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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 8 July 1947 Incident # 1
2. Time 0930
3. Location Muroc Air Field, Muroc, Calif
4. Name of observer 1st Lt Joseph C. McHenry
5. Occupation of observer Billeting Officer in Charge, Muroc AAFld.
6. Address of observer Muroc, AAFld
7. Place of observation ground - Muroc, AAFld
8. Number of objects 2 at first - 1 sometime later
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude Approx 8000 ft
12. Speed 300 MPH
13. Direction of flight 320° due north heading
14. Tactics Performed a tight circle
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color Silver
18. Shape disc-like or spherical
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S - Apparently metallic
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance in distance
26. Remarks: At approximately 0930 Lt McHenry left Post Exchange
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enroute to his office and before entering heard one of the local aircraft in the traffic pattern. Looking up he observed the aircraft and slightly to the left he saw 2 silver objects of either spherical or disc-like shape moving about 300 MPH at approximately 8000 ft heading about 320° due north. He immediately called S/Sgt Gerald E. Nauman, T/Sgt Joseph Ruvolo and Miss Jannette Marie Scotte. Witnesses all verified the sighting and the direction of the objects - all three stated that the objects were moving toward Mojave, Calif.

Witness was sure it was not an optical illusion or that the objects were not weather balloons since they traveled against prevailing wind and since the speed at which they traveled and the horizontal direction taken indicated that they were not weather balloons. Furthermore they could not remain at the same altitude so consistently if they were weather balloons. Witness then attempted to get personnel (medical officers) to further verify the sighting but by the time the additional personnel had arrived at the scene the original objects had disappeared due to the speed at which they were traveling. However, two of them sighted a third object of a silver spherical or disc-like nature at approximately 8000 ft traveling in circles over the north end of the airfield. Five out of the seven personnel saw this object. All looked away from the object several times to make sure there was no eye strain. He stated that this object performed too tight a circle to be any type of known aircraft.

Evaluation: Confirmed by other sources.

Witnesses: S/Sgt Gerald E. Nauman
T/Sgt Joseph Ruvolo
Miss Jannette Marie Scotte
Pfc J. C. [unclear]

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 8 July 47 Incident # 1e
2. Time 10:00
3. Location Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, Calif
4. Name of observer Jannette Marie Scott
5. Occupation of observer Secretary to 1st Lt J. C. McHenry, Billeting Officer
6. Address of observer Muroc AAFld, Muroc, Calif.
7. Place of observation Ground - Muroc
8. Number of objects 3 - two the first time - 1 later
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude Approx 8,000 ft
12. Speed 300 to 400 MPH
13. Direction of flight Northwest - toward Mojave, Calif.
14. Tactics First 2 maintained straight horizontal course; the last performed a tight circle
15. Sound none - Witness heard no drone such as would come from any aircraft
16. Size N/S
17. Color Silver
18. Shape Disc
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S [†] Apparently metallic
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions Sunlight
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S - apparently in the distance
26. Remarks: Witness was called by Lt McHenry together with T/Sgt (over)

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Joseph Ruvolo and S/Sgt. Gerald E. Nauman to the front of the B.O.Q. "A" Bldg. Pointing up in a direction directly above the group he asked them to explain what they saw. Witness states that she saw 2 silver-colored disc-like objects flying toward Mojave, Calif, one directly back of the other, at a speed of about 300 to 400 MPH at an altitude of approximately 8,000 ft. She listened carefully for a few minutes but could hear no drone such as occasioned by any aircraft. Casting her eyes for a moment in another direction and then looking back to the same spot she was able to distinguish the same objects again. Assured that it was not eye-strain, she was convinced the objects were not weather balloons due to the horizontal position in which they traveled. Nor could they have been birds since they reflected the sun's rays.

Some three or four minutes after the objects had nearly disappeared she saw another flying object similar to the above-mentioned objects. It was silver colored and disc-like in shape. Unlike the first two, it flew in a tight circle, neither losing nor gaining altitude, at approximately 8,000 ft. She thought it performed too tight a circle to have been any type aircraft with which she was familiar.

Evaluation: Confirmed by other sources

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 8 July 47 Incident # 1c
2. Time 0945
3. Location Muroc AAFld, Muroc, Calif 34° 54' N 117° 53' W
4. Name of observer S/Sgt Joseph Ruvolo
5. Occupation of observer NCO Charge Billeting Office
6. Address of observer Muroc Air Fld., Muroc, Calif
7. Place of observation Ground - Muroc
8. Number of objects 2
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude Between 7500 or 8000 ft
12. Speed 350 - 400 MPH
13. Direction of flight Northwestern
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound None
16. Size N/S
17. Color Silver
18. Shape Saucer or Disc shaped
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S - Apparently metallic
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: Witness, NCO in charge of Billeting Office, Muroc AF Base,
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About 0945 Lt McHenry, Billeting Officer in Charge, upon returning from the Post Exchange contacted the witness, Sgt Ruvol and asked him to look up in the sky. Witness observed two (2) flying objects which appeared like two flying discs or saucer-shaped silver-colored objects flying in a northwestern direction at approximately 350 to 400 MPH at an altitude of about 7500 or 8000 ft. He could hear no motor roar and was positive that it was not a balloon.

He states: "I am of good health and sound mind and this was no hallucination"

Evaluation: Confirmed by other sources.

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1. Date 8 July 1947 Incident # 2.
2. Time Approximately noon
3. Location Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California.
4. Name of observer Major Richard R. Shoop
5. Occupation of observer Employed in Office of Chief of Tech. Engineering Div
Major -
6. Address of observer Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California.
7. Place of observation Ground
8. Number of objects One (1)
9. Distance of object from observer Five (5) to eight (8) miles.
10. Time in sight Eight (8) minutes
11. Altitude fairly high altitude
12. Speed slowly
13. Direction of flight North
14. Tactics The object moved from an intermediate altitude in an oscillating fashion, almost to the surface of the ground and then started climbing again.
15. Sound not stated
16. Size pursuit airplane
17. Color aluminum colored surface
18. Shape unconventional shape
19. Odor detected not stated
20. Apparent construction apparently metallic
21. Exhaust trails not stated
22. Weather conditions not stated
23. Effect on clouds not stated
24. Sketches or photographs none
25. Manner of disappearance moved off slowly in the distance
26. Remarks: At approximately noon on 8 Jul 1947, Major Shoops, at the attention of Col. Gilkey observed five (5) to eight (8) miles to the north what appeared to be a thin metallic object. It appeared to be metallic because the method in which it was flying the sun was reflected from an apparently aluminum colored surface.

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Incident # 3.

1. Date 7 July 1947
2. Time 10:10
3. Location Muroc Army air Field, Muroc, California.
4. Name of observer Major J. C. Wise,
5. Occupation of observer Test Pilot
6. Address of observer Muroc AAF, Muroc, California.
7. Place of observation Ground - Muroc AAF, Muroc, California
8. Number of objects One (1)
9. Distance of object from observer Off to the north about 10,000 to 12,000 feet altitude.
10. Time in sight not stated
11. Altitude 10,000 to 12,000 feet
12. Speed 200 to 225 MPH
13. Direction of flight heading from west to east
14. Tactics Oscillating in a forward whirling movement without losing altitude
15. Sound not stated
16. Size Five (5) to (10) feet in diameter
17. Color yellowish white
18. Shape sphere
19. Odor detected not stated
20. Apparent construction assumed at first to be a weather balloon
21. Exhaust trails not stated
22. Weather conditions not stated
23. Effect on clouds not stated
24. Sketches or photographs none
25. Manner of disappearance not stated
26. Remarks:

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REMARKS:

Statement given by Major J. C. Wise, Test Pilot, Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California.

On 7 July 1947, at approximately 10:10, while running up the XP-54 on the ground I noticed everyone was looking up into the air. Off to the north about 10,000 to 12,000 feet altitude, was an object that I assumed at first to be a weather balloon, but after looking at it for a while I noticed that it was oscillating in a forward whirling movement without losing altitude. It was traveling about 200 to 225 MPH, and heading from west to east.

The object was yellowish white in color and I would estimate that it was a sphere about 5 to 10 feet in diameter.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date **8 July 1947** Incident # **4.**
2. Time **11:50**
3. Location **Area # 3, Rogers Dry Lake, California.**
4. Name of observer **Captain John Paul Strapp**
5. Occupation of observer **Flight Test**
6. Address of observer **Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California.**
7. Place of observation **Observation Truck, Area #3, Rogers Dry Lake, Calif.**
8. Number of objects **One (1)**
9. Distance of object from observer **20,000 feet**
10. Time in sight **90 seconds**
11. Altitude **lower than 20,000**
12. Speed **slower than the maximum velocity 50-60 aircraft**
13. Direction of flight **Slightly north of due west against prevailing wind**
14. Tactics **rotation or oscillation of slow type (suggested by 2 fins or nobs on the upper surface which crossed each other at intervals)**
15. Sound **not stated**
16. Size **About 50'**
17. Color **silvery**
18. Shape **resembled a parachute canopy at first then assumed ovalar shape**
19. Odor detected **not stated**
20. Apparent construction **It presented a distinct ovalar outline, with two (2) projections on the upper surface which might have been thick fins or nobs. These crossed each other at intervals, suggesting either rotation or oscillation of slow type.**
21. Exhaust trails **None**
22. Weather conditions **not stated**
23. Effect on clouds **not stated**
24. Sketches or photographs **none**
25. Manner of disappearance **Dropped to a level such that comes into line of vision of the mountain tops.**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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On the 8 July 1947 at 11:50 the undersigned was sitting in an observation truck located in Area #3, Rogers Dry Lake, was gazing upward toward a formation of two (2) P-52's and an A-26 aircraft flying at 20,000 feet, preparing the carry out of a seat ejection experiment, when I observed a rounded object, white aluminum in color, which at first resembled a parachute canopy. The first impression was that a premature ejection of the seat and dummy had occurred. This body was ejected at a determined height lower than 20,000 feet, and was falling at three (3) times the rate observed for the parachute which ejected thirty minutes later. As it fell it drifted slightly north of due west against the prevailing wind, toward Mount Wilson. The speed, horizontal motion could not be determined, but appeared slower than the maximum velocity P-50 aircraft.

As this object descended through a low enough level to permit observation of its lateral silhouette, it presented a distinct ovular outline, with two (2) projections on the upper surface which might have been thick fins or nocks. These crossed each other at intervals, suggesting either rotation or oscillation of slow type.

No smoke flames, propeller arcs, engine noise, or other classifiable or visible means of propulsion were noted. The color was silvery, resembling aluminum painted fabric, and did not appear as dense as a parachute canopy.

When the object dropped to a level such that comes into line of vision of the mountain tops, it was lost to the vision of the observer.

It is estimated that the object was in line of vision about 90 seconds. Of the five (5) people sitting in the observation truck, four (4) observed this object and made remarks about it. These people include:

Mr. Lenz - Civilian, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.
(Other names not given)

The following is my own personal opinions about this object:

1. I think it was a manmade object, as evidenced distantly by the outline and functional appearance.
2. It's size was not far from 25 feet with a parachute canopy.
3. The path followed by this object appeared as though it might have been dropped from a great height.

Seeing this was not a hallucination or other fancies of a sense.

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Incident # 5

1. Date **4 July 1947**
2. Time **1305**
3. Location **Portland, Oregon**
4. Name of observer **Kenneth A. McDowell**
5. Occupation of observer **Patrolman, Portland City Police**
6. Address of observer **Portland City Police Dept., Portland, Oregon**
7. Place of observation **Parking lot back of police station**
8. Number of objects **5**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **N/S**
11. Altitude **N/S**
12. Speed **Great speed**
13. Direction of flight **2 discs flying south, 3, in easterly direction**
14. Tactics **Dipped up and down in oscillating motion at great speed**
15. Sound **None**
16. Size **N/S Large**
17. Color **Could not be determined**
18. Shape **Round - disc-shaped**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **N/S - No visible means of propulsion observed**
22. Weather conditions **N/S**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **Quickly - before any detailed observation could be made**
26. Remarks:

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Officer McDowell stated that at approximately 1305, 4 July 1947 while he was on duty at Precinct #1 and feeding the pigeons in the parking lot back of the station he noticed that the pigeons became quite excited over something and fluttered in the air. Officer McDowell in looking around to see what had disturbed them saw 5 large discs in the air east of Portland; two discs flying south and three flying in an easterly direction. He stated he could determine no color to the discs but advised they were dipping in an up and down oscillating motion and were traveling at great speed. He was unable to give an estimate of the speed or altitude of the discs as they were out of sight before any detailed observation could be made. Officer McDowell advised that he notified the Police Radio who immediately broadcast an alert. He saw no indication of any motivating force nor heard any sound coming from the discs and could give no description other than round.

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1. Date 4 July 1947 Incident # 7
2. Time 1305
3. Location Oregon
4. Name of observer Earl E. Patterson
5. Occupation of observer Patrolman - former Air Corps pilot
6. Address of observer 124 Southeast 13th Avenue, Portland, Oregon
7. Place of observation Southeast 82d and Foster Road, Portland
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude Approx 30,000 ft
12. Speed Terrific - faster than any speed witness had ever seen
13. Direction of flight Southwesterly direction over Portland
14. Tactics ~~N/S~~ Performed 90° angle without difficulty - thought to be radio controlled
15. Sound None
16. Size N/S
17. Color Aluminum
18. Shape disc
19. Odor detected ~~none~~ N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S Apparently metallic or eggshell white
didn't reflect light
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Witness was getting out of his car when he observed one disc flying in a Southwesterly direction over Portland. Disc was aluminum in color and traveled at terrific speed - faster than any flying object witness had ever seen - It left no vapor trail or smoke trail. ~~It was traveling at terrific~~ ~~speed~~, Estimated altitude approx 30,000 ft. Thought the disc was definitely some type of aircraft but could not give further description as speed made observation difficult. No sound was heard from the flying object. He thought it appeared radio-controlled because the disc could change direction at a 90° angle without difficulty.

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Incident # 6

1. Date 4 July 47
2. Time 1305
3. Location Milwaukee, Oregon
4. Name of observer Sergeant Claude Cross
5. Occupation of observer Oregon State Police Officer
6. Address of observer District #1, Milwaukee, Oregon
7. Place of observation Police station
8. Number of objects 3
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude Undetermined
12. Speed ~~XXX~~ Terrific
13. Direction of flight Northwest
14. Tactics Three discs following each other at terrific speed
15. Sound None
16. Size N/S
17. Color Whitish brown glint as the sun was reflected from them
18. Shape Disc
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Cross saw three discs following each other at an undetermined altitude at terrific speed, traveling in a Northwesterly direction. He noticed a whitish brown glint to them as the sun reflected from them. Could give no other description nor could he judge the speed or altitude. No sound was made by the objects.

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Incident # 8

1. Date 4 July 47
2. Time 1305
3. Location Portland, Oregon
4. Name of observer W. A. Lissy
5. Occupation of observer Patrolman - also a private pilot
6. Address of observer Portland City Police Dept.
7. Place of observation ground
8. Number of objects 3
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 40,000 ft
12. Speed terrific
13. Direction of flight South
14. Tactics Straight-line formation except last disc fluttered to side in arc
15. Sound None
16. Size N/S
17. Color white
18. Shape disc
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Clear - with little or no cloud formations visible from ground.
23. Effect on clouds N/S - no clouds
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (Over)

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Patrolman W. A. Lissy of the Portland City Police Department possesses a private pilot license. He perceived three flat round discs which flew at terrific speed in straight line formation the last disc fluttering very rapidly in a side-way arc. They saw no evidence of any motivating powers and there were no vapor or smoke trails. No sound could be heard. Ground temperature was 82°F with little or no cloud formation.

NOTE: Corroborated account. Witnessed by Patrolman D. W. Ellis (also a private pilot) Both very dependable & trustworthy officers.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 8a

1. Date 4 July 47
2. Time 1305
3. Location Portland, Oregon
4. Name of observer D. W. Ellis
5. Occupation of observer Patrolman
6. Address of observer Portland City Police Dept., Oregon
7. Place of observation Portland, Oregon
8. Number of objects 3
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude Approx 40,000 ft
12. Speed terrific
13. Direction of flight South
14. Tactics Straight-line formation except last which flutter to side in arc
15. Sound None
16. Size N.S
17. Color White
18. Shape Disc
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Clear - with little or no cloud formation visible from ground
23. Effect on clouds N/S - no clouds
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Patrolman D. W. Ellis (also a private pilot) perceived three flat round discs which flew at terrific speed in straight line formation, the last disc fluttering very rapidly in a side-way arc. He saw no evidence of any motivating powers and there were no vapor or smoke trails. No sound could be heard. Ground temperature was 82°F with little or no cloud formation.

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1. Date **4 July 1947** Incident # 9
2. Time **1305**
3. Location **Portland, Oregon**
4. Name of observer **Capt. K. A. Prehn**
5. Occupation of observer **Harbor Pilot,**
6. Address of observer **Ft NW Irving St., Portland**
7. Place of observation " " "
8. Number of objects **3 to 6 - unable to ascertain**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **N/S**
11. Altitude **High**
12. Speed **terrific**
13. Direction of flight **South over the Globe Mills**
14. Tactics **oscillated, wobbled, disappeared & reappeared.**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **N/S**
17. Color **chromium - shiny**
18. Shape **full disc, half-moon shape, then nothing.**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **N/S**
22. Weather conditions **N/S**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **N/S**
25. Manner of disappearance **disappeared and reappeared**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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Members of the harbor patrol at the foot of NW Irving Street stepped out when they heard the all-car alert. Capt. K. A. Prehn, Harbor Pilot, A.T. Austed and Patrolman K. C. Hoff, all saw the objects and said they appeared to be going south high over the Glove Mills at terrific speed. Capt. Prehn said the flashes kept them from ascertaining whether there were three or six.

"The discs would oscillate and sometimes we would see a full disc, then a half-moon shape, then nothing at all," he reported. The objects looked more like a shiny chromium hub cap off a car which wobbled, disappeared and reappeared."

There was a plane in the sky at the time, but all were emphatic that the discs were not planes.

RELIABILITY: Corroborated report

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1. Date **4 July 1947** Incident # **10**
2. Time **8:04 P. M.**
3. Location **Shortly Boise, Idaho**
4. Name of observer **Capt E. J. Smith**
5. Occupation of observer **UAL Pilot**
6. Address of observer **UAL Office Boise**
7. Place of observation **Air - ~~after hearing reports made to Seattle~~ Over Emmett, Ida.**
8. Number of objects **9 - 5 at first, then 4 more**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **N/S - but followed them for about 45 miles**
11. Altitude **N/S**
12. Speed **N/S**
13. Direction of flight **Northwest**
14. Tactics **preserved "loose formation"**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **N/S**
17. Color **N/S**
18. Shape **Could not be ascertained but appeared thin and smooth on the bottom and rough on the top**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **N/S**
22. Weather conditions **N/S** **however, a sunset was mentioned**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **Could not be ascertained**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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Capt E. J. Smith, UAL Pilot, enroute to Seattle reported that he and the entire crew of the westbound UAL plane saw nine flying discs near Emmett, Idaho. At first he saw 5 discs flying what appeared to be a "loose formation." They called Marty Morrow, Stewardess, to the cockpit to verify that they were actually seeing the discs. She saw them too. Then they saw 4 more of them, three cluster together, and a 4th flying by itself, way off in the distance.

Capt Smith described them as follows:

5 "somethings" which were "thin and smooth on the bottom and rough appearing on top." Silhouetted against sunset shortly after the plane took off at 8:04 p. m. "We saw them clearly," he reported. "We followed them in a northwesterly direction for about 45 miles. Finally they disappeared. We were unable to tell whether they outsped the plane or disintegrated.

He couldn't determine the shape "We can't say whether they were saucer-like, oval or anything else," "But whatever they were, they were not other aircraft, nor were they smoke or clouds."

RELIABILITY: Corroborated report by a UAL Pilot

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1. Date **4 July 47** Incident # **11**
2. Time **Evening**
3. Location **Lake City, Seattle Wash**
4. Name of observer **Frank Ryman**
5. Occupation of observer **Coast Guardsman**
6. Address of observer **Lake City, Seattle, Wash.**
7. Place of observation **Ground - Lake City**
8. Number of objects **1**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **10 minutes**
11. Altitude **N/S**
12. Speed **N/S**
13. Direction of flight **over north end of Lake Washington**
14. Tactics **Horizontal flight**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **N/S**
17. Color **"white"**
18. Shape **saucer or ball shaped**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **N/S**
22. Weather conditions **N/S**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **1 news photograph**
25. Manner of disappearance **N/S**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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The results of Ryman's photographic effort showed a tiny light spot against the dark background of the evening sky. He took the picture when the disc was directly overhead. He and his wife watched it for about 10 minutes as it seemed to speed across the sky. Her impression was that it was a shiny ball at great height.

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1. Date 4 July 1947 Incident # 12
2. Time 1305
3. Location Vancouver, Washington
4. Name of observer John Sullivan
5. Occupation of observer Sheriff's Deputy
6. Address of observer Vancouver, Washington
7. Place of observation Vancouver, Washington, "ground"
8. Number of objects 20 to 30
9. Distance of object from observer 3 to 5 miles away over Portland
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound low humming sound
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape "V" shaped - like flock of geese
19. Odor detected N.S
20. Apparent construction N/A
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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In Vancouver, Washington, Sheriff's Deputies, John Sullivan & Clarence McKay and Fred Krives, heard the Portland police radio broadcast and ran out of the Sheriff's office to look at the sky. Over Portland about three to five miles away, Sullivan said, they saw 20 to 30 objects "like a flight of geese." They heard a low humming sound.

