears doubtful - while they might be seen any day in the year, they are rare in August, particularly at this latitude, and seems a weak identification. The third fact, a 'spot of light' seen crossing the sky at a speed greater than the balloons speed, at dusk, seems to be the real saucer report, as none of the airports watching the balloon mention that they had any aircraft coming in to land or intercept the balloon at Hagerstown. Also an airplane would be nearly invisible, and its navigation light would appear more as a pinpoint, intermittently flashing rather than a 'spot'. The activity surrounding this report resembles the Sept. 19 1950 balloon that floated over Missouri 6 hours, and was followed the next day by 3 giant 'meteors' that flashed down from Idaho to Colorado to Wisconsin and 1 from Tennessee; also the Feb. 13\* report where a saucer was seen watching a balloon over Alamogordo. Apparently, they are interested in terrestrial balloons.

#20 Homewood, Pa. Shape marks it as no known aircraft, speed much too great for aircraft, too slow for meteor as it was carefully watched from horizon to horizon by many residents, and was noiseless as most saucers;

#21 Norway; A rare rocketship object. It is very doubtful the Russians would need to experiment with their top secret rocket missiles near foreign countries, with their own vast barren areas in Siberia. Even if they had such a need, their long past history of secrecy of jet and rocket missiles and aircraft make it doubtful whether they allow it. It has taken us 'only' a year to get parts of a MIG 15 from Korea as they do not allow flights even near the border, while I have clippings of about 6 Russian aircraft from US flying magazines where even the identification numbers are confused - each one with 2 or 3 numbers, because even photographs are nearly impossible to obtain. Another possibility may be one of the Swedish guided missiles being tested; although firing the over Norway does not seem neither a safe nor friendly testing procedure. This report probably a rocketship related somehow to the saucerships.

Shiraz, Iran; This is included not as a saucer report, but as something possibly connected with them, in the same manner as the unexplainable falling iceblocks and falling airplane. Considering this item did not attain much prominence in the newspapers, and the lack of history of such 'meteoric storms', it appears more as a badly reported, violent hailstorm rather than anything else.

#22 Halone, N.Y.: Typical saucer observation, made while an airplane was in the air, and which would preclude the possibility the observer mis-identified a conventional aircraft.

#23 Lubbock, Texas; First of 4 groups of gigantic saucers, possibly arriving direct from Venus, with conjunction 2 weeks later. Observed by a Texas Tech. professor, the first of 5 professors to see objects.

#24, 25, 25 Lubbock, Texas; This set of reports are probably the most authentic and most important report yet made. Seen and timed by 3 scientists with...

- AUG. 24 1951 9:15 PM? (Saturday) LUBBOCK, Texas. 33° Lat., 102° Long.  
 Similar group of objects in same type formation crossed sky travelling in same direction. Second photograph taken showed 16 luminous objects on film.  
 #26 SOURCES: Same as report #24
- AUG. 25 1951 9:15 PM. (Sunday) AMARILLO, Texas. 35° Lat., 106° Long.  
 2 self-luminous pinkish objects, one apparently on top the other, crossed sky at a speed greater than any jet plane, travelling southwesterly.  
 #27 SOURCES: Amarillo Daily News Aug. 27
- AUG. 25 1951 9:20 PM. (Sunday) AMARILLO, Texas. 35° Lat., 106° Long.  
 5 self-luminous pink objects in uneven formation, crossed sky at speed greater than a jet plane, travelling southwesterly.  
 #28 SOURCE: Amarillo Daily News Aug 27
- SEPT. 3, 1951 VENUS INFERIOR CONJUNCTION.
- SEPT 7, 1951 10:00 AM. Near Grayling, Michigan. 44° Lat, 85° Long.  
 Object resembling an airplane apparently exploded in air, and then crashed on ground. No known planes missing, none found, and airforce base nearby claimed its personnel had fired a flare into sky about same time.  
 #29 SOURCE: NY Telegram & Sun Sept 8; Grand Rapids Press Sept 7; Traverse City Record Sept. 7.
- SEPT 9, 1951 1:00 AM. (Sunday). Near PHOENIX, Arizona. 33° Lat, 112° Lo.  
 A bright light (resembling a large star), hovered over Southern Mountain, then darted left, then right, for several minutes.  
 #30 SOURCE: Phoenix Gazette Sept. 10, 11: Fate Mgz Jan 1952
- SEPT 10 1951 1:00 AM. (Monday). Near PHOENIX, Arizona. 33° Lat, 112° Lon  
 A bright light (resembling a large star), under telescopic observation was found to be a large brilliant light, with 2 smaller equally brilliant lights on either side (now resembling a diamond bar brooch). It flashed from green to blue to amber at regular intervals, as it hovered, slanted right and left, circled, and made long swooping passes over Camelback Mountain.  
 #31 SOURCES: Phoenix Gazette Sept 10, 11: Fate Mgz. Jan 1952
- SEPT 11 1951 1:00 AM. (Tuesday). Near PHOENIX, Arizona. 33° Lat, 112° Lo  
 Same bright light hovered over Camelback Mountain, flashed from pale sea green to icy blue to amber with a hint of red, as it hovered, darted about and made swooping passes over area.  
 #32 SOURCES: Phoenix Gazette Sept. 10, 11: Fate Mgz. Jan 1952
- SEPT 11 1951 11:35 AM. (Tuesday). From SANDY HOOK to REDBANK, N.J.

#34 Hogansburg, N.Y.: A clearly described report, and "completely confusing one": Even with the already wide variety of sizes, shapes, colors, and speeds of the Saucer Family, this one is new, and considering its slow speed, I am inclined to class it as just an unusual radio controlled airplane model made by an airplane model enthusiast. Chief weakness of this idea is that the inventor was not seen during flight, even on the second day, nor known to be in area.

#35 Denmark; Similar to Norway report #7, with same remarks applying and probably a 'ghost rocket'. The object came from Communist Germany and its apparent course northward would land it in Sweden or Norway. Russian origin again very doubtful.

#36 Lodi, Ohio; Short report, but definitely a saucer, with speed greater than jet plane, making an instantaneous stop, and a right angle turn that would squash a human. Its hissing noise is a rare characteristic of a saucer, but it might have been very low or have been caused by the nearby passing train at the same time. (It is interesting to note in connection with this report, that the latest and fastest rocket plane to fly, the Douglas XS4, recently flew at a speed calculated to be 1500 mph, and the pilot announced that he was "completely unable to turn" at the end of this high test speed, probably due to the ineffectiveness of the ailerons or whatever was used on this multiple powered Delta wing, in the thin air of the testing altitude. Obviously, the problem of even steering aircraft at such speeds has not been solved, yet this report has the object making a complete stop, then a right angle turn. Who said that saucers were American aircraft?)

#37 Terre Haute, Indiana: Another excellent authentic report by 2 men with a total of 26 years of observing aircraft. The same difficulty in judging height, but speed immensely faster than any terrestrial plane ranging from 3,000 to 42,000 mph depending on height, with best approximation being 18,000 mph at 5,000 feet.

#38 Paris, Illinois; Object resembled balloon, but flyers could not come closer to it in 10 minutes, and when it moved, it disappeared in a very short time. According to [redacted], a balloon may appear close although miles away, but this object just sped off when it decided to move, meaning it was a balloon, it was motionless for a second, then moved off suddenly at 150-300 mph to outspeed the private airplane, which is quite convenient for [redacted], if impossible for a balloon.

#39 Indianapolis, Indiana: The great speed and instantaneous stop, the instantaneous resumption of speed in mid air, mark this as a saucer report, similar to Report #22. This is an unusual amount of activity in a limited area, with 3 reports in a day, reason unknown.

#40 Denver, Colorado; Not a saucer report, but suspiciously resembling the falling iceblocks. 'Meteor' examined by Astronomer Dr. [redacted], who said it was unlike any material known to be a meteor, and he hinted it was not meteoric at all. However, the 5 year old child it fell near ran to tell his mother a "fireball" just fell from heaven and it seems doubtful a child this age could manufacture such a story. Considering both statements, it is probably true the object is not meteor, but did fall from the sky, and possibly from a saucer. This report in same latitude as reports #23 and #24.

Even if the minimum figures are accepted, it is obvious that no US or foreign aircraft could have been mistaken. The largest known bomber, the B36, has a wingspan of 240 feet, and the fastest aircraft, the S1 Bell rocket plane, Douglas 558-2, the X84 Douglas Rocket plane each have reached the speeds of 1,000 - 1,500 mph only for a few seconds, and only 1 model of each is in existence. Their size mentioned so glibly in the newspaper is staggering. To grasp their size, the Queen Elizabeth steamship is 975 feet long, the Empire State building is 1,250 feet high, while these saucers start at this size and may reach upwards of 2 miles in diameter.

One argument raised in the October 1950 issue of Galaxy magazine by rocket authority Willey Ley against the extra-terrestrial origin of the saucers, is that their 40 foot size is much too small to make any prolonged interplanetary journey. While this statement means almost nothing - we are at present totally ignorant of a half-dozen forces such as gravity, magnetism, radiation pressure and haven't the faintest ideas of their potentialities - this report should wrap up this 'argument'; small saucers don't need to make such a trip, they could be carried by the hundreds in such a craft as reported here, as a flat-top carrier carries navy planes.

These last 3 formations came in only 9 days before the Venus Inferior Conjunction, and considering their size and large formation, I am inclined to believe a new phase of activity will begin, as previously mentioned, possibly direct communication or prominent landings.

#27 Amarillo, Texas; The objects self-luminosity disagrees with an airplane's small and intermittent lights, and observer's statement they were faster than any jet plane he had seen tend to back their saucer origin. The formation appears again, but apparently the objects were much smaller as they were watched for a longer time and a definite shape could be made out.

#29 Grayling, Michigan; The third "falling airplane". Same comments apply to this as other reports; may have been ejected material, landing saucer, or signal attempt. As it occurred near an air force base, they had a convenient explanation ready, which may or may not have been true, considering their past evasive history. This report nearly in same latitude as report #8.

