

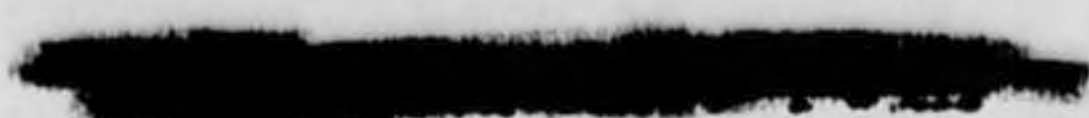
PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION	371
13 June 49 13/2245-23	.L) Camp Hood, Te	
3. SOURCE	10. CONCLUSION	
Military	Astro (METEOR)	
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS		
One		
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS	
2 - 5 Seconds	Object was green, red, dark red, purple with dark outline. Round with tail. Main body of object was red with colors of spectrum following. Object lit up sky. Moved in a downward spiraling arc. Object faded out of sight while in flight.	
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION		
Ground-Visual		
7. COURSE		
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8. PHOTOS		
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9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE		
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Name and address of observer: 

Hq 920 AFA Bn, Camp Hood, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:

U. S. Army Officer

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

Considered excellent observer

NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

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INCIDENT NO. 371

1. Date of Observation 13 June 1949 Date of Interview 14 June 1949
2. Exact Time (local) 2015
3. Place of Observation Camp Hood, Texas
4. Position of observer Ground
5. What attracted attention to object Bright Light
6. Number of objects One
7. Apparent size Size of Flare
8. Color of object White, with Pink Trail
9. Shape Round (Ball)
10. Altitude 35°
11. Direction from observer South (190°)
12. Distance from observer Unknown
13. Direction of flight of object(s) West to East
14. Time in sight 2 or 3 seconds
15. Speed Very Fast, Faster than jet
16. Sound and odor None
17. Trail Pink, 3 times diameter of object
18. Luminosity Very Bright, Brighter than star
19. Projections None
20. Maneuvers Even descending flight
21. Manner of disappearance Went completely out
22. Effect on Clouds None
23. Additional information concerning object
24. Weather Conditions Overcast in North Sky, with occasional flashes of Heat Lightning

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Incident

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Name and address of observer:

[REDACTED]
Hq 92D AFA Bn
Camp Hood, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:

Officer U. S. Army
Licensed USA Liaison Pilot

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

Excellent observer

NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

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CONTROL NO. **R - 1070** SUBJECT: **Ltr** DECIMAL FILE NO. _____ FOLLOW UP ON _____
Unidentified Aerial Phenomena
CONF.. **R-2615** DATE _____
 FROM: **4th Army Ft Sam Houston** DATED **6/20/49**
 TO: **IAXS** **Texas** NO. INCLS. **3**

RECORDING DESK **AXT-1** DATE RECORDED **6/27/49** **UR 1300**

	ROUTED TO	SUSPENSE DATE	ESTABLISHED BY (INITIALS)	DATE
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DATE OF REPLY _____ OTHER DISPOSITION: _____

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 AMC FORM NO. 10-2
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FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS

