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Two civilian women observed black cigar-shaped object with "gondola" underneath. Observed from moving auto.



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Thomaston, Conn.

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AIR INTELLIGENCE REPORT

SUBJECT: (Unclassified) UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S)  
Reporting of Information on Unconventional Aircraft,  
Thomaston, Connecticut, 0300 hours, 25 July 1952  
SPECIAL INQUIRY

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

SYNOPSIS:

Two (2) employees of Technicraft Laboratories, Incorporated, Thomaston, Connecticut, reported that they observed a bright, silver, cigar-shaped object which appeared to have a black gondola attached on the underside. No activity or condition exists that accounts for the sighting.

DETAILS:

1. On 29 July 1952, Captain JOSEPH A. RIGBY, Wing Intelligence Officer, 1600th Air Transport Wing, Westover Air Force Base, Massachusetts, telephonically advised Headquarters, 1st District OSI that a Miss [REDACTED], Union City, Connecticut, and Miss [REDACTED], Waterbury, Connecticut, employees at Technicraft Laboratories, Incorporated, Thomaston, Connecticut, had sighted an unidentified airborne object on 25 July 1952.

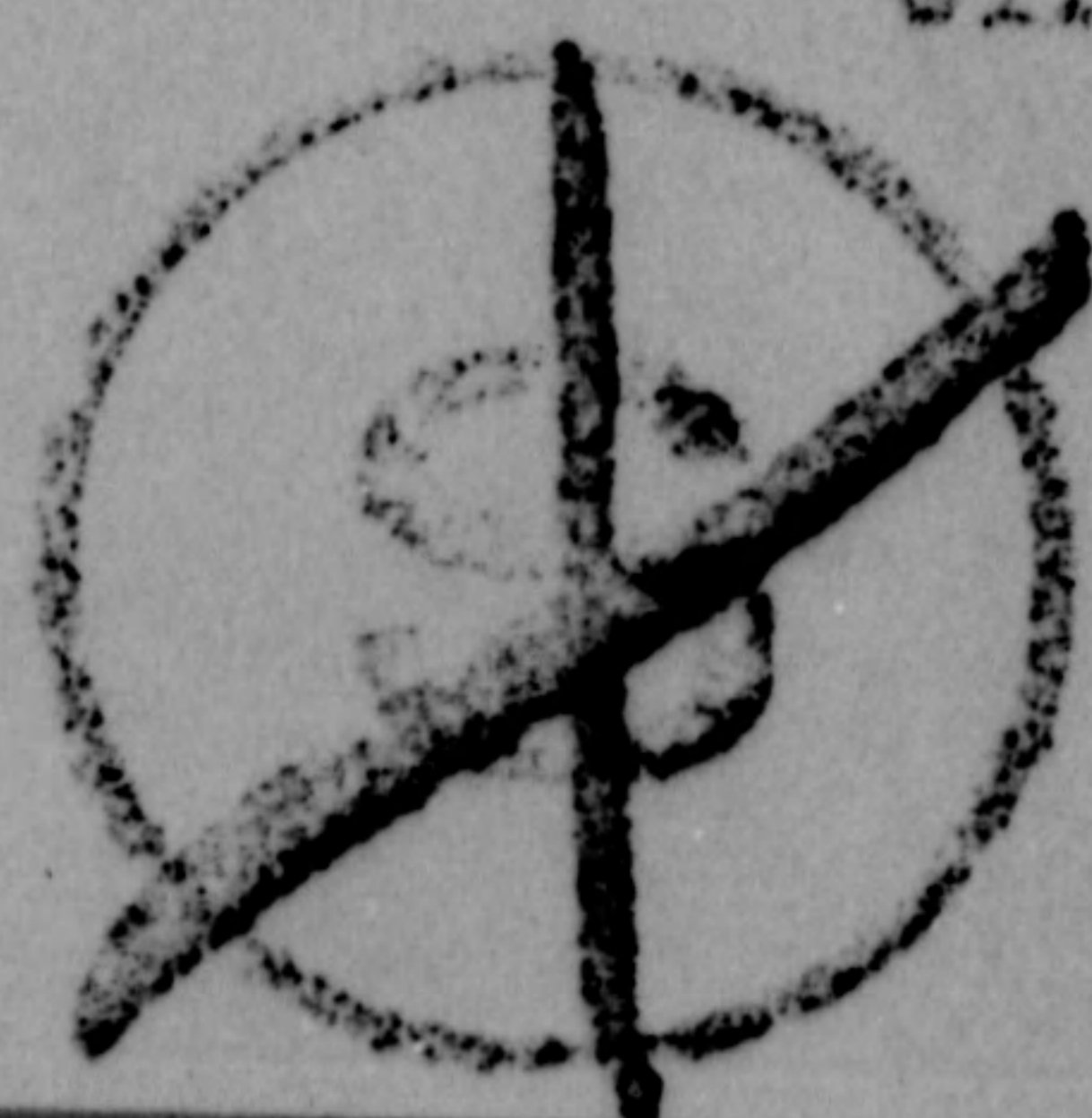
2. On 30 July 1952, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were interviewed by Special Agent CLIFFORD A. ELLIOTT and furnished the following information:

a. The object appeared similar to a cigar in shape and appeared to be exceptionally high. Witnesses were unable to give any estimate as to its altitude. Both believed it to be a rather large object, bright silver in color, but with no glow or sheen to it. [REDACTED] advised that

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the lower edge toward the front appeared very black. [redacted] stated it appeared to her to have a gondola, similar to a blimp in that respect, and this was very black. Only one such object was sighted and both advised that it tapered off to a cigar shape effect and that it did not have any propeller or tail. No trail or exhaust was observed, and object was motionless when first sighted. When object started to move, it tilted downward at a shallow angle. Witnesses' view was obscured for four or five seconds by trees. Upon being in the clear again, they stopped their vehicle, got out and scanned the skies, but were unable to see it. [redacted] advised that when object first started to move it appeared to her to be going at the approximate speed of a regular passenger plane. Both witnesses advised that although they listened, they were unable to hear any sound.

b. [redacted] advised that she saw the object through the right windshield of the automobile at about 0830 hours EDT. She advised that for approximately a minute she studied it, trying to determine what it could be. [redacted] then asked [redacted] if she saw an object and [redacted] replied affirmatively. [redacted] stated she saw the object for approximately five minutes while [redacted] had observed it for about four minutes.

c. Manner of observation was visual while traveling in an automobile at a speed of approximately 20 to 25 MPH. Miss [redacted] wears eyeglasses, which she advised, corrected her vision to 20/20. [redacted] does not wear eyeglasses and advised that she has excellent eyesight.

d. Witnesses stated that they were near the Solvent Recovery Service, Incorporated, on the Thomaston-Hartbury Road when object was first sighted. [redacted] advised that she saw the object about two or three inches from the top of the right windshield. Both stated the angle of sight was less than 45°, and were unable to state the altitude, other than that it appeared exceptionally high.

e. [redacted], [redacted], and [redacted], Technicraft Laboratories, Incorporated, Thomaston, Connecticut, advised that both witnesses are reliable and believed competent observers, and have never reported sighting objects prior to this incident. [redacted] advised he has known [redacted] for about nine years and that he is her immediate supervisor. [redacted] is a laboratory technician having direct supervision over five other employees. [redacted] advised further that she is very reliable, not gifted with imagination, not prone to jump to conclusions, and believes that because of the type of work she does and her experience she would be above average in observation.

f. [redacted] and [redacted] advised that at the time of sighting the weather was extremely clear, with no clouds or wind. Both stated the visibility was perfect.

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g. Records, United States Weather Bureau, Brainard Field, Hartford, Connecticut, were checked with the assistance of [REDACTED] Meteorologist. Records reflect that at the time of sighting, weather was as follows: Clear skies, visibility, 15 plus miles, temperature 67°, dewpoint 59°, wind, surface WMS 7 miles per hour. [REDACTED] advised that this weather extended throughout the major part of the State of Connecticut.

h. There were no activities or conditions, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.

i. There exists no physical evidence and no interception or identification action was taken.

ACTION:

Two (2) copies of this report will be forwarded to the Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, Attention: MCIS, and one (1) information copy forwarded to the Commander, Atlantic Division, MATS, Westover Air Force Base, Mass. No further action taken by this District Office.

  
ROBERT H. JONES  
Lt Colonel, USAF  
District Commander

cc: ✓CC, AMC (dup)  
Cdr, ATAD-MATS (info)

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The above-named objects reflecting  
the light have been over Wilmington, N. C.  
observed, disappeared by going southward.

