

<b>1. DATE - TIME GROUP</b> 28 April 53 29/0300Z	<b>2. LOCATION</b> Klamath Falls, Oregon
<b>3. SOURCE</b> Civilian	<b>10. CONCLUSION</b> Astronomical (METEOR)
<b>4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS</b> One	The intensity and speed is typical of a meteor.
<b>5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION</b> 5 Seconds	<b>11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS</b> Bright white-colored ball-shaped object traveled at high rate of speed on a downward path disappearing from view behind a mountain.
<b>6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION</b> Ground-Visual	
<b>7. COURSE</b> Descending	
<b>8. PHOTOS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	



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# 1. DESCRIPTION

- A. ROUND BALL SHAPD
- B. NO ESTIMATE GIVEN ON SIZE
- C. COLOR: WHITE
- D. NUMBER OF OBJECTS: ONE
- E. AERODYNAMIC FEATURES: NONE GIVEN
- F. TRAIL OR EXHAUST: NONE REPORTED
- G. PROPULSIONS SYSTEM: NONE INDICATED

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H. SPEED: VERY FAST

I. SOUND: NONE

J. MANEUVERS: APPEARED TO BE IN DIVE

K. MANNER OF DISAPPEARANCE: APPEARED OUT OF CLOUD AND WENT  
BEHIND MOUNTAIN TOP

L. UNUSUAL FEATURE: WAS BRIGHTER THAN USUAL FALLING STAR OR  
METEORITE

2. TIME OF SIGHTING:

A. TIME: 1900P

B. DATE : 28 APRIL 1953

C. LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVER: FIVE SECONDS

3. MANNER OF OBSERVATIONS:

A. VISUAL SIGHTING

B. FROM SURFACE: GROUND

C. NO OPTICAL OR ELECTRIC EQUIPMENT USED

4. LOCATION

A. APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF OBSERVER DURING SIGHTING

1. 12145W

2. 4215N

3. NO REFERENCE TO KNOWN LANDMARKS

*ATIC comment: definitely a meteor; no follow up needed.*

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B. LOCATION OF OBJECT WITH RESPECT TO OBSERVOR:

1. DISTANCE: ABOUT THIRTY MILES
2. DIRECTION: WEST SOUTH WEST
3. ALTITUDE: ABOUT 9000 FEET

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5. IDENTIFYING INFO ON OBSERVOR

A. NAME: MR. [REDACTED]

B. ADDRESS: ROUTE [REDACTED]

KLAMATH FALLS CMA OREGON

C. TELEPHONE NUMBER: KLAMATH FALLS 2001

D. NO ORGANIZATION CMA RANK OR SERVICE NUMBER-CIVILIAN

E. ESTIMATE OF RELIABILITY AND EXPERIENCE: NOT KNOWN

F. NO OTHER FACTORS KNOWN WHICH MIGHT HAVE BEARING ON  
RELIABILITY OF SIGHTING.

6. WEATHER

A. WEATHER SEQUENCE OFR LMT 281930P

1. BASE OF CLOUDS: ESTIMATED 4500 FEET BROKEN
2. VISABILITY: THIRTY MILES
3. OTHER WEATHER STATIONS IN AREA WERE REPORTING  
SCATTERED TO BRKN CLOUD CONDITIONS GOOD VSBY

B. WINDS ALOFT:

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*Almost definitely a meteor*



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1. 020 DEGREES AT TWO KNOTS AT 5000 MSL
2. 180 DEGREES AT TWENTY-ONE KNOTS AT 10000 MSL
3. 260 DEGREES AT TWENTY-FIVE KNOTS AT 15000 MSL
7. NO METEOROLOGICAL OR OTHER CONDITIONS KNOWN WHICH MIGHT HAVE CAUSED THE SIGHTING:
8. NO PHYSICAL EVIDENCE WHICH MIGHT SUPPORT SIGHTING
9. NO INTERCEPTION OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION TAKEN
10. NO INFORMATION ON ANY AIR TRAFFIC IN AREA AT TIME OF SIGHTING
11. AGENCIES CONTACTED FOR INFO AND/OR CONFIRMATION OF FACTS
  - A. 25TH AIR DIVISION HAD NO UNIDENTIFIED RADAR TRACKS IN THAT AREA AT THE TIME OF THE SIGHTING.
  - B. INFORMATION RELAYED TO TCMFSC VIA KLAMATH FALLS CMA OREGON CMA CAA RADIO AND WEATHER STATION 282355P

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(Unclassified) Unidentified Flying Object Near Klamath Falls, Oregon 28 April 1953  
State of Oregon, USA  
Flight Service, MATS, 3800 Newark  
Street, N. W., Washington 25, D. C.

30 April 1953

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Gerald E. Tyler, Major, USAF

Mr. [REDACTED]  
Klamath Falls, Oregon

Teletype FLYOBRPT 291000Z April submitted by McChord Flight Service Center

An observer at Klamath Falls, Oregon sighted a round white object at 1900PST  
28 April 1953. Object appeared to be in a high speed dive and disappeared behind  
a mountain top.

GERALD E. TYLER  
Major, USAF  
Intelligence Officer.

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

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The following teletype report was received from McChord Flight Service Center, McChord AF Base, Tacoma, Washington:

1. Description:

- a. Round ball shaped
- b. No estimate given on size
- c. Color: White
- d. Number of objects: One
- e. Aerodynamic features: None given
- f. Trail or exhaust: None reported
- g. Propulsion System: None indicated
- h. Speed: Very fast
- i. Sound: None
- j. Maneuvers: Appeared to be in dive
- k. Manner of disappearance: Appeared out of cloud and went behind mountain top
- l. Unusual feature: Was brighter than usual falling star or meteorite

2. Time of Sighting:

- a. Time of sighting: 1900P
- b. Date: 28 April 1953
- c. Length of time observed: Five seconds

3. Manner of observation:

- a. Visual sighting
- b. Ground
- c. No optical or electric equipment used

4. Location:

- a. Approximate location of observer during sighting:

- (1) 12145W
- (2) 4215N
- (3) No reference to known landmarks

- b. Location of object with respect to observer:

- (1) Distance: About 30 miles
- (2) Direction: West South West
- (3) Altitude: About 9000 feet

5. Identifying information on observer:

- a. Name: Mr. [REDACTED]
- b. Address: [REDACTED] Klamath Falls, Oregon
- c. Telephone: Klamath Falls 2001
- d. No organization, rank or service number - civilian
- e. Estimate of reliability and experience - Unknown
- f. No other factors known which might have bearing on reliability of sighting

6. Weather

- a. Weather sequence Klamath Falls 281930P

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- (1) Base of clouds: Estimated 4500 feet broken
- (2) Visibility: 30 miles
- (3) Other weather stations in area were reporting scattered to broken cloud conditions, good visibility

b. Winds Aloft:

- (1) 020° at 2 knots at 5000 MSL
- (2) 180° at 21 knots at 10,000MSL
- (3) 260° at 25 knots at 15,000 MSL

- 7. No meteorological or other conditions known which might have caused the sighting.
- 8. No physical evidence which might support sighting.
- 9. No interception or identification action taken.
- 10. No information on any air traffic in the area at time of sighting.
- 11. Agencies contacted for information and/or confirmation of facts:
  - a. 25th Air Division had no unidentified radar tracks in that area at time of sighting.
  - b. Information relayed to McChord FS Center via Klamath Falls, Oregon, CAA Radio and Weather Station 282355P.

General Remarks: None.

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Date: 28 April 53

L.C.T.: 7:00 pm

Location: Klamath Falls, Ore.

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