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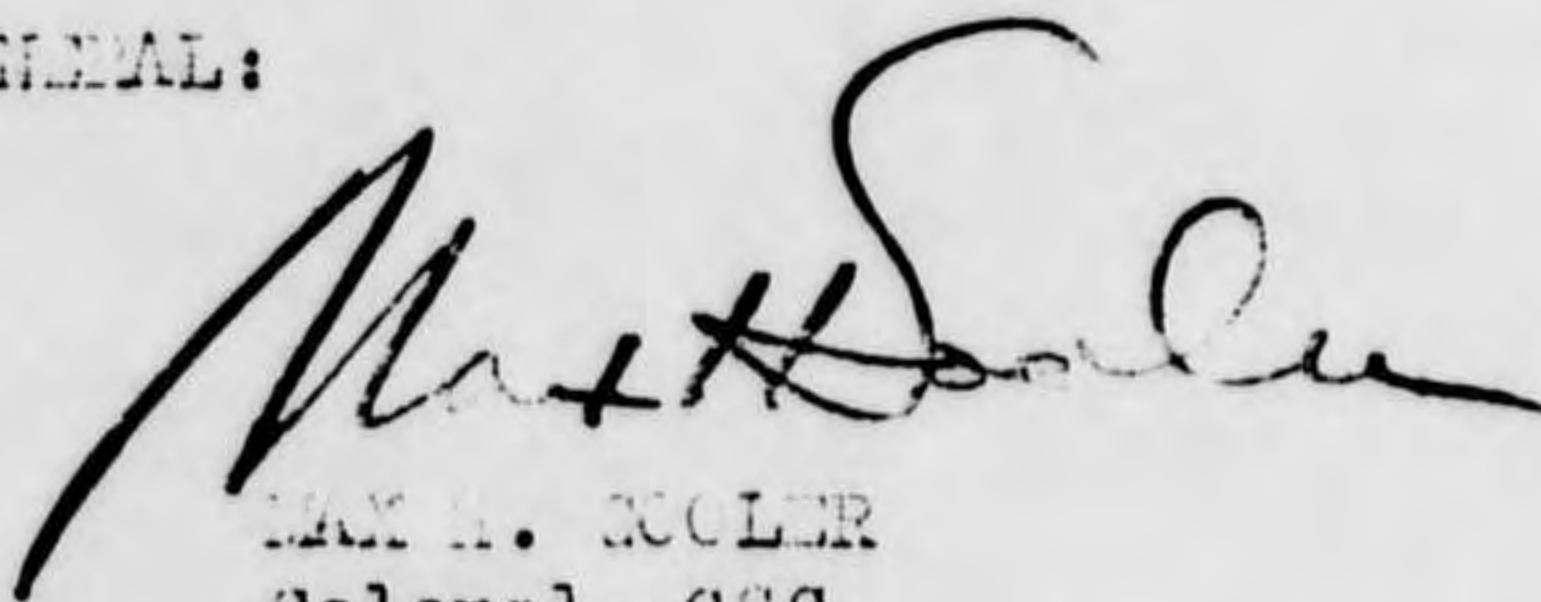
SUBJECT: Unidentified Aerial Phenomena

TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTENTION: M.C.I.

The following reports re unidentified aerial phenomena observed at Camp Hood, Texas, are forwarded for your information and any action deemed necessary:

- a. Observed by ~~████████████████████~~ ██████████, at 2015 hours, 13 June 1949, Headquarters Avenue and 162d Street. (Incl 1)
- b. Observed by ~~████████████████████~~ ██████████, at some time between 2245 and 2300 hours, 13 June 1949, from patio in rear of Camp Hood Officers Club (Incl 2).
- c. Observed by ~~████████████████████~~ ██████████, between 2245 and 2300 hours, 13 June 1949, from patio in rear of Camp Hood Officers Club (Incl 3).

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:



MAX H. COOLER
Colonel, GSC
Actg AC of S, G-2

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Incident No. 1

1. Date of Observation 13 June Date of Interview 14 June
2. Exact time of observation (local) 2015 Approx.
3. Place of Observation: Hq Ave and 162d St.
(Map Coordinates) Camp Hood
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):
Walking south on 162d St.
5. What attracted attention to object:
Bright Light.
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):
Size of Flare.
8. Color of object:
White with pink trail.
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object);
Round with what appeared to be a pink trail.
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):
Approx. 35 degrees.
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):
South - 190 degrees.
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):
Unknown.
13. Direction of flight of object (s):
West to east.
14. Time of sight:
2 or 3 seconds.
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):
Very fast - faster than jet plane.

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16. Sound and odor:

None.

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

Pink trail about 3 times the diameter of object.

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

Very bright - brighter than a star.

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

None.

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

Level downward Flight.