1. Some of the objects  
reported, going straight



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COUNTRY U. S. A.	REPORT NO.	(LEAVE BLANK)
<b>AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT</b>		
SUBJECT FLYOBREP: Sighting of Unconventional Aircraft.		
AREA REPORTED ON Vicinity Wilmington, Delaware.	FROM (Agency) 4710th Defense Wing, HCCA, Delaware	
DATE OF REPORT 23 July 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 25 July 1952	EVALUATION F-2
PREPARED BY (Officer) Major James A. Matthews, Intel. Officer	SOURCE [REDACTED], Civilian	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)		

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.)

Two disc shaped objects reflecting silver light were observed moving together on a North-South course over the center of Wilmington, Delaware. During movement, the flat portion of the discs remained parallel to the earth. The objects briefly disappeared from view around the corner of a building, then only one of the objects reappeared, turning Southeastward and shooting straight up and out of sight. No trails were observed, nor were accompanying sounds detected. Time of sighting: 1515Z, 25 July 52; the objects were observed for approximately five seconds. The observer stood at a third floor window in the Dravo Building, at the foot of Market Street in downtown Wilmington, and with his naked eye saw the objects appear on a crossing course, passing almost directly overhead.

Observer: [REDACTED], Wilmington, Delaware, is a civilian employee of the Veterans Administration, who served in World War II in the Army Transportation Corps.

Weather: Visibility unlimited; winds aloft were from 7 to 10 knots varying from Northeast to the Northwest. There was no local meteorological activity to account for the sighting. There is no physical evidence such as fragments or photos. No interception action was taken.

APPROVED: *James A. Matthews*  
JAMES A. MATTHEWS  
Major, USAF  
4710th Defense Wing Intel. O.

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cc Chief, Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.

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TENTATIVE  
OBSERVERS QUESTIONNAIRE

SECTION A

1. When did you see the object:

1.1 Date: 25 July 1952  
Day Month Year

1.2 Time of Day: 11 5 A.M. or P.M. (Circle One)  
Hrs. Min.

1.3 Time Zone: (Circle One):

a. Eastern  
b. Central  
c. Mountain

d. Pacific  
e. Other \_\_\_\_\_

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

1.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above question 1.2:

a. Certain  
b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure  
d. Just a guess

2. Where were you when you saw the object:

Veterans Administration Wilmington Del. U. S.  
Postal Address City or Town State Country

Additional Remarks: I was in the T.M.S. Section located  
on the third floor, looking facing four windows.

3. Where were you located when you saw the object:

(Circle One): a. Inside a building d. In an airplane  
b. In a car e. At sea  
c. Outdoors f. Other \_\_\_\_\_

3.1 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 Across from the Navy Yard. on the  
edge of the city.



4. How did you happen to notice the object? I was sitting facing four windows, where they appeared.

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

25 July 1952  
Day Month Year

### SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object? Just relaxing

6.1 What had you been doing for the 30 minutes before you saw the object?  
Try to list the activity or activities and the approximate amount of time spent on each.

Running I.D.M. cards through a  
sorter for approximately a hour and a half.

7. Were you moving at any time while you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes

or

No

IF you answered YES, then complete the following questions:

7.1 What direction were you moving?

(Circle One):

a. North

e. South

b. Northeast

f. Southwest

c. East

g. West

d. Southeast

h. Northwest

7.2 How fast were you moving? \_\_\_\_\_ miles per hour.

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

(Circle One): Yes or No

8. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object?

(Circle One):

a. North

e. South

b. Northeast

f. Southwest

c. East

g. West

d. Southeast

h. Northwest



8.1 What direction were you looking when the object disappeared?

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

8.2 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above question and preceding question (8 and 8.1).