#30,31,32 Phoenix, Arizona; The most interesting and colorful report, and similar in its antics to the May 22 report over Kansas, where a white small globe chased an airliner. Considering the May 22 report occurred on the Date of Mars Extreme Opposition behind the sun, and this Sept 7 report occurred 3 days after the Venus Conjunction, I am inclined to think these are a fifth saucer type - a signal saucer communicating their origin by means of flashing lights, colors, and movements. As no helicopters were stated to be flying, no terrestrial craft could be able to duplicate its performance. This report in same latitude as Lubbock reports.

#33 Sandy Hook, N.J.; Another fine report by 2 observers fully capable of identifying weather balloons and meteors. Saucer was of ordinary size, shape, and color, and travelled with the usual great speed, which was so great the saucer apparently did not even bother to race away from the pursuing P80, but merely continued at same speed on its path. This occurred within hours of the last Phoenix report and there might be some connection.

- OCT. 2, 1951 11:00 AM. FOGANSBURG, N.Y.  $45^{\circ}$  Lat.,  $74^{\frac{30}{4}}$  Long.  
A 4 foot dark brown, rubber-like ball, with a 2 foot brass shaft, and a propellor on top of shaft, landed with a humming noise in a pasture. It was later seen 400 feet in the air, came down vertically, bounced 3 times, and landed for 4 minutes. It then took off at 25 mph toward Massena, NY and was followed by 4 people in a truck. Washington Air Force spokesman and nearby colleges using meteorological balloons stated they had nothing resembling this object.  
#34 SOURCES: NY World Telegram & Sun Oct 3; Massena Observer Oct 3
- OCT. 2, 1951 Evening. EASTERN Denmark.  $56^{\circ}$  Lat.,  $9^{\circ}$  Long.  
Giant rocket travelling at great speed crossed sky coming from direction of Germany.  
#35 SOURCE: Brooklyn Eagle Oct 3
- OCT 3, 1951 Afternoon. Near Massena, NY.  $45^{\circ}$  Lat.,  $74^{\frac{30}{4}}$  Long.  
The same 4 foot brown ball landed along the Scheil Channel  
#36 SOURCE: Massena Observer Oct. 4
- OCT. 6, 1951 Daytime. LODI, Ohio.  $41^{\circ}$  . . .  $82^{\circ}$  Longitude.  
An object resembling a barrel, and making a hissing noise crossed sky at great height with speed greater than any aircraft. During its course, it stopped without slowing and made a right angle turn, and sped northward.  
#37 SOURCE: Indiana Star Oct 11
- OCT. 9, 1951 1:42 PM. TERRE HAUTE, Indiana.  $39^{\frac{10}{4}}$ , Latitude,  $87^{\frac{10}{4}}$  Long.  
A round or oval-shaped, whitish-metallic ball crossed sky from horizon to horizon at a speed estimated between 3,000 mph and 42,000 mph. Seen by 2 CAA observers with 10 and 16 years of aircraft observation respectively. Both stated it could not have been a balloon.  
#38 SOURCE: Terre Haute Tribune Oct 11; Terre Haute Star Oct 11
- OCT 9, 1951 2:10 to 2:20 PM. PARIS, Illinois.  $39^{\frac{10}{4}}$  Lat,  $88^{\circ}$  Long.  
Wind speed 10 mph. A brilliant white, round object hovering in air for 10 minutes, while a private airplane tried to approach it, but apparently came no closer. It then sped off.  
#39 SOURCE: Terre Haute Tribune Oct 11
- OCT. 9, 1951 6:30 PM. Near INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana.  $39^{\frac{30}{4}}$  Lat,  $86^{\circ}$  Long.  
A whitish ball-like object crossed sky at great speed, rose almost vertically, hung motionless in sky for a second and then sped off.  
#40 SOURCE: Indiana Star Oct 11
- OCT. 15 1951 2:30 PM. DENVER, Colorado.  $39^{\frac{10}{4}}$  Lat.,  $105^{\circ}$  Long.  
A fiery ball fell from sky and landed near a child. It was a 35# block of material of unknown origin, and examination by an astronomer, Dr. Fath, resulted in its classification as not like any known meteoric stone.  
#41 SOURCE: NY World Telegram & Sun Oct 16; Denver Post Oct 16, 1951
- OCTOBER 1951? Daytime. CODY, Wyoming.  $44^{\circ}$  Lat.,  $109^{\circ}$  Long.  
Clear sky, nothing in flight. A photograph was taken of nearby land and mountains by a vacationing couple. Moon

#41 Cody, Wyoming: A confusing report. The object resembled no known bird or moth or aircraft, but does resemble the coming "Delta Wing" airplane shape, with a rocketsip-like tube body. Its lack of noted noise is typical of saucer reports. It is also doubtful the newspaper would or could fake the photo, and naturally would need the negative to check it, and make prints. On the other hand, the entire top of the photo appears different than the bottom, being somewhat grainy, and the object has a sort of white edging as is noticed in super-imposition photography. I am inclined to accept report on basis the newspaper would not fake it. Will try to get more on this report.

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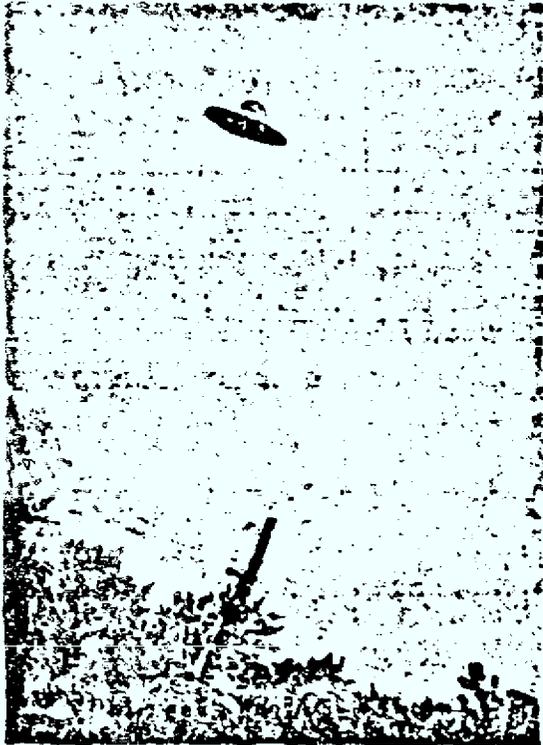
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reports will be studied on the factual basis that they are caused by  
craft of one or more extra-terrestrial races. Standards are listed below

# Is This Object, Seen In Passaic, A 'Saucer'?



Flying saucer? That's what it is, according to  
John H. Riley, a professional photographer, of  
271 Main St. He said he snapped these two pic-  
tures near 221 Brook Ave., Passaic, about 10:15  
a.m. yesterday, as the disc "hovered 200 feet

above the ground." Photo at left, Riley said,  
shows disc tilted "as though observing the  
ground." At right, he said the disc is shown  
shortly before it gathered speed and disap-  
peared.

JOHN H. RILEY, 28, of  
Main St., is a photographer  
who believes a picture  
worth a thousand words,  
as the saying goes.  
So into The Call of  
he came last night, as  
phones rang with reports  
of flying saucers in the  
area, to produce photo-  
graphic evidence, accord-  
ing to him, that there  
such aerial objects.  
He thumbed through  
dozen or so pictures of  
mysterious things he  
he and friend, George  
Stock, spotted yesterday  
morning near Stock's home  
at 221 Brook Ave., Passaic.  
said.  
According to Riley,  
saucer was traveling south-  
east at a leisurely speed  
when it was sighted near  
Stock. As it drew near,  
Riley said, it came almost  
to a halt, as if it were  
hovered overhead, about  
200 feet from the ground  
for several moments.  
"It was so near," Riley  
said, "it could have been  
hit with a rifle." Riley  
He described the disc as  
being 30 feet in diameter  
and grayish in color with  
a large dome jutting from  
its center. Riley said the  
saucer made no sound

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PERFORMANCE STANDARDS OF CONVENTIONAL OBJECTS

- Aircraft: All are T shaped, none circular: only a dozen flying wing  
Types now flying: only helicopter can hover, very few available to  
Balloons: Moves very slowly to vision: cannot travel at great speed,  
but only at local wind speed: cannot sharply maneuver; not silvery
- Meteors: Duration about 3-6 seconds, 15 seconds rare: daytime reports  
extremely rare: has only one path, cannot maneuver usually luminous
- Missiles: Has fuel for few minutes only: all are tubular in shape: not