21. Manner of disappearance:

Went out completely while in flight.

22. Effect on clouds:

None.

23. Additional information concerning object:

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:

Overcast sky in north, with occasional flashes of "heat lightning".

Name and address of observer:

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Hq 92d AFA Bn

Camp Hood, Texas (Licensd U.S. Army Liaison Pilot)

Occupation and hobbies:

Officer - U.S. Army

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

Excellent Observer.

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

None.

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Relative to Radar Sightings

1. Re: Radars now operating on ground
No radar in area.
 - a. Observations of direction, range, speed, altitude and size of target:
Not Applicable.
 - b. Did target execute any turns? If so, what angle (180 degrees), etc., and what radius of turn. If radius of turn was not observable, how long did the target stay in the turn and what was its speed:

N.A.
 - c. Note particularly any separation of distant target into several targets upon approach:

N.A.
 - d. Was radar blip on cathode ray tube well defined and consistent with size of object; faint; fading, pulsating at regular rate:
N.A.
 - e. Did radar echo signal disappear suddenly or gradually?
N.A.
2. If airborne, when object was sighted
 - a. Were there any radar indications or extra noise on radio circuits:
 - b. Give estimates of size, speed, maneuvers, etc.:

GENERAL

1. Teletype sequences of local weather conditions:
No weather station data available.
2. Winds aloft report:
N.A.
 - a. Adiabatic chart for period in question:
N.A.

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3. Local flight schedules of commercial, private and military aircraft flying in vicinity at the time:
(Check Canadian activity if close to border)

None

4. Possible releases of testing devices in vicinity sent aloft by Ordnance Navy, Air Force, Army, Weather Units, (for release and track of lighted synoptic balloon and other information), Research Organizations or any other:

Unknown

5. If object contacted earth, obtain soil samples within and without depression or spot where object landed for purposes of making comparison of soils.

Location of point of contact not determined.

6. Obtain photographs (or original negatives) where available; if not, secure sketches of:

Not obtained

- a. Object
- b. Surrounding terrain where object was observed
- c. Place where object contacted earth (if this happened)
- d. Maneuvers
- e. Formation (if more than two)

7. Secured signed statements.

None obtained

8. Obtain fragments or physical evidence where possible.

None obtained

Interviewed by:

George M. Siewers
GEORGE M SIEWERS
Captain, Inf

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Incident No. 2

1. Date of Observation 13 June 1949 Date of Interview 16 June 1949
2. Exact time of observation (local) Between 2245 & 2300
3. Place of Observation: From patio in rear of Camp Hood Officers Club.
(Map Coordinates)
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):
Sitting.
5. What attracted attention to object:
Brilliant light, similar to meteorite.
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):
Estimate - 500 to 700 ft - with tail extending out to the rear 1000 yds.
8. Color of object:
Main body green, tail sodium-yellow and green.
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object);
Not discernable.
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):
60 to 70 degrees.
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):
200 degrees - approx.
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):
70 to 75 miles.
13. Direction of flight of object (s):
West to Southwest.
14. Time of sight:
5 to 10 seconds.
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):
3000 ft per second.

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HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS REPORT OF INVESTIGATION	FILE NO. 24-39	DATE 11 July 1949
	REPORT MADE BY R. R. LUNSDEN, SPECIAL AGENT	
TITLE AERIAL PHENOMENA VICINITY CAMP HOOD, TEXAS	REPORT MADE AT DO #10, Kelly AFB, Texas	
	PERIOD 6 May through 7 July 1949	
	OFFICE OF ORIGIN DO #10, Kelly AFB, Texas	
	STATUS PENDING	

CHARACTER
SPECIAL INQUIRY

REFERENCE
Report of S/A R. R. LUNSDEN, 10th District OSI, 24-39, 27 May 1949

OPSIS

On 7 May 1949, unidentified light observed at 2130 hours, was visible for approximately 35 minutes. Light was stationary, color varied from white to blue with flashes of red.


