

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>19 August 52</u>	2. LOCATION <u>Slagle Lake, Ia.</u>	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☒ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>2100</u> GMT	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE <u>Army Officer, M/Sgt</u>	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>2</u>	9. COURSE
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING		11. COMMENTS

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH ARMY
FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS
Office of the AC of S, G2

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5 September 1952

SUBJECT: Unidentified Aerial Phenomena

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

Attached for your information are reports on unidentified aerial phenomena forwarded to this office by the Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Headquarters XV Corps, Camp Polk, Louisiana.

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1. Ltr, Maj [REDACTED]
Act [REDACTED], G2, Camp Polk, La
2. Stmt, Lt Col [REDACTED]
La Military District
3. Stmt, [REDACTED]
Camp Polk, La, w/sketch
4. Stmt, M/Sgt [REDACTED]
Camp Polk, La

John P. Kaylor
JOHN P. KAYLOR
Colonel, GS
AC of S, G2

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HEADQUARTERS XV CORPS
Camp Polk, Louisiana

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30 August 1952

SUBJECT: Unidentified Aerial Objects

TO: S2
Camp Polk,
Camp Polk, Louisiana

1. Inclosed are copies of interviews pertaining to the above subject for your information.
2. Copy forwarded to the Air Force by this Headquarters.

Perry Graves
PERRY L. GRAVES
Major CS
Act ACoFS G2

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Q. Will you please identify yourself:

A. Lt Col [REDACTED] Armor - [REDACTED]

Station: La. Military District

On TDY duty, Nq Fourth Army Military Intelligence Summer School, Camp Polk, La., for period 17 - 31 August 1952.

Q. Time of sighting object:

A. Approximately 2100 hours, Tuesday, 19 August 1952.

Q. Climatic Condition:

A. No wind, no fog, visibility dark, cloudless, no moon, warm evening.

Q. Location:

A. Slagle Lake, (Co-ordinance 50-88) Slagle - Burden Creek, 1/25,000 Scale.

Q. Were you accompanied by anyone else:

A. Mrs. [REDACTED], Purchasing & Contracting office, Post QM, Camp Polk, La. This party can substantiate statement of Col. [REDACTED]

Q. What was the object you saw:

A. I do not know. It appeared to be 2 single lights, two separate objects, which seemed to be illuminated lights.

Q. What did you see:

A. Object as seen by me was in diameter about the size of a base-ball, one object was observed first. While looking due south one object came in view and from observers view at an angle of 45 degrees above horizontal. Attention was attracted by white light moving west to east. Angle of travel as observed was not at an excessive speed west to east and apparently remained stationary. In approximately two (2) minutes after becoming stationary, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

another object appeared from the direction of the first object, same rate of speed, and stopped at approximately same space, two (2) to three (3) degrees west of the first object on approximately same altitude and with same color of first object. Size of this, object was viewed as about same size as the first object.

(Note: First object observed will be identified as "object #1 and second object will be identified as "object #2" for remainder of this discussion.)

Both objects remained in place approximately one (1) minute. Object #1 was observed to take up a course moving in an angle of ninety (90) degrees angling east, north east. Noted size of object, as observed, had diminished to estimated size to $3/4$. This movement of object was approximately three (3) minutes. Upon reaching easterly position from observer object #1 became stationary. During this time object #2 has not changed position at all. Within approximately thirty (30) seconds after object #1 became stationary in an easterly position, object #1 changed color rapidly to a deep cardinal red and pulsating red light, followed by pulsating green light which appeared to be entire object itself. This covered approximately five (5) seconds period of time. Object #1 appeared to overtake in a close circle in this area. During object #1 movement to south, south west, object #2 was observed to start its movement along what appeared to be the identical course followed by object #1 in its original position, previously occupied. Object #2 has now moved at what appeared to be the same easterly position occupied by object #1. Approximately thirty (30)

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seconds after arrival at the point of object #1, object #2 was observed to changed to pulsating red and green light, as object #1 had in the same position, after which object #2 remained stationary and turned white for approximately five (5) minutes. After green pulsating , the object was observed to again return to its original white light. Object was observed to remain in same position. During this time object #2 remained in its original stationary position. Both objects continued to remain in position as stated for approximately two (2) minutes. Following this object #1 was observed to move in a south westernly direction at an angle estimated at 25 degrees. Object now appeared to be one of same size during this time (3/4 size of base-ball) and appeared to be at approximately the same altitude and had the same constant white light. This movement was estimated to be less than one (1) minute.

