

- MKC -

0630Z - E 120 @ 250 @ SLTD ALL

0930Z - 300 - @ (1006)

STAY

IRK-

0630Z - 80 @ E 120 @ (T)

0730Z - E 90 @ 140 @ 150 @

0830Z - 90 @ 140 @ E 350 - @

1230Z - 250 @ 350 - @

1330Z - O - FWC

- MKC -

0630Z - E 120 @ 250 @ SLTD ALL

0930Z - 300 - @ (1006)

STAY

IRK-

0630Z 800 E 120 @ (T)

0730Z - E 90 @ 140 @ 150 @

0830Z 90 @ 140 @ E 350 - @

1230Z 250 @ 350 - @

1330Z - O - FWC

$.0 - .0.4 = \textcircled{0}$ clear
 $.0^4 - .6 = \textcircled{1}$ scattered
 $.6 - .9.0 = \textcircled{11}$ broken co
 $1.0 = \textcircled{+}$ co

~~Breaks~~

(BINO VC) = ~~Breaks~~ Breaks in overcast.

4542

08 0345Z WX INFO.

0130Z - E140 ^{MKC} ~~MO~~ KAN. CITY MO0230Z - E140 ~~MO~~0330Z - E140 ~~MO~~ RW- 10700430Z - E120 ~~MO~~ RW- BINOC0530Z - E120 ~~MO~~ 250 ~~MO~~ (SLTD ACC)-IRK- KIRKSVILLE, MO.0130Z - 100 ~~MO~~ E250 ~~MO~~0230Z - E100 ~~MO~~ 250 ~~MO~~0330Z - E50 ~~MO~~ 100 ~~MO~~ BINOC0430Z - E100 ~~MO~~ 250 ~~MO~~0530Z - 80 ~~MO~~ 120 ~~MO~~ VIRGA S BINOC-STJ- ST. JOSEPH - MO.0130Z - 60 ~~MO~~ E120 ~~MO~~0230Z - 60 ~~MO~~ 120 ~~MO~~ 250 - ~~MO~~0330Z - 60 ~~MO~~ 120 ~~MO~~ 12600430Z - E120 ~~MO~~0530Z - 120 ~~MO~~ 250 - ~~MO~~0630Z - 120 ~~MO~~ 250 - ~~MO~~ Acc All Quads0930Z - 250 - ~~MO~~ (1086) (few Acc N)1230Z - E250 ~~MO~~1330Z 100 ~~MO~~ 160 ~~MO~~ E250 ~~MO~~

STAY

Concur with ~~your~~ conclusion of Preparing Officer.
~~that that this was a Mars~~ that ^{nature of} this sighting
 was of astronomical ^{astro} ~~natural~~ (Mars). ~~It is~~ coupled with an optical phenomenon
 further submitted that sighting was
 caused by a combination of astronomical
 and optical phenomena. An evaluation
 of possibly astro is being assigned from
 the following reasons.

- ^{slowly ascending} 1. Although ~~position~~ ~~color~~, size, ~~shape~~, color,
~~movement~~, back and forth motion, and position
 conform to criteria for a Mars hypothesis,
 several contradictory statements do not tend
 to substantiate a Mars hypothesis. They are:
- ^{source's statement}
 a) Object disappeared at a high rate of
 speed apparently by fading out.
 b) A halo effect remained upon disappearance
 of object.

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One (1) large plane-shaped object. Resembled large aircraft at approximately 10,000 feet altitude. Color was red. Object moved with great maneuverability and speed; flight path varied in all directions; stopped at times and speed varied. Object was observed visually for twenty-three (23) minutes and left area of observation with tremendous burst of speed. Halo effect remained after disappearance.

Comments:

Complete follow-up investigation was assigned to ~~Det~~ Det 2, 4602nd AFS on 15 Aug 56. AF Form 112 will follow.

What color & shape did mass have was.

1. Did mass appear similar to object in color, shape etc. How long was mass observed.
2. How did object disappear again? Did it disappear behind clouds.
3. How long did Halo remain.

08/0345Z Aug 56

Wt. Joseph

0230 Z 6,000 scattered 12,000 scattered 25,000 broken
 0330 Z 6,000 " 12,000 " 12,000 clear
 0430 Z 12,000 broken

Kan City

0230 Z 6,000 scatt 12,000 scatt 25,000 broken
 0330 Z 6,000 " 12,000 " " clear
 0430 12,000 - broken

EN001 ENA015 YMB001 KFA163

MM RJEDEN RJEDWP RJEPHQ

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M 092215Z

FM COMDR 4715TH GND OBSR SQ GRANDVIEW AFB MO

TO RJEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO

ZEN/COMDR 20TH ADIV GRANDVIEW AFB MO

RJEDWP/COMDR AIR TECH INTELL CTR WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEPHQ/DIR OF INTELL HQ USAF WASHINGTON 25 DC

BT

/UNCLASSIFIED/ ADJ 0011 PD "UFOB" CLN FOLG INFO SUBM IAW AFR 200-2 PD

(1) A. LARGE PLANE.

B. RESEMBLED LARGE A/C AT APRX 10,000 FT ALT.

C. RED

D. ONE

E. N/A

F. NONE

G. HALO EFFECT REMAINED AFTER UFOB LEFT.

H. NONE

I. MOVED WITH GREAT MANEUVERABILITY AND SPEED

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DATE-TIME GROUP 08/0325Z Aug 56
GOWER, MISSOURI

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(2) A. RED GLOW

B. OVERHEAD

C. OVERHEAD

D. FLIGHT PATH VARIED IN ALL DIRECTIONS. STOPPED AT TIMES. SPEED VARIED.

E. LEFT WITH TREMENDOUS BURST OF SPEED.

F. 23 MINUTES

(3) A. GROUND-VISUAL

B. NONE

C. N/A

(4) A. 0325/8 AUG 56 ZULU TIME

B. NIGHT

(5) LK 2237

(6) WITNESSES INCL 6 ADULTS. NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF FIVE ARE NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME. MR CH [REDACTED], AGE 42, GOWER, MISSOURI (OCCU UNKNOW) CALLED RPT IN TO LT LEVINE AT ST JOSEPH MO GOC FILTER CENTER PD

(7) SCATTERED CLOUDS. NO THUNDERSTORMS IN AREA OR QUADRANT. GOOD VISIBILITY

(8) NONE

(9) NEGATIVE

(10) NO AIR TFC IN AREA (11) RPTD BY LT LEVINE, ST JOSEPH FC- NO COMMENTS.

