

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

<b>1. DATE</b> 31 Dec 55	<b>2. LOCATION</b> Lyons, Nebraska		<b>12. CONCLUSIONS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical  <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
<b>3. DATE-TIME GROUP</b> Local _____ GMT 31/0630Z	<b>4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar		
<b>5. PHOTOS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<b>6. SOURCE</b> civilian		
<b>7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION</b> 30 seconds      varied	<b>8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS</b> one	<b>9. COURSE</b> confused	
<b>10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING</b> Letter containing multiple reports of object assumed to be same object. Characteristics of star on occasion and on others that of helo.  See Letter:		<b>11. COMMENTS</b> Possible Astro (Star/Planet) or A/C. Insufficient Data for Evaluation.	

but we never seen anything so we  
headed back towards town by following  
the country roads when we got over with  
the city dump I looked towards some hills  
in the east and there it was very low  
above this one hill my brother seen it  
to, and three or four others who I went  
and got will look me up. We watched the  
only way it went was up. While it  
was very low the brightness of its blinding  
light could be seen better then after it  
got up higher, blinking Red, blue, and white

Could you please tell me what this  
could have been as we are all around  
my house out at Oakland wondering what it  
was.

Sat. night I seen it in the west  
up by Oakland again at about 12:30 at  
night. I only seen it for about 30 sec.  
but the light was the same Red, blue,  
and white only the blue was sort of a greenish  
blue this time. There was no sound at all.

I hope you can tell us what this  
was. Some say it was a Helicopter others  
say a star but I am not sure. Do stars  
blink? Helicopters would make a noise.

Enclosed find a diagram of how it was  
seen both nights.

Thank you very much for  
any information you have.

~~Yours,~~

~~Wm. H. Wood~~

Fremont, Neb.

17:30 at Night

only a about time  
if was gone. North

30 min

I was going south here  
East

West Point Hill

white  
hill

South

object  
Ad. Blue  
turning or  
blinking  
Ad. Blue  
W 25

①  
12-30-55  
South

West Point Hill

LOCOON  
CREEK

where I stopped East  
OAKLAND

1100,  
NEBR.

U.S. 77

saw object here first  
going south on 77

②  
12-30-55

East

Ad. blue white  
object  
very low

South

OAKLAND

U.S. 77

Hill

North

WEST-POINT HILL

West

KAISER

COVER SHEET

SUSPENSE

ORIGIN OF BASIC

DATE

ASSIGNED BY

DATE

TYPE

NO.

SUBJECT

(U) Request for Information on UFO Sightings from General Public

ROUTING

Initial "IN" column to denote review prior to action. Initial "OUT" column to denote review of completed action. (X for action; ✓ for coordination.)

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													FILE	
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TO: SAFIS-3 Attn: Maj. Tacker

DATE 26 August 1958

FROM: AFCIN-4E4

COMMENT NO.

COMMENTS (Use reverse, if necessary)

AFCIN-4E4/T.Sgt Polieu/ac  
Ext. 6-9216/Blgd 828

1. This office has received many inquiries from individuals and UFO clubs requesting the Air Force evaluation of UFO reports, some of which the Air Force never received. The time required to honor such requests would prevent the office staff from performing their primary duty of analysis.

2. The Air Force viewpoint concerning so-called "flying saucers" is well known. No evidence has been found to prove their existence.

3. The following sightings referenced by Mr. Kaiser, were not received by this office:

- a. 15 Dec. 1955, Cambridge
- b. 3 Jan. 1956, Pasadena
- c. January 1957, Florida

Many such sightings are reported to newspapers, UFO clubs, or to individuals and never reach the Air Force.

1 Incl:

- 1. Ltr dtd 14 Aug 58, fr David R. Kaiser

*Leonard T. Glaser*  
 LEONARD T. GLASER  
 Colonel, USAF  
 AFCIN-4E4

15 DEC 55 CAMBRIDGE, MASS

INFORMATION  
ON

~~Washington Co.,~~  
Washington Co.,  
Pennsylvania  
August 14, 1958

Office Of The Secretary Of Defence  
Washington 25, D. C.