On 23 May, four separate observations were made of six aerial phenomena. Observations were made at 1000, 2210, 2330, and period 2330 to 0030 hours.

On 3 June, civilian type aircraft made an emergency landing near restricted area, damaging fence. Investigation by F. B. I. indicated no ulterior motive.

On 6 June, unusual light observed at 2105 hours by two observers, and was in sight for two minutes and forty seconds. Same object was also observed by two other observers from a different azimuth.

On 13 June, unusual light observed at 2015 hours, in sight for approximately two to three seconds, moving very fast. On 13 June, unusual light was observed at 2300 hours by two officer observers for a period of from five to thirty seconds.

On 7 July, informal information received indicating Fourth Army made request for assistance of Air Technical Intelligence Team from Headquarters Air Materiel Command.

DISTRIBUTION	ACTION COPY FORWARDED TO	FILE STAMP
	Commanding General Air Materiel Command Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio ATT: Director of Technical Intelligence	
3, AMC, Wright-Patterson AFB, Att: Dir. of Tech. Intelligence - 2 Director of Intelligence HQ, USAF, Washington - 2 10th OSI (14 Incls) - 2 File (14 Incls) - 2	APPROVED  R. R. LUNSDEN Lt. Colonel, USAF DISTRICT COMMANDER	

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16. Sound and odor:
None.
17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.)
Color - Same as # 8, 1000 yds length, persistency 3/4 of a second.
18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance):
About 3 times the brilliancy of meteorite.
19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):
None.
20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):
Level flight, losing altitude.
21. Manner of disappearance:
Faded out or burned out.
22. Effect on clouds:
None.
23. Additional information concerning object:
There were patches of cirrus clouds at 25 to 30,000 ft (6 miles) at an azimuth of 110 degrees.
24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:
Clear, no ceiling, visability unlimited.

Name and address of observer: [REDACTED] (Light Aviation Officer)
Hq 92d AFA Bn, Camp Hood, Texas

Occupation and hobbies:
Officer U.S. Army

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

Excellent Observer.

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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Relative to Radar Sightings

1. Re: Radars now operating on ground
No radar in area.
 - a. Observations of direction, range, speed, altitude and size of target:
Not applicable.
 - b. Did target execute any turns? If so, what angle (180 degrees), etc., and what radius of turn. If radius of turn was not observable, how long did the target stay in the turn and what was its speed:
N.A.
 - c. Note particularly any separation of distant target into several targets upon approach:
N.A.
 - d. Was radar blip on cathode ray tube well defined and consistent with size of object; faint; fading, pulsating at regular rate:
N.A.
 - e. Did radar echo signal disappear suddenly or gradually?
N.A.
2. If airborne, when object was sighted
 - a. Were there any radar indications or extra noise on radio circuits:
 - b. Give estimates of size, speed, maneuvers, etc.:

GENERAL

1. Teletype sequences of local weather conditions:
No weather station data available.
2. Winds aloft report:
N.A.
 - a. Adiabatic chart for period in question:
N.A.

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3. Local flight schedules of commercial, private and military aircraft flying in vicinity at the time:
(Check Canadian activity if close to border)

None.

4. Possible releases of testing devices in vicinity sent aloft by Ordnance Navy, Air Force, Army, Weather Units, (for release and track of lighted synoptic balloon and other information), Research Organizations or any other:

Unknown.

5. If object contacted earth, obtain soil samples within and without depression or spot where object landed for purposes of making comparison of soils.

Location of point of contact not determined.

6. Obtain photographs (or original negatives) where available; if not, secure sketches of:

None obtained.

- a. Object
- b. Surrounding terrain where object was observed
- c. Place where object contacted earth (if this happened)
- d. Maneuvers
- e. Formation (if more than two)

7. Secured signed statements.

None obtained.

8. Obtain fragments or physical evidence where possible.

None obtained.