(12) NO MATERIALS OR PHOTOS

BT

09/2225Z AUG RJEDKF

Sent to Det 2
for invest.
15 Aug 56

(dictator's name) _____

COORDINATION _____

SHEET _____

AISCR _____

AISDC _____

AISOC _____

Long Distance Telephone Call (Outgoing) AISAJ _____

Commander _____

AISOC _____

15 Aug 56 _____

AISAD _____

1602d AISS _____

AISS #13 _____

J.A. Machyowsky/KM/4512 _____

AISPR _____

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: _____

AISDD _____

1. Long distance telephone conversation between Lt. Wuerthner, Det 2, _____
 1602d AISS and Lt. Machyowsky of this Headquarters. _____

AISOP _____

AISOC _____

2. Lt. Machyowsky informed Lt. Wuerthner that this headquarters wanted _____
 Det 2, 1602d AISS to conduct a follow-up investigation of the UFOB reported _____
 in the Gower, Missouri area on 08/0325Z Aug 56. _____

AISFC _____

AISIR _____

3. Lt. Machyowsky stated that the investigation could be conducted either _____
 by a "telephonic 161" or by personal interview, depending on the requirements _____
 of the situation after Lt. Levine, GOC Filter Center, St. Joseph, Missouri, _____
 had been consulted. _____

AISCM _____

AISOU _____

4. Lt. Machyowsky stated that NO TDY will be authorized. _____

AISMS _____

5. Lt. Wuerthner stated that Det 2 would accomplish the necessary _____
 investigation. _____

AISUP _____

Prep By: _____

JOSEPH A MACHYOWSKI, 2/Lt., USAF _____
 Assistant Operations Control Officer _____

Rec Eval _____
 (Circle _____
 one) _____

NONRECORD _____

TEMP _____

PERM _____

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 25 June 1955

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(dictator's name)
COORDINATION
SHEET

AISCR _____

AISDC _____

AISOP

Long Distance Telephone Call

AISAJ _____

Commander
4602d AISS

AISOP

21 Aug 56

AISAD _____

1. Long distance telephone conversation between Lt Wuerthner, Det 2, 4602d AISS and Lt Machyowsky of this headquarters. AISPR _____

AISDD _____

2. Lt Wuerthner related pertinent facts concerning progress of investigation of UFOB sighting in area of Gower, Missouri at 08/0325Z Aug 56. AISOP _____

AISOC _____

3. Lt Wuerthner requested AISS-UFOB code number. AISOC _____

4. Lt Machyowsky stated that the code number was AISS-UFOB-215-56. AISFC _____

AISIR _____

JOSEPH MACHYOWSKY, 2/Lt., USAF
Asst Operational Control Officer

AISCM _____

AISOU _____

AISMS _____

AISUP _____

AISSV _____

Prep by: _____

Recd Eval _____

(Circle
One)

NONRECORD _____

TEMP _____

PERM _____

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25 June 1955

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Lower, Mo

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DE RJEDKF 41

R 081730Z

FM DET 2, 4602D AISS GRANDVIEW AFB MO
TO COMDR 4602D AISS ENT AFB COLO

BT

/UNCLAS/ AISD2 94 PD ATTN: LT MACHYOWSKY CMM AISOC PD REFERENCE DET
TWO UFOB REPORT D2 DASH1 DASH 56 AND OUR FONECON 7 NOVEMBER 56 PD
OTHER SOURCES RECONTACTED AND THEY COULD NOT SUPPLY ANY ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION TO THAT REPORTED BY ME IN OUR FONECON PD END

BT

08/2042Z NOV RJEDKF

Enclosure 1 to Part One

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U. S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes, and will be regarded as confidential material. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that, if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

7 8 56
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

9 50
Hour Minutes

(Circle One): A.M. or P.M.

3. Time zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern

b. Central

c. Mountain

d. Pacific

e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving

b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country

Additional remarks: Observed From GOC. Post

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

Hours Minutes Seconds

5.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.

a. Certain

b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One): a. Bright daylight

b. Dull daylight

c. Bright twilight

d. Just a trace of daylight

e. No trace of daylight

f. Don't remember

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you

b. In back of you

c. To your right

d. To your left

e. Overhead

f. Don't remember

Enc. 1 to Part One

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None
b. A few *IN THE West*
 c. Many
 d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight
 b. Dull moonlight
 c. No moonlight — pitch dark
 d. Don't remember

9. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One):

a. Yes

b. No

c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

(Circle One) **a. A mile or more away** (a distant car)?

b. Several blocks away?

c. A block away?

d. Several yards away?

e. Other _____

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- | | | | |
|---|------------|-----------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time? | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| d. Give off smoke? | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| e. Change brightness? | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape? | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate? | Yes | No | Don't Know |

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved behind: _____

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved in front of: *Heavy cloud bank in far east. object appeared west of clouds and not near the bank.*

14. Did the object appear: (Circle One):

a. Solid?

b. Transparent?

c. Don't Know.

15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

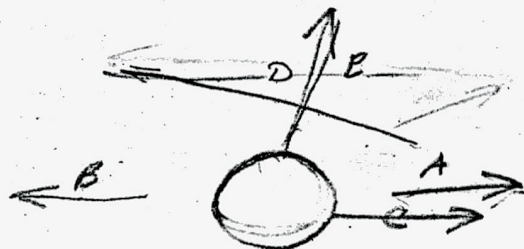
- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-----------|----------------|-----|-----------|
| a. Eyeglasses | Yes | No | e. Binoculars | Yes | No |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | No | f. Telescope | Yes | No |
| c. Windshield | Yes | No | g. Theodolite | Yes | No |
| d. Window glass | Yes | No | h. Other _____ | | |

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

a. Sound none

b. Color Red light

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



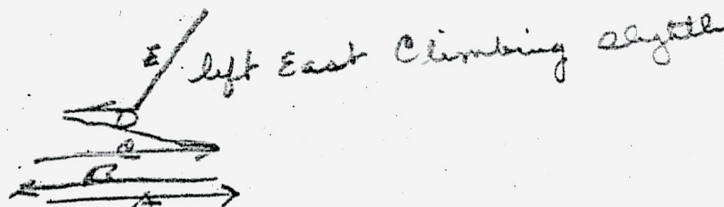
18. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
 - b. Like a bright star
 - c. Sharply outlined
 - d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? _____
 Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.
_____ feet. *impossible to state*

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects held in the hand and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

- a. Head of a pin
- b. Pea
- c. Dime
- d. Nickel
- e. Quarter
- f. Half dollar

g. Silver dollar

h. Baseball

i. Grapefruit

j. Basketball

k. Other _____

- 22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

a. Certain

b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? *Left to the East and rising slightly - Left with great speed - Left as halo or glow that remained after object disappeared from view.*

