[redacted]

ATIC NO. ——

AF NO. ——

REPORT NO. ——

DATE OF REPORT ——

TIME OF SIGHTING 1205 AST

SHAPE Either Spheroid or Disc

SIZE Dots

COURSE WNW to ESE

NO. IN GROUP 20 Approx.

SOUND Buzz similar to jets

PHOTOS — SKETCHES 1

Supersedes ATIC Form 329
(2 Jan 52)

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INCIDENT Incident #145

DATE OF INFO 9 July 1948

LOCATION Fielding Lake, Wash.

SOURCE USAF Officers

DATE IN TO ATIC ——

COLOR Grayish-Black

SPEED 500 MPH plus — Estimated / Measured / Estimated & Measured

ALTITUDE 5000' plus

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED 5 Sec. or less

TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground

MANEUVERS Jockeyed back and forth in group formation giving impressio of shotgun blast pattern but maintained straight course

[redacted]

INSECTS.

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Incident #145 -- Fielding Lake -- 9 July 1948

The lack of any exhaust trail and luminosity eliminates of an astronomical explanation for the objects reported here.

It seems more probable that they were distant aircraft flying in formation, or migrating birds.

MOODY INSECTS.

5 SECONDS

DAYLIGHT OBSERVATION

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72ND RCN SQUADRON (VLR) PHOTOGRAPHIC
Office of the Intelligence Officer
APO 731, c/o Postmaster
Seattle, Washington

LFRCS

SUBJECT: Report of Information on "Flying Discs"

TO : Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright - Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

ATTN : TSDIN

1. At approximately 1205 AST 9 July 1948, 1st Lt's [redacted] and [redacted], both of the 72nd Rcn Squadron (VLR) Photo, sighted a group of unidentified objects while fishing at Fielding Lake (63°11' - 145°40'W).

2. The weather at the time of the sighting was described as bright and sunny with unlimited visibility and no more than 5/10 strato-cumulus cloud coverage.

3. The objects resembled a group of dots, grayish black in color and numbering about 20. They were plainly visible, and were either spheroid or disc shaped. They appeared to be jockeying back and forth in the group formation, which gave the overall impression of a shotgun blast pattern.

4. The objects were estimated to be at 5,000 feet or more above the terrain, and were thought to be moving at a speed in excess of 500 MPH. (This figure was reached in view of the fact that the objects were out of sight in five seconds or less. The group seemed to be immediately below the clouds. Direction of flight was from WNW to ESE, and the objects were definitely flying a straight course.

5. Just before the objects were sighted, a loud roaring sound was heard, and was attributed to a strong wind blowing through the surrounding woods. However, as the objects approached and passed, the sound sharpened into a buzz much like that made by a group of Jet Aircraft. No exhaust trails were visible.

6. Photographs of the objects were not available. The following

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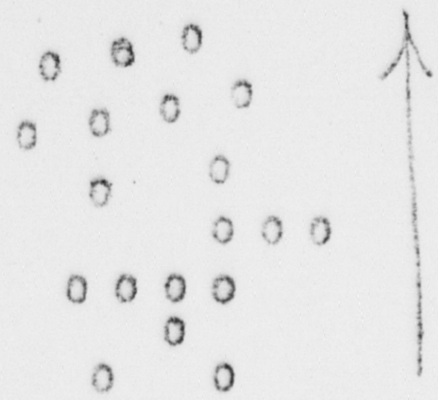
Ltr, Hq., 72nd Rcn Sq (VLR) Photo, Sub: "Report of Information on Flying Discs", dated 12 July 1948 (Cont'd):

is a sketch of the overall conformation of the group. "O" indicate individual objects, arrow indicates direction of flight:



GALEN E. WIEDENFUEHR
Captain, USAFR
Intelligence Officer

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HEADQUARTERS YUKON COMPOSITE WING, Ladd Air Force Base, APO 731, c/o Postmaster, Seattle, Washington

TO: Commanding General, Air Material Command, Wright - Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: TSDIN