Sirs:

Please send me affirmation that the following reports of Unidentified Flying Objects are, or are not Flying Saucers and if not, why.

December 15, 1955 .- Cambridge, - At 5 p.m. a girl of 12 saw a " huge round object, spinning around, and humming." The object seemed to be giving off a white light.

At the same time the girl's 25 year old brother some miles away reported seeing a " brilliant object in the sky. "

SOURCE: CRIFO Newsletter, 3 Feb 56

**METALLIC FRAGMENTS SPBAY OVER**

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JANUARY 1956 SIGHTINGS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>OBSERVER</u>	<u>EVALUATION</u>
Jan	·Hungary	Civilian	Insufficient Data
3	·Scott AFB, Illinois	Military	Astro (METEOR)
5	·Indianapolis, Indiana	[REDACTED]	Astro (CANOPUS)
6	·Zionsville, Indiana	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
7	·Trulock, California	Teen-Age Students	Astro (STARS/PLANETS)
8	·Bedford, Indiana	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
8	·Roseburg, Oregon	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
8	·Battlecreek, Michigan	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
9	·Honshu, Japan	Multi	Other (WEATHER CONDITION)
9	·Miami, Florida	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
9	·Chanute AFB, Illinois	Civilian	Insufficient Data
9	·Portland, Oregon	Multi	Other (REFLECTION)
11	·Wurtsmith AFB, Michigan	Military (VIS & <u>RADAR</u> )	Balloon
16	·Wurtsmith AFB, Michigan	Military	Insufficient Data
17-18	·Walkill, New York	[REDACTED]	Astro (VEGA)
18	·Itazuke, Japan	Military Air	Balloon
18	·Long Beach, Long Island, New York	[REDACTED]	Balloon
18	·North Platte, Nebraska	[REDACTED]	Astro (VENUS)
18	·Elmendorf AFB, Alaska	Military	Astro (METEOR)
19	·Stroud, Oklahoma	Military	Astro (METEOR)
20	·Maui, Hawaii	[REDACTED]	Aircraft
21	·SE Bermuda (Atlantic)	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
21	·Maywood, New Jersey	[REDACTED]	Astro (METEOR)
22	·Miami, St Petersburg, Florida	[REDACTED], EAL pilot	Astro (METEOR)
23	·McChord AFB, Washington	Military	Astro (METEOR)
24	·Wheelus AFB, Morocco	Military (RADAR)	Aircraft
24	·Beltsville, Maryland	[REDACTED] ( <u>PHOTO</u> )	Moon (TIME EXPOSURE)
24	·Seattle, Washington	[REDACTED]	Insufficient Data
25	·Edison, Washington	[REDACTED]	Aircraft
28	·New Bedford, Massachusetts	[REDACTED]	Aircraft
28	·Pittsfield, Maine	[REDACTED]	Astro (VENUS)
28	·Albany, Georgia	Military	Astro (METEOR)
29	·Bremerton, Washington	[REDACTED]	Aircraft
30	·Lake Andes, South Dakota	[REDACTED]	Balloon
30	·Seattle, Washington Area	Multi [REDACTED], [REDACTED]	Astro (SIRIUS)
31	·Boonton, New Jersey	[REDACTED]	Aircraft
31	·Seattle, Washington	[REDACTED]	Astro (VENUS)
Jan-10	·Marrisonville, Missouri	[REDACTED]	Aircraft
DR 24	·Afghanistan	Military	Insufficient Data

