

4602D ATSS UFOB LOG

REPORT NUMBER ATSS-UFOB-53-56	DATE/TIME OF SIGHTING 05/0200Z Mar 56	RECD AISOP 5 Mar 56
LOCATION OF SIGHTING Racine, Wisconsin		LOGGED BY S/Sgt DeRudder
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CONCLUSIONS OTHER: Probably Searchlight		

AISOP FORM 7 (2 APR 55)

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4602d AIR INTELLIGENCE SERVICE SQUADRON (ADC)
ENT AIR FORCE BASE
COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO

Mr. Harvey Houston
1805 Polaris Street
Racine, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Houston,

This organization is responsible for analysis and preliminary investigation of unidentified flying object sightings within the boundaries of the United States. We appreciate your cooperation in reporting your sighting, however, additional information is needed for analysis of this sighting.

The inclosed ATIC Form No. 164 (U.S. Air Force Technical Information Sheet) is forwarded for your convenience in supplying this squadron with the needed information. Again our thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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- (I) NONE

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 0510200Z MAR 56
 Racine, Wisconsin

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- (B) APPROX 800 FT
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- (D) CIRCLING
- (E) DISAPPEARED AS THOUGH IT WERE A LIGHT & SOMEONE TURNED IT OFF
- (F) ONE HALF HOUR

3.

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- (B) BINOCULARS
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- (A) 0200Z 5 MAR 56
- (B) NIGHT

5.

- (A) CN 1545

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 NO PHONE CMM INSTRUCTOR FOR GOC
- (B) S/SGT M BUTTLITTA CMA CONT TECH CHI GOC RELIABILITY UNK

7.

- (A) CLEAR
- (B) UNK
- (C) CLEAR
- (D) 15 MILES
- (E) LIGHT
- (F) NO

8.

- (A) NONE

9.

- NONE

10.

- NONE

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1ST LT RUSSELL S PETERSON SENIOR DIRECTOR CMM NO COMMENT

12.

NONE

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A155-WFOB-53-36

Form A

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U. S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes, and will be regarded as confidential material. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that, if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1950
or
APPROX
DATE

1. When did you see the object?

4 March 56
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

7:50?
Hour

Minutes

(Circle One):

A.M.

or

(P.M.)

3. Time zone:

(Circle One):

a. Eastern

☒ b. Central

c. Mountain

d. Pacific

e. Other _____

(Circle One):

a. Daylight Saving

☒ b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

[REDACTED]
Nearest Postal Address

Racine
City or Town

Wisconsin
State or Country

Additional remarks: I was in the Ground Observer Corps
Observation post which was on top of the building at that address

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

Hours

Minutes

Seconds

5.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.

a. Certain

☒ b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One):

a. Bright daylight

b. Dull daylight

c. Bright twilight

d. Just a trace of daylight

e. No trace of daylight

f. Don't remember

night time

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One):

a. In front of you

b. In back of you

c. To your right

d. To your left

e. Overhead

f. Don't remember

8. IF you saw the object, at NIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None
- ☒ b. A few
- c. Many
- d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight
- ☒ b. Dull moonlight
- c. No moonlight — pitch dark
- d. Don't remember

9. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One):

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?

(Circle One) a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?

b. Several blocks away?

c. A block away?

d. Several yards away?

e. Other

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- | | | | |
|---|-----|-------------------------------------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time? | Yes | ☒ No | Don't Know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | Yes | ☒ No | Don't Know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | Yes | ☒ No | Don't Know |
| d. Give off smoke? | Yes | ☒ No | Don't Know |
| e. Change brightness? | Yes | ☒ No | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape? | Yes | ☒ No | Don't Know |
| g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate? | Yes | ☒ No | Don't Know |

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved behind: There was at times three (3) and sometimes two (2) of them they seemed to come from behind a cloud

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved in front of: They kept circling around a cloud

14. Did the object appear: (Circle One): a. Solid? b. Transparent? c. Don't Know.

15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

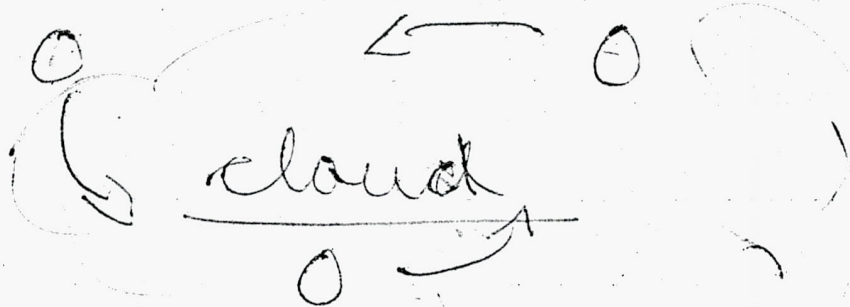
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|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| a. Eyeglasses | Yes | ☒ No | e. Binoculars | ☒ Yes | ☐ No |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | ☒ No | f. Telescope | Yes | ☒ No |
| c. Windshield | Yes | ☒ No | g. Theodolite | Yes | ☒ No |
| d. Window glass | ☒ Yes | ☐ No | h. Other | <u>It was inside the past looking through the window with the binoculars</u> | |

