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COUNTRY USA		REPORT NO. 2B-UFOB-3-54	(LEAVE BLANK)
SUBJECT UFOB			
AREA REPORTED ON ONEIDA, TENNESSEE		FROM (Agency) Flight 2-B, 4602d AISS	
DATE OF REPORT 16 Dec 54	DATE OF INFORMATION 072155Z Nov 54	EVALUATION	
PREPARED BY (Officer) JAMES N KULPAN 2nd Lt., USAF		SOURCE Mr. [REDACTED]	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFR 200-2 dtd 12 Aug 54			

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclusions at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112-Part II.)

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PART ONE: Description of sighting of object by Mr. Malvin C. Sexton

II SUMMARY: The UFOB was first sighted by Mr. [REDACTED] on Sunday, 7 Nov 54, at 4:50 P.M. (CST) on U.S. Highway #27, two miles south of ONEIDA, Tennessee (GJFG 2931). GEOREF of sighting spot was (GJFG 2729). The information contained in this report was obtained from the person observing the object and from an investigation conducted to determine the possible cause of the sighting.

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1. Description of Object

- a. Crescent
- b. Size of Half Dollar held in the hand at arm's length
- c. Silver
- d. One
- e. N/A
- f. Negative
- g. Exhaust from tail end similar to vapor trail from jet acft., but disappeared immediately upon release from the tail end.
- h. Negative
- i. Negative

2. Description of Course of Object

- a. OBSERVER'S attention was first called to the object, when his wife spotted it through the windshield of his automobile. After OBSERVER had driven along for two more miles and the object did not disappear, he stopped to watch it.
- b. The angle of elevation of the object when first sighted was 45° and its azimuth was 175° .
- c. Same as b, above
- d. The object appeared from the southwest and continued moving in the same direction for the entire time it was in the sight of the OBSERVER.
- e. Merely disappeared from sight like an aircraft in normal flight.
- f. OBSERVER saw the object for a period of twelve (12) minutes, from the first moment he saw it in the automobile.

3. Manner of Observation

- a. Ground-visual
- b. Negative
- c. N/A

4. Time and Date of Sighting

- a. 072155Z Nov 54
- b. Dusk

5. Location of Observer

- a. Location of OBSERVER (GJFG 2729) two miles outh of ONEIDA, TENN (GJFG 2931).
- b. N/A

6. Identifying Information of Observer

- a. Civilian, [REDACTED] 41 years, [REDACTED] Helenwood, Tennessee
- b. N/A

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7. Weather and Winds Aloft Conditions

- a. Clear sky, no wind, dry, cool
- b. Unknown
- c. Unlimited
- d. Unlimited
- e. None
- f. None

8. No phenomenal astronomical activity, but the University of Tennessee's astronomer, Dr. [REDACTED] reported that there are many meteor showers in the Tennessee area during the month of November, much moreso than any other month during the entire year.

9. N/A

10. Negative

11. OIC Flight 2-B, 4602d Air Intelligence Service Squadron: This report was turned over to this unit by the Knoxville GOC, USAF organization, several weeks after the sighting. Capt. M.H. Fouts, USAF, presently with that organization and recently with an AC & W Squadron, has written the following statement on the report: "Probably a weather balloon with radar reflector. As stated, the sun was below the horizon which would give the bright reflective appearance. The balloons are released at specified times to chart wind aloft and constant wind currents. Rising heat from the ground would give optical illusion as to color and movement."

The weather balloons are released from the Knoxville Weather Station at 10:00 A.M., 10:00 P.M. and 4:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. daily. The weather man at the station said it would be possible for the balloon to travel that distance in an hour's time.

12. N/A

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COMMENTS OF APPROVING OFFICER:

This UFOB was reported to Flight 2-B, 4602d AISS, several weeks after the sighting. That Flight conducted both the preliminary, and a follow-up, investigation. Check with the Control Center for System 119 L reveals that there was no activity of that project going on in the area at the time. Concur with the hypothesis of the Preparing Officer that sighting could possibly have been caused by a weather balloon. Further investigation is not deemed warranted.

[Signature]

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