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PROJECT [illegible] RECORD

Incident #50

Dec 47- ~~Jan~~ Feb 48

[illegible] NO. - - -	DATE OF INFO 10 Jan 1948
AF NO. - - -	LOCATION Wildwood, N. J.
[illegible] NO. - - -	SOURCE Female Civilian
DATE OF REPORT - - -	DATE IN TO ATIC - - -
TIME 2200 EST	COLOR Yellow, Red or Amber
Ovular-Tear Drop	SPEED Slow Estimated / Measured / Estimated
Lamplight	ALTITUDE Varying-slow descent Measured
270°	LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED 5-8 sec.
[illegible] 1	TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground
[illegible] - - -	MANEUVERS Split in two
[illegible] - - -	SKETCHES - - -

Other (MIRAGE)

[illegible] Temporary ATIC Form 329
([illegible] Jan 52)

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In view of the unbalanced character of at least one of the observers (as indicated by the report of the interview), this investigator wonders how much credence can be given to the reports of the object or objects cited. For instance, the summary states that the first object was in sight 5-8 seconds, while the interview indicates 15-20 minutes. Assuming that this first incident was authentic and the shorter time correct (it evidently being the estimate given by the second observer), there is nothing in the evidence that is contradictory to the notion that the object observed was nothing more than a slow-moving fireball. The color, splitting into two pieces, and manner of disappearance all support this view.

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Follow-up

Examination of Films (Incident #50)

MCIT MCIA 24 Feb 48 1

The inclosed films have been received relative to Project "SIGN". It is requested the films be processed and a report furnished this office.

1 Incl
roll film,
size 127

W. R. CLINGERMAN
Colonel, USAF
Chief, Analysis Division
Intelligence Department

EHL/amb
2-3266
Rm 252
Bldg 11A

Mr [redacted] reported that after developing the film no image was revealed.

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Dr HYNEK'S EVALUATIONS EXTRACTED FROM PROJECT GRUDGE REPORT.

INCIDENT INDEX

1. Astronomical

a. High probability:
#26, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 48, 49, 59, 60, 66, 69, 70, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 101, 102, 103, 104, 116, 119, 132, 136, 140, 147, 148, 158, 174, 184, 185, 187, 197, 203, 204, 208, 216, 219, 238.

b. Fair or low probability:
#19, 20, 23, 24, 28, 35, 36, 46, 50, 63, 67, 80, 82, 93, 100, 112, 120, 121, 129, 130, 144, 153, 165, 166, 167, 175, 192, 199, 202, 205, 220, 230, 240.

2. Non-astronomical but suggestive of other explanations

a. Balloons or ordinary aircraft:
#3, 11, 22, 41, 42, 53, 54, 73, 81, 83, 91, 92, 113, 114, 115, 126, 131, 138, 141, 145, 155, 156, 157, 159, 160, 161, 163, 169, 171, 173, 178, 180, 182, 188, 190, 194, 195, 196, 198, 200, 201, 209, 210, 217, 222, 235, 237, 239.

b. Rockets, flares or falling bodies:
#4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 25, 56, 65, 78, 106, 107, 108, 109, 133, 170, 211, 218.

c. Miscellaneous (reflections, auroral streamers, birds, etc.):
#39, 89, 123, 124, 128, 146, 164, 181, 189, 214, 221, 231, 234.

3. Non-astronomical, with no explanation evident

a. Lack of evidence precludes explanation:
#38, 44, 45, 47, 55, 57, 72, 86, 87, 88, 90, 99, 110, 117, 118, 125, 127, 137, 139, 149, 150, 177, 179, 191, 206, 212, 213, 229, 232, 233.

b. Evidence offered suggests no explanation:
#1, 2, 10, 17, 21, 29, 37, 40, 51, 52, 58, 61, 62, 64, 68, 71, 75, 76, 77, 79, 84, 105, 111, 122, 135, 151, 152, 154, 162, 168, 172, 176, 183, 186, 193, 207, 215, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 236, 241, 242, 243, 244, 134.

HEADQUARTERS
AIR MATERIEL COMMAND
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

MCIAXO-3/HW3/rm
Jan 5 1949

MCIAXO

SUBJECT: Project "SIGN"

TO: Chief, Air Weather Service,
Andrews Air Force Base,
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: DSS

1. Project "SIGN" is responsible for the collection, investigation and interpretation of data relative to sighting of unidentified flying objects. Attached Incident Summaries 1 thru 172 from the files of Project "SIGN" are forwarded for study and recommendations as to which of the incidents may be eliminated as balloons released on routine synoptic ascents by the Air Weather Service, the Navy Aerological Service or the United States Weather Bureau. The summaries attached may be retained in your headquarters for working and reference purposes.

2. The Air Weather Service is the only agency of its type that has been asked to assist in the accomplishment of Project "SIGN" except that the United States Weather Bureau has provided information on ball lightning. Research projects in which balloons are used and which are conducted or sponsored by the Army, Navy or United States Air Force are checked by the Intelligence Department of this Command. These checks areusually made direct from the Project "SIGN" Office, MCIAXO-3. These checks are distinct from the check of synoptic balloon flights made by weather service stations of the Air Force, the Navy and the Department of Commerce. (U. S. Weather Bureau) requested of Air Weather Service.

3. It is the opinion of this office that the below listed incidents are those having the greatest possibility of being balloons. This list does not eliminate the possibility that many of the remaining incidents are balloons.

2	24	50	91	113	155
3	25	52	92	115	156
4	28	72	96	126	157
11	30	73	104	141	159
14	31	81	105	148	163
16	32	87	107,8,9	151	167
22	33	89	112(See122)	154	169
23	43				

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Hq AMC, Chief, Air Weather Service, Washington 25, D. C.
Subj: Project "SIGN"

4. The form used in interrogating witnesses to sightings is inclosed as a matter of interest. Comment as to possible improvement of the "Essential Elements of Information" in regard to routine synoptic balloon flights is invited.

5. It is requested that correspondence be forwarded to the Commanding General, Headquarters, Air Materiel Command, attention MCIAXO-3.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

/s/ H. R. Clingerman, Col, USAF
for H. M. McCOY
Colonel, USAF
Chief, Intelligence Dept

2 Incls:
Summaries 1-172 incl
"EEI"

Copies furnished:

AFOIR, Hq. USAF
Capt Trakowski, Geophysics Lab
Major Kodis, MCREEP
Colonel Neal, MCLAWS

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AMC
Subject: Aerial Phenomena at Wildwood, N. J.

1st Ind MCIA/JCB/amb

Hq, AMC, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio APR 27 1948

TO: The Commandant (INT), U. S. Coast Guard, 1300 E Street, N.W., Washington 25, D. C., ATTN: Chief, Intelligence & Law Enforcement Division

1. This Command appreciates the cooperation extended by your Headquarters in the compilation of the comprehensive report concerning reported aerial phenomena at Wildwood, N. J.

2. It is intended to abide by recommendations contained in report of investigation.

3. Reports of any further observations deemed of interest to your Headquarters will be forwarded.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

W. R. Clingerman

1 Incl - w/d

H. M. McCOY
Colonel, USAF
Chief of Intelligence

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Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
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MCI File

Aerial Phenomena at Wildwood, N. J.

APR 20 1948

Commandant (INT)
U. S. Coast Guard
1300 E Street, N.W.
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTENTION: Chief, Intelligence &
Law Enforcement Division

1. Submitted herewith is additional information to supplement data transmitted with letter dated 17 March 1948, subject as above.

2. For your information, the roll of film mentioned in the attached letter was developed at this Headquarters with negative results.

3. Upon removal of inclosure, this correspondence may be declassified in accordance with AR 380-5, paragraph 9d.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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ltr dtd 4/9/48

H. M. McCOY
Colonel, USAF
Chief of Intelligence

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UNITED STATES COAST GUARD
Washington 25, D. C.

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Address reply to
The Commandant (INT)
Refer to File: CG-64-H

20 April 1948

From: Commandant
TO: Commanding General, Hq Air Materiel Command, U. S. Air Force, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio

Subj: Aerial Phenomena at Wildwood, N. J.

1. Reference is made to your letter dated March 12, 1948 (MCIA/MWF/amb) in which you requested the Coast Guard to investigate sightings of aerial phenomena at Wildwood, N. J.

2. There is inclosed a copy of the report of investigation of this matter. Persons contacted were unable to confirm the sigh ting of aerial phenomena reported by Mrs. [redacted] and in fact were prone to question the credibility of any information advanced by Mrs. [redacted].

By direction of the Commandant.

S. Y. HAMMOND
Lt. Comdr., USCG
Chief, Intelligence
& Law Enforcement Division

Incl
Copy report of
investigation

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT
U.S. COAST GUARD
CG-2947 (8-47)

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

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SUBJECT Aerial phenomena at Wildwood, N.J.	REPORTING UNIT INTELLIGENCE & LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION HEADQUARTERS, U.S. COAST GUARD WASHINGTON, 25, D.C.
ORIGIN OF CASE Headquarters Air Materiel Command letters of 12 and 17 March, 1948, with inclosures of photostatic copies of correspondence and Special Intelligence Report.	DATE 7 April, 1948
INVESTIGATORS C. L. ADAMS, C.E.M., USCG	DISTRIBUTION

1. On date of 1 April, 1948, this investigator proceeded to Wildwood, N.J. for the purpose of investigating subject incidents.

2. Boatswain Charles [redacted] of Hereford Inlet L. B. Station was contacted. Mr. [redacted] had heard nothing in regards to strange objects having appeared in the air in the vicinity of Wildwood. He agreed to check up on his men and felt that, due to a 24 hour tower watch being maintained at the station, some of his men should have observed such incidents. Mr. [redacted] was again contacted on date of 5 April, 1948 and he stated none of his men had observed any strange objects and had heard nothing about them. Mr. [redacted], as requested, had also made discreet inquiries at the local American Legion Post and to several reputable business men with negative results. Mr. [redacted] felt quite positive that if the incidents had occurred on several occasions he would have been sure to have heard of it, as others would have observed the objects.