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Incident # 13

1. Date 4 July 1947
2. Time 1400
3. Location Portland, Oregon
4. Name of observer E. A. Evans
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer 3433 SW Macadam Ave.
7. Place of observation Portland, Oregon - ground
8. Number of objects 1 at first 2 later
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 2 - 4 seconds
11. Altitude one object appeared not too high, 2 others appeared far away & very high
12. Speed very fast
13. Direction of flight 1, west to east, 2 - north
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color Resembled metallic discs glinting in sunlight
18. Shape disc
19. Odor detected n/s
20. Apparent construction n/s - unless metallic
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance out of sight within 2 to 4 seconds
26. Remarks: (over)

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Three discs were observed by E. A. Evans & neighbors, one object appeared very high and two others appeared far away and very high. One traveled from west to east, two others traveled north. They resembled metallic discs glinting in the sunlight. They first appeared in the west and were out of sight in the east in 2 to 4 seconds.

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Incident # 14

1. Date 4 July 47
2. Time 1630
3. Location Portland, Oregon
4. Name of observer Mrs. Lawrence J. Hayward
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer 6124 N. E. 21st Ave., Portland
7. Place of observation Portland, Oregon - ground
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed Slow
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics Flipping around
15. Sound N/S
16. Size disc
17. Color silvery
18. Shape round
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S - apparently metallic
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S

26. Remarks: At 4:30 P. M. Mrs Lawrence J. Hayward, 6124 NE 21st Ave. reported sighting a disc "like a new disc flipping around" in the air over the Sandy district. She said it seemed to be moving slowly.

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1. Date 4 July 1947 Incident # 15
2. Time 1700
3. Location Portland, Oregon
4. Name of observer Thomas W. Dwyer
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer 1232 N. E. 59th Ave
7. Place of observation Portland, Oregon
8. Number of objects 3
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude high
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight 1 - southeast; 2 - northeast
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color silver
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs N/S
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: One object was heading southeast and two others were going northeast.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 4 July 1947 Incident # 16
2. Time 1100
3. Location Mt Jefferson, Oregon
4. Name of observer C. J. Bogue
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer Tigard, Oregon
7. Place of observation Near Redmond - ground
8. Number of objects 4
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape disc
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs ~~XXX~~ None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: C. J. Bogue, Tigard reported that four discs flew past Mt Jefferson at about 11 a. m., while he was driving near Redmond.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 17

1. Date **24th June 1947**
2. Time **1500**
3. Location **Mt. Ranier, Washington**
4. Name of observer **Kenneth Arnold**
5. Occupation of observer **Dealer in fire control supplies holds private pilot's license**
6. Address of observer **Box 387, Boise, Idaho**
7. Place of observation **Near Mineral, Washington**
8. Number of objects **9**
9. Distance of object from observer ~~approx~~ **20 to 25 miles**
10. Time in sight **2-1/2 to 3 minutes**
11. Altitude **9,500 ft**
12. Speed ~~approx~~ **Approx 150 MPH**
13. Direction of flight **North to South at 170°**
14. Tactics **Horizontal flight**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **Approximately that of DC-4 - 45 to 50 ft**
17. Color **mirror like**
18. Shape **Approximately circular**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **N/S**
22. Weather conditions **CAVU**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **Drawings**
25. Manner of disappearance **N/S**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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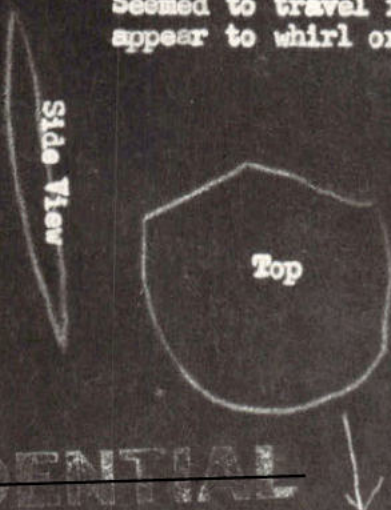
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Pilot Kenneth Arnold was flying his plane at an altitude of approximately 9,200 feet. He trimmed out plane in direction of Yakima, Washington which was almost directly east of his position and sat in his plane observing the sky and the terrain. To the left was a DC-4 and to his rear approximately 15 miles distant there was a 14,000 ft elevation. The sky was clear as crystal. A bright flash suddenly reflected on the plane. Upon looking to the left and to the north of Mt. Rainer he observed a chain of 9 peculiar looking craft flying from north to south at approximately 9,500 ft elevation and going seemingly in a definite direction of about 170°. Thought at first they were jet aircraft but noticed that every few seconds 2 or 3 of them would dip or change their ~~same~~ course slightly just enough to cause the sun to strike them at an angle which reflected brightly on the plane. As they approached Mt. Rainer he could observe their outlines against the snow quite plainly, but couldn't find any tails. Clocked speed and found it to be approximately 150 MPH. Never before had he observed planes flying so close to mountain tops. They flew directly south to southeast down the hog's back of a mountain range. Pilot thought they were at approximately the same elevation as he was. They flew in rather diagonal chain-like line as if linked together and seemed to hold a definite direction but swerved in and out of the high mountain peaks. Distance which was almost at right angles seemed to be between 20 to 25 miles. Thought they were quite large to be observed at that distance even on a clear day. They seemed smaller than the DC-4 but he judged their span to be as wide as the furthest engines on each side of the fuselage of the DC-4 (45 to 50 ft). The chain seemed to be approximately five miles long.

NOTE: It was the opinion of the agent interviewing Mr. Arnold that he saw the "flying discs" In this regard agent further stated that if Mr. Arnold could write a report of such a character and did not see the objects he was in the wrong business and should be engaged in writing Buck Rogers fiction.

The attached is what Kenneth Arnold later produced. See "Fate" magazine article by Kenneth Arnold.

Seemed to travel in sidewise position and did not appear to whirl or spin



They seemed longer than wide thickness being about 1/20 of width

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 20 Oct 47 Incident # 19
2. Time 1320
3. Location David Road, Dayton, Ohio
4. Name of observer Paul S. C. Britton
5. Occupation of observer ~~David Road, Dayton~~ N/S
6. Address of observer David Road, Dayton
7. Place of observation ground - David Road, Dayton
8. Number of objects 2
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 1 to 5 miles high - could not be determined
12. Speed Very fast
13. Direction of flight West to East but slightly to the North
14. Tactics One object followed the other about a city block apart
15. Sound None
16. Size N/S
17. Color Reflected light
18. Shape like cigar
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails like a slight trace of steam
22. Weather conditions CAVU
23. Effect on clouds N/S - no clouds
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Witness strolling in his orchard in an easterly direction when his grandson called his attention to "the funny flying fishes in the sky" Looking up he saw 2 strange looking craft flying very fast in a very straight course from West to East but slightly to the North. The sun was to observer's right and the sky cloudless which seemed to make the objects reflect the sunlight rather brilliantly. As a result the shape was not clearly evident but he distinctly observed that they did not have wings and they looked like cigars - longer than they were wide. They were flying together, one object to the rear about one city block apart and to the right of the leading plane. They did not dip nor veer from a straight flight in any manner. Seemed very high but observer could not judge this except that they were at least a mile high and possibly 5 miles high. There was no noise nor sound of any kind. The trail or exhaust was very unusual and seemed like a slight trace of steam attached to the plane which disappeared immediately. It did not persist in the air like vapor trails nor like exhaust from ordinary planes and jet aircraft. Witness familiar with aircraft since they fly over his property daily. He was positive that they were not meteors, birds nor ordinary aircraft.

NOTE: Subsequent investigation by this Cmd indicates that Mr. Britton's testimony should be considered reliable. The objects seen are not as yet identified.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 20

1. Date 20 Oct 47
2. Time 1100
3. Location Xenia, Ohio
4. Name of observer Ruth Atkinson
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer R 1, Xenia, Ohio
7. Place of observation Xenia, Ohio
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 1000 to 1500 ft
12. Speed fast
13. Direction of flight Southwest
14. Tactics straight course
15. Sound None
16. Size 12" in dia.
17. Color Silver
18. Shape round
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: Could not see any propellers or dome which observer thought strange nor was the object making any noise at all.
NOTE: Observer mentions two witnesses.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 21

1. Date 29 June 47
2. Time 1645
3. Location Des Moines, Iowa
4. Name of observer Dale Bays
5. Occupation of observer Agent of Amazing Stories Magazine
6. Address of observer Box 12, Crocker, Mo.
7. Place of observation Not stated
8. Number of objects at first 5, then 13
9. Distance of object from observer Not stated
10. Time in sight Not stated
11. Altitude 1200 ft.
12. Speed 300 mph
13. Direction of flight NNW
14. Tactics single file
15. Sound like an electric motor or dynamo
16. Size about 12 ft. thick & 175 to 250 ft. in diameter
17. Color Dirty white
18. Shape Between circle and oval - inverted saucer
19. Odor detected Not stated
20. Apparent construction Not stated
21. Exhaust trails Not stated
22. Weather conditions Not stated
23. Effect on clouds Not stated
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Not stated
26. Remarks: None

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 21 June 1947 Incident # 22
2. Time Shortly before noon
3. Location Spokane, Washington
4. Name of observer Guy R. Overman
5. Occupation of observer Not stated
6. Address of observer 621 E. Hoffman Ave., Spokane, Washington
7. Place of observation Spokane, Washington on ground
8. Number of objects one at first. later others more indistinct
9. Distance of object from observer Not stated
10. Time in sight Not stated
11. Altitude 7,000 or 8,000 feet
12. Speed slower than 2 motored plane.
13. Direction of flight South, a little to the west of south
14. Tactics Flashed repeatedly as it moved along
15. Sound Not stated
16. Size Quite large
17. Color Shiny - silvery
18. Shape flashes or discs
19. Odor detected Not stated
20. Apparent construction flashes or discs
21. Exhaust trails Not stated
22. Weather conditions Not stated
23. Effect on clouds Not stated
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance became less distinct but flashed repeatedly.
26. Remarks: (over)

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On Saturday June 21st, shortly before noon, I was in our yard at home when I happened to glance up at a passing plane. I would say this was a two motored one from one of the army bases, flying south at about 10,000 or 12,000. feet. On the mere glance at the plane a bright shiny flash attracted my attention, coming from approximately two or three thousand feet lower than the plane, but slightly ahead of my line of vision of the plane. My first thought was that the plane had thrown out hand bills, but this could not be as they (the flashes or disks) were ahead of the plane. One thing different tho, it seems to me they were not traveling as fast as the plane. We realize to, now, that whatever they were, they must have been quite large, being as plain as the nearest one was, yet so high. And again, they were traveling south against prevailing winds. At least some of the smaller flashes, if not all were as high or higher than the plane, but the nearest one seemed lower, both when it flashed and otherwise, as it did intermittently.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

- Incident # 23
1. Date **30 June 1947**
 2. Time **5:45 PM approximately**
 3. Location **Boise, Idaho**
 4. Name of observer **Angelo Donofrio**
 5. Occupation of observer **Not stated**
 6. Address of observer **917 East Bannock Street, Boise, Idaho**
 7. Place of observation **Boise, Idaho traveling west to Plantation Golf Cour**
 8. Number of objects **1**
 9. Distance of object from observer **10 miles**
 10. Time in sight **few minutes**
 11. Altitude **3,000 feet**
 12. Speed **Stationary**
 13. Direction of flight **Stationary**
 14. Tactics **None**
 15. Sound **Not stated**
 16. Size **Not stated**
 17. Color **Bright and silvery**
 18. Shape **Half circled**
 19. Odor detected **Not Stated**
 20. Apparent construction **Looked like a mirror in the sun**
 21. Exhaust trails **Not stated**
 22. Weather conditions **Not stated**
 23. Effect on clouds **Seemed to be clinging to a huge cloud**
 24. Sketches or photographs **None**
 25. Manner of disappearance **Not Stated**
 26. Remarks:

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An object was seen in this locality on 30 June 1947. The hour was approximately 5:45 PM and we (my wife and I) were traveling west to the Plantation Golf Course, which is approximately five miles from Boise. On the way, I happened to spot something in the sky which seemed to be clinging to a huge cloud. It was half circled in shape and just as bright and silvery looking as a mirror caught in the rays of the sun. After a few minutes of traveling and looking the object disappeared. I would say it was about 10 miles distant, and from our location, approximately 3,000 feet in the air.

Note: Witness states he has had "Aircraft Recognition" in the USAF about 4 times and is positive that the object sighted was not an airplane

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 24

1. Date 12 June 1947
2. Time 6:15 P.M. evening
3. Location Weiser, Idaho
4. Name of observer Mrs. Herbert Erickson
5. Occupation of observer Not Stated
6. Address of observer R. #2, Weiser, Idaho
7. Place of observation Weiser, Idaho toward the west
8. Number of objects 1 at first later 1 more
9. Distance of object from observer Not stated
10. Time in sight few seconds
11. Altitude Not stated
12. Speed Not stated
13. Direction of flight South easterly course
14. Tactics shooting up and down
15. Sound None
16. Size Not stated to far away to determine
17. Color Glistening in the sun
18. Shape Not stated to far away to determine
19. Odor detected Not stated
20. Apparent construction Tiny object which emitted vapor
21. Exhaust trails Vapor looked like clouds, kept shape and seemed to glide across the sky to the east.
22. Weather conditions Clear
23. Effect on clouds Not stated
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance only a glisten and vapor could no longer be seen
26. Remarks: (over)

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On the evening of June 12 about 6:15, a neighbor and I returning home from another neighbors, glanced into the sky toward the West, and saw what we thought was smoke from an airplane. She mentioned that she had never seen that before, so we stopped to look and listen, thinking we would see the plane. But there was no sound, so we kept looking until we saw a tiny object from which the vapor was emitting. It was so far away we could not determine the size or even the shape. Its only identity was a glister in the sun. We had watched this one for a few seconds, when from the general direction of the sun, another object shot into the sky. It followed the general direction of the first, shooting up and down before settling to a south-easterly course across the sky, where we followed them until they were only a glister and the vapor could no longer be seen. After the objects were gone, we continued to look and to watch the vapor that had been left which now looked like clouds but kept a shape, and this shape seemed to glide across the sky to the East where there was a black streak leading to the horizon. The vapor stayed in the sky for over an hour.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 25

1. Date 4 July 1947
2. Time 11:45 p.m.
3. Location East over West Trenton, New Jersey
4. Name of observer Miss Marion Marshall
5. Occupation of observer Not stated
6. Address of observer WINJ Western Electric, Trenton, New Jersey
7. Place of observation Southbound platform of the West Trenton station of the Reading railroad
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer Not Stated
10. Time in sight Not Stated
11. Altitude High
12. Speed Fast
13. Direction of flight East over West Trenton
14. Tactics Not stated
15. Sound Not stated
16. Size Not stated
17. Color Luminous
18. Shape Flying saucer - no tail or halo
19. Odor detected Not stated
20. Apparent construction Not stated
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Bright Moonlight
23. Effect on clouds Not stated
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Not stated
26. Remarks: Over

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I wish to report having seen a "flying saucer" on July 4, 1947, traveling east over West Trenton at 11:45 p.m. It was "flying" high and fast, was self-luminous with no tail or halo. The moonlight was bright at the time and I was standing on the southbound platform of the West Trenton station of the Reading railroad.

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1. Date 10 July 1947 Incident # 26
2. Time Between 3:00 and 5:00 PM in the afternoon
3. Location Pan American Airways, Harmon Field, Newfoundland
4. Name of observer Robert W. Leidy
5. Occupation of observer Station Mechanic
6. Address of observer APO 864, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York
7. Place of observation Traveling in a car, returning from fishing.
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer Not Stated
10. Time in sight Not stated
11. Altitude Not stated
12. Speed Terrific rate of speed in a circle because of the arcs in the path.
13. Direction of flight Not stated
14. Tactics Definite trail and caused clouds to break open as it went through.
It looked to be traveling in a circle and left sharp edges to cloud
15. Sound Not stated
16. Size Not stated
17. Color No difference in color looked as if object broke the cloud and left
this opening.
18. Shape Trail horizontal
19. Odor detected Not stated
20. Apparent construction object or flying discs
21. Exhaust trails bluish streak
22. Weather conditions Clear with clouds
23. Effect on clouds Cut a path through the cloud & you could see the trail
right through the clouds, and it left sharp edges on the clouds.
24. Sketches or photographs Kodachrome film
25. Manner of disappearance Not stated
26. Remarks: (over)

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Mr. Woodruff saw the object or flying disc first and said he saw the thing travelling through the sky. We did not believe him at first but when he was so concerned about it we stopped the car and got out. I had my camera so took a picture of it. There was a bluish streak left in the sky which could not have been a cloud formation. It was a definite trail and caused the clouds to break open as it went through. It cut a clear path through the cloud and you could see the trail right through the cloud, it looked to be travelling in a big circle and it left sharp edges to the clouds. The trail looked as if an object passed through similar to that of a pebble leaving a ring in the pond. There was no difference in color. It looked as if the object broke and cloud and left this opening.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 28

1. Date 24 June 1947
2. Time Not stated
3. Location Idaho
4. Name of observer Lt Governor Donald S. Whitehead
5. Occupation of observer Lt. Governor
6. Address of observer Not stated
7. Place of observation Idaho western sky
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer Not stated
10. Time in sight Not stated
11. Altitude Not stated
12. Speed ~~Not stated~~ Remained immobile
13. Direction of flight Didn't move just seemed to go below the horizon with the rotation of the earth
14. Tactics ~~Not stated~~ hovering
15. Sound Not stated
16. Size not stated
17. Color not stated
18. Shape comet-like
19. Odor detected Not stated
20. Apparent construction not stated
21. Exhaust trails Not stated
22. Weather conditions Not stated
23. Effect on clouds comet-like hanging in the western sky
24. Sketches or photographs Not stated
25. Manner of disappearance seemed to go below the horizon with the rotation of the earth.
26. Remarks: ~~XXXX~~ (Over)

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Lt Gov Whitehead said that he saw a "comet-like object hanging in the western sky June 24." He stated that the object "didn't move but just seemed to go below the horizon with the rotation of the earth."

