

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 25 Mar 67 26/0025Z	2. LOCATION Lake Canton, Canton, Ill. (2 witnesses)
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION AIRCRAFT
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Object was egg shaped. Very bright red. Similar to a modern day washing machine in it's spin cycle. Object was approx. 100 inches over head. Object was heading due North, followed by a sharp turn to the Northeast. Object gradually turn into haze to the North-Northeast.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE North-North Northeast	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

FORM

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25 MARCH 67
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INCOMING MESSAGE

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ACTION: RDC-4, INFO: XOP-1, XOPX-2, SAFOS-3, NIN-7, DIA/JCS-1 (19)

ADV CY DIA

SMB A050RTTU JAW RUCISBA9666 0942101-UUUU--RUEDHQA,

ZNR UUUUU

R 041435Z APR 67

FM TECHTNGCEN CHANUTE AFB ILL

TO RUWMFV/ADC

RUEDF IF/FTD WPAFB OHIO

RUC IFV/20 AIRDIV TRUAX FLD WIS

RUEDHQA/C SAF

RUEDHQA/CSAF WASHDC

BT

UNCLAS ABOT 00005 APR 67. FOR TDETR, AFRDC AND SAF-01. SUBJ:

PAR 11, AFR 80-17.

A. (1) EGG SHAPED.

(2) LARGER THAN SALE'S RESIDENCE.

(3) VERY BRIGHT RED.

(4) ONE.

(5) NA

(6) NONE.

(7) NONE.

(8) SIMILAR TO A MODEREN DAY WASHING MACHINE IN ITS SPIN CYCLE.

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9) NONE.

B (1) SON FLYING A TOY GLIDER IN BACK YARD, LOOKED UP AS GLIDER
DROPPED AND FIRST SAW OBJECT AT THIS TIME.

(2) 100 FEET DIRECTLY OVERHEAD.

(3) APPROXIMATELY 10 DEGREES HIGH AND NORTH NORTH EAST.

(4) DUE NORTH FOLLOWED BY A SHARP TURN TO THE NORTH EAST.

(5) GRADUALLY INTO HAZE TO THE NNE.

(6) 3 MINUTES.

C (1) GROUND VISUAL.

(2) NONE.

(3) NA

D (1) 26 MAR 0025Z

25 MAR 1825L

(2) DUSK.

E (1) 40 34 FEET N, 89 58 FEET W.

(2) EAST BANK OF LAKE CANTON, 1 NM NORTH OF DAM.

(3) LAKE CANTON IS 2 NM EAST OF CANTON ILL.

F. [REDACTED] 15 YRS OLD [REDACTED] JUNIOR HIGH

STUDENT, GOOD RELIABILITY. EDWARD L. SALE, 42 YRS, RURAL RT 5, CAN-

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TON ILL, BUILDING CONTRACTOR, DIRECTOR OF CANTON CIVIL DEFENSE

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AGENCY, EXCELLENT RELIABILITY.

G (1) HUMID, 70 TO 75 DEGREES TEMPERATURE, VERY THICK HEAVY OVERCAST, HAZY AND MISTY, WINDS ABOUT 3 TO 5 MPH, ABOUT 5 MILE VISIBILITY, HAD BEEN RAINING, WILD FROM THE SOUTH WEST.

(2) SFC L/V; 6000 FEET, 220/20; 10,000 FEET, 220/30, 15,000 FEET, 230/35.

(3) 3000 SCTD, 7500 BROKEN, V BROKEN, 10,000 OVERCAST, V BROKEN 5,000 OVERCAST.

(4) 5 TO 7 MILES IN SCATTERED RAIN SHOWERS.

(5) COMPLETE OVERCAST WITH BASES RAGGED FROM 3000 FEET TO 10,000 FEET.

(6) WIDELY SCATTERED TRW OVER ALL QUADRANTS.

(7) PLUS 20 DEGREES C AT SURF TO MINUS 7 DEGREES C AT 15,000 FEET, APPROX STANDARD LAPSE RATE OF 2 DEGREES C PER 1000 FEET.

H. NONE.

I. NONE.

J LAKE CANTON LIES DIRECTLY ON THE CENTERLINE OF AIRWAY V116 FROM QUINCY TO PEORIA.