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

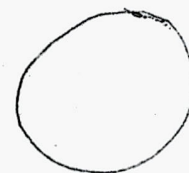
a. Sound none

b. Color white (hazy)

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



Shape



Circles of transparent white hazy objects

18. The edges of the object were:

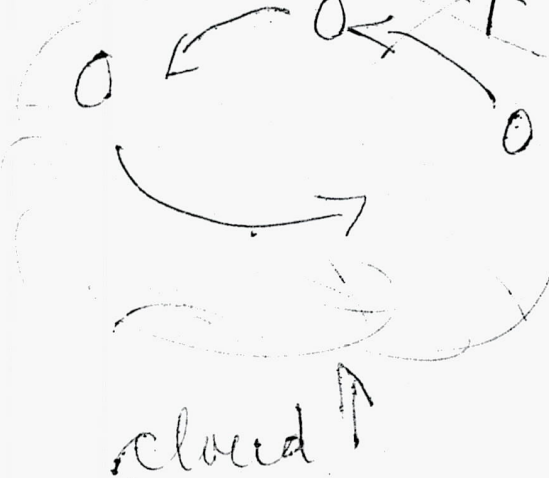
- (Circle One):
- ☒ a. Fuzzy or blurred
 - ☐ b. Like a bright star
 - ☐ c. Sharply outlined
 - ☐ d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? 3-sometimes 2

Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

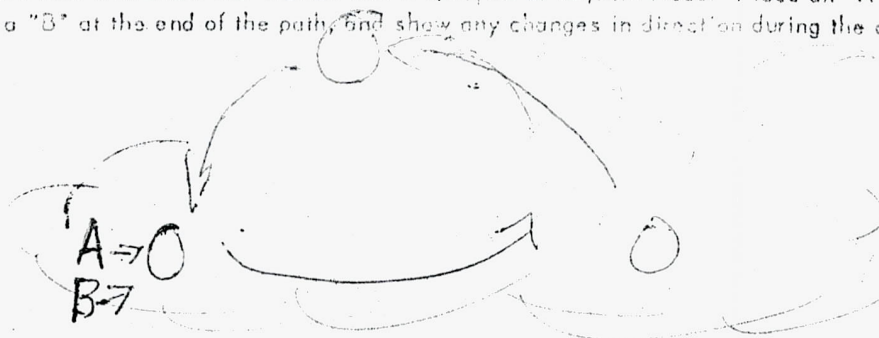
Sometimes this way



Sometimes this way



20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension. _____ feet.

It was the size of a dime from the west and the objects were approximately 1 mile north.

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects held in the hand and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

- | | |
|--|------------------|
| a. Head of a pin | g. Silver dollar |
| b. Pea | h. Baseball |
| ☒ c. Dime | i. Grapefruit |
| d. Nickel | j. Basketball |
| e. Quarter | k. Other _____ |
| f. Half dollar | |

- 22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| a. Certain | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Uncertain |

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? *As if someone had shut off a light (They went behind the cloud and didn't come out)*

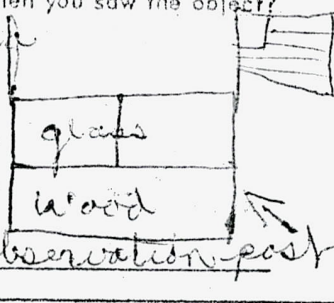
24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

It was transparent and if a very dull light bulb was placed in the sky on the sky. It probley would look the same. It was the size of a dime. I have no idea what it would look like close-up.

25. Where were you located when you saw the object?

(Circle One): antenna

- ☒ a. Inside a building
 b. In a car
 c. Outdoors
 d. In an airplane
 e. At sea half
 f. Other at glass observation post



26. Were you (Circle One)

- ☒ a. In the business section of a city?
 b. In the residential section of a city?
 c. In open countryside?
 d. Flying near an airfield?
 e. Flying over a city?
 f. Flying over open country?
 g. Other this is the highest point in the city

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

I was watching the sky with the binoculars and the objects came into view through the binoculars. I put them down and called the filter center all the while watching the objects.