ADDITIONAL REPORTED SIGHTINGS (NOT CASES)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>EVALUATION</u>
1956	·San Diego, California	[REDACTED] (Ltr)	
1956	·Cebot, Pennsylvania	[REDACTED] (Ltr)	
1956	·Culver City, California	[REDACTED] 164)	
1956	·San Juan, Puerto Rico	[REDACTED] (Green 164)	
1956	·Over Atlantic Ocean	News Article	
3	·Pasadena, California	[REDACTED] (Ltr)	
7	·Honolulu, Hawaii	News Article	
9	·Central, Oregon	News Article	
26	·New Orleans, Louisiana	News Article	
30	·Calvin, Oklahoma	News Article	

31 DEC 1955 LYONS, NEBR AFOIN-X/Sgt Evans/pse/71092/12 Mar 56

ALSO SEE CASE 20 DEC FROM DECATUR, NEBRASKA

12 MAR 1956

AFOIN-X

MEMORANDUM FOR OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

ATTENTION: Assistant for Civil Defense

SUBJECT: (U) Sighting of Unidentified Flying Objects

1. Reference is made to your letter, Subject: "Unusual Phenomena", dated 23 February 1956, to The Secretary of The Air Force which was referred to this office for action. We, in-turn, assigned action to the Air Technical Intelligence Center.

2. Inclosed is a copy of the reply to the correspondence, as requested for your files.

1 Incl:  
Ltr to Mr. ██████████  
dtd 9 Mar 56

Signed  
TIMOTHY R. JOHNSON  
Lt Colonel, USAF  
Directorate of Intelligence

9 MAR 1956

~~Mr. [REDACTED]~~  
~~[REDACTED]~~  
Fremont, Nebraska

Dear Mr. ~~[REDACTED]~~

The information concerning your sighting of an unidentified flying object in December 1955 has been forwarded to the Air Technical Intelligence Center for reply.

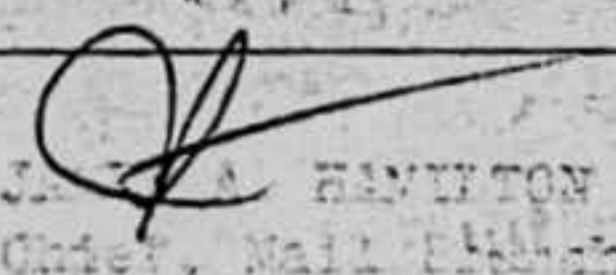
Your letter report and illustrations has been studied with interest; however, additional information is needed in order that a complete analysis of the case may be made. It is, therefore, requested that you fill out and return the inclosed technical information sheet for that purpose.

You may be assured that your interest in this program is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

1 Incl  
Info Sheet

WALLACE W. ELWOOD  
1st Lt., USAF  
Assistant Adjutant

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE ROUTING SLIP				DATE <b>FEB 24 1956</b>	
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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
WASHINGTON 25 D. C.

23 February 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE

Attention: Colonel R. H. Warren, Executive Officer  
Office of the Vice Chief of Staff

SUBJECT: Unusual Phenomena

Attached correspondence reporting observance of unusual phenomena in the State of Nebraska is forwarded for information and preparation of reply direct to the writer.

Request this office be furnished a copy of your reply for our files.

*Signed*

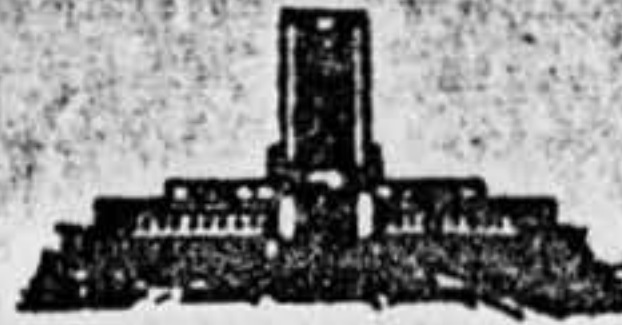
BARNET W. BEERS, Colonel, USA  
Assistant for Civil Defense

Enclosures

CIVIL DEFENSE AGENCY  
WAR OFFICE

MAJ. GEN. GUY H. HENNINGER  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL  
GAME DIRECTOR

AUSTIN S. BACON  
DEPUTY STATE DIRECTOR



# State of Nebraska

VICTOR E. ANDERSON  
GOVERNOR  
LINCOLN 8

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

January 19, 1956

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FEDERAL CIVIL DEFENSE  
ADMINISTRATION

Mr. A. C. Tilley  
Regional Administrator, PCDA  
Box 8878, University Park Station  
Denver 10, Colorado

Dear Mr. Tilley:

We enclose herewith material which was forwarded to this office by the State Game and Forestation Commission, which they received from a man in Fremont reporting the sighting of an unidentified object.

