

PROJECT LOGS - BLANK CARD

1950

APIC NO. --- DATE OF INFO 1950

AP NO. --- LOCATION Great Falls, Mont.

REPORT NO. --- SOURCE Civilian

DATE OF REPORT --- DATE IN TO APIC ---

TYPE OF OBSERVING --- COLOR ---

TIME --- SPEED --- Estimated

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ANGLE --- LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED ---

NO. IN GROUP --- TYPE OF OBSERVATION ---

INDIC --- MANEUVERING ---

REMARKS --- Signatures ---

REMARKS: This is a report on some pictures taken of "flying saucers" conclusion reached was that the pictures probably were

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Temporary APIC Form 329
(to Jan 52)

See Also: Film 7-3745-347



THE ██████████ CASE

5 or 15 Aug 1950

Two Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO's) were sighted and photographed at about 11:30 MST on August 15, 1950 by ██████████ at Great Falls, Montana. Mr. ██████████ owns and operates a radio station in Missoula, Montana, and is the owner of the Great Falls baseball team. It was during an inspection of this ball park that the sighting took place. ██████████ (and his secretary, also present at the time) first noticed the UFO's as silvery objects to the NW, accidentally when looking to tell the wind by the smoke from the Anaconda Copper Company smokestack nearby. The UFO's drew his attention to the extent that he ran 60 feet from the grandstand to the parking lot, got his motion picture camera (Revere turret type 16mm) out of his car and began tracking the UFO's which appeared to him to have stopped in mid-air, remained stationary for a while and then, with a swooshing sound floated away to the left (SW keeping about the same distance from each other until they were lost from sight.

The color film (Daylight Kodachrome) was submitted to the Air Force. It was studied and analyzed by the Air Force and the U.S. Navy.

The original Air Force conclusion, based on the interrogation of witnesses and the evaluation of the data, was that the UFOs were, in all probability, two Air Force F-94 fighter aircraft known to be in the vicinity at the time.

THE [REDACTED] CASE

5 or 15 Aug 1950

Simulated photographs of aircraft at various distances, made by an aircraft research firm in a recent independent and unsolicited analysis of the [REDACTED] films, show striking similarity to the two white blobs in this film.

Based on the degree of credibility accorded this early ATIC evaluation and the strong corroborative evidence supplied by the recent independent analysis, the Air Force has no compelling reason to alter its original conclusion.

Montana Case:

* In 1959, after an ATIC interrogation of witnesses and evaluation of data, and our opinion at that was that the UFO's apparently were two F-94 aircraft. In support of this contention, a few weeks ago an extremely able and very detailed analysis was made by a private laboratory of the film strip in question. Their conclusions, in part, were that, "photographs of the UFO's indicate that airplane reflections might possibly look like the images shown on the film. The fact that the images do fade is reminiscent of airplane reflective phenomena". Also, strong corroborative evidence is given by simulated photographs of aircraft at various distances made by this laboratory which show that aircraft can look similar to the two white blobs shown on the Montana films. There is, therefore, no compelling reason to alter our original evaluation

x JH

George T. Gregory, Capt. USAF
29 May 1956

Re-written by Mr. Auer and placed to
HQS USAF - 31 May 56

ATIC

Field Denies Saucer Report

Air Materiel Command officials at the Wright-Patterson AFB Thursday denied a report that they had confiscated colored motion pictures of two silver discs flying over a Great Falls, Mont., ball park.

"We do not have any such films here at Air Materiel Command headquarters," a spokesman for the public information office said. He did not elaborate.

The report of the confiscation came from Nick Mariana, manager of the Great Falls baseball team in the Pioneer league.

MARIANA TOLD the Associated Press that he saw the discs flying over the ball field on Aug. 15, focused his camera and photographed them. He said they appear on the film for about three seconds. The films were turned over to the AMC Mariana reported, on request of a special investigator. He said he was told to release nothing further concerning the film.

The team manager said the discs appeared to be about 10,000 feet high and were in sight for about 15 seconds.

"They were flying out of the north and going southeasterly," he said. "I filmed them until they disappeared from sight. They looked round and silvery and were moving together—not too fast."

"Two jets that flew over in another direction about the same time seemed to be going much faster."

Washington Interested

"Saucer Film" To A. F.

The Air Materiel Command at Wright-Patterson AFB will get the Great Falls, Mont., flying saucer movies Monday, but in all probability they won't keep them.

Indications are that the color films, taken by Nick Mariana, manager of the Great Falls baseball team, will be sent directly to Air Force headquarters in Washington for scrutiny.