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 14 June 1947 Incident #29
2. Time 1200 noon first time later at 1415 approximately
3. Location ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Portland, Oregon
4. Name of observer Richard Rankin
5. Occupation of observer Pilot
6. Address of observer 1808 South "M" St., Bakersfield, California
7. Place of observation Ground Front yard
8. Number of objects 10 first time 7 second time
9. Distance of object from observer Not stated
10. Time in sight Not stated
11. Altitude 8500 feet
12. Speed 350 miles per hour
13. Direction of flight First group South to North. Second group North to South
14. Tactics Flying in "V" formation with one object straggling in the rear
15. Sound Not stated
16. Size Resembled the XF5U-1
17. Color Not stated
18. Shape resembled the XF5U-1, the so called "Flying Flapjack"
19. Odor detected Not Stated
20. Apparent construction flying machines
21. Exhaust trails Not stated
22. Weather conditions Clear and Sunny
23. Effect on clouds Not Stated
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Not Stated
26. Remarks: (Over)

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At approximately 1200 noon on the 14 of June I was lying in the front yard of my home. There was a lad mowing the lawn at the time. I looked into the sky and saw ten articles flying from the South to the North at what I would judge to be 8500 ft. The objects were flying at approximately what I would judge to be 350 miles per hour. I distinctly remember that at the time I saw the articles I mentioned it to the lad who was mowing the lawn at the time. I told the lad that the objects were in all probability some sort of Army or Navy test planes from the nearby test centers on the deserts of Southern California. The objects resembled the pictures that I have seen of the XF5U-1, the so called "Flying Flapjack" that the Navy is testing. At approximately 1415 I went back into the yard to sit and lie in the shade. At this time the objects reappeared going from North to South, although this time there were only seven of the articles. When I first saw the original ten objects they were flying in a "v" formation with one object seemingly straggling in the rear of the formation. When the objects appeared the second time they were still in the "v" formation although there was only seven of the objects at this time. I remember at this time that I told the lad, who was still working on the lawn, that probably three of the objects had proceeded back to their base on a different course. I actually thought that this was the case, that the other three objects had probably gone back to their base on the other side of the mountains from Bakersfield. I am firmly convinced that the articles I saw are actually some sort of flying machines although I cannot say from where they came or to where they were going.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 7 January 1948 Incident # 30
2. Time 1925 EST
3. Location Lockbourne Army Air Base, Columbus, Ohio
4. Name of observer Charles E. McGee, Capt. USAF
5. Occupation of observer Asst. Operations Officer (Pilot)
6. Address of observer Airdrome Operations, Lockbourne AAB, Columbus, Ohio
7. Place of observation Runway 23 Overhead approach
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer first 4-5 miles Southwest of Base
second time 6-7 miles West and moved westely in a hovering manner
10. Time in sight Not stated
11. Altitude 3000 ft approximately
12. Speed slow
13. Direction of flight West
14. Tactics Flashed on and off, on westward flight appeared to be fading and descending
15. Sound No noise
16. Size Large size of a flood light
17. Color white later yellowish to orange
18. Shape Oval as if looking at spot light
19. Odor detected Not stated
20. Apparent construction like a spot light
21. Exhaust trails ~~Not stated~~ Bluish streaks like a jet effect out from right (according to Mr. Boudreaux on "squawk" box.
22. Weather conditions Sky solid overcast
23. Effect on clouds Not stated
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance descending and burning out
26. Remarks: (Over)

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Very bright white light southwest of the field. The light did not cast a beam and seemed the size of a flood light. From the ground the light appeared to move westward. It was further west and lower than I saw it in the air, also the light was similar to that of a lantern light in that it was glimmering. The light varied yellowish to orange and appeared to be descending and burning out. The latter observation may be that in its westward movement it appeared to be fading out and descending however the light was not nearly as bright on the second observation. At first it was very white and did not appear to be moving though when it flashed on and off it appeared as in a ~~x~~ fast descent. With the naked eye I could at no time make out any shape other than the light being oval shaped as though looking at a large spot light. It was not a heavenly body of any type in that the sky was solid overcast in the Lockbourne area and the object's movement outweighs such a thought. I heard no noise in connection with the object. I estimated at the first observation that it was 4-5 miles southwest of the base. At the second appearance it was 6-7 miles West and moved Westerly in a hovering manner but moving away.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

- Incident # 3013
1. Date 7 January 1948
 2. Time Between 1915 and 1930 EST Later 1935 to 1940
 3. Location Lockbourne AAB, Columbus, Ohio
 4. Name of observer Mr. Boudreaux
 5. Occupation of observer Tower Operator
 6. Address of observer Lockbourne AAB, Columbus, Ohio
 7. Place of observation Tower, Lockbourne AAB, Columbus, Ohio
 8. Number of objects 1
 9. Distance of object from observer Not stated
 10. Time in sight about 15 minutes
 11. Altitude Not stated
 12. Speed Not stated
 13. Direction of flight Southwest
 14. Tactics ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ Bobbed up and down
 15. Sound ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ None
 16. Size ~~xx~~ Enormous
 17. Color white to amber as it moved southwest it changed from amber to red
 18. Shape Glowing object with a cone-shaped streak to the right
 19. Odor detected Not stated
 20. Apparent construction Not stated
 21. Exhaust trails Bluish streaks like a jet effect out from the right
 22. Weather conditions Sky overcast
 23. Effect on clouds Not stated
 24. Sketches or photographs None
 25. Manner of disappearance went out
 26. Remarks: (over)

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Saw what he thought was a star but then he noticed the sky was overcast so it couldn't have been a star. It was a glowing object with a cone-shaped streak to the right. It glowed from white to amber. He says he first noticed it over the Lockbourne Power Plant; just southwest of here. The object was moving southwest and it changed from amber to red and then disappeared. Mr. Boudreaux, said the light was what he had been wathing about 15 minutes or so and that through the field glasses it appeared to have bluish streaks like a jet effect out from the right. He stated that it went out while Capt. McGee was in the pattern. During the conversation he said it could be seen again (1935-1940).

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 30c

1. Date 7 January 1948
2. Time Around 1940
3. Location Lockbourne AAB, Columbus, Ohio
4. Name of observer Mr. Eisele
5. Occupation of observer DF Operator, Lockbourne Control Tower
6. Address of observer Lockbourne AAB, Columbus, Ohio
7. Place of observation Ground, Lockbourne AAB
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer An estimated 5 miles - altho rpts f/Godman Fld, Clinton Cy Airport & relayed rpt f/Columbus, O, indicated much greater distance
10. Time in sight Around 15 minutes
11. Altitude 5,000 ft
12. Speed 500 MPH - as indicated by rpts f/Godman Fld & Clinton Cy airport
13. Direction of flight Appeared to hover but performed elliptical, counter-clock wise course when it descended to horizon (4") remained stationary (3") returning
14. Tactics See 13 original position (3")
15. Sound No sound
16. Size About size of runway light when viewed from 500 ft - apparently enormous - see 9 above
17. Color Red to amber-yellow
18. Shape Circular
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails Thin wisp of trail five times diameter of object
22. Weather conditions high overcast
23. Effect on clouds N/S - was under overcast
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Faded and lowered into horizon
26. Remarks: (over)

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Object first seen 15° above horizon in the West-Southwest of Lockbourne emitting a ruddy red light which changed to an amber-yellow at intervals not exceeding 1 to 2 seconds. Its size and magnitude were greater than that of any star - a good comparison of the size and magnitude would be a runway light at full intensity viewed from a distance of 500 ft. Shape - circular with the exception of a thin wisp of tail extending towards the horizon, the tail being 5 times the diameter of the object in length. For approximately 10 minutes it remained motionless, thereupon it descended to the horizon in about 4", hovered on the horizon in 3", then ascended to its original position in about 3", the course being elliptical, counter clockwise. It then faded and lowered toward the horizon disappearing at 1955. No sound was heard from the object at any time.

Note: Object appeared about 5 miles from Lockbourne, however info received f/Godman Fld and Clinton County Tower plus a relayed report from a pilot over Columbus, O., indicated that they all had observed a similar phenomenon in the same general direction and position at the same time.

RELIABILITY: Witness spent 37 mos in AF in communications work including C. W. and Control Tower Operation. Holds valid CAA Certificate for Control Tower Operator and Aircraft Communications and has worked at Lockbourne in this type of work for over 1-1/2 yrs. Enthusiast of astronomy.

CORROBORATED ACCOUNT: See also Incidents 30, 30a and 30b.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 31

1. Date Mid-December 1946
2. Time Early morning
3. Location Northern Arizona, Route 66
4. Name of observer K. D. Wood
5. Occupation of observer Professor and Head Aeronautical Engineering
6. Address of observer University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado
7. Place of observation In flight on a trip through the southwest
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer Not stated
10. Time in sight Not stated
11. Altitude 20,000 feet to 50,000 feet
12. Speed 600 mph, \pm 200
13. Direction of flight First vertical then West to East overhead
14. Tactics No maneuvers
15. Sound None
16. Size Not stated
17. Color ~~White~~ - Did not see object
18. Shape Not stated - did not see object
19. Odor detected Not Stated
20. Apparent construction Not stated - did not see object
21. Exhaust trails White, heavy
22. Weather conditions Clear
23. Effect on clouds Not stated
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Not stated
26. Remarks: Saw only vapor trail, like rocket or jet exhaust.
Not like usual jet airplane trail.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 32

1. Date 7 January 1948
2. Time 1953
3. Location Columbus
4. Name of observer Lt. C. W. Thomas
5. Occupation of observer Pilot
6. Address of observer Flight AF 9944 Dayton to Washington
7. Place of observation Cross Country flight from Dayton to Wash. at Columbus Airways to the West
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer About 15 miles
10. Time in sight Not stated
11. Altitude 3000 feet
12. Speed Seemed stationery
13. Direction of flight Stationery
14. Tactics No maneuvers
15. Sound Not stated
16. Size large
17. Color amber
18. Shape like a large star or planet
19. Odor detected Not stated
20. Apparent construction Not stated
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Dark and overcast
23. Effect on clouds Not stated
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Not stated
26. Remarks: Large bright light off to the west. They estimated it below them, or about 3000 ft. It seemed stationery. The light was amber and looked like a large star or planet. It was about 15 miles away from them. (over)

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Lt C.W.Thomas and Lt Sims were making a regular cross country flight and reported in to Columbus Airways who asked them if they saw any unusual object in the sky. This report was relayed to Lockbourne - See Eisele's report - incident 30c.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 33

1. Date 7 Jan 48
2. Time Between 1345 and 1350
3. Location Godman Fld, Fort Knox, Ky
4. Name of observer T/Sgt Quinton A. Blackwell
5. Occupation of observer Chf Operator in Control Tower at Godman Fld, Ky.
6. Address of observer USAF, Airways & Air Communications Svc, ATC Detachment 733-5 AF Base Unit (103D AACS Sq) Godman Fld., Ft Knox, Ky.
7. Place of observation Tower, Godman Fld.
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude Over 15,000 ft
12. Speed In excess of P-51
13. Direction of flight South
14. Tactics N/S continued climbing
15. Sound Not Stated
16. Size Tremendous
17. Color Silvery or metallic
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S - seemed metallic
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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At approximately 1320 Sgt Cook from the CO's office notified the observer (T/Sgt Quinton A Blackwell) that according to Ft Knox Military Police & "B" Town State Police, a large circular object about 250 to 300 ft in diameter was over Mansville, Ky. Advised him to check with Army Flight Svc. They advised negative but shortly thereafter reported object over Irvington, Ky, then Owensboro, Ky. Object first sighted by Blackwell about 1345 to 1350 over south Godman Fld.

Verification: 1st Lt Orner (Detachment Commander)
Capt Carter (Operations Officer)
Col Hix (CO) sighted it about 1420

At approximately 1430 to 1440, four P-51's approached Godman f/south enroute f/Marietta, Ga. to Standiford Fld, Ky. ~~By~~ Blackwell asked Flight Leader NG 869 to attempt to identify object. Accompanied by two other planes he proceeded south f/Godman. Fourth plane proceeded to Standiford Fld alone.

About 1445, flight leader (NG 869) reported sighting object "ahead and above - still climbing" At 15,000 ft he reported "Object directly ahead and above and moving about half my speed." Again "it appears metallic of tremendous size." Still later "I'm still climbing - object is above and ahead moving about my speed or faster - I'm trying to close in for better look". This was about 1515. Five minutes later the other two ships turned back. NG 800 reported "it appeared like the reflection of sunlight on an airplane canopy" Shortly afterward this same pilot (NG 800) resumed search going to 33,000 ft, 100 miles south but did not sight anything.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date **7 Jan 48** Incident # **33 a**
2. Time **Shortly after 1400 CST**
3. Location **Godman Fld., Ft Knox, Ky.**
4. Name of observer **Lt Paul I. Orner**
5. Occupation of observer **Detachment Commander**
6. Address of observer **Godman Fld., Ft Knox, Ky.**
7. Place of observation **Control Tower**
8. Number of objects **1** **See Note attached.**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **N/S**
11. Altitude **N/S**
12. Speed **half speed of P-51**
13. Direction of flight **N/S**
14. Tactics **Appeared stationary**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **N/S**
17. Color **white**
18. Shape **like parachute - round**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **Seemed to be some red light around the lower part of it.**
22. Weather conditions **High - scattered but clear**
23. Effect on clouds **None**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **N/S**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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Unknown object first reported by Military Police at Ft Knox, approx 1400 CST, vicinity of Mayeville. Later over Irvington & Owensboro, Ky. Sighted, Godman, by Blackwell, Cof Control Tower. Lt Ormer then left office of CO, proceeding to Control Tower where he sighted a small white object in the southwest sky. It appeared stationary. Could not determine if object radiated or reflected light. Thru binocs it appeared partially as parachute with bright sun reflecting from top of the silk, however, there seemed to be some red light around the lower part of it. Three P-51s alerted to pursue object. Took a course of around 210°. Approx 5" later object sighted. NG 861 (flight leader) reported it "high and traveling about 1/2 his speed at '12 o'clock'" Later he stated he was "climbing in to take a good look" This was his last message. NG800 then reported NG 869 had disappeared. At the time of his disappearance he was reported high and ahead of wing man at approx 15,000 to 20,000 ft and wing man at approx 15,000 ft. Wing man (NG800) returned for fuel and resumed pursuit going to altitude of 33,000 ft but did not sight object. At about 1645 Lt Ormer left tower.

Later, Lt Ormer, returned to Control Tower (about 1735 CST) and perceived bright light at a position of about 240° azimuth and 8° elevation. It was a round object and did not resemble a ~~satellite~~. Although there was a ~~hazy~~ haze the object remained visible and did not disappear until it went below the level of the earth in a manner similar to the sun or moon setting. This object was viewed and tracked with the Weather Station theodolite from the hangar roof.

RELIABILITY: Verified by Commanding Officer, Operations Officer, S-2 and Executive Officer. However, these officers were apparently present when second sighting took place.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 7 Jan 48 Incident # 33B
2. Time Approx 1320 CST
3. Location Godman Fld., Ft Knox, Ky.
4. Name of observer PFC Stanley Oliver
5. Occupation of observer N/S - duty in control tower
6. Address of observer Godman Fld., Ft Knox, Ky.
7. Place of observation Control Tower, Godman Fld., Ft Knox, Ky.
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude Over 15,000 ft
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight Southwest
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color Object appeared like "ice-cream cone topped with red" -
apparently white with red above
18. Shape cone
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions Cloud formations
23. Effect on clouds Went behind clouds
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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PFC Stanley Oliver was on duty at the Control Tower at Godman Fld when Col Hix's office informed the tower that an unidentified object (supposedly some 250 ft to 300 ft in diameter) was sighted over Mansville, Ky. This was approx at 1330 CST. Lt PFC Oliver saw the object southwest of Godman Fld. To him it resembled an ice cream cone topped with red. Could not ascertain if it were moving or not.

RELIABILITY: Witnesses: Col. Hix, (CO), Capt Carter, Lt Orner & M/Sgt Blackwell

NOTE: The report of alerting the P-51 aircraft contained in PFC Oliver's statement and the witnesses corroborates material contained in the other reports.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 330

1. Date **7 Jan 48**
2. Time **1420 CST**
3. Location **Control Tower, Godman Fld**
4. Name of observer **Capt J. F. Duesler, Jr.**
5. Occupation of observer **Capt, USAF**
6. Address of observer **Godman Fld, Ky**
7. Place of observation **Godman Fld Control Tower**
8. Number of objects **1 at 1420**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **From 1420 to 1600 CST - Over an hour and a half**
11. Altitude **N/S**
12. Speed **360 MPH - according to statement of Mantell**
13. Direction of flight **Apparently from 234° to 259° South to West**
14. Tactics **N/S**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **Believed large**
17. Color **Silver - bright**
18. Shape **like tear drop - round; later, object seemed fluid**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **No tail -**
22. Weather conditions **N/S - Scattered but clear**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **Obscured by clouds**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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At approx 1420 7 Jan 48, Duesler accompanied by Lt Col E. G. Wood went to Godman Control Tower to observe an unidentified aerial object. Shortly after their arrival Col Hix, the Commanding Officer was summoned. At about this time Duesler first sighted a bright silver object. Then Col Hix arrived. Shortly thereafter a flight of four P-51's flew over Godman. Leader was contacted to pursue object. He assented and three P-51's climbed on the course, the fourth P-51 returning to base. Flight leader called to observe that "object was twelve o'clock high." Asked to describe it, he stated "it is bright and climbing away from me." He stated at first that it was going about 180 MPH. Then Control Tower lost sight of the flight but could still see the object. (In connection with this, Lt Col E. Garrison Wood who witnessed the sighting stated that while it appeared about 1/10 the size of a full moon, if the thing were a great distance away, as compared to the diminishing size of the P-51's flying toward it, it would seem that it was at least several hundred feet in diameter.) Shortly after NG 861, the flight leader, stated that he was "at 15,000 ft and still climbing" He stated that he judged the speed to be the same as his or approx 360 MPH. One of his planes then asked him to level off but no reply was heard from the flight leader. That was the last message received from any member of the flight.

After dark, another or the same object appeared in approx 234° from Godman at 6° elevation. This body moved to the west (259°) and then down. The shape was fluid but generally round with no tail, the color changing from white, to blue, to red to yellow and had a black spot in the center at all times.

At 1600 CST it was obscured by clouds.

NOTE: Later, an astronomer was contacted who attempted to account for this phenomena as either Venus or a comet. (?)

SEE ALSO: Report of civilians and state police and corroborated version on this incident.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 33D

1. Date **7 Jan 48**
2. Time **After 1407**
3. Location **Godman Fld**
4. Name of observer **Capt Cary W. Carter**
5. Occupation of observer **Operations Officer**
6. Address of observer **Godman Fld., Ky**
7. Place of observation **Control Tower**
8. Number of objects **1**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **3 to 4 minutes**
11. Altitude **Very high**
12. Speed **Approx 360 MPH - f/Flight Leader's reports**
13. Direction of flight **210° f/Godman Fld**
14. Tactics **None**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **Could not be determined**
17. Color **white**
18. Shape **Round - at times cone shaped**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails ~~Highly irregular~~ **N/S**
22. Weather conditions **High scattered - ~~variable~~**
23. Effect on clouds **Could be seen thru cirrus**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **N/S**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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At approx 1407, 7 Jan 48, Capt Carter was called by Lt Orner, AACS Detachment Commander, to come to Tower to witness an unidentified aerial object.

Object appeared round and white (whiter than the clouds that passed in front of it) and could be seen thru cirrus clouds.

After observing it thru field glasses for some 3 - 4 minutes, he called Col Hix's office. Col Hix, Lt Col Wood & Capt Duesler came to the tower shortly thereafter.

Capt Carter then suggested that a group of P-51 aircraft in the vicinity be contacted to pursue the object. T/Sgt Blackwell, Tower Operator, contacted the flight leader to take a look. Three planes proceeded on a heading of approx 230°. One of the planes (Mantell's) spotted it at 1200 o'clock position. Another plane relayed "This ks 15,000 ft, let's level out" First speed as relayed by Mantell (180 MPH) Later, "object going up and forward as fast as I am" - or 360 MPH. Mantell then stated he was going to 20,000 ft and if no closer would abandon chase. Last radio contact heard by Capt Carter.

NOTE: Apparently, Mantell blacked out at 20,000 ft or proceeded on since the object apparently appeared closer (if such were the case) and then crashed thru lack of oxygen.

Does not seem to tally with report that the phenomena was "Venus or a comet"

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date **7 Jan 48** Incident # 33B
2. Time **1445**
3. Location **Godman Fld, Ky**
4. Name of observer **Col Guy G. Hix**
5. Occupation of observer **Commanding Officer, Godman Fld**
6. Address of observer **Godman Fld, Ky.**
7. Place of observation **Control Tower, Godman Fld**
8. Number of objects **1**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **5 minutes**
11. Altitude **25,000 +**
12. Speed **180 MPH**
13. Direction of flight **215° South to the west**
14. Tactics **Remained stationary for approx 1-1/2 hours**
15. Sound **None**
16. Size **1/4 size full moon**
17. Color **white**
18. Shape **round**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **Seemed at times to have a red border at the top and at the bottom**
22. Weather conditions **Clear**
23. Effect on clouds **None**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **Behind a cloud**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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At approx 1300 hrs State Police reported flying object near Elizabethtown. Ten minutes later sighted near Madisonville. A third call reported it over Lexington. (all south of Godman) Tower then alerted. Tower sighted object at 1445 and notified Col Hix who went immediately to tower where he observed the object thru 8-power binocs. Object also lined up with sighting bar. Three P-51 planes were already pursuing the thing on a course of 215°. (One pilot reported the thing to be traveling at 180 MPH) Col Hix reported the object appeared to the south and near the sun. "It was very white and looked like an umbrella," he stated. "I thought it was a celestial body but I can't account for the fact it didn't move." "I just don't know what it was." Appeared about 1/4 size of full moon and white in color. Thru the binocs it appeared to have a red border at the bottom at times and a red border at the top at times. It remained stationary (seemingly) for 1-1/2 hours.

RELIABILITY: CO of Godman Fld. Obj chased by National Guard planes and followed from the ground by State Highway patrolman. See corroborating accounts.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date **7 January 1948** Incident # **33F**
2. Time ~~1515~~ **1445**
3. Location **Godman Field, Ky.**
4. Name of observer **Flight Leader NG 869 (Capt. Thomas F. Mantell)**
5. Occupation of observer **Flight Leader**
6. Address of observer
7. Place of observation **Over Godman Field, Ky.**
8. Number of objects **1**
9. Distance of object from observer **Not stated**
10. Time in sight ~~Not stated~~ **Apparently over 1 hour and a half**
11. Altitude **above 15000** ~~xxxx~~ **20,000 ft**
12. Speed **Approximately 500 mph**
13. Direction of flight **approximately 210° from Godman Field**
14. Tactics **None**
15. Sound **Not stated**
16. Size **Tremendous**
17. Color **Metallic**
18. Shape **Not stated**
19. Odor detected **Not stated**
20. Apparent construction **metallic**
21. Exhaust trails **Not stated**
22. Weather conditions **Not stated**
23. Effect on clouds **Not stated**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **Not stated**
26. Remarks: **This information taken from a report describing a radio conversation between Flt. leader NG 869 who investigated the object at the request of Godman Field Tower. The Flt. Leader Capt. Thomas F. Mantell crashed and was killed after his last radio contact with Godman Field at 1515 hrs (over)**

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Info taken from reports of radio conversation between Control at Godman and Ng 869 essentially as follows:

Col Hix's account. NG 869: "Object traveling at 180 MPH - half my speed"

Lt Orner's account. NG 869: "high and traveling about 1/2 my speed at 12 o'clock position."

Later: "Closing in to take a good look"

No further word heard by Orner

T/Sgt Quinton A. Blackwell: NG 869: At 1445. "Object traveling at 180 MPH Directly ahead of & above me now and moving at about 1/2 my speed."

