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1. DATE . TIME GROUP  5 November 50 05/1945	2. LOCATION
3. SOURCE	Jonesville, Iouisiana  10. CONCLUSION
Civilian	INSUFFICIENT DATA FOR EVALUATION
4. NUMBER OF CBJECTS	
C::9	Most likely A/C contrails, but not enough information to
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS evaluated case.
Not Reported	Object went up to the Northwest. There were twin exhausts, such as made by jet planes, but the exhausts did not stay parallel. Object was so bright and shiny its couldn't tell anything about its shape or size.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	
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7. COURSE	
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7 November 1950

## SPOT INTELLIGENCE REPORT

Reports of Unconventional Aircraft

Director of Special Investigations Headquarters United States Air Force Washington 25. D. C.

SYNOPSIS: Recent reports of sightings of unconventional airgraft in Louisiana are, briefly, as follows:

a. A simultaneous sighting by father and son, residents of New Orleans, on 10 October 1950, of a noiseless, bright object at a great altitude.

b. Twelve (12) bright, round, diving and spinning objects seen from a window in New Orleans, on 10 or 11 October 1950.

o. The Shreveport Times of 7 November 1950, in a special report from Jonesville, described hovering objects seen by members of a farmer's family on 5 November 1950.

A letter to the Editor of The Times Picayune, New Orlcans, Louisiana, on 19 October 1950, described the sighting of the "flying saucers" in 1947. The New Orleans Itom, on 17 October 1950, editorially, commented about "flying saucers" observed by two (2) Miami Airlines. Inc.. pilots on the preceding funday, and by Commander Tolling Funday, and by Commander Funday, and

## DETAILS:

, and his son, estable both resit. New Orleans, Louisiana, were interviewed by a Special Agent of the Office of Special Investigations, on 13 and 24 October 1850, respectively, and reported, simultaneously, the sighting of unconventional flying object. Details as submitted by the LARRIEU'ss

> (1) Time: 0715 hours, 10 October 1950. Object was under observation from five (5) to ten (10) minutes.



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- Coations Observers were in the neighborhood of the residence in the northeast portion of New Orleans.

  Observation was first seen at an asimuth of approximately 45 degrees True and was traveling in a northerly direction. The observers estimated that the object was flying at an altitude of at least one (1) mile.
- (8) Manner of Observations Visual from the ground.
- (4) Weather Conditions: Bright sun, no clouds.
- (5) Description of Objects
  - (a) According to the pipe, 25 feet by 3 to 4 inches.
  - (b) According to the Shaped like the side view of a saucer, 30 to 40 feet long and 3 to 4 feet thick.
  - (c) Object glowed bright with a whitish-blue light. Both observers saw "poculiar" spots before their eyes for one to two minutes after staring at the object.

    . reported that the object was composed of bright lights which glistened like facets on a diamond. The object made no noise and left no visible exhaust trail. No estimate of speed was made. The object faded in the distance until it was a minute speck of light and then disappeared not below the horizon. Domestic ducks of the states, although accustomed to the appearance of normal aircraft, indicated alarm at the noiseless flying object.
- (6) No meteorological condition was indicated which might account for the sighting. No physical evidence was obtained.
- (7) vice and is familiar with the appearance of normal airoraft.

b. Mrs. 1950, reported unidentified flying objects seen by her as follows:

- (1) Time: 10 or 11 October 1950 (hour unknown).
- (2) Location of Observers Charity Hospital, New Orleans, Louisiana, Objects circled in a northerly direction

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from the Hospital. They were more than a mile distant, but "not extremely high".

- (3) Manner of Observed for approximately two (2) hours.
- (4) Description: Tralva (12) shiny, apparently mettalic, diving, spinning objects with round bodies and short wings. Objects were noiseless and left no visible exhaust trails. They appeared to be constantly spinning. No definite pattern of formation was maintained. Color was bright gray to opalescent.
- (B) and advised that she has flown as a passenger on private airplanes many times.
- (6) No physical evidence was obtainable. No meteorological conditions were reported which could have accounted for this sighting.

following account of "flying discs" reportedly sighted by members of a family of Jonesville, Louisiana, on 5 November 1950:

"Jonesville, Nov 6 (Special) - 'Flying saucers' made their first reported appearance over Catahoula Sunday - at the little river farm of southwest of Jonesville.

"About 1:45 p.m. the family cook, was on her way home after washing the dinner dishes. She rushed back into the property house shouting, 'there's ghosts done come after me right in the broad open daylight. They's hovering right out there over the tractor shed.'

