

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 22 Oct 60		2. LOCATION Shreveport, Louisiana		12. CONCLUSIONS <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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical Venus <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Contrail</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>22/2235Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION ---		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>one trace</u>	9. COURSE ---		
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Object described as a cloud, white trail and as balloon shaped. Was reported to have appeared in western sky at time of setting sun. Object was colored pink as well as brilliant white. Just before it disappeared a small bright white light was observed near it.			11. COMMENTS Object probably a condensation trail left by a high flying a/c which was illuminated by setting sun causing pinkish color. The bright planet Venus probably became evident (mag -3.4) as the sun went further down and the witness associated it with the trail. Changing shape of contrail was due to changes in the wind. Venus disappearance due to setting.		

VISION BETWEEN SIGHTINGS THUS EMPHASIZING CHANGES.

ME

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ME (THOUGHT)

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WIFE

"IT'S LIKE A TEAR DROP."

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WIFE

"NOW IT'S A STRAIGHT LINE - LIKE A JET VAPOR TRAIL."

(THIS SIGHTING REPEATED SEVERAL TIMES.)

ME.

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WIFE

"IT LOOKS ALWAYS LIKE IT'S STANDING STILL - NOW IT'S CURVED THE OTHER WAY."

ME

"WONDER IF IT COULD BE SOME KIND OF ARMY ROCKET BEING TESTED FROM A BASE OUT HERE?"

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"HEY, LOOK! SMOKE! I GUESS IT'S JUST THE SHADOW FROM THE SETTING SUN - SURE IS PRETTY ISN'T IT - NOTICE HOW THE VAPOR THINS OUT ON THE UPPER EDGE - HOW THICK AND WHITE THE LOWER EDGE IS - AND SEE THE LITTLE WHITE DOT ON THE FRONT END OF IT? IT'S ALMOST ABOVE US NOW"

WIFE.

"IT'S THINNING OUT LIKE A JET TRAIL AGAIN."

ME.

"STILL POINTED ON THE ENDS, TWO - SURE IS PECULIAR."

ABOUT A MINUTE INTERRUPTION BY TREES. THEN WE COME INTO THE CLEAR AGAIN. A FAINT MOON AND EVENING STAR HAVE SUDDENLY APPEARED IN THE DARKENING SKY

WIFE.

"IT'S GETTING LONGER AND THINNER."

ME

"ISN'T THAT PRETTY - IT'S HEADING RIGHT BETWEEN THE MOON AND THAT STAR. BY THE MOON CAME OUT FIRST! DIDN'T SEE IT A MINUTE AGO!"

ME

WELL, THERE IT GOES! LOOK HOW PINK THE TRAIL IS GETTING - MUST BE BECAUSE THE SUN IS OVER THE HORIZON - SKY'S GETTING DARKER - LOOK, THE PINK IS FADING AWAY! - WONDER WHAT IT WAS?"

WIFE.

I DON'T KNOW - BUT IT SURE WAS INTERESTING - IT WAS JUST LIKE A TEAR DROP AT FIRST, WASN'T IT?"

THIS INTERESTING PHENOMINA WAS OBSERVED AT SUNSET ON OCT 22 (SATURDAY) OCT. 1960 BY MY WIFE AND I WHILE ENROUTE TO SHREVEPORT, LA. ON U.S. ROUTE 71. - MILEAGE JUDGED BY DISTANCE ON SIGNS TO MOTOR COURT WE WERE HEADED FOR. PERHAPS MOST GRAPHIC DESCRIPTION WOULD BE OUR CONVERSATION - TREES BLOCKED VISION BETWEEN SIGHTINGS THUS EMPHASIZING CHANGES.

