PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 27 Jul 1964	2. LOCATION Norwich, New York	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other UNIDENTIFIED ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local GMT 26/0050Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 4 - 5 Minutes	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	9. COURSE Stationary

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Sphere shaped object with estimated diameter of 25-30 ft aluminum or metallic color with luminous glowing ring around the object observed by one witness. No tail sound exhaust or other features. Observed from auto as witness came to crest of hill. Object was motionless in SW at 15-20 deg elevation. Believed to be at 50-60 ft altitude and 150-200 yds away. After 4-5 minutes the object made three blinding flashes and disappeared. Time of sighting at dusk with car lights on.

11. COMMENTS

Observer a mature 50 yr old engineering supervisor. Did not get out of car. SPICA in position of object, however the unusual characteristics reported for a 5 minute observation tend to eleminate an astronomical cause by star of the 1st magnitude. While not eliminating this as a possible cause the case is regarded as unsolved and carried as UNIDENTIFIED. WX with ground fog forming and night clear.

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FTC (FTD)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433

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the period 30 July to 3 August. These reports consisted mostly of light sightings. None of the reports seemed to be reliable. The Investigators contacted approximately 30 persons who provided this type of information.

5. Mr. [redacted], who is an amateur sky watcher and president of the local astronomy club provided the most significant rebuttal to reports in the Binghamton area during the period 28 July to 3 August 1964. He and several other qualified observers used binoculars and other aids, logged all unusual sightings and positively identified all sightings as known objects.

3. All personnel and Weather Bureau personnel at Broome County Airport reported no unusual sightings during the period 28 July to 3 August.

4. Newspaper clippings from the Sun Bulletin and Binghamton Evening News are included as attachment #4.

5. Prints and a 35mm negative are included as attachment #5. These three exposures were taken with a powerful 400 mm lens. The photographer did not see the objects shown on the prints. The Investigators feel that this material is of no value, but included it for review.

6. Maps of the Binghamton and Norwich area are included as attachment #6.

FOR THE COMMANDER

RICHARD P. BROWN
Captain, USAF
Investigating Officer

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Reported UFO - Norwich, New York, 23 July 1954

1. Description of Object

a. Shape - sphere.

b. Size - larger than basketball. Estimated diameter as 25-30 feet.

c. Color - aluminum, metallic.

d. Number - one.

e. Formation - N/A

f. Features - had a luminous ring surrounding sphere, glowing color.

g. Tail, trail, etc. - No tail, or trail.

h. Sound - no sound.

i. Other - none.

2. Description of Course.

a. Observer first saw the object from his automobile as he climbed to the top of a slight rise. He stopped his car and remained inside.

b. Angle, elevation and azimuth at first observation - southwest at 15° - 20° above horizon. Estimated 50' to 60' altitude and 150 to 200 yards from his observation point.

c. Elevation, azimuth, upon disappearance - same as b. The object remained motionless during observation.

d. Flight path - motionless.

e. The object emitted three blinding flashes of light and disappeared, leaving no trace.

f. Object visible 4 to 5 minutes.

3. Manner of Observation

a. Ground - visual.

b. N/A

c. N/A

4. Date and time of Sighting

a. 23/0250Z.

b. Light Conditions - dusk, headlights were on.

5. Location of Observer - 17 miles northeast of Norwich, N.Y. on a little used secondary road in unpopulated, rolling hill country.

6. Identifying Information.

a. [redacted], civilian, [redacted], Norwich, N.Y. Occupation - Engineering Supervisor. Reliability - mature and doesn't appear to be type who would report inaccurately. No special observation skills.

7. Weather

a. Observers account - clear sight, some ground fog forming, but not at position of sighting.

b. No ARD weather data available at Norwich.

8. No unusual activity in the Norwich area at the time of observation.

9. No interceptor made.

10. A weather balloon is released at Binghamton at 2200Z each day. This balloon would not be above 3-5 after launch (0300Z).