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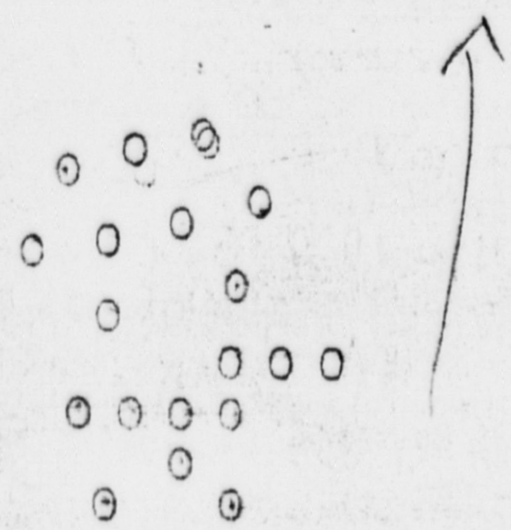


CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

Incident # 145

1. Date 9 July 1948

2. Time 1205 AST

3. Location Fielding Lake

4. Name of observers 1st Lt De[redacted]

5. Occupation of observers (VLR) Photo

6. Address of observers 72nd RCN Sq (VLR) Photographic; c/o APO 731 c/o Postmaster Seattle Washington

7. Place of observation Fielding Lake, Alaska (63°11' - 145° 40' W)

8. Number of objects Approximately 20

9. Distance of object from observer 5,000 + above

10. Time in sight 5 seconds or less

11. Altitude 5,000 + immediately below the clouds

12. Speed over 500 MPH

13. Direction of flight WNW to ESE

14. Tactics Jockeyed back and forth in the group formation giving the impression of shotgun blast pattern but maintaining straight course

15. Sound Loud roaring sound which sharpened into a buzz

16. Size Dot-sized

17. Color grayish black

18. Shape Spheroid or disc-shaped

19. Odor detected N/S

20. Apparent construction N/S

21. Exhaust trails None visible

22. Weather conditions Bright and sunny with 5/10ths strato-cumulus cloud coverage

23. Effect on clouds None - flew immediately below them

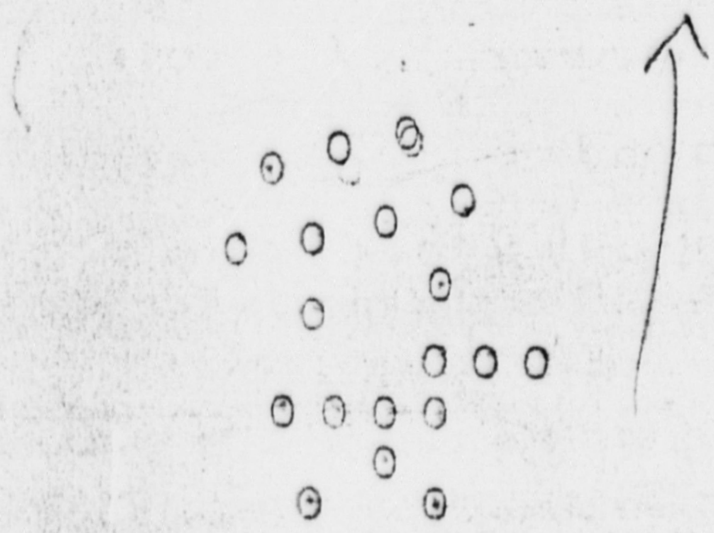
24. Sketches or photographs sketch

25. Manner of disappearance N/S

26. Remarks: The objects resembled a group of dots, grayish black in

(over)

color and numbering about 20. They were plainly visible and either spheroid or disc shaped. They appeared to be jockeying back and forth in the group formation which gave the overall impression of a shotgun blast pattern. The objects were thought to be moving in excess of 500 MPH at approximately 5,000 ft (immediately below the clouds) from WNW to ESE and were definitely flying a straight course. Just before they were sighted a loud roaring sound was heard which was attributed to a strong wind blowing through the surrounding woods. However, as the objects approached and passed, the sound sharpened into a buzz much like that made by a group of jet aircraft. No exhaust trails were visible. There were no photographs available.



Dr HYNEK'S EVALUATIONS EXTRACTED FROM PROJECT GRUDGE REPORT.