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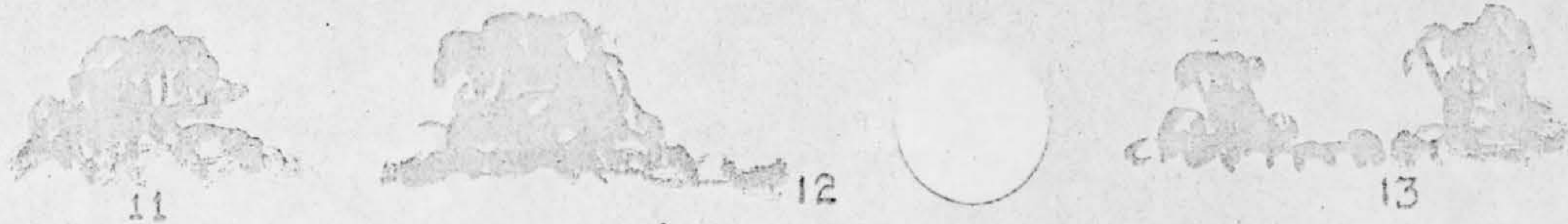
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U F O ANALYSIS SHEET

DATE 22 Oct 1960 LOCATION Shawmut, La.

DATE TIME GROUP LOCAL 1745 GMT 22/2245

PHOTO YES  NO  PHYSICAL SPECIMEN YES  NO

SOURCE MILITARY  CIVILIAN  TYPE OF OBSERVATION Visual

LENGTH OF OBSERVATION \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1 COURSE \_\_\_\_\_

SATELLITE:  IN ORBIT:  VERIFY YES:  NO:  DECAY:

ASTRONOMICAL PHENOMENA \_\_\_\_\_

METEOR \_\_\_\_\_

STAR OR PLANET Possibly Venus

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

AIRCRAFT \_\_\_\_\_

BALLOON \_\_\_\_\_

INSUFFICIENT DATA \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER Possible Condensation trail

REFLECTION \_\_\_\_\_ INVERSION PRESENT \_\_\_\_\_ PHOTO ANALYSIS \_\_\_\_\_

SUN DOG \_\_\_\_\_ LENTICULAR CLOUD \_\_\_\_\_ PHYSICAL SPECIMEN ANALYSIS \_\_\_\_\_

BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING: An object which was perceived as a cloud, a white trail and a rainbow shadow was reported to have appeared in the western sky from Shawmut, La. The object was colored pink and yellow as well as the brilliant white. Just before the object disappeared a small bright white light was observed to be near it.

EVALUATION: CASE CATEGORY: Possibly Condensation trail initiated by jet fuel tank seen in Shawmut from Shawmut, La. on 22 Oct 1960

CONCLUSION: The object of this sighting was perceived as a cloud, a white trail and a rainbow shadow which was reported to have appeared in the western sky from Shawmut, La. (37) degrees above horizon at 1745 on 22 Oct 1960. The object was colored pink and yellow as well as the brilliant white. Just before the object disappeared a small bright white light was observed to be near it.

ORLANDO, FLA.



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U.F.O.

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DEPT. OF THE AIR FORCE  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

STORY I LIKE BEST

WAS WORKING AS OBSERVER FOR  
BACKGROUND MATERIAL ON ~~██████████~~  
AT PERIODS COMPLEX AT CAMP CHAMBER  
WHEN GARDEN SATELLITE WAS THIRDP DAY  
IN SPACE. NO ONE, NAVY OR AIR FORCE  
HAD YET SEEN IT. I'D LOOKED FOR 4  
HOURS NIGHT BEFORE AND FOUND IT  
THICE.

VISITING ONE OF NAVY BOYS THAT  
NIGHT, HE MENTIONED HIS WIFE WAS  
ABOUT TO LEAVE HIM IF HE DIDN'T  
SHOW IT TO HER. HE HADN'T YET SEEN IT.  
AS WE WERE LEAVING I SAID "YOU'LL SEE  
IT UP HERE SOMEWHERE."

HE SAID "OH, IT WON'T BE THERE NOW."  
SO I SAID "WELL LET'S LOOK ANYWAY"  
AND SURE ENOUGH THERE IT WAS!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT OPS THAT CALL  
WAS - BUT I'VE MADE LOTS OF THEM SINCE  
IT.