Later: "I'm trying to close in for better look"

At 15,000 ft: "Object directly ahead of and above me now and moving about 1/2 my speed. It appears metallic of tremendous size. I'm trying to close in for better look"

No other word heard by Blackwell from NG 869.

Capt Cary W. Carter: NG 869: "Object going up and forward as fast as he was" - approx 360 MPH.

"going to 20,000 ft and if no closer will abandon chase"

No further contact heard by Capt Carter -

*Apparently last word ever received from NG 869.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date **7 Jan 48** Incident # **33g**
2. Time **1310**
3. Location **Madisonville, Ky.**
4. Name of observer **N/S**
5. Occupation of observer **N/S**
6. Address of observer **Madisonville**
7. Place of observation **Madisonville, Ky**
8. Number of objects **1**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **N/S**
11. Altitude ~~578~~ **4 miles**
12. Speed **10 MPH**
13. Direction of flight **SW**
14. Tactics **N/S**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **100 ft from top to bottom and 43 ft across**
17. Color **N/S**
18. Shape **cone shape**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **N/S**
22. Weather conditions **N/S**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **N/S**
26. Remarks: **Someone from Madisonville advised Military F they had observed thru a Finch telescope an object described as c (over)**

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estimated size: 100 ft from top to bottom, 43 ft across and 4 miles high
proceeding SW at 10 MPH.

NOTE: Kentucky State Police were informed by unknown individual(s) that an unusual aircraft or object was flying thru the air, circular in appearance, with an approximate size of 250-300 ft which was moving westward "at a pretty good clip". This was relayed to Godman Fld.

NOTE: See also report by James Hudson, Inc. 48b

NOTE: Course of object on 7 July 48 is reported roughly as follows:

0720C Edwardsville, Illinois: Object of aluminum appearance without apparent wings or control surfaces which moved southwest remaining visible for about 30 minutes

1300: Elizabethtown: No description

1310: Lexington, Ky.: No description
Madisonville, Ky. - as reported in this.

1400: Maysville: No description

After 1400: Irving: No description

After 1400: Owenston: No description

1630C - 1645C: Nashville, Tenn: A Dr. Seyfert, Astronomer at Vanderbilt Univ. spotted an object SSE of Nashville, Tenn. between 1630C with basket attached which moved first SSE then West at a speed of 10 MPH at approx 25,000 ft.

1735: Godman Fld Control Tower: See Orner's account (33a)
See Duesler account (33c)

EST 1925: Lockbourne AB, Columbus, Ohio: See Incident 30, 30a, 30 b & 30c

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date **12 Nov 47** Incident # 35
2. Time **Early**
3. Location **40 miles south of Cape Blanco, Oregon, 20 miles offshore.**
4. Name of observer **Second Officer Claude Lee Williamson**
5. Occupation of observer **Second Officer**
6. Address of observer **N/S (Excerpt from "Oregon Journal" 13 Nov 47)**
7. Place of observation **At sea, 20 miles offshore, 40 miles south of Cape Blanco, Oregon**
8. Number of objects **2**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **45 seconds**
11. Altitude **N/S**
12. Speed **700 to 900 MPH**
13. Direction of flight **from north horizon in westerly direction**
14. Tactics **Performed a long, low arc**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **N/S**
17. Color **N/S**
18. Shape **ball**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **fire**
21. Exhaust trails **jet-like streams of fire**
22. Weather conditions **N/S**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **N/S**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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Two flying discs trailing jet-like streams of fire were sighted from the bridge of the tanker Ticonderoga, early Wednesday, Second Officer Claude Lee Williamson radio-telephoned the United Press. The discs moved at tremendous speed out of the north horizon and curved in a westerly direction in a long low arc. Thought they were moving between 700 to 900 MPH. Didn't think they were meteors because they generally do not travel in pairs and usually fall to the horizon. Thought they were "flying discs"

Also observed by: Ordinary Seaman James S. Lynde who claimed he also saw "discs"

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 36

1. Date Unknown
2. Time After dark
3. Location Boise, Idaho
4. Name of observer CAA Observer
5. Occupation of observer Not stated
6. Address of observer Not stated
7. Place of observation between Boise and Mountain Home
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer Not stated
10. Time in sight Not stated
11. Altitude Not stated
12. Speed Not stated
13. Direction of flight southwest and disappeared in northeast
14. Tactics ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ N/S
15. Sound Not stated
16. Size Not stated
17. Color Bluish green
18. Shape Not stated
19. Odor detected Not stated
20. Apparent construction Not stated
21. Exhaust trails Not stated
22. Weather conditions Not stated
23. Effect on clouds Not stated
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Not stated
26. Remarks: Mr. Dave Johnson of the "Statesman Newspaper" in Boise reported that a CAA official had seen an object that was giving off a pulsating bluish-green light that appeared in the southwest and disappeared in the northeast over the mountains between Boise and Mountain Home.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 37

1. Date 14 October 1947
2. Time 1200
3. Location Phoenix, Arizona
4. Name of observer J. L. Clark
5. Occupation of observer Mine owner (Pilot)
6. Address of observer Route 12, Box 831, Phoenix
7. Place of observation at a mine located approx. 11 miles north or Northeast of Cave Creek, Arizona
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer 25 degree angle
10. Time in sight 45 seconds to 1 minute
11. Altitude 8/10,000 feet
12. Speed 350 miles an hour
13. Direction of flight northwest toward the southeast
14. Tactics Not stated
15. Sound No noise
16. Size about 3 feet in diameter
17. Color Reddish cast when the object had blue ~~cloud~~ for background. Black when it had a white cloud for a background
18. Shape resembled a flying wing
19. Odor detected Not stated
20. Apparent construction Not stated
21. Exhaust trails Not stated
22. Weather conditions Not stated with the exception of some clouds
23. Effect on clouds Not stated
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Not stated
26. Remarks: (Over)

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Mr. Clark's attention was first drawn to the object by his partner, Mr. Anderson. It appeared to be a black object which was traveling at an estimated ~~high~~ height of 8/10,000 ft above the ground and was moving in a straight line from northwest to southeast. It was traveling some 350 MPH. It did not change elevation nor direction. From their range of vision where they were standing upwards to the object would be at about a 25° angle. It remained within their vision from 45 seconds to a minute. No sound was audible. Mr. Clark thought the nearest thing it resembled was a "flying wing." However, both men stated positively that there was no tail visible. From where they were the object appeared about 3 feet in diameter ~~xxxx~~ but could offer no estimate as to its size were it on the ground. As to color both stated that the object appeared red against a blue background and black against a white cloud. Ground wind was about 15 miles in velocity and was blowing in a northeasterly direction which would tend to carry any sound away from them.

Both men are pilots. Mr. Clark was a pilot in the U. S. A. F. for a period of 5 years, flying fighter type of ~~xxx~~ planes during most of this period. Mr. Anderson was a gunner in the AAF for 2 years and is also a pilot. Both appeared level headed and not excitable, and were very sincere in making the report.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date **9 July 47** Incident # 39
2. Time **Between 11:15 and 11:40**
3. Location **Grand Falls, Newfoundland**
4. Name of observer **Eric Kearsey**
5. Occupation of observer **Constable**
6. Address of observer **Newfoundland Constabulary, Grand Falls**
7. Place of observation **Grand Falls,**
8. Number of objects **5. 4 seen at first 1, later**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **brief period**
11. Altitude **N/S**
12. Speed **terrific**
13. Direction of flight **First four - flying in easterly direction
Last object: N/S**
14. Tactics **Maintained formation - flew side by side, last one: ~~N/S~~
Flew in a rocking motion**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **~~was~~ about size of barrel head**
17. Color **N/S - seemed phosphorescent**
18. Shape **round - about size**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **N/S However, there appeared to be a phosphorescent glow
about it**
22. Weather conditions **N/S**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **N/S**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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Four "flying saucers" were seen by Constable Kearsy's wife just before his arrival home at approx 11:30, on 9th of July. A Mr. John Jackman, a resident of St. John's and a friend of the family also witnessed them. They were flying in an easterly direction, and appeared to be four round figures that had passed overhead at terrific speed, flying side by side.

On looking skyward, Constable Kearsy, himself, perceived a huge jelly-fish flash across the sky. Could not determine the height and speed owing to the brief period it was visible. Could not determine color but there seemed to be a phosphorescent glow about it. It was found in shape and about the size of a barrel head, and appeared to be flying in a rocking motion.

Note: The last object was seen by Constable Kearsy, his wife and Mr. Jackson.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 7 July 1947 Incident # 40
2. Time 1600
3. Location Phoenix, Arizona
4. Name of observer William Albert Rhodes
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer 4333 N. 14th St., Phoenix, Arizona
7. Place of observation 37° 27' N 112° 3' W
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 2,000 ft to 5,000 ft
12. Speed 400-600 MPH
13. Direction of flight ~~N/SE~~ NE to West
14. Tactics Spiraled down from 5000' to 2000 ft and then ascended at 45° angle
15. Sound Noise like jet on approach - no sound heard while in view
16. Size 20-30 ft
17. Color grey
18. Shape elliptical
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions Cumulus clouds
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs Photos (2)
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (Over)

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Object appeared elliptical in shape and had a diameter of 20-30 feet. When first seen it was at about 5,000 ft and traveling from 400 to 600 MPH. Its grey color rendered it difficult to perceive at a distance as it blended with the clouds. Although a jet-like noise was heard prior to the object's appearance no audible sound was produced while it remained in view. The tail of the object had two points on the outside area, visible as it made its two left-to-right circles which had an approximate radius of 1/4 to 1/2 miles. The object had what appeared to be a cockpit canopy in the center which extended toward the back and beneath the object. The "cockpit" did not protrude from the surface but was clearly visible with the naked eye. The object did not revolve on its own axis. It had no discernible landing gears nor propellers. It appeared to have an excellent air foil (tapered from wing tip to wing tip). Mr. Rhodes thought that the 10-15 MPH wind velocity which caused a rustling of tree leaves might have made it impossible for him to hear any noise connected with the object. He also stated that he thought the object was the Navy's new "Flapjack Plane" but altered his opinion since the object seemed to have no landing gears and no propellers. (The Navy ship is illustrated as having both). Rhodes managed to take one photograph of the object at its lowest point (about 2000 ft) and another as it turned out of its second spiral and started upward.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 29 June 1947 Incident # 43
2. Time 1645 - ^{4:45}~~1645~~ P. M.
3. Location 7 miles out of Clarion Iowa in direction of Mason City, Iowa
4. Name of observer Dale Bays
5. Occupation of observer Had been bus driver
6. Address of observer Box 12, Crocker, Mo.
7. Place of observation 7 miles out of Clarion - 42° 43' N - 93° 44' W
8. Number of objects 5 in first group; 13 in second
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight several minutes
11. Altitude 1200 ft
12. Speed 300 MPH
13. Direction of flight South by Southeast and North Northwest
14. Tactics Observed single file
15. Sound sound like that of an electric motor or dynamo
16. Size From 175 to 250 ft in diameter by 12 feet in thickness
17. Color "dirty" white
18. Shape between a circle and an oval - inverted saucer
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs N/S
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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About 7 miles out of Clarion, Iowa, observer saw an object shoot across the sky in front of the bus he was driving. It was followed by four more. The height appeared about 1200 feet. Observer stepped out of the bus which was facing east and noticed some dots in the sky approaching from the opposite direction. They were flying about the same altitude at a speed of about 300 MPH. These 13 objects flew in a single file. Roughly, the objects were between a circle and an oval in shape. In appearance they looked like an inverted saucer flying thru the air. The thickest part seemed to be about 12 feet. The diameter could have been anywhere from 175 to 250 feet. They were dirty white in color. The second group disappeared into the NNW sky in a matter of a few minutes. They made a noise as they passed overhead similar to an electric motor or dynamo.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 28 June 47 Incident # 44
2. Time 3:43 P. M.
3. Location 16 miles NW of Milwaukee
4. Name of observer N/S - brother to Marion Beuscher who reported incident
5. Occupation of observer "farmer"
6. Address of observer ~~N/S~~ Rockfield, Wisconsin
7. Place of observation 16 miles NW of Milwaukee 43° 05' N 88° 22' W
8. Number of objects ~~seventeen~~ seven to ten
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed "like blue blazes"
13. Direction of flight south
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound ~~N/S~~ None
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape "saucer"
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: • (over)

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Witness saw the flying saucers (about seven to ten of them) which flew directly over their home. Said they went like "blue blazes" and didn't make any noise and were headed south.

Witness did not report this info. It was reported by Marion Beuscher, a sister. Her address is Menomonee Falls, Wisc.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 28 June 47 Incident # ~~44~~ 45
2. Time afternoon
3. Location Illinois
4. Name of observer N/S - Taken f/"The Latest News" at 8 to 8:15 A. M.
w/Charles Sebastin
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Illinois
8. Number of objects 7 to 10
9. Distance of object from observer
10. Time in sight
11. Altitude
12. Speed
13. Direction of flight
14. Tactics
15. Sound
16. Size
17. Color
18. Shape
19. Odor detected
20. Apparent construction
21. Exhaust trails
22. Weather conditions
23. Effect on clouds
24. Sketches or photographs
25. Manner of disappearance
26. Remarks: This info ~~was~~ broadcast 29 June 47 at 8:00 A. M. over
WGN "The Latest News". Charles Sebastin, announcer.

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The radio announcer stated that the discs had been sighted over Illinois the preceding afternoon (28 June 48).

The announcement of this program was taken from a letter published in "Amazing Stories" dated Jan 48.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 7 Jan 48 Incident # 48
2. Time between 7:20 and 7:55 P. M.
3. Location Wilmington, Ohio
4. Name of observer s Gale F. Walter, ~~Sgt~~ ^{Col} James Hudson
M/Sgt Irvin H. Lewis, S/Sgt John P. Haag, Sgt Harold E. Olvis & T/Sgt
5. Occupation of observer Control Tower operators Leroy Ziegler
and 4 members of the alert crew
6. Address of observer Clinton County Air Base
7. Place of observation Clinton County AF Base Control Tower
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 35 minutes
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed terrific bursts of speed
13. Direction of flight SW
14. Tactics hung suspended in the air at intervals and then gained and
lost altitude at seemingly terrific bursts of speed
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color red
18. Shape cone
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction "fire"
21. Exhaust trails gaseous green mist
22. Weather conditions Heavy layer of clouds
23. Effect on clouds intense brightness of sky phenomena pierced thru a
heavy layer of clouds passing intermittently over the area
24. Sketches or photographs none
25. Manner of disappearance disappeared over horizon
26. Remarks: (Over)

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A sky phenomena which had the appearance of a flaming red cone trailing a gaseous green mist appeared in the southwest skies of Wilmington, Ohio, between 7:20 and 7:55 P. M. Jan 7, 48.

The sky phenomena hung suspended in the air at intervals and then gained and lost altitude at what appeared to be terrific bursts of speed. The intense brightness of the phenomena pierced thru a heavy layer of clouds passing intermittently over the area and obscured other celestial phenomena.

NOTE: See account of an unnamed comet due in the northern hemisphere approx Jan 1. attached.

See incidents 48a, 48b, 48c, 48d & 33, 33a, 33b, 33c, 33d, 33e 33f and 30 and 32.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 7 Jan 48 Incident # 48a
2. Time 1925 o'clock
3. Location Clinton County Air Field
4. Name of observer LeRoy Ziegler
5. Occupation of observer T/Sgt
6. Address of observer Clinton County AF, Wilmington, Ohio
7. Place of observation Clinton County AF Base
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight ~~Approx 10:00 AM and 10:05 AM~~ Thirty-five minutes
11. Altitude high
12. Speed stationary for a while and then made rapid ascents and descents and then to SW with great speed
13. Direction of flight to SW
14. Tactics Vertical ascents and descents at great speed
15. Sound None
16. Size very large
17. Color Same as star
18. Shape circular - starlike - only larger
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails faint exhaust trail when moving up and down or from side to side
22. Weather conditions Cloudy
23. Effect on clouds Object could be seen thru clouds
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance over the horizon at about 20:00
26. Remarks: (Over)

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Object appeared to be moving up and down and from side to side. At one time the object was covered by a cloud but the light could be seen thru the cloud. It was the same color as a star only very much brighter sometimes changing to a more reddish hue then turning white or yellow. At first it did not appear to be traveling at any speed. Then it seemed to go up and down and sometimes change off and go from side to side at what seemed to be a very great speed. It seemed pretty high in the air - too high to be any kind of a light from the ground. There was no beam. No sound could be heard. A faint exhaust trail was discernible when it moved up or down or from side to side. Finally it began to move away toward the SW at very great speed and disappeared over the horizon at about 20:00.

See: 48, 48b, 48c, 48d & 33, 33a, 33b, 33c, 33d, 33e, 33f & 30 and 32.

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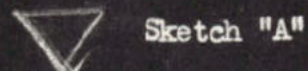
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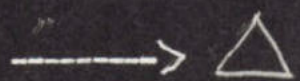
1. Date 7 Jan 48 Incident # 48b
2. Time 1920 EST
3. Location Clinton County Army Air Field, Wilmington, Ohio
4. Name of observer James H. Hudson,
5. Occupation of observer Corporal, on duty in Control Tower
6. Address of observer Clinton County AAF.
7. Place of observation Control Tower, Clinton County AAF
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer some 15 to 20 miles
10. Time in sight 35 minutes
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed Hovered then moved with great speed
13. Direction of flight South West
14. Tactics Changed shape on ascent and descent - When it climbed it was right side up - (point up) When descending the point turned down
15. Sound none
16. Size larger than star
17. Color White changing to red to green
18. Shape Triangle
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction surrounded with burning gas or something that emanated light
21. Exhaust trails When ascending & descending it appeared to trail a green mist
22. Weather conditions light scattered clouds with a haze toward the SW
23. Effect on clouds Could be seen thru the cloud which passed under it.
24. Sketches or photographs 4 penciled sketches
25. Manner of disappearance disappeared on SW heading at great speed
26. Remarks: (over)

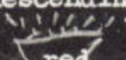
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The object when first sighted appeared white then it turned red. Its real shape could not be distinguished until it descended. It then took the form of a cone or up-side-down triangle. (See Sketch "A")



When it ~~descended~~ ^{climbed} it was right side up (Sketch "B")



On ascending and descending it appeared to have a green mist following it
See Sketch "C" --  -- green mist

Speed could not be determined in miles per hour for it appeared to hover at spots, then, when it moved, it moved with great speed. After making a vertical descent and ascent it headed due SW at great speed and disappeared at approx 1955 EST. Distance from the field when first sighted was some ~~5~~ 15 to 20 miles. There was no sound. The trail, maybe from exhaust, was green (at least thru the field glasses it appeared green) During the time it was under observation a cloud passed under it and the light shown thru.

According to this observer the object was not a balloon, a comet, star or any known aircraft. The light did not come from an aircraft's running lights. The whole object appeared surrounded with burning gas or something which emitted a light.

See also: 48, 48a, 48c, 48d & 33, 33a, 33b, 33c, 33d, 33e, 33f and Incidents 30 and 32.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 7 Jan 48 Incident # 48c
2. Time 19:30
3. Location Clinton County AAF, Wilmington, O.
4. Name of observer S/Sgt John P. Haag
5. Occupation of observer S/Sgt
6. Address of observer Clinton County AAF
7. Place of observation Control Tower
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer ~~N/S~~ Around 5 miles from field
10. Time in sight 25 minutes
11. Altitude ~~N/S~~ 15,000 to 20,000 ft
12. Speed N/S - apparently slow
13. Direction of flight heading of 210°
14. Tactics ~~N/S~~ Moved from altitude of 15,000 ft to 10,000 ft
without noticeable forward or backward motion (about 3 or 4 times)
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color changing colors (red and green)
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions overcast
23. Effect on clouds could be seen thru overcast
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance disappeared over horizon on heading of 210°
26. Remarks: (over)

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Witness observed very bright light in the sky southwest of Clinton County AF Base which appeared to be the complete wing of an aircraft on fire. When viewed thru field glasses from the Control Tower the object would gain and lose altitude very rapidly ~~with~~ with barely any discernible forward or backward motion. At times it changed colors (from red to green, etc) At one time it disappeared behind the overcast but its light penetrated thru the overcast. At approximately 19:45 o'clock it began to move away from the field on a heading of 210° and disappeared over the horizon at approximately 19:55. (1st acct)

NOTE: See also 48, 48a, 48b, 48d & 33, 33a, 33b, 33c, 33d, 33e, 33f and 30 and 32.