Interviewed by:

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GEORGE M SIEWERS
Captain, Inf

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Incident No. 2

1. Date of Observation 13 June Date of Interview 15 June 1949
2. Exact time of observation (local) Between 2245 & 2300
3. Place of Observation: From patio in rear of Camp Hood Officers Club.
(Map Coordinates)
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):
Sitting.
5. What attracted attention to object:
Brilliancy of 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):
Unestimable.
8. Color of object: From front to rear - Green, Red, Dark Red, Purple, with dark out line.
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object);
Round with tail.
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0 degrees at horizon, 90 degrees overhead):
30 degrees.
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from North):
225 degrees to 190 degrees.
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be):
7000 yds.
13. Direction of flight of object (s):
North to South.
14. Time of sight:
30 seconds.
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):
Covered $\frac{1}{2}$ mile in 30 seconds.
Incl "As fast as molten metal being poured."

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16. Sound and odor:

None.

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

Main body red with color of spectrum following in trail.

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

Lit up the sky.

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

None.

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

Moved in a downward arc, spiraling as it moved.

21. Manner of disappearance:

Faded out in a second while in flight.

22. Effect on clouds:

No clouds.

23. Additional information concerning object:

Observer majored in Petrol & Geological subjects at University of Okla., he definitely believes object sighted was not a meteorite. By the color of

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting: the trail, observer believes

Clear sky with light breeze from the south.

it burned a fuel of hydro-carbon base.

Name and address of observer:

[REDACTED]
Hq 78th AFA Bn, Camp Hood, Tex.

Occupation and hobbies:

Officer U.S. Army - Photography & Paleontology.

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

Superior observer, well informed on geology.

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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Relative to Radar Sightings

1. Re: Radars now operating on ground

No radar in area.

a. Observations of direction, range, speed, altitude and size of target:

Not applicable.

b. Did target execute any turns? If so, what angle (180 degrees), etc., and what radius of turn. If radius of turn was not observable, how long did the target stay in the turn and what was its speed:

N.A.

c. Note particularly any separation of distant target into several targets upon approach:

N.A.

d. Was radar blip on cathode ray tube well defined and consistent with size of object; faint; fading, pulsating at regular rate:

N.A.

e. Did radar echo signal disappear suddenly or gradually?

N.A.

2. If airborne, when object was sighted

a. Were there any radar indications or extra noise on radio circuits:

b. Give estimates of size, speed, maneuvers, etc.:

GENERAL

1. Teletype sequences of local weather conditions:

No weather station data available.

2. Winds aloft report:

N.A.

a. Adiabatic chart for period in question:

N.A.

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3. Local flight schedules of commercial, private and military aircraft flying in vicinity at the time:
(Check Canadian activity if close to border)

None.

4. Possible releases of testing devices in vicinity sent aloft by Ordnance Navy, Air Force, Army, Weather Units, (for release and track of lighted synoptic balloon and other information), Research Organizations or any other:

Unknown

5. If object contacted earth, obtain soil samples within and without depression or spot where object landed for purposes of making comparison of soils.

Location of point of contact not determined.

6. Obtain photographs (or original negatives) where available; if not, secure sketches of:

Not obtained

- a. Object
- b. Surrounding terrain where object was observed
- c. Place where object contacted earth (if this happened)
- d. Maneuvers
- e. Formation (if more than two)

7. Secured signed statements.

None obtained.

8. Obtain fragments or physical evidence where possible.

None obtained.

Interviewed by:

George M. Siewers

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Captain, Inf

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DETAILS:

1. On 7 May 1949, [REDACTED] Asst. G-3, 2nd Armored Division, observed an unusual light at Camp Hood, Texas. Captain PERKINS at approximately 2100 hours, was walking at map coordinate 913.5 - 894.5 and saw an object brighter than the stars. Object remained stationary for approximately thirty-five (35) minutes, was round and twice the size of the brightest star visible. Color varied, being predominantly white, varying to blue with flashes of red. No maneuvers were observed, and the weather was generally fair with scattered clouds and a wind from the south, velocity of about 15 miles per hour. Observer followed object both with the naked eye and through field glasses. The standard form "Guide to Investigation, Unidentified Aerial Objects" has been furnished AIC and copy is retained in files of District Office No. 10.