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- #1 FEB. 1, 1953. 1:30 AM. WASHINGTON, PE. )  $40\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $80\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . One flat silvery disk with 2 tail pipes, crossed sky faster than fastest jet. (COMMENT: The tail pipes mentioned are unknown in almost all saucer reports.)
- #2 FEB 1, 1953. 10:30 PM. BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA.  $33\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $86\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$ . Two streaks of red lights or reddish saucers remained in sky for short time then raced away. (COMMENT: This report doubtful, due to nearby military base.)
- #3 FEB. 1, 1953. Morning. GEORGETOWN BAY, TASMANIA. One flying saucer rotated as it noiselessly crossed sky at terrific speed at 10,000 feet. (COMMENT: Tasmania is south of Australia, and not near any known airforce or military base.)
- #4 FEB. 2, 1953. Noon. PASADENA, CALIFORNIA.  $42\frac{10}{8}^{\circ}$ ,  $118\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . One very brilliant disk with a hole in center hovered for 1 or 2 minutes noiselessly, then disappeared. (COMMENT: This is a very rare saucer shape, which was reported occasionally in 1947 when saucers were first seen.)
- #5 FEB. 2, 1953. 5:00 P.M. HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA. A very long white streak crossed sky, but investigation located no known aircraft.
- #6 FEB. 3 1953. Afternoon. WINSLOW, ARIZONA.  $35^{\circ}$ ,  $110\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$ . Three silvery objects flying close together changed to red color, then back to silver as they crossed sky and disappeared in a few seconds.
- #7 FEB. 3 1953. 4:15 PM. VILLE ST. LAURENT, QUEBEC, CANADA.  $45\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . Tremendous explosion in sky broke windows within 6 miles. Only 2 known aircraft were not doing sonic speeds or approaching them.
- #8 FEB. 3 1953. 5:02 to 5:07 PM. SUDBURY, ONTARIO.  $46\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $81^{\circ}$ . A silvery object,  $\frac{1}{2}$  the size of the full moon, remained motionless in sky for 5 minutes. It was elongated like a barrage balloon, but none were in area.
- #9 FEB. 3, 1953. 7:30 P.M. NORTH ATLANTIC OCEAN. A brilliant flare from ocean. No aircraft survivors were ever found in area where aircraft crashed.
- #10 FEB. 3 1953. 11:20 P.M. HARTFORD (AND NEARBY COUNTIES), CONN. A bright flash of light in sky, followed by a brilliant ball of fire which lasted several seconds. Three minutes later, a huge explosion in sky rocked area. (COMMENT: This appears to be an exceptionally large meteor except that no meteor shower was scheduled for this date, and its location to the mysterious rising 'flare' seen  $3\frac{1}{2}$  hours earlier in the Atlantic.)
- #11 FEB. 3, 1953. Evening. LEXINGTON, OREGON.  $45\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $119\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . An object appeared to throw off blue light crossed sky. (COMMENT: Although many flights of balloons, the blue color and after dark observations tend to back this being an unknown object, as the sunset makes balloons appear red.)
- #12 FEB. 4? 1953. Evening?? SAUGERTIES, NEW YORK. A reddish light in sky. No details available.
- #13 FEB. 5? 1953. Afternoon. MORBIERE, FRANCE.  $47\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $5^{\circ}$ . Brilliant or bright spot appeared in a vapor trail after the airplane crossed leaving a huge trail, and remained in same place after winds blew vapor trail away.
- #14 FEB. 6 1953. 10:00 A.M. Near INDIO, CALIFORNIA. A saucer-like object hovering in sky was joined by another saucer-like object, and both remained in same area for next 2 hours. (COMMENT: The 2 hour report is not confirmed.)

# 12 Marine Here Snaps 'Disc'

July 31, 1952

By LARRY BIRGER, Miami Daily News Staff Writer

A strange "orange, yellowish object traveling at more than 2,000 m.p.h." was photographed last night by a Marine cameraman watching from a Miami Beach home.

Forty feet of film were taken of the object as it flashed across the sky, the Marine reported. However, showed any image.

Only eight frames of the film. The "object," which observers said they saw for about three minutes and 30 seconds, was photographed around 9:35 p. m. by Pfc. Ralph C. Mayher, 22, of 60 NE 74th St., and Cleveland, O.

Officials of the Marine Corps Air Station in Opa-locka released the pictures and information at 2 p. m. today without comment.

### Shot From Patio

The films were shot from the patio of the home of Herman Stern, 8200 Byron Ave. Stern and his wife two days ago reported spotting "flying saucers" in the sky above their residence.

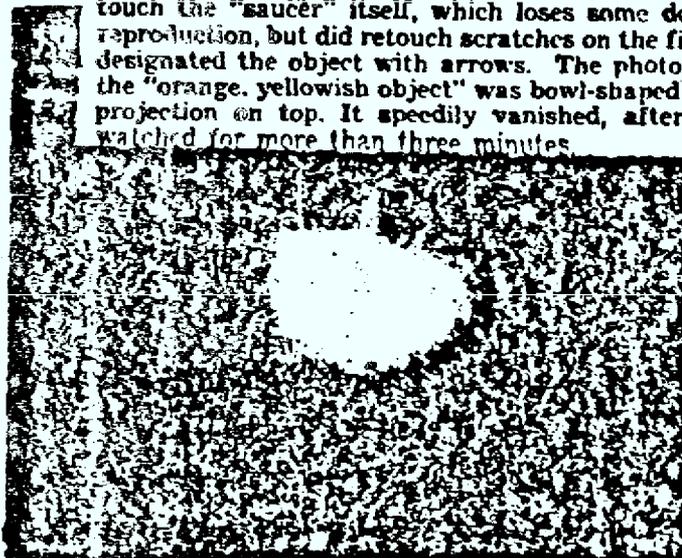
The film showed a bowl-shaped image with a projection on top.

The object looked like a ball of fire. It was not clear enough, however, to be diagnosed as a flying saucer or meteor.

Mayher said what he saw in the sky was "crystal clear" and that as fast as it was traveling, he noted detail in the object or phenomenon.

The Leatherneck said he went to the home of the Sterns on a hunch. He was not acting officially for the Marines but on his own.

Four views of the "flying saucer" that flashed over Miami Beach last night are reproduced here from the film taken by Marine Pfc. Ralph C. Mayher. The film was released without comment by Third Marine Air Wing officials. Miami Daily News artists did not retouch the "saucer" itself, which loses some detail in reproduction, but did retouch scratches on the film and designated the object with arrows. The photos show the "orange, yellowish object" was bowl-shaped with a projection on top. It speedily vanished, after being watched for more than three minutes.



Blown up to 10 times its size from a 16-millimeter film negative, this is an unretouched photograph of an object seen by a Marine cameraman who was hunting for "flying saucers" at Miami Beach.

initiative. He checked out the 16-millimeter camera from the BICAS yesterday afternoon.

He had requested permission of the Sterns to watch the sky from their home. Along were his wife, Eleanor, and a friend. They arrived at the Stern home about 9:05 p. m.

### Neighbors Shouted

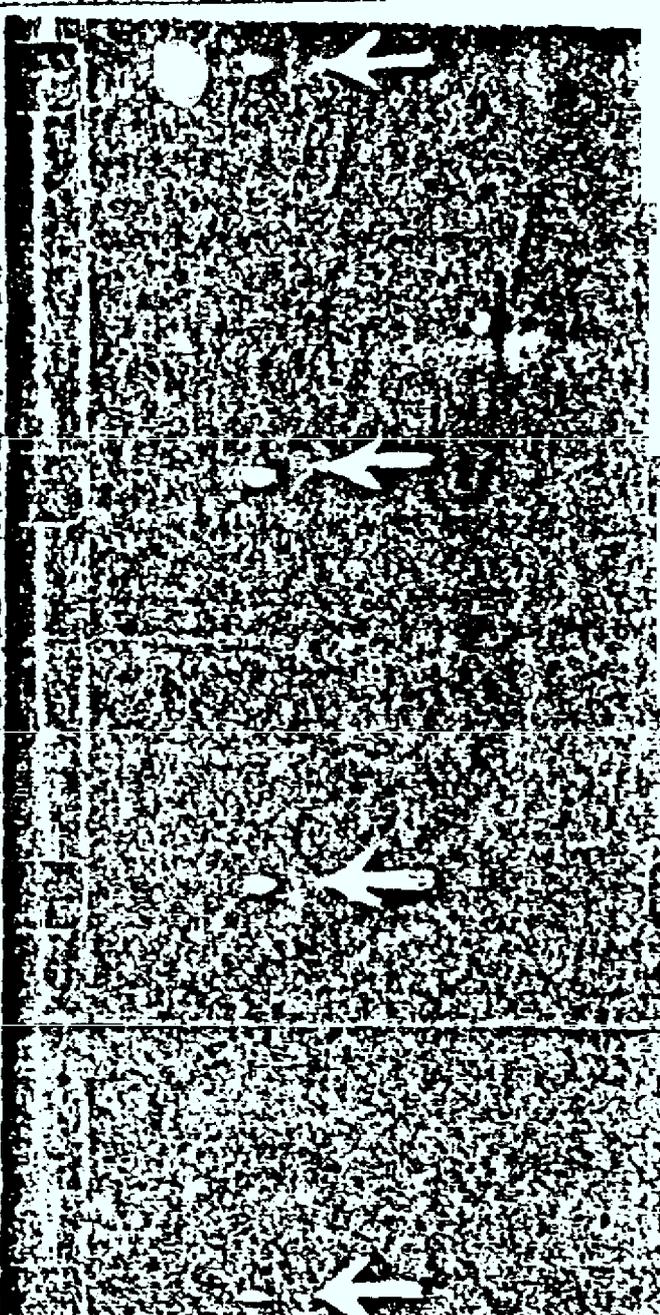
About 9:30 p. m. they heard neighbors shout, "Look there, in the sky!"

For several seconds, Mayher recalled, "We saw nothing. Then an orange, yellowish - shaped object appeared. I pulled out my camera and shot about 40 feet of film."

After more than three minutes, the object disappeared. Mayher said his wife and the friend saw the object, along with other residents in the area.

The Marine then called the officer-of-the-day at Opa-locka, and he and a Public Information Office sergeant went to the Stern house and obtained the film.

Marine officials at the Air Station had no comment to make on the photos. They stressed the fact that Mayher was acting in a non-official capacity. "All we did was process the film," one officer commented. MIAMI DAILY NEWS



## Photographed Object Is Called Plane's Light

JULY 31, 1952

The latest theory about the "orange, yellowish object" seen and photographed over Miami Tuesday night is that what was spotted was the front light of an airplane coming in for a landing at International Airport.

John L. King, an aerial gunner during World War II, said today he is certain that what he saw in the vicinity of where the object was photographed by a Marine was the light from a plane.

### Films To Washington

A Miamian who works in the control tower at the field reported that a plane was due to land in Miami about 10 minutes after the object was seen in Surfside. It was coming from the east, he added.

Pfc. Ralph Mayher, who was looking for "flying saucers" last

night only caught it in eight frames, however.

It was reported, meanwhile, that the pictures plus statements by Lt. Cmdr. Joe Gardner, Lt. Joe Miller and Lt. I. M. Blum, Navy pilot who also said they saw the object, will be turned over to the Air Force in Washington.

### "On A Hunch"

"On a hunch" Mayher went to the Surfside home of Stern who two nights earlier had reported seeing an object in the sky traveling at great speed. Mayher photographed the object on 16-millimeter film. He said it was traveling "more than 2,000 miles an hour."