- |                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| a. <u>Certain</u> | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Just a guess  |

9. Were you wearing eye glasses when you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes or No

10. How was the object seen?

- (Circle One):
- |                         |                               |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| a. Through window glass | e. Through theodolite         |
| b. Through windshield   | f. Through sunglasses         |
| c. Through binoculars   | g. Through open space         |
| d. Through telescope    | h. Other <u>Window Screen</u> |

11. What do you remember about the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

11.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- |                          |
|--------------------------|
| a. <u>Clear sky</u>      |
| b. Hazy                  |
| c. Scattered clouds      |
| d. Thick or heavy clouds |
| e. Don't remember        |

11.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- |                             |
|-----------------------------|
| a. <u>Dry</u>               |
| b. Fog, Mist, or light rain |
| c. Moderate or heavy rain   |
| d. Snow                     |
| e. Don't remember           |

11.2 WIND (Circle One)

- |                   |
|-------------------|
| a. <u>No wind</u> |
| b. Slight breeze  |
| c. Strong wind    |
| d. Don't remember |

11.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- |                   |
|-------------------|
| a. Cold           |
| b. Cool           |
| c. <u>Warm</u>    |
| d. Hot            |
| e. Don't remember |

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SECTION C

12. Estimate how long you saw the object?

_____	_____	<u>15</u>
Hours	Minutes	Seconds



12.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 12:

- a. Certain  
b. Fairly sure  
c. Not very sure  
d. Just a guess

13. Did the object look: (Circle One) Solid or Transparent

14. Did the object at any time:

(Circle One for each question)

14.1	Change direction?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.2	Change speed?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.3	Change size?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.4	Change color?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.5	Break up into parts or explode?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.6	Give off smoke?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.7	Change brightness?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.8	Flicker, throb, or pulsate?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.9	Remain motionless?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>

15. Did the object give off a light? (Circle One): Yes No Don't know

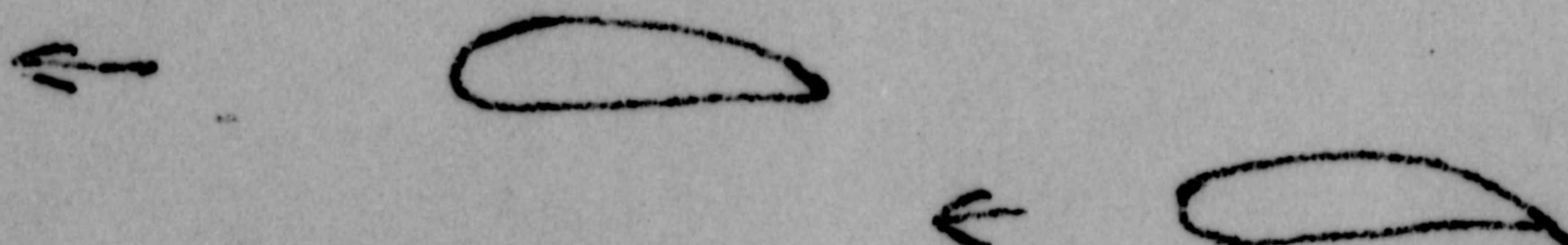
15.1 IF you answered YES, what was the color of the light? \_\_\_\_\_

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

16.1 Sound none

16.2 Color Silver

17. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? 2  
Draw a picture of how they were arranged and put an arrow to show the direction they were traveling.



18. Did the object at any time:

18.1 Move behind something? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind.

\_\_\_\_\_



18.2 Move in front of something? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

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

18.3 Blend with the background? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

19. Which of the following objects is about the same actual size as the object you saw? (Circle One):

- |                  |                          |
|------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Pea           | f. Automobile            |
| b. Baseball      | g. <u>Small airplane</u> |
| c. Basketball    | h. Large airplane        |
| d. Bicycle wheel | i. Dirigible             |
| e. Office desk   | j. Other _____           |

19.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 19.

- |                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| a. <u>Certain</u> | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Uncertain     |

20. Try to tell the following things about the object:

20.1 How high above the earth was it? 500 to 1000 feet.

20.2 How far was it from you? \_\_\_\_\_ feet or 1/2 miles.

20.3 How fast was it going? \_\_\_\_\_ miles per hour.

20.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above questions:

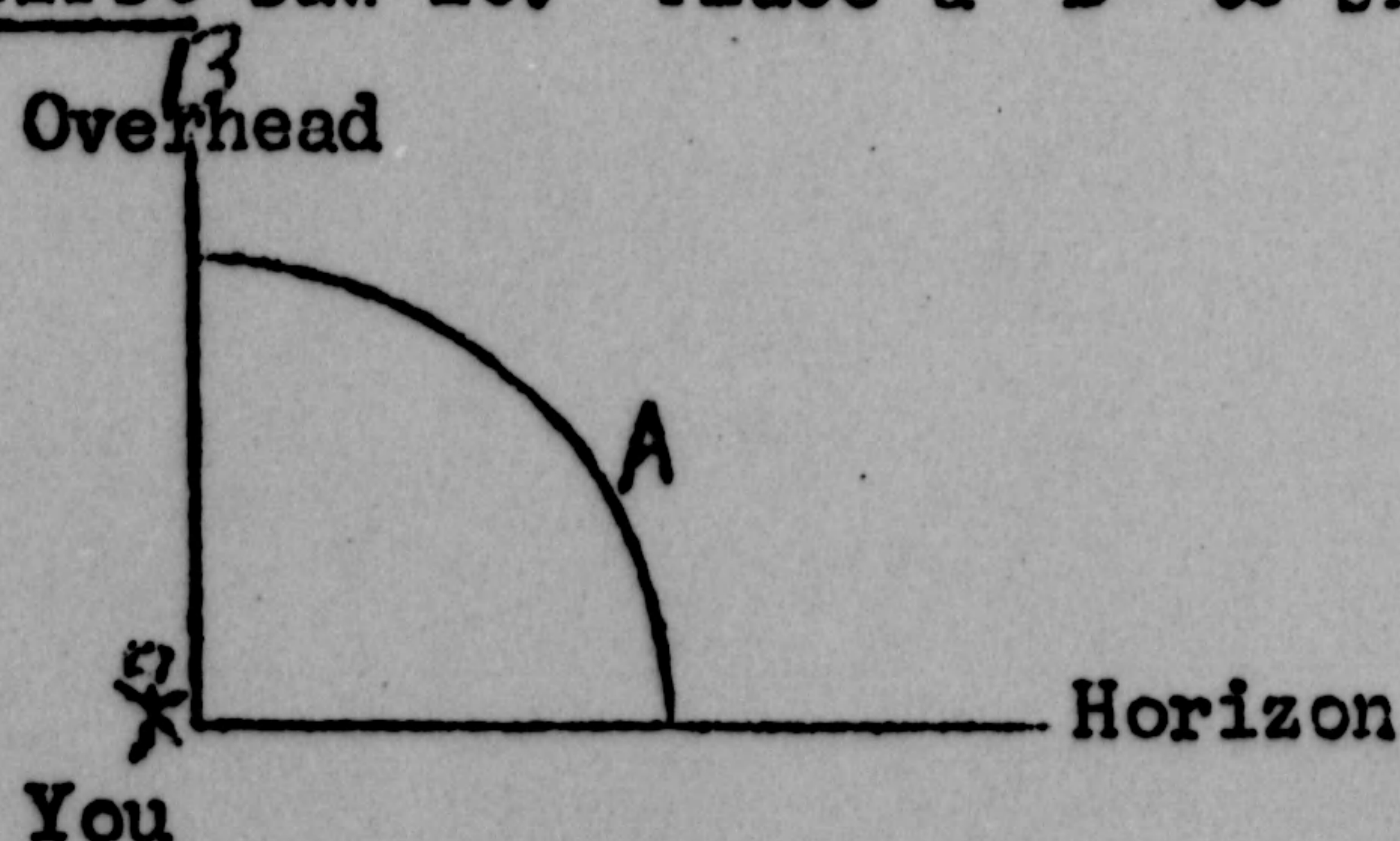
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|--------------------------|------------------|
| a. <u>Certain</u>        | c. Not very sure |
| b. <u>Fairly certain</u> | d. Just a guess  |

21. How did the object disappear from view?

- (Circle One):
- |                     |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| a. <u>Suddenly</u>  | c. Other _____    |
| b. <u>Gradually</u> | d. Don't remember |