2. On 23 May 1949, [REDACTED] "G" Company, 6th Tank Battalion, 2nd Armored Division, Camp Hood, Texas, observed an unusual light. Observation was made at 2210 hours from Observation Post No. 1, map coordinate 9140-3560 [REDACTED] one light about three feet in diameter, round in shape, and changing from amber to greenish yellow in color. The object was in sight for approximately two or three minutes, and was about 1,500 yards from the observer. Speed was slow and object appeared to glow. No maneuvers were noted. Observation was made without assistance of optical instruments. Object was north of the observer and travelled from east to west, then from west to east. [REDACTED] Company "D", 42d AIB, 2d Armored Division, Camp Hood, Texas, made observation at the same point and at the same time, and described the object as being two or three feet in diameter, smaller than the moon, was round and was red when first seen, then changed to a greenish color. Object was in sight for two to three minutes, travelled from east to west, then from west to east, disappearing, then re-appearing, moving slowly when first sighted, travelling somewhat faster on second observation. Flight was level and the object appeared to glow like a "light through a window". No optical instruments were used in the observation.

3. On 23 May [REDACTED], Company "D", 42d AIB, 2d Armored Division, Camp Hood, Texas, while on guard at Observation Post No. 1, map coordinate 9140-3560 observed unusual lights. Time of observation was 2330 hours, and the object seen was one light which re-appeared approximately twenty times, described as being round, about the size of a half dollar. Color was similar to that of a light bulb. Object was in sight for several seconds and moved straight up and down

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with a slight lateral motion right and left. Object was described as being dull in luminosity; weather was clear with mild winds from the south. No optical instruments were used in observation.

4. On 23 May 1949, at approximately 1000 hours, [REDACTED] 6th Medium Tank Battalion, "C" Company, Camp Hood, Texas, and [REDACTED] "C" Company, 6th Medium Tank Battalion, Camp Hood, Texas, were on duty at Observation post No. 1, map coordinate 914.0-856.0, and observed one object described as being between the size of a star and the moon, or about the size of an automobile headlight. It was round with blurred edges and had a yellowish tinge to its color. Object was more than a mile away and was north-east of the observers; remained in sight for one or two minutes and moved from left to right at a slow speed. Its color was dull like a "flashlight covered by yellow paper". Weather was clear with a light wind from the south, with a small amount of haze. No optical instruments were used. Object moved in level flight. Report made directly to AMC by Fourth Army, and copy retained in files of D. O. No. 10.

5. On 23 May 1949, between the hours 2330 and 0030, three observers saw a recurring light. Observers were [REDACTED] In. Hq & Sv. Co., 42 AIB, Camp Hood, Texas; [REDACTED], "D" Company, 42 AIB, Camp Hood, Texas, and [REDACTED], 42nd AIB, Camp Hood, Texas. Object appeared and then re-appeared several times. Described as being the size of a light bulb when held at arm's length, round in shape, and with a color of that of a light bulb at a distance. Time of sighting was approximately one minute, and movement was straight up and down at slow speed. Weather was clear with southerly winds, and a slight haze. No sound or odor was observed. No trail noted and no projections seen on object by observers. Individual reports from each of the three observers furnished AMC by Fourth Army with copy being retained in the files of D. O. No. 10.

6. On the night of 3 June 1949, at 2020 hours, a civilian type aircraft circled Camp Hood at an altitude of from 200 to 300 feet. At completion of second circling, airplane was headed due east. Pilot in attempting to land on patrol road which he had mistaken for an air strip, struck the No. 1 fence of the restricted area and caused the plane to crash, but did not burn. Pilot stated he was enroute from Paris to Taylor, Texas, when his plane developed engine trouble requiring him to make an emergency landing. The plane was searched thoroughly and no evidence of cameras or explosives determined.