General Henninger has seen it, and states that inasmuch as this party appears to be very sincere, we should forward it to your office.

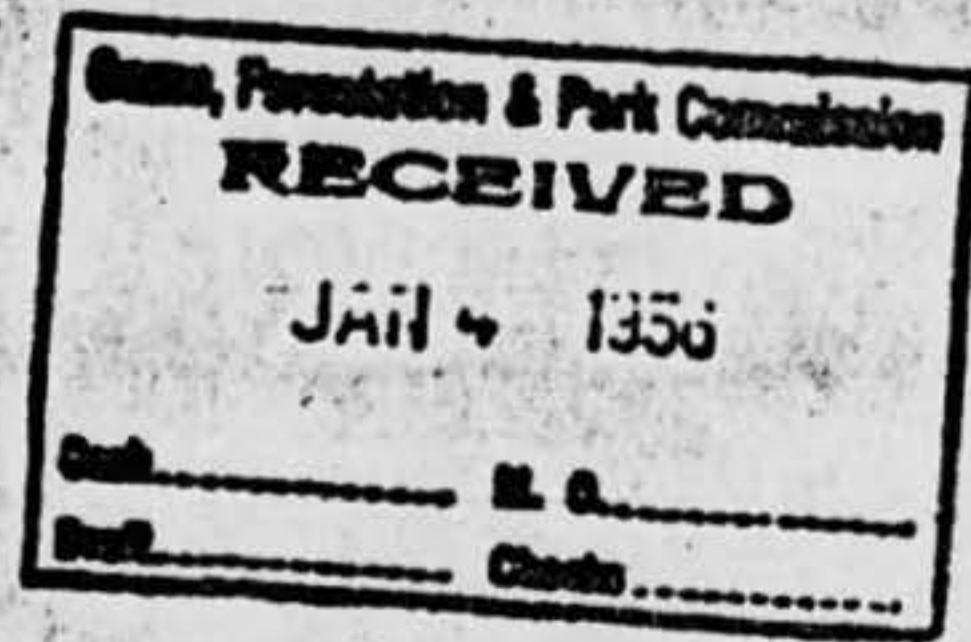
Very truly yours,

Austin S. Bacon  
Deputy State Director

ASB:let  
Encl.



Nebraska Fair and Service Co.  
State House  
Lincoln, Neb.



Dear Sirs,  
As I don't now where I should  
write to get this information about I don't  
I am writing to you and I am  
hoping you will forward it to where  
ever I can get this information.

Please forward immediately.

Thank you  
Very much

It is on or to do with stores or  
something like that. Read my other  
letters and find out.

Thank you

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# Eerie Fireball Seen Again at Ord

The second appearance of a floating fireball has been reported at Ord and a mysterious colored light has been reported near Fremont.

Two Burwell women, Mrs. Gladys Rose, teacher at Taylor and Mrs. James Cunningham were driving on Highway 11 near Ord about 9 p.m. one evening recently.

Here is Mrs. Rose's story as reported by the weekly Ord Quiz:

"We were driving fairly slow about 35 miles an hour and had just passed the Ord cemetery.

"As the car approached a cornfield on the extreme south limits of the Evelyn Sharp airport, I saw a molten orange ball raise out of the cornfield and soar in a graceful arc across the highway.

"I immediately turned to Mrs. Cunningham and said, 'What did you see?'