3. Chief Boatswain [redacted] was contacted on date of 3 April, 1948. He stated that he had received no reports about the matter and had heard no local talk regarding same. Mr. [redacted], group commander, Atlantic City L.B. Station, stated that he would contact the crew-members of the several stations under his command to learn if any of the tower look-outs had observed such phenomena. Mr. [redacted] was again contacted on date of 5 April, 1948 and he had learned that none of the men at his group of stations had observed or reported any strange objects in the sky or air. Mr. [redacted] felt that, if such occurrences had happened on several occasions, his station men should have observed same.

4. A visit was made to the Wildwood American Legion Home and a personal talk was had with Mr. [redacted], the steward and manager, who said he had never heard any mention, by Post members, of strange aerial phenomena having been observed in the vicinity of Wildwood. Mr. [redacted] felt that such a matter would have been a prominent matter of discussion had local folks observed such things.

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5. The Wildwood, N.J. Police Department was visited. Captain of Police, A. L. Forcum, stated that the department maintained four police cars on 24 hour continuous patrol and a watchman on the boardwalk on 24 hour duty. None of his men had reported observing any strange aerial phenomena and he firmly believed that if such things had occurred on several occasions, it would have been observed and reported by the police or by private citizens in a town as small as Wildwood.

6. The Wildwood Crest, N.J. Police Department was visited. They had heard nothing and received no reports about aerial phenomena in the vicinity. This small borough also maintains a 24 hour police car patrol.

7. The American Legion Club and Post Home at Cape May, N.J. was visited. The manager and steward, Mr. [redacted], had heard nothing about aerial phenomena having been observed in or about this town which is along the coast and a short distance south of Wildwood.

8. An interview was had with Mrs. [redacted], mentioned in correspondence to the HQ, U.S.A.F. as having witnessed the incidents, at her second floor apartment at [redacted], Wildwood, N.J. Mrs. [redacted] stated that she only observed one incident, that of the evening of 10 January, 1948, at or about ten o'clock. Mrs. [redacted] produced a letter she had written but not mailed, contents as follows: "I saw from my living room window a most unusual thing drop out of the sky. I think it was a flying saucer as I have never seen anything equal to it before. Apparently it dropped in the ocean. I live about 500 feet from the boardwalk and beach. This thing fell south of Casino Arcade Park, Wildwood Avenue. We have been asked over the radio to let you know of anything unsual." Mrs. [redacted] stated that Mrs. [redacted] was visiting in Mrs. [redacted] apartment on this particular evening and it was Mrs. [redacted] who called Mrs. [redacted] attention to the object in the sky. Mrs. [redacted] stated that what she observed appeared to be two round orange colored discs or balls, the one above being smaller, and that these objects appeared to descend vertically toward the earth in a slow and steady manner until disappearing from sight (the view, from Mrs. [redacted] living room, is to the south in the general direction of the Coast Guard Air Station at Cape May, N.J.) Mrs. [redacted] placed herself seated in the approximate position she occupied on the evening of 10 January, 1948. In this position and with the limits imposed by an extending porch roof her range of vision was to about 22° to 25° altitude. Mrs. [redacted] stated the objects were visible for from five to eight seconds before disappearing from view. Mrs. [redacted] observed two objects, apparently related, but Mrs. [redacted] informed Mrs. [redacted]

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that the objects were one when Mrs. [redacted] saw it and that it separated at about the time Mrs. [redacted] sighted it. Mrs. [redacted] is at home nearly every evening and since the incident of 10 January, 1943 she has kept a good watch but has observed nothing since. Mrs. [redacted] appeared to be a normal person of about 55 years of age.

9. Efforts were made to contact Mrs. [redacted], residing at the [redacted] N. Wildwood, N.J. by Mrs. [redacted] and this investigator, from 2 April, 1943 to 5 April, 1943, without result, and it was presumed that she was out of town, although she had been in Wildwood the previous week-end. (Mrs. [redacted] is the author of several letters written to the U.S.A.F. in which she alleges witnessing seven separate incidents of aerial phenomena between the dates of 26 December, 1947 and 11 March, 1943, all in the company of her son, with the exceptionof the one incident of 10 January, 1943 at which time Mrs. [redacted] was also a witness.)

10. Captain [redacted], Wildwood Police Department, knows of Mrs. [redacted] and her family. In his opinion, Mrs. [redacted] is a sensible person of good reputation who has resided in Wildwood for a considerable number of years. Capt. [redacted] also knows of Mrs. [redacted] and her son, has known of them since they first came to Wildwood about five years ago and regards the mother and son as "a pair of screwballs." Capt. [redacted] describes Mrs. [redacted] as a person who tries to make people believe she is well fixed financially and a woman of quite some importance. Capt. [redacted] stated that during the past several years he knows of several efforts by Mrs. [redacted] to purchase apartment properties valued at $40,000 to $50,000 but she could pay no initial payment and the deals fell through. According to Capt. [redacted] the mother and son are inseparable, are always seen together about the streets of Wildwood at various times during the day and night. He describes Mrs. [redacted] aon as a lad about 21 years of age, a very effeminate type and lacking in good sense. In the opinion of Capt. [redacted] Mrs. [redacted] is a very unreliable source of information. (Patrolman [redacted], Wildwood Police, was also present at the interview with Capt. [redacted] and his opinion of Mrs. [redacted] and her son coincides with that of Capt. [redacted].)

11. Chief of Police [redacted], of the Wildwood Crest, N.J. Police Department, knows of Mrs. [redacted] and her son. In or about 1944, the son of Mrs. [redacted] was apprehended by the Wildwood Crest Police Department for peeping in bed-room windows, to which offense he admitted. Mrs. [redacted] was notified and, upon her arrival at the Police Department, she tried to impress Chief [redacted] with her importance. She asserted she was very influential in the Red Cross, and that further detention of her son would delay the departure of

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Mrs. [redacted] for Washington, D.C. on very important matters connected with the Red Cross and the war effort. Upon the release of her son, Mrs. [redacted] stated that the son had "gotten away from her" and that "it would not happen again." Chief [redacted] expressed the opinion that Mrs. [redacted] was an eccentric type and that she and her son were "a queer pair." Police Officer [redacted] of the Wildwood Crest Police stated he also had seen Mrs. [redacted] and her son in and about Wildwood on many occasions, and describes the mother as an eccentric, the son as "very effeminate" and "sort of queer".

12. The Wildwood Credit Rating Bureau, 100 N. Schelenger Ave., Wildwood, N.J. was visited. Following is an exact copy of information in their files:

Mrs. [redacted], [redacted].
Irregular Report June 29, 1945

Mrs. [redacted] is white, Anglo-Saxon, and about 43 years of age. She is a widow and has one son dependent. The given address is the Bellvie Apartments and Mr. [redacted], real estate agent, reported that she just lives in an apartment here during the summer seasons and usually goes out of town in the wintertime. She has been coming to Wildwood for about five years. In the winter of 1941 she was reported living in Philadelphia, however, the Philadelphia Credit Bureau has no information on her (see enclosed report from them). She is reported to have originally come here from Buffalo, N.Y. but we could not learn an address for her and therefore cannot check with their bureau. Mrs. [redacted] is reported to publish a booklet in her name with knitting and sewing instructions and designs, etc., and is not known to have any regular employment. Local merchants report no credit experience with her. Mr. Dare reports she sometimes runs two or three months in arrears in her rent, however, she always pays up and does not owe anything. She has no local bank account in Wildwood.

[redacted] ------ Date 1/15/48.
Judgment against in District Court.
Plaintiff: SANTUCCI, Josephine
Amount- $134.52.
(A report of the Philadelphia, Pa. Credit Bureau was also attached to Mrs. [redacted] file as follows:)

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[redacted], Mrs. [redacted] For [redacted],
[redacted],
No. Wildwood, N.J. Wildwood, N.J.
for 100 Block N. Mole St.,
Phila., Pa. 10/104

We have no file record. No property in this block titled to any [redacted]. Not known at 104-11-120-124 [redacted] Street.
In order to furnish report it is necessary to have exact address or references.

13. A visit was made to the office of the County Clerk, Cape May County Courthouse, Cape May Courthouse, N.J. Records examined reflect that, on date of 1/15/43 a judgment was rendered against Mrs. [redacted] in favor of A. A. Santucci, 1926 E. Passyunk Ave., Philadelphia, Pa. The matter involved was that of a book account dated September, 1945 for the purchase of sheets, pillows and blankets. The original order was to the amount of $70.00, following receipt of which a payment was made of $50.00, leaving a balance of $20.00. Subsequent purchases brought the entire amount of bill owed to a total of $171.40. Court costs $13.12. Total amount of judgment $184.52. On date of 6 April, 1948, this judgment has not been satisfied, according to Court Records.

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FINDINGS OF FACT

1. That Mrs. [redacted], in correspondence with Headquarters, U.S.A.F., claimed to have observed aerial phenomena (such as flying saucers, etc.) on at least seven dates, between 26 December, 1947 and 11 March, 1948, in and about Wildwood, N.J.

2. That these incidents, with the exception of one occasion, were witnessed by Mrs. [redacted] in the company of her 21 year old son.

3. That, on one occasion, a Mrs. [redacted] witnessed one such incident from the window of her apartment at [redacted], Wildwood, N.J., while being visited by Mrs. [redacted]. (Mrs. [redacted] called Mrs. [redacted] attention to the alleged object.)

4. That Mrs. [redacted] had not previously observed such phenomena, and has failed to observe any since that one date of 10 January, 1948, although she has watched the skies on many evenings.

5. That Mrs. [redacted] and her son are known to the Police Departments of Wildwood, N.J. and Wildwood Crest, N.J.; members of which

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regard Mrs. [redacted] as an eccentric type, and regard her son as a peculiar person who is effeminate and lacking in manly character.