At the time of the sighting the weather was clear over the Base, with a SouthWest wind which was moderate. There was an overcast in the SE which appeared to be a layer approximately 1000 feet thick. The height of this overcast was approximately 5,000 ft. Object seemed to be about 5 miles from the field at an altitude of from 15,000 to 20,000 ft. The object which appeared stationary at first resembled the complete wing of an airplane on fire. No beam of light was projected. After observing it with the naked eye for some five minutes, witness went to control tower and looked thru field glasses and then decided that it was not a comet or a falling star to his knowledge of astronomy. With the aid of the glasses the object appeared to go from an altitude of 15,000 to 10,000 feet without any noticeable forward or backward motion, and then back up to its original altitude very rapidly. This occurred some 3 or 4 times. When it moved a red light would dominate and change to a green light and then back to its original color. It then started to reced on a heading of 210° going behind the overcast. However, the light was discernible thru the overcast. It then moved very rapidly away, stopping momentarily for 3 or 4 minute intervals and then disappearing over the horizon at 19:55. No sound was heard. No photographs were taken (From a signed statement & second account)

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1. Date 7 Jan 48 Incident # 48d
2. Time 1920 to 1950
3. Location Clinton County Army Air Fld., Wilmington, O.
4. Name of observer Mr. Ralph L. Stirr
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer Clinton County AAB
7. Place of observation Clinton County AAB
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer Seemed to be at first some
4,000 ft high
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 4,000 ft+
12. Speed movement slow in appearance
13. Direction of flight approx due west
14. Tactics described arc from point first seen to horizon
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color fire-colored
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction ~~like~~ "fire"
21. Exhaust trails none - "left no trails or tails like a meteor or comet"
22. Weather conditions clear to scattered
23. Effect on clouds ~~None~~ Light could be seen when clouds passed beneath it.
24. Sketches or photographs none
25. Manner of disappearance due west over horizon
26. Remarks: (over)

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Object seemed to be some sort of flare. Witness thought it was some aircraft in trouble. Requested the tower to take a look at it to determine if it were a flare. It appeared, with the naked eye, to be a very bright light the color of ordinary fire which lost and regained altitude in the manner of a parachute flare riding on thermals. The intensity of the light varied. This was attributed to clouds passing ~~in front~~ below; however, the light was readily discernible thru the clouds. The sky was clear to scattered. When the object was compared to the stars there was a decided difference. Stars were of the usual white; this object was yellow or flame color. When first seen it appeared to be about 4,000 ft but disappearing over the horizon would make it much higher. The movement was very slow in appearance and it left no trails or tails like a meteor or comet. Place of disappearance was approximately due west from position of observer.

NOTE: See also 48, 48a, 48b, 48c, 48d &
33, 33a, 33b, 33c, 33d, 33e, 33f
& 30 and 32

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

- 1. Date 9 Jan 48 Incident # 49
- 2. Time N/S
- 3. Location around Danville, Ky.
- 4. Name of observer Mr & Mrs. Markam
- 5. Occupation of observer N/S
- 6. Address of observer N/S - picked up in WHIO news broadcast relayed from Danville, Ky.
- 7. Place of observation Danville, Ky.
- 8. Number of objects 1
- 9. Distance of object from observer N/S
- 10. Time in sight N/S
- 11. Altitude N/S
- 12. Speed N/S
- 13. Direction of flight West
- 14. Tactics none
- 15. Sound N/S
- 16. Size N/S
- 17. Color N/S
- 18. Shape pencil-shape
- 19. Odor detected N/S
- 20. Apparent construction N/S
- 21. Exhaust trails long trail of smoke or exhaust
- 22. Weather conditions N/S
- 23. Effect on clouds N/S
- 24. Sketches or photographs None
- 25. Manner of disappearance / trail exploded into a beautiful display of sparks, etc
- 26. Remarks: (over)

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According to a WHIO News Broadcast at 2300-2315, 9 Jan 48, relayed from Danville, Kentucky, a Mr. & Mrs. Markham were driving in their car in or about Danville, Kentucky, when they saw a pencil-like object flying very high which left a long trail of smoke or exhaust. The trail shortly afterwards turned into a beautiful fireworks display of sparks, etc. The object appeared to be traveling a straight course.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 50

1. Date 10 Jan 48 (see reverse side of sheet)
2. Time 10 PM EST
3. Location Wildwood, N. J. (39° 00' N & 78° 48' W)
4. Name of observer Mrs. Ethel Evans
5. Occupation of observer authority on knitting
6. Address of observer Bellvue Apts, Wildwood, N. J.
7. Place of observation 401 Pine Ave, Wildwood (home of Mrs. Krueger)
8. Number of objects 1 which split into 2 pieces
9. Distance of object from observer undetermined
10. Time in sight 5-8 seconds
11. Altitude varying - slow descent
12. Speed slow
13. Direction of flight shoreward (270°)
14. Tactics broke into two pieces
15. Sound None
16. Size lamplight
17. Color yellow, red or amber-colored
18. Shape ovular - tear drop
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails none
22. Weather conditions Clear night
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs Forwarded a picture of Mars published in "Life" which showed an orange-red ball
25. Manner of disappearance fell into sea
26. Remarks: (over)

Witness saw one object which split into two separate pieces and fell into the ocean. (See Mrs Krueger's account)

Feb 19, 1948, 1225 A. M. : Witness stated that she saw saucer. Tried to take picture but says object was moving too fast.

Feb 21, 1948 (Sat Night) : Reported seeing another "saucer"

Mar 11, 1948 10:50 P. M. : Saw mystery light drop and fall in the water
(Thursday night)

Apr 2, 4:40 P. M. : Object resembles a small pilot-less plane - very bright metal - no motor noise and looks like the pictures of the German pilot-less planes. The center was ball shaped and very bright metal. It followed the coast line until out of sight. It came from the south and was heading north.

Apr 2d; 5:10 P. M. (same ~~time~~ date) Object appeared to fall in water. The metal wings were small and evidently broke as it fell since it appeared like sheets of metal dropping at the side. Witness states she saw this clearly.

Apr 2 and 3: "new guided missile of bright metal seen since 2 Apr."

July 1st, 1948 "There is activity in Wildwood again - the saucers have been appearing since 1 July." Mrs. Evans inclosed picture shown in "Life" of the planet "Mars" which shows an orange-red ovular circle.

In letter to President Truman she writes: "there have been more 'flying saucers' which appear on very clear nights - when there is a moon. They appear to come from the SE and from the ocean. Over the island they appear unsteady - like the one that broke. Then over the land they ascend quite high and move towards the NW, disappearing at not too fast a speed."

NOTE: Individual appears to be "crackpot" No one (with the exception of Mrs. Krueger) appears to have seen the many sightings mentioned. This in spite of an alerted coast guard, police dept. and others.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 10 Jan 48 Incident # 50a
2. Time 10 PM EST
3. Location Wildwood, N. J.
4. Name of observer Mrs. Krueger
5. Occupation of observer housewife
6. Address of observer 401 Pine Ave., Wildwood, New Jersey
7. Place of observation from 401 Pine Ave (39° 00' N & 78° 48' W)
8. Number of objects 2
9. Distance of object from observer 500 ft ±
10. Time in sight 5-8 seconds
11. Altitude varying
12. Speed slow descent
13. Direction of flight down
14. Tactics Floated slowly across horizon, separated and disappeared below housetops
15. Sound none
16. Size N/S - that of lamplight
17. Color orange-colored
18. Shape discs or balls
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction -N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Clear night
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs none
25. Manner of disappearance fell into sea
26. Remarks: (over)

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Objects were brought to Mrs. Krueger's attention by Mrs. Evans. Mrs Krueger saw "a most unusual thing drop out of the sky. I think it was a flying saucer as I have never seen anything equal to it before" She then states that she saw what appeared to be 2 round orange colored discs or balls, the one being smaller, and that these objects appeared to descend vertically toward the earth in a slow and steady manner until disappearing from their sight. Mrs. Evans said that Mrs Krueger observed two objects (apparently related) but that they were originally one object which separated at about the time Mrs. Krueger sighted it.

All witnesses+ (Mrs. Evans, her son and Mrs Krueger) agree on the following:

Color and size - that of an old-fashioned gas light which had a yellow, red or amber shade. Outline was distinct and did not appear aflame or irregular. No noise or sound of kind. No smoke or exhaust trails seen. Shape oval to round. All stated that it was not to their knowledge a balloon, dirigible, flare, parachute or any other known object and all seemed to have a pretty good knowledge as to the appearance of the fore-going.

NOTE: Witness appeared calm and normally sensible in her responses to various questions.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 3 Sept 47 Incident # 51
2. Time 1215
3. Location Oswego, Oregon
4. Name of observer Mrs. Raymond Dupui
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Oswego, Oregon
8. Number of objects 12 to 15
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude high
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color silver
18. Shape round
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs none
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: 12 to 15 round silver objects seen at high altitude above Oswego, Oregon at 1215, 3 Sept 47 while witness was observing a local plane flying overhead.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 29 July 47 Incident # 52
2. Time 1450
3. Location Hamilton Fld., Calif
4. Name of observer Capt William H. Ryherd
5. Occupation of observer Capt, USAF, - Assistant Operations Officer
6. Address of observer Hamilton Fld
7. Place of observation Hamilton, Fld., Calif. 38° 03' N 122° 31' W
8. Number of objects 2
9. Distance of object from observer observed from ground
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 8,000 - 10,000 ft
12. Speed very fast - made P-80 look as if it were motionless
13. Direction of flight Southward toward Oakland
14. Tactics 1st object pursued horizontal flight; 2d object
seemed to be going from left to right and right to left
like guard in aircraft formation
15. Sound No sound heard
16. Size 15-25 ft in diameter
17. Color white shiny
18. Shape circular like a ball
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Clear
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Disappeared in flight
26. Remarks: (over)

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Capt Ryherd saw two unidentified aerial objects at approximately 8,000 to 10,000 ft traveling above a P-80. He thought they were approximately 15 to 25 feet in diameter. In shape they were circular like a ball on the bottom but not completely round. The first flew straight and level but the second flying close behind the first at the same altitude seemed to be going from left to right and right to left - more like a guard in an aircraft formation. Due to the noise of the P-80, no sound could be heard from them. They did not leave any vapor smoke or visible trail. The weather was clear and Captain Ryherd and Lt Ward Stewart watched them until they disappeared in flight presumably over Oakland headed toward the ocean.

NOTE: Capt Ryherd showed extreme sincerity throughout the interview

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 29 July 47 Incident # 52A
2. Time After 1200
3. Location Hamilton Fld., California
4. Name of observer Ward L. Stewart
5. Occupation of observer 1st Lt., Air Res. (Former B-29 pilot)
6. Address of observer Hearst Mining Bldg., Univ. of Calif.
7. Place of observation 38° 03' N 122° 31' W
8. Number of objects 2
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 15 seconds
11. Altitude 6,000 ft
12. Speed Approx 750 MPH
13. Direction of flight 120°
14. Tactics Similar to fighter a/c when accompanying heavier ships
15. Sound none
16. Size N/S
17. Color milk white
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance flew out of sight
26. Remarks: (over)

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Stewart's attention called to unidentified flying object by Capt Ryherd Stewart estimates the P-80 at 250 miles on preliminary approach for landing at Hamilton Fld. Object was estimated to be following P-80 at three or four times its speed. A moment later another object appeared and flew a course described as something similar to a fighter's maneuvers when accompanying a heavier ship, on a left to right movement, over the object first sighted. The object continued this maneuvering until out of sight. Size could not be estimated but not believed to be above 6,000 ft altitude. Described as milky-white in color, and unlike any conventional aircraft seen.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 53

1. Date 28 June 47
2. Time 1515 CST
3. Location 30 miles northwest of Lake Meade, Nevada
4. Name of observer 1st Lt Eric B. Armstrong
5. Occupation of observer Ferry Division, Brooks Fld., San Antonio, Texas
6. Address of observer Brooks Fld., San Antonio, Texas, 170th AF Base Unit
7. Place of observation 30 miles northwest of Lake Meade from air
8. Number of objects 5 or 6
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 6,000 ft
12. Speed 285 MPH
13. Direction of flight 120° (NW)
14. Tactics horizontal very close formation
15. Sound N/S
16. Size 36" in diameter
17. Color white
18. Shape circular
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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On 28 June 47 ~~at 10,000 ft~~ in a P-51 bound for Portland, Oregon, by way of Medford, Oregon, at approx 1515 CST (course of 300°) and ground speed of 285 MPH, altitude 10,000 ft, approximately 30 miles NW of Lake Meade, Nevada, Lt Armstrong sighted 5 or 6 white, circular objects at 4:00, ~~position~~ altitude approximately 6,000 ft, on a course of 120° and flying at an estimated speed of 285 MPH. The objects were flying very smoothly and in a close formation. The estimated size of the white objects was approximately 36" in diameter. Lt Armstrong was sure the white objects were ~~not~~ birds since the rate of closure was very fast. He was certain too that the white objects were not jets or conventional aircraft since he has flown both.

AGENT'S NOTES:

Lt Armstrong was very sincere in the explanation and was not the exaggerating type. He merely stated what he saw and drew no conclusions.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 23 July 47 Incident # 55
2. Time 0345Z (0715 local)
3. Location Harmon Fld., Stephenville, Newfoundland
4. Name of observer Miss Patricia Abbott & Lt Hammaker
5. Occupation of observer government employee and Navigator & Public Relations Officer
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Harmon Fld., Newfoundland 48° 30' N 58° 33' W
8. Number of objects 1 Undetermined
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight ~~N/S~~ Three minutes
11. Altitude 10,000 ft.
12. Speed high velocity - stated to be faster than conventional A/C
13. Direction of flight NNE
14. Tactics abrupt darts
15. Sound no noise
16. Size N/S
17. Color reddish flashes of light
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Woather conditions high scattered clouds - ~~visibility:~~ 15 miles
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Witnesses were walking when they observed a peculiar reddish light. They thought at first that the light was a shooting star but it left no streak. It appeared again and they thought it was a plane flying at very ~~high~~ high altitude. Then a number of intermittant flashes were observed for three minutes. After observing the abrupt darts of light and hearing no hum of motors they concluded that it was definitely not a plane, as the maneuvers appeared too abrupt.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 6 July 47 Incident # 56
2. Time 2045 hours
3. Location Birmingham, Alabama
4. Name of observer Staff Sergeant Ira L. Livingston
5. Occupation of observer S/Sgt, w/250 hours as Pilot and Armorer Gunner
6. Address of observer 1354 Meadow Lane, Green Acres, Birmingham, Ala.
7. Place of observation As above 33° 33'N 86° 52' W
8. Number of objects 7 to 10
9. Distance of object from observer Undetermined
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 2000 ft above horizon at 45° angle
12. Speed 500 to 600 MPH
13. Direction of flight Southeast
14. Tactics vertical ascent - traveled in arc
15. Sound none
16. Size 2 ft in diameter
17. Color N/S
18. Shape round
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs ~~xx~~ one photograph
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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At 2045 hours, 6 July 47, Staff Sergeant Livingston's attention was called by a neighbor (a Mr. Herman M. Sockwell) to witness some "flying discs". The objects appeared in the west of Birmingham and were traveling southeast. They appeared to be 2000 above the horizon at a 45° angle at an unestimated distance away. They were approximately 2 ft in diameter, and round. They produced a dim glow of light and were traveling at an estimated speed of 500 to 600 MPH. The object (or objects) appeared to be traveling in a definite arc rather than straight, and as soon as one was out of sight, another would appear behind it but not always in the same path. One seemed to come straight up. The view of its source was obstructed by a nearby house but upon reaching the altitude of approximately 2000 ft it started off in the same direction as the others. Sergeant Livingston says that he did not at any time see more than one object at a time, and tho it could have been one object it was his personal opinion that there were seven to ten objects. The discs were silent and appeared composed of a single light.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 20 July 1947 Incident # 57
2. Time 0015Z
3. Location About one hour from Sidney, Newfoundland.
4. Name of observer ~~Mrs~~ Messrs Maitland, Larkin, Douglas and Hamilton
5. Occupation of observer All employes of Hamilton, Metcalfe and Kansas City Bridge Company which concern is doing construction work at Harmon Fld
6. Address of observer With above-named concern
7. Place of observation on board the "Burgeon" enroute from Sydney Nova Scotia to Port aux Basques, Newfoundland.
8. Number of objects ~~N/S~~ - saw flashes - 4 or 5 approximately 1 second apart and equidistant.
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S 30° off horizon at an estimated 1/4 mile range
12. Speed high velocity - faster than tracer bullet
13. Direction of flight NNE (30° East of true North)
14. Tactics horizontal flight
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S - object not seen - flashes were silvery to red in color
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S - possibly what was observed was itself the rocket charge
22. Weather conditions Clear and dark
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs none
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Observers did not see the object but only four or five flashes approximately one second apart and equidistant. The flashes appeared silvery to reddish in color and were likened to the glow of a firefly excepting they were larger and at equal intervals. The witnesses did not believe the flashes were occasioned by either a shooting star or a plane, because of the evenly-spaced discharges or flashes, the color and the speed.

Corroboration: Capt Gullage, Master of the "Burgeon" also saw the flashes while standing on the starboard deck. He stated that he had seen the same thing at approximately the same time and location on the evening of 15 July 47 except at that time the object or flashes were traveling faster and frequently changed courses ("it changed course abruptly several times") and was headed generally to the SSW.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 58

1. Date 4 Aug 47
2. Time evening
3. Location NW of Bethel Alaska
4. Name of observer Capt Jack Peck and Co-pilot Vince Daly
5. Occupation of observer Pilot and Co-pilot - Al Jones Flying Svc.
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation 60° 57' N 161° 48' W
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer 1200 ft
10. Time in sight 4 minutes
11. Altitude 500 to 1,000 ft
12. Speed 520 MPH - 3 times that of C-54
13. Direction of flight NW
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size As large or larger than C-54
17. Color black in color
18. Shape saucer - like that of C-54 (from rear) but without motors or flying wings.
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions brilliant evening sky
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance flew rapidly out of sight
26. Remarks: (over)

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Capt Jack Peck and his Copilot Vince Daly stated that on 4 Aug at sunset they sighted and followed a "flying saucer" northwest of Bethel, Alaska. The object which appeared as large or larger in mass than a C-54 and black in color appeared silhouetted against a brilliant evening sky. In order to avoid a possible collision (being unable at first to determine in what direction the object was moving) they pulled up to about 1200 ft in order to avoid possible collision. The object crossed their path at right angles to them. Seeing that it was moving away from them at a very rapid rate and flying at an altitude of from 500 to 1,000 ft they swung in behind it and followed it at an air speed of 170 MPH but the thing was out of sight in four minutes. They state the object was smooth-surfaced and streamlined and resembled ~~that of~~ a C-54 without motors (from the rear) and was without wings or any visible means of propulsion whatever. Wind was negligible and it was on a NW course.

Official in Charge of the Airlines for which Peck was working states that the pilot is not the "imaginative type".

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 59

1. Date 12 Sept 47
2. Time 45 minutes after sunset
3. Location Midway Island to Oahu - beyond Necker Island
4. Name of observer Capt Stanley S. Griffin &
2d Officer Edward B. Polhemus
5. Occupation of observer Pilot and 2d officer, PAA
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Beyond Necker Island (23° 34' N 164° 42' W)
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer 1 mile
10. Time in sight. Six seconds
11. Altitude 9,500 to 10,000 ft
12. Speed 1160 MPH (1000 knots)
13. Direction of flight 350° then 109°
14. Tactics Abruptly changed course but observed horizontal flight
holding altitude
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S (See below - exhaust)
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S - light the color of an incandescent light
without appreciable blue & no reddish tinge
22. Weather conditions dark - 45 minutes after sunset
23. Effect on clouds No effect on clouds
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Appeared to burn out 30 miles ahead of PA plane
26. Remarks: (over)

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Plane had just passed Necker Island at 0535 GCT. At 0558 GCT an intense white light was observed 60° off starboard bow of plane. It appeared similar to the light of an approaching plane except that it was extremely intense. The color was that of an incandescent light without appreciable blue and no reddish tinge. It appeared on a course about 350° true some 5 miles away. The light grew in intensity (but without any change in color) to a point estimated to be one mile off starboard bow of the plane. When the PA plane switched over to manual control the object suddenly veered to an approximate course of 109° and then the bright light appeared to split into two parts and assumed a reddish hue. These two reddish lights did not have the intensity of the white light and appeared about a wing-length apart. As it changed its course the extraordinary speed was noted. It far outraced the Pan American plane and the twin lights appeared to burn out 30 miles ahead. The entire phenomenon was observed for some six seconds. Object was estimated to be traveling 1,000 knots per hour.

NOTE: Both observers thought it could have been a meteor except for the manner in which it held altitude. At no time did it appear to get above or below 9,500 ft. When it disappeared it still seemed at about 9,500 ft. at no time did it give off sufficient illumination to reflect on the cloud formation at 8,000 ft.

Both observers were questioned as to possibility of optical illusion and the probability that the object dropped at an oblique angle but both firmly declared the object apparently changed course and that it appeared to hold altitude throughout the entire time observed.

PAA plane was eastbound from Midway on magnetic course 98, which is approximately 110° true, and flying at 9,000 feet at about 205 knots. It was flying on automatic pilot with Griffin in the right-hand seat in the control cabin and Polhemus in the left-hand seat. It was dark and there were cumulus clouds of about .4 density. The sun had set 45 minutes previously.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 10 July 47 Incident # 60a
2. Time 1000
3. Location Cordroy, Newfoundland - 47° 52' N 59° 21' W
4. Name of observer Wm Evans
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer Cordroy, Newfoundland
7. Place of observation Cordroy, Newfoundland
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed very fast
13. Direction of flight couldn't ascertain
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size dinner plate
17. Color between red and yellow
18. Shape circle
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails Had tail on it of yellowish hue which was not as bright as circle and seemed a little over a yard long.
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance "hardly in sight before it disappeared"
26. Remarks: (over)

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Witness stated that if the object were a shooting star it was larger than any he had ever seen and much brighter than anything he had ever observed in the sky. It appeared round with a yellowish tail, which was not as bright as the circle. The circle itself appeared to be sort of red and yellow and about the size of a large dinner plate. It went so fast that it was hardly in sight before it disappeared. It was traveling much closer than a shooting star. Witness sure it did not in any way resemble a shooting star nor a plane.