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As the result of the emergency landing, four fence posts bent completely out of shape, and forty-five feet of fencing badly mangled, torn loose and stretched. As the pilot was a civilian, the matter was referred to the F. B. I., and a report submitted from San Antonio Field Office of that organization indicates the pilot to have been [REDACTED], residing at 1316 Wallece Street, Taylor, Texas. The aircraft was a Ballanca Monowing, red in color, No. NC 74403. Investigation by the F. B. I, indicated nothing unfavorable regarding subject's loyalty to the United States.

7. On 6 June 1949, [REDACTED], "B" Battery, 14th AFA Bn, and [REDACTED], "C" Battery, 14th AFA Bn, Camp Hood, Texas, observed aerial light. The observers were at Artillery OP No. 2, Camp Hood, Texas, map coordinate 913.965-755.330. Time of observation was approximately 2105 hours. Object was in sight for two minutes and forty seconds. Object was described as being initially one, disintegrating into smaller particles at last sighting. The size was 2 to 3 mils in a BC Scope. Object was approximately one mile above the surface, described as being round emitting a dull glow, orange in color, similar to a ball of fire. Object observed through BC Scope, and initially appeared stationary, then moved in level flight, being tracked with constant turn on BC Scope. The object seemed to disintegrate into smaller objects which disappeared in a fraction of a second. The sky was overcast, but the object was described as being dull as a flashlight with black-out disk. No sound or odor was observed.

8. Same object was observed by [REDACTED], "B" Battery, 92d AFA Bn, and [REDACTED], "C" Battery, 92d AFA Bn, Camp Hood, Texas, from Artillery Observation Post No. 1, Camp Hood, Texas, map coordinates 915.390 - 857.700. The second set of observers indicated the object to have been one or perhaps two side by side, round in shape and yellow or orange in color. Size was about that of a dime held at arms length. Observers stated object was fairly dull until it burst, and upon bursting parts went up and down and faded out. OP No. 1 observed object on an azimuth of 2540 mils, and OP No. 2 observed on an azimuth 2771 mils. Report on form "Guide to Investigation, Unidentified Aerial Objects" furnished by both sets of observers to AMC through Fourth Army. Copies of these reports are on file in D.O. No. 10.

9. On 13 June 1949, [REDACTED], Hq. 92d AFA Bn, Camp Hood, Texas, observed aerial light at approximately 2015 hours. Observer was walking south on 162nd Street, near intersection of Hq. Avenue, Camp Hood, Texas, and saw one bright light in the sky, the size of a flare; described as being round, white in color with a pink trail.

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It was in sight for approximately two to three seconds, moving very fast, "Faster than jet plane". Flight was in downward direction. Copy of report on standard form "Guide to Investigation, Unidentified Aerial Objects", furnished directly to AIC and copy retained in files of D. O. No. 10.

10. On 13 June, [redacted] 3d AF Bn, Camp Hood, Texas, at approximately 2300 hours observed a brilliant light in the sky. Observer was sitting in the patio in the rear of the Camp Hood Officers' Club and saw one brilliant light similar to a meteorite. Estimated size 500 to 700 feet, with a tail extending to the rear 1000 yards. The object was green in color, while the tail was sodium-yellow and green. Observer estimated object to be 70 to 75 miles distant, moving at a speed of 3,000 feet per second. Direction of flight was west to southwest. Object was in sight from 5 to 10 seconds. Object was described as being three times the brilliancy of a meteorite. Weather was clear, ceiling and visibility unlimited. Complete report on form "Guide to Investigation, Unidentified Aerial Objects" furnished to AIC by Fourth Army and a copy is retained in the files of D. O. No. 10.