6. That the son of Mrs. [redacted] was apprehended by the Wildwood Crest, N.J. Police in or about 1944, for window peeping, and was released without charges being preferred after Mrs. [redacted] promised that it would not happen again.

7. That Mrs. [redacted] constantly tries to impress the townspeople of Wildwood, N.J. with her importance in National affairs and with her financial resources.

8. That Mrs. [redacted] record at the Wildwood Credit Rating Bureau fails to reflect that she is a person of good financial resources.

9. That records of the District Court of Cape May County, N.J. disclose that on date of 15 January, 1943, a judgment to the amount of $134.52 was rendered against Mrs. [redacted] for non-payment of merchandise purchased by her in 1945.

10. That no reports have been made by other citizens of Wildwood as to the observing of aerial phenomena, such as observed by Mrs. [redacted] on at least seven occasions between 26 December, 1947 and 11 March, 1948.

11. That no reports have been made by members of the Wildwood Police Department regarding the sighting of aerial phenomena, although this department maintains four police patrol cars operating on a 24 hour schedule, in addition to a watchman stationed on the boardwalk 24 hours a day.

12. That tower lookout watches of Coast Guard Stations from Wildwood, N.J. to Atlantic City, N.J. have observed no aerial phenomena.

13. That inquiries to numerous citizens, including members of American Legion Posts in Wildwood, N.J. and Cape May, N.J. have failed to disclose any knowledge of aerial phenomena having been observed.

14. That Mrs. [redacted] is regarded by officials of the Wildwood, N.J. and Wildwood Crest, N.J. Police as a person that could not be depended upon for the obtaining of reliable information.

Opinions

1. That aerial phenomena in and about the vicinity of Wildwood, N.J. if occurring on the numerous occasions reported by Mrs. [redacted] would

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have been observed and reported by others.

2. That Mrs. [redacted] is a talkative and boastful woman who is constantly trying to impress others that she is a woman of importance.

3. That Mrs. [redacted] is the possessor of an extremely vivid imagination.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That any future correspondence from Mrs. [redacted] be regarded lightly unless substantiated by reputable parties.

2. That this investigation be closed.

Investigator	Reviewed by	Approved by
C. L. Adams	V. E. Howard	S. Y. Hammond
C. L. ADAMS CEM, USCG	V. E. HOWARD Lieut, USCGR	S. Y. HAMMOND Lt. Comdr., USCG Chief, Intelligence & Law Enforcement Division

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witness saw the object break into two separate pieces and fall into the ocean. (See Mrs [redacted] account)

Feb 19, 1948, 1225 A. M. : Witness stated that she saw saucer. Tried to take picture but says object was moving too fast.

Feb 21, 1948 (Sat Night) : Reported seeing another "saucer"

Mar 11, 1948 10:50 P. M. (Thursday night) : Saw mystery light drop and fall in the water

Apr 2, 4:40 P. M. : Object resembles a small pilot-less plane - very bright metal - no motor noise and looks like the pictures of the German pilot-less planes. The center was ball shaped and very bright metal. It followed the coast line until out of sight. It came from the south and was heading north.

Apr 2d; 5:10 P. M. (same ~~time~~ date) Object appeared to fall in water. The metal wings were small and evidently broke as it fell since it appeared like sheets of metal dropping at the side. Witness states she saw this clearly.

Apr 2 and 3: "new guided missile of bright metal seen since 2 Apr."

July 1st, 1948 "There is activity in Wildwood again - the saucers have been appearing since 1 July." Mrs. [redacted] inclosed picture shown in "Life" of the planet "Mars" which shows an orange-red ovular circle.

In letter to President Truman she writes: "there have been more 'flying saucers' which appear on very clear nights - when there is a moon. They appear to come from the SE and from the ocean. Over the island they appear unsteady - like the one that broke. Then over the land they ascend quite high and move towards the NW, disappearing at not too fast a speed."

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NOTE: Individual appears to be "crackpot" No one (with the exception of Mrs. [redacted] appears to have seen the many sightings mentioned. This in spite of an alerted coast guard, police dept. and others.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS UNCLASSIFIED

Incident # 50

1. Date 10 Jan 48 (see reverse side of sheet)
2. Time 10 PM EST
3. Location Wildwood, N. J. (39° 00' N & 78° 48' W)
4. Name of observer Mrs. [redacted]
5. Occupation of observer authority on knitting
6. Address of observer [redacted], Wildwood, N. J.
7. Place of observation [redacted]
8. Number of objects 1 which split into 2 pieces
9. Distance of object from observer undetermined
10. Time in sight 5-8 seconds
11. Altitude varying - slow descent
12. Speed slow
13. Direction of flight shoreward (270°)
14. Tactics broke into two pieces
15. Sound None
16. Size lamplight
17. Color yellow, red or amber-colored
18. Shape ovular - tear drop
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails none
22. Weather conditions Clear night
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs Forwarded a picture of Mars published in "Life" which showed an orange-red ball
25. Manner of disappearance fell into sea
26. Remarks: (over)

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Incident # 50a

1. Date 10 Jan 48
2. Time 10 PM EST
3. Location Wildwood, N. J.
4. Name of observer Mrs. [redacted]
5. Occupation of observer housewife
6. Address of observer [redacted], Wildwood, New Jersey
7. Place of observation from 401 Pin [redacted] (39° 00' N & 78° 48' W)
8. Number of objects 2
9. Distance of object from observer 500 ft ±
10. Time in sight 5-8 seconds
11. Altitude varying
12. Speed slow descent
13. Direction of flight down
14. Tactics Floated slowly across horizon, separated and disappeared below housetops
15. Sound none
16. Size N/S - that of lamplight
17. Color orange-colored
18. Shape discs or balls
19. Odor detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails None
22. Weather conditions Clear night
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs none
25. Manner of disappearance fell into sea
26. Remarks: (over)

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Objects were brought to Mrs. [redacted]s attention by Mrs. [redacted] Mrs [redacted] saw "a most unusual thing drop out of the sky. I think it was a flying saucer as I have never seen anything equal to it before" She then states that she saw what appeared to be 2 round orange colored discs or balls, the one being smaller, and that these objects appeared to descend vertically toward the earth in a slow and steady manner until disappearing from their sight. Mrs. [redacted] said that Mrs [redacted] observed two objects (apparently related) but that they were originally one object which separated at about the time Mrs. [redacted] sighted it.

All witnesses (Mrs. [redacted]s, her son and Mrs [redacted]) agree on the following:

Color and size - that of an old-fashioned gas light which had a yellow, red or amber shade. Outline was distinct and did not appear aflame or irregular. No noise or sound of kind. No smoke or exhaust trails seen. Shape oval to round. All stated that it was not to their knowledge a balloon, dirigible, flare, parachute or any other known object and all seemed to have a pretty good knowledge as to the appearance of the fore-going.

NOTE: Witness appeared calm and normally sensible in her responses to various questions.

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January 15th 1948

Jackson M. Plipps
Major - USAF
Administration Assistant
Air Information Division
Directorate of Public Relations
Department of the Air Force
Washington - D.C.

Dear Sir -

Your letter of January 14th received. When I wrote last Thursday, had just heard W.W. Chapman M-B.C. commentator tell of the saucers. He advise any one to report to the 11th Army Air Force. So I did —

Saturday morning the planes were over here about 4 A.M. - for I also would wake up & the Ocean most of the day - I presume there were many planes - I also noted the trucks with head light early in the morning so thought some one else reported them too.

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ETHEL EVANS
OFFICE BOX 119
WOOD NEW JERSEY

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That night Saturday Jan. 10th I was with a friend at her home 401 - Pine Ave. Wildwood - which is first home from Boardwalk - when we saw a saucer fall directly in front of her home - break and fall in two pieces. This was at 10 P.M — and make the 4th time of there I have seen - My son also seen them at same time I did.

They were all seen on a Saturday night. First one Saturday after Xmas - and one on each following Saturday - all exactly at 8 P.M - I pick my mail up at that time and the P.O. is locked at 8 P.M.

401 - Pine Ave. is one block from the Post office where I have seen the saucer

The Coast Guard have come to me and told me to call the Base at Cape May as soon as I see another.

The [redacted] my friend called Washington Bureau member as her daughter a former WAC

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February 8th - 1948

Command General Air Material Command
Wright Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton Ohio
Attention -
Major M. W. Faulk.

Received a wire to-day from the Analysis Division - requesting a personal interview regarding incidents stated in a letter of January 15th.

This wire was not delivered to me but came then the mail. It is so vague as to date time or place of interview & questional same.

Also by Feb. 14th it will be a month since I called attention to important events occuring here and no attempt to contact me had been made. I assumed this interview is only a routine follow up of an every day [redacted] report.

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However there has been several very important developments that were seen by other than myself since Jan 15th.

I personally have not talked of this matter but other have made it a very important story, gaining all sorts of fantastic angles.

I have recently become aware that I am being watched - and checked as that some one is concerned in what I reported.

If you will advise me of the time the place and date for this interview I will arrange my time according to same.

I am not certain I will be here on the days mentioned as I am a Designer and while and have a new Book out this week by my Publishers the Macmillan Co - Fifth Ave. New York and of course would not want any publicity concerning a visit here.

Awaiting your reply

Sincerely

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makes her home with a family who is a member of the F.B.I- He instructed her to report to her nearest Army Base or call F.B.I- Philadelphia-

I have not been there all week so do not know if more have been seen- but it would be well to locate a man and watch-

They are very queer looking lights- and move quite slow as they come over the land. They come over off the Ocean and when they hit land - go up and down until they reach more light the spread away- one that broke down very close and gave light-

Hope this is of some value - as something is doing not too far away from here — is indicated.

Sincerely

[redacted]

[redacted]

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Request for Travel Orders - Maj M. W. Faulk and Mr. A. C. Loedding

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ATTN: Colonel Anderson

1. As a result of a letter received from Miss [redacted] regarding an incident in connection with Project "SIGN", a personal interview was considered necessary. Recent visits to military bases where these incidents take place and results obtained by personal contact with witnesses indicate the necessity for the trip to Wildwood, N. J. This city is located in a remote part of New Jersey and is not readily accessible by ordinary transportation means. It was decided, therefore, that travel by military air was more expeditious.