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K. EDWARD J ORENIC, CAPTAIN, USAF, UFO INVESTIGATING OFFICER. I
RECEIVED THIS REPORT ON THE 3RD OF APRIL 1967, 10 DAYS AFTER THE
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SIGHTING OCCURRED. CAPT KIER WITH THE PEORIA AIR NAT'L GUARD IS
CONDUCTING A RECORDS CHECK OF AIR OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF
THE SIGHTING AREA. THIS REPORT SHULD BE RECEIVED BY THE 6TH OF
APRIL 1967. AS OF NOW, NO FIRM DETERMINATION CAN BE MADE. SINCE
THE SALE'S RESIDENCE LIES ON THE AIRWAY, AND SINCE THE PEORIA VOR 1
APPROACH PROCEDURE TURN WOULD BE OVER THIS AREA AT AN ALTITUDE OF
1200 FEET ABOVE THE GROUND, I STRONGLY SUSPECT THIS TO BE AN AIR-
CRAFT. THE LOW CEILING AND VISIBILITY WOULD CAUSE REFLECTED LIGHT
TO BE MISINTERPRETED. THE INVESTIGATION WILL CONTINUE AND THE
CONTENTS OF THE REPORT FROM CAPT KIER WILL BE FORWARDED.

BT

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[REDACTED]
Canton Illinois
March 26, 1967

To whom it may concern:

This is in regards to the shrouded UFO mystery that has puzzled many over the years, including my immediate family. During the past few years we have accumulated many articles, stories, books etc., describing various aspects of the UFO. My oldest son [REDACTED] approaching 15 years and myself have been extremely interested in these things but are cautious of being misled with false information and crank reports.

Our small home lies on the shores of Lake Canton about three miles due East of the City of Canton, geographically located such that we have a fairly good view of the outlying country-side in all directions.

Like many, one of our chief desires is to some day (or night) see close up, and in full view without obstruction, a UFO. Many times we have observed very unusual objects in the sky, as we watch for them constantly. Most of our sightings have been at night, but a few have been observed during the day-light hours. Each time we have observed an object we have been particularly careful to analyze what we saw--to be certain it is--or is not--an airplane, a weather balloon, a satellite, the planet Venus, swarms of insects or swamp gas. None of my family have suffered from hallucinations, are healthy, quite and are not seeking headlines.

Each of our sightings have not been recorded or reported to anyone, for very obvious reasons--we don't like being made a spectacle, or called a liar by some person called an authority on the subject. We feel we are as much an authority until proven otherwise. I could give you general description of the previous sightings, but we feel you would consider this evidence as inadequate, or useless, as you have no doubt received many such comparable reports. However, we feel this report we are now submitting may be significant and have merit as useful material toward the unveiling of the UFO mystery.

Yesterday evening March 25, 1967 at approximately 6:25 P.M. [REDACTED] took his newly purchased glider airplane, (the type purchased at the local 5¢ and 10¢ store for 39¢) out into the yard to fly. He was throwing the plane into the gentle breeze, trying only to make it glide to a proper landing, but not trying to make it do the usual high loops as these small planes are capable. Thus, [REDACTED] didn't have to look up each time he tossed his plane. The weather was damp and humid with heavy overcast (extremely cloudy--temperature about 75°). Earlier, it had been raining lightly. It was getting quite dark and [REDACTED] was about to come back inside the house because he was having difficulty finding his plane in the darkness. He decided to give his plane one last hard throw, before coming into the house. The plane made a high loop into the air and as it went over his head he looked straight up to try to see it and there hovering above him was a huge motionless, egg shaped object.

Frightened at what he was seeing, [REDACTED] immediately tried to call out to me to come, but momentarily, was unable to utter a sound. Finally, he was able to scream out to me and I came running on the fly as I could tell by the urgency in his voice that something was wrong. As I quickly approached where he was standing--he frantically pointed and asked me to look into the North-Easterly direction he was pointing. I immediately saw a bright red pulsating lighted object speeding rapidly low over the fields, quickly disappearing over the horizon out of sight.

Deciding this was the time to submit an official report, I brought [redacted] into the house to go over what he had observed. One of the first things I did was to feel his heart pulse. His heart was pounding like a sledge hammer. He was very shaken, frightened and hardly capable of talking for a time.

[redacted] said the object made a sound like a very quiet washing-machine and said he heard the sound for quite a while as he was playing in the yard, but didn't pay much attention to where the noise was coming from. We hear many distant sounds here on this quiet lake. He said when he first looked up to see the object, there were no lights visible, but it immediately began to glow till it reached a bright red with such intensity that it hurt his eyes to look at it. Also, he observed that as the intensity of the light grew, so did the motor. That is, the motor became more shrill, but not louder. The motor also pulsed with the light pulses. (At the time David was hearing the motor sound, I was reading just inside the open door, and also had observed this sound, but likewise as David, gave it no thought)....