11. This same object was also observed by [redacted] Hq. 75th AFA Bn, Camp Hood, Texas, from the patio in the rear of the Camp Hood Officers' Club. Observer could not estimate the size of the object, but stated it was round with a tail. Color described from front to rear as being green, red, dark red, purple, with dark outline. Object was in sight approximately 30 seconds, during which time it covered one-half mile "as fast as molten metal being poured". This observer had majored in Petrol and Geological subjects at University of Oklahoma, and stated he definitely believed object sighted was not a meteorite, and judging by the color of its trail, observer believed object was burning a fuel of hydro-carbon base. Copy of report has been furnished to AIC, and a copy is retained in the files of D. O. No. 10.

12. On 7 July 1949, 10th District OSI was advised by [redacted] G-2 Section, Headquarters Fourth Army, that a request had been directed through channels for the assistance of a Technical Intelligence Team from Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, in determining the nature of the aerial phenomena in the vicinity of Camp Hood, Texas.

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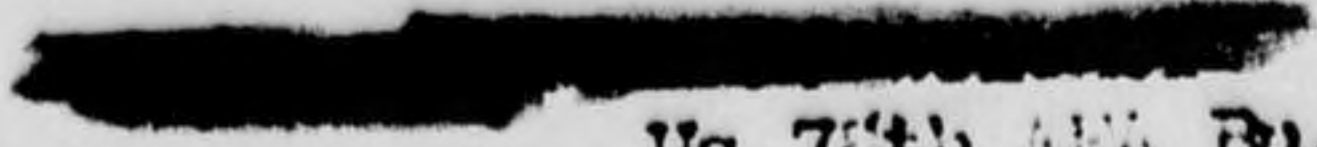
1. Date of Observation 13 June 1949 Date of Interview 15 June 1949
2. Exact Time (local) 2245 and 2300
3. Place of Observation Camp Hood, Texas
4. Position of observer Ground
5. What attracted attention to object Brilliant of object
6. Number of objects One
7. Apparent size Unestimated
8. Color of object Green - Red, dark red, purple with dark outline
9. Shape Round with tail
10. Altitude 30°
11. Direction from observer 225-190°
12. Distance from observer 7000 yds
13. Direction of flight of object(s) North to South
14. Time in sight 30 seconds
15. Speed 1/2 mile in 50 seconds (calculated 60 mph)
16. Sound and odor None
17. Trail Main body red with colors of spectrum following
18. Luminosity Lit up sky
19. Projections None
20. Maneuvers Moved in downward spiraling arc.
21. Manner of disappearance Faded out while in flight
22. Effect on Clouds No clouds
23. Additional information concerning object Observer believed it burnt as hydro-carbon fuel (Petroleum or coal bases)
24. Weather Conditions Clear sky, with light south breeze

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Astro (meteor)

Name and address of observer:



Hq 75th AAA Bn, Camp Hood, Tex.

Occupation and hobbies:

US Army Officer
Photography and Paleontology

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

Superior observer

NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

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1. Date of Observation 13 June 1949 Date of Interview 16 June 1949
2. Exact Time (local) 2245-2300
3. Place of Observation Camp Hood, Texas
4. Position of observer Ground
5. What attracted attention to object Brilliant light similar to meteorite
6. Number of objects One
7. Apparent size 500 - 700 feet with 1000 yard tail
8. Color of object Green
9. Shape Not discernable
10. Altitude 60-70°
11. Direction from observer 200°
12. Distance from observer 70-75 miles
13. Direction of flight of object(s) West to Southwest
14. Time in sight 5-10 seconds
15. Speed 3,000 ft per second (computed 2045 mph)
16. Sound and odor none
17. Trail 1000 yd tail, sodium yellow and green, persisted 3/4 second.
18. Luminosity 3 Times Brilliance of meteorite
19. Projections None
20. Maneuvers Even declining flight
21. Manner of disappearance faded or burned out
22. Effect on Clouds None
23. Additional information concerning object
24. Weather Conditions CAVU

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