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Incident #76

ATTC NO. ---

DATE OF INFO

13 Aug 47

AP NO. ---

LOCATION

Salmon Dam, Idaho

REPORT NO. ---

SOURCE

Male Civilian

DATE OF REPORT ---

DATE IN TO ATTC ---

TIME OF SIGHTING N/S

COLOR

reflected light

SHAPE Circular

SPEED

great speed

SIZE N/S

ALTITUDE 4,000'-6000'

COURSE N/S

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED ---

NO. IN GROUP 2

TYPE OF OBSERVATION

Ground

SOUND Echo of Motor

HANDWRITING ---

PROJECT ---

SKETCHES ---

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With 134 incidents thus eliminated, there remain thirty-four which contain some evidence but have no apparent ready explanation. This statement is true only under the assumption that the evidence is accepted as reliable and accurate. Psychological and physiological factors are taken into consideration; all of these incidents are explained rationally, as pointed out by Rand Corporation in "Status of Air-Intercept Command-Aero-Medical Laboratory (see page 100)".

1. Final Remarks and Acknowledgments
(a) Acknowledgments (continued)

There are insufficient psychological explanations for the unidentified flying objects to provide plausible explanations for the reports not otherwise explainable. Most errors in identifying stimuli result chiefly from inability to estimate speed, altitude, etc.

All of the remaining 34 incidents are treated in detail in the report. These incidents found no pattern in regard to area or type of object, or nature of phenomenon. There are indications, however, that some sightings were influenced by earlier reports, possibly by similar objects occurring in the same or adjacent areas.

Project Goals

1. Summary of U.S. Evaluation of Remaining Reports

2. Summary of U.S. Evaluation of Remaining Reports

There remain unexplained incidents (see appendix "I") which cannot be satisfactorily explained. Two of them, by statements of the witnesses, do not appear to have been seen by the witnesses not read of the 134 incidents (see Table 1, page 17). Most were distributed without pattern throughout the United States. A few were outside the U.S. No two descriptions of appearance or performance were exactly alike. The reported sightings occurred at various times of day and years.

APPENDIX I

In the following section of this report, each remaining unexplained incident is considered separately. It is not the intent to generally describe the character of observers, but each case has undesirable elements, and these must be disregarded. The numerical designation is merely the categorization of the incident in the project files.

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Incident No. 76 -- 13 August 1947, Salmon Dam, Idaho.

Two men reported simultaneously hearing a roar, and looking up observed two objects of undetermined size, several miles distant at a great height which they thought might have been 4000-6000 feet. The objects were "circular", "reflected light", and were traveling at "great speed". Although occurring on the same day as Incident No. 75, the descriptions vary widely.

AAC Opinion: There is no information contained in this report to refute the assumption that these men saw two ordinary aircraft at too great a distance to discern details.

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Incident #76 -- Salmon Dam, Idaho -- 13 August 1947

There does not appear to be anything astronomical about this incident.

Although sighted on the same day as the sky-blue canyon saucer (incident #75), the objects described here seem to have little or no similarity to the former.

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CHECK-LIST - UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS

1. Date 13 Aug 47 Incident # 76
2. Time N/S
3. Location Salmon Dam
4. Name of observer County Commissioner Hawkins
J. H. Brown
5. Occupation of observer County Commissioner
6. Address of observer N/S
7. Place of observation Salmon Dam
8. Number of objects 2
9. Distance of object from observer ~~approximately 1000 ft~~ several miles away
10. Time in sight N/S
11. Altitude 4,000 to 6,000 ft
12. Speed great speed
13. Direction of flight N/S
14. Tactics N/S
15. Sound echo of a motor - County Commissioner Hawkins
roar - J. H. Brown
16. Size N/S
17. Color N/S - reflected light
18. Shape circular
19. Color detected N/S
20. Apparent construction N/S
21. Exhaust trails N/S
22. Weather conditions N/S
23. Effect on clouds N/S
24. Sketches or photographs None
25. Manner of disappearance N/S
26. Remarks: (over)

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Agent could not locate Commissioner L. W. Hawkins but J. H. Brown, who accompanied Hawkins at the time stated that he and Hawkins could hear a roar. They looked up and saw 2 objects flying at great height which might have been between 4,000 and 6,000 ft. He could give no estimate as to size and said they could have been several miles away. He and Hawkins were satisfied that had seen something and were very doubtful if the objects were planes.

