

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 9 July 53 9/1005Z	2. LOCATION Sheppard AFB, Texas
3. SOURCE Military	10. CONCLUSION DEBRIS IN WIND Object at altitude illusion. No sound, manner of appearance, motion duration etc in accord with observation of debris in wind.
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 8 - 10 Seconds	
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Circular silver object was sighted at an unestimated high altitude. Object began losing altitude at a high speed, but continued to travel in a SW direction. Object appeared to have a white silvery glow. Two B-25 type a/c in the area but object was at a much higher altitude. Three observers: 1. 8-10 Seconds. 2 and 3. 2 Seconds. No vapor trails or no sound. No estimate on speed disappeared behind buildings.
7. COURSE SE	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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COUNTRY United States of America	REPORT NO. ATRC-IR-38-53	(LEAVE BLANK)
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SUBJECT Reporting of Unidentified Aerial Objects		
AREA REPORTED ON Sheppard Air Force Base Wichita Falls, Texas	FROM (Agency) 3750th Technical Training Wing Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Tex	
DATE OF REPORT 22 July 1953	DATE OF INFORMATION 9 July 1953	EVALUATION C-3
PREPARED BY (Officer) Lt Col V.E. Wilson, Provost Marshal	SOURCE A/2C	
REFERENCES (Control number, direction, previous report, etc., as applicable) AF Letter 200-5, dtd 29 April 1952		
SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)		

GENERAL INFORMATION:

At aprx 1205, 9 July 1953, A/2C [REDACTED], 3750th Medical Group, Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas, was standing on the 5th Street hospital ramp in the hospital area during his lunch period, when the noise aroused by two (2) B-25 type aircraft flying westwardly, caused him to look up.

Upon looking up, [REDACTED] saw an object appear in the sky at a very high altitude. The object on its initial appearance appeared to be circular in sight, and was aprx one and five tenths (1.5) inches in diameter (as observed with his naked eye). The thickness of the object could not be determined. The object began losing altitude at a very fast rate of speed, but continued to travel in a Northwest to Southeast direction. The height of the object when it appeared at its lowest altitude could not be determined, but appeared very much higher than the aircraft flying in the immediate vicinity. (Note: It is estimated that the aircraft were flying at an altitude of aprx 2000, feet.) The maximum diameter of the onject as observed by the source was aprx eight (8) inches. It was also observed at this point that the object appeared to be spinning horizontally. The object when observed at its lowest altitude appeared to be elliptical in shape, and slightly conical on the top and bottom sides.

The color was silvery-white with what appeared to be a phosphorescent glow. The object appeared to be made of metal. The object was observed at this altitude for aprx one (1) second, then it suddenly began climbing once again at a very fast rate of speed and travelling in a Southwest direction disappeared over neighboring buildings in the hospital area.

No vapor trails nor any kind of smoke were emitted by the object during the course of observation. Although unable to judge the speed of the object, Peeler stated that it travelled at almost the speed of a falling star.

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WEATHER:

The weather for the reporting period was clear. Winds were from the Northwest at six (6) miles per hour. Temperature was 96 degrees. Visibility was fifteen (15) miles.

REMARKS:

The length of time in which [redacted] saw the object was from eight (8) to ten (10) seconds. A/2C [redacted], [redacted], and A/2C [redacted], also assigned to the 3750th Medical Group, this Headquarters, were with [redacted] at the time the object appeared, and both confirmed [redacted] statements. They stated that they had seen the object for approx two (2) seconds. The brief description given by [redacted] and [redacted] generally agrees with that of [redacted].

COMMENTS BY THE PREPARING OFFICER:

1. This is the first report of this Headquarters, indicating any unusual sighting over the immediate base area. Previous sightings appeared 27 July 1952, and 2 May 1952. (Ref: IR-1-52, and IR-2-52, this Hq.)
2. A check was made with neighboring military and civilian units to determine whether or not any had received similar reports, further to determine if any weather instruments had been dispatched over the reporting area and during that period of time. The results were negative.
3. The two (2) aircraft in the vicinity of the sighting were piloted by Captain Schwartz, of the 3570th Observer Training Group, this Headquarters, and First Lieutenant Underwood, who was arriving at this Hq from Waco, Texas. Captain Schwartz stated that he had arrived at 1216 hours, 9 July 1953, but that he had not observed any unusual sighting at any time during his flight.
4. All three (3) airmen appeared to be average or above average intelligence, and remained adamant in their statements. The airmen are permanent party personnel at this Headquarters, and claimed that prior to the sighting, they had never believed in "Flying Saucers".
5. Further details concerning the above information were unknown to source.