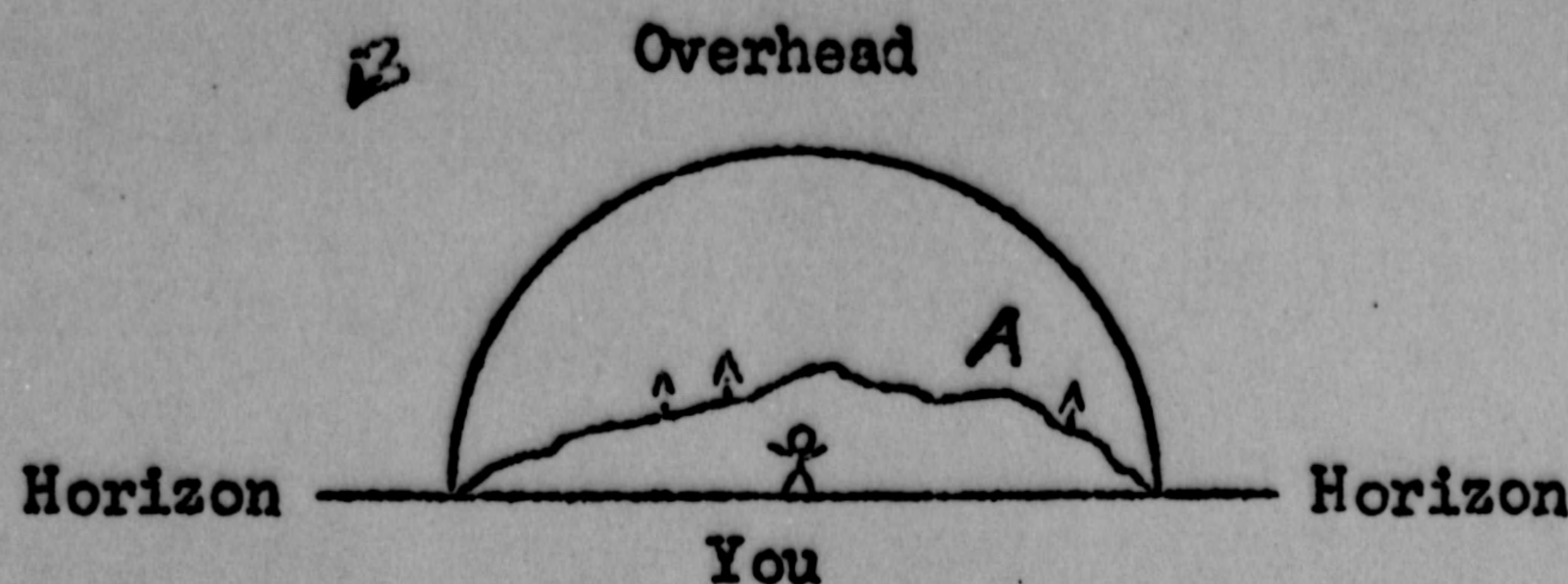
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22. In the following sketch, imagine your eye at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you first saw it. Place a "B" to show where it was when you last saw it.





23. In the following 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.



24. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object made. Place an "A" at the beginning of its path and a "B" at the end of its path.



25. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw and place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



Silver colored, like  
stainless steel

I saw no openings or  
exhaust. nor did I hear  
any sound. It was moving at  
about the same speed as a jet.



SECTION E

26. Was this the first time that you have seen an object like this?

(Circle One): Yes or No

26.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what conditions did you see other ones? \_\_\_\_\_

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

*It looked like a plane without wings. It was not an optical illusion, because I watched it awhile before telling anyone.*

28. Give the following information about yourself:

NAME [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [Redacted] Wilmington 1 Delaware  
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [Redacted]

What is your present job? Clerk - Veterans Administration

Age 24

Sex Male

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

(Circle One): Yes or No

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

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.2 Please list their names and addresses:

[Redacted]

*I don't know her address*



30. Please add here any further comments which you believe are important.  
Use additional sheets of the same size paper, if necessary.



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FLYOB RPT. TWO DISC-SHAPED OBJECTS REFLECTING SILVER LIGHT OBSERVED MOVING TOGETHER ON N-S CRSE OVER WILMINGTON, DEL. FLAT PORTION OF DISCS PARALLEL TO EARTH. OBJECTS BRIEFLY HIDDEN FROM OBSR, ONLY ONE REAPPEARING, TURNING SOUTHEAST TO SHOOT STRAIGHT UP AND OUT OF SIGHT. NO TRAILS, NO SOUND DETECTED. SIGHTING 1515Z, 25 JULY 1952, LASTING APRX 5 SECONDS. OBSR AT WINDOW ON THIRD FLOOR DRAVO BLDG AT FOOT MARKET STREET DOWNTOWN WILMINGTON WITH NAKED EYE SAW OBJECTS APPEAR ON CROSSING CRSE PASSING ALMOST DIRECTLY OVERHEAD. OBSR: ~~REDACTED~~ CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION, SERVED IN WORLD WAR II IN ARMY

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ALOFT 7 TO 10 KNOTS NE TO NW. NO MET ACTIVITY TO ACCOUNT FOR SIGHTING.  
NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE SUCH AS FRAGMENTS OR PHOTOS. NO INTCP ACTION TAKEN.