2. A telstype was sent to Miss [redacted] 6 February 1948 indicating that a visit would be made on or about 13 February for an interview. It is necessary, therefore, to accomplish this mission as a result of the arrangements with Miss [redacted].

W. R. CLINGERMAN
Colonel, USAF
Chief, Analysis Division
Intelligence Department

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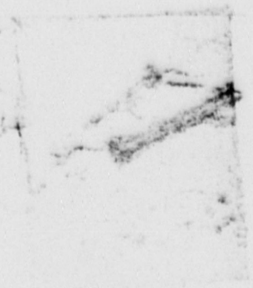
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tinued interest.

Melvin W. Faulk
Major, U.S.A.F.



9 Feb., 48
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

Dear Miss [redacted]:

This is a personal note in answer to your letter of 8 February.

Our telegram was necessarily short, but our representatives will fly to Wildwood on Friday, 13 February, probably arriving late in the afternoon. Since this flight will be dependent on weather, arrival might well be delayed until Saturday morning.

Our representatives will visit you at your home upon their arrival.



[redacted]

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Wildwood, New Jersey

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Feb-11th-1948

Major Melvin W. Faulk
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton - Ohio. -

Dear Sir -

I have your letter of February 10th to-night - and reply to same - Suggest you have your representatives phone me - I am the following phone listed number Wildwood [redacted] - under name [redacted] - Wildwood. My reason for doing so am closing my apartment due and I will difficulty [redacted] same and [redacted] see your representatives at [redacted] We have instead of my apartment - a phone. I have also seen the objects of discussion [redacted] had to [redacted] with us. [redacted] I also witnessed the one that broke with time is directed, stating time of arrival and I will a phone. for interview at time of the message. [redacted] will accept [redacted] and notify me.

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Wildwood is out of the Frater
Area - There is a landing Field
at Rio Grande - that Mr [redacted]
was contracted to [redacted] the states
planes can land there or at the
Cape May Base - or Atlantic City -
The Rio Grande Field is closed with
only Coast Guard Patrol Planes using
Their Fields —

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MCIAXO/HWS/dw
February 24, 1949

Mrs. [redacted]
[redacted]
Wildwood, New Jersey

Dear Madam:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 14, 1949, and express appreciation for your promptness in reporting these incidents to the proper authorities.

Sincerely yours,

W. R. CLINGERMAN
Colonel, USAF
Chief, Tech Intelligence Division
Intelligence Department

C O P Y

[redacted]
Wildwood, N. J.

Feb. 14 th 1949

Commanding Officer
Wright-Patterson Field
Dayton, Ohio

Dear Sir:

I have hesitated reporting the following but as this event is occuring more frequent I think it is best investigated.

Every night between 2:30 A.M. and 3A.M. - during the full moon in the month of January - we heard a noise coming from the Ocean like something travelling at great speed and then a sudden passing of same directly over our place. By the time we get out of the house we hear only the noise in the distance. It is like a sky-rocket taking off and gaining speed.

We did not hear it again until the last five nights and the moon is full again so I think it is timed to this period of the moon.

We no longer reside at the apartment where we saw unusual things in the sky last winter and reported. We are now at the lower end of this island about a mile from the land the Navy has taken for Radar. There are very few people living directly here and we are about 500 yards from the Beach and Ocean. There are no boardwalk lights to detract from the Ocean.

Sincerely

[redacted]

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February 16th - 1948

Major M. W. Faulk - U.S.A.F.
Wright Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton - Ohio -

Dear major Faulk -
I thought the enclosed would perhaps explain what work I do in designing Knitwear - and why I was here - I worked directly with five branches of the Service stationed within 30 miles of Wildwood and designed Knitwear to fit their needs as well as standardized the Red Cross garments for Europe as well as U.S. during the war.

The Book "This is Knitting" is out to-day and I am doing two more Books for Macmillan with dead line April 1st. If I am not informed and if this week I will keep you [redacted] with [redacted] UNCLASSIFIED [redacted] Forces [redacted] she will help [redacted]

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Feb-19-48

Major M. W. Faulk - U.S.A.F
Wright Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton Ohio -

Enclosed please find a film, with one exposure - We took this one last night 12:25 A.M. Feb-19/48 to be exact - Two pictures from our Apartment - Had been out with friends just returning home - and Pol had only a small cheap Kodak - (not the [redacted]) I quickly tried to take a picture and if I did it is on no #1 — film - by the time I turned the film it was moving too fast to catch a picture of me - There might be one thing on the film #1 - and nothing else on the Roll -

Enclosed is from the Philadelphia paper

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to-day - Of course what we saw is not the same one - as there was no smoke a trail as this one - later - and I never knew a meteor exploded in mid air - I thought it fell to drop and explode on the ground - Apparently this is perfectly ok that we have seen and personally and very glad others are noting them I hope there is pictures and we will keep looking

Sincerely

[redacted]

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Meteor Shatters Windows in Kansas

NORTON, Kan., Feb. 18 (UP).—A flaming object, believed to be a meteor, raced across the sky at a high attitude and exploded with such force that it broke windows here and caused alarm throughout central Kansas and northern Oklahoma.

The "ball of fire" was believed at first to be a burning aircraft, but a false alarm report at Buffalo, Okla., apparently stemmed from the same "meteor" seen for an area of more than 200 miles. C.A.A. officials, weather observers and airport officials said they were certain that the object in the sky was a meteor.

While buildings shook and some windows were shattered here, persons from scores of Kansas towns, north of here, reported seeing a fiery ball and smoke streaks in the sky.

[redacted]

[redacted]

WILDWOOD, NEW JERSEY

Sky Gazers Puzzled by Ball of Fire

Brilliant Explosion Seen in Six States

Kansas City, Feb. 19—(AP)—Observers today sought further explanation of a strange "ball of fire" seen in six states.

A brilliant explosion thousands of feet in the air was observed in Kansas, Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Nebraska and Colorado yesterday.

Oscar Monnig, secretary of the National Meteorological Society, said at Fort Worth, Tex., that he felt sure the fire ball was a meteor disintegrating.

Officials of the Chamberlin Observatory at the University of Denver, however, could offer no explanation. Director A. W. Recht said that there was "no meteor shower and no other known phenomena in the sky to explain it."

At the University of Nebraska, Professor of Astronomy Oliver C. Collins declared that "it might very well have been a meteor."

After the flash there were reports of flaming plane crashes from widely scattered points. All reports proved groundless.

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Feb. 24th 1948

Major M. W. Faulk - U.S.A.F.
Wright Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton Ohio -

This is just a note to advise there is still activity in the air here - We saw another Saturday night. Am mailing also a clipping from last night paper. Mrs [redacted] called my attention - Do for would be a direct line to Cape May -

I think it best that you do not at any future time call or discuss matter with Mrs [redacted]

The reason she has been advised by her family not to discuss this matter at any time -

I first noted some one was advising her when she would not allow [redacted] to use the

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Kodak yr art fr [redacted] at her home. The reason given was that the Rev on yr het did not want them used - stating one was rotten. So we took the pictures with a cheap camera -

Over the week end [redacted] daughter was in town - She evidently told all about it around town - treating it as a joke - and Mr [redacted] said she did not consider the matter of importance and therefore did not appeared [sic] concerned when I told yr about it -

I told her that if it was important yr would have had someone near by - & phone me in case one was seen -

Camera and film were made available to it that proper

There is something to it and she is not sure as to your attitude - I think it best if no time to contact her -

She is highly nervous over all of it and told me she was afraid [redacted] if not say

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why - I think she has seen other and is afraid to tell.

They did talk and since Saturday [redacted] and I are trailed a block back by local police car - when we go for the mail - so I did think it would be best to tell you - so to plan to grapho so as at the Bky will be watched now. Jerry Mc [redacted] was frightened but she really is [redacted] Sincerely [redacted]

I would be best to wire me at any time and I will phone to you in futher

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Ball of Fire Hit Plane, Crew Says

LISBON, Portugal, Feb. 23 (AP) —Crewmen of a British European Airways plane which arrived here from London last night said their ship was hit by a ball of fire in the air.

The crewmen said they saw the flaming sphere hurtling towards them in the midst of a storm. They said it bounced off the nose of the plane, then cut a hole in the rudder, shaking the ship violently.

The passengers didn't see the ball, but felt a bump.

The plane is being repaired before taking off again.

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26 Feb 48

SPECIAL INTELLIGENCE REPORT ON WILDWOOD, N. J. INCIDENT

The following facts were obtained as a result of visit by Major M. W. Faulk and Mr. A. C. Loedding to Wildwood, N. J. for the purpose of investigating reported incident.

1. Mrs. [redacted], presently residing in Wildwood, N. J., sent a letter dated 15 January 1948 to Hq, USAF reporting several incidents that occurred in Wildwood during the months of December 1947 and January 1948. This letter was forwarded and received at this Hq on or about 2 February 1948. In view of the activity indicated (four separate occurrences), the fact that one so-called flying disc broke in two and there might be a possibility of obtaining fragments, it was decided to follow-up by personal visit.

2. Mrs. [redacted] was informed by wire of the contemplated visit during the week end of 14 February, and to avoid any activity that might result in publicity. Inclement weather delayed the visit until noon, 15 February. Mrs. [redacted] who was mentioned by Mrs. [redacted] as having witnessed one of the incidents, was contacted by telephone immediately upon arriving in Wildwood to announce the arrival and arrange a meeting place. Mrs. [redacted] suggested a meeting at her apartment at 1300 at [redacted], approximately 300 yards from the Boardwalk.