11. It is felt that this report has some validity for the following reasons:

a. The observer seems reliable.

b. The observer's description of an object of large size leads to the conclusion that something must have been observed.

c. The observer stated that he stopped his car, was very frightened and only got out after the object disappeared. However, Norwich is a rural area and no witnesses other than Mr. [redacted] were there to corroborate his story. On the basis of the above information, the investigators are unable to offer a satisfactory analysis.

Glowing UFO Seen By Norwich Man

Press Bureau

Norwich—A Norwich engineering executive told state police that he saw an elliptical object hovering near the ground last night.

The report came from Louis Daubert, 33, of 6 Willard Court, Norwich, a supervisor in the engineering department of Norwich Pharmical Co. His report was one of three that Norwich area residents reported in connection with unusual sky phenomena last night.

He said he saw an "object hovering some 30 feet over a field" on Bowler Brook Road, some three miles from Route 12, Town of Sherburne.

Mrs. Max Bach of Sunset Drive, Norwich, reported that she and her husband saw a bright object in the sky at about 9:10 p.m.

She said it was moving "very fast" to the northeast. She estimated they were able to watch it for 10 to 15 minutes until the stars came out and it disappeared from view.

The couple had been waiting to see Echo 2, an American satellite which had been scheduled to pass over the area at 9:33 p.m.

Another report described a light in the sky over the Family Bargain Center, about a mile south of Norwich in Route 12. State police at Norwich substation said this was reported today by an Oxford man who was not identified.

Mr. Daubert said he was headed east in his car about 9 p.m., destined for Chenango County Girl Scout Camp where his daughter, Norma, 18, is a counselor.

When he saw the object, he said, he stopped and watched it for about five minutes. He estimated the elliptical object to be some 25 feet in diameter, and said it "shined with an iridescent glow around the outer edge like a fluorescent light."

Then there were three flashes of light which "practically blinded me." Then the object left, he said.

The UFO was reported by Mr. Daubert in a call to state police at Sidney.

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City Firemen Spot Mystery Streak In Sky

Three Binghamton firemen reported they observed a brightly lighted, fast-moving object in the sky about 9 o'clock last night.

And three other Binghamton area residents said today that they saw unusual sky phenomena during the evening.

George Rook, 15, of 1813 Front Street, Johnson City, observed an "orange streak" in the sky from near his home about 8:45 p.m. He said the streak suddenly turned blue. It appeared to be above the hill north of the Chenango River, the youth said.

DOUGLAS SLATER, 14, of Calcedilla Road, reported seeing a "large round silver object with a red light in the middle." And Mrs. Paul Dubland of 18 Virgil

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Firemen --

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Street reported seeing a "bright yellow flash."

Fire Bureau Lt. John Calabrisi, an amateur astronomer, identified the three firemen as Edward Malone, John McHalley and Anthony Winkler.

He said they were outside of the Robinson Street fire station and he was in the office working when the flying object was discovered.

The tall said the object, moving in jet fashion and sparking, was about 40 degrees from the horizon, Lieutenant Calabrisi said.

THE OBJECT traveled from the southeast to the northwest, the fireman said.

By the time Lieutenant Calabrisi got outdoors it was out of sight, he said.

"I stayed out and watched the satellite, Echo 2, pass by about five minutes later," Lieutenant Calabrisi said.

UFO sighted

SHERBURNE — An unidentified flying object was reportedly seen near here last night hovering about 30 feet from the ground over an open field.

