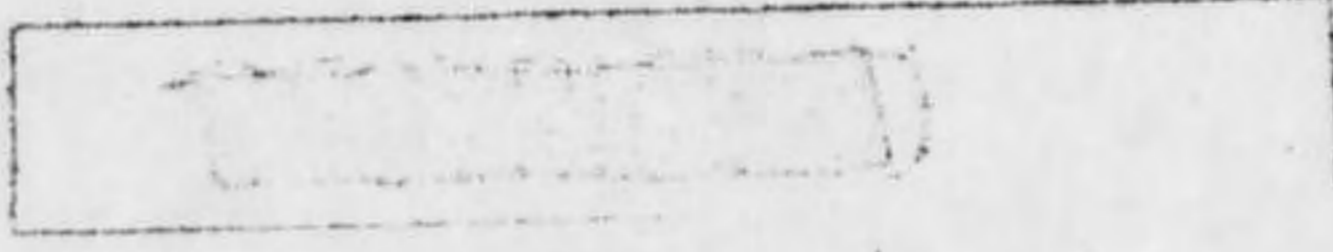


REPORT OF SIGHTING OF UFO

APPROX. DATE OF SIGHTING _____
 APPROX. TIME OF SIGHTING _____
 APPROX. LOCATION _____
 NAME OF WITNESS _____
 TYPE OF OBJECT _____
 TIME OF SIGHTING 1145
 SPEED $\sqrt{3}$
 ALTITUDE 15" Top to "circle", 13" - 11" width
 COLOR _____
 NO. IN GROUP 1
 COMMENTS _____

DATE OF INFO 7 March 1949
 LOCATION Vernalia, Mo
 SOURCE Experienced Private Pilot
 DATE IN TO AFIC _____
 COLOR Gray and Red
 SPEED _____
 ALTITUDE 2500 ft
 LENGTH OF THE OBJECT _____
 TYPE OF OBSERVATION Aerial
 REMARKS _____
 REMARKS: Object suddenly approached head on and appeared to be an A/C of some type.

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ATTC NO. _____ DATE OF INFO 27 March 1949

AP NO. _____ LOCATION Thursbury, N.S.

REPORT NO. _____ SOURCE _____

DATE OF REPORT _____ DATE IN TO ATTC _____

TIME OF OBSERVING 1800 COLOR _____

SHAPE _____ SPEED _____

SIZE _____ ALTITUDE _____

COURSE _____ LENGTH OF THE OBSERVED _____

NO. IN GROUP _____ TYPE OF OBSERVATION _____

NOISE _____ MANUEVERS _____

POSITION _____ SKETCHING _____

Possible (Ballon)
Observation

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Attachment to report of observation of an unidentified aerial object by Mr. ~~T. J. ...~~ Tucumcari, New Mexico, on 27 March 1949.

The object first appeared high in the sky to the southwest, apparently headed southwest. It then dived steeply, turning toward the west, then levelled off and climbed to its original height. This diving and climbing was repeated two or three times. There was no change in the ratio between the length and width during these maneuvers. At the top of one of the climbs, the object appeared to head back toward the east; there was a bright glitter of white light at the head of the object as it levelled off. Then it dived and turned back to the west.

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL
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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NO.

24-8

DATE

1 April 1949

REPORT MADE BY

JACK L. BOLING

TITLE

UNKNOWN

(Aerial Phenomena)

REPORT MADE AT

DO # 17, Kirtland AFB

PERIOD

30 March 1949

OFFICE OF ORIGIN

DO # 17, Kirtland AFB

STATUS

PENDING

CHARACTER

SPECIAL INQUIRY

REFERENCE

Report of JACK L. BOLING, 23 March 1949, file and subject as above

SYNOPSIS

Four additional inconclusive reports of sightings of anomolous luminous phenomena were received. Descriptions in general agree with that received from MARVIN MAY, whose observations were reported in reference report.