3. Mrs. [redacted] appeared in the doorway and suggested a walk toward the Boardwalk to allow time for Mrs. [redacted]s son to leave the house so that the interview could be carried out more privately. Her action seemed somewhat strange; however, a short walk was made to the Boardwalk during which time Mrs. [redacted] related briefly the history of the incidents and pointed out the general direction which the so-called objects had been traveling over the building tops. She also discussed her personal activities as an expert knitting designer and her activity in connection with Red Cross work during World Wars I and II. She repeatedly discussed her connections with important society, political and theatrical people.

4. Approximately 15 minutes later, Mrs. [redacted]s apartment was visited, only to find her son still there. In spite of this, the interview proceeded immediately with no particular concern about his presence, which seemed strange in view of Mrs. Evans' previous precautions. It seemed evident, therefore, that Mrs. [redacted] wanted to be seen in the presence of Government officials, since one of the agents (Major Faulk) was in uniform.

5. The brief history of their personal lives was obtained. Both Mrs. [redacted] and Mrs. [redacted] were born and spent their early childhood in Buffalo, N. Y. They appeared to be between 55 and 60 years of age, had families and had apparently lived normal lives. Mrs. [redacted] appeared to be quite calm and normally sensible in her responses to various questions. In contrast, Mrs [redacted] appeared quite talkative and repeatedly mentioned her accomplishments, her associations with important people, and her paradoxical reluctance for publicity.

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6. Mrs. [redacted] family consisted of four children, three boys and one girl, one of the boys having died several years ago, and who would now be approximately 27 years old. One son and one daughter were in the service during World War II. The younger son apparently was too young to be a serviceman. During the ten minutes that he was observed, he appeared normal in every respect, and was typical for a young man of 21 years of age. It is our understanding that Mr. [redacted] is deceased and may have left some insurance money and provided some other income so that Mrs. [redacted] and her son could live moderately at this resort, because no statement was made as to any business activity of her own.

7. Mrs. [redacted] apparently did not marry until World War I while traveling in Europe as a representative of the Red Cross. There she met a Hungarian who had three sons. They were RAF pilots during World War II and all were killed. Her present son, [redacted] who is 21 years old, received all the inheritance from his three step brothers and also from his father who is also deceased. Mrs. [redacted] boasted how well off her son is as a result of the inheritance of property and money. Mrs. [redacted] claimed that she had no financial worries of any kind, and therefore could devote all her time toward knitting and standardizing various designs of woolen articles of apparel.

8. Mrs. [redacted] took the initiative in frequently relating about strange happenings in the town of Wildwood for a number of years, including such things as numbers rackets, various activities in vice, reported landings of enemy agents by submarines during World War II, and peculiar activities of so-called gypsies in that vicinity that were investigated by the FBI Hq in Philadelphia. Mrs. [redacted] corroborated practically all of these statements. They both explained that Wildwood is primarily a summer resort and therefore, the town is rather vacated during the off-season period during which time the recent peculiar activities take place. They claim, therefore, that the flying disc is some other kind of aerial approach to carry out subversive activities by a foreign country. They firmly believe that a recent hotel fire that started in the roof was caused by the flying discs. A description of the discs was not clearly presented as to the shape; however, it was what one would expect from such individuals not having a technical background and the inability of other competent observers to describe exactly what they have seen. The best description as to shape and color was that of an oval or tear drop shaped gas light. This design, but lighted by electricity, is in use in Wildwood and was pointed out during a walk to Mrs. [redacted] apartment. They thought the size was about the same from where they were viewing it, but did not say exactly what the actual dimensions were as they could not judge the distance.

9. Mrs. [redacted] was not certain that the objects flew directly over any particular house, although they appeared to do that. Both Mrs. [redacted] and Mrs. [redacted] indicated that the object could have been at a considerable distance. By that, they meant over the open water just below Cape May, and that the objects could have come from the open sea, approach over Cape May, and then follow the waterway up towards the general direction of Philadelphia. Mrs. Krueger stated that she witnessed only one incident, at which time a separation of two objects occurred. Her description tallied somewhat the

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15. During the interview, Mrs. [redacted] frequently hinted about corresponding with President Truman, the well-known commentator Drew Pearson, and other officials regarding the incidents, and insisting that some action be taken, and that she was not interested in any reflection it might bring on the town of Wildwood which always had a bad reputation. Her chief concern was for the national security.

Respectfully submitted,

Alfred C. Loedding

ALFRED C. LOEDDING
Technical Assistant
Analysis Division
Intelligence Department

Melvin W. Faulk

MELVIN W. FAULK
Major, USAF
Analysis Division
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Birmingham, Alabama newspaper photographs of two objects having a general oval shape where the leading one was approximately three times the size of the rear object which seemed to be attached or following very closely and separated at a distance of about two or three lengths of the small object.

10. Mrs. [redacted] pointed out how the object was brought to her attention while sitting in the second floor and looking out through the window in a southerly direction when the two objects were seen floating slowly across the horizon and then suddenly separating and disappearing below the house tops. She could not state that they dropped in somebody's backyard or even on the ground, but that they simply dropped slowly from view and were not seen again. Mrs. [redacted], however, thought that one object separated or broke in two and dropped from view.

11. Mrs. [redacted] son, [redacted], who also claimed to have seen the objects, agreed with Mrs. [redacted] and Mrs. [redacted] that the color appeared to be the same as a yellow, red or amber colored old fashioned gas light. The outline was distinct and not one that would appear aflame and irregular. They all stated that it was not a frightening thing, but seemed to be very quietly and peacefully moving along, coming from a high altitude over the water in a downward slowly moving path toward the shore and then lightly rising again and rapidly disappearing in the distance in the general direction of Philadelphia.

12. The object appeared to be in view for at least 15 to 20 minutes on each occasion. Mrs. [redacted] stated once that she had seen it approximately 20 times, but upon further questioning as to the exact number of times, she reduced it to about 5 times, according to the following schedule: 25 and 28 Dec 47, 3 and 10 Jan, and 13 Feb. Mrs. [redacted] stated that the Coast Guard visited that vicinity in Wildwood 9 and 10 Jan to view the next occurrences, but evidently did not see anything.

13. A map of the town showing the layout of the city blocks and streets was presented to indicate the direction of objects which was brought back as part of the case for future reference. They stated that no noise or sound of any kind was emitted; no smoke or exhaust trails were seen. They also insisted that it was not any balloon, dirigible, flare, parachute or any other thing that they know, and they seemed to have a pretty good knowledge as to the appearance of such things. They claimed it was something they had never seen before. They could not describe it accurately, but they assured us it was very real.

14. Mrs. [redacted] sent this Hq a letter dated 16 Feb transmitting a copy of "Arts and Crafts" published by MacMillan Company that carried an article about her activity in the knitting field, which substantiated most of her statements in this respect. Also inclosed was a booklet entitled, "Hand Knits for Service Men" written by her and published by Consolidated Book Publishers.

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Aerial Phenomena at Wildwood, N. J.

Commandant (INT)
U. S. Coast Guard
1300 E Street, N.W.
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: Chief, Intelligence &
Law Enforcement Division

1. It is requested that your office make an investigation of the persons and events concerned in the reported sightings of unidentified aerial objects at Wildwood, N. J.

2. Attached inclosures are photostats of the entire file of correspondence received from Mrs. [redacted], and the report of an investigation made by the Intelligence Department, Air Material Command.

3. Hq, AMC is charged by Hq, USAF with Project "SIGN", whose purpose is to collect, evaluate and distribute to interested Government agencies all information concerning sightings and phenomena which can be construed to be of concern to the national security.

4. It is contemplated that your office will be asked to investigate only incidents that may occur near one of your installations not in the vicinity of an Air Force base.

5. It is also requested that any reports of aerial phenomenna which may come to your attention be forwarded directly to:

Commanding General
Air Material Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: MCIA

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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Colonel, USAF
Chief of Intelligence

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Aerial Phenomena at Wildwood, N. J.

Commandant (INT)
U. S. Coast Guard
1300 E Street, N.W.
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: Chief, Intelligence &
Law Enforcement Division

1. Submitted herewith is additional information to implement data transmitted with letter dated 12 March 1948, subject as above.

2. Upon removal of inclosure, this correspondence may be declassified in accordance with Paragraph 9b, AR 380-5.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes. Your name will *not* be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

? (Day) Oct. or Nov (Month) 1947 (Year)

2. Time of day: 8. or 9 (Hours) _____ (Minutes)

(Circle One): A.M. or P.M.

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern
b. Central
c. Mountain
d. Pacific
e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving
b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

[redacted]STS (Nearest Postal Address) Phila. (City or Town) Pa (State or County)

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration) _____ (Hours) _____ (Minutes) 15 (Seconds)

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain
c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined? _____

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes _____ No X

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

NIGHT
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you
b. In back of you
c. To your right
d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

FORM FTD OCT 62 164 This form supersedes FTD 164, jul 61, which is obsolete.

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8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS *(Circle One)*:

a. None
b. A few
c. Many
d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON *(Circle One)*:

a. Bright moonlight
b. Dull moonlight
c. No moonlight—pitch dark
d. Don't remember

9. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS *(Circle One)*:

a. Clear sky
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER *(Circle One)*:

a. Dry
b. Fog, mist, or light rain
c. Moderate or heavy rain
d. Snow
e. Don't remember

10. The object appeared: *(Circle One)*:

a. Solid
b. Transparent
c. Vapor
d. As a light
e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? *(Circle One)*:

a. Brighter
b. Dimmer
c. About the same
d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

_____

_____

12. The edges of the object were:

(Circle One): a. Fuzzy or blurred
b. Like a bright star
c. Sharply outlined
d. Don't remember
e. Other_____

_____

_____

_____

13. Did the object:

	(Circle One for each question)		
a. Appear to stand still at any time?	Yes	No	Don't know
b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?	Yes	No	Don't know
c. Break up into parts or explode?	Yes	No	Don't know
d. Give off smoke?	Yes	No	Don't know
e. Change brightness?	Yes	No	Don't know
f. Change shape?	Yes	No	Don't know
g. Flash or flicker?	Yes	No	Don't know
h. Disappear and reappear?	Yes	No	Don't know

UFO form continued

20. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) Yes (No)

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate?_____

21. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) Yes (No)

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was?_____

22. Where were you located when you saw the object?
(Circle One):

a. Inside a building
b. In a car
(c. Outdoors)
d. In an airplane (type)
e. At sea
f. Other_____

23. Were you (Circle One)

a. In the business section of a city?
(b. In the residential section of a city?)
c. In open countryside?
d. Near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other_____

24. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

a. North c. East e. South g. West
b. Northeast d. Southeast f. Southwest h. Northwest

24.2 How fast were you moving?_____miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

a. Eyeglasses	Yes	(No)	e. Binoculars	Yes	(No)
b. Sun glasses	Yes	(No)	f. Telescope	Yes	(No)
c. Windshield	Yes	(No)	g. Theodolite	Yes	(No)
d. Window glass	Yes	(No)	h. Other_____		

26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

A Tub with an antenna on top

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14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?

15. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: _____

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't know. IF you answered YES, then tell what in front of: _____

17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

a. Sound HISSING

b. Color METALLIC

18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head?

19. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

slightly larger than a BASKET BALL

IT WAS OVAL shaped and moved IN a North East direction. I flew approximately 25 FT. above The ROOF TOPS

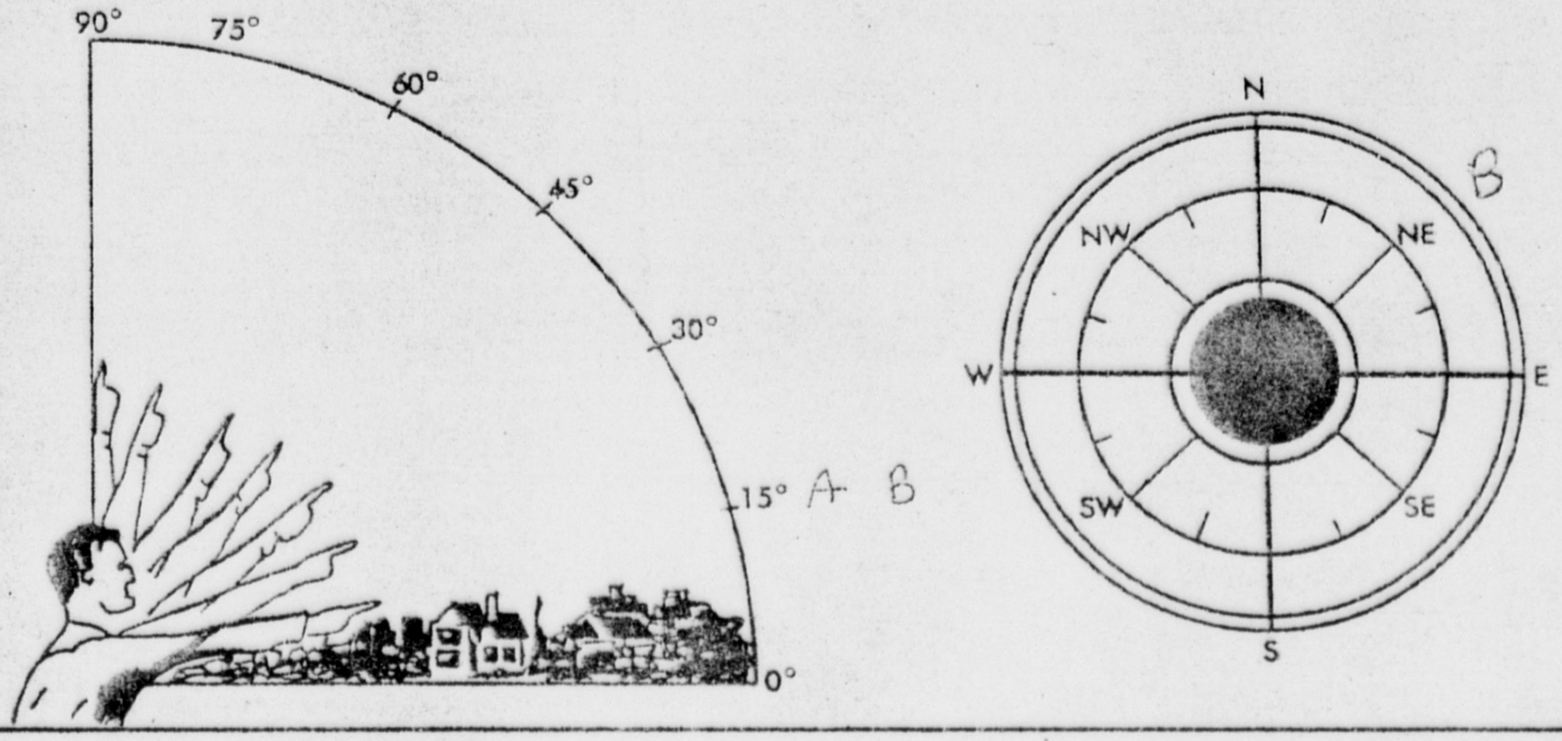
34. Date you completed this questionnaire: 6 (Day) 3 (Month) 67 (Year)

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

This friend and I were Body Punching each other, while we were clinching, I began to Reminisce how the candles would SOUND, while Fired them. (HISSING sound). AT the very INSTANT I WAS thinking about the candles, I heard a HISSING sound IN The SKY. I immediately looked up and saw an object speeding across the sky. I spun my Friend around. He observed the UFO over his LEFT Shoulder and became Frightened momentarily. He started run. I held on To him and we both observed the object. The CONTINUED ON, UNTIL IT WAS OUT OF SIGHT.

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27. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass when you *last* saw the object.



28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there?_____
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

UFO form continued

30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.

NO

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? *(Circle One)* (Yes) No

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? *(Circle One)* (Yes) No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

[redacted] Phila., Pa.

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [redacted] Phila. 32 Pa.
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] AGE 44 SEX male

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any special experience, which might be pertinent.

I am a high school graduate
I have 2 years of college

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object?

____ OCT. OF NOV 1947
Day Month Year

JANUARY - FEBRUARY - MARCH 1948 SIGHTINGS

DATE	LOCATION	OBSERVER	EVALUATION
January			
1948	Antarctic NOT IN FOLDER	[redacted] NOT IN FOLDER (~~PHOTOS~~)	
1948	Warren, Minnesota (NO CARD)	[redacted] (PHOTOS) (~~PHYSICAL E~~)	Other (HOAX)
1	Abilene, Texas	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
3	Helsinki, Finland	Not Reported	Astro (METEOR)
5	Helsinki, Finland SEPARATE FOLLOWING-	Not Reported	Astro (METEOR)
7	Godman, Kentucky (FOLDER) -	[redacted]	Balloon
7	Lockbourne AFB, Ohio	Ground Visual	Astro (VENUS)
7	Columbus, Ohio	Air Visual([redacted])	Astro (VENUS)
7	Wilmington, Ohio	Ground Visual	Astro (VENUS)
9	Danville, Kentucky	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
9	Cartersville, Georgia	[redacted] (EAL Pilot)	Astro (METEOR)
9	Ladd AFB, Alaska	Military	A/C (B-29)
11	Hartford, Connecticut	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
19	North Jutland	Not Reported	Astro (METEOR)
29	Rouen, France	Newsclipping	Insufficient Data
February			
1	Circleville, Ohio (Keyhoe)	[redacted]	
7	Vejle, Denmark	Field Workers	Astro (METEOR)
18	Norton, Kansas	Multi, Air & Ground (METEORITE RECOVERED)	Astro (METEOR)
20	Asuncion, Paraguay	3 Reports (Vargas)	Astro (METEOR)
20-26	Scandanavian Countries	Multiple Reports	Astro (METEOR)
Feb-Mar	Baltimore, Maryland	Not Reported	Insufficient Data
March			
1	Swedish Coast	Norwegian Pilot	Astro (METEOR)
5	Bakersfield, California	[redacted]	Other (FLARES)
7	Smyrna, Tennessee	[redacted]	Astro (VENUS)
8	Belmont, North Carolina	[redacted]	A/C
8	Bakersfield, California	[redacted]	Other (FLARE)
9	Bakersfield, California	[redacted]	Other (FLARES)
11	Moose Factory, Canada	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
23	Berlin, Germany	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)

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An Incident Reported In Cincinnati
Summary

A letter dated 19 June 1950 was received from a Mr. [redacted] reporting a flying contraption which, according to his letter, was found in his back yard. Photographs enclosed indicated the incident was a hoax. However, since it could not be explained, based on the evidence available, the matter was referred to OSI.

Upon checking, it was found the originator was no longer in Cincinnati, After a search half around the country it was finally determined that the object reported was built of scrap materiels and reported as a joke.

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, USAF
5TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, DAYTON, OHIO

IN REPLY REFER TO: 5D 24-21GG

27 September 1950

19 Sept 50

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT
Cincinnati, Ohio

TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: MCIAXA

1. Reference is made to letter, this district, subject and file as above, dated 16 August 1950.

2. Attached for your information are copies of Report of Investigation conducted by Special Agent ROGER A. WILLIAMS, 24th OSI District (IG), Chicago, Illinois, dated 19 September 1950.

3. Your attention is invited to the fact that investigation proved that the aerial object was made from scrap items, consisting of an old washing machine cover, part of a radio set, and a used insecticide "bomb". Further that the object was disposed of in the city dump of Warren, Minnesota.

4. The files of this office are considered closed in this investigation.

James F. X. O'Connell

JAMES F. X. O'CONNELL
Lt Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
THE INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NO.	DATE
24-40	19 Sep 50

REPORT MADE BY: ROGER A. WILLIAMS, S/A

REPORT MADE AT: DO #24, 1660 E Hyde Pk Blvd, Chicago, Ill

PERIOD: 14 Sep 50

OFFICE OF ORIGIN: DO #5, Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, O.