Edward Wilson, Major, USAF
for V. E. WILSON
Lt Col., USAF
Provost Marshal

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NOTE: The following signed statement was submitted to this Headquarters by the undersigned in his own words.

" At apprx 1205 hours, 9 July 1953, I, A/2C [REDACTED], was sitting on the 5th Street hospital ramp of the base hospital, 3750th Medical Group, when I heard a noise in the sky behind me. Looking upward I saw two (2) B-25 type aircraft flying in a westward direction. After a few seconds a strange flying object appeared in the sky and I followed it with my eyes during its course of travel. It appeared to be a circular disc when I first observed it, apprx one (1) inch in diameter. The object appeared to increase in size as it came closer to me from a very high unknown altitude. The circular shape of the object seemed to change to elliptical, the closer it became. The object was travelling in a southwest direction, at a very fast unknown rate of speed, much faster than I have ever seen on any aircraft in flight. After having seen the object for apprx five (5) seconds, I reported it to the Base Intelligence Office.

The object when it first appeared seemed to be flying at a much higher altitude than the two (2) aircraft that were flying in the immediate area, and it appeared to be travelling towards me and at the same time across the sky. The fact that the object was spinning horizontally and yet travelling with a forward motion convinced me that it was not an aircraft.

The object at its largest point appeared to be eight (8) inches in diameter as I observed it with my naked eye. The color of the object was difficult to define, it appeared silvery-white, but emitting an unusual glow, that made the object appear to be bright and dull at the same time. It travelled from the northwest to the southeast, but forming an orbit to the southwest. It also appeared to have made a verticle "U" before disappearing over neighboring buildings. As it came closer the object seemed to slow down considerably, and then it suddenly gained altitude again, and disappeared at a very fast rate of speed."

[REDACTED]
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Sheppard AFB, Texas

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The following statement was submitted by A/2C [REDACTED], of the 3750th Medical Group, Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas. Airman [REDACTED] was with A/2C [REDACTED] at the time of the sighting.

" At apprx 1205 hours, 9 July 1953, I, A/2C [REDACTED], of the 3750th Medical Group, Headquarters Squadron Section, Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas, was sitting outside of the 5th Street hospital ramp with A/2C [REDACTED] during our lunch period. Airman [REDACTED] while watching two (2), B-25 type aircraft, told me to look at a flying object that appeared in the sky. At the time I saw the object it appeared to be coming from the Northwest, and was moving westwardly. The two (2) B-25 type aircraft appeared to be flying under the disc. I could not determine the altitude of the object, but it was very much higher than the aircraft and travelling much faster than any aircraft that I have ever seen. The object appeared to lose considerable speed for a few seconds and then suddenly began moving to the Southwest and at the same time began gaining speed and altitude. The object made no sound nor did it emit any smoke or vapor. The color was white, and appeared to be phosphorescent. Observation of the disc by us was for apprx five (5) seconds. The disc appeared to be apprx Seven (7) or eight (8) inches in diameter when at its lowest altitude, and got smaller as it moved on until the view was blocked by the roofs of neighboring buildings in the hospital area."

[REDACTED]
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NOTE: The following is a statement of observations from A/2C [REDACTED].
All distances and measurements are approximate.

"At aprx 1205 hours, 9 July 1953, I, [REDACTED], was returning from dinner to the 3750th Medical Group, Headquarters Squadron Section, Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas, when I stopped on the hospital ramp with A/2C [REDACTED]. A/2C [REDACTED] attention was drawn to two (2) B-25 type aircraft flying over the hospital area. As we turned to observe them, A/2C [REDACTED] saw an object overhead and turned to me and said, 'There's a Flying Saucer'. Being curious of the matter I turned quickly and saw what I believed to be a Flying Saucer. When the object first appeared it was traveling at a very high speed, spinning rapidly in flight. This object appeared to be the shape of a chrome disc. It made no sound, and I would say it remained in view for aprx eight (8) seconds. The object came from the northwest, traveling toward the southwest, orbiting to the southeast. The color of the object was a highly polished aluminum. I have never seen anything quite like it before and traveling at such a rate of speed. At the largest point, the object seemed to be about eight (8) inches in diameter.