It was also observed that approximately two (2) minutes after object #2 ceased its green color, then object #1 was observed to commence movement west, north west and traveled to a position generally south from the observer. The size of object now appeared to be about the size of a baseball and appeared to occupy the same position as originally observed as a stationary object. Immediately following this, object #1, within thirty (30) seconds after assuming stationary position changed color to rapid red pulsating color, then changed to green giving off green pulsating color and back to original white color.

Object #1 appeared to remain stationary as a white object. Following the changing to the white light object #1, observed to

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remain stationary for one (1) minute, then began to what appeared to be a southern direction, continuing south until it appeared to be the size of a dime and then completely disappeared. During this period object #2 continued to hold its position in the east. Following this, object #2 appeared to retrace its original route to the south east taking up a stationary position due south of the observer with its size appearing to be the size of a base-ball.

Assuming the position, stationary position south of the observer, the object was then observed to change color to a pulsating red light followed by a pulsating green light. These pulsations lasted approximately five (5) seconds, then assumed its original white color and remained in this position for an estimated two (2) minutes. The object then appeared to move due south as object #1 diminishing in size. Over a period of approximately two (2) minutes by the time it became undistinguishable by the observer.

Q. During the movement of the objects, did you observe anything that might be identified as a vapor trail or exhaust?

A. No

CONCLUSION: The observer is of the opinion since the objects precise movement and visibility at the reported hours it could have been observed by other official sources.

RECOMMENDATIONS: That this report be disseminated to the appropriate Air Force and Army Intelligence Agencies who may have interest or relations of this report with that of others reported during the same period by other observers.

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UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS

On 28 August 1952, Mrs. [REDACTED] Post Quartermaster, Camp Polk, Louisiana, residence address, [REDACTED] North Camp Polk, was interviewed and stated in substance that she and Lt. Col. [REDACTED] were seated on a pier at Slagle Lake (50-58) (Slagle Burdon Creek, 1/25,000) on the evening of 19 August 1952 when they sighted two unidentified objects. Initial sightings were at approximately 2100 hours. Mrs. [REDACTED] was sitting on a pier facing approximately due east when her attention was directed by Col. [REDACTED] to two lights which appeared to be fixed in the sky at an unknown distance from the observers, approximately 140 degrees azimuth and 60 degrees vertical from the horizon. Movement of the two objects from time of initial sighting to the time of their disappearance was as indicated on attached sketch. Total time that the objects were observed was not more than fifteen (15) minutes and probably closer to ten (10) minutes. Mrs. [REDACTED] could not furnish approximate lengths of time that the objects were in the positions indicated on attached sketch. The objects were round and appeared to be about the size of a five (5) inch disk as compared to the size of the thumb nail held at arm's length. The objects appeared as a white light initially. As the objects maneuvered to the positions indicated on attached sketch, each seemed to emit red and green flashes at the points to which they maneuvered. The original white light remained at all times, the red and green flashes being emitted as if they were a part of the white whole. The night was clear and dark, there was no moon. Observation was made over a lake which had been drained. There were small puddles of water between the observers and