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2. 1000 PM

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2 Civilian men

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4. 1000 PM

Observers believed object was star un-  
der, changed color, emitted puff of  
smoke, and shot out of sight at a high rate of  
speed. Observers were two deputy sheriffs.

1. Two B-2 a/c in area.



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Unidentified Flying Object Sighted Near Norwalk, California 25 July 1952

State of California, USA

Flight Service, MATS, 3000 Newark  
Street, N. W., Washington 25, D. C.

29 July 1952

25 July 1952

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Gerald E. Tyler, Major, USAF

Norwalk, California, Sheriff's Department

Teletype FLIOERPT submitted by March Flight Service Center 252149PST July

Object was sighted by civilian observer employed by the Sheriff's Office, Norwalk, California. The object was round, very bright, and motionless until 1905PST when it tilted or turned to one side and the color changed to dull orange. As the object tilted apparent propulsion was noted. A puff of smoke 5 or 6 times as large as the object appeared and it shot ahead at a high rate of speed. A westerly climb was continued for about 40 seconds whereupon the object disappeared at a very high altitude.

GERALD E. TYLER  
Major, USAF  
Acting Intelligence Officer

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Chief, Air Technical Intelligence Center, ATTN: ATIAA-2c

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Flight Service, MATS  
3800 Newark Street, N. W.  
Washington 25, D. C.

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1. An unidentified flying object was visually observed from the ground at the intersection of Stanbridge and Parkcrest in Norwalk, California 25 July 1952. Object was sighted at 1855PST by two Sheriff's Office employees.

2. Object was first believed to be a star. The object was round, very bright and motionless until 1905PST when it tilted or turned to one side and changed to a dull orange color. As the object turned or tilted, propulsion was applied and a puff of smoke 5 or 6 times as large as the object appeared and the object shot ahead at a high rate of speed. It then climbed westerly for about 40 seconds after which it disappeared at a very high altitude.

3. Weather was clear, visibility 12 miles, winds aloft from 20,000 feet to 60,000 feet were southwesterly varying from 10 to 28 knots.

4. Witness: Mr. [REDACTED], an employee of the Sheriff's Office, Norwalk, California, and his partner, name unknown.

5. Air traffic in the area at time of sighting was two B-29's; AF 8765 and AF 5440. These two aircraft were at 17,000 feet, mission unknown.

6. Report was called to Los Angeles Control by the observer and was passed by that agency to March Flight Service Center via Plan 62interphone at approximately 2130 PST 25 July 1952.

Comments of Preparing Officer:

1. Insufficient background information on the primary witnesses is available to determine aerial observer qualifications. Witnesses were not interrogated.

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JEDWP/AIR TECH INTELLIGENCE CENTER WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

ZEN/JWPRH/CG 15TH AIR FORCE MARCH AFB CALIF

1- OBJECT WAS SIGHTED AT 1855P AND BELIEVED TO BE A STAR IT WAS  
ROUND AND VERY BRIGHT AND MOTIONLESS UNTIL 1905P IT TILTED OR TURNED  
ON ONE SIDE AND TURNED A DULL ORANGE.

2- 25/1855P

3- VISUAL

4- ~~REDACTED~~ OF THE SHERIFFS OFFICE AT THE NORWALK STATION NORWALK  
CALIF AND HIS PARTNER WERE CURISING IN A SQUAD CAR AND CAME TO THE  
INTERSECTION OF STANDERIDGE AND PARKCREST NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF  
CARSON AND BELLFLOWER IN NORWALK CALIF THEY SAW SEVERAL PEOPLE LOOKING  
AT THE SKY AND STOPPED

5- AS THE OBJECT TURNED OR TILTED PROPULSION WAS APPLIED AND A PUFF OF SMO  
RPT PUFF OF SMOKE 5

OR 6 TIMES AS LARGE AS THE OBJECT APPEARED AND IT SHOT AHEAD AT A  
HIGH RATE OF SPEED CLIMBING WESTERLY TILL IT DESAPPEARED IN ABOUT  
43 SECONDS AND AT A VERY HIGH ALTITUDE

6- WEATHER CLEAR 12 WINDS ALOFT 20000 130/10K 30000 130/28K  
40000 160/25 K 50000 140/23 K 60000 120/13K

7- TRAFFIC AF8765 AND AF5440 BOTH B29 WERE ON THE RBS SIGHT AT LAX  
AT 17000 AT THE TIME OF THE SIGHTING

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10. 10:00:00 Shovel, mud, 100 ft. 10 min.  
11. 10:05:00 North side of road, 100 ft. 10 min.  
12. 10:10:00 Shovel, mud, 100 ft. 10 min.