Mrs. Cunningham answered: "I saw an orange fireball cross the road."

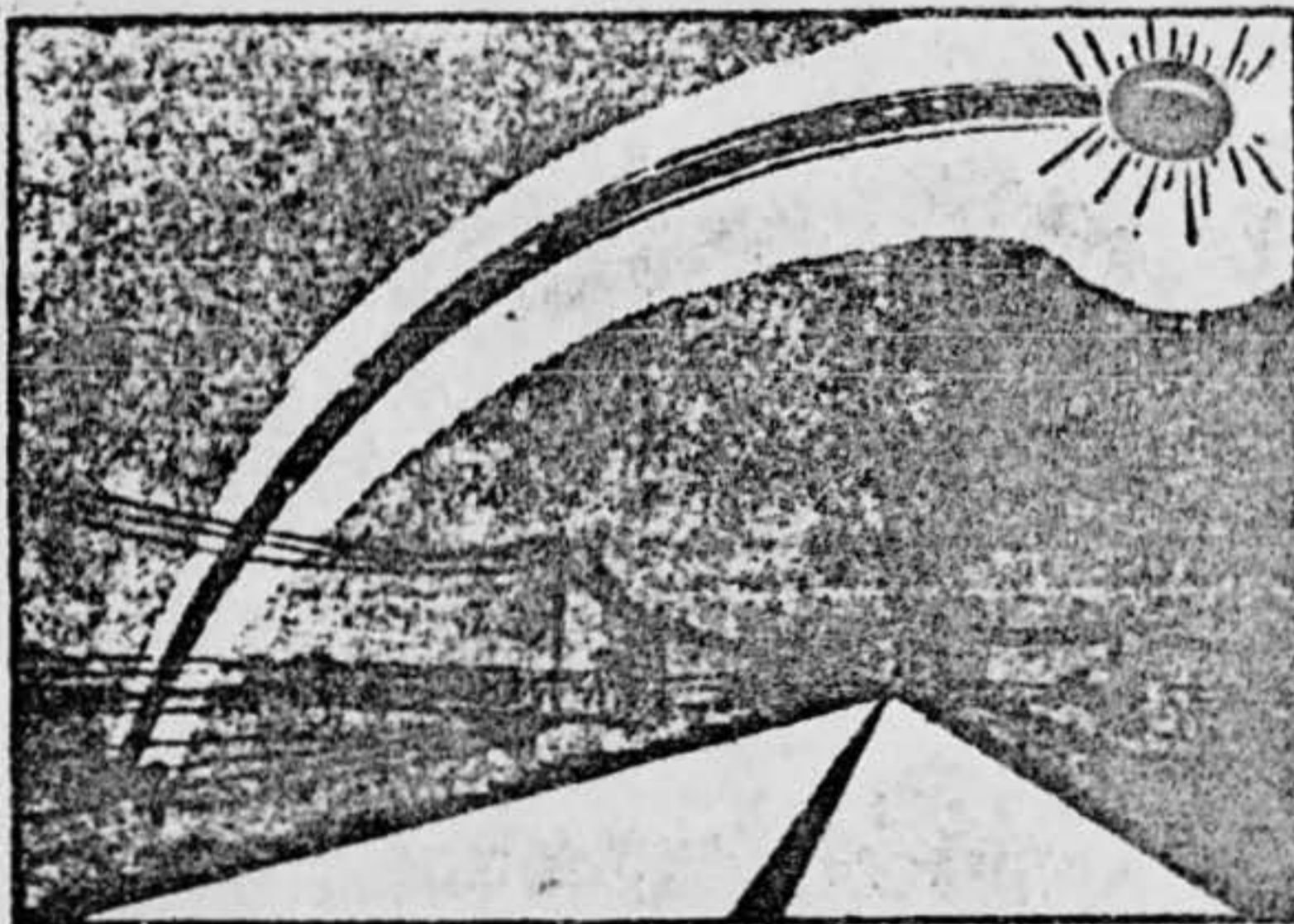
### Grapefruit-Size

The women said the fireball was about the size of a large grapefruit and soared across the highway and then went out.