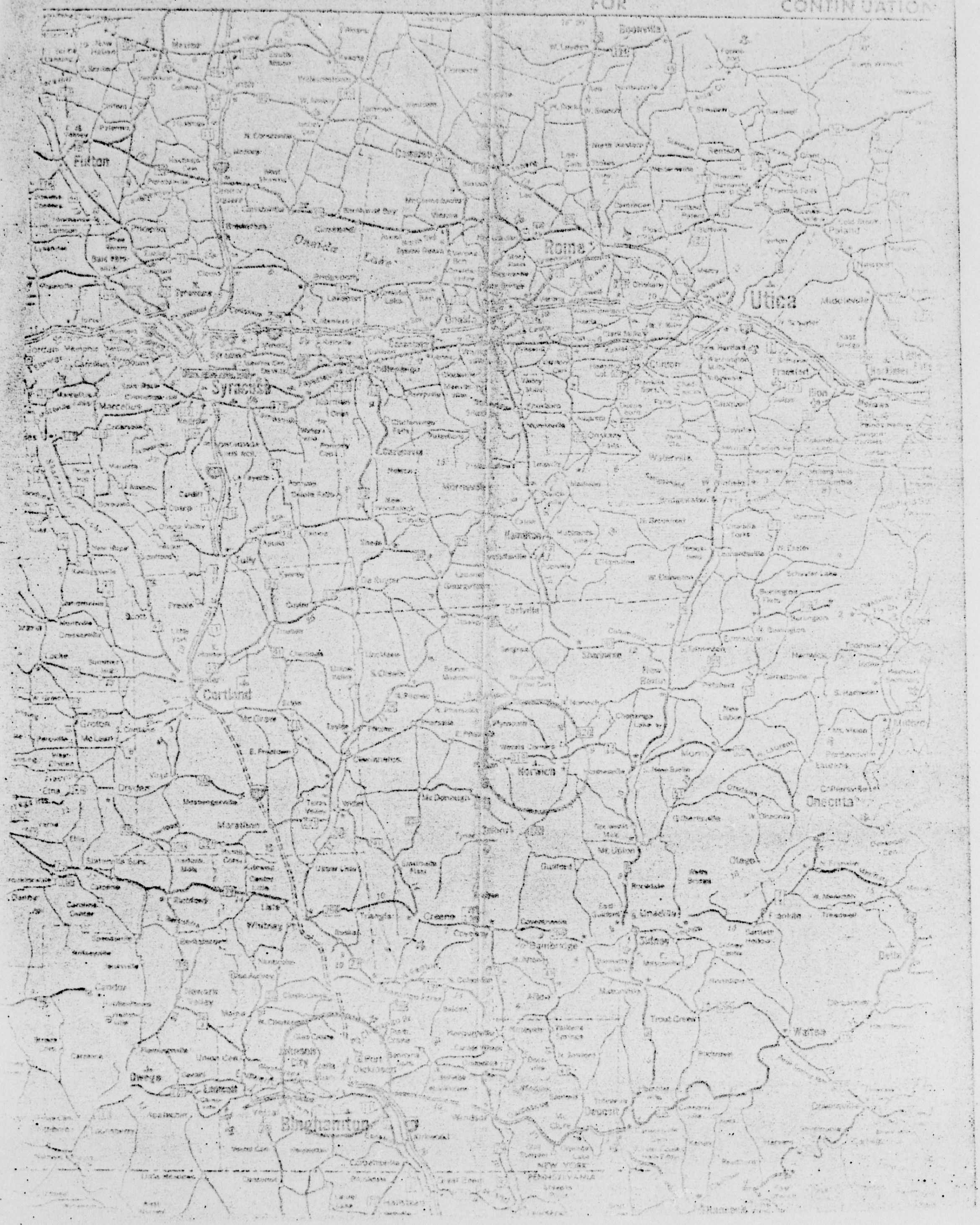
Louis Daubert of 6 Willard Ct., Norwich, said he spotted the object about 9 p.m. just off Bowlesbrook Road. He said reportedly that he watched the object for about six minutes before "it shot out [illegible] heading [illegible] off at a high rate of speed.

Mr. Daubert said he was driving to a nearby Girl Scout camp to pick up one of his children when he sighted "a bright shiny object about 25 feet in diameter. It was about 30 feet from the ground, hanging in mid-air.

The object resembled aluminum and had a luminous edge, he said.

There was no noise when it [illegible] off, he added.

FOR CONTINUATION



NO CASE (INFORMATION ONLY)
SOURCE: Saucer News

27 July 1964
Norwich, New York

Among dozens of saucer sightings in upstate New York during late July, is that of a Norwich engineering executive who says he saw an elliptical object hovering near the ground on the night of July 27th. The engineer, named Louis Daubert, observed the UFO hovering about fifty feet over a field near the town of Sherburne. It made no sound....