Thursday AMC officials said they had "not" received the films. Friday, however, an intelligence officer from the Great Falls AFB told the Associated Press he had Mariana's films and was sending them to the Wright-Patterson base "today."

The films are expected to arrive in Dayton Monday.

Mariana took the pictures of the two silver discs over his ball park on Aug. 15, then turned them over to an Air Force investigator. He was told, Mariana reported, to say nothing concerning the pictures which show for about three seconds on the film.

At AMC headquarters, Friday, a spokesman said that while the Air Force's "Project Saucer" investigation had been dropped the

"Air Force is and will continue to be interested in and continuing to investigate all reports of astronomical phenomena."

Dayton Daily News
10 October 1950

Latest 'Saucer' Story Fails To Hold Water

The nation's latest flying saucer story came a cropper, Tuesday.

Air Materiel Command officials at the Wright-Patterson AFB, after viewing color motion pictures taken last Aug. 15 at a Great Falls, Mont., ball park said the film was too dark to distinguish any recognizable objects.

The film, which during the past week had become the subject of widespread conjecture, will not be sent on to USAF Intelligence in Washington, but, if he wants it, will be returned to its owner, Nick Mariana, manager of the Great Falls baseball team.

LAST WEEK Mariana revealed that he had taken the pictures of two silver discs over his ball park, then turned the film over to an Air Force intelligence officer—Capt. John Byrnes—of the Great Falls Air Force base.

The Great Falls officer forwarded the films to AMC intelligence officials last Friday. The films arrived at the Wright-Patterson base late Monday evening and were viewed immediately.

After viewing the films the AMC officials issued the following statement:

"The film is too dark to distinguish any recognizable objects. For this reason it will not be sent on to Washington headquarters. The Air Force has no further interest in the film. The film will be returned to the owner, with thanks for his cooperation, if he wants it back."

EXTRACT GEORGE FOWCETT LITERATURE

On

August 15, baseball park manager, [REDACTED], captured the saucers on film, with his movies at Great Falls, Montana of two round bright lights in echelon formation, which moved behind a water tower. These objects were made with colored movie films and appeared in the movie entitled "Unidentified Flying Objects", now being shown nationwide on various TV channels.

The project received three other movies that got considerable attention. One, in color, was taken at Great Falls, Mont., and showed two bright spots of light speeding across the sky and passing behind a water tower. Two F-91s were in the area, and the lights could have been reflections of the sun on these jets, but we were not able to come to any definite conclusions.

EXTRACT FROM RUPERT
"TRUE" MAGAZINE ARTICLE

Great Falls Leader

EVENING, EXCEPT SUNDAY
THE LEADER COMPANY, PUBLISHERS

GREAT FALLS, MONTANA

Sept. 13, 1950

Commanding General,
Air Materiel Command,
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base,
Dayton, O.

ATTENTION -- MOTOR-5

AXA

_____ general manager of our _____ several days ago
saw two silvery disk objects scittering about the sky over the ball
park.

_____ doubted his eyes and called his secretary, who saw the same
objects.

_____ ran to his car and got his motion picture camera out of the
glove compartment, after unlocking the car.

He took color pictures of the two silver disks flying against a
deep blue Montana sky. The films, since developed, have caused
some comment in Great Falls.

Our ball park lies between the ACM zinc plant, largest producer
in the world, and the Great Falls air force base.

_____ whose address is _____ north, says he will
gladly give the films to any government agency, which may be
interested.

Sincerely,

C. T. Sullivan

C. T. Sullivan
Great Falls Leader
Great Falls, Mont.

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JOINT MESSAGEFORM

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FROM: (Originator)

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FROM: ~~ADMIN-ATIAA-4-1-5~~

FOR DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE

Reference telephone call from Lt Col Velehney, D/I Hq ALC, on 29 August 1952. Black and white negatives of alleged unidentified aerial objects taken by a Mr. ██████████ of Great Falls, Montana, were forwarded Air Mail Special Delivery to Hq 29th AD (Defense) on 30 August 1950. Eight mm color movie film is being processed by Eastman Kodak Company and will be forwarded upon return to ATIC. This should be within 10 days.