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

Ball of fire Red in Color

25. Where were you located when you saw the object?
(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building
- b. In a car
- c. Outdoors
- d. In an airplane
- e. At sea
- f. Other _____

26. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
- b. In the residential section of a city?
- c. In open countryside?
- d. Flying near an airfield?
- e. Flying over a city?
- f. Flying over open country?
- g. Other _____

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

Observing from a F.O.C. Post my wife and another lady called myself and the other lady's husband to come out to the post to see an unidentified object they had located

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

28.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

28.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | <u>c. East</u> | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | <u>c. East</u> | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

31.1 When it first appeared:

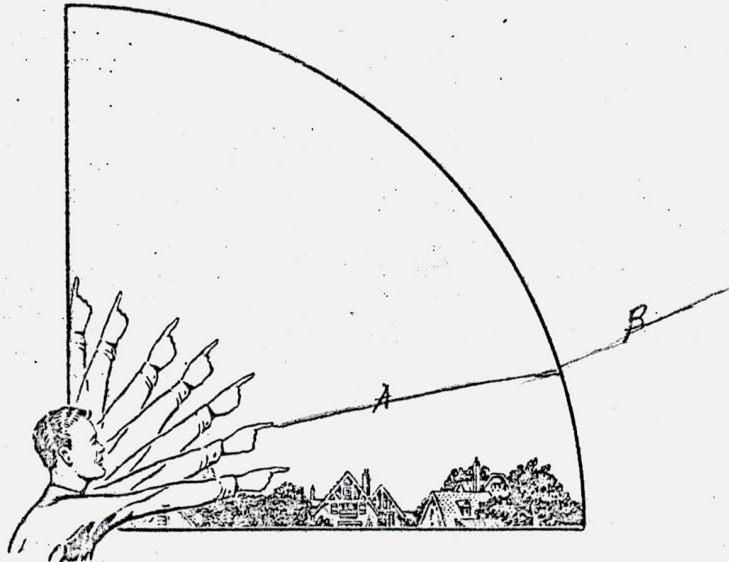
- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

was not present when it first appeared

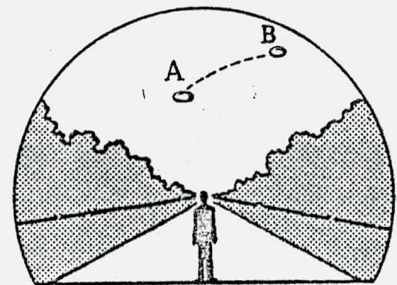
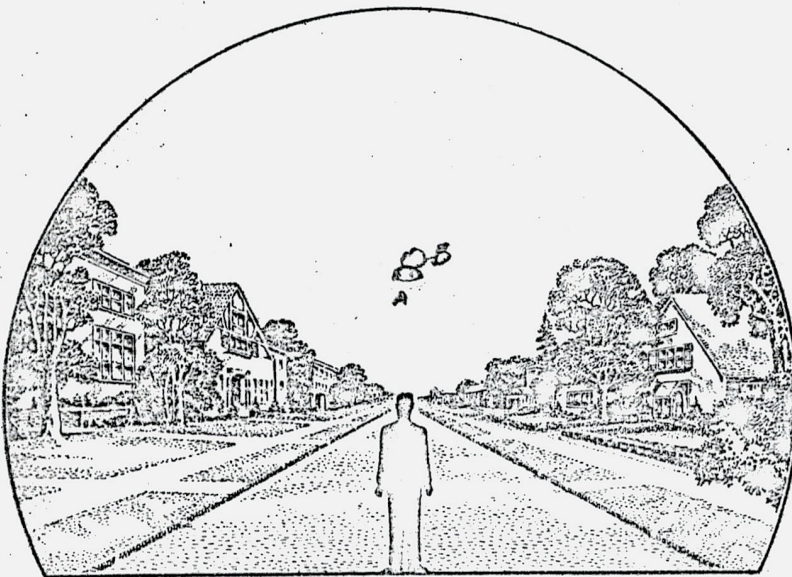
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 92° degrees.
- b. From horizon 23 degrees.

32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it.



33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.



34. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

34.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds *West + Overhead*
- d. Thick or heavy clouds *IN EAST*
- e. Don't remember

34.2 WIND (Circle One)

- a. No wind
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

34.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold
- b. Cool
- c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

7 8 56
Day Month Year

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One) Yes No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Mr + Mrs
Mr + Mrs
Mr + Mrs

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) Yes No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

I don't know

39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

from stationary to very high speeds

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? _____ m.p.h.

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? _____ feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

Gower
City

Zone

Mo
State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

What is your present job?

Assistant

mgr. H. Joseph Light
Power Co.

Age

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Sex

Male

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school ☒

e. e. Technical school

b. High school ☒

(Type)

c. College

BS + BS Ed

f. Other special training

d. Post graduate

Some Graduate work on MA

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

16
Day

8
Month

56
Year

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET
(SUMMARY DATA)

In order that your information may be filed and coded as accurately as possible, please use the following space to write out a short description of the event that you observed. You may repeat information that you have already given in the questionnaire, and add any further comments, statements, or sketches that you believe are important. Try to present the details of the observation in the order in which they occurred. Additional pages of the same size paper may be attached if they are needed.

NAME _____
(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

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1. When did you see the object?

7 Aug 1956
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 9 45
Hour Minutes(Circle One): A.M. or P.M.

3. Time zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern

b. Central

c. Mountain

d. Pacific

e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving

b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

G.O.C. Observation Post
Nearest Postal Address

Hower
City or Town

Mo.
State or Country

Additional remarks: _____

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. _____ 30 _____
Hours Minutes Seconds

5.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One): a. Bright daylight
b. Dull daylight
c. Bright twilight

d. Just a trace of daylight
e. No trace of daylight
f. Don't remember

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you
b. In back of you
c. To your right

d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

Encl 1 to Part Two

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None
- ☒ b. A few
- c. Many
- d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight
- b. Dull moonlight
- ☒ c. No moonlight — pitch dark
- d. Don't remember

9. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One):

☒ a. Yes

b. No

c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

(Circle One) ☒ a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?

b. Several blocks away?

c. A block away?

d. Several yards away?

e. Other _____

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time? | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No | Don't Know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No | Don't Know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| d. Give off smoke? | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No | Don't Know |
| e. Change brightness? | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape? | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate? | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes ☒ No Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: _____

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes ☒ No Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved in front of: _____

14. Did the object appear: (Circle One): ☒ a. Solid? b. Transparent? c. Don't Know.

15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| a. Eyeglasses | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | e. Binoculars | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | f. Telescope | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No |
| c. Windshield | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | g. Theodolite | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No |
| d. Window glass | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No | h. Other _____ | | |