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Kirtland Field, New Mexico

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Lt Col, USAF
DISTRICT COMMANDER

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1. Date of Observation 27 Mar 49 Date of Interview _____
2. Exact time (local) 1800-1805 (first seen)
3. Place of Observation 35° -10'N - 103°44' West, Tucumcari, New Mexico
4. Position of observer Ground, both in and out of car.
5. What attracted attention to object Other persons looking up.
6. Number of objects One
7. Apparent size _____
8. Color of object Amber
9. Shape Long and narrow (Length 3 times width) (cylindrical)
10. Altitude 60° above horizon
11. Direction from observer First seen east of South
12. Distance from observer _____
13. Direction of flight of object(s) East to west
14. Time in sight At least 25 minutes
15. Speed _____
16. Sound and odor None
17. Trail None
18. Luminosity Self Luminous
19. Projections None
20. Maneuvers None
21. Manner of disappearance Faded out in distance at 254°
22. Effect on clouds _____
23. Additional information concerning object There was no apparent disintegration of object, appeared to be fairly solid.
24. Weather conditions Clear, good light

Name and address of observer: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Montoya, New Mexico

Occupation and hobbies:

Postmaster and Storekeeper

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

INCIDENT NO. 2873

1. Date of Observation 27 March 1949 Date of Interview 30 March 49
2. Exact time (local) 1813 when first sighted.
3. Place of Observation Tucumcari, New Mexico - 35°10'North -
103°14'West
4. Position of observer Ground
5. What attracted attention to object Observers son.
6. Number of objects One ~~Many~~
7. Apparent size
8. Color of object Bright orange
9. Shape Like Pencil (seemed to sway slightly)
10. Altitude 45° above horizon
11. Direction from observer 205° at first moved to almost due west
12. Distance from observer
13. Direction of flight of object(s) East to west
14. Time in sight Approx. 15 Minutes
15. Speed
16. Sound and odor None
17. Trail Object seemed rather like trail itself
18. Luminosity Self luminous
19. Projections
20. Maneuvers Stationary at 205° at first in vertical position,
bottom started to flow west rest followed in arc or band.
21. Manner of disappearance faded in distance.
22. Effect on clouds
23. Additional information concerning object
24. Weather conditions Clear, fairly strong light.

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Name and address of observer: ~~_____~~, ~~_____~~

Occupation and hobbies: Tucumcari, New Mexico

Police officer

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

1. Date of Observation 27 March 1949 Date of Interview _____
2. Exact time (local) 1800 hrs.
3. Place of Observation Motoya, New Mexico, 35°-06' N. 104°-04' West
4. Position of observer Ground
5. What attracted attention to object & - Small boy
6. Number of objects One
7. Apparent size Length 1/6 lunar dia., width 1/5 length
8. Color of object Orange flame color
9. Shape Long and narrow like Pencil
10. Altitude Horizon
11. Direction from observer First sighted 180° last seen 260°
12. Distance from observer
13. Direction of flight of object(s) East to West
14. Time in sight 10 Minutes
15. Speed
16. Sound and odor None
17. Trail None ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
18. Luminosity ~~None~~ Self Luminous
19. Projections None
20. Maneuvers None
21. Manner of disappearance Faded in distance
22. Effect on clouds
23. Additional information concerning object
24. Weather conditions No clouds in area, beginning of twilight

(over)

Name and address of observer: ~~REDACTED~~, Tucumcari, New Mexico

Occupation and hobbies:

Editor - Tucumcari, Daily News

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

1. Date of Observation 27 March 49 Date of Interview 30 March 49
2. Exact time (local) 1800 hrs.
3. Place of Observation Near Tucumcari, N.M. $35^{\circ}-07'N$ $-35^{\circ}-09'N$
 $103^{\circ}-23'W$ to $103^{\circ}-28'W$
4. Position of observer Ground in Auto
5. What attracted attention to object 2 - observers daughter
6. Number of objects One
7. Apparent size Size of DC-3 at 10,000'
8. Color of object orange fire color
9. Shape Looked like Kite Tail seemed to waver or ripple
10. Altitude 30° above horizon
11. Direction from observer 2400 at first sighting
12. Distance from observer
13. Direction of flight of object(s) East to West
14. Time in sight 15 Minutes
15. Speed
16. Sound and odor None
17. Trail None
18. Luminosity Self Luminous
19. Projections
20. Maneuvers Dived steeply turning toward west, then it leveled off and climbed to original height (this repeated 2 or 3 times)
21. Manner of disappearance Disappeared at bend in Road.
22. Effect on clouds No clouds
23. Additional information concerning object
24. Weather conditions Clear good light.