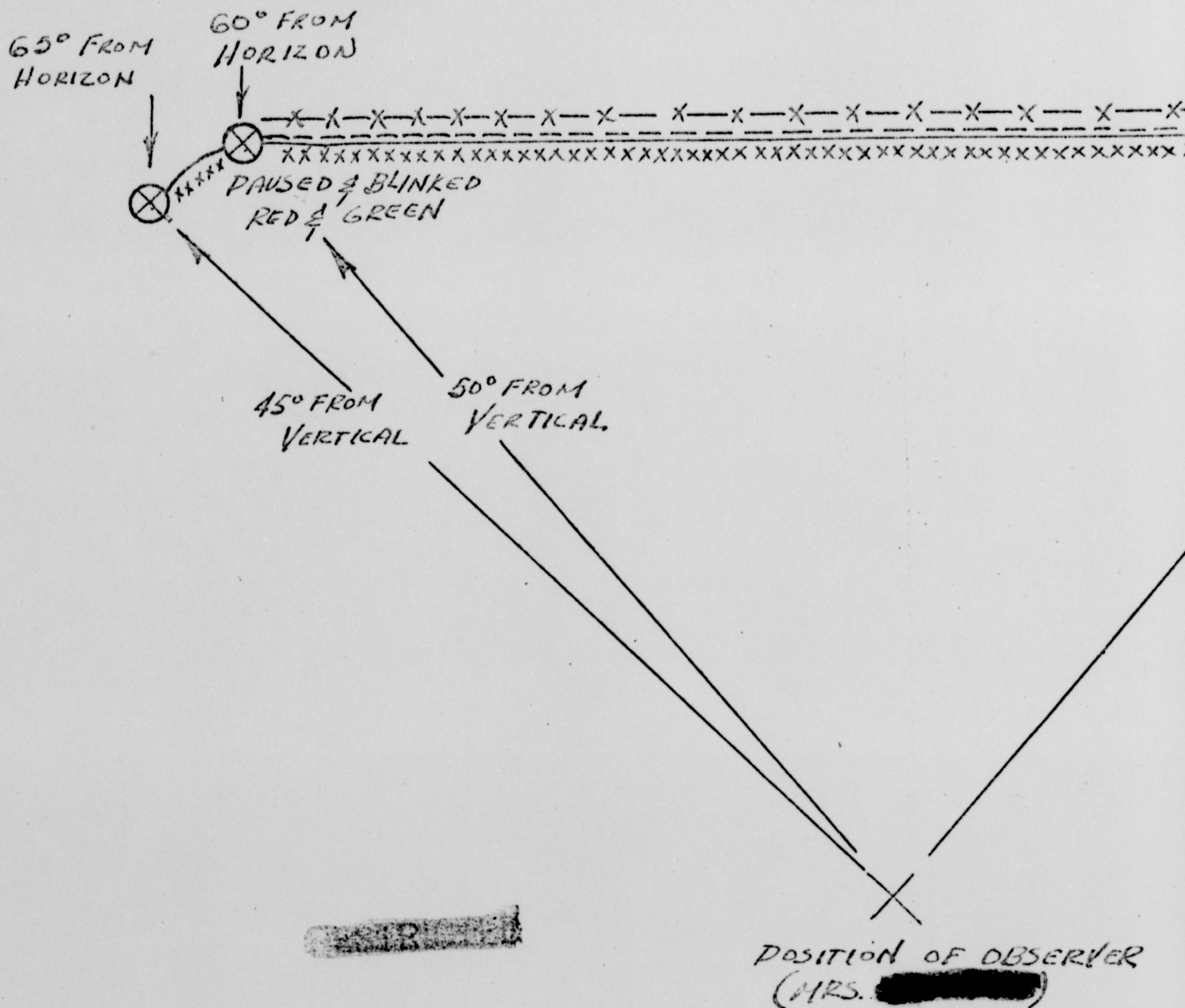
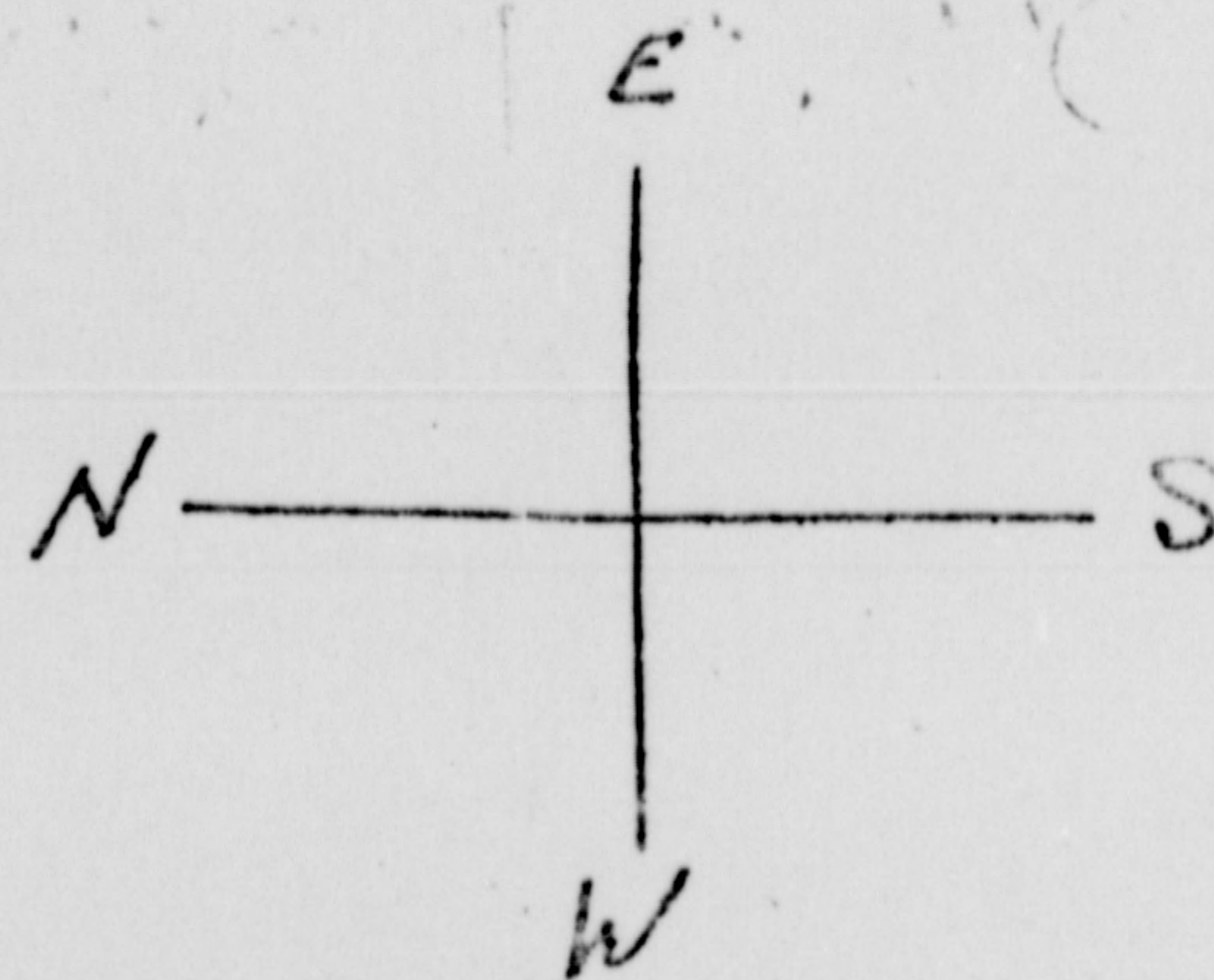
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some trees over which the objects were observed. There were no distinguishing landmarks with which to determine relative distances of the objects observed. Mrs. [REDACTED] could not estimate the speed of the objects, but she "was not impressed" by their rapidity of movement. The lights were neither brilliant nor glaring. The most impressive thing about the lights were their size. They appeared larger than aircraft warning lights or any other type lights one ordinarily sees in the sky. The light identified as "X-2" on attached sketch disappeared momentarily after its maneuver and return to the initial position at which it was sighted. The light (X-2) then reappeared and finally disappeared together with X-1. There was no fading or apparent movement away from Mrs. [REDACTED] at the time the lights disappeared. The manner of disappearance was the same sensation one senses when an electric light is switched off. Just before the lights disappeared, Mrs. [REDACTED] was straining to hear any noise resembling the "put put" of an outboard motor. Mrs. [REDACTED] mentioned this to Col. [REDACTED] but Col. [REDACTED] could not hear the noise himself.

