

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 18 December 1956	2. LOCATION Wilmington, Delaware Newburgh, New York		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1. 19/0025Z GMT 2. 19/0030Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Long Valley, New Jersey ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		☒ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
5. PHOTOS 3. 19/0030Z ☒ No	6. SOURCE Civilian		☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1. 3-4 secs by one source 2. 20-30 secs 2nd source two seconds	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE 1. SW to NE 2. NE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING 1) One symmetrical-shaped obj w/long streamer behind. Front of obj was colored brilliant bluish-green & rear greenish yellow to orange. Obj moved in straight path horizontal fm SW to NE. Obj broke into several smaller objs which disappeared suddenly. Obj was seen visually for 3-4 secs by one observer & 20-30 ses by a second. 2) One round yellow & green obj, size of dime at arm's length. Sparks noted. Flew fast in NE direction. Faded fm sight after 2 seconds.		11. COMMENTS Sighting probably caused by meteor. 3) Brilliant obj observed thru car windshield for 15 seconds. Brilliant silver w/tail like trail. Fiery yellow leading obj. No snd. Thought to be many miles away.	

Multi:

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WPHAS6 WPT051 YDB046 TYAC41 TME 37JRA 25 21 DEC 56 09 03
MM RJEDEN RJEPHQ RJEDWP RJEPNY
DE RJEPJR 306
M 202048Z
FM 82 FTRCP NEW CASTLE CO AB WILM DEL
TO RJEDEN: COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO SPRING MOLO

1 } 4E4 after
2 }
3 4x20
MB

ACTION/INFOR. AGO. INFOR.

03:28

RJEPNY/COMDR 26TH ADIV ROSLYN NY
RJEDWP/COMDR AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CNTR WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB
OHIO
RJEPHQ/COMDR DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE HQS USAF WASH 25 D.C.
BT

(UNCLAS) SPOT 12-4591. SUBJECT: UFO.

- (1) (-) SYMMETRICAL (OVAL) IN FRONT WITH LONG STREAMER BEHIND.
- (?) BASKETBALL.
- (C) FRONT-BRILLIANT BLUISH GREEN. REAR -GREENISH YELLOW TO ORANGE
- (D) ONE
- (C) NONE
- (G) TRAIL OR TAIL
- (H) NONE
- (I) NONE

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(2) (A) BRILLIANCE, SUDDEN APPEARANCE

(B) 4 DEGREES, 15-20 DEGREES LEFT OF NORTH.

(C) 3 DEGREES, 15-20 DEGREES RIGHT OF NORTH.

(D) MOVED IN STRAIGHT LINE HORIZONTAL TO GROUND FROM SW TO NE. GREAT.

(E) BROKE UP INTO SEVERAL SMALLER OBJECT WHICH DISAPPEARED
SUDDENLY.

(F) 3 TO 4 SECONDS BY ONE OBSERVER AND 2 TO 3 SECONDS BY
OTHER

(3) (A) GROUND - VISUAL

(B) BINOCULARS USED BY ONE OBSERVER 7:54.

(C) N/A

(4) (A) 0325 ZULU 19 DEC 1956

(B) NIGHT

(5) OBSERVER NUMBER ONE - CAA CONTROL TOWER, NEW CASTLE COUNTY
AIRPORT WILMINGTON DELAWARE

OBSERVER NUMBER TWO - ONE MILE SOUTH OF WEST CHESTER, PA.
ON "FIVE POINT ROAD".

(6) (A) OBSERVER NUMBER ONE - [REDACTED], 40, CAA CONTROL
[REDACTED], WILMINGTON 4, DEL., AIRPORT TRAFFIC
CONTROLLER.

OBSERVER NUMBER TWO - [REDACTED], 32, RD 3 WEST
CHESTER PA., SELF EMPLOYED TIRE SURGEON.

19/0025Z

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(7) (A) VERY GOOD

(B) SURFACE - ENE 8K

6,000 - TOP DEGREES 25K

14,000 - 300 DEGREES 30K

16,000 - 280 DEGREES 3 K

23,000 - 310 DEGREES 35K

30,000 - 280 DEGREES 40K

(C) CLEAR

(D) 15 PLUS

(E) NONE

(F) NONE

(G) NONE

(H) N/A

(I) NONE

(11) GROUP OPERATIONS OFFICER. BELIEVE OBJECT TO HAVE
BEEN A LARGE METEOR.

(12) NONE.