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, USAF
5TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, DAYTON, OHIO

IN REPLY REFER TO: 5D 24-21F

15 June 1949

SUBJECT: PROJECT GRUDGE
SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: MCLAXS

1. Inclosed for your information, and any action deemed necessary, is report of investigation by Special Agent GEORGE E. SWINFORD of this office, dated 10 June 1949.

2. With the submission of this report the files of this office are being closed in instant case.

1 Incl
R/I dtd 10 Jun 49
(in dup)

Thomas F. Doyle, Jr.
T.F. DOYLE, JR.
Captain, USAF
Acting District Commander

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Will report all future sightings of anomolous luminous phenomena within the District area.

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF
17TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
KIRTLAND AFB, KIRTLAND FIELD, NEW MEXICO

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File No: 24-8

6 April 1949

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN (Aerial Phenomena)

TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: MCIAXO-3

1. Reference is made to Report of Investigation, this district, dated 1 April 1949, file number and subject as above.
2. Telegraphic request was forwarded to District Office No. 23, for a check of the Fort Worth Flight Service Center as to the possible presence of a jet type aircraft in the area of Tucumcari, New Mexico, at approximately 1500 hours on 27 March 1949. There was no record of such aircraft having been in the appropriate area at that time.
3. This letter is written in lieu of a formal report so that the information regarding the non-probability of a jet-propelled aircraft in the area concerned might be considered in conjunction with referenced report.
4. Investigation will be continued, and further reports submitted as occasion arises.

DOYLE REES
Lt Col, USAF
District Commander

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KIRTLAND AFB, KIRTLAND FIELD, NEW MEXICO

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File No: 24-3

6 April 1949

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN (Aerial Phenomena)

TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: MCLAXO-3

1. Reference is made to Report of Investigation, this district, dated 1 April 1949, file number and subject as above.

2. Telegraphic request was forwarded to District Office No. 23, for a check of the Fort Worth Flight Service Center as to the possible presence of a jet type aircraft in the area of Tucumcari, New Mexico, at approximately 1800 hours on 27 March 1949. There was no record of such aircraft having been in the appropriate area at that time.

3. This letter is written in lieu of a formal report so that the information regarding the non-probability of a jet-propelled aircraft in the area concerned might be considered in conjunction with referenced report.

4. Investigation will be continued, and further reports submitted as occasion arises.

DOYLE REES
Lt Col, USAF
District Commander

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KIRTLAND AFB, KIRTLAND FIELD, NEW MEXICO

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File No: 24-8

1 April 1949

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN (Aerial Phenomena)

TO: Commanding Officer
Kirtland Air Force Base
Kirtland Field, New Mexico
ATTN: Inspector General

1. Reference is made to Report of Investigation, this district, dated 23 March 1949, file number and subject as above.
2. Attached for your information are four (4) copies of Report of Investigation, this district, dated 1 April 1949, file number and subject as above. The form utilized as the "Details" portion of attached report is that desired by Project "Grudge" which is responsible for the overall investigation of unidentified aerial objects.
3. This is a supplemental report. Investigation of this incident is continuing and further reports will be forwarded as they are received.
4. Request that two (2) copies of the attached report be forwarded to Commanding General, Air Materiel Command, ATTN: MCIAXO-3.

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Rpt of Inv (quad)

DOYLE REES
Lt Col, USAF
District Commander

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17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)
None
18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescent, other - degree of
brilliance):
Self-luminous
19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):
None
20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):
None
21. Manner of disappearance: Faded out in distance.
22. Effect on clouds: No clouds
23. Additional information concerning object: There was no apparent
dissipation of the object; it appeared to be fairly solid.
24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:
Clear, with good light.