STATUS: REFERRED UPON COMPLETION

TITLE: UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT
Cincinnati, Ohio

CHARACTER: SPECIAL INQUIRY

REFERENCE: Rpt of Inv by JAMES R. PAISLEY, DO #5, dtd 14 Aug 50, File: 24-2100

SYNOPSIS:

[redacted], Warren, Minnesota, finder of the "aerial object", stated it was only a hoax, made from such scrap items as an old washing machine cover, part of a radio set and a spent insecticide "bomb".

[redacted], Warren, Minnesota, one of the makers of the "aerial object," confirmed SIREK's statement. The object, made about 2 years ago, was junked some time in the past.

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DETAILS:

AT WARREN, MINNESOTA

1. In an interview, [redacted], service station operator, said that he found the object, referred to in previous reports as "an unidentified aerial object", about 2 years ago. The object was found behind NISH'S TAVERN in Warren. The "machine" was obviously made from various objects, such as an old washing machine cover, part of a radio set chassis, and a spent insecticide "bomb". [redacted] said that at the time there was great talk of flying saucers throughout the country and as a joke the Warren newspaper even had on display various fanciful objects which were made by local youngsters. [redacted] intended to give the object he found to the newspaper for display also, but forgot about it and eventually had someone take it to the local dump with other items of junk. Before he did so, however, [redacted] who had once lived in Warren, saw the object and apparently believed it had some merit. [redacted] took photographs of the object with [redacted] holding it. [redacted] believed the object actually had been made by [redacted] local tinsmith.

2. [redacted] tinsmith, Warren, Minnesota, stated in an interview that he had not made the "aerial object" himself but had only "streaked" the "tail pipe" of the contraption with a welding torch, at the request of [redacted], manager of the local Coast to Coast hardware store. This was done to make it appear that hot gasses had been discharged from the pipe.

3. [redacted] was out of town on the day the agent visited Warren, but in an interview with [redacted], clerk at the Coast to Coast store, [redacted] said that [redacted] a radio repairman, and himself, had made the object as a joke about 2 years ago. In addition to the parts listed in the first paragraph, the makers also utilized part of a junked brooder stove and miscellaneous scrap.

AGENT'S NOTE: In view of the above information, no attempt was made to locate the "aerial object". According to [redacted], it would be almost impossible to do so in view of the large amount of junk at the city dump, which also is periodically covered over with earth by a bulldozer.

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Report on Unusual Aircraft by Mr. [redacted]

MCIAXA MCREXA-3 23 June 50 1

1. Inclosed for your information and necessary action are a letter and snapshots of an unusual aircraft submitted by Mr. [redacted] of Cincinnati, Ohio.

/s/ E. V. Argabright
for JACK A. GIBBS JF/avj
Colonel, USAF 20165
Chief, Aircraft Laboratory B 50
Engineering Division Rm 202

Incls
As stated
above

CONCURRENCE:

/s/ J. Flatt MCREXA-3

TO: 5D OSI FROM: MCIAXA Filed 29 June 50 2
ATTN: Mr. J. E. Morill

1. Forwarded in confirmation of conversation between Mr. Morill of your office and Mr. Rodgers of this Division, this date.

2. As pointed out in this conversation, it is believed that the attached letter has been forwarded to the Air Materiel Command as a hoax. However, since the matter cannot be completely analyzed on the basis of the information presented, it is believed that an investigation is warrented. If your investigation indicates that the item is of any merit whatsoever, this office is desirous of getting the physical article for further analysis.

Incls
n/c

BRUNON W. EHLING JJR/peg
Colonel, USAF 65376
Chief, Technical Analysis Div B 265D
Intelligence Department B 974

[redacted]
Cincinnati 9, Ohio
June 19, 1950

Chief of Aircraft Laboratory
Building 50
NCREXA
Wright Field, Ohio

Dear Sir:

I am anxious to know what this contraption is. It was found with its point buried in the hard ground in my home town some time ago.

I have enclosed my return addressed envelope for an answer and the snap shots.

Yours most sincerely,

[redacted]

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, USAF
5TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, DAYTON, OHIO

17 July 1950

IN REPLY REFER TO: 5D 24-21GG

SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT
Cincinnati, Ohio

14 July 50

TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: MCIAXA Rogers

1. Reference is made to Comment Number 2, dated 29 June 1950, by the Chief, Technical Analysis Division, Intelligence Department, your headquarters, to Routing and Record Sheet, dated 23 June 1950, from the Chief, Aircraft Laboratory, Engineering Division, also your headquarters, subject: "Report of Unusual Aircraft by Mr. [redacted]"

2. Attached for your information are two copies of the report of Special Agent HOMER PASLEY, of this office, dated 14 July 1950.

3. An attempt to contact Mr. [redacted] in Cincinnati, Ohio, revealed that he is presently in Warren, Minnesota.

4. This is an initial report and the investigation is continuing in this and other OSI Districts. Further reports will be forwarded upon completion of the investigation.

James F. X. O'Connell
JAMES F. X. O'CONNELL
Lt. Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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Rpt of Inv, DO #5, 14 July 50
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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NO. 5D 24-21GG

DATE 14 July 1950

REPORT MADE BY HOMER PASLEY blk

REPORT MADE AT DO #5, Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, O.

PERIOD 6 Jul 50

OFFICE OF ORIGIN DO #5, Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, O.

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TITLE

UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT
Cincinnati, Ohio

CHARACTER
SPECIAL INQUIRY

REFERENCE
None, this is an initial report.

SYNOPSIS :

Investigation requested 29 Jun 50 by Chief, Technical Analysis Division, Intelligence Department, AMC. [redacted] alleged finding unidentified object in his home town and furnished photographs of same. Attempt to interview [redacted] in Cincinnati, Ohio revealed he is now at his home at Warren, Minnesota.

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DETAILS:

1. This investigation was requested by Colonel BRUNOW W. FEILING, Chief, Technical Analysis Division, Intelligence Department, Air Materiel Command, in a Routing and Record Sheet, dated 29 June 1950, transmitting the following letter:

[redacted]
Cincinnati 9, Ohio
June 19, 1950

"Chief Of Aircraft Laboratory
Building 50
MCREXA
Wright Field, Ohio

"Dear Sir:

"I am anxious to know what this contraption is. It was found with its point buried in the hard ground in my home town some time ago.

"I have enclosed my return addressed envelope for an answer and the snap shots.

"Yours most sincerely,

[redacted]

The snap shots referred to in the foregoing are attached to this report as Exhibits "A" through "D".

Colonel FEILING, in his request, stated that if OSI investigation indicates that the item is of any merit whatsoever, his office is desirous of getting the physical item for further analysis.

AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

2. On 6 July 1950, an interview with Mr. [redacted], Cincinnati, Ohio, revealed that [redacted] is enroute to [redacted] Warren, Minnesota, where he will make his home for the summer. According to [redacted] is employed as a teacher at the Walnut Hills High School and is thoroughly reliable. [redacted] further advised that [redacted] resides with him for approximately two weeks after school has been dismissed for the summer and for the same period before the beginning of the new school term. In conclusion, [redacted] advised that [redacted] was not the type of individual who dis-

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cussed personal business and had, at no time, mentioned any unusual happenings at his home town of Warren, Minnesota.

INCLOSURES:

FOR CG, AMC; HQ OSI: and DO #24, CHICAGO, ILL.

Four photographs of unidentified object attached hereto as Exhibits "A" through "D".

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, USAF
5TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, DAYTON, OHIO

16 August 1950

IN REPLY REFER TO: 5D 24-21GG

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SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT
Cincinnati, Ohio
SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: MCIAXA

1. Reference is made to our letter of 17 July 1950, subject and file as above.

2. Attached for your further information are two copies each of the following reports of investigation.

a. Report of Special Agent ROGER A. WILLIAMS, dated 1 August 1950, file 24-40. This report reveals that [redacted] returned to Cincinnati from Warren, Minnesota on 24 July 1950 and that, according to the Chief of Police of Warren, [redacted]

b. Report of Special Agent JAMES R. PAISLEY, of this office, dated 14 August 1950. This report reflects an interview with [redacted] which indicates that the person who found subject object is one [redacted], of Warren, Minnesota. According to [redacted] still has the object which was found approximately two years ago.

3. This investigation is continuing and further reports will be submitted upon its completion.

JAMES F. X. O'CONNELL
Lt Colonel, USAF
District Commander

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1. R/I, DO #24, dtd 1 Aug 50 (dup)
2. R/I, DO #5, dtd 14 Aug 50 (dup)

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HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
THE INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NO. 24-40

DATE 1 August 1950

REPORT MADE BY
ROGER A. WILLIAMS, S/A

REPORT MADE AT
DO #24, 1660 E Hyde Pk Blvd, Chicago, Ill.

PERIOD
27 July 1950

OFFICE OF ORIGIN
DO #5, Wright-Patterson AFB

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UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT
Cincinnati, Ohio

CHARACTER
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REFERENCE
Rpt of Inv by S/A HOMER PASLEY, DO #5, dtd 14 Jul 50, File: 5D 24-21GG

SYNOPSIS

Chief of Police, Warren, Minnesota, stated [redacted] is of good character and reliable. [redacted] family stated he left Warren on 24 July 1950 for Boston, Massachusetts, thence to Cincinnati, Ohio. He had been in Warren, Minnesota, prior to this visit only during Christmas holidays, 1949. Neither the family nor the chief of police had knowledge of any machine in possession of [redacted] similar to the unidentified aerial object.

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DETAILS:

AT WARREN, MINNESOTA

1. An interview with [redacted] Chief of Police, Warren, Minnesota, revealed information that [redacted] had spent little time in Warren during recent years. His visits have been principally for a short time during the summer and possibly at Christmas time. From his own knowledge of [redacted] and inquiry which he made for the reporting agent, the police chief stated that [redacted] is considered to be of very good character, sober, and quite religious by nature. The police chief had not heard of [redacted] or any other person in town (pop. 1639) being in possession of a machine in which they thought the Air Force would be interested.