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20/22Z DMC RJEPJR

UFOB INDEX CARD

ATSS UFOB 502-56

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7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1- 3-4 seconds by one Source 2- 20-30 seconds by second Source 2- 2 seconds	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	9. COURSE 2- NE 1- SW to NE
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING 1- One symmetrical-shaped object with a long streamer behind. The front of the object was colored brilliant bluish-green and the rear greenish yellow to orange. Object moved in a straight path horizontal from SW to NE. Object broke into several smaller objects which disappeared suddenly. Object was seen visually for 3-4 seconds by one observer and 20 to 30 seconds by a second. 2-		11. COMMENTS PROBABLY Concur with reporting officer that this sighting was caused by a meteor. 1

1 Witness

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WPH118 WPF331 YDD369 TYE 44TDB383

NBA 69

19 Dec 56 09 33

MDC 118

RE RJEDEN RJEDWP RJEPHQ RJEPNE

DE RJEPNE SG

R 19 155Z ZEX

FM COMDR 648TH ACWRON BENTON AFB BENTON PA

TO RJEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO

RJEDWP/COMDR AIR TECH INTEL CEN WPATB OHIO

RJEPHQ/DIR OF INTEL HQ USAF WASHDC

RJEPNE/COMDR DET 3 462ND AISS STEWART AFB NY

RJEPNE/COMDR FLT 3 462ND AISS STEWART AFB NY

INFO RJEPNE/COMDR EADF STEWART AFB NY

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/UNCLASSIFIED/ SUBJECT UFOB REPOR

(1) DESCRIPTION:

(A) ROUND

(B) DIME

(C) YELLOW AND GREEN

(D) ONE

1956 DEC 19
ACTION/INFOR
INFOR

08:35

1 } 4E4
2 }

3 4x2 Q

(15)

19/00302

Left turn? 24
slowest meteor
almost 17,000 mph

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(A) NONE

(B) NONE

(C) NONE

(D) NONE

(E) NONE

(F) NONE

(G) NONE

(9) NO SCRAMBLE ATTEMPTED OBJECT FADED TO QUICKLY

(10) NONE

(11) THE OBJECT WAS A METEOR IN MY OPINION, AS SEVERAL DISTANT SITES

ALSO OBSERVED THE OBJECT. WHICH WOULD LEAD ME TO BELIEVE THE ORB:5.

(E) NA

(F) SPARKS, ROUND LOOKED LIKE METEOR-PARALLEL TO EARTH

(C) TAIL

(H) NONE

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(I) MADE LEFT TURN AND TURNED GREEN

(2) DESCRIPTION OF COURSE:

(A) FAST SPEED OF BRIGHT OBJECT GOING NORTHEAST

(B) NA

(C) NA

(D) MADE LEFT TURN APPEARED GREEN THEN FADED

(E) FADED FROM SIGHT

(F) 2 SECONDS

(3) MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(A) GROUND VISUAL

(B) NONE

(4) TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

(A) 19/03/56 DEC 56

(B) NIGHT

(5) LOCATION OF OBSERVER (B) STEWART AFB CONTROL TOWER

(6) IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OF ALL OBSERVERS

(A) NA

(B) STAFF SERGEANT PETER L. BRIGHAM AF12304349 2ND AACC BRDN. TOWER

OPER. CHIEF CONTROLLER FOR 5 YEARS. RELIABLE

(7) WEATHER & WINDSJAALOFT CONDITION AT TIME & PLACE OF SIGHTING.

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4E4/Sgt. O.D.Hill/wm
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OFFICE OF RECORD

28 DEC 1956

Mutti

AF 100-4154 OFFICIAL FILE

ROUTING	COORDINATION
	AFOIN-4
	AFOIN-4X2b
	AFOIN-4X2c
	Valley Brook Road
	Long Valley, New Jersey
	AFOIN-4X3
	Dear Mutti
	AFOIN-4X4
	AFOIN-4A
	AFOIN-4B
	AFOIN-4C
	AFOIN-4D
	AFOIN-4E
	AFOIN-4F
	OTHERS

[Redacted]

Valley Brook Road
Long Valley, New Jersey

Dear Mutti

Thank you for your letter of 22 December 1956 together with your report of an unidentified flying object.

Definite identification of your sighting has not been made to date; however, the information will be used in our continuing analysis.

Inclosed is the U.S. Air Force Technical Information Sheet which we desire you fill out and return to the Air Technical Intelligence Center.