Name and address of observer: ~~Redacted~~
Tucumcari, New Mexico

Occupation and hobbies:
Police Officer

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

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting,
or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material?

Seen through car windows and from outside.

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Incident No. _____

1. Date of Observation 27 Mar 49 Date of Interview 30 Mar 49
2. Exact time of observation (local) 1800 - 1805 (first seen)
3. Place of Observation: 35° 10' N
(Map Coordinates) 103° 44' W
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):
Seen from various spots in Tucumcari, New Mexico, both in and out of car.
5. What attracted attention to object: Saw another person looking up.
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping: One.
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length): N/S
8. Color of object: Amber.
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):
Long and narrow; about three times as long as wide.
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0° at horizon, 90° overhead): 60 degrees above horizon.
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from north):
254 degrees at disappearance; first seen east of south.
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be): N/S
13. Direction of flight of object (s): East to West.
14. Time in sight: At least 25 minutes.
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):
N/S
16. Sound and odor: None.

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Incident No. _____

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

None.

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

Self-luminous.

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

None.

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

None.

21. Manner of disappearance:

In distance.

22. Effect on clouds:

None.

23. Additional information concerning object:

None.

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:

No clouds in area; beginning of twilight in West.

Name and address of observer: [REDACTED]
Montoya, New Mexico

Occupation and hobbies:
Postmaster and storekeeper.

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

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting,
or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material?

No.

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Incident No. _____

1. Date of Observation 27 Mar 49 Date of Interview 30 Mar 49
2. Exact time of observation (local) Approx 1800 hours
3. Place of Observation: Montoya, New Mexico -- 35° 06' N
(Map Coordinates) 104° 04' W
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):
Outside Post Office, Montoya, New Mexico
5. What attracted attention to object: Pointed out by small boy.
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping: One.
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length): Length -- about 1/6 lunar diameter;
Width -- about 1/5 length.
8. Color of object: Orange flame color.
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):
Long and narrow, somewhat like a pencil.
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0° at horizon, 90° overhead): About 75 degrees.
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from north):
180 degrees at beginning; 260 degrees at end.
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be): N/S
13. Direction of flight of object (s): East to West.
14. Time in sight: At least ten minutes.
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):
N/S
16. Sound and odor: None.

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DETAILS:

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

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1. Mr. I. P. HILLYARD, Aviation Safety Agent, Department of Commerce, Civil Aeronautics Administration, Office of Aviation Safety, Municipal Airport, Cleveland, Ohio, stated as follows:

"On March 7, 1949 at approximately 14:45 while enroute from Toledo, Ohio to Cleveland, Ohio, via aircraft, I had an unusual incident occur.

When approximately four miles west of Vermilion, Ohio over the lakeshore at 2500 feet MSL altitude, an object was suddenly observed approaching head-on at the same altitude. I immediately pulled up into a steep right turn to avoid a collision and completed a turn to the right to observe the object with which I had nearly collided but very much to my amazement, I was unable to locate anything within seeing distance after spending several minutes searching the area. There was an overcast approximately 500 feet above my altitude so I finally decided the object may have climbed into the clouds.

My first impression was that I had nearly collided with a powered model airplane but after giving it more thought, I realized this was impossible as the head-on view of the fuselage was too large to be that of a model as the front view of the fuselage appeared to have an oval shape the same as an F80 and appeared to measure 18 to 20 inches from top to bottom and 12 to 14 inches in width and painted red. Wings were mounted in the center of the fuselage or as a mid-wing and each appeared to be about three feet long or a total span of six to eight feet and were painted light gray.

After landing at Cleveland, Ohio, I discussed the incident with a few close friends and let the matter drop as it was so fantastic, but after careful consideration, I now think this information should be on record.

As a matter of information, I have been flying for twenty years with approximately 6500 hours and hold an Airline Transport Pilot Rating Certificate with all ratings. The foregoing is not the result of a vivid imagination but an explanation of the facts to the best of my knowledge."