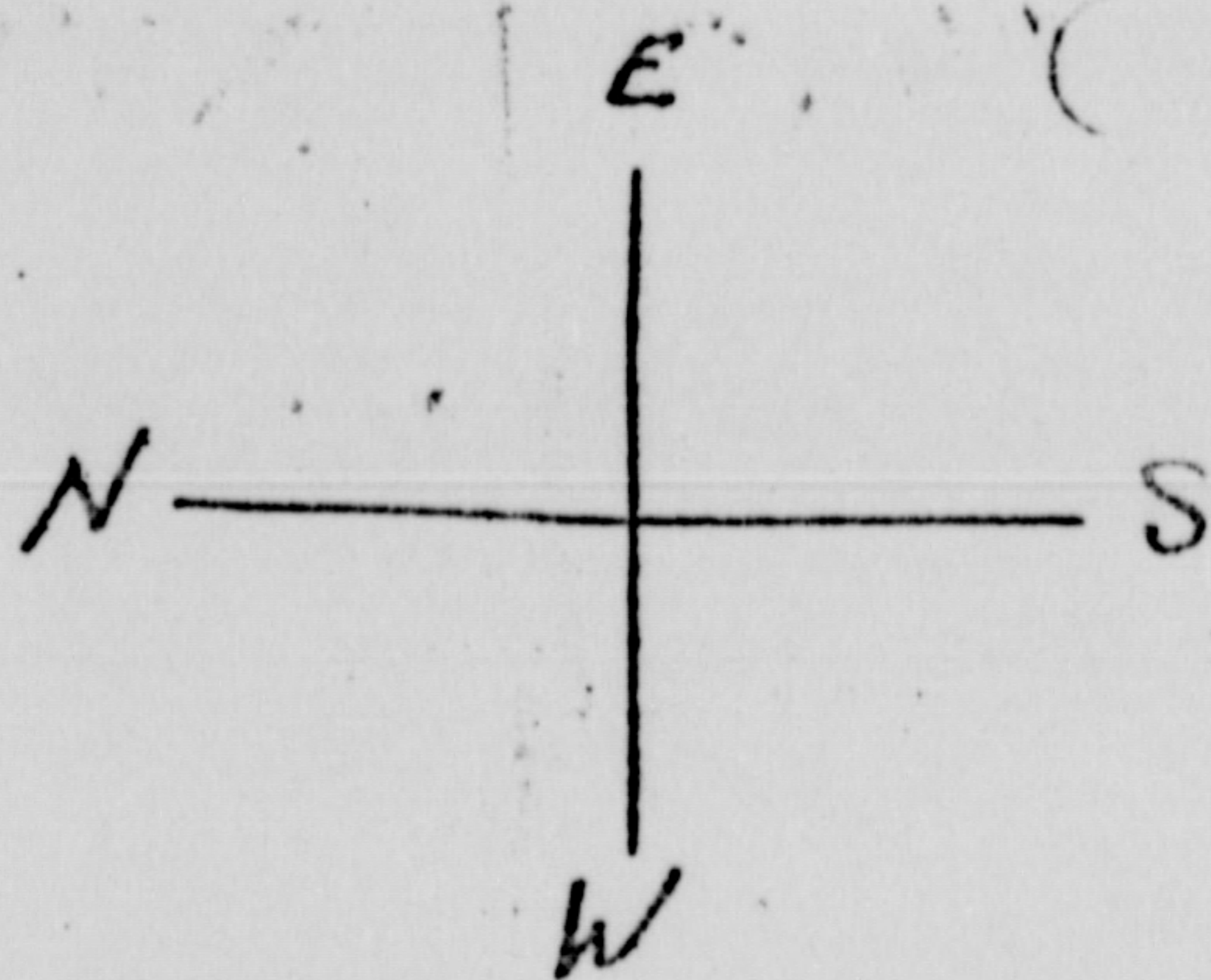
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LEGEND: ——— MOVEMENT #1 (X1)
 - - - - - MOVEMENT #2 (X2)
 XXXXX RETURN, MOVEMENT #3 (X1)
 -X-X-X RETURN, MOVEMENT #4 (X2)
 ⊗ POINTS OBJECTS PAUSED