[REDACTED]
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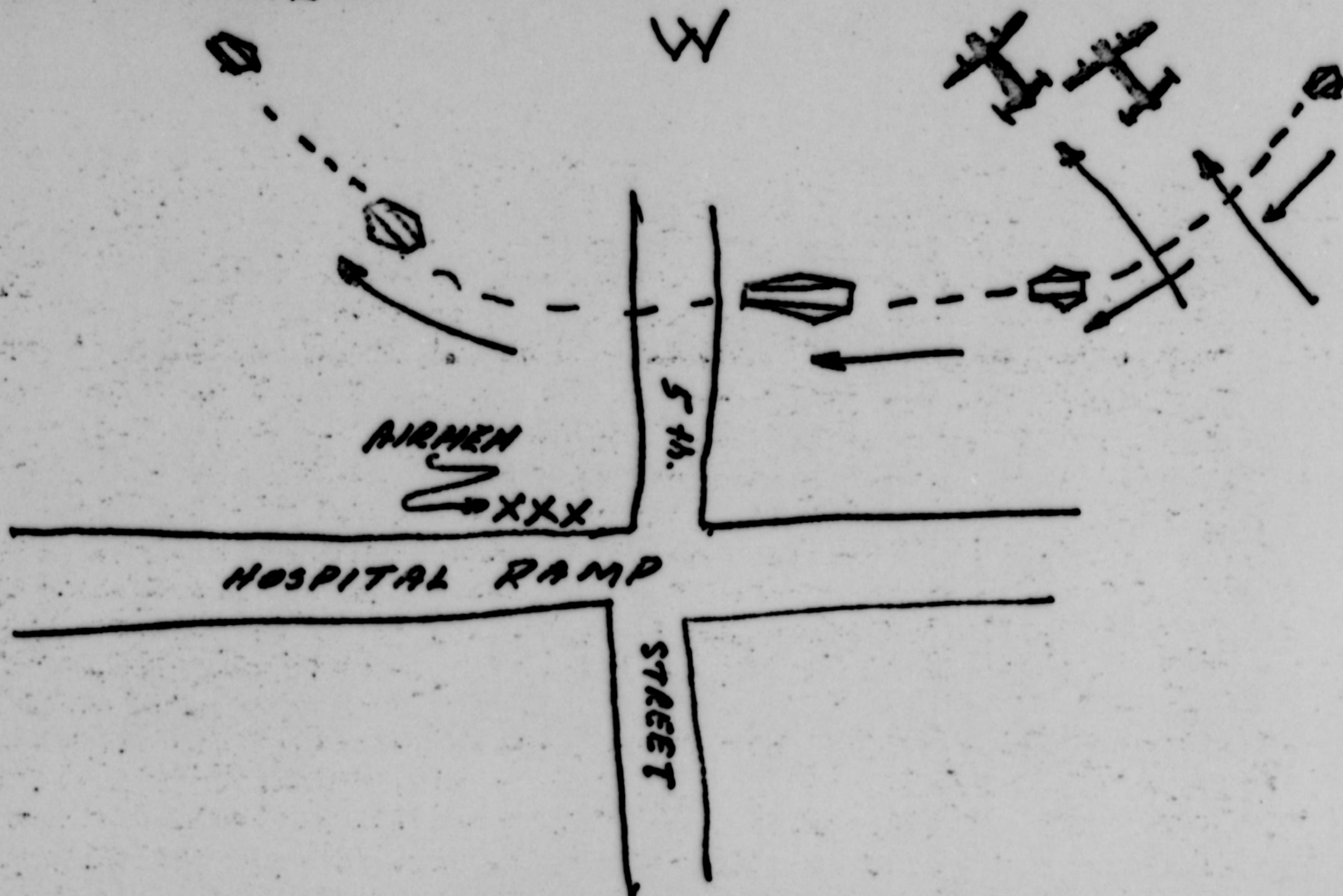
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