Being an Amateur Radio (ham) Operator, I have a tower that is 63 feet high in our yard. [redacted] said the object was about the same distance above his head as is our tower, and said as the object sped away he thought sure it was going to crash into some nearby tree-tops, but apparently missed them. I asked [redacted] about the size of the object and his reply was "gosh Dad, it was bigger than our house". Then, I asked about how it was lighted. He said he saw no windows or doors, and that it was at first a solid distinct dark object against the clouds, until it began to quickly glow as a solid very bright red rapidly pulsating mass that sped away at a very rapid speed.

[redacted] said when the object sped away it traveled toward the tree-tops and as soon as it was a little past the trees, it appeared to make a very sharp turn from its northerly direction to take up a course toward the north-east. When I observed it, it was heading in the north-easterly direction quickly going out of sight. I would estimate its elevation above the earth at about 100 and no more than 200 feet.

I asked [redacted] if he had any unusual feelings when he observed the object over his head, or whether he felt it affected him at any time, even at the time of its brightest intensity, or if he felt any heat from it. He said he experienced nothing unusual other than the intensity of the light hurting his eyes the same as the strong headlights of an automobile.

Please consider this as the true statements of the undersigned:

[redacted], Age going on 15 years:
(son)

[redacted] Father of David
observed object in distance speeding away

[redacted] Scared and crying
during the excitement, but did not observe

[redacted] Alarmed, but
also did not observe. (Wife)

