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On the morning of Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> '52 in the skies to the south east & at times directly over Franklin Indiana appeared three strange objects. Their flight was watched by a large number of men of sound mind & character. The following is compiled from a police report turned in by Capt. Lee Sloan, Patrolman Jack W. Moore and Patrolman Kenneth Ruml of the Franklin Indiana Police Dept. on Monday Dec 29<sup>th</sup> '52 at 6 a.m. These objects were witnessed by policemen, civilian authorities & members of the United States Army, after notifying all proper authorities of the objects no definite steps were taken by the army or otherwise. The report is as follows:

There were three objects, one larger & brighter than the two smaller objects. The larger of the three seemed to cast off a white yellowish light. Its pattern of flight seemed to be that of a circle. It seemed to always be keeping track of the two smaller objects. The two smaller objects cast off a distinctive light of their own, one being an orange hue & the other a reddish color. The two smaller ones seemed to be in a dog fight all their own, since they executed barrel rolls, loops & spins. They made turns of 90 degrees & 45 degree without losing any speed as well as coming up & down as if some one was playing with a giant Yo-Yo. The objects made single sorties to the south completely out of sight, to return almost immediately into view again joining the other in a neatly executed show of turns, loops & spins. We estimated their height at 15,000 ft, while their speed varied from an estimated 1000 miles an hr.

to an estimated 10,000 miles an hour. Even with a pair of binoculars it was almost an impossibility to determine any exact shape or form, other than they appeared to be round and flat as a saucer. They were observed for a period of 4 hours & 15 minutes. Dawy came at 4.48 a.m. & all stars had gone around 5 a.m. & at 5.03 a.m. it was bright day light. At 5.11 a.m. the larger of the three objects was joined by the two smaller ones, 1st. the orange, then the red, after seeming to envelope the two smaller objects & the disappearance of the larger took place exactly 40 seconds later. These objects were verified by the Columbus Police Dept., Columbus Police Dept., Seymour State Police Dept., Greensburg Police Dept., North Vernon Police Dept., Cornersville Police Dept., Connersville State Police Post, Fort Wayne Indiana & Madison, Indiana.