J.A. & M.A.D.

Marine officials in Miami re-

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#15. FEB. 6 1953. BRIDGEPORT, CONN.  $41\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $73\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A large explosion rocked Connecticut, on 2 separate days, one accompanied with a flash light.

#16 FEB. 8, 1953. 1:10 AM. RUSAPE, SOUTHERN RHODESIA. A brilliant colored flash of light was seen, and a swishing sound was heard when a hollow metal cylinder landed on ground. The object was examined by a Dr. Graham White of a British Rocket society, but details on it never came out. Believed to be part of a weather balloon apparatus.

#17 FEB. 8 1953. 10:20 AM. BULAWAYO, SOUTHERN RHODESIA.  $20^{\circ}$ ,  $28^{\circ}$ . Flying saucers at a 700 foot altitude crossed sky. (COMMENT: This was only a few miles from the Rusape area where the unknown metal ball fell.)

#18. FEB. 9 1953. Night. FRANKLIN, VIRGINIA.  $36\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $77^{\circ}$ . A circular silvery object about 35 feet in diameter, with windows hovered in sky for 2 nights. The windows appeared blue-lighted, while object gave off red light. It was supposedly chased by jets, which it quickly outran. (COMMENT: saucers with windows are rare, but the colors of this object appear quite correct.)

#19 FEB. 9 1953. Night. Near CHERRY POINT, NORTH CAROLINA. A silver saucer was seen from the ground. A marine pilot flew about 30 minutes trying to find it, then saw 2 red lights like plane lights move vertically 10,000 feet up in a few seconds. He raced toward object at 500 mph, saw a white hot object with 2 red side lights about 10 miles away, before it disappeared in a flash of light when speeding away. (COMMENT: The sudden disappearance in a 'lightflash' is similar to many saucer reports, where saucer speeds up so fast as to seem invisible.)

#20 FEB. 10 1953. Morning. TUJUNGA, CALIFORNIA. (Near L.A.) A saucer like object emitting smoke and flames appeared to change shape from saucer to a ball to a cigar, as it hovered in sky. (COMMENT: This is a rare report, similar to one over Richlands, Washington in July 1952 might be explained by the saucer showing different sides at intervals.)

#21 FEB. 11 1953. Night. MARION, SOUTH CAROLINA.  $34\frac{1}{8}^{\circ}$ ,  $70\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . Resident observed a flying saucer.

#22 FEB. 11 1953. Night. MYRTLE BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA.  $33\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$ ,  $78\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . Saucer crossed sky. This may have been same object as Marion report, but no other details are available.

#23 FEB. 11 1953. Evening. SURF CITY, NEW JERSEY.  $39\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $74\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A huge blue white or reddish ball of fire appeared to fall into sea after noiselessly crossed sky. (COMMENT: This description fits a meteor, report included only because of 2 reports the same night over N. C.)

#24 FEB. 12 1953. 8:15 P.M. WASHINGTON, DC.  $39^{\circ}$ ,  $77^{\circ}$ . A saucer was watched at nearby Kensington for a short time. No other details from report on radio.

#25 FEB. 12 1953. Night. POINT ARENA, CALIFORNIA.  $39^{\circ}$ ,  $123\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A brilliant white light observed in sky. No other details given, and this may be a meteor.

#26 FEB. 12 1953. Night. PALESTINE, TEXAS.  $31\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $95\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A flying object carrying one red and one green light observed by engineer through binoculars. Local radio station also besieged by many local observers.

But sometime later, Henney, the electric co-op foreman, heard that a plane or meteor had fallen near the co-op's substation so he, accompanied by Grady Lewis, went to check the area to see if any of the REA's property had been damaged.

Henney gave this account. While he and Lewis were driving through the area, they saw an object at an altitude of about 1,000 feet. They lost it. But later, when on the Mullins Highway, they saw the object hovering over a house near the highway. They drove about two miles and got directly under it.

The object, when first sighted, was distinguished by a bright yellow light but when they got under it the light went out and they then saw a group of at least 12 red, green and yellow lights arranged in a diamond shape. After they were under it, the object began to move, first slowly and then with a burst of speed. It disappeared in the northeast after they had chased it along the highway at 70 miles an hour.

John O. Lewis Jr., the newspaper correspondent, said he, his father and Paige had seen the lights about 8:30 p. m. near the spot where Henney and Mrs. Smith had reported seeing them. Henney discounted the Lewis belief that the object was a blimp or a jet plane, because, he said, it cruised slowly at times and then too fast at other times.

### Unexplained Object Seen By Several at Lake View

LAKE VIEW, Feb. 14 (Special).—That may have been a meteor which was reported Friday about 6:30 p. m. If so, what was the lighted object some other people around here saw at 10:30 the same night?

Three men who saw a red and white illuminated shape moving northwestward at that hour, also report hearing a sound like an electric motor or an auto engine with a knock in it.

Travis Cook, Kenneth C. Dew and Lowell Perritt related today their experience. They were driving southwest on Highway 41 below Lake View when the object was sighted. They turned around and stopped the car, getting out. The object moved almost overhead, they insisted, going slowly northeastward. They counted four lights.

As to the early manifestation: Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Perritt were a little way east of Lake View at 6:27 p. m. They saw an object moving through the sky. It was yellowish in the forepart, shading to an orange glow toward the stern. The Perritts thought it was a meteor. Maybe it was. It would be a mighty odd meteor that came back four hours later, people around here think.

# More 'Flying Saucers'

Feb. 27-1953

Report of several strange lights in the sky this morning makes the third "flying saucer" possibility in the Cornucop area this week. Two others were reported at Erie and another at Amberst, O.

The latest report was made this morning from residents of Monroe Township. The light was seen about 5:05 a. m. in the western sky.

Of a yellow white light, the object was eye-shaped and appeared to be about eight inches across. It did not appear to move but the light shimmered. It was seen for possibly two minutes.

Two persons saw the light. The first to spot it thought at first it might be the light at a neighboring residence, or the reflection of

a light within the room since it was still dark at 5:05.

Both ideas were eliminated. The second person saw the light from another room in the house.

The light did not disappear suddenly. The light had the strength of a welding flame, but not the bluish color. The distance away was not estimated, but the light was a considerable distance above the tree tops.

Reports of the strange lights continued to pile up along the North Carolina and South Carolina coastline. Three Myrtle Beach residents said they saw an unidentifiable object fly inland at about 1,000 feet last night. FEB. 27-53

## Moving Light Watched in Sky for Two Hours

Feb. 14-1953

Monroe, Wis.—The ground observers corps post here reported to the Chicago filter center that an unexplained light in the sky was under observation for more than two hours early Friday.

Bill Rust, city editor of the Monroe Evening Times, was called to the post along with the

## Ligare volant en Dordogne

Feb. 27-53  
Hier matin, Mme Aymard Madeleine allait ouvrir son paillet lorsque, en grimpant le escalier qui y conduit, elle vit dans le ciel bleu un objet brillant ayant la forme d'une gaule avec, chose surprenante, une grosseur faisant suite à l'appareil mais ne paraissant pas être reliée. Sur le moment, Mme Aymard crut à une forme bizarre.

## COMES A FLYIN' DOUGHNUT!

Feb. 24-1953

Anybody loaf a flying doughnut? They spotted one about 2000 feet over Pasadena yesterday. It hovered around for a minute or two shortly after noon, then headed south—presumably in search of saucer, cup and coffee.

Teacher John Stok, of 1037 New York St., Altadena, said it hovered over him for a moment as he watched from Colorado Blvd. near Ave. 64, just

Green county sheriff, Wilber Deininger.

Rust said he and the sheriff also saw the light, which he described as changing from red to green to white and moving slowly on a west to east course.

Mr. and Mrs. Enoch E. Huston and Mrs. Ralph Melton, the regular post observers, said that when first seen the light moved more rapidly and erratically than later.

Rust said nothing was visible except the light and that there was no noise.

Apr. 27-53  
re d'un nuage, mais quand l'appareil se déplacer à une grande vitesse sans émettre aucun son, elle appela un voisin, M. Delacour qui ramassait son genre sur le terrier. M. Delacour vit distinctement le cigare qui se dirigeait vers le bourg. D'autres personnes, alertées par les cris de Mme Aymard, accoururent un moment le ciel qui leur montrait celle-ci de loin, mais n'entendant aucun bruit, ne comprirent pas les gestes de Mme Aymard.

## It Changes Shape Excites Tujur

Feb. 27-1953

That's the latest in reports to D. A. J. Drobatz, of Vallejo, Calif., by residents of

The latest weird was a suspended high in the air, with a blue smoke. The half-dozen that excitedly called it at times resembled a triangle, then a cigar. Space patrol notified.

On February 23, at 3:55 p. m., Robert Kain of Mariemont, Ohio, observed for a few minutes a metallic disc over Hick Lake, near Goshen, Ohio. Kain, formerly an Air Force technician at Wright Field, said the object emitted an incandescent glow and traveled faster than jet speed. The disc, minus protruding panels, flew characteristically, but left no trail in the less sky. Kain said the object was not a jet.

## Visitors 'See' Flying Saucer

Feb. 27-1953

At least a Detroit couple reported seeing some strange phenomena about midnight which had them agog most a half hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Anderson, who were enjoying an evening at Mira Mar Beach, suddenly a glowing light appeared high in the sky to their right. Fascinated, the couple watched the vision as it glowed white to orange, blue to other hues. It would travel with the speed of a jet and then rise to indefinite heights where it would disappear momentarily.

"I couldn't sleep the rest of the night just about that thing," Anderson reported. "I always thought there were a lot of things out there, but I was now convinced there was something to it."

His amazement was shared with his wife who said the object was absolutely fascinating.

The Andersons are vacationing here at 200 W. Grove St. Sarasota Herald-Tribune

"It had a hole in the middle like a doughnut," he said. Mrs. Emily Chapman, 3765 Millicent Way, East Pasadena, said it made no sound and was very shiny.

"I never saw anything so brilliant in my life," she declared. "It disappeared when I went inside to phone my neighbor."