STORY I LIKE BEST.

WAS WORKING AS OBSERVER FOR  
BUSHWELL PATRIOTIC ON   
AT POLARIS COMPLEX AT CASE CAMP  
WHEN BALCON SWILLER WAS THIRD DAY  
IN SPACE. NO ONE, NAVY OR AIR FORCE  
HAD YET SEEN IT. I'D LOOKED ONE 4  
HOURS NIGHT BEFORE AND FOUND IT  
TWICE.

VISITING ONE OF NAVY BOYS THAT  
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WAS - BUT I'VE HAD LOTS OF FUN WITH  
IT.

SUNDAY OCT. 30 1966.



# H A R V E S T   H O U S E

DEAR SIRS.

ENCLOSED IS A SKETCH OF A PECULIAR SIGHT WITNESSED BY MY WIFE AND MYSELF SAT. EVE. OCT. 22, 1966, WHILE DRIVING NORTH TO SAREVEPORT LA. ON U.S. ROUTE 71 - AT APPROXIMATELY 5:30 PM TO 5:45 PM. I AM SUBMITTING THIS IN THE HOPE THAT SOME OTHER PERSON OR PERSONS REPORTED THE SAME.

I AM A [REDACTED] FOR THE [REDACTED] STRIP (DAILY) WITH [REDACTED] FOR 14 YEARS. MY WORK HAS INCLUDED OBSERVING NAVY PROCEDURES FOR STORY MATERIAL - HAVE WITNESSED 11 MISSILE SHOTS FROM ORLANDO (ACCIDENTAL VIEWINGS AT NIGHT) A THOR-ABLE STAR SHOT FROM CLOSE QUARTERS AT THE CAPE AND MOVIES OF POLARIS SHOTS BY LOCKHEED CREW AT POLARIS COMPLEX - WAS MEMBER OF GROUND OBSERVER CORPS (JACKET PAPER 33 BLACK - AIR FORCE (20TH) IN MARIANNAS DURING WORLD WAR II. SO HAVE HAD MY EYES IN SKY CONTINUOUSLY FOR A GOOD MANY YEARS.

HAVE HAD ONE OTHER EXPERIENCE WITH U.F.O. SIGHTED A ROUND, SMALL SILVER BALL PASS WITH TREMENDOUS SPEED EAST TOWARD ATLANTIC BETWEEN TWO AIRCRAFT PROCEEDING IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS OVER G.O.C. POST ON SECOND TIME ADVANCE. AIR WAS SO NEW AND AIR WAKE SO HEAVY I DID NOT REPORT IT UNTIL 20 MINUTES LATER AS I WAS NOT SURE IT WASN'T BALLOON. HOWEVER, IT HAS MADE ME WATCH MORE CLOSELY EVER SINCE.

THIS U.F.O. MY WIFE AND I WITNESSED CAME SO GRADUALLY THAT IT GAVE US AMPLE TIME TO EVALUATE EVERY POSSIBILITY AND GIVE IT EVERY CHANCE TO

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BE A PLAUSIBLE OCCURRENCE, BUT IT STILL DOESN'T HAVE

THE SHORTNESS OF THE VERY WHITE "VAPOR TRAIL"  
GAVE FIRST DOUBTS -

THE TEAR DROP INDICATED A WEATHER ~~CHANGE~~<sup>CHANGE</sup>  
FOR A SHORT TIME.

THE TWISTING OF THE TAIL WAS CONFUSING - BUT  
I WAS WILLING TO GIVE IT A TEST LATER.

THE SUDDEN CHANGE TO A "VAPOR TRAIL" WITH  
A WHITE DOT AT ITS HEAD DESTROYED THE BALLOON  
THEORY.

CHANGE IN CONFIGURATION INDICATED A WIDE  
FLAT PATTERN FIRST ON EDGE THEN ON ~~EDGE~~  
BROADSIDE - THEN ON EDGE AGAIN.