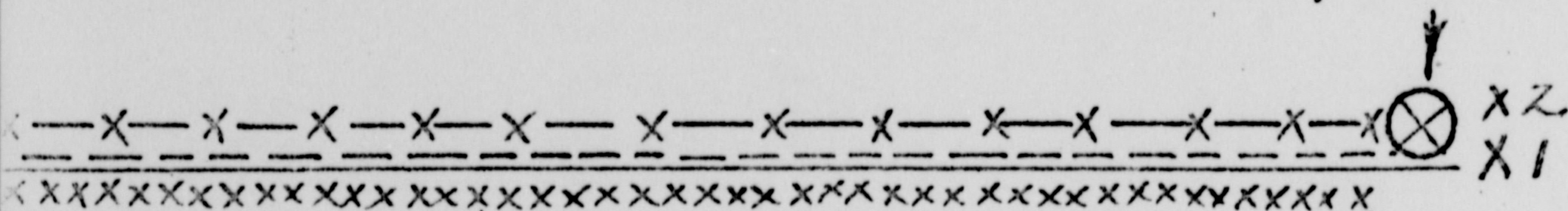
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X2 SEEMED TO DISAPPEAR AT THE SIGHTING POINT ON MVMTS#2
 BOTH X1 AND X2 DISAPPEARED AFTER MVMT#4 COMPLETED BY X2