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

a. Sound None

b. Color Reddish

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

○ → E

W ← ○

18. The edges of the object were:

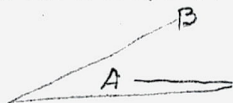
- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
 - ☒ b. Like a bright star
 - c. Sharply outlined
 - d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? _____

Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.
_____ feet. *probably round*

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects held in the hand and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

- a. Head of a pin
- ☒ b. Pea
- c. Dime
- d. Nickel
- e. Quarter
- f. Half dollar

- g. Silver dollar
- h. Baseball
- i. Grapefruit
- j. Basketball
- k. Other _____

- 22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

- a. Certain
- b. Fairly certain

- ☒ c. Not very sure
- d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? *Left with much speed*
appearing to climb somewhat

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

25. Where were you located when you saw the object?
(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building
- b. In a car
- ☒ c. Outdoors
- d. In an airplane
- e. At sea
- f. Other _____

26. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
- b. In the residential section of a city?
- ☒ c. In open countryside?
- d. Flying near an airfield?
- e. Flying over a city?
- f. Flying over open country?
- g. Other _____

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

*Watching for aircraft at the GAC posts - thought
at first it was a plane.*

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

28.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

28.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|--|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | <input checked="" type="radio"/> c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|--|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | <input checked="" type="radio"/> c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

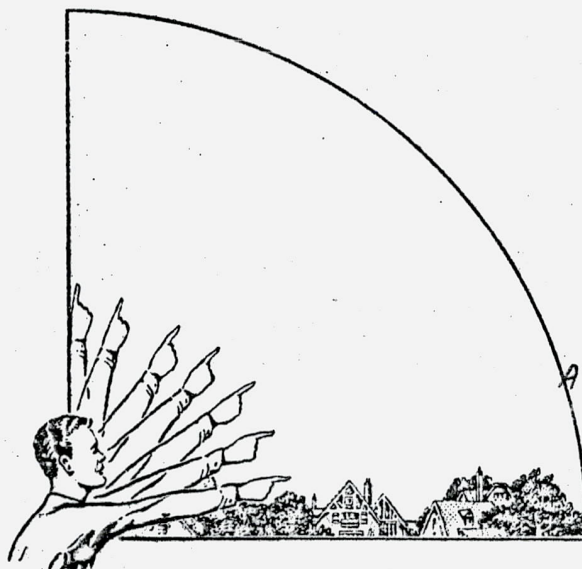
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

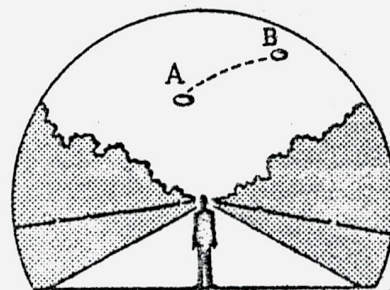
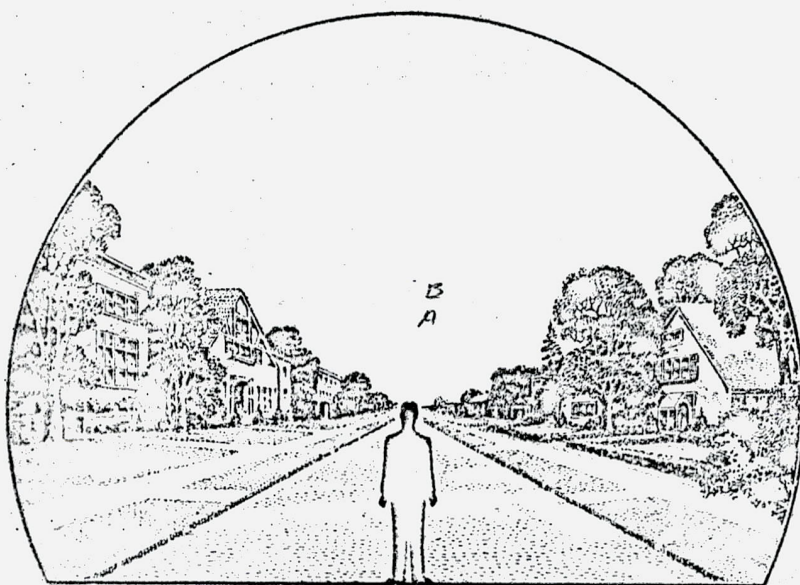
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it.



33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.



34. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

34.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- ☒ c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds
- e. Don't remember

34.2 WIND (Circle One)

- a. No wind
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- ☒ d. Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- ☒ a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

34.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold
- b. Cool
- ☒ c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

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Day Month Year

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) ☒ Yes No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One) ☒ Yes No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Mr. + Mrs.

Mr. + Mrs.

Mr.

Gower, Mr.

" "

" "

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) ☒ Yes No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

Because of the shifting in movement I feel sure it was not a plane - as to what it may have been, I do not know.

39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) Yes ☐ No ☒

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? _____ m.p.h.

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) Yes ☐ No ☒

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? _____ feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS _____
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

What is your present job? Housewife

Age 36 Sex Female

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

- | | |
|---|---------------------------------|
| a. Grade school <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | e. e. Technical school _____ |
| b. High school <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | (Type) _____ |
| c. College <u>75 hours</u> | f. Other special training _____ |
| d. Post graduate _____ | _____ |

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

Day

14

Month

Aug

Year

1956

Form B

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

(SUMMARY DATA)

In order that your information may be filed and coded as accurately as possible, please use the following space to write out a short description of the event that you observed. You may repeat information that you have already given in the questionnaire, and add any further comments, statements, or sketches that you believe are important. Try to present the details of the observation in the order in which they occurred. Additional pages of the same size paper may be attached if they are needed.

NAME

(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

SIGNATURE

DATE

Aug 16, 1956

On Aug. 7, Mrs. [REDACTED] and I were on duty at the SOC post at about 9:45 P.M. we sighted the object in the East, which we thought at first was a plane. After watching it for a short time, perhaps 5 or 10 minutes, we phoned our husbands. After they arrived, also Mr. + Mrs. [REDACTED] who went on duty at 10 P.M., all decided that it definitely was an unidentified object. The object remained visible at all times moving from north to south, then back and at times it seemed to float upward. It was visible about 30 minutes, it left with great speed and left a halo of light in the sky which finally faded away.

Form A

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U. S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes, and will be regarded as confidential material. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that, if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

7 Aug 56
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: Approx 9:45

Hour

Minutes

(Circle One): A.M. or P.M.