See Legge account (Incident 60) and Albert Samms' account (Incident 60b)

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 10 July 47 Incident # 60b
2. Time 1000
3. Location Cordroy, Newfoundland - 47° 52' N 59° 21' W
4. Name of observer Albert Samms
5. Occupation of observer N/S - child of 12
6. Address of observer Cordroy, Newfoundland
7. Place of observation ~~N/x~~ Cordroy, Newfoundland
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight "only a minute"
11. Altitude ~~N/S~~ - flying at height of plane which is flying high
12. Speed terrific
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics ~~N/S~~ - "shot down very fast" - See Mrs Samms' account as told by her son Albert
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color bright reddish yellow
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S - witnesses affirm it was "clear" and at dusk
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Albert Samms is a twelve-year old boy. He was alone when he saw the object. He thought it was flying at the height of a plane at high altitude but that it looked strange for an airplane because it was lit up so brightly- it was not carrying lights ("planes do have a light or two") It was of a bright reddish yellow color. Witness saw it only momentarily because of the tremendous speed. "I saw it only for a minute because it was traveling at a terrific speed."

His mother, Mrs. Samms, is the Post Mistress of the town and after hearing her son's description felt that it answered the description of the "flying disc". She added that Albert didn't believe the thing was a plane since "it wouldn't shoot down like that did" and "besides it was too 'lit up'".

See Legge account (Incident 60) and Evans' account (Incident 60a)

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 8 Sept 47 Incident # 61
2. Time 2230 P. M.
3. Location Logan, Utah
4. Name of observer Mr and Mrs. Richard Anderson
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer Logan, Utah
7. Place of observation Logan, Utah 40° 45' N 111° 54' W
8. Number of objects Approx a dozen
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight one to 2 minutes
11. Altitude 2,000 to 3,000 ft
12. Speed "faster than birds"
13. Direction of flight north
14. Tactics circle city in approx one to two minutes observing group formation.
15. Sound N/S
16. Size about the size of pigeons
17. Color white and illuminated
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions cloudy
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance in flight to the north
26. Remarks: (over)

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Mr. & Mrs. Anderson stated that they in company with a Mr. & Mrs. Gaylon Caldwell saw approximately 12 objects flying in group formation at about 2,000 or 3,000 ft in the air. In size they resembled pigeons but seemed to be white and illuminated. They were certain they were not birds as they appeared to be moving faster than birds and they circled the city in approximately one to two minutes. Saw no wing movement during the flight. They couldn't make up their minds as to exactly what they saw.

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Incident # 61a

1. Date 8 Sept 47
2. Time Approx 10:30 P. M.
3. Location Logan, Utah
4. Name of observer Mr & Mrs. Norman Hall
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer ~~N/S~~ Logan, Utah
7. Place of observation Logan, Utah 40° 45' N 111° 54' W
8. Number of objects N/S
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed ~~N/S~~ Much faster than birds
13. Direction of flight clockwise above city
14. Tactics changed formation
15. Sound N/S
16. Size approx that of star
17. Color N/S
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions Cloudy
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: Saw a group of flying objects similar in appearance to a group of moving stars which traveled clockwise above the city.

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At first the objects were thought to be the lights of a plane. However they seemed to change in formation. Thought that objects traveled much faster than birds.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 12:05 P. M. Incident # 63
2. Time 29 July 47
3. Location 1/4 mile NW of Canyon Ferry while proceeding NW along road leading from Canyon Ferry to York - some 25 miles NE of Helena
4. Name of observers R. J. Madden et al
5. Occupation of observer Division Plant Engr, The Pac. Tel & Tel Co.
6. Address of observer The Pac. Tel & Tel Co.
7. Place of observation 25 NE of Helena, Montana
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer 2 to 3 miles
10. Time in sight 5 seconds +
11. Altitude 3,000 ft
12. Speed tremendous
13. Direction of flight NE
14. Tactics Hovering - rising and descending thru vertical distance of some 50-100 ft - then swooping to the NE at tremendous speed
15. Sound N/S
16. Size 3 ft in dia X 3 or 4 inches in thickness - as seen from observers viewpoint. - Apparently huge
17. Color like polished nickel
18. Shape circular
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction like polished nickel
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions blue sky with scattered small clouds. Bright sunshine causing disc to gleam and shimmer.
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance "melted into thin air"
26. Remarks: (over)

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Observers saw bright disc hovering and fluttering in the air. It descended and rose thru a vertical distance of 50 to 100 ft for some 5 seconds and while at the top of an ascent it suddenly swooped to the NE at tremendous speed, traveled some 200 ft and disappeared into the clear air - appeared to "melt into thin air" as a result of the tremendous speed. Appeared to be approximately 3 ft in dia X 3 or 4 inches in thickness from observers' viewpoint - and estimated as considerably greater/as they were some 2 or 3 miles from the object.

Witnesses: Steve Herrmann and Karl Herrmann.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 64

1. Date ~~September~~ 19 Aug 47
2. Time 9:30 P. M.
3. Location Twin Falls, Idaho
4. Name of observer Mr. H. H. Hedstrom, his wife, and a neighbor
(Mrs Smultz) Detective Richard A. Frazier of the Twin Falls Police Dept.
and members of the Twin Falls Police Dept.
5. Occupation of observer Executive ~~member~~ of the Twin Falls, Housing
Authority director
6. Address of observer 322 3rd Ave., North, Twin Falls, Idaho
7. Place of observation As above
8. Number of objects undetermined - see below
9. Distance of object from observer Could not be estimated
10. Time in sight ~~for~~ few minutes at a time
11. Altitude could not be determined
12. Speed terrific
13. Direction of flight NE and came back toward the SW
14. Tactics observed triangular formation
15. Sound N/S
16. Size Could not be estimated
17. Color seen only as a glow going thru the air
similar to that of regular electric lights -
18. Shape Could not be estimated
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None could be observed -
22. Weather conditions overcast sky at night
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Mrs Hedstrom saw the first object traveling at a terrific rate of speed in a northeasterly direction. It was out of sight before Mr. Hedstrom & their neighbor Mrs. Smultz could see anything. While discussing this sighting all 3 saw 10 similar objects proceed rapidly in the same direction in the form of a triangle. As they were disappearing 3 of the objects on the left flank peeled off and proceeded in a more northerly direction. The remaining objects appeared to close ranks and proceeded on a NE course. Five minutes later they saw another group of 3 objects proceeding in the same direction in triangular formation. Three to 5 minutes another triangular formation of five or six objects were observed going in the same direction. Then a few minutes later the three witnesses saw large group of objects (some 35 to 50 of them) flying in a triangular formation in the same direction. Approximately 20 or 25 minutes after this group of objects were observed similar objects were noted coming back over the city in a Southwesterly direction. Generally they were in groups of 3, 5 and 7 and followed each other at approximately 5-minute intervals.

Mrs. Hedstrom then called Detective Richard A. Frazier of the Twin Falls Police Dept., a next door neighbor who was accompanied by M. E. Rountree and Richard Scott also members of the Twin Falls Police Dept. They observed a group of about 12 objects flying in formation over the city in a southwesterly direction.

Detective Frazier and Mr. Hedstrom stated that the objects were not meteors or comets as they flew on a level line and did not appear to drop. ~~They thought~~ they could not have been birds ~~as the objects~~ as the objects appeared lighted from the inside. Said the lights were not a reflection of the city lights

No other persons reported seeing the phenomena but Mr. Hedstrom and Mr. Frazier stated that it was purely accidental that they had seen the object. No one noticed any flames or anything except the glow of lights.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 10 Aug 47 Incident # 66
2. Time 9 o'clock - well after dark
3. Location Near Silver Springs, Ohio
4. Name of observer Lt Colonel, F. L. Walker Jr., GSC
5. Occupation of observer Scientific Branch, Research Group
6. Address of observer R&DD, WDGS
7. Place of observation Near Silver Springs, Ohio
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 3-4 seconds
11. Altitude low flying
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight north to south
14. Tactics ~~inverted loop of 70°~~ absolutely horizontal
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color bright orange glow or flame
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails long, straight, narrow white streak of flame
(similar to streak left by tracer bullet) which vanished very quickly.
22. Weather conditions N/S - well after dark
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance simply vanished in mid-air.
26. Remarks: (over)

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About 9 o'clock, well after dark, Lt Col F. L. Walker, Jr. GSC, of the Scientific Branch, Research Group, saw a low flying object appear over the top of a barn to his left traveling in an absolutely straight line in an arc of about 70° moving from north to south. The object appeared as a bright orange glow of flame and left behind it a long, straight, narrow white streak of flame similar to the streak left by a tracer bullet and itself, covering an arc of approximately 20° or 30°. There appeared to be a fine mist of smoke trailing behind this streak which vanished very quickly. The object took about 3 - 4 seconds to cover the arc of 70° and then simply vanished in mid air. The path traveled was absolutely horizontal.

Witness states he never observed a comet which acted in this manner and was of the opinion that he had sighted a "flying saucer".

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 14 Aug 47 Incident # 67
2. Time 1600 hours
3. Location 5 miles southwest of Placerville, Calif.
4. Name of observer Mr Ray A. Switzer and wife
5. Occupation of observer Switzer is an Insurance Executive with the firm of McGuire & Wallis and a graduate of the Univ of Calif.
6. Address of observer Box 43, Aukum, Eldorado County, Calif.
7. Place of observation Between 4 and 5 miles southwest from Placerville on Cedar Ravine Road. 38° 42' 45" N. Lat x 120° 47' 15" W. Long.
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer Estimated distance seemed about 750 ft
10. Time in sight short period
11. Altitude 500 to 1,000 ft
12. Speed high rate of speed
13. Direction of flight north to south
14. Tactics in a very shallow dive
15. Sound N/S
16. Size Seemed to be about 5 feet long by some 12 to 14 inches in depth
17. Color polished chromium
18. Shape Seemed rectangular except for a short period when it appeared to have a slightly curved top surface. Seemed tilted in semi-circle.
More rocket-shaped than disc-shaped
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction metallic
21. Exhaust trails N/S - a white smoke trail was first observed - later object was enveloped in puff of dark gray smoke
22. Weather conditions fair with sunshine
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance disappeared in puff of dark gray smoke
26. Remarks: (over)

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Observer first noticed a white smoke trail and while searching for its source he saw an object 4 to 6 ft in length x 10 to 14 inches wide and of a metal color which gave off a very bright reflection like highly polished chromium. It was first observed at 1030 position to the automobile. Upon reaching a 1200 position it was engulfed in a puff of dark gray smoke about 10 ft in diameter. There was no change in the color of the smoke. The object was traveling at terrific speed and seemed to be in a very shallow dive. When the puff of smoke appeared the object disappeared completely; no particles were observed falling from it. The point of disappearance seemed to be about 800 yards in front of Switzer. There was no possibility of being hidden by vegetation or terrain. It appeared rectangular for the most part but once it appeared to have a very slightly curved top surface. It seemed more rocket-like than disc-like, and seemed tilted in a semi-circle.

NOTE: Agent notes that the point of observation would afford a sweeping view thru 40° of the canyon and the south side of Webber Creek. (Switzer was not definite as to what part of the field of view he had seen the object and ~~him~~ indicated that it could have been as far as the horizon.) Any object or particles thereof would be in a six square mile area of wooded mountainous terrain full of canyons and ravines.

Agent thought that witness could have seen a conventional type aircraft which due to the distance from which it was observed presented no distinguishing features for the short period it was under observation. However, agent could not account for the smoke trail.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date **24 June 47** Incident # **68**
2. Time **afternoon**
3. Location **Cascade Mts. (Portland, Oregon)**
4. Name of observer **Fred M. Johnson**
5. Occupation of observer **Prospector**
6. Address of observer **Globe Hotel, 106 N. W. 1st Ave, Portland,**
7. Place of observation **Cascade Mts**
8. Number of objects **5 or 6**
9. Distance of object from observer **overhead at 1,000 ft**
10. Time in sight **45 - 60 seconds**
11. Altitude **6,000 ft from sea level**
12. Speed **N/S**
13. Direction of flight **SE**
14. Tactics **banking**
15. Sound **none**
16. Size **about 30' dia**
17. Color **N/S**
18. Shape **round with tail**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **N/S**
22. Weather conditions **Clear**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **N/S**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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While prospecting in the Cascade Mts some 5,000 ft above sea level he noticed a reflection. Upon looking up he saw a disc proceeding in a southeasterly direction. Upon sighting it he placed his telescope to his eye and observed it for some 45 to 60 seconds. At the time the disc was sighted it was banking in the sun. He observed 5 or 6 but concentrated on one. Said they did not fly in any particular formation and he estimated them to be about 1,000 ft from where he was standing. He estimated that they were around 30 feet in diameter and that they had a tail. They made no noise. He noticed that the combination compass and watch in his possession reacted in a very peculiar manner, the hand waving from one side to the other but that this condition corrected itself immediately after the discs had passed out of sight.

NOTE: Informant appeared to be very reliable and advised that he had been a prospector in the States of Montana, Washington and Oregon for the past 40 yrs.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 69

1. Date 6 Aug 47
2. Time 2230-2245
3. Location Philadelphia, Pa.
4. Name of observer Eleanor Maddle
5. Occupation of observer employed by Geo A. Greenwald Mfg Co.
6. Address of observer 2114 Hobart St., Philadelphia, Pa.
7. Place of observation At observer's home
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed Very fast
13. Direction of flight South
14. Tactics N/S - apparently straight flight
15. Sound slight buzzing after passage of object
16. Size large
17. Color white
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails Thin streak of grayish smoke
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs none
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Between 10:30 and 10:45 P. M. 6 Aug 47, Miss Maddie was seated on the steps of her home with Cecelia Fine. She was facing north and observed a large white object traveling at a very fast rate of speed to the south. There was a buzzing sound, not too loud but plainly audible just after the object passed thru the air. The object appeared white in color and left a thin streak of smoke which was grayish in color.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 6 Aug 47 Incident # 69a
2. Time 2230-2245
3. Location Philadelphia, Pa.
4. Name of observer Miss Cecelia Fine
5. Occupation of observer Employed by Pressman & Gutman Co., Inc.
6. Address of observer 5617 Arlington St., Phila, Pa.
7. Place of observation 2114 Hobart St., Phila, Pa.
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound slight buzzing sound
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: Miss Fine was sitting on the steps of Miss Naddle's home
the evening of 6 Aug 47 around 10:45 P. M. engaged in conversation when
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she observed that Miss Naddle appeared frightened. As she was facing south she did not see the object after she noticed her companion's change of expression but she did hear a slight buzzing sound.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date **6 Aug 47** Incident # **70**
2. Time **Around 2245**
3. Location **Philadelphia, Pa**
4. Name of observer **John Snyder**
5. Occupation of observer **Insurance agent (former B-24 pilot)**
6. Address of observer **1440 Vankir St., Philadelphia, Pa.**
7. Place of observation **above address**
8. Number of objects **1**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **N/S**
11. Altitude **1,000 - 3000 ft**
12. Speed **between 400-500 MPH**
13. Direction of flight **from NE to SW**
14. Tactics **N/S**
15. Sound **hissing**
16. Size **N/S**
17. Color **N/S**
18. Shape **N/S**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **Smoke or condensation - also emitted bluish white flame**
22. Weather conditions **Clear**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **N/S**
26. Remarks: **(Over)**

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John Snyder, a former pilot of B-24 in the Army Air Corps advised that he was sitting on the steps of his home around 10:45 P. M. the night of Aug 6, 1947 and that his neighbors, the Kelly family, were also sitting on their steps. All parties were facing east. Snyder noticed an object which emitted a bluish-white flame pass quickly thru the air. It was traveling NE to SW. Using his experience in the Army Air Corps he estimated the speed as between 400 to 500 MPH. The object did not lose elevation and left either a smoke or condensation trail in its former path. The vapor lasted for about 2 seconds. A hissing sound accompanied the passing. The sound was moderate and not nearly as loud as that occasioned by a rocket ship.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 6 Aug 47
2. Time Around 2245
3. Location Philadelphia, Pa.
4. Name of observer John J. Kelley
5. Occupation of observer retired police officer
6. Address of observer 1442 Vankirk St
7. Place of observation above
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight gone in a split second
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed ~~South~~ Very rapid
13. Direction of flight South
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound No noise
16. Size large
17. Color N/S
18. Shape "like giant firecracker"
19. Odor detected None
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails "fiery trail for about 100 ft"
22. Weather conditions clear
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

Incident # 70A

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Around 10:45 on the night of 6 Aug 47, Kelly and his wife were sitting on the steps of their home when Kelly noticed an object resembling (to him) a giant firecracker which passed quickly thru the air. He heard no noise and the object completely passed from view in a southerly direction within a split second. It left a fiery trail for about 100 feet. The object did not lose altitude so he was sure it was not falling star.

NOTE: It is to be noted that the Snyders and the Kellys live in NE Phila, near Oxford Circle (about 10 miles removed from the residence of Miss Naddle - Inc 69) It is further noted that the observations of Miss Naddle, the Kellys and the Snyders roughly correspond. All seemed reliable and were not the types to seek publicity or to spread rumors.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident #

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1. Date 8 or 9 Oct 1947
2. Time N/S
3. Location Las Vegas, Nevada
4. Name of observer Thomas L. Moore
5. Occupation of observer N/S - Capt. USAFR - Ex pilot
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Outskirts of Las Vegas
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer 4 to 5 miles
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed 700 to 800 MPH
13. Direction of flight East & circled to west
14. Tactics Flew straight, turned, flew straight again
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails
22. Weather condition which lasted some 15-20 minutes almost cloudless
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs sketch of course of object
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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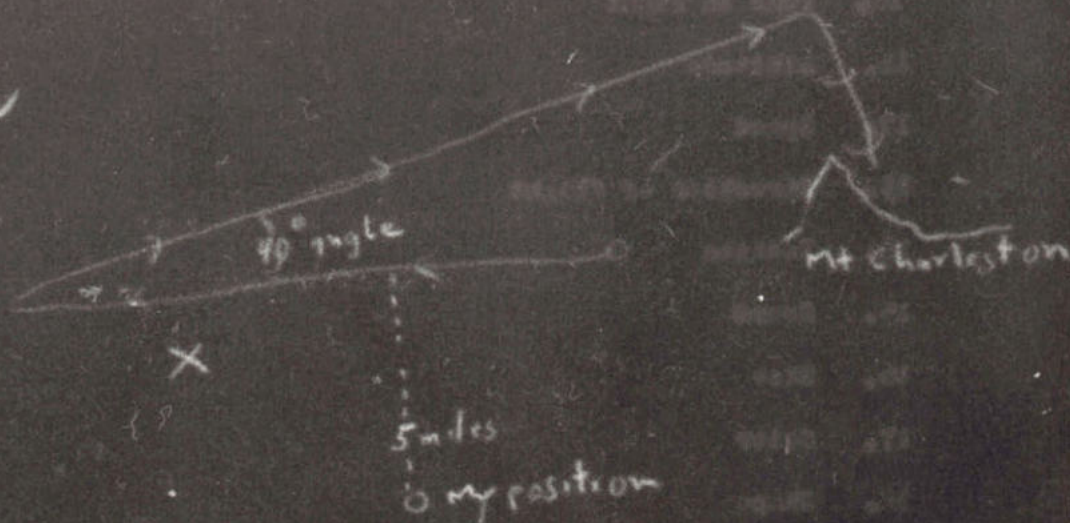
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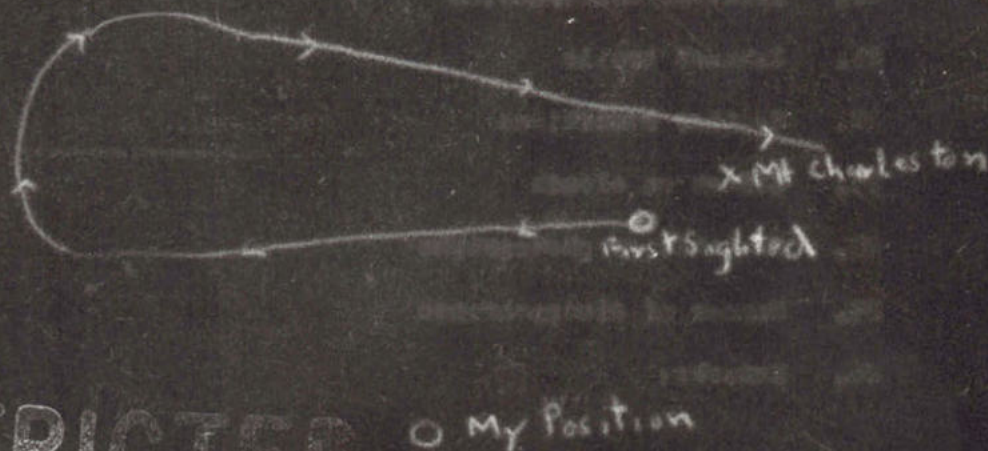
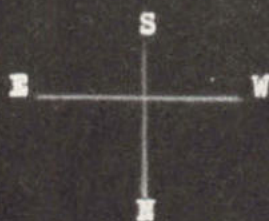
On Oct 8th or 9th, 1947 while witness was driving on the NW outskirts of Las Vegas, Nevada, he observed what appeared to be a sky-writing pilot's trail. He stopped his car to observe it and noticed two things which troubled him. (1) Where the missile should have been at the head of the steadily appearing trail there was nothing visible or was too small to see (estimated to be a distance of about 5 miles or less) and (2) the speed appeared startling. Thought it was between 400 and 1,000 MPH but thought more precisely to be from 700 to 800 MPH - too fast for conventional aircraft. The trail he thought could have been smoke, vapor from intense speed or any unknown substance. The color was almost white - much like a cumulo-nimbus cloud and of approximately the same density and it was 15-50 minutes before the trail disintegrated.