Respectfully

Edward L. Sale



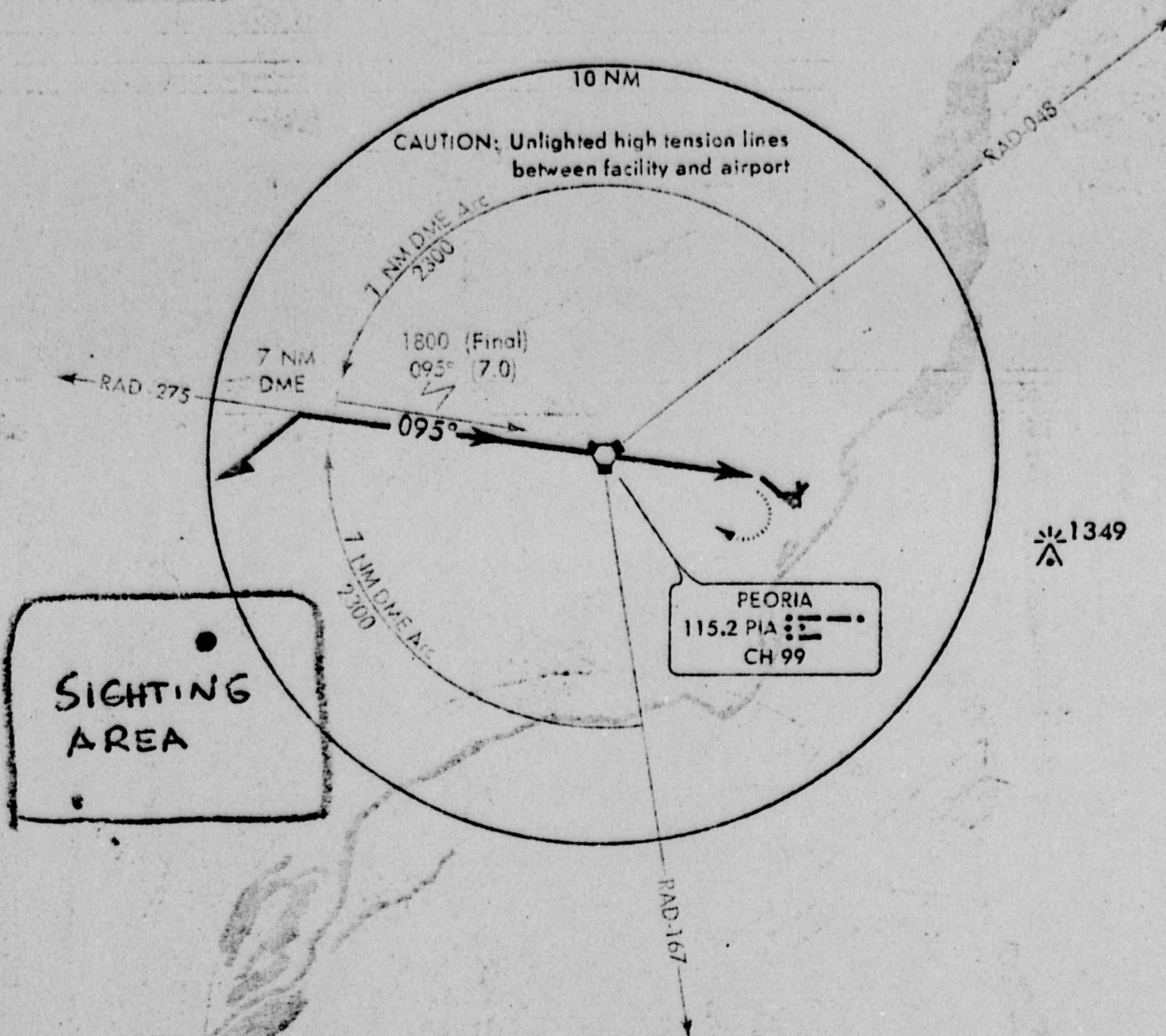
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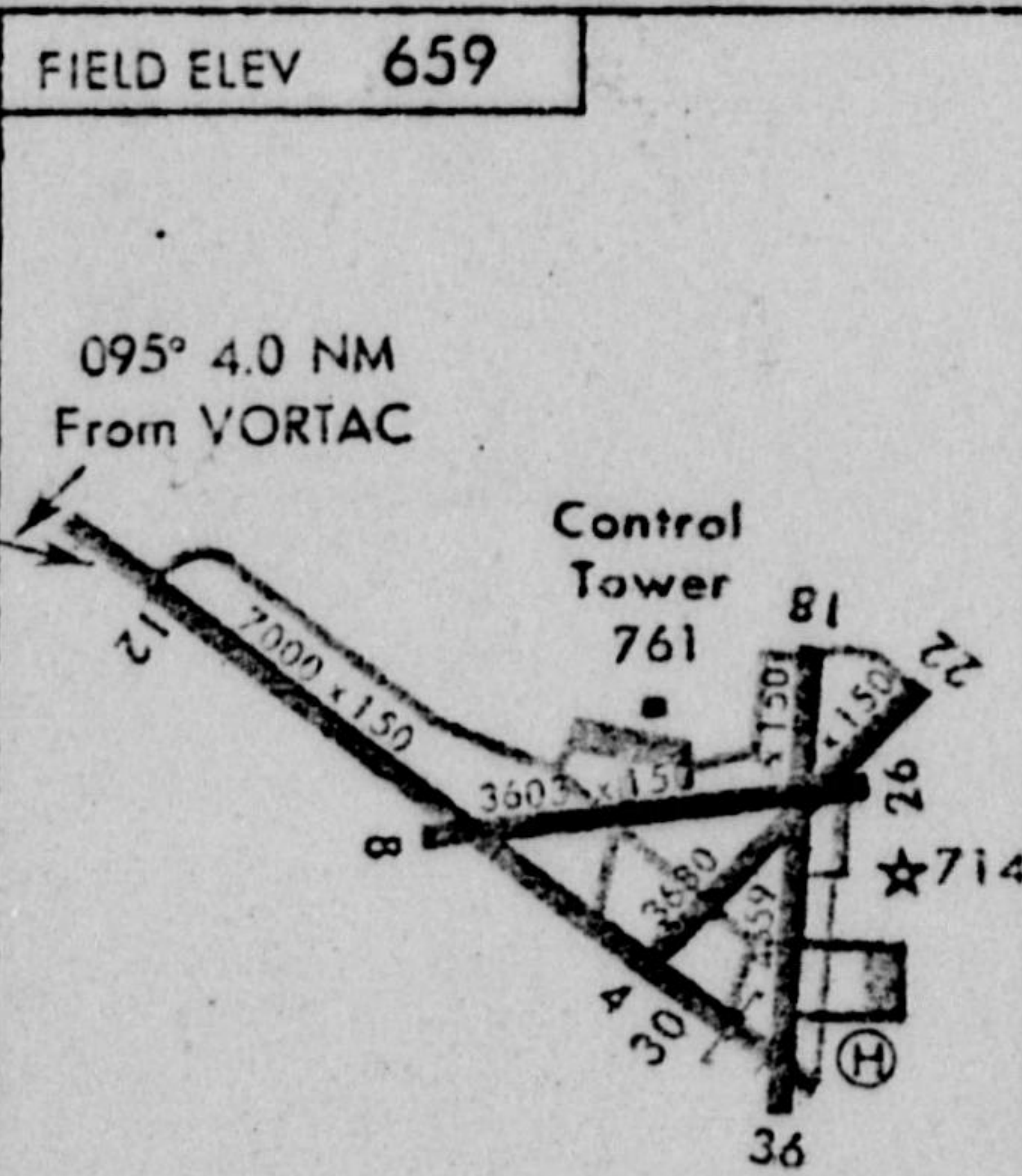
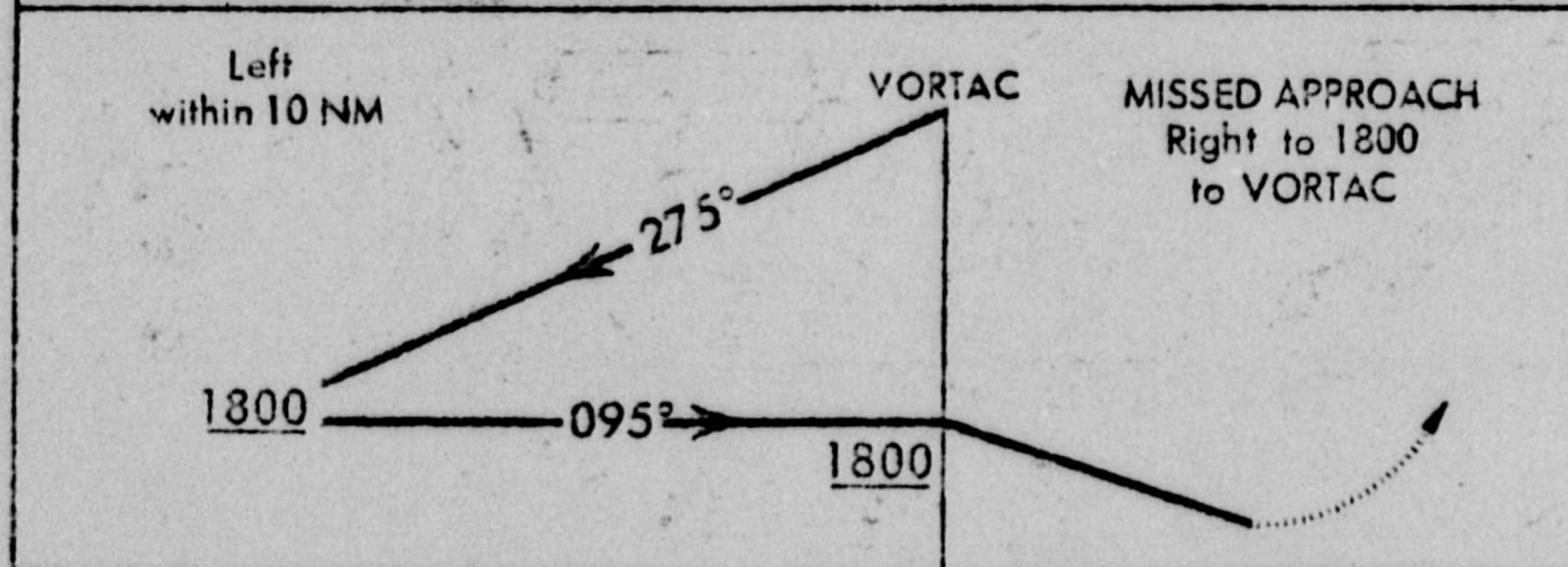
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PEORIA, ILLINOIS

PEORIA APPROACH CONTROL
269.2 125.8
PEORIA TOWER
256.9 269.2 119.1
GND CON
348.6 121.9



EMERG SAFE ALT 100 NM 2900

MIN SAFE ALT 25 NM 2400



LANDING MINIMA			
Straight-in	1159 MSL	500-1 1/2 *	:
Circling		500-1	:
*Reduction below 3/4 not authorized			

VORTAC to Missed Approach 4.0 NM						
Knots	75	90	105	120	130	160
Min-Sec	3:12	2:40	2:17	2:00	1:51	1:30

VOR-1

40°40'N - 89°41'W

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TSGT CHARLES A. SPICER
DUTY FORECASTER.