3. Time zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern

b. Central

c. Mountain

d. Pacific

e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving

b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

Nearest Postal AddressGower

City or Town

Mo.

State or Country

Additional remarks: _____

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

Hours5
Minutes_____
Seconds

5.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.

a. Certain

b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Just a guess

(I Left to get telescope + object gone when I Returned)

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One): a. Bright daylight

b. Dull daylight

c. Bright twilight

d. Just a trace of daylight

e. No trace of daylight

f. Don't remember

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you

b. In back of you

c. To your right

d. To your left

e. Overhead

f. Don't remember

Disc 1 to Part Three

8. IF you saw the object, at NIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

a. None

b. A few in west

c. Many

d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

a. Bright moonlight

b. Dull moonlight

c. No moonlight — pitch dark

d. Don't remember

9. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One):

a. Yes

b. No

c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

(Circle One) a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?

b. Several blocks away?

c. A block away?

d. Several yards away?

e. Other

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

a. Appear to stand still at any time?

Yes

No

Don't Know

b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?

Yes

No

Don't Know

c. Break up into parts or explode?

Yes

No

Don't Know

d. Give off smoke?

Yes

No

Don't Know

e. Change brightness?

Yes

No

Don't Know

f. Change shape?

Yes

No

Don't Know

g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate?

Yes

No

Don't Know

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

No

Don't Know

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved behind:

Possibly went into a cloud.

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved in front of:

Cloud

14. Did the object appear: (Circle One):

a. Solid?

b. Transparent?

c. Don't Know.

15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

a. Eyeglasses

Yes

No

e. Binoculars

Yes

No

b. Sun glasses

Yes

No

f. Telescope

Yes

No

c. Windshield

Yes

No

g. Theodolite

Yes

No

d. Window glass

Yes

No

h. Other

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

a. Sound None

b. Color Dull Red or Orange

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

Object too far away to obtain see-definite outline. Appeared only as a light in the sky. There was a cloud bank behind it & it moved in different directions, before finally disappearing in the east, leaving a halo of light for a few minutes.

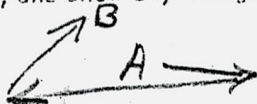
18. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
 - b. Like a bright star
 - c. Sharply outlined
 - d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? _____
 Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.
5 feet.

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects held in the hand and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

a. Head of a pin

b. Pea

c. Dime

d. Nickel

e. Quarter

f. Half dollar

g. Silver dollar

h. Baseball

i. Grapefruit

j. Basketball

k. Other _____

or slightly smaller

- 22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.)

a. Certain

b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? Disappeared into East
Very Rapidly

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

*only appeared as a moving light! --
 larger than a normal star -- but with
 definite movements*

25. Where were you located when you saw the object?
(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building
- b. In a car
- c. Outdoors
- d. In an airplane
- e. At sea
- f. Other GOC Tower

26. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
- b. In the residential section of a city?
- ☒ c. In open countryside?
- d. Flying near an airfield?
- e. Flying over a city?
- f. Flying over open country?
- g. Other _____

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

was called to post by GOC volunteer on
duty.

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

28.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

28.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|--|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | <input checked="" type="radio"/> c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|--|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | <input checked="" type="radio"/> c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

31.1 When it first appeared:

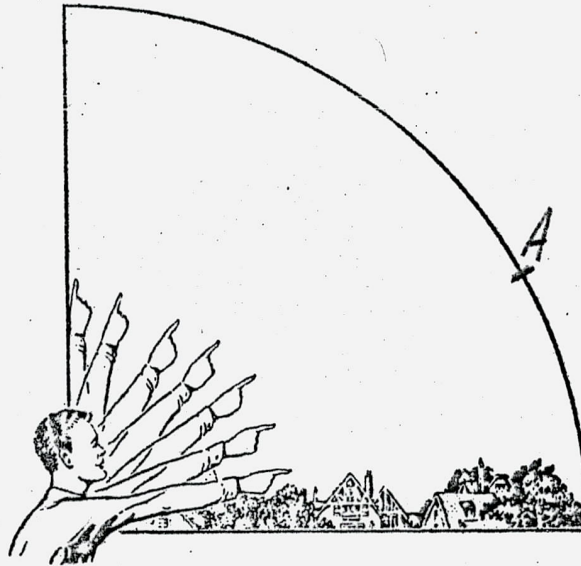
- a. From true North 90 degrees.
- b. From horizon 25 degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

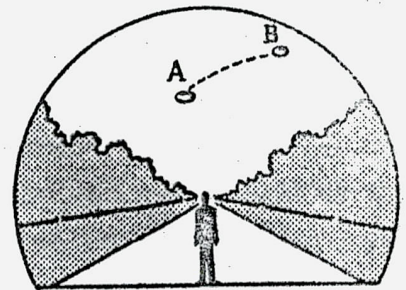
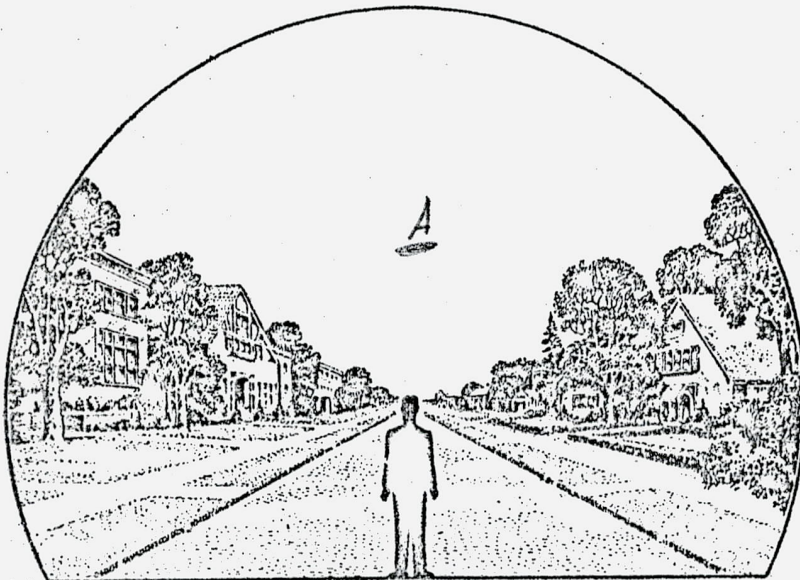
- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

I was not watching
at the exact time it
disappeared, however the
half of light left was
approximately the same as
where I saw object.

32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it.



33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.



34. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

34.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds
- e. Don't remember

34.2 WIND (Circle One)

- a. No wind
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

34.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold
- b. Cool
- c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

GOC operator - Reported to Filter Center, St. Joseph
 Day Month Year when object in sky.