2. An interview with Mrs. [redacted], mother of [redacted] and Mrs. [redacted] sister, both of Warren, Minnesota, elicited the information that [redacted] had been in Warren about a week but had departed on 24 July 1950, for Boston, Massachusetts. He expected to meet his wife there and then go to Cincinnati, Ohio. [redacted] is expected to arrive in Cincinnati about 10 August 1950, and for a day or two may be located at his former address, [redacted] Both women stated that they had no knowledge of [redacted] being in possession of a machine which he thought would interest the Air Force. They stated except for his short visit this summer, [redacted] had last visited Warren during the Christmas holidays in 1949.

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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

FILE NO. 5D-24-21GG	DATE 14 August 1950
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TITLE

UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT
Cincinnati, Ohio

CHARACTER

SPECIAL INQUIRY

REFERENCE

Ind. Lead (R/I by S/A R. A. WILLIAMS, DO #24, dtd 1 Aug 50, File #24-40.)

SYNOPSIS

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Mr. [redacted] stated that Subject object was found by Mr. [redacted] near Warren, Minnesota about two (2) years ago and that Mr. [redacted] still had the object in his possession in Warren in the summer of 1950. Informant described this object as a sort of miniture airplane, jet or rocket propelled, and containing a three (3) tube radio. He advised that to him the significant feature of this object was the fact that it appeared to have been made in a press rather than by hand, which indicated to him that it was a product of mass production.

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5D-24-21GG
UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT
Cincinnati, Ohio

DETAILS:

AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

On 11 August 1950, Mr. [redacted], was interviewed regarding the unidentified aerial object about which he wrote to the Air Force. He advised that Mr. [redacted], who operates a Service Station on the main highway in Warren, Minnesota, found this aerial object about two (2) years ago in the vicinity of Warren, Minnesota and informant photographed it just an hour or so after it was found. He stated that it contains a fuel tank, a three (3) tube radio, and dry cells and that the opening at the rear of it appeared to have vented hot gases, causing informant to believe that it had been jet or rocket propelled. He disclosed that it contained no directional steering and had been completely covered with aluminum paint. In examining this object, informant found nothing to indicate its place of manufacture. He further stated that he teaches Sheet Metal in the Walnut Hills High School, Cincinnati, Ohio, and feels qualified to say that the main body of this object was made in a press rather than by hand, which indicated to him that it was a product of mass production. He further advised that during the summer of 1950 he talked with Mr. [redacted] who indicated that he still has the object in his possession in Warren, Minnesota. Informant explained his delay in contacting the Air Force by saying that it was many months after he made the pictures before someone suggested his writing to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

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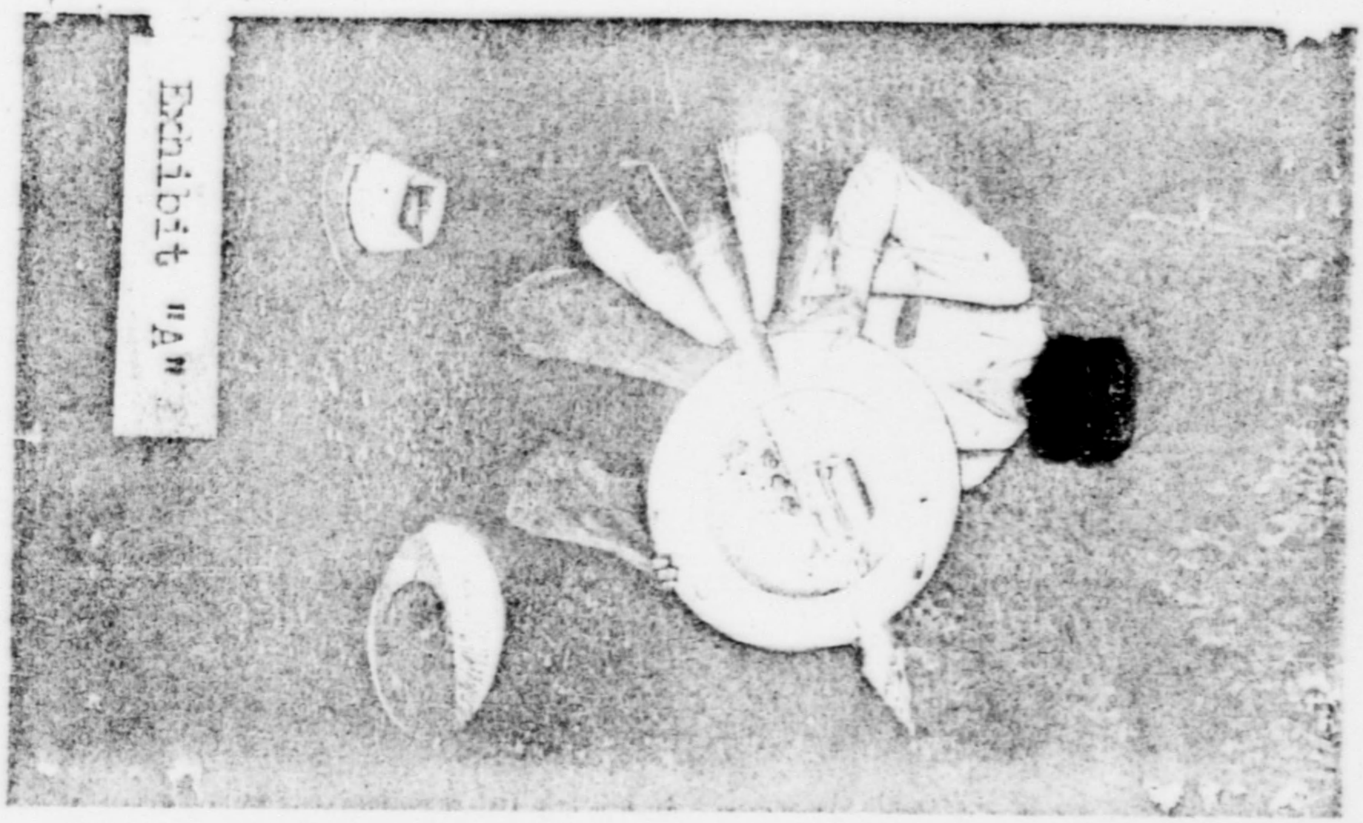


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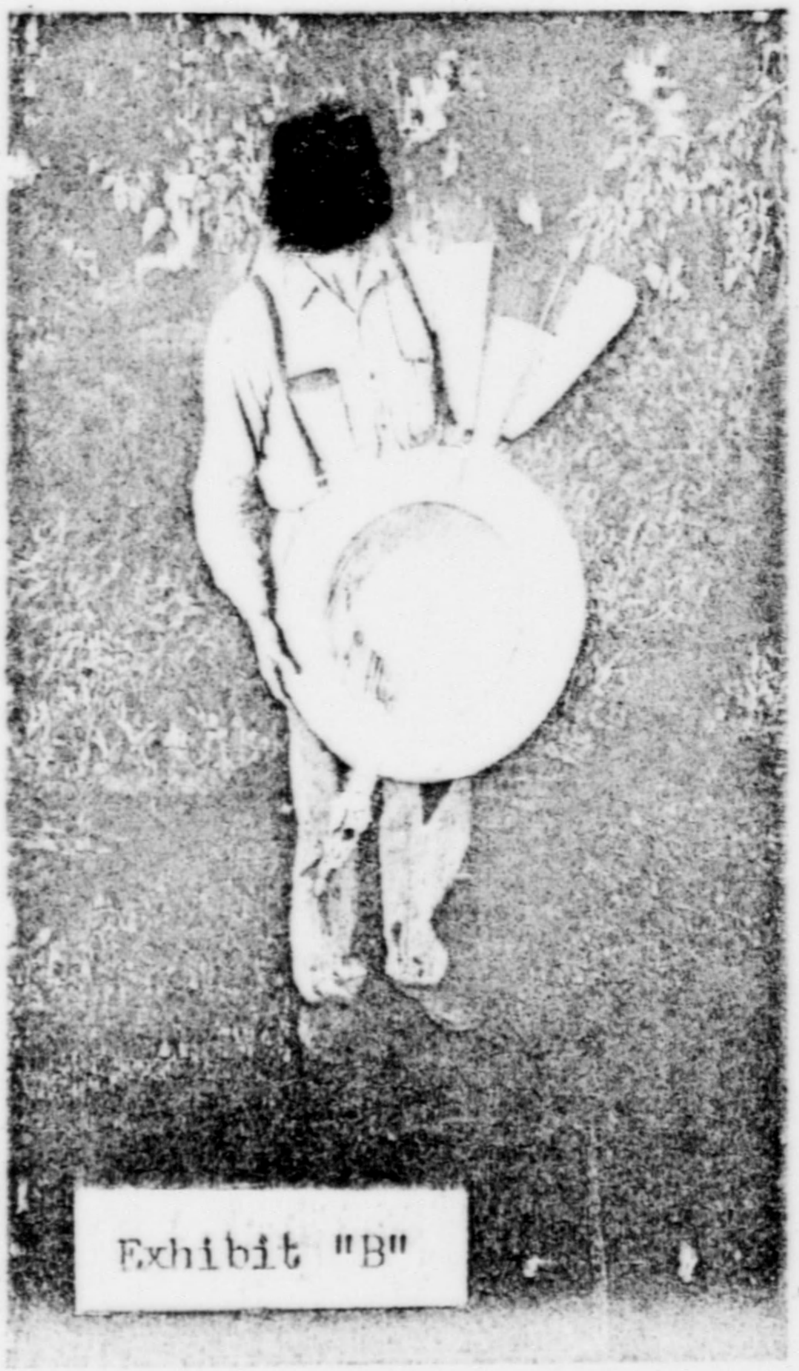


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GLOSSY PHOTOS

OF THE ALLEGED UFO

OF THE HOAX SIGHTING

AT

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