The object took a radius of from 5 to 15 miles to complete a turn (he estimated closer to 10) in an attempt to judge its exact course over topographic features of the surrounding countryside. He stated that since the climate in this vicinity is extremely dry and it was almost a cloudless day that the speed would have to be exceedingly great to create such a trail.

Side View



View from Above



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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 72

1. Date 17 Sept 1947
2. Time N/S
3. Location Alaska (Ft Richardson (1))
4. Name of observer N/S
5. Occupation of observer Army Officer
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Near Ft Richardson, Alaska
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude Below 10,000 ft
12. Speed tremendous
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size 2-3 ft diameter
17. Color metallic silver
18. Shape spherical
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction None
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Scattered clouds
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Two army officers reported to Office, Director of Intelligence, Hq. Alaskan Dept., Ft Richardson, Alaska, saying that they had witnessed an object passing thru the air at tremendous speed. Object appeared to be a sphere and did not give the impression of being saucer-like or comparable to a disk. Altho, the first officer stated that it would be impossible to give minute details, the object appeared to be 2 to 3 feet in diameter and did not leave any vapor trail in the sky. He stated the object appeared metallic and silver in color (like that of airplanes). As there was scattered cloud formations at 10,000 ft and the object was noted to be traveling below the cloud formation they were able to determine the approximate altitude. To the second officer the object appeared approximately 10 ft in diameter and compared it to half the size of a full moon on an ordinary night. He estimated the altitude to be only 3,000 or 4,000 ft. The object appeared broadside to the second officer and gave evidence of a spinning motion or did he note a reflection. To him it appeared to be a dull metal finish. In conclusion the second officer pointed out that the object was definitely traveling against the wind.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 73

1. Date **4 Aug 47**
2. Time **1600**
3. Location **Boston, Mass**
4. Name of observer **Alpheas D. Powell, Capt of PA Airways, Inc.
Walter I. White, Navigator**
5. Occupation of observer **Crew of Pan Amer Constitution**
6. Address of observer **28 Redwood Road, New Hyde Park, Long Island**
7. Place of observation **Approximately midway between Everett, Mass
and Bedford Radio Beacon.**
8. Number of objects **2**
9. Distance of object from observer **1 mile away**
10. Time in sight **30 seconds**
11. Altitude **7,800 ft**
12. Speed **175 MPH**
13. Direction of flight **easterly - approx 110° magnetic**
14. Tactics **N/S**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **15 ft long. ~~23~~ 2-3 feet in depth**
17. Color **deep gold**
18. Shape **elliptical**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **None**
22. Weather conditions **5/10 scattered cumulus with tops 1000 Visibility: 10 mi.**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **Lost in clouds**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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At 1600 P. M., 4 Aug 47, midway between Everett, Mass, and the Bedford Radio Beacon, pilot and navigator sighted an unidentified aerial object. The following conditions existed:

Visibility: good
Cloud coverage: 6-8/10ths; tops: 10,000 ft
Wind at 8,000 ft: 270/25 MPH
Aircraft: 8,000 ft
Airspeed 265 MPH
Course: 244° magnetic.

Mr White, Navigator, called Mr Powell's attention to a bright orange object slightly below the level of their aircraft. Mr Powell was unable to see the object from his position (left side of cockpit) as he had no visibility to the right and down, from his position. But, upon glancing out his side window he noticed at a 45° angle to the left an unidentified flying object. It was one mile away at approximately 7,800 ft. Mr. Powell then banked to obtain a better view. He described it as being the length of a P-40 fuselage, blunt at both ends, cylindrical in shape and having a bright orange hue. The object had a definite shape and there was no suggestion of gaseous dissipation (as there would be if the orange color were the result of exhaust from a rocket or jet aircraft. It was traveling at approx 150 MPH, on a course 200° magnetic. It was under observation for approximately 30 seconds. Mr. Powell lost sight of the object when a cloud came between their aircraft and the object.

AGENTS NOTES: Mr. A. O. Powell is a graduate of the Aviation Cadet Flying Trng Program, and has over 4,000 command pilot hours to his credit. He appears calm, and intelligent and not given to flights of fancy. He has a fear of publicity. He stated that he has seen numerous pilot balloons, radiosonic devices and tow targets but that the object was definitely not one of them

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date **13 Aug 47** Incident # **75**
2. Time **1300**
3. Location **Snake River Canyon (near Twin Falls) Idaho**
4. Name of observer **A. C. Urie and two sons, Kenneth & Billy**
5. Occupation of observer **farmer**
6. Address of observer **Operator of "Auger Falls Trout Farm" 6 miles west of Blue Lakes Ranch, Snake River Canyon**
7. Place of observation **As above - going down the Snake River**
8. Number of objects **1**
9. Distance of object from observer **300 ft**
10. Time in sight **momentary**
11. Altitude **75 ft from the canyon floor - 300 ft away from observer level view afforded**
12. Speed **1000 MPH**
13. Direction of flight **East to West**
14. Tactics **Road up and down over hills & hollows of canyon**
15. Sound **swishing sound**
16. Size **20 feet by 10 ft in thickness**
17. Color **sky blue**
18. Shape **oblong broad rimmed hat with low crown
Inverted pie-plate**
19. Odor detected **None**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **Exhaust takes flame - a red tubular fiery glow at the side of the top or hood.**
22. Weather conditions **N/S**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **one**
25. Manner of disappearance **disappeared behind hill**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

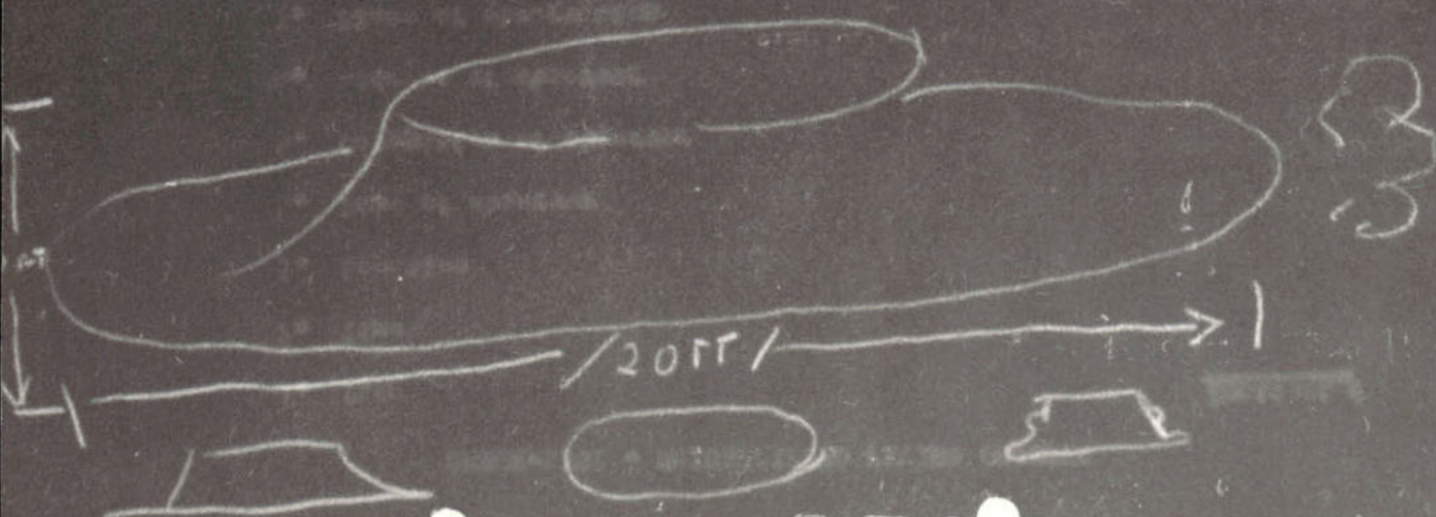
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Urie had sent his sons to the river for some tops from his boat. As they were overdue he went to look for them, when he noticed some 300 feet away some 75 feet in the air a sky-blue object silhouetted against the steep walls of the canyon on the far side. (The canyon is about 400 ft deep and 1200 ft across at that place.) The object was traveling 75 feet in the air (300 ft below the rim of the canyon) and so was plainly visible. Urie states that the sky-blue color would probably not be noticed against the sky. He states that "it did not spin like a top". However, he did say that the trees over which it passed almost directly did not just bend with the wind as if a plane had gone by but that they "spun around on top as if they were in a vacuum."

Keith Urie, a son, eight years of age said he saw the machine coming down the canyon heading from east to west and following the contours of the ground. Billy, age ten, another son, saw it almost immediately. Both watched it fly out of sight behind a tree in a matter of moments.

AGENT'S NOTES: Urie seemed completely sincere about the incident and appeared to be a sober, middle-aged man
The boys stated that they had never before seen one of the discs.



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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 76

1. Date 13 Aug 47
2. Time N/S
3. Location Salmon Dam
4. Name of observer County Commissioner Hawkins
5. Occupation of observer J. H. Brown
County Commissioner
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Salmon Dam
8. Number of objects 2
9. Distance of object from observer ~~1,000 to 6,000 ft~~ several miles away
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 4,000 to 6,000 ft
12. Speed great speed
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound echo of a motor - County Commissioner Hawkins
roar - J. H. Brown
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S - reflected light
18. Shape circular
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Agent could not locate Commissioner L. W. Hawkins but J. H. Brown, who accompanied Hawkins at the time stated that he and Hawkins could hear a roar. They looked up and saw 2 objects flying at great height which might have been between 4,000 and 6,000 ft. He could give no estimate as to size and said they could have been several miles away. He and Hawkins were satisfied that had seen something and were very doubtful if the objects were planes.

From a newspaper account (Times News, Twin Falls, Idaho, Friday Aug 15, 1947) County Commissioner Hawkins said he had seen an unusual object in the air the same day as Urie' experience (Incident 75) and that a sound resembling the echo of a motor caused him to look upward and there he saw two circular objects which reflected light. They were traveling at a great speed and at higher altitude than most planes.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 77

1. Date 3 July 1947
2. Time 1530 Z
3. Location South Brooksville, Me.
4. Name of observer Mr. John F. Cole
5. Occupation of observer astronomer
6. Address of observer South Brooksville, Me.
7. Place of observation ~~Near~~ Harborside, Maine -
8. Number of objects 10
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed 600-1200 MPH
13. Direction of flight NW (true)
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound Loud roar
16. Size 50 to 100 feet wide
17. Color light-colored
18. Shape only concrete evidence of form appeared on left tangent of the
19. Odor detected ~~group - two dark shaped forms:~~ N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs one
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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An unusually loud roar attracted the observer and upon looking up he saw a group of very light-colored objects at an altitude of about 50° bunched rather closely with no regular formation. The group could have covered 1-1/2° angular diameter in the sky. There might have been 10 As a group they were proceeding as to cover 30° of arc estimated of course in 10 to 15 seconds. If one of them subtended 1/10° with a possible wing spread of 100 ft it would put it at a distance of over 10 miles, and quite invisible for a light object. With 30° arc of travel at a 10 mi distance would be roughly 5 miles in 15 seconds or 20 mi per minute or 1200 mi per hour. Rather fast for a bomber. A 50 ft object at 5 miles dist. would be about 600 mi. per hr - also fast going. The only concrete evidence of form appeared on the left tangent of the group - two dark shaped forms:

These could have been tail wings. But since they were in no regular formation, and seemed to be moving irregularly like a swarm of bees why shouldn't all of them have had wings? The loud roar suggests they may have been much closer and rather small. The sky background was hazy blue with the sun behind. One plane towing a lot of balloons, the witness thought, would have been easily recognized.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date **30 June 1947** Incident # 78
2. Time **0910 MST**
3. Location **Near Williams Field over Grand Canyon, Arizona**
4. Name of observer **Lt William G. McGinty, USN**
5. Occupation of observer **P-80 student, Williams Fld, Chandler, Ariz.**
6. Address of observer **Williams Fld., Chandler, Ariz.**
7. Place of observation **plane**
8. Number of objects **2**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **N/S**
11. Altitude **decreasing from 25,000 ft**
12. Speed **"inconceivable"**
13. Direction of flight **straight down**
14. Tactics **N/S**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **8 ft in dia.**
17. Color **~~sixesbar~~ Light gray**
18. Shape **circular**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **N/S**
22. Weather conditions **N/S**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **none**
25. Manner of disappearance **Seemed to have hit ground some 25 miles south of the South Rim of Grand Canyon, Arizona**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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On 30 June 1947 at about 0910 MST, William G. McGinty, P-80 pilot was flying at 25,000 feet over Grand Canyon, Arizona, heading south towards Williams Field, Arizona, when he saw 2 round objects going at inconceivable speeds straight down. One of the unidentifiable objects followed the other seconds apart. Due to their speed he could see only that they were circular and possibly light gray in color. In his opinion the objects were approximately 8 feet in diameter. He estimated that the objects would have probably hit the ground approximately 25 miles south of the South Rim of Grand Canyon, Ariz.

AGENT'S NOTES: Lt McGinty gave his permanent address as: N. A. M. T. C.,
Point Hugu, Port Hueneme, Calif.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 79

1. Date April 1947
2. Time 1100 E Pibal Observation
3. Location N/S - presumably Richmond, Va.
4. Name of observer Mr. Minozewski
5. Occupation of observer Weather reporters
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Richmond, Va.
8. Number of objects 3 -4 separate sightings
9. Distance of object from observer high altitude
10. Time in sight 15 seconds
11. Altitude high altitude
12. Speed rapid
13. Direction of flight east to west
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size Larger than pibal balloon when observed thru a theodolite
17. Color metallic grey or silver
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions clear
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Mr. Minozewski observed a strange metallic disk on three occasions thru the theodolite while making his pibal observation during a six-months period. Mr Minozewski last observed the disk in April 1947 at 1100 E Pibal Observation when the balloon was at 15,000 ft. He followed it for 15 seconds. It was moving on level flight from east to west to the far north of the station. The object was a metallic like chrome - shaped something like an ellipse with a flat level bottom and a dome like-round top. ~~The disk appeared below the (weather)~~ The disk appeared below the (weather) balloon, was much larger in size (in the instrument) and shown like silver. It was impossible to estimate the height or speed of the disk except that it appeared to be moving rather rapidly.

Miss Baron, a co-worker observed the disk when her balloon was at about 27,000 ft. She thought the color to be a dull metallic luster.

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Incident # **80**

1. Date **7 July 1947**
2. Time **2230-2300**
3. Location **Arlington, Va.**
4. Name of observer **James A. Cobb**
5. Occupation of observer **Lt Col., AO**
6. Address of observer **N/S**
7. Place of observation **Arlington, Va. - 2807 N. Glebe Road.**
8. Number of objects **1**
9. Distance of object from observer **3/4 mile**
10. Time in sight **2-3 seconds**
11. Altitude **less than 500 ft**
12. Speed **that of jet**
13. Direction of flight **SOUTH EAST**
14. Tactics **N/S**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **Small plane**
17. Color **Reflected white light**
18. Shape **"blob"**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **None**
22. Weather conditions **Scattered clouds - Visibility: 10-12 mi.**
23. Effect on clouds **None**
24. Sketches or photographs **2**
25. Manner of disappearance **behind trees**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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Observed from a bedroom window as a blob of light crossing at very high speed estimated by observer at approx 1350 MPH. "In color, the object had the appearance of a reflected white light, a cool bright white light with no red in it, like the moon on a clear night."

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date **7 July 1947** Incident # **81**
2. Time **0900 hours**
3. Location **Hickam Village #2**
4. Name of observer **Mr. Daniel Saito**
5. Occupation of observer **Air Communications Sections, Hawama, Hickam Fld.**
6. Address of observer **N/S - Could be contacted at Hickam Fld**
7. Place of observation **vicinity of Hickam Village#2**
8. Number of objects **1 - a large balloon with a silver disc suspended below it.**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **few minutes**
11. Altitude **6,000 ft**
12. Speed **slow**
13. Direction of flight **NW toward sea**
14. Tactics **revolved**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size ~~large balloon~~ **N/S**
17. Color **silver**
18. Shape **spherical - like large balloon with disc attached**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **N/S**
22. Weather conditions **cloudy**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **lost among the clouds**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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Mr Saite's attention was attracted by a flashing object in the sky. He stated that this object had the appearance of a large balloon with a silver disc (not unlike a camera lens) suspended below it. Although he could not distinguish a cable connecting the two objects he assumed that they were attached since they kept the same distance apart and seemed to move in unison. It was at approximately 6,000 ft and slowly ascending moving in a northwesterly direction toward the sea. He observed the object several minutes during which time the silver disc attachment flashed off and on which he attributed to the rays of the sun striking it as it revolved. He discontinued watching after a few minutes and upon trying to locate it again could not do so owing to the cloudiness.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 82

1. Date **Between 17 & 21 May 1947**
2. Time **Just after dusk - (2030 & 2100)**
3. Location **Oklahoma City, Okla.**
4. Name of observer **Byron B. Savage**
5. Occupation of observer **Field Engineer for Radio Corp of Amer.
Holder of a private pilot's license**
6. Address of observer **416 N. W. 29th St., Oklahoma City, Okla.**
7. Place of observation **As above**
8. Number of objects **1**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **15 - 20 seconds**
11. Altitude **10,000 - 18,000 ft**
12. Speed **3 times that of jet**
13. Direction of flight **160° south to 350° N**
14. Tactics **straight flight**
15. Sound **loud swishing sound after passage**
16. Size **bulk of six B-29's**
17. Color **frosty white**
18. Shape **Round but disc-like with no protrusions**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **None**
22. Weather conditions **N/S**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **flew out of sight**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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Savage stated that he realized that the object was not a conventional aircraft when it was at a 45° angle from him. It appeared elliptical and as it moved closer it seemed perfectly round and flat. It had no appearance of being spherical and had a ratio of diameter to the thickness of approximately 10 to 1, appearing thicker in the center. He judged the altitude to be between 10,000 to 18,000 ft and the object left no trailing effects. The bulk seemed to be that of 6 B-29's at an altitude of approximately the same height. The speed was 3 times that of a jet-propelled aircraft. There were no protrusions and there was no noise altho he thought he detected a swishing sound "like the rushing of air" after this object had passed him. The sound was not loud and did not last very long. He did not know if it was his imagination or expectation. The color appeared frosty white at all times. The object appeared to diminish in size and speed as it moved away in a direction of 350° to the north. Savage was sure that the object was not a meteor and it was his opinion that it was radically built and power - possibly atomic.

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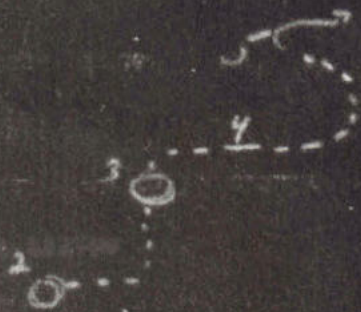
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Incident # **83**

1. Date **9 July 1947**
2. Time **About 12:17**
3. Location **Between Boise & Meridian**
4. Name of observer **David N. Johnson**
5. Occupation of observer **N/S**
6. Address of observer **Boise, Idaho**
7. Place of observation **Air**
8. Number of objects **1**
9. Distance of object from observer **over a mile**
10. Time in sight **10-30 seconds**
11. Altitude **N/S**
12. Speed **great**
13. Direction of flight
14. Tactics **slow roll, climbed with jerky rising motion**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **25 cent piece**
17. Color **black**
18. Shape **round**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **N/S**
22. Weather conditions **part cloudy**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **sketch of movement**
25. Manner of disappearance **lost sight of the object**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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Observer flying a National Guard AT-6 was on an easterly heading pointing toward Gowen Fld and had flown that course for a minute when there appeared in the left hand portion of his field of vision a round black object. Due to its erratic movement he first thought it a weather balloon. Calling the weather station he ascertained that no release had been made for several hours. He then exposed 10 second's duration of 8 mm motion picture film. Centering his gaze once more on the object he observed it to roll so that its edge was presented. At this time it flashed once in the sunlight. It then appeared as a thin black line. Then it performed a maneuver which looked as if it had begun a slow roll - (barrel roll) which instead of being completed was broken off at about the 180° point. The object rolled out of the top of the maneuver at this point and observer lost sight of it. Performance viewed against background of clouds. Object appeared relatively as the size of a twenty-five cent piece. Observer could not estimate the speed. He thought tho that it was very great



The above design portrays the movements of the object. At all times the object appeared black. Positions (1) (2) and (3) show the jerky rising motion. Position (4) is where it rolled presenting its edge to the observer. It then followed the dotted line, rolling over the top of the maneuver and disappearing at position (5).