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Incident No. _____

1. Date of Observation 27 Mar 49 Date of Interview 30 Mar 49
2. Exact time of observation (local) 1813 (Exact time first sighted)
3. Place of Observation: 35° 10' N
(Map Coordinates) 103° 44' W
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):
Tucumcari, New Mexico, outside
5. What attracted attention to object: Pointed out by observer's son.
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping: One
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length):
N/S
8. Color of object: Bright orange.
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):
Long narrow streak, like yellow pencil; seemed to sway or wiggle slightly.
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0° at horizon, 90° overhead):
Close to 45 degrees above horizon.
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from north):
205 degrees at first; moved to almost due west.
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):
N/S
13. Direction of flight of object (s): East to West.
14. Time in sight: Approximately 15 minutes.
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance): N/S
16. Sound and odor: None

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- 17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)
None -- object seemed rather like a trail itself.
- 18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescent, other - degree of brilliance):
Self-luminous.
- 19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):
None.
- 20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):
Stationary at 205° at first in vertical position; bottom end started to flow to West, the rest following around the bend.
- 21. Manner of disappearance: Faded out of sight in distance.
- 22. Effect on clouds: No clouds.
- 23. Additional information concerning object: Seemed flexible.
- 24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:
Clear and fairly strong light.

Name and address of observer: ~~_____~~
Tucumcari, New Mexico

Occupation and hobbies:
Editor, Tucumcari Daily News.

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

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material?

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- 17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)
None
- 18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescent, other - degree of brilliance):
Self-luminous
- 19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):
None
- 20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):
See attachment
- 21. Manner of disappearance: Lost sight as road entered hills.
- 22. Effect on clouds: No clouds.
- 23. Additional information concerning object: See attachment.
- 24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting: Clear, good light.

Name and address of observer: ~~_____~~
Tucumcari, New Mexico

Occupation and hobbies:

Grocer

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

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material?

Seen through windshield of car.

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Incident No. _____

1. Date of Observation 27 Mar 49 Date of Interview 30 Mar 49
2. Exact time of observation (local) About 1800 hours
3. Place of Observation: $35^{\circ} 07' N$ to $35^{\circ} 09' N$
(Map Coordinates) $103^{\circ} 23' W$ to $103^{\circ} 28' W$
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):
In car on highway US 66, between San Jon and Tucumcari, New Mexico
5. What attracted attention to object: Observer's daughter saw object.
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping: One
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length): About size of DC-3 at 10,000 feet
8. Color of object: Orange fire color.
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object):
Looked like a kite tail; seemed to waver or ripple.
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0° at horizon, 90° overhead): Approximately 30 degrees above horizon.
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from north): 240° at start.
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be): N/S
13. Direction of flight of object (s): East to West.
14. Time in sight: 15 minutes.
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):
N/S
16. Sound and odor: None

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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NO. 5D 24-21F
 DATE 10 June 1949

REPORT MADE BY GEORGE E. SWINFORD mk

REPORT MADE AT DO #5, Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, O.

PERIOD 8 Jun 49

OFFICE OF ORIGIN DO #5, Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, O.