"It was visible through the windshield all the time it was in flight. Mrs. Cunningham and I estimated it was about as high as a telephone pole and a half," said Mrs. Rose. It was estimated 75 feet from the auto and made no sound.

She said she wasn't frightened, "but we just couldn't figure it out."

Later they went back to investigate but found nothing.



This is an artist's conception of the fireball two Burwell women saw near Ord.

Last summer Don Wiberg, an Ord High school youth, said a mysterious glow in Mira Valley near Ord chased his auto while returning home from Loup City a b e u t midnight. Something stampeded a herd of cattle through a corral fence the same night along the road.

### A White Light, Yes

On the same night Wag Homes of Fremont said he saw near Oakland a large white light which later blinked on and off in colors of red, blue and white. He said he was driving on Highway 77 from Lyons to Oakland when he spotted the light to the west. He estimated

it was two miles away and about 100 feet off the ground.

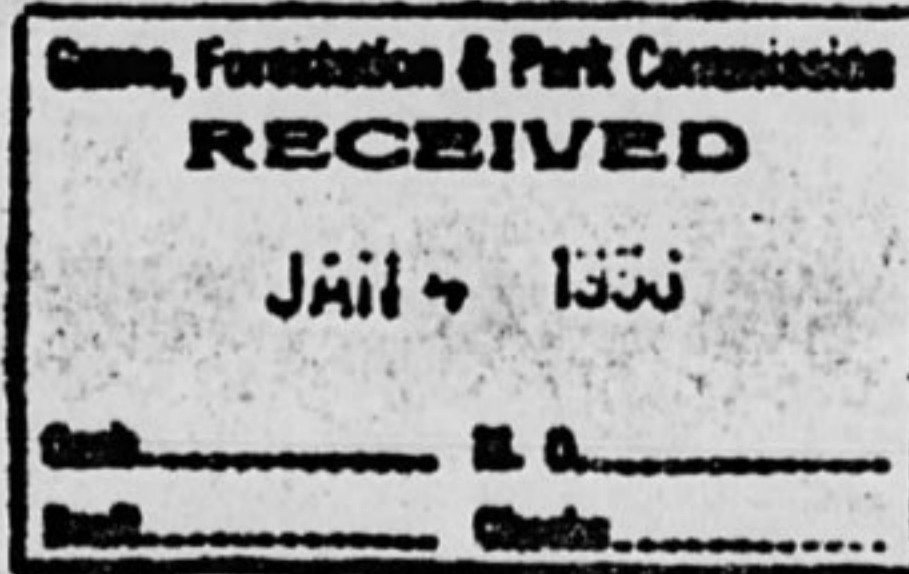
Homes said he drove back to Oakland, got his brother, and returned. They spotted it south of where it was originally seen and drove toward it. The light disappeared again so the two headed back to Oakland. When they got almost to Oakland they saw the flashing colors again to the east of Highway 77 and over a hill.

Homes got other witnesses to watch the light. Then he said it went up into the sky. He said it made no noise.

The next night, he said, he saw the same light again for about 30 seconds west of Oakland.

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Jan. 1, 1956  
~~San Francisco~~  
Fremont, Calif.

Dear Sirs,

I am writing you to find out some information about a certain thing I saw, Dec. 30-31 1955. I was traveling from Lyons, Neb. to Oakland, where I used to live, on my way I see in the west a large white light - low approx. 100' or less above the ground not moving that I could tell when I got to Oakland I went a mile south of town and drove down a road stopped and here I could see this light it was blinking Red, blue and white, I est. its distance away at about 2 miles from where I was and about 100' high or less it was blinking and not moving. I went back to town got my brother we went out there and it was gone, before it had not moved as I could tell, we looked south further and we saw it down south very low it was moving so we headed south on U.S. 27 for about 2 miles and cut over on a country road