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One) Yes No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Mr. Mrs.
 Mrs. E.A.
 Mr. Mrs.

Gower, Ho.

4, "
 1, "

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) Yes No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

Definitely not a natural phenomena - other than
 that I have no plausible explanation.

39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? _____ m.p.h.

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? _____ feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

East Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

What is your present job?

Age

29

Sex

M

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school

8

b. High school

4

c. College

4

d. Post graduate

1

e. e. Technical school

(Type)

f. Other special training

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

Day

16

Month

Aug

Year

1956

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET
(SUMMARY DATA)

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NAME

(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

SIGNATURE

DATE

16 Aug 1956

I observed this light, & when my attention was first called to it the light appeared a dull red, & was definitely moving to the north. Then it traveled upward & back south, but before doing this remained stationary for a few moments. At this time I left to obtain a telescope, & when I returned approximately 10-15 min. later, the object had just left, leaving a halo of light.

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

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1. When did you see the object?

7 Aug 1956
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 9 45
Hour Minutes(Circle One): A.M. or P.M.

3. Time zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern
b. Central
c. Mountain
d. Pacific
e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving
b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

Home 402 Pratt
Nearest Postal Address

Home
City or Town

Mo
State or Country

Additional remarks: _____

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. _____
Hours Minutes 30 Seconds

5.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One): a. Bright daylight
b. Dull daylight
c. Bright twilight

d. Just a trace of daylight
e. No trace of daylight
f. Don't remember

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you
b. In back of you
c. To your right

d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

Spec 1 to Part Four

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None
- b. A few *in west*
- c. Many
- d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight
- b. Dull moonlight
- c. No moonlight — pitch dark
- d. Don't remember

9. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One):

a. Yes

b. No

c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

(Circle One) a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?

b. Several blocks away?

c. A block away?

d. Several yards away?

e. Other _____

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- | | | | |
|---|------------|----|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| d. Give off smoke? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |
| e. Change brightness? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape? | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved behind: _____

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved in front of: _____

14. Did the object appear: (Circle One):

a. Solid?

b. Transparent?

c. Don't Know.

15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

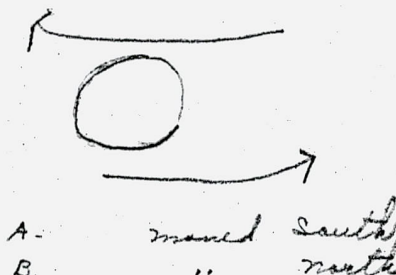
- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|------------|-----------|----------------|-----|-----------|
| a. Eyeglasses | <u>Yes</u> | No | e. Binoculars | Yes | <u>No</u> |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | <u>No</u> | f. Telescope | Yes | <u>No</u> |
| c. Windshield | Yes | <u>No</u> | g. Theodolite | Yes | <u>No</u> |
| d. Window glass | Yes | <u>No</u> | h. Other _____ | | |

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

a. Sound no sound

b. Color red, blue, when it began to leave it left a white light

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



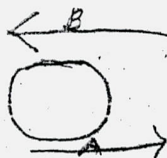
18. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
 - ☒ b. Like a bright star
 - c. Sharply outlined
 - d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? _____
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.
 _____ feet.

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects held in the hand and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

- a. Head of a pin
- b. Pea
- c. Dime
- d. Nickel
- e. Quarter
- f. Half dollar

g. Silver dollar

h. Baseball

i. Grapefruit

j. Basketball

k. Other _____

- 22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

a. Certain

b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view?

speed away in an
easterly direction and left a white light

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

material -
 size - baseball
 shape round

25. Where were you located when you saw the object?
(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building
- b. In a car
- c. Outdoors
- d. In an airplane
- e. At sea
- f. Other at HOC Post

26. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
- b. In the residential section of a city?
- c. In open countryside?
- d. Flying near an airfield?
- e. Flying over a city?
- f. Flying over open country?
- g. Other _____

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

I was on duty at the HOC post, scanning the sky for planes

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

28.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

28.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | <u>c. East</u> | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | <u>c. East</u> | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

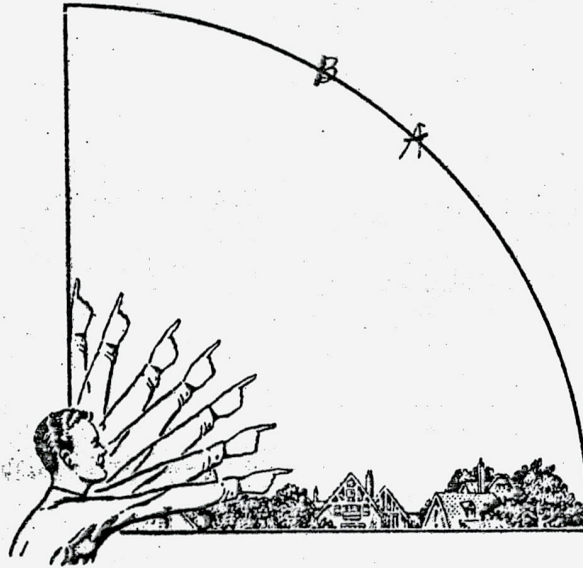
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

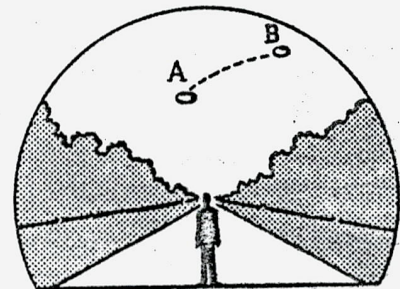
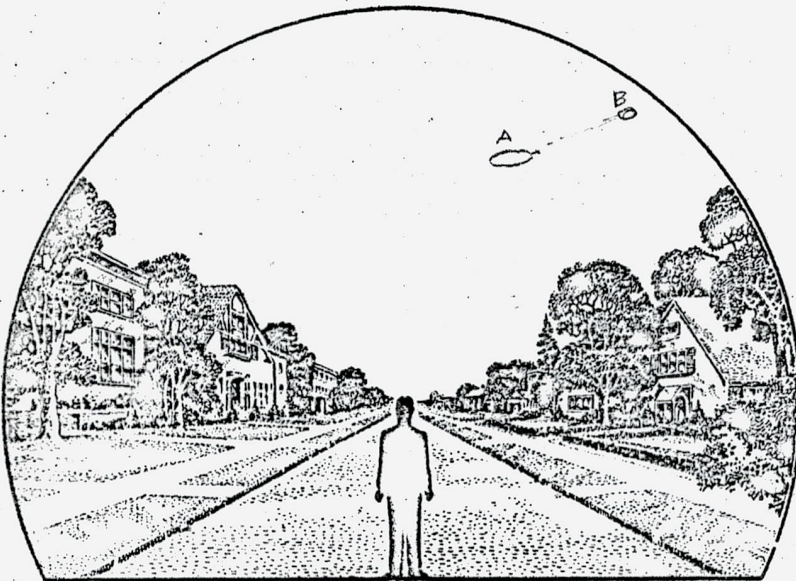
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the *same* curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it.