Police said they, too, had called on the doughnut. But Pasadena Filter Center officials said it didn't turn up on their

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#27 FEB. 13 1953. 4:00 to 5:00 AM. BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA.  $37\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $122\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A very bright light resembling a star, hovered one hour, disappeared several times, and finally disappeared by crossing sky in one minute. (COMMENT: The exceptional period of observation, between 1 and 2 hours suggests this may have been a star under rare weather conditions but if final description of its moving off are correct, this would be a rare saucer report. Only a helicopter could perform such long hovering, and only air force would have them in this area.)

#28 FEB. 13 1953. 2 hours during morning. MONROE, WISCONSIN.  $42\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $89\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A light moved erratically and rapidly at first in sky, later slowed down, as it changed from red to green to white, while slowly moving from west to east. (COMMENT: This would appear to be a signal saucer object, except air force later stated it was a star under unusual weather conditions. How a star would move from west to east in sky was not explained by the air force investigators.)

#29 FEB. 13 1953. Afternoon. INVERNESS, ENGLAND.  $57\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $4\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . 1 Oval grey object turned sideways, and appeared cigar-shaped, then darted back and forth at great speed, disappearing twice.

#30 FEB. 13 1953. 5:55 PM. DALY CITY & REDWOOD CITY, CALIF.  $37\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $122\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A very bright object or light hovered and then moved back and forth for 12 minutes or more in sky. Other observers reported saucer-like objects with long blue flaming trails at the same time. (COMMENT: Any reports made between 5:30 and 6:30 PM should be considered very doubtful as the setting sun makes ordinary balloons and planes and vapor trails appear flaming or as bright saucer-like spots. This report very doubtful.)

#31 FEB. 13 1953. A reddish sphere, about the size of moon, remained motionless for 15 minutes, then suddenly disappeared.

#32 FEB. 13 1953. 6:30 PM. MARION, SOUTH CAROLINA.  $34\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $70\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . An object carrying a bright white light crossed sky heading north. Same object seen at Wilmington, N.C., believed to be a meteor.

#33 FEB. 13 1953. 9:30 PM. MARION, SOUTH CAROLINA. One yellow object at 1,000 feet disappeared; when observers were under it, its yellow light went out, and it had about 12 yellow, green, and red lights arranged in a diamond shape. It then began moving slowly, then so fast the 70 mph speed of car could not keep up. (COMMENT: This coloration unknown in saucer reports, and object may have been blimp)

#34 FEB. 13 1953. 10:30 P.M. LAKE VIEW, SOUTH CAROLINA.  $34\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $79\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A red and white illuminated object making a motor noise crossed sky, and when overhead, was seen carrying 4 red and white lights. (COMMENT: The motor noise is unknown in saucers, and object probably was blimp)

#35 FEB. 13 1953. 10:35 PM. LAKE VIEW, SOUTH CAROLINA. At about same time, another observer saw object hovering in sky, carrying 10 lights and making motor noise. COMMENT: Description almost same as at Marion.

#36 FEB. 15 1953. Evening. WHITEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA.  $34\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $78\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$ . A saucer reported here, no details available.

#37 FEB. 15 1953. 9:25 PM. GUDBURY, ONTARIO, CANADA.  $46\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $81^{\circ}$ . A strange object obscured by a blue mist or halo hovered 10 seconds over lake.

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#38 FEB. 16 1953. Morning. MYRTLE BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA.  $33\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$ ,  $78\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$ . An unidentified object or light flew inland at an altitude of 1,000 feet, and was observed by 3 people.
- #39 FEB. 16 1953. 10:55 P.M. SUDBURY, ONTARIO, CANADA.  $46\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $81^{\circ}$ . A fiery red object with dark or silvery edges grew larger, and then shrank, appearing as a solid silvery ball when disappearing.
- #40 FEB. 19 1953. 2:00 P.M. WILLETS, CALIFORNIA.  $39\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $123\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A saucer at great altitude crossed sky with tremendous speed.
- #41 FEB. 20 1953. Midnight. SARASOTA, FLORIDA.  $27\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $82\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A glowing light in the sky changed colors, from red to white to blue, as it darted about at great speed, then stopping momentarily for a full half hour. (COMMENT: The object appears to be one of the colored light signal saucers discussed previously, if description of its movements is correct. If it only seemed to move, it may have been a star seen under rare weather conditions, although other stars were not seen to shine or 'move'.)
- #42 FEB. 21 1953. Daytime. Near MAGNOLIA, ARKANSAS.  $33\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $93\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . An object resembling a burning airplane with a smoking engine resulted in a  $4\frac{1}{2}$  hour search, no wreckage found, nor aircraft missing. (COMMENT: This is similar to other reports of 'burning airplanes' reported after a meteor's passage, however daytime meteors are extremely rare. Barring possibility this was a planes vapor trail, or jet, object is mysterious and may be somehow connected with the saucers.)
- #43 FEB. 21 1953. Evening. STURGEON BAY, WISCONSIN.  $44\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$ ,  $87\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$ . An object carrying red, green and white lights, blinked at intervals, like a beacon in the sky. (COMMENT: This also may be a signal saucer.)
- #44 FEB. 22 1953. Morning. WILLETS, CALIFORNIA.  $39\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $123\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A saucer at great height crossed sky with tremendous speed. (See Feb. 19 rept)
- #45 FEB. 22 1953. 3:30 P.M. ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA.  $42\frac{1}{8}^{\circ}$ ,  $80^{\circ}$ . A large, shiny or silver chrome saucer, possibly 150 feet in diameter, moved very slowly and noiselessly toward Cleveland for 5 to 8 minutes. (COMMENT: Any saucer report over 1 minute, is very unusual. This may possibly have been a large weather balloon, under inflated at low altitude, although it should not have appeared silver-chrome and brightly reflecting the sun.)
- #46 FEB. 22 1953. 4:00 P.M. CONNEAUT, OHIO.  $42^{\circ}$ ,  $80\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A spherical object, silvery or aluminum in color, shone brightly as it headed slowly over Lake Erie at 1500 foot altitude. (COMMENT: This seems to back belief object seen at nearby Erie, Pa. 30 minutes before was a balloon, now inflated to a sphere at a greater height.)
- #47 FEB. 22 1953. Very late Evening. FAIRPORT, OHIO.  $41\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$ ,  $81\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A brilliant ball of light, apparent size of a silver dollar, slowly disappeared over the lake. (COMMENT: If precise time were known, this object could be identified. If it was just after sundown, it could have been sunlight shining against a balloon. If several hours after sundown, balloon would be invisible since it had no lights, and it would have been a balloon.)
- #48 FEB. 23 1953. 7:00 A.M. BEAUVAIS, FRANCE.  $49\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $2^{\circ}$ . A large, luminous pink, bowl-like object (flattened sphere), flew over terrain horizontally for 40 seconds, then rose vertically several seconds.

- (8) #49 FEB. 23 1953. 3:25 to 3:35 PM. MONTFREN, FRANCE.  $44^{\circ}$ ,  $4^{\circ}$ . A circular metallic, but intensely brilliant object hovered motionless for nearly 10 minutes, then disappeared vertically. Observed by the radio navigator in the French air force. (8)
- #50 FEB. 23 1953. Noontime. COOS BAY, OREGON.  $43\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $124\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A cigar-like object or spherical object with extensions on it, appeared just to the west of the sun. (COMMENT: This area has many balloon flights, and it is probable this objects lack of motion would include it among balloon flights.)
- #51 FEB. 23 1953. Daytime. Near GOSHEN, OHIO.  $39\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $84\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A metallic saucer, emitting a white glow at intervals, wobbled as it crossed sky faster than a jet. Observed by 2 men, one a former A.F. Technician.
- #52 FEB. 23 1953. Evening? SOUTHPORT, CONN. 8 Glowing saucers in a formation, hovered 2 minutes, then swiftly disappeared.
- #54 FEB. 23 1953. Evening. CONNEAUT, OHIO.  $42^{\circ}$ ,  $80\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . Strange light seen here again, and also at AMHERST, OHIO. No other details available.
- #55 FEB. 23 1953. 4:00 P.M. NIMES, FRANCE.  $44^{\circ}$ ,  $4\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . An unknown object slowly crossed sky, leaving luminous vapor trail that was at first tilted and horizontal, but later curled up in less than a minute, after becoming shaped like a circle.
- #56 FEB. 23 1953. Evening. STURGEON BAY, WISCONSIN.  $44\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$ ,  $87\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$ . Same bright light changing colors observed again. (See report #43)
- #57 FEB. 24 1953. Morning. ERIE, OHIO.  $42\frac{1}{8}^{\circ}$ ,  $80^{\circ}$ . Flying saucer was seen in area again, by milkman.
- #58 FEB. 24 1953. Evening? OLEAN, NEW YORK.  $42^{\circ}$ ,  $78\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A light glow in sky changed color from red to orange for short time.
- #59 FEB. 25 1953. 11:00 A.M. BLIDA, ALGERIA.  $36\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ ,  $2\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . Two unidentified aircraft or objects, flew noiselessly flew with great speed across sky leaving a circular white vapor trail path that remained for some time.
- #60 FEB. 25 1953. Daytime. SERIA, BRUNEI STATE, BORNEO.  $5^{\circ}$ ,  $114^{\circ}$ . A circular object hovered in sky 40 minutes, left a vapor trail. (COMMENT: A letter from the Education Dept. director in response to our request to the Borneo papers stated this was Venus shining brightly, visible noon time the next day also. The exceptional duration tends to back up conventional theories of a star or balloon, although new versions seem to describe a usual rotating, circular saucer.)
- #61 FEB. 26 1953. Morning. PERIGEUX, FRANCE.  $45^{\circ}$ ,  $1^{\circ}$ . A brilliant cylindrical object, followed by a shapeless object appeared in sky. A very large shapeless object moved away with great speed, noiselessly, and the pole-like or cigar shaped object turned towards city and moved across part of sky for 1 minute. (COMMENT: This appears to be a rare report of a saucer seen with the cigar-shaped objects, first reported over Sweden in 1946. The eyewitnesses said object moved in different directions, and moved too fast to have been clouds of any sort.)
- #62 FEB. 27 1953. 6:05 AM. MONROE TOWNSHIP, OHIO.  $42^{\circ}$ ,  $80\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . A very brilliant yellow white light, elliptical or eyeshaped, hovered for 2 minutes in the western sky. It appeared about '8 inches' across, and had the brilliance of a welding flame, but not the color.