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& BLINKED



POINT OF FIRST SIGHTING
60° FROM HORIZON

50° FROM
VERTICAL

POSITION OF OBSERVER
(MRS. [REDACTED])

[REDACTED]

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SIGHTING POINT ON MVMTS#3 APPROX 3 MINUTES AND REAPPEARED
VMT#4 COMPLETED BY XZ

[REDACTED]

AERIAL OBJECTS:

At approximately 2140 hours, 28 August 1952, I, Master Sergeant [REDACTED], G2 Section XV Corps, Camp Polk, Louisiana, while sitting in my off-post quarters, DeRidder, Louisiana, in such a position that I could see out of the doorway; I observed a light moving across the sky East to West. I immediately went outside and watched the moving light. At arms length, using my thumb as a means to measure the size, I noticed my thumb covered the light. The light moved to a point directly in front of me and it appeared to pause for approximately one (1) or two (2) seconds and blinked a red and instantly a green light turning to the original white light. It came directly toward my location and as it came closer I noticed a red light on the right and green on the left and it passed directly over head. It was a light aircraft approximately size of an LC-19 and a motor noise similar to that of an LC-19. The aircraft passed over head going South and returned again passing directly over head going North. I noticed that the aircraft had to be very close before I could hear the motor. I further noticed that when the aircraft was a good distance away and because of the slowness of the aircraft, could appear at night to be stationary and not diminish to a degree which can be noticed until it is a great distance. While I was watching the aircraft, another light moved into my view from the East. This second light came close enough to be identified as another aircraft of a similar size and motor noise as the first. While I was watching both of these, two more light aircraft of the same type came overhead from the South South West. I watched all of the Aircraft best I could for the characteristics of the objects in this report. I am familiar with the reports of observations contained in this report as I was one of the interviewers of the unidentified aerial objects. Because of this I was most attentive to the way the different lights could appear at night. The climatic conditions were similar to that of 19 August 52 as reported, cloudless, hours of darkness, clear, warm. I do not wear glasses and have 20-20 vision.