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Unidentified Flying Object Sighted Near Lennox, California 25 July 1952

State of California, USA

Flight Service, MATS, 3800 Newark  
Street, N. W., Washington 25, D. C.

29 July 1952

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Gerald E. Tyler, Major, USAF

Civilian Observer of Lennox, California

Teletype FLYOBRPT submitted by March Flight Service Center 252225PST July

Object was sighted by civilian observer of Lennox, California at 1810PST 25 July 1952. Object was first believed to be a star and remained motionless for 15 to 20 minutes, after which it started moving North and then started an arc to the west, picking up speed until it was directly overhead. It then broke into 5 parts or was originally 5 objects so close together they appeared to be one. The object or objects were very high and after they separated one followed or trailed the other four and was thought to have left a vapor trail as it climbed out of sight. Flight was very erratic and the object(s) remained visible for 45 minutes.

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1. An unidentified flying object(s) was (were) observed from the ground from [REDACTED], Lennox, California, on 25 July 1952. First sighting occurred at 1810PST and objects were visible for a period of 45 minutes.

2. Object was reported as resembling a star. No motion was observed for the first 15 to 20 minutes of sighting, after which the object began a northward movement followed by an arcing movement to the West gaining speed until directly overhead. It then broke into 5 parts or was 5 objects so close together they appeared to be one. Altitude was given as very high and, after separating, one followed or trailed the other 4 and was thought to have left a vapor trail. Flight was reported as very erratic.

3. Weather at time of sighting was reported as clear with 12 miles visibility, winds aloft at 20,000 feet from 130° at 10 knots, 30,000 feet from 130° at 28 knots, 40,000 feet from 160° at 25 knots, 50,000 feet from 140° at 23 knots, 60,000 feet from 120° at 13 knots.

4. Witness: Mr. [REDACTED], civilian of [REDACTED], Lennox, California (Telephone [REDACTED]).

5. Air traffic in the area at time of sighting consisted of two B-29's, AF 8765 and AF 5440. No information as to the mission being performed by these aircraft is available.

6. Report was called to Los Angeles Control by the observer and was passed by that agency to March Flight Service Center via Plan 62 interphone at approximately 2200PST 25 July 1952.

Comments of Preparing Officer:

1. No information as to the occupation of the single observer is available. Observer was not contacted.

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1. Was it seen?  
2. Probably balloon  
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10. Was it seen?  
11. Probably balloon  
12. Probably balloon

Cylindrical, yellowish-white object,  
moving slowly but very high, was observed mov-  
ing in an oval pattern for 30 min.



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<b>AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT</b>		
SUBJECT FLYOBRT, GROUND OBSERVER POST REPORT OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS		
AREA REPORTED ON GOC POST LOCATED AT QN 4137	FROM (Agency) 655TH ACW SQ., WATERTOWN, NEW YORK	
DATE OF REPORT 28 JULY 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 2210ST 25 JULY 1952	EVALUATION RESTRICTED
PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE GOC OBSERVER	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AIR FORCE LETTER 200-5, DATED 29 APRIL 1952		

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

At 1043 Daylight Time, 25 July 1952, the following information was received by this station (P-49) from the GOC Filter Center at Syracuse, New York:

GOC Post QN 438 at New Berlin, New York, reported an unidentified flying object was spotted at a point 20 miles NW of QN 4137 at 2210 DT, 25 July 1952. The object was continuously observed for a period of 30 minutes. It was cylindrical in shape, yellowish white, very high and moved slowly. Object changed direction every five (5) seconds moving in an oval pattern.

The weather was clear, good visibility, with high scattered clouds.

After 2237DT sightings were intermitent; object seemed to be loosing altitude and appeared to be ball shaped rather than cylindrical. It then faded in the distance to the North.

The authenticity of this report is unknown as information was very brief and given by only one source.

This object was not picked up on the radar at this site at any time.

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