INCIDENT INDEX

1. Astronomical

a. High probability:
#26, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 48, 49, 59, 60, 66, 69, 70, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 101, 102, 103, 104, 116, 119, 132, 136, 140, 147, 148, 158, 174, 184, 185, 187, 197, 203, 204, 208, 216, 219, 238.

b. Fair or low probability:
#19, 20, 23, 24, 28, 35, 36, 46, 50, 63, 67, 80, 82, 93, 100, 112, 120, 121, 129, 130, 144, 153, 165, 166, 167, 175, 192, 199, 202, 205, 220, 230, 240.

2. Non-astronomical but suggestive of other explanations

a. Balloons or ordinary aircraft:
#3, 11, 22, 41, 42, 53, 54, 73, 81, 83, 91, 92, 113, 114, 115, 126, 131, 138, 141, 145, 155, 156, 157, 159, 160, 161, 163, 169, 171, 173, 178, 180, 182, 188, 190, 194, 195, 196, 198, 200, 201, 209, 210, 217, 222, 235, 237, 239.

b. Rockets, flares or falling bodies:
#4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 25, 56, 65, 78, 106, 107, 108, 109, 133, 170, 211, 218.

c. Miscellaneous (reflections, auroral streamers, birds, etc.):
#39, 89, 123, 124, 128, 146, 164, 181, 189, 214, 221, 231, 234.

3. Non-astronomical, with no explanation evident

a. Lack of evidence precludes explanation:
#38, 44, 45, 47, 55, 57, 72, 86, 87, 88, 90, 99, 110, 117, 118, 125, 127, 137, 139, 149, 150, 177, 179, 191, 206, 212, 213, 229, 232, 233.

b. Evidence offered suggests no explanation:
#1, 2, 10, 17, 21, 29, 37, 40, 51, 52, 58, 61, 62, 64, 68, 71, 75, 76, 77, 79, 84, 105, 111, 122, 135, 151, 152, 154, 162, 168, 172, 176, 183, 186, 193, 207, 215, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 236, 241, 242, 243, 244, 134.

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Incident #146 -- San Acacia Dam, New Mexico -- 17 July 1948

Lack of exhaust trails eliminates any possible astronomical explanation for this incident.

It seems more probable that the objects observed were a) balloons at a much lesser distance than that estimated, b) aircraft in formation, or c) birds.

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Dr HYNEK'S EVALUATIONS EXTRACTED FROM PROJECT GRUDGE REPORT.

INCIDENT INDEX

1. Astronomical

a. High probability:
#26, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 48, 49, 59, 60, 66, 69, 70, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 101, 102, 103, 104, 116, 119, 132, 136, 140, 147, 148, 158, 174, 184, 185, 187, 197, 203, 204, 208, 216, 219, 238.

b. Fair or low probability:
#19, 20, 23, 24, 28, 35, 36, 46, 50, 63, 67, 80, 82, 93, 100, 112, 120, 121, 129, 130, 144, 153, 165, 166, 167, 175, 192, 199, 202, 205, 220, 230, 240.

2. Non-astronomical but suggestive of other explanations

a. Balloons or ordinary aircraft:
#3, 11, 22, 41, 42, 53, 54, 73, 81, 83, 91, 92, 113, 114, 115, 126, 131, 138, 141, 145, 155, 156, 157, 159, 160, 161, 163, 169, 171, 173, 178, 180, 182, 188, 190, 194, 195, 196, 198, 200, 201, 209, 210, 217, 222, 235, 237, 239.

b. Rockets, flares or falling bodies:
#4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 25, 56, 65, 78, 106, 107, 108, 109, 133, 170, 211, 218.

c. Miscellaneous (reflections, auroral streamers, birds, etc.):
#39, 89, 123, 124, 128, 146, 164, 181, 189, 214, 221, 231, 234.

3. Non-astronomical, with no explanation evident

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#38, 44, 45, 47, 55, 57, 72, 86, 87, 88, 90, 99, 110, 117, 118, 125, 127, 137, 139, 149, 150, 177, 179, 191, 206, 212, 213, 229, 232, 233.

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