ADVERTISMENTS

The Review unqualifiedly recommends the following magazines and book as excellent sources of information on flying saucers, for any person interested in building his collection, and following the subject.

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FLYING SAUCER NEWS (England)

This is a mimeographed magazine, printed 4 times a year, and has from 10 to 20 pages per issue. It carries letters from its readers, their theories of saucers, and gives coverage primarily on English, European and Asian reports, send it by readers.

The fourth issue is about to be printed, and small numbers of the 3 back issues are still available for those interested in them. It is written and printed by [REDACTED], president of the [REDACTED] HOVE, ENGLAND.

Subscription rates are \$1.00 per 4 issues, made payable to [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]. (This price includes membership card and lapel pin.) Delivery of these takes 3 weeks via seairmail, so order promptly.

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AUSTRALIAN FLYING SAUCER MAGAZINE

This is a printed magazine, also issued 4 times a year, and has from 10 to 12 pages per issue. It carries opinions and theories from readers, 1 or more American saucer photos, and many reports primarily from Australia and New Zealand, but also from the US and Europe.

The 3rd issue is about to be printed, and small numbers of the 2 back issues are available. It is printed by [REDACTED], president of the [REDACTED] NEW SOUTH WALES, AUSTRALIA.

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FLYING SAUCERS ARE REAL (Pocketbook)

Although this was the first saucer book to be printed in May 1950, it still remains the most important and informative one since the books of Charles Fort in 1930. It contains the history of the major saucer reports from 1947 to 1950, how Donald Keyhoe began his now famous work under the sponsorship of True magazines studies of saucers by John DuBarry and Sam Beal, and his conclusions they are unquestioned from space.

The price is .30¢ (cash only), made payable only to Gold Medal Books, Fawcett Building, Greenwich, Connecticut. This amount already includes cost of mailing. DO NOT send us payment, as we are not agents of Gold Medal Books, and have no supply of them. Send only to Gold Medal Books.

If you already have a copy, we suggest a second copy which can be used to cut reports from for your saucer report scrapbook collection, since cost is very small for large number of reports in book.

#63 FEB. 27. Eveni. BRANTFORD, ONTARIO. 43<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> 50<sup>2</sup>/<sub>8</sub>. A very intense bright light, much brighter than an airplane, hovered in sky 20 minutes, gradually shrinking in size until disappearance.

#64 FEB. 28 1953. Evening. BURLINGTON, IOWA. 40<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>, 91°. A reddish ball of fire or light hovered over city 45 minutes. Observed by 20.

#65 FEB. 28 1953. 8:25 P.M. SALEM, OREGON. 45°, 123°. A large white light, apparent size of a football, with a long tail, crossed sky, and exploded, shooting out several small balls of fire, which burned out in air. Local observers believed object was a fireball meteor.

\*\*\*\*\* OVERALL SAUCER PATTERNS, AND CONCLUSIONS \*\*\*\*\*

#1 QUALITY OF ACTIVITY PATTERN: The classifications listed below of the types of objects are very approximate and doubtful, due to short period of observation in most reports. A sphere may appear as a flat disc when seen at great distance: a disc may appear cigar-shaped if seen only edgewise, or vice-versa; A disc may resemble a sphere if seen 'fullface' and rotating, especially on a hazy day.

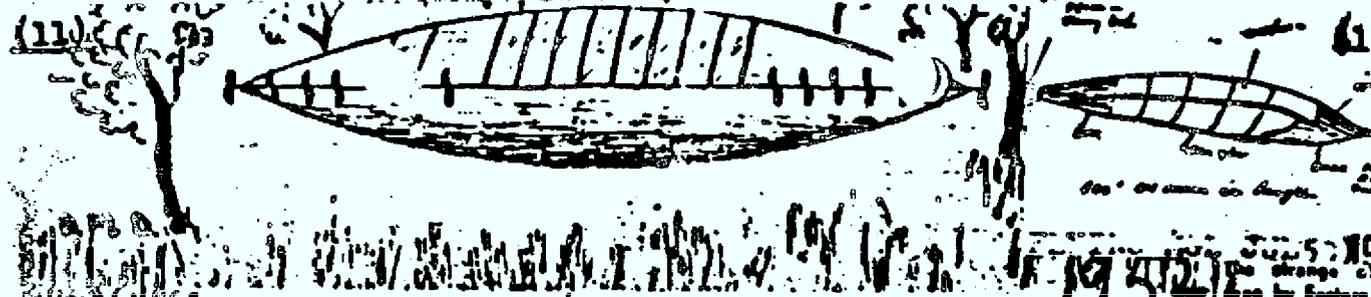
Other than something unknown and/or strangely maneuvering was seen the classifications are the best that can be made under these difficult conditions. Daytime objects are classified as well as possible by shapes and night object by color, since they are rarely seen well enough at night to describe shape. Each report is given a 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>% basis in total of reports, as more exact basis is not too useful in the very approximate classifications.

SAUCERS	SPHERICAL	DAYTIME REPORTS		BALLOONS?	STAR?
		CIGAR-LIKE	FALLING AIRPLANE		
22 = 33% (1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 13, 14, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24, 29, 36, 40, 44, 49, 51, 53, 57, 59)	2 = 3% (39, 48)	3 = 4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> % (8, 26, 61)	1 = 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> % (42)	10 = 15% (16, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 45, 46, 47, 50.)	1 = 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> % (#60)

NIGHT REPORTS				
(Only colors given as shapes are rarely seen)				
YELLOW TO RED	BLUE GREEN	NO COLOR GIVEN	COLOR CHANGED	METEOR
5 = 7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> % (12, 19, 58, 62, 64)	2 = 3% (11, 37)	8 = 12% (9, 15, 25, 27, 32, 38, 54, 63)	5 = 7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> % (26, 28, 41, 43, 56)	5 = 7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> % (7, 15, 26, 55)

#2 AMOUNT OF ACTIVITY PATTERN: These classifications are also very approximate, but indicate some minor trends. From a general southern coverage of the south last month, activity now seems about equally heavy from entire country, except continued weakness in NW. The Northeast is most notable in its increase from very slight activity to heaviest activity of all areas.

NORTHWEST	SOUTHWEST	MIDWEST	NORTHEAST	SOUTHEAST
3 reports (#11, 50, 65)	10 reports (#4, 6, 14, 20, 25, 27, 30, 31, 40, 44.)	12 reports (#26, 28, 42, 43, 46, 47, 51, 54, 56, 57, 62, 64.)	16 reports (#1, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 15, 23, 24, 37, 39, 45, 53, 58, 63.)	12 reports (2, 18, 19, 21, 22, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 38, 41)



**'FLYING SAUCER'** similar to this drawing was reported seen by Bill Squyres, radio entertainer on a Pittsburg, Kan., radio station early this week. Squyres told the NEOSHO DAILY DEMOCRAT the "saucer" looked "like an object made in the United States which was piloted by humans, not some man from Mars." He sketched this drawing, which later was retouched by Neosho's Don Draper. The only details missing in this drawing from his description are more propellers which were deleted in order to show the windows better. Squyres said he saw the object hover in a field near Pittsburg early in the morning while he was on his way to work. He said it suddenly rose straight up in the air like a light cord when he approached it, sounding "like a covey of a hundred quail taking off." The man described the "saucer" as having a dull aluminum appearance with a fine lattice pattern over the windows. He said he definitely saw a human figure in one of the windows.

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The strange object was reported by a pilot who had the additional report that it had appeared above the area.

# 'Flying Saucer' With Men Inside Seen by Pittsburg Radio Employee



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## 'Went Up Straight as A Light Cord' Out of Sight, Says Squyres

### 'Sort of Wiggled,' Had 'Whole Bunch of Propellers' at Middle

AUG 26-1952  
By BOB McKNIGHT

A Pittsburg, Kan., radio entertainer today told the NEOSHO DAILY DEMOCRAT that he saw a "flying saucer" early yesterday which looked to him, "like an object made in the United States and which was "piloted by humans, not some man from Mars."

Bill Squyres, on the staff of radio station KOAM, Pittsburg, said he definitely saw a human being behind a window in the front part of the object.

Squyres, who plays a guitar and sings on a 6:15 a. m. broadcast, was on his way to work when he saw the "object" hovering near the ground in a heavily wooded area seven and a half miles northeast of Pittsburg.

He lives near Frontenac, Kan., about nine miles from Pittsburg. Squyres said it had a dull aluminum appearance and was about eight to 10 feet from the ground, "sort of wiggling."

"My hair rose straight up on the back of my head," he said. "It was about 75 feet long and about two-thirds as wide as it was long."

He said he got out of the car, where the object was hovering, and saw a human figure in one of the windows. He said he definitely saw a human figure in one of the windows.

where the object was hovering. Squyres, however, said there would be no exhaust marks or steam, as the object "just went up and out of sight."

"It sounded like a covey of a hundred quail taking off," Squyres said. "It went up straight as a light cord."

He said when he first started toward the object he got a good look at it. He said the motors were idling and sort of throbbing. He drew a picture of it for the DAILY DEMOCRAT.

It looks like two turtle shells or two platters joined together with "a whole bunch of propellers right where the two halves are joined together."

Toward the front was a window with a "glaring blue light," and he said "I definitely saw a human being through the window."

A few feet back were several more windows in the middle, and there also was a blue light, he said, but it fluctuated from dark to light blue. Squyres said he noticed considerable activity in that section "like a window shade pulled down. I could see figures moving back of it."

Apparently this is the first case which has been brought before the public of a "flying saucer" in which humans have been seen.