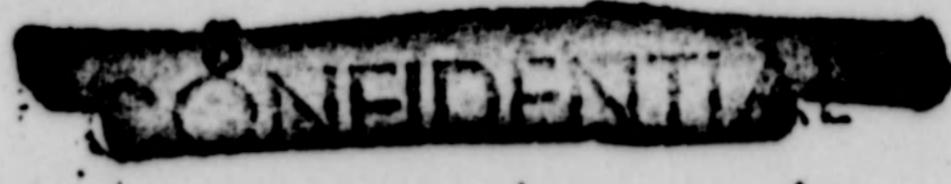
"Six members of the saily rushed outside to see the saucer, which by that time had risen to an astimated height of 50 feet above the ground.

E.Y. Washing and what they saw was 'so bright and shiny we couldn't tell anything about its shape or cise."

"As they watched, he said, the saucers went up to the northwest. There were twin exhausts, such as made by jet planes, but the exhausts did not stay parallel, he said.

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the saucer but could never see plainly what was ahead of the vapor trails. The object did not hurry: 'it took its time and disappeared from eight in about five minutes.' At the last, he sated, the vapor trail appeared to be red and then bluish.

"The cook declared that there were two of them things over the tractor shed and they were long and round like a cigar."

d. The New Orleans States, on 10 October 1950, carried the following report of the observations made by the like "It wasn't shaped like a saucer", the elder the recounted. "It was shaped like a loaf of broad." He said it was loafing along, "away, 'way up." said the slow-flying object had no wings and made "no noise whatever". "It was extra bright, not like the sun was shining on a plane," said. "It was blinking like a star. From where we were standing, it appeared to be 20 to 24 inches long. It was extremely high." said they watched the object for about five minutes. It was moving in a northerly direction, he said. He didn't say whether it was shaped like a loaf of French broad or the American style rectangular loaf.

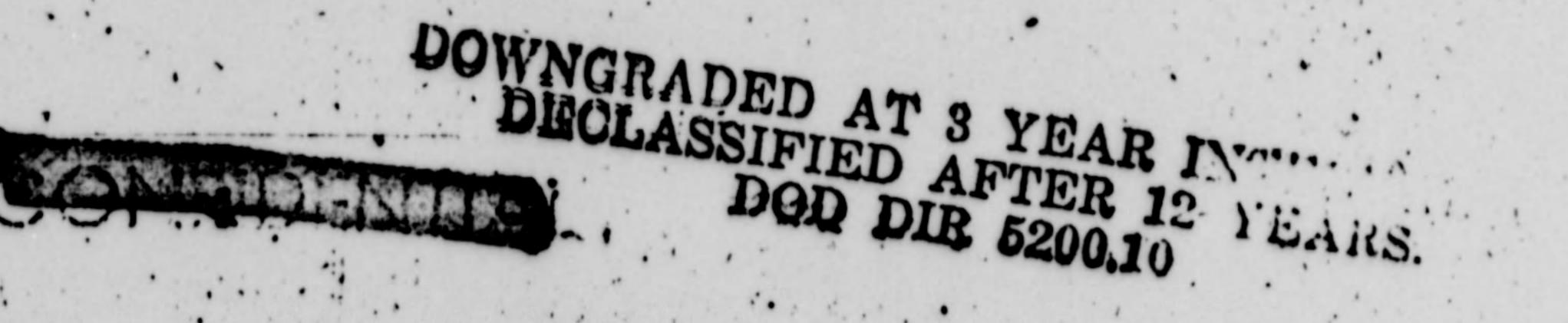
Picayune, of 19 October 1950:

"Editor, The Times-Picayune - 'I read again this morning of those two pilots who didn't believe in 'flying saucers' but who actually saw them and now believe.

"Some time ago a soldier in Arizona said he saw a rocket ship. Well, you can tell that soldier that he wasn't seeing things because I believe I saw it too.

"You see it was this way. Back in 1947 we were out on the lake shrimping. It was just before sundown. I was lying on my back on the top step of the seawall, when I had the feeling that somebody was staring at me. Well, I turned my head and looked around me, but nobody was looking at me.

"All of a sudden I looked up at the sky and there was this object. It looked to me, at the moment like a big rook. I kept my eyes on it and called to the others to look at it, but all of a sudden it made two puffs of flame and smoke and was gone. It traveled a little way with the first puff, but with the second puff it was gone.



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"I have kept quiet about it all this time, but now I felt I must write and tell you shout it. Signed LRS.

lated concerning the sighting on the preceding Sunday, of four "saucers" in formation by Miami Airlines, Inc., pilots, and and The editorial commented on the claims of sights last February by Commander and concluded, "... is it possible that the three groups of expert observers could have been mistaken about seeing them? The Air Force, which claims to have spent two years investiating such reports, has said 'definitely mistaken.' We hesitate to call the Air Force Investigators liars. Likewise, we hesitate to question the expert opinion of trained acrial observers and airplane pilots. In fact, we don't dare say what we believe about flying saucers."

So. ACTION: None contemplated by this headquarters.

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