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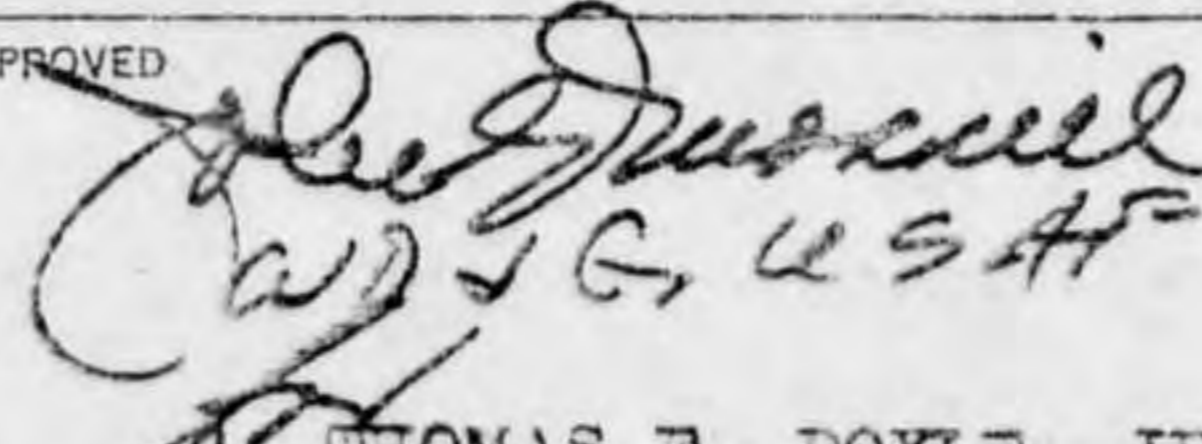
REFERENCE None, this is an initial report.

SYNOPSIS
 Investigation is predicated upon information received from Mr. I. P. HILLYARD, Aviation Safety Agent, Department of Commerce, Civil Aeronautics Administration, Office of Aviation Safety, Municipal Airport, Cleveland, Ohio, that he had seen an unknown object approximately four miles west of Vermilion, Ohio, while flying at 2500 feet MSL altitude on 7 March 1949 at approximately 1445 hours. Object appeared to have an oval shape, the same as an F30, and to measure 18 to 20 inches top to bottom and 12 to 14 inches in width, painted red. Wings were mounted in the center of the fuselage and appeared to be about three feet long. HILLYARD tried to sight object immediately after passing said object but failed to sight this object again.