George Massey, station engineer; Leo Stafford, chief engineer; Marcel Stewart, salesman, and Squyres all went back out to see the spot. They all said they saw where the weeds were blown down and where something had been. Squyres said it looked like the backwash of where the thing took off.

Samples of those weeds and the surrounding earth are being tested at the Pittsburg State Teachers college for exhaust marks, chemicals, and other un-

usual things. Squyres said there would be no exhaust marks or steam, as the object "just went up and out of sight."

Bob Green, who is reported to be working on his PhD at the school, is working on the tests. Green also sent samples to the AAF laboratories at Dayton, Ohio.

Pittsburg police officers said they went out but couldn't find where the weeds were beaten down, possibly because of an early morning rain.

Squyres said the officers didn't find anything, because an officer told him that they didn't get out of their car but looked the area over from the road.

The Pittsburg paper didn't give the story much play, although editorial staff personnel said they were convinced Squyres was telling the truth.

Squyres is married, 42 years old and the father of two children. He has been a radio entertainer most of his life, starting in Kansas City in 1936. He spent five years with station KITE, and has been back in Pittsburg nearly one year.

They're not about to make me retract this information," he said. "I'm not going to let them give me shots or anything else to make me say I didn't see it."

Asked if it might have been a mirage or similar phenomenon he said:

"You don't hear a mirage."

Squyres is quiet, modest and was described as "not looking like a publicity hound."

He said no one from the air force or the FBI has called on him yet. "But I expect that they will."

THE ABOVE 1948 RPT IS ONLY INCLUDED BECAUSE OF SLIGHT SIMILARITY AND IS NOT A LANDING REPORT.

BACKGROUND: The August-September 1952 period was probably the most interesting time for saucer reports to date, due to the unprecedented number of saucers that appeared landing or landed. The widely separated areas these reports came from backs the possibility they were genuine, and these reports are of such interest as well as possible importance, that each issue will have one or more such reports, discussed in this feature section. This issue reprints the PITTSBURGH, KANNA'S report clipping and original drawing.

AUTHENTICITY: The sighting was made by only 1 person, and therefore does not have the weight of several reputable observers. According to local newspapers, Squyres was generally known as modest, not given to flights of fancy.

In his recent book, Keyhoe stated Air Force was impressed by his report, and considered it quite reliable. Another writer who interviewed Squyres, informs me he also cannot read nor write, and was not too well educated, and it thus seems unlikely he could have read another report or had a reading background to have formed so detailed a hoax.

SIMILARITIES TO OTHER REPORTS:

(1) This object does not resemble the great mass of featureless saucers reported in the past. The only other report it slightly resembles is the Chiles-Whitted report of July 1948 from Alabama. However, this had large transparent windows on top and bottom, and was rocketship-like in shape.

(2) We again have the rotating extensions along the object, similar to 2 Object mentioned in review #7, page 14 and 15. These extensions, however are again dissimilar in shape from the Maxatawney and Garden City reports.

(3) The bright blue glowing windows are quite similar to the 1948 Chiles report; this is rarely mentioned in any saucer report. Of some interest is that such bright lighting would be used by a spaceship from a blue-white star, (like Vega), or from a planet close to the sun (like Venus), rather than from a dimly lighted planet like Mars, whose light is primarily of the red spectrum. This also conflicts with sharp saucer increases during Mars approaches, and may mean Mars is a space station for them, rather than as their real origin.

(4) The observation of a "human being" is a new feature, rarely reported since 1947. Since Squyres said light in window was glaring and he was not much closer than 100 feet, it is more probable he saw a "human-like form. All present data and logic points to only non-humans in saucers.

(5) The throbbing sound of idling motors is very unusual, rarely is reported. It is possible they power only moving propellers, while usual noiseless engine operates saucer at supersonic speeds. The vertical rise of the object completely rules out any known US aircraft.

CONCLUSION: This report appears to be most authentic of all landing reports for important Aug-Sept. 1952 period. The humanoid descriptions also appears the most authentic made in recent reports, to our belief.

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### HISTORY

During 1950, the president of the group read a copy of the book, "FLYING SAUCERS ARE REAL" by Donald Keyhoe. It was the first serious study of the subject from all possible viewpoints, and created a very strong case against such superior aircraft being from any known country, leaving only the fact they must be from outer space.

During the next year, reports were collected from all possible sources, including magazines, newspapers, and by writing for back issue newspapers. During the spring of 1951, the idea of printing an amateur magazine with an available mimeograph machine took shape, with the idea of exchanging it with persons with local clippings of reports.

The first issue of the Review was printed in late August 1951, and 60 copies were sent to others interested in the subject. Ads were placed in several magazines, including Fate; more persons were reached for clipping-magazine exchanges.

By 1953, this method of receiving reports became too great to handle because of heavy correspondence, and decided to order news clipping services, and charge members for the magazine, and have them send in clippings to supplement services.

### PRESENT MEMBERSHIP

Present membership is under 600, in the US, and about 60 throughout Canada, England, and Australia, but is steadily rising at more than 30 per week. More ads are planned in the near future for science and sciencefiction magazines, and at present, we have an ad in the JAN 1954 FATE magazine, and a small editorial plug in TRUE MAGAZINE, NOV 1953, both on the stands. Also on sale now is the book 'FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED' by Desmond Leslie, containing one chapter that lists an entire issue of the Review #5 as an example of report activity.

Several prominent members include IVAN SANDERSON, noted explorer, author, sociologist and radio-TV speaker; JOHN DUBARRY, Associate Editor of TRUE MAGAZINE and author of aviation and saucer articles. WILLIAM NASH, airline pilot who made the famous July 1952 sighting over Norfolk, Va, where 6 objects travelling at speeds over 12,000 mph were observed; and also 2 scientists associated with branches of atomic work.

As a rule, membership is very varied, including reporters, psychiatrists, restaurant owners, furniture dealers, and college students, including one in an Intelligence school in Pakistan. One former member was Professor Gerald Heard, author of many philosophic books including "IS ANOTHER WORLD WATCHING?". In 1952, he left group to form the Civilian Saucer Investigations, which has suspended operation. Others are in the Air Force, Army, Marines, and Navy, but are not connected with any military investigation of the subject.

### OTHER SAUCER GROUPS

There are more than 33 known civilian and government groups throughout the world studying the saucers. Of these, 16 small civilian groups are in the US, plus one government military group at Dayton, Ohio, under the AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE COMMAND.

In the past, there has been at least 9 other US government branches who have been incidentally involved in the subject, or have made small studies in it, not to mention the dozens of scientists called in at times by these groups to give professional opinions on the data received.

The remaining 16 known groups are spread unevenly throughout the world, wherever exceptional numbers of reports have occurred in the past, to cause groups to form. Some governments now working on the subject are listed here.

1. AUSTRALIA - CIVIL AIR DEPARTMENT is working with Air Intelligence since May 1952, when a huge rocket-like object was seen over several hundred miles headed toward the sea, by nearly 100 witnesses.
2. BRAZIL - The FLYING SAUCER PROJECT is studying all reports since 5 photos were taken of a saucer over Rio de Janeiro on May 7, 1952
3. CANADA - The DEFENSE RESEARCH BOARD has analyzed reports since Jan. 1952,

with the aid of RCAF Intelligence, after exceptional number of reports were made. At first they worked with the RCAF, but now (2) have set up a costly observation station to observe saucers with TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT at Shirley Bay, Ontario.

4. CHILE - Air force has worked on subject since 1949, when several photos were taken by military groups in Antarctic.
5. DENMARK - Danish government group has requested all personell to submit all reports of saucer like objects to their authorities.
6. ENGLAND - The DDI, a branch of the RAF, has worked on reports since 1947, and has just begun exchanging information with the USAF and South Africa.
7. FRANCE - The FLYING SAUCER DEPARTMENT was formed by government to study reports after exceptional number of French reports made in May-June 1952.
8. ~~FRANCE~~ - Has a group studying reports, no further information available.
9. NORWAY - It has studied reports since May 1952, when a saucer was observed over central Norway for 30 minutes by trained scientists.
10. SOUTH AFRICA - Has been studying reports for long period, and has begun exchanging information with British.
11. SWEDEN - The airforce has studied reports since 1946, when huge number of mysterious rocket-like objects called "Cost - Rockets" were seen, never explained.
12. RUSSIA - No direct news available, but gossip from news columns states they have four different studies being made on subject, plus some agents trying to find out whether other countries are causing them, or know what they are.

In addition, many other governments are also secretly studying reports, but only time will tell who they are and their conclusions.

#### RESEARCHERS COOPERATION WITH OTHER GROUPS

Naturally, cooperation with military groups comes under the heading of security information, and civilian exchange is not permitted. In addition, most US saucer groups are small, under a hundred members, and work on a competitive and not a cooperative basis.

However, foreign civilian groups are usually willing to exchange data on the subject, and usually have information not available in the US. The Flying Saucer Researchers exchange information with all groups willing to send either clippings, photostated reports or microfilmed reports. At present, this includes

1. FLYING SAUCER CLUB in England, who print their own quarterly "FLYING SAUCER NEWS" of European - Asian reports. It is headed by Richard Hughes.
2. AUSTRALIAN FLYING SAUCER BUREAU, who print their own Quarterly Bulletin of Australian and Asian reports. It is headed by E. R. Jarrold.
3. ORANES MAGAZINE, which is printed by 2 persons, Eric Biddle and Marc Thruyn for their group, half in English, and half in French.
4. FLYING SAUCERS INTERNATIONAL headed by Max Miller, who prints a quarterly on general saucer information and gossip.
5. INTERNATIONAL FLYING SAUCER BUREAU, formerly printed a quarterly, SPACE HOPE-VISM, with general saucer information and sciencefiction material. It was headed by Albert Bender, group now disbanded.
6. SAUCER PHENOMENA AND CELESTIAL ENQUIRY (S. P. A. C. E.) headed by Joseph Barbieri in Conn. It prints no magazine, but receives local reports and has groups meetings.
7. We are now copying 80 4" x 5" photo reports from secret files of the

Review that a huge increase was expected in after the July 1952 Mars approach, and this was the actual case. This issue was printed December 1951.