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 84

1. Date 7 July 1947
2. Time between 1300 and 1400 hours EST
3. Location 1 mile east of Lakeland, Fla
4. Name of observer Mr. Hiram William Griffin
5. Occupation of observer "sign painter" previously cab-driver
amateur artist. Also former 2d-class seaman in U. S. Navy
6. Address of observer 602 N. Tennessee Ave., Lakeland, Fla
7. Place of observation 1 mile east of Lakeland, Fla - ground
8. Number of objects 5
9. Distance of object from observer N/S one mile
10. Time in sight 15 - 30 seconds
11. Altitude between 5,000 to 7,500 ft
12. Speed very fast
13. Direction of flight N/S - upward
14. Tactics climbed 2500 feet in just a few seconds
15. Sound swishing noise that seemed to sing with a more or less
shrill whine.
16. Size N/S
17. Color "glittery"
18. Shape N/S - seemed "turtle-backed" from ~~maxxxxxix~~ photograph
submitted
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction plastic appearance
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions Clear with scattered clouds
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs photograph
25. Manner of disappearance climbed out of sight
26. Remarks: (over)

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While walking on U. S. Highway #92 7 July 47, at approximately 1 mile east of Lakeland, Fla., between 1300 and 1400 hours observer's attention was attracted skyward by a swishing noise which seemed to sing with a shrill whine. He saw 5 shiny objects going upward from 5,000 ft to approximately 7,500 feet in just a few seconds (between 15 - 30). They were traveling northeast and in an upward direction as they disappeared in flight. He thought they were a mile from him when first sighted. Griffin observed 2 spots on either side of the missile and an additional spot in the center which he believed to be the tail. The objects did not have wings and the witness thought they were jet jets. It appeared to him that the leading jet (of plastic appearance) was towing the four other shining objects.

NOTES: Griffin made a model of what he saw and forwarded it as an exhibit.
(See file)

PERTINENT FACTS: He is a very excitable person, very talkative possessing an exaggerated imagination and inclined to impress people with his continuous verbal chatter. Questioning of neighbors & associates disclosed that he belonged to no subversive organization.

Evaluation of source: "B"; of information "3"

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date **6 July 1947** Incident # **86**
2. Time **N/S**
3. Location **Hollywood, Calif**
4. Name of observer **M. Lenore Corey**
5. Occupation of observer **N/S**
6. Address of observer **23 2636 Magnolia Ave., Los Angeles, Calif**
7. Place of observation **from bus terminal**
8. Number of objects **"several"**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **N/S**
11. Altitude **N/S**
12. Speed **great speed**
13. Direction of flight **northward - parallel to Ventura Blvd.**
14. Tactics **"rolled"**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **N/S**
17. Color **N/S**
18. Shape **"saucer"**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **N/S**
22. Weather conditions **sunlight**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **N/S**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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Observer was mostly concerned with the accompanying ray phenomena rather than with the "saucers" themselves.

Perceived what appeared to be milky white rays in the sunlight which seemed to cross and recross each other like searchlights at night. It did not appear as reflected light for the rays were not spaced and were not as close together and they "cris-crossed". However, they did seem to converge toward a center but did not meet in that center. In the vortex - a radius of about 18 inches (it seemed from where observer sat) that there were spinning objects of some red substance about the color of the semi-precious report "Cornelian". These fragments were sharp and irregular and shining. They were flying as if to a magnet. This effect was momentary. Witness then looked to see if the "saucers" were still there. They were but the same illusion occurred again and observer was again conscious of the secondary phenomena. But by this time the "Saucers" were out of sight.

NOTE: Observer seemed to be speculating on ray warfare, but did not think that "our army would shoot deadly rays over a crowded highway"

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date **N/S -** Incident # **87**
2. Time **evening**
3. Location **Germany**
4. Name of observer **Robert J. Sroka**
5. Occupation of observer **N/S**
6. Address of observer **469 N. Washington Ave., Waukesha, Wis.**
7. Place of observation **Germany - 20 miles NW of Habberbishopsheim**
8. Number of objects **1**
9. Distance of object from observer **3 to 10 miles to their front to 1 mile**
10. Time in sight **~~approximately 5,000 feet high~~**
11. Altitude **Approximately 5,000 ft high at first then descending**
12. Speed **slow**
13. Direction of flight **N/S**
14. Tactics **oscillating descent - dropping in a spiral motion**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **N/S**
17. Color **N/S**
18. Shape **N/S**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **N/S**
22. Weather conditions **N/S**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **Appeared to drop**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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Observer after reading reports about disc-shaped aircraft recalled a nearly forgotten incident which occurred some 20 miles NW of Habberbischpshiem, Germany after the last war.

Object first sighted some 8 to 10 miles to observers' front - at approx 5,000 ft high. It rapidly approached, descending slowly. About a mile away it stopped its horizontal motion but continued a slow oscillating ~~down~~ descent similar to a descending parachute. Then it suddenly dropped in a spiral motion. Tried to locate the place where it fell but it became too dark. The first impression of the observer was that it was a cloud but it was traveling at right angles to the wind.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 88

1. Date **3 Aug 1947**
2. Time **late afternoon**
3. Location **Hackensack, N. J.**
4. Name of observer **Charles Casella, Jr. 287 Euclid Ave, Hackensack
Wm Truex, U. S. Army, Ft. Dix**
5. Occupation of observer **N/S**
6. Address of observer **See 4 above**
7. Place of observation **Hackensack, N. J.**
8. Number of objects **1**
9. Distance of object from observer **200 yds**
10. Time in sight **N/S**
11. Altitude **200 yds**
12. Speed **rapid**
13. Direction of flight **N/S**
14. Tactics **revolved slowly**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **N/S**
17. Color **N/S**
18. Shape **N/S**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **N/S**
22. Weather conditions **N/S**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **N/S**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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Charles Casella, Jr. and William Truex, US Army, Ft. Dix, N. J. sighted a flying disc in late afternoon 3 August 47. Claimed it was 200 yds in air, revolving slowly but moving rapidly and was neither a kite nor a balloon.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 89

1. Date 6 July 1947
2. Time 1:45 P. M.
3. Location 100 miles west of Kansas City, Missouri
4. Name of observer Maj Archie B. Browning
5. Occupation of observer Maj, Air Corps, pilot of B-25
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation air
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer 10 miles
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 11,000 ft
12. Speed 210 MPH
13. Direction of flight Eastward
14. Tactics observed horizontal flight
15. Sound N/S
16. Size 30-50 ft in diameter
17. Color very bright and silvery colored
18. Shape round
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions CAVU
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S Disappeared when pilot started to turn into it.
26. Remarks: (over)

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On 6 July 1947 while flying from Ogden, Utah, to Kansas City, Mo, at 10,000 ft in a B-25 pilot noticed a very bright object low and to his left, approximately 10 miles away. Time was 1:45 P. M. and position was approximately 100 miles west of Kansas City. His first impression was that it was the top of a water tank. After checking his position he again looked to his left (elapsed time 5 seconds). He saw a round, disc shaped object, very bright and silvery colored which seemed to be flying 1 to 2 miles off his left wing at 11 o'clock position at 11,000 ft. The brightness of the object was very great. Diameter of the object was estimated as 30-50 feet. It was traveling in the same direction at the same rate of speed (210 MPH) as the observer. However, when he started to turn into it, it completely disappeared. Weather conditions at the time were CAVU.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date **29 June 1947** Incident # **90**
2. Time **1:00 and 1:30 P. M.**
3. Location **Highway 17 between Las Cruces, N. M. & White Sands V-2 firing grounds**
4. Name of observer **Mr. J. R. Kauke, Mr. Zohn, Mr. C. C. Rockwood, & Mrs. Nancy Rockwood.**
5. Occupation of observer **Mr. Zohn - Admin Assis in Rocket Sonde Section NRL Mr. Rockwood, NRL Rocket Sonde high altitude spectrograph scientist, &**
6. Address of observer **N/S** **Mr. Kauke, Telemetering supervis**
7. Place of observation **highway 17 - ground**
8. Number of objects **1**
9. Distance of object from observer **N/S**
10. Time in sight **30 seconds**
11. Altitude **between 8,000 and 10,000 ft**
(Mr. Zohn put little credence in the estimates)
12. Speed **rapid velocity**
13. Direction of flight **northerly direction**
14. Tactics **horizontal flight**
15. Sound **N/S**
16. Size **N/S**
17. Color **N/S**
18. Shape **uniform - no protuberances such as wings of a plane**
19. Odor detected **N/S**
20. Apparent construction **N/S**
21. Exhaust trails **Mr. Kauke thought at one time there were vapor trails**
22. Weather conditions **sunlight**
23. Effect on clouds **N/S**
24. Sketches or photographs **None**
25. Manner of disappearance **receded until lost from sight**
26. Remarks: **(over)**

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Mr. Kauke who was driving the car noticed the object first. He called it to the attention of the other occupants. Mr. Zohn thereupon opened the window nearest him and observed the object moving at an unknown rapid velocity at an unknown altitude (which he estimated at 10,000 ft) and which Mr. Kauke thought was between 8,000 and 10,000 feet. When first sighted the object was to their right and forward of the automobile at an unstated elevation and apparently moving horizontally in a Northerly direction such as to cross the highway from right to left. The object was seen by all the occupants of the machine. Mr. Zohn could observe no details other than the shape was uniform with no protuberances such as the wings of a plane. It was too distant to enable stereoscopic visualization. There was some solar specular reflection which seemed to change in intensity as the object receded until lost from sight (after an estimated 30 seconds from the time first noticed.) Mr. Zohn could not explain how it disappeared except that he thought the reflection angle could have changed abruptly. The sun was to the rear of the automobile. Mr. Kauke thought at one time he saw vapor trails.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 91

1. Date 28 June 1947
2. Time 2120 Central Time
3. Location Maxwell Fld., Montgomery, Ala.
4. Name of observer Capt Wilson H. Kayko, O-38841, Hq TAG
Capt John H. Cantrell, O-255404, Hq, TAG
1st Lt. Theodore Dewey, O-2094172, Hq TAG
5. Occupation of observer Capt. Redman, Randolph Fld., Texas
See above
6. Address of observer See above
7. Place of observation Maxwell Field, Ala
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight Over 5 minutes
11. Altitude impossible to determine - great height
12. Speed frequent bursts of speed
13. Direction of flight changing - zig-zag course - first east, then south
then southwest
14. Tactics traveled with frequent bursts of speed in a zig-zag course
15. Sound No audible sound
16. Size slightly greater than a star
17. Color N/S - brilliant light
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction "light"
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions clear moon-light night
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs ~~None in our file~~ None in our file altho letter
of transmittal indicates one was sent
25. Manner of disappearance lost in brilliancy of the moon
26. Remarks: (over)

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At approximately 2120 Central time, a light, with a brilliance slightly greater than a star appeared from the West traveling in an easterly direction at a high rate of speed. It first appeared slightly above the horizon of a clear moon-light night. There was no audible sound. It appeared to be at great height altho it was impossible to determine the altitude. It traveled a zig-zag course with frequent bursts of speed similar to a water but as it spurts and stops across the surface of water. Directly overhead it changed course 90° into the South. After 5 minutes it turned southwest and was lost in the brilliancy of the moon. At 2145 Central it was no longer possible to observe it.

A call was placed to Maxwell Fld operations concerning the phenomena and inquiry was made if any experimental aircraft were scheduled for a flight in the vicinity but the reply was negative. No plausible explanation was offered for the unusual action of this source of light which acted contrary to any common aerodynamical laws. Two of the above noted observers were rated pilots and the other two, air intelligence officers.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 92

1. Date 19 May 1947
2. Time 1215-1315
3. Location Pikes Peak Railway, Manitou Springs, Colorado
4. Name of observer Mr. D. A. Hauser, Mr. F. J. Smith, & Mr. L. D. Jamison
5. Occupation of observer employes of Rk Pikes Peak Railway
6. Address of observer Pikes Peak Railway, Manitou Springs, Colorado
7. Place of observation Manitou Springs, Colorado
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude Over 1,000 feet
12. Speed Not determined - but very rapid
13. Direction of flight westward
14. Tactics climbing diving and reversal of direction of flight
hovering
15. Sound N/S
16. Size Could not be determined
17. Color silver
18. Shape Could not be determined
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions CAVU - no ground wind
23. Effect on clouds No clouds
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance climbing very fast towards the West
26. Remarks: (over)

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During their lunch period (1215-1315) 19 May 1947 a member of a train crew called attention to a silver object in the sky approaching from the Northeast. It appeared to be traveling at great speed. The object appeared extremely small and therefore the altitude could not be estimated. It did appear higher than the top of Manitou Mountain which is some 1,000 feet higher than the city. No definite shape could be determined even with the aid of 4-6 power binoculars. The men were certain that the object was not a conventional aircraft since it did not have any of the physical characteristics. Upon reaching the area just north of Manitou the object remained in the area for several minutes during which time it executed maneuvers such as climbing, diving and reversal of flight. This happened every few seconds. The distance and location between views prompted two of the men to think that there may have been more of the objects in the sky. At times it seemed to hover and then it would start on another flight path. When last seen the silver object was climbing very fast towards the west almost directly into the wind.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 93

1. Date 11 Jan 48
2. Time 1630
3. Location Hartford, Conn.
4. Name of observer Kenneth M. Helton
James J. Pargoe
5. Occupation of observer Captains, USAF (ATC)
6. Address of observer Atlantic Division, ATC (Sq. "D" Air Evac.)
7. Place of observation Hartford, Conn.
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed Unknown - very high velocity
13. Direction of flight shooting toward earth at 45°
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound None
16. Size Resembled shooting star, observers not certain however.
17. Color bluish center, red on the edges
18. Shape Appeared to be disc
19. Odor detected None
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails No tail or trails
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance Dropped out of sight on the north side
of Mt. Tom which is near Holyoke, Mass.
26. Remarks:

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Object appeared to be a disc which had a bluish center was red on its edges and was traveling at a very high velocity. It had no tail nor did it leave any sort of a trail in the air. Because of its high velocity and the short space of time that it was sighted neither observer could be certain of the size but in general, report it resembled a shooting star. It dropped out of sight on the north side of Mt. Tom which is near Holyoke, Mass.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 94

1. Date 30 Dec 47
2. Time 1926 PST
3. Location 42° 9.3' N and 114° 22.2' W
4. Name of observer Lt Col W.W. Jones
Maj A. A. Andrae
5. Occupation of observer USAF pilots
6. Address of observer Hq, Eastern Pacific Wing of ATC
7. Place of observation See #3
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S - at 2:30 position from plane
10. Time in sight 2 seconds
11. Altitude A/C was at 13,000'. Object was descending vertically.
12. Speed Very high - unknown
13. Direction of flight Vertically down
14. Tactics seemed to slow as it neared the ground
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S trailed intense green and blue flames
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails See #17 - trailed intense green and blue flames
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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While enroute from Great Falls, Montana, to Fairfield-Suisun AF on the night of 30 Dec 47, a possible rocket sighting was made by pilot (Lt Col W. W. Jones, Hq. EPW) and co-pilot (Maj A. A. Andras, Hq., EPW) Airplane was cruising at 13000 ft. An unidentifiable object trailing green and blue flames was viewed for a period of 2 seconds. The object was descending vertically at a very high rate of speed and seemed to slow down slightly upon nearing the ground. The object appeared at a position of 2:30 o'clock in relation to the plane and the flames were intensely bright.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 95

1. Date 30 Dec 47
2. Time 1925 PST
3. Location Rosedale, Calif (38° 58' N., 123° 53' W)
4. Name of observer N/S (C-47 crew)
5. Occupation of observer -
6. Address of observer Sacramento Air Depot C-47 #7488
7. Place of observation Rosedale, Calif
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude low
12. Speed very high
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound None
16. Size N/S
17. Color ~~Several colors of flame with red & green predominating~~ N/S
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails several colors of flame with red & green predominating
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs N/S
25. Manner of disappearance disappeared eastward toward some hills
at approximately 38° 50' N, 121° 02' W.
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26. Remarks:

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A report received at Fairfield-Suisun tower from McClellan Airfield Tower at Sacramento stated a report was received from Sacramento Air Depot C-47 #7488 flying near Rosedale, Calif. to the effect that an object was sighted at 1925 P.S. time trailing several colors of flame with red and green predominating. It was traveling at very high speed and low altitude eastward toward some hills at approximately $38^{\circ}50' N$, $121^{\circ}02' W$. McClellan tower asked the pilot to investigate and at 1958 the pilot reported a small fire at $38^{\circ}50' N$ and $120^{\circ}53' W$ which became considerably larger. Fairfield tower requested a local night flying C-47 to also investigate the fire for possible aircraft accident and the pilot reported over the fire at 1937 P. S. time at a position of $38^{\circ}50' N$ and $120^{\circ}53' W$. The fire was burning in a triangular shape over a small area and went out at 2155. Two particular points in the fire seemed to burn with a bright blue-green flame

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 96

1. Date 30 Dec 1947
2. Time 1925 PST
3. Location 30 miles west of Lovelock, Nevada
4. Name of observer N/S (motorist on US highway #40)
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation See 3 (39° 58' N, 118° 53' W)
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 12 to 13 hundred feet above the ground
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics None
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance exploded
26. Remarks: (over)

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Incident # 94

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The Fairfield control tower obtained a report at approximately 2300 EST, 30 Dec 47 from Hamilton Fld. Flight Control, that a motorist on US Highway #40 30 miles west of Lovelock, Nevada, (approximately 39° 53' N, 118° 53' W) had seen an object explode in the air at 1926, 1200 to 1300 feet in the air.

Would appear to be connected with Incidents 49 94, 95 and 97.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 30 Dec 47 Incident # 97
2. Time 1925 PST
3. Location Between Medford, Oregon & Mt. Shasta, Calif.
4. Name of observer N/S (United Airline Flight #191)
5. Occupation of observer Pilot on Flight #191 as above
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation on airways between Medford, Oregon & Mt Shasta
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs none
25. Manner of disappearance N/S - saw flash - presumably an explosion
26. Remarks: (over)

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Incident #97

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The Fairfield Control tower obtained a report from Oakland Airport Flight Control (CAA) at approximately 2315 PST, 30 Dec 1947 that United Airlines Flight 191 proceeding on airways between Medford, Oregon, and Mt. Shasta observed a flash at 1925 PST just north of their position.

See incidents 94, 95, & 96.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 2 November 1947 Incident # 98
2. Time just before break of day
3. Location Anderson Road, Houston, Texas
4. Name of observer Mr. & Mrs. Elmer L. Brimberry
5. Occupation of observer ~~N/S~~ Employee of Immigration Svc, Dept of Justice
6. Address of observer Anderson Road, Houston, Texas
7. Place of observation their home while lying in bed
8. Number of objects 1
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude N/S - it appeared to fall in a field adjacent their residence
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight earthward
14. Tactics "spinning"
15. Sound N/S
16. Size ~~large~~ - 26 to 30 inches in diameter
17. Color fire
18. Shape round
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction ~~N~~ "fireball"
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance suddenly "went out" just before it reached the earth.
26. Remarks: (over)

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Incident occurred just before break of day. Object appeared^{to Mrs Brimberry} as a large round ball of fire about 26 to 30 inches in diameter with a "tail" of approximately 20 feet in length. This "tail" seemed to diminish as it approached the ground. It appeared to have suddenly "gone out" just before it reached the earth. It possibly could have hit the ground a great distance away but it seemed to have landed in the open vacant field adjacent the house. This field is about 18 ~~acres~~ acres in area. Mr. Brimberry described the object as being "almost round, maybe a little oval or saucer-shaped and giving off a bright light. It appeared to be spinning. He did not see the tail when he observed the object.

This incident occurred just before sun-up and it was pretty light outside.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 99

1. Date 3 Jan 1948
2. Time N/S
3. Location Military Attache, Helsinki, Finland (official source of information)
4. Name of observer Helsinki Press, 10th Jan 48. Finland (USMILATTACHE AMLEGATION Helsinki Finland sgd Burrill)
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer Helsinki, Finland
7. Place of observation Vaasa, Finland
8. Number of objects One (1)
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 30 seconds
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight west to east
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color Shining
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails Long tail
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: Helsinki press 10th January reported observation of light phenomena vicinity Vaasa 3rd January brightly shining object with long tail moved west to east visible for 30 seconds. 206

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

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1. Date 5 Jan 1948 Incident # 100
2. Time N/S
3. Location Military Attache, Helsinki Finland (official source of information)
4. Name of observer N/S
5. Occupation of observer N/S
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Pietarsaari, Finland
8. Number of objects One (1)
9. Distance of object from observer N/S
10. Time in sight 10 Seconds
11. Altitude N/S
12. Speed N/S
13. Direction of flight north to south
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound N/S
16. Size N/S
17. Color Shining
18. Shape N/S
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails Grey streaks were left in the sky.
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: A shining object was seen near Pietarsaari 5th Jan which was observed 5th Jan for 10 seconds. It was going from north to south. Eyewitnesses state flames were ejected and grey streaks left in the sky

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