CONTINUED VARIATION IN THICKNESS OF CENTER  
OF TRAIL, PLUS SHORTNESS, ~~PLUS~~ PLUS CONVEX  
AND CONCAVE ATTITUDES INDICATED MOTION BUT  
UNRELATED TO ANY OBJECT AIRCRAFT OR MISSILE THAT  
I HAVE WITNESSED HERE TO FORE.

WIDE SPREAD OF VAPOR WITH SHADOW EDGE INDICATED  
SPEED OF TURN OR MOVEMENT YET ON ALL OCCASSIONS,  
PERHAPS DUE TO SIGHTINGS BETWEEN CLOSED TREE  
AREAS - (WE WERE TRAVELING FROM 60 TO 70 MPH -  
NO OTHER TRAFFIC - IN VERY LONESOME AREA IN WHITE  
CAR -) THE OBJECT APPEARED STATIONARY.

THE FINALLY STRETCHING OUT OF "VAPOR TRAIL"  
AND EVENTUAL FADING AFTER NEARLY 15 MINUTES  
OF VERY SHORT AND ECCENTRIC CONFIGURATIONS AT  
ESTIMATED DISTANCE OF 10 TO 20 MILES ON FIRST SIGHTING  
TO A CLOSE UP OF 2 TO 4 MILES AND A FINAL  
FADING OF 20 TO 40 MILES WITH NO APPARENT



## H A R V E S T   H O U S E

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TIE IN OF MOTION REMAINS A BASTLING THING TO BOTH OF US. (MY WIFE ALSO EARNED HONORARIES IN G.O.C.)

MOST CONFUSING TO ME WAS THE BROAD TEAR DROP SHAPE IN ONE INSTANCE AND THE VERY SMALL BRIGHT DOT ON THE LEAD EDGE OF THE STRAIGHT - CONVEX AND CONCAVE TRAILS.

THE OBJECT WAS PREDOMINATELY WHITE, EXCEPT FOR A SLIGHT YELLOW TINGE APPARENTLY FROM THE LIGHT OF THE SETTING SUN. THERE WAS ABSOLUTELY NO OTHER CLOUD IN THE WESTERN SKY - FIRST SIGHT (HEADING NORTH) AT ABOUT 10 ON THE CLOCK - WINDING ROAD DIDN'T SEEM TO PHASE IT MUCH - FROM 9 TO 11 - 11 AT WIDE SPREAD - AND FINALLY AT 9 O'CLOCK AND FADING AT 8 O'CLOCK (12 O'CLOCK STRAIGHT AHEAD)

I WAS ON AN EMERGENCY TRIP TO DENVER - HADN'T LOADED CAMERA - HAD SIX STRIPS TO GET OUT BEFORE I COULD TAKE TIME TO WRITE THIS THUS THE DELAY.

WOULD APPRECIATE HEARING FROM YOU IF ANYONE ELSE SHARED SOME AND WILL BE GLAD TO TALK WITH ANYONE IF YOU'D CLARIFY WHAT WE SAW IF IT IS OF ANY INTEREST. WILL BE BACK IN ORLANDO, FLA IN ABOUT 4 OR 5 WEEKS

MY ADDRESS HERE IS

MY HOME ADDRESS

HOPE THIS WAS OF SOME HELP

SINCERELY YOURS

P.S. SAW A T. 33, FALLING AWAY FROM FORMERLY,  
OUT OF STUPID WINDOWS IN ORLANDO - CALLED PHOENIX  
A F.O. - IT CRASHED IN EXPOSITION PARK, FLORIDA  
LATER.

SAW E.S.C. CRASH A PENSACOLA BEACH BLIND  
ON EAST TRIP TO COVINGTON.

SAW LARRY LUNN CRASH ROAD LARRY FIELD  
WHILE STOPPED TENDING IN FLORIDA  
WAS ASSURED TO MUCH IN FLORIDA  
KNOW IT'S POSSIBLE IF WE ALL KEEP RECORDS -  
MAY I HAVE A COPY OF NEXT TIME?