Reports continued to come in at an even rate until Nov. 1951, when an unprecedented new object appeared, the Green Fireballs. Our study of all known American aircraft and missiles, and meteor history showed these objects were no known flying weapon or meteor known in astronomical history.

We believe the fireballs are allied somehow to the saucers, having a common unknown origin; that their great brilliancy (differing from saucers unobtrusiveness about they were probably some sort of signals, the green color as a similarity to Earth color seen from space (due to large amount of surface covered by water.) The meaning of these signals is not clear, although Donald Keyhoe now book states they may be warning us in handling atomic weapons which were being tested at time of fireball sightings!

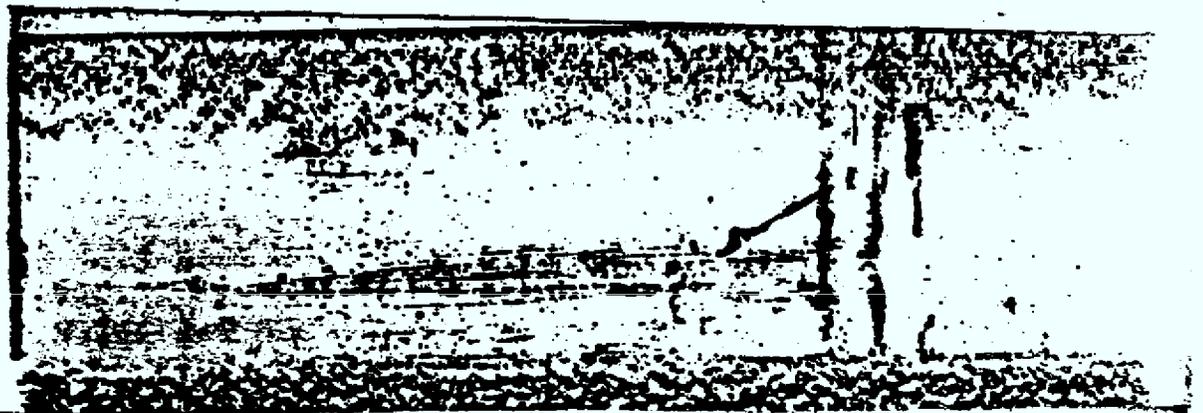
Another object we have found, is a rare brilliant color-changing light seen about 15 times in the last 7 years. It is usually described as hovering from 10 minutes to 2 hours, continually changing from red to green to white. Its great brilliancy is also very different from the ordinary stealthy saucers, and we believe it is also a signal device of some sort.

#### FUTURE SAUCER ACTIVITY

On the basis of our present conclusions, we expect a great increase in the saucer reports to begin again with the approach of Mars in summer of 1954. Reports should increase during late spring, and reach their peak in late summer, with more reports of the occasional "landings" reported in the past 3 years, and total numbers of dozens a day similar to July 1952.

We therefore appreciate any publicity aid given us in requesting public response in reports, that will help us maintain the best coverage in the coming important months of 1954.

(This summary of the history, work, and conclusions of the Flying Saucer Researchers was written by Elliott Rockmore, editor of group magazine and head of the organization. Permission is given to quote any part of this 5 page release, but we would appreciate being credited as the source of material. Requests of the readers of this release to send in eyewitness and newspaper reports would also greatly aid our work.)



New Zealand Civilian groups for copying. our investigations, that were put out to all saucer groups for copying. 3)

It also plans containing several other European, Australian, and New Zealand groups recently formed and publicized, when time permits.

In addition, we exchange information and clippings with several other groups and individuals whose background involves them incidentally in this subject. These include:

1. JOHN DEBARRY of TRUE MAGAZINE: This was the first important publication to finance a civilian study of the subject in 1949, printing its results in its Jan. 1950 issue titled "FLYING SAUCERS ARE REAL" by Donald Keyhoe. Later it printed a more detailed development of the story in a pocketbook edition of the same name.

Mr. DeBarry prepared and collected the material on the subject for Mr. Keyhoe prior to his investigation, and is the author of aviation magazines and one saucer article in TRUE. He is at present the Associate Editor of TRUE.

2. IRVING SANDERSON: Is the author of many magazine articles and several books written from experiences in several expeditions to Africa and South America. At present, he has his own radio show in Baltimore, appearing also once a week on Gerry Moores afternoon TV show, discussing natural history, and displaying animal specimens from his private collection. His former work in government bureaus and Intelligence departments, has given him many connections with inside information in the US and British government.

3. BORDERLAND SCIENCE RESEARCH ASSOCIATES of San Diego. A group of more than 1,000 in the US, distributes its own magazine, and studies many similar mysterious subjects, receiving many saucer clippings from readers. They have lent more than 12,000 clippings to us in the past 2 years.

#### COVERAGE OF REPORTS

At present, readers are sending in an average of 70 clippings a week, in addition to which an occasional old clipping collection will increase this number greatly. Total number of clippings received during the very active year of 1952 amounted to nearly 11,000, while total number this year is in excess of 4,000, including all sources.

All clippings received are processed by cutting them into lengths less than 6", for filing lengthwise on 8 1/2" x 11" pages in notebooks. Each report is filed on a separate page, in precise chronological order, to keep them from being confused with similarly dated reports.

A separate file is kept for specialized saucer subjects, including photos (2 notebooks of photos, boxes, vaportrails), sketches (more than 40), inventors (1 notebook nearly fifty), magazine articles (6 notebooks), and half a dozen similar specialized subjects.

The number of reports in the files has never been counted, but with 105 notebooks filed, each with between 40 and 70 reports in each, total number of different reports is between 4,000 and 6,000 (not total # of clippings). In addition, several hundred large pages of negative films and photostats await processing into files.

Present report activity varies between 50 and 70 sightings a month, in the US, and this has filled 1 to 2 notebooks per month for the last 2 years. Notebooks are filed in two 4 drawer filing cabinets, with the third used only for correspondence and letterhead paper.

Within recent months, efforts have been made to make a more efficient coverage of reports, since many local sightings are printed in local area only. Although membership is excellent in most areas, it is weak in several, such as the southeast, northern Rocky Mountain states, and southwest, and we want to cover these areas also.

To date, we have 7 newspaper cutting services, respectively covering the areas of AFRICA, CANADA, USA, 11 EUROPEAN countries, SCANDINAVIA (4 countries), ENGLAND and its colonies. Coverage for the 4 areas of southern ASIA, AUSTRALIA, SOUTH AMERICA, and the P.A.C. EAST will be ordered when agencies for such areas are located. Total number of clippings from this source averages about 100 per

PRESENT RESEARCH WORK

All reports received are checked for source of report; all observers and newspapers printing reports are written to request any further details available, especially with drawings. An average of 35 newspapers and 35 eyewitnesses are written each month, of the more authentic reports.

All reports are checked for time, longitude-latitude, in case an object was observed in 2 places within a short time. Reports are also compared against previous reports, for similarity to 2 basic saucer types. These now include:

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| 1. <u>Tiny spherical objects</u> , 8 to 12" diameter.                                      | 7. <u>Huge cigar-shaped objects</u> , possibly between 1,000 and 2,000 feet long. (See now Keyhoe book) |
| 2. <u>Small saucers</u> , about 40 feet in diameter.                                       | 8. <u>Huge green fireballs</u> , possibly some sort of signal devices.                                  |
| 3. <u>Large saucers</u> , ranging between 100-250 feet.                                    | 9. <u>Color changing brilliant lights</u> possible some sort of signal.                                 |
| 4. <u>Spherical objects</u> , about 40' in diam.   |   |
| 5. <u>Triangular objects</u> , resembling delta planes and being tested by army airforces. |   |
| 6. <u>Rocket-like objects</u> , between 200 and 300 feet long.                             |   |

Historical reports are also checked, but are very difficult to locate, and very costly to buy. Many appear to be cylindrical objects rather than saucer-like, but are equally mysterious in origin. All results of the FLYING SAUCER RESEARCHERS are printed in the group magazine, FLYING SAUCER REVIEW.

CONCLUSIONS ON SAUCER ORIGIN

The result of the many studies made on this subject by almost all civilian groups, and some government groups, is that saucers are unquestionably from space.

From our own research as the first saucer group, we find that reports of the past 7 years definitely tie in with approaches of Mars. Four huge increases of reports occurred on these dates:

1. July - Oct. 1946 Hundreds of 'Ghost Rocket' reports over Sweden.
2. June - July 1947 Hundreds of reports over entire USA.
3. March - April 1950 Hundreds of reports over entire world.
4. July - Aug. 1952 Huge increase in reports over USA, and world.

If the saucers are from another planet, one would expect reports to increase greatly as that planet approaches Earth, and a crossing becomes much shorter.

A check of all planetary position shows Mars was very close on 3 occasions:

Jan. 1, 1946 MARS CLOSE OPPOSITION  
MARCH 23, 1950 MARS CLOSE OPPOSITION  
MAY 7, 1952 MARS CLOSE OPPOSITION

Our conclusions are that the source of the flying saucers is probably Mars, their takeoff occurring just before the close approach of the planet, and arrival occurring several months after the approach. Present day rocket scientists state their calculations show this is the best method for a crossing or interplanetary flight, since a flight at any other time would have to cross 2 to 6 times as much distance. This would represent an increase from the small 35 million mile flight to 70 million up to 220 million miles.

The sole exception appears to be the June - July 1947 reports, but Donald Keyhoe stated in his first book that the European 'Ghost Rocket' sightings continued in small numbers as late as Dec. 1946; whereupon the first flying saucers were seen in the US in Jan. 1947, and reached their tremendous peak in July 1947 with hundreds of reports per day.

This is generally taken to mean the first wave of saucers was actually part of the first phase of 'ghost rocket' sightings, and not directly from Mars as in following reports. Keyhoe has theorized they are flat, remote-controlled reconnaissance craft, while the thick rocket-like objects were passenger carriers.

On the basis of these increases, it was predicted in the #2 issue of the