CONCLUSION: All aircraft at a distance when moving away from or across the view of an observer appear as a white light but not brilliant. The undersigned is of the opinion that the aircraft banking to the left causes the blink red to green light, then to white as the red and green navigation lights appear to be not as bright as the white light on the under side of the aircraft. It is possible easily so for the white light of the aircraft to appear stationary and yet not diminish to any degree at night because of the slowness of the aircraft. It is possible for the white light to disappear for two (2) seconds instantly by flying behind trees which are not silhouetted on the horizon because of distance. The white light of the aircraft did so while I was watching it, I could not see the trees but I know that the trees were there. The undersigned would like note made of the fact, that Mrs Parks stated, "She thought she heard the "put-put" similar to that of an outboard motor". The undersigned noticed that the aircraft flying had to be close before the motor noise could be heard faintly.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the airports in vic be checked for light aircraft flying on the SLAGLE LAKE Area the night of 192100 August 1952. A check of Camp Polk Airstrip reveals that no aircraft were flying night of 19 August 1952.

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~~28TH~~ 28TH OI 9334 FLYOBRPT. ATTN JEDWP/ATIAA-2C

JPM/DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE.

(1) ONE ROUND ORANGE LIGHT CMA SIZE NOT REPORTED CMA ROUND IN SHAPE.

SPEED VERY FAST CMA 50 MILES TRAVELLED IN 10 SECONDS WHICH FIGURES OUT

APPROXIMATELY 1800 MPH. NO SOUNDS REPORTED. OBJECT TRAVELLED IN A

STRAIGHT LINE. FADING INTO DISTANCE.

(1) 2202 PDT CMA 19 AUG 1952 OBSERVED FOR 10 SECONDS.

(3) VISUALLY FROM GROUND.

(4) OBSERVER WAS LOCATED AT GEO. REF. NH 5524 CMA PALO ALTO CMA CALIF.

THE OBJECTS WERE OVERHEAD AT EST. ALTITUDE OF 4000-5000 FT.

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TRAVELING SOUTH.

(5) OBSERVER WAS [REDACTED] CHA [REDACTED] CHA SUNNYVALE CHA
SANTA CLARA CO. CHA CALIF. [REDACTED] OBSERVER CLAIMS TO BE
A PILOT. CLAIMS OBJECT WAS NOT A METEOR OR A JET AIRCRAFT.

(6) CLEAR

(7) NONE

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

(10) JET AIRCRAFT IN THE AREA.

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~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ 23TH OID 9334 FLYOBRPT. ATTN JEDWP/ATIAA-2C

JWPML/DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE.

(1) ONE ROUND ORANGE LIGHT CMA SIZE NOT REPORTED CMA ROUNE IN SHAPE.

SPEED VERY FAST CMA 50 MILES TRAVELLED IN 10 SECONDS WHICH FIGURES OUT

APPROXIMATELY 1800 MPH. NO SOUNDS REPORTED. OBJECT TRAVELLED IN A

STRAGIGHT LINE. FADING INTO DISTANCE. *Don't know where*

(2) 2202 PDT CMA 19 AUG 1952 OBSERVED FOR 10 SECONDS. *50 x 6 x 60*

(3) VISUALLY FROM GROUND. *18000 MPH*

(4) OBSERVER WAS LOCATED AT GEO. REF. NR W5324 CMA PALO ALTO CMA CALIF.

THE OBJECTS WERE OVERHEAD AT EST. ALTITUDE OF 40000-50000 FT.

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JWPML/DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE.

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STRAGIGHT LINE. FADING INTO DISTANCE. *Don't know where it went.*

(2) 2202 PDT CMA 19 AUG 1952 OBSERVED FOR 10 SECONDS. *50 x 6 x 60 ft*

(3) VISUALLY FROM GROUND. *18000 MPH*

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THE OBJECTS WERE OVERHEAD AT EST. ALTITUDE OF 40000-50000 FT.

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A PILOT. CLAIMS OBJECT WAS NOT A METEOR OR A JET AIRCRAFT.

(6) CLEAR

(7) NONE

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

(10) JET AIRCRAFT IN THE AREA.

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