

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 6 Mar 54	2. LOCATION Milwaukee, Wisconsin		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical Jupiter ☒ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1745 GMT 06/2345Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE civilian		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 35 minutes	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Star-like object displaying movement. Bright round silver object in SW. Made series of arcs and rise until disappearing behind clouds. Had red glow on leading edge.		11. COMMENTS Witnesses two young boys. Neighbor called to view obj. Believed it to be evening star with motion attributed to passing clouds. Jupiter in position of sighting.	

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SUBJECT: Air Intelligence Information Report

TO: Commander
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COUNTRY OF ORIGIN United States of America		REPORT NO. 1	(Leave blank)
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT			
AREA REPORT CONCERNS Wisconsin			
AGENCY OF ORIGIN 2473D AFRCTC Milwaukee, Wisconsin		DATE OF REPORT 24 March 1954	
SOURCE OF INFORMATION Individual observations		DATE OF INFORMATION 16 March 1954	
PREPARING OFFICER Ray S. Tittle, Jr. 2nd Lt USAF		EVALUATION Fairly reliable	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) Air Force Regulation 200-2 and 200-2a			
SUBJECT Unidentified Flying Object			
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 112a.) 1. On 6 March 1954 at 1745 hours [redacted] and two companions were playing near the home of the former in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. They happened to look up and observed a bright, round, silver object in the southwest sky at an elevation of about thirty-five (35) degrees. They watched the object perform a series of arcs and rises until it disappeared behind the clouds about thirty-five (35) minutes later. By that time it was dark. The object made no noise and had no visible details except an exhaust trail which appeared when the object moved and a red glow which appeared on its leading edge when it stopped. The object remained motionless between the above described maneuvers. 2. The boys summoned a neighbor, [redacted], who watched the object for a short time and gave the opinion that it was an evening star which appeared to move because of the clouds passing under it. 3. Considering the unusual details and behavior which the object was reported to exhibit and due to the fact that the visible stars and planets would not have been in sight at the time the object was first observed, the opinion has been reached that this object cannot be positively identified with any object normally classified as familiar. APPROVED: <i>Troy A. Hargis</i> TROY A. HARGIS Major USAF Commander 1 encl.			
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1. Description of object:

- a. Round and unvarying
- b. Size comparable to baseball held at arms length
- c. Bright silver
- d. One (1)
- e. N/A
- f. No discernible features or details
- g. Bright silver tapering exhaust about one-third (1/3) the length of the object itself. This exhaust appeared only when the object moved.
- h. No sound
- i. A red glow appeared on the leading edge of the object when it decelerated and stopped.

2. Description of course of object:

- a. Observer first saw object when he happened to glance up.
- b. Object was in the southwest at an elevation of about thirty-five (35) degrees when first sighted.
- c. Object disappeared in the southwest at an elevation of about forty-five (45) degrees.
- d. Object maneuvered in an arc on a horizontal plane and then rose to a higher altitude. It performed this set of maneuvers about three (3) times.
- e. Object disappeared as a result of being obscured by clouds.
- f. Thirty-five (35) minutes

3. Manner of observation:

- a. Ground-visual
- b. None
- c. N/A

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4. Time and date of sighting:

a. 6/2345Z/Mar

b. Dusk

5. [REDACTED] Milwaukee, Wisconsin

6. Identifying information of observers:

a. [REDACTED] Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Fairly reliable - 13 years old - Student

b. [REDACTED] Milwaukee, Wis.
Fairly reliable - 65 years old - Wholesale tobacco dealer

c. [REDACTED] Milwaukee, Wis.
14 years old - Student

d. [REDACTED] Milwaukee, Wis.
Fairly reliable - 13 years old - Student

7. Weather and winds aloft conditions at time of sighting:

a. Low black clouds covering most of sky

b. U.S. Weather Bureau report of winds at time of sighting:

<u>Altitude in Feet</u>	<u>Direction in Degrees</u>	<u>Speed in MPH</u>
Surface	225	26-30
6,000	280	41
10,000	290	41
16,000	300	41
20,000	310	43
30,000	320	56
50,000	300	49

c. Ceiling unlimited

d. Visibility 15 miles

e. Alto-cumulus at 15,000 feet, 1/10 coverage
Cirrus at 25,000 feet, 3/10 coverage

f. Negative

8. Other unusual activities or conditions:

a. At the time of the sighting, searchlights of commercial

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enterprises had been in use for the purpose of attracting business. This possibility was suggested to the observers but was dismissed by them as a possible explanation. This also would not account for the red glow appearing on the object, nor the fact that it was obscured by the clouds.

b. Large weather balloons and advertising balloons released at distant points have from time to time been sighted in this area, but these do not offer an explanation for the peculiar maneuvers of the object nor the fact that it emitted a bright silver light under normally dim light conditions.

c. The planet Jupiter, usually visible in the southwest section of the sky at approximately the elevation of the unidentified object, and one of the brightest planets, probably would not have been visible at the time the object was first sighted.

9. Negative

10. Negative

11. Five minutes after disappearance of the object, two single-engine military aircraft passed over heading west at a low altitude.

12. Comments of preparing officer:

a. Minor discrepancies appeared in the statements of the observers as to the exact color, size, and movements of the object. These alone, however, do not alter the fact that all of the observers saw the same unusual object in the same place at the same time.

b. Since investigations and inquiries have failed to positively identify the object as a star, weather balloon, or other familiar object, it is felt that it must be tentatively classified as unidentified.

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