You may be assured that your interest in this program is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Incl
USAF Tech Info Sheet

ROBERT E. O'CONNOR
Captain, USAF
Assistant Adjutant

1 4E4, 28/12/56 Oliver D. Hill, NY Sgt
2 4E4, H.A. Miley 28 Dec 56

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ATIC

PERM	
TEMP	
90 DAYS	
INITIAL	

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Long Valley, N.J.
Phone Long Valley
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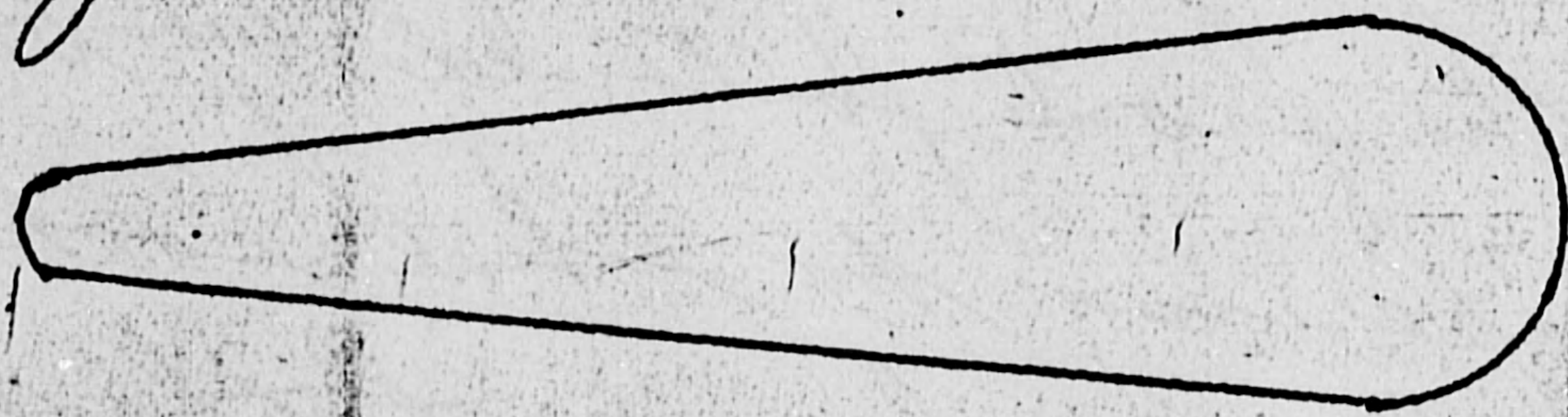
Air Technical Intelligence Dec. 22, 1956
Center, U.S. Air Force
Wright Patterson Field
Dayton, Ohio. Project Bluebook?

Tuesday, Dec. 18th; (1956), I was driving from Long Valley, N.J. to Hackettstown, N.J. on Route 24, headed north-west, time about 7:30 P.M., location my car several hundred feet beyond Trueman's Auction place, on a straight stretch of road, with no on-coming or passing traffic; when a very large, extremely brilliant flying object entered my field of vision, $\frac{1}{4}$ down from the top of my windshield, for about 15 seconds, passing across $\frac{3}{4}$ of the width of my windshield until I lost sight of it behind my rear-view mirror; and on my next glance from road to sky it was out of sight. My wife, sitting on my right, says it passed the entire width of the windshield, then disappeared. It flew left to right, across the road, that is

West to East.

The sky was clear, no cloud or haze obstructed my view. The distance from me must have been a good many miles, perhaps as much as 20 miles, for the outline was sharp and clear. I could not see any structural details. What I saw was a hard glaring fiery yellow curved shape at the front followed by brilliant silver tapering to what looked like a tail-like exhaust at the rear of a darker hue, reddish yellow like some sunset colors, and a hard jewel-like brilliance to the entire object, but without any variation in color intensity, no sparkle, flicker or fade. The outline of the whole was regular, no detached particles no luminous trail, no lighting up of the surrounding sky and flight was horizontal and steady. It did not streak thru the sky. It was steady rapid flight of a large object a long ways away.

The sight was so eye-compelling that I judge it must have been seen by hundreds of people, as it was low enough on the horizon to attract attention, even of any driver of a car traveling towards its line of flight. If this object:



was circular, then the tail or exhaust would be about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the total length. No resemblance at all to anything I have seen in the sky before. No relation to a falling star or anything of that nature I have ever seen. No sound heard. General proportions as per diagram.

I was in no position to hold up a hand or finger at arm's length to sight with one eye; but reconstructing in daylight after the event, would judge

that a stick $\frac{1}{2}$ inch wide held vertically at arms length, sighting with the right eye would cover the length of the object.

Will you please tell me what this object was and give me your calculation of its size? I am sure you will receive numerous reports from sources other than myself.

Very truly yours,
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

Make of car driven De Soto 1954 four door
Sedan V8, Color Black.

Age of writer: 55 years.

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