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

28.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

28.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| ☒ a. North | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| ☒ a. North | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

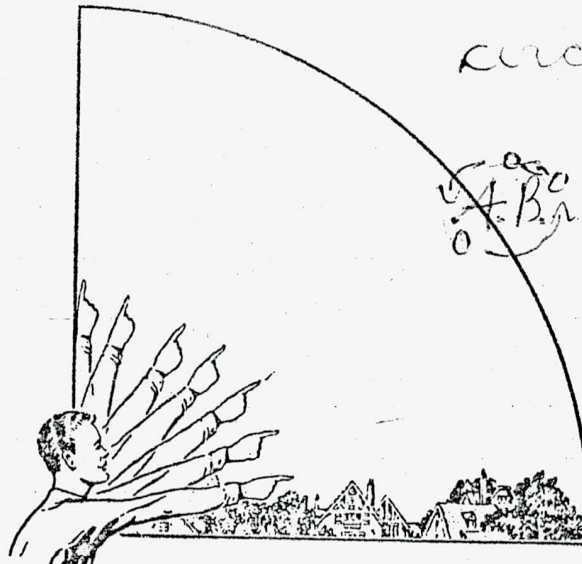
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
 b. From horizon _____ degrees.

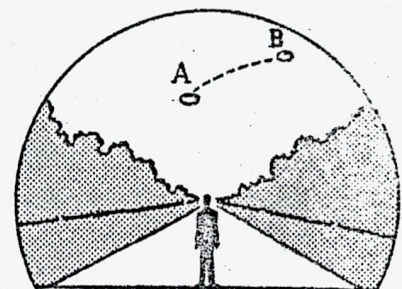
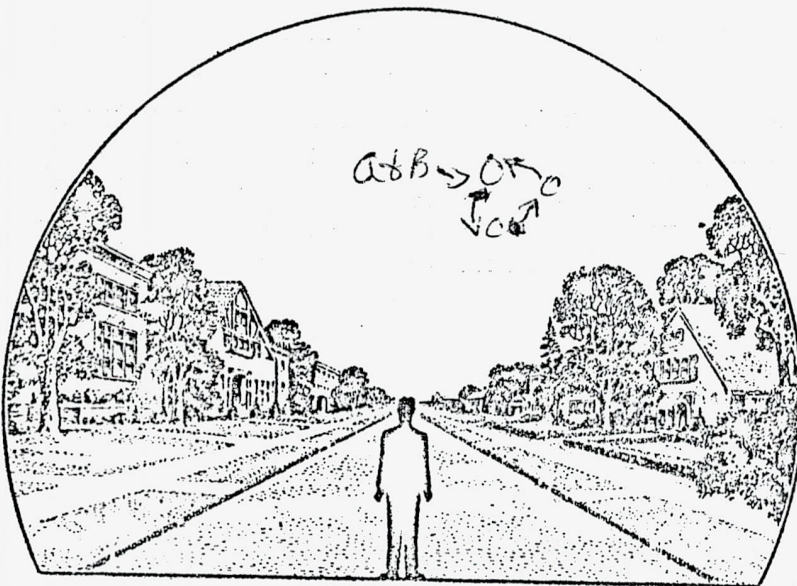
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
 b. From horizon _____ degrees.

32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the *same* curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it.



33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.



34. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

34.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- ☒ c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds
- e. Don't remember

34.2 WIND (Circle One)

- a. No wind
- ~~b. Slight breeze~~
- ☒ c. Strong wind
- d. Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

34.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold
- b. Cool
- c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

The fog had just cleared up. *56°*

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

4 March 56
Day Month Year

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) Yes

☒ No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One) Yes

No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) ☒ Yes

No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

I told a friend of the incident and he thought they might have been search lights from Billy Mitchell field in Milwaukee. by Milwaukee is 28-30 miles away from north Racine. It might have been search lights but I saw no beam leading to the ground.

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39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate?

_____ m.p.h.

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was?

1 mile feet

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

What is your present job?

Student & Ground Observer carpenter
I also work every day at the Civil Defense office

Age

16

Sex

Male

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school

☒

e. e. Technical school

(Type)

b. High school

☒

c. College

f. Other special training

d. Post graduate

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

Thursday March 8 1956
Day Month Year

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET
(SUMMARY DATA)

In order that your information may be filed and coded as accurately as possible, please use the following space to write out a short description of the event that you observed. You may repeat information that you have already given in the questionnaire, and add any further comments, statements, or sketches that you believe are important. Try to present the details of the observation in the order in which they occurred. Additional pages of the same size paper may be attached if they are needed.

NAME

(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

SIGNATURE

DATE

March 8, 1956

At approximately 7:50 P.M. I saw three, sometimes two, objects circling and circling around a cloud approximately one mile north. They were the size of a dime and seemed to be transparent. They disappeared at 8:30 P.M. C.D.T. (approximately