33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.



34. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

34.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds
- e. Don't remember

34.2 WIND (Circle One)

- a. No wind
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

34.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold
- b. Cool
- c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

7 Aug 1956
Day Month Year

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One) Yes No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Mrs.

Mrs.

Mrs.

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) Yes No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

flying saucer or maybe a planet - no idea of what caused it

39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? _____ m.p.h.

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? _____ feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

What is your present job? _____

Age

27

Sex

female

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school

8

e. e. Technical school

b. High school

4

(Type)

c. College

2 year

f. Other special training

d. Post graduate

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

16
Day

Aug
Month

56
Year

Form B

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

(SUMMARY DATA)

In order that your information may be filed and coded as accurately as possible, please use the following space to write out a short description of the event that you observed. You may repeat information that you have already given in the questionnaire, and add any further comments, statements, or sketches that you believe are important. Try to present the details of the observation in the order in which they occurred. Additional pages of the same size paper may be attached if they are needed.

NAME

(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

SIGNATURE

DATE

Aug. 16, 1956

with [redacted]
 I was on duty¹ at the Tower & OC
 Post and at 19:45 p.m. I saw this
 bright red light, maybe the size of a
 baseball in the east. He watched for
 about 5 min. and then called over husband
 as it had us puzzled. He watched - The
 4 of us saw it move - rise to a higher
 altitude and then it left in an easterly
 direction very fast leaving a white light
 later it left -

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT			
SUBJECT UFOB			
AREA REPORTED ON GOWER, MISSOURI, USA		FROM (Agency) DETACHMENT 2, 4602D AISS	
DATE OF REPORT 22 AUGUST 1956	DATE OF INFORMATION 7 AUGUST 1956	EVALUATION	
PREPARED BY (Officer) LA VERNE W. POLAND, CAPTAIN, USAF		SOURCE CHARLES O. COSLET and others	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) TT ADJOOL, 9 AUG 56			

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)

I. CONTENTS:

PART ONE: Description of sighting by Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Gower, Missouri. Occupation Assistant [REDACTED] Manager; Age 38;
Education BS and BS-Ed; GOC Post Chief Observer. No special training for this work.

PART TWO: Description of sighting by Mrs. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Gower, Missouri. Occupation housewife; Age 36;
Education 75 credit hours of college. On duty as GOC Observer. No special training
for this work.

PART THREE: Description of sighting by Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Gower, Missouri. Occupation [REDACTED] St. Joseph Fertilizer Company;
Age 29; Education 5 years of college; GOC Post Supervisor. No special training for
this work.

PART FOUR: Description of sighting by Mrs. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Gower, Missouri. Occupation housewife;
Age 27; Education 2 years of college. On duty as GOC Observer. No special training
for this work.

PART FIVE: Supplementary Investigative Efforts

PART SIX: Comments of Preparing Officer.

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II. SUMMARY: Two women GOC Observers in Gower, Missouri (GEOREF FJLK2436) sighted an unidentified flying object at 080345Z August 1956 while on duty. Object appeared to be a bright red in color which alternately moved in the east laterally to the observers and stood still. Observation continued for approximately 28 minutes, during which time the women called their husbands to come to the post and witness the event. Object disappeared "with great speed" into the east and left a "halo" effect. The follow-up investigation consisted of a thorough personal interview with SOURCES and telephone checks with standard agencies and other possibly knowledgeable sources connected with this sighting.

III. INVESTIGATORS: CAPT LA VERNE W. POLAND 17868A
2D LT TED W. WUERTHNER AO 3049482

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I. SOURCE: Mrs. [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED], Gower, Missouri

Age: 36

Occupation: Housewife, former school teacher

Education: 75 credit hours of college

Qualifications: GOC Observer

II: RELIABILITY: SOURCE appeared sincere, intelligent, alert and unassuming. SOURCE completed her ATIC Form 164 rapidly and without hesitation, but was deliberate in her answers to verbal questions. She answered all queries, but seldom volunteered any information on her own initiative.

III. SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING: Object was sighted in the east at about 9:45 PM CST, 7 August 1956. At first SOURCE thought it was an airplane, but then decided it was not. Object was a reddish color, brighter than the sky, and moved from north to south. SOURCE and Mrs. [REDACTED] called their husbands to come to the post.

SOURCE reported that there were scattered clouds, warm temperature and dry.

Object's disappearance occurred after about 30 minutes "with much speed appearing to climb somewhat" into the east. A "halo" of light was left in the sky when the object disappeared. Soon this halo faded away.

At no time was there any sound connected with the object. Its size was about like a pea held at arms length.

SOURCE stated the object was not an airplane because of its north to south and return movement. Other than this statement, she had no idea what object might have been.

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I. SOURCE: Mr. [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED], Gower, Missouri

Age: 29

Occupation: [REDACTED], St. Joseph Fertilizer Company

Education: 5 years of college

Qualifications: GOC Post Supervisor

II. RELIABILITY: SOURCE appeared sincere, intelligent, alert and somewhat withdrawn. He answered all questions put to him, but did not take a very active part in the interview.

III. SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING: SOURCE was telephoned by his wife, who was on duty at the GOC post, to come at once to the post as there was an unidentified flying object in sight.

Upon arrival at the post, object was in the east near the horizon and traveling north. SOURCE went into the GOC shack and "framed" the object in reference to a window pane. Object definitely moved both to the right and left several inches on the pane. SOURCE watched the object for about 5 minutes and then left the GOC post to obtain a telescope. Object disappeared while he was gone, but the white halo was still in the sky which others stated appeared as the object rushed away.

SOURCE stated a few stars were visible in the west, there was no moonlight, and a cloud bank was in the east. Object may have, according to SOURCE, moved into or behind the clouds during its movements.

SOURCE and Mr. [REDACTED] claimed that after returning from the post, the cloud bank broke up about 30 minutes after the sighting disappeared. At this time they spotted Mars in the east. They felt its position was so much higher in elevation than the sighting that it could not have possibly ascended from the position where the sighting was located in a period of 30 minutes.