From a newspaper account (Times News, Twin Falls, Idaho, Friday Aug 15, 1947) County Commissioner Hawkins said he had seen an unusual object in the air the same day as Urie's experience (Incident 75) and that a sound resembling the echo of a motor caused him to look upward and there he saw two circular objects which reflected light. They were traveling at a great speed and at higher altitude than most planes.

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Dr. HYNEK'S EVALUATIONS EXTRACTED FROM PROJECT GRUDGE REPORT.

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2. Non-astronomical but suggestive of other explanations

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3. Non-astronomical, with no explanation evident

a. Lack of evidence precludes explanation:

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AUGUST THROUGH DECEMBER 1947 SIGHTINGS

INCIDENT NUMBER	DATE	LOCATION	OBSERVER	EVALUATION
<u>AUGUST</u>				
	Aug	Milan, Italy (CASE MISSING)	Civilian	Insufficient Data
	ER Aug	Sanforth, Illinois	Farmer (PHYSICAL S.)	Other (Hoax)
88	3 Aug	Hackensack, New Jersey	Casella	Insufficient Data
	4	Boston, Massachusetts	Powell, White	Astro (Sun Dog)
58	4	Bethel, Alaska	Johnston, Showalter	A/C
69, 70	6	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	Multiple	Astro (Meteor)
66	10	Silver Springs, Ohio	Walker	Astro (Meteor)
76	13	Salmon Dam, Idaho	Hankins, Brown	A/C
75	13	Twin Falls, Idaho	Urie	Other (Atmospheric Body)
67	14	S. Placerville, California	Switzer	Astro (Meteor)
135	15-20	Wheat, South Dakota	AF Officer	UNIDENTIFIED (S.A.S.)
64	19	Twin Falls, Idaho	Hedstrom	Other (Birds)
	Late Aug	Holloman AFB, New Mexico	Markley (RADAR)	Other (False Targets)
NONE	11 Aug	ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	WALLACE	NONE

SEPTEMBER

51	3	Oswego, Oregon	Dupui	UNIDENTIFIED
61, 62	8	Logan, Utah	Anderson, Hall	Other (Birds)
59	12	Pacific Ocean (Necker I.)	Military Air	Astro (Meteor)
72	17	Ft Richardson, Alaska	Army Officer	Astro (Meteor)
18	20	Toronto, Canada	Not Stated	Other (Hoax)

OCTOBER

179	Oct	San Francisco, California	Not Stated	Insufficient Data
	Oct	Dodgeville, Wisconsin	Civilian	UNIDENTIFIED
-71	8 or 9	Las Vegas, Nevada	Moore	Other (Contrails) A/C
	12	Mexico	Multi	Astro (Meteor)
34	13	Dauphin, Minnesota	Multiple	Astro (Meteor)
37	14	Phoenix, Arizona	Clark	UNIDENTIFIED
19	20	Dayton, Ohio	Britton	A/C
20	20	Lena, Ohio	Atkinson	A/C

NOVEMBER

36	Nov	Boise, Idaho	CAA Observer	Insufficient Data
98	2	Houston, Texas	Brimberry	Astro (Meteor)
35	12	Cape Blanco, Oregon	Williamson	Astro (Meteor)
289	12	La Junta & Pueblo, Colorado	(CASE MISSING)	Insufficient Data
225	Late 1947	Vaughn, New Mexico	Hayes	Other (Flares)

DECEMBER

132	12	Dukla, Czechoslovakia	FRANTISEK	NONE
21	Mid Dec	Oslo, Norway	Naamosen	Astro (Meteor)
95, 96, 97, 30		Northern Arizona	Wood	Other (Contrails)
		Oregon, Nevada, California	Multiple	Astro (Meteor)