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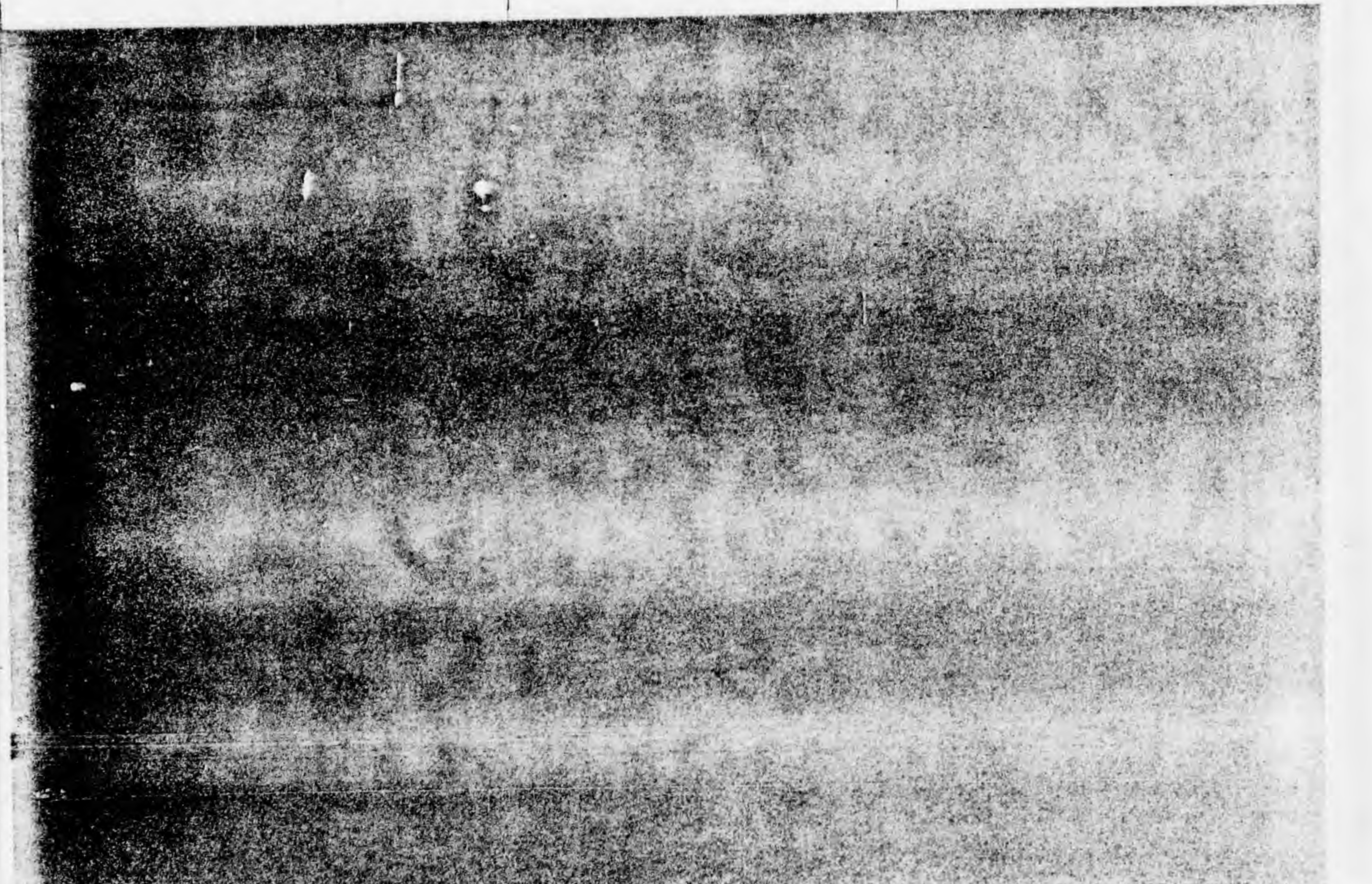
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1. Date of Observation 8 March 1949 Date of Interview _____
2. Exact time (local) 0103
3. Place of Observation Point #6, Killeen Base, Camp Hood, Texas
4. Position of observer Ground
5. What attracted attention to object & -
6. Number of objects One
7. Apparent size Not known
8. Color of object Pale reddish nose, whitish red trail
9. Shape Lemon shape with tail
10. Altitude 15°
11. Direction from observer 304° to 244°
12. Distance from observer
13. Direction of flight of object(s) Southerly
14. Time in sight
15. Speed Not known, but very fast
16. Sound and odor None noticed
17. Trail Whitish red trail
18. Luminosity
19. Projections
20. Maneuvers Performed arc.
21. Manner of disappearance
22. Effect on clouds
23. Additional information concerning object
24. Weather conditions Clear, see complete weather data in File 265.

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Incident: 278

Name and address of observer: Cpl. Luke Burke Sims
42nd AIB Co. A
Occupation and hobbies: Camp Hood, Texas

U. S. Army

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

Good observer.

NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

See original report in file 265.

Observer stated light started from point above horizon then arced upward and down to 15° when it disappeared. Was perfect arc. He was able to run 10 paces toward field telephone to report light before it vanished.

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INCIDENT NO. 278A

1. Date of Observation 8 March 1949 Date of Interview _____
2. Exact time (local) **0103**
3. Place of Observation **Point #1, Killeen Base, Camp Hood, Texas**
4. Position of observer **Ground**
5. What attracted attention to object **-**
6. Number of objects **One**
7. Apparent size **Not known**
8. Color of object **Pale white light at head**
9. Shape **Roundish head with hazy smoke trail**
10. Altitude **from 58° - 54° above horizon**
11. Direction from observer **122° to 126°**
12. Distance from observer
13. Direction of flight of object(s) **Southwest**
14. Time in sight **long enough to snap your fingers**
15. Speed **Not known**
16. Sound and odor **None**
17. Trail **left Hazy white smoke trail**
18. Luminosity
19. Projections
20. Maneuvers **Traveled in arc**
21. Manner of disappearance
22. Effect on clouds
23. Additional information concerning object
24. Weather conditions **clear, see complete weather data in file 265.**

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Name and address of observer: Pvt. Charles H. Payne
42nd AIB Co. A
Occupation and hobbies: Camp Hood, Texas

U. S. Army

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

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