SOURCE stated that sighting was "definitely not a natural phenomena, other than that I have no plausible explanation."

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I. SOURCE: Mrs [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED], Gower, Missouri

Age: 27

Occupation: Housewife

Education: 2 years college

Qualifications: GOC Observer with over 100 hours of spotting
time logged

II. RELIABILITY: SOURCE appeared sincere, intelligent, alert and enthusiastic. She seemed sure of her answers and willingly took full part in the interview.

III: SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING: She was on duty as GOC Observer with Mrs. [REDACTED] on 7 August 1956. At 9:45 PM CST a bright red light, about the size of a baseball, was spotted in the east. Object moved, stood still, rose slightly and behaved most unusually. SOURCE telephoned her husband to come to the post.

Object had no sound, was low in the sky, and moved both slowly and rapidly from time to time. Weather, according to SOURCE, was dry, hot, with a slight breeze. There were clouds in the east, but the sky in the west was rather clear and some stars were visible in the west.

SOURCE stated that object remained for about 30 minutes, it continued to move from side to side, and alternately to stand still. Suddenly, object rose slightly and left in an easterly direction with great speed, leaving a white light or glow. This glow then slowly faded out.

SOURCE stated that object might have been a "flying saucer or maybe a planet - no idea of what caused it."

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SUPPLEMENTARY INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS:

1. The first step in the follow-up investigation was the personal interview with the four SOURCES in Gower, Missouri. This resulted in their completing ATIC Form 164, upon which Parts One thru Four of this report are based. There were two other witnesses to the sighting. They were a Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED] of Gower. However, they were not available to investigators and had seen the sighting with the four SOURCES. They had arrived at the post at 10:00 PM CST to take over the watch from the two women.

2. No check was made by investigators of any flight services. This was not done because of a telephone conversation with 1st Lt. Levine of Detachment 5, 4715th Ground Observer Squadron. He reported that he received notice during the sighting from the Gower GOC Post. He stated to investigators that he immediately checked with his radar and other normal sources to determine if any aircraft were in the air near Gower. He claimed he received a negative reply. Lt. Levine also checked the following air services and operations offices: Topeka, Forbes AFB, Rosecrans, Grandview AFB and CAA at St. Joseph, Missouri.

3. Captain Stephan of 20th Air Division (Det) was contacted with regard to weather balloons. He stated that the only balloons which he knew of which might have produced such an effect were radiosonde balloons. He further calculated the winds and suggested the only station which might have released such a balloon that could have been in the Gower area was the Topeka Weather Bureau at 2100 hours 7 August 1956. The stations in this general area which could have released radiosonde balloons were Omaha, Nebraska; Columbia, Missouri; Smoky Hill AFB, Kansas; Wichita, Kansas; and Springfield, Missouri. A call was placed to the Topeka Weather Bureau. The Bureau reported its balloon was released on time and at 2145 hours was in the area of Tonganoxie, Kansas.

4. Grandview Weather at Base Operations gave as the closest winds aloft station Topeka. The readings there were: Surface 090/21; 6000' 200/30; 10,000' 200/20; 16,000' 280/09; 20,000' 280/08; 30,000' 250/30; 50,000' 260/16; and 80,000' 110/23.

5. A call to the U.S. Weather Bureau at Kansas City for temperature readings resulted in being referred to its weather correspondent in Edgerton, Missouri. The correspondent maintains only maximum, minimum and 1800 hours readings. These were 91°, 67° and 85°F.

6. The sheriff of Clinton County, Mr. Sloan of Plattsburg, reported that there were no fixed nor temporary searchlights in the area of Gower, nor were there any in the east which could be seen from Gower at any time during the two months preceding the sighting.

7. A check with the 790th AC&W Squadron at Kirksville AF Station, Missouri, was made. The Operations NCOIC, Sgt. Sullivan, stated that there was no record of any unusual radar sightings for the evening of 7 August 1956.

8. Since there are no astronomers in the Kansas City area, no check could be made with such a person regarding celestial bodies.

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COMMENTS of Preparing Officer:

1. In the opinion of the preparing officer, the following possibilities may be ruled out in this particular sighting:

a. Conventional known aircraft - due to the GOC Filter Center's check with appropriate control agencies.

b. Balloons - due to the characteristics of the sighting and that it was improbable that any radiosonde balloon was in the area.

c. Meteors - due to the length of sighting.

d. Searchlights - due to none being in the area east of Gower, Missouri.

2. In view of the facts presented in this report, it would seem that the following possibilities cannot be ruled out:

a. Stars or planets - due to the admitted similarity of sighting to Mars as mentioned in Parts One and Three. This planet was almost exactly in line with the sighting, only about 10° higher in elevation.

b. Optical phenomena - due to the basic characteristics of sighting. The lateral movements; the quick, sudden, and rapid starts and stops; and the duration of sighting all suggest this category. It was not possible to obtain information to determine if temperature inversion existed near Gower on 7 August 1956.

3. The preparing officer believes that it is possible that a temperature inversion, or the scattered cloud bank, may have refracted the light and image of Mars several degrees downward, as viewed by the SOURCES. In this manner, sudden minor movements of the air layers, or clouds, could have caused violent movements of the refracted image from side to side, as is light refracted through a prism or reflected by a mirror. Since the investigating officers have not had experience with this type phenomena, they are unable to judge the degree of probability of this explanation.

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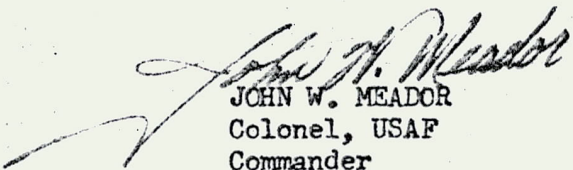
COMMENTS of the Approving Officer:

1. Concur with the conclusion of the Preparing Officer that the cause of this sighting was of astronomical nature (Mars) combined with an optical phenomenon. This headquarters is assigning an evaluation of "probably astronomical" to this sighting for the following reason:

a. Although size, color, slowly ascending movement, back and forth motion, and position in the sky indicate a Mars hypothesis, several details of the sighting (as related by the Sources) do not support this hypothesis. They are:

(1) Statements of three Sources that the object disappeared at a high rate of speed and apparently faded out of sight. (One Source stated that the object may have disappeared into or behind clouds. However, he did not actually witness the object's disappearance and therefore his account cannot be given the weight of the other Sources' accounts. On the other hand, the amount and the description of the cloud cover at the time of the sighting strongly suggest that the object could easily have disappeared behind the clouds.)

(2) Sources' statement that a halo effect remained after the object's disappearance. (This halo effect could have been produced by Mars shining through a part of the cloud cover.)


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