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| SYMBOL ATIAA-5 | TELEPHONE 65265 | OFFICIAL TITLE ROBERT E. KENNEDY, Major, USAF Air Adjutant General | |

SUBJECT:

UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT

1. On 5 October 1950, Mr. ██████ advised that the camera used by him in the taking of the moving picture film transmitted under separate cover, was a Revere, 16 mm., magazine loading type with an F. 1.9 wide-angle, telephoto lens. Mr. ██████ stated that the settings used at the time were: shutter opening F.22 and focal setting, infinity. Film make and type was Eastman Kodachrome, daylight type, and speed at which pictures were taken was sixteen frames per second. Mr. ██████ further advised that in operating the camera intaking the pictures, he had "panned" the camera slowly from right to left.

2. A further check of the records of Base Operations, Great Falls Air Force Base, Great Falls, Montana, indicates that an F-94 type aircraft, #2503, and F-94 type aircraft, #2502, landed at Great Falls Air Force Base at 1133 and 1130 hours (Mountain Standard Time) respectively on 15 August 1950. These aircraft were assigned the 449th Fighter Squadron, Ladd Air Force Base, Alaska. Mr. ██████ stated that almost immediately after taking the motion pictures, two USAF jet type aircraft had flown across the sky east of him, heading in a southerly direction.

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(6 Oct 50)

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SUBJ: UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT

5th OSI District (IG), Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, Ohio, 10 Oct 50

TO: Director of Intelligence, Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, Ohio, ATTN: Chief, Technical Analysis Division.

1. Reference is made to a visit to the 5th OSI District (IG) on 26 September 1950 by Mr. RODGERS of the Technical Analysis Division, Intelligence Department, Headquarters, Air Material Command. The attached is forwarded as a matter of interest to your headquarters.

2. Capt BRYNILDSEN of the 15th OSI District, advised this headquarters on 9 October 1950 that Mr. [REDACTED] had been approached by representatives of Life Magazine, Movietone News and True Magazine all of whom requested subject film.

3. In order that OSI records may be complete, it is requested that you furnish to the undersigned information as to what disposition is made in this matter.

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n/c

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

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~~FROM AFOIN-2 50072 ATTN CLN BASE INTELL.~~

OFFICER. DESIRE TO KNOW IF MR. ~~REDACTED~~ IS STILL A RESIDENT OF GREAT FALLS AND CMA IF SO CMA HIS ADDRESS CMA TELEPHONE NUMBER AND PRESENT EMPLOYMENT. INQUIRY MUST BE DISCREET AND PREFERABLY WITHOUT HIS KNOWLEDGE. FOR YOUR INFO CMA ~~REDACTED~~ OBTAINED ABOUT 15 FEET OF 16 MM KODACROME MOVIES OF 2 UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS OVER GREATFALLS ON 15 AUG 50. AT THE TIME ~~REDACTED~~ RESIDED AT ~~REDACTED~~ ~~REDACTED~~ GREAT FALLS AND WAS GENERAL MANAGER OF THE ~~REDACTED~~ AS A SPORTS REPORTER AND COMMENTATOR. HIS SECRETARY ALSO WITNESSED SIGHTING AND MAY KNOW HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS IF NOT RESIDING LOCALLY. SHE IS MISS ~~REDACTED~~ THEN RESIDING ~~REDACTED~~ IN GREAT FALLS. IN RESPONSE REPLY TO AFOIN-2A2.

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WASHINGTON

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF
15TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
GREAT FALLS AIR FORCE BASE, GREAT FALLS, MONTANA

IN REPLY REFER TO: 21-0

6 October 1950

SUBJECT: UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT.

TO: District Commander
5th District Office of Special Investigations
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio.

1. Transmitted under separate cover is approximately fifteen feet of moving picture film taken by Mr. [REDACTED], of 2919 First Avenue North, Great Falls, Montana, who is general manager of the Great Falls Baseball Club.

2. Mr. [REDACTED] made these pictures on 15 August 1950 between the hours of 11:25 and 11:30 A. M., at Great Falls, Montana. On interview, he stated that he first sighted the objects while standing in the grandstand of the ball park located at 26th Street and Eleventh Avenue North, Great Falls, Montana, and that he saw two bright disc shaped objects proceeding in a southerly direction at an altitude of approximately ten thousand feet and at a distance of about three-quarters of a mile in a westerly direction, from the observer's viewpoint. Mr. [REDACTED] then stated that he ran downstairs and outside to his car from which he obtained his camera and made the pictures shown in the film. From the time of first sighting to the completion of taking of the pictures, Mr. [REDACTED] estimated consumed approximately twenty seconds. At the time of his taking the pictures, a Miss [REDACTED] Great Falls, Montana, who is employed as his secretary, was a witness.

3. The water tower in instant pictures is located approximately seven hundred feet in a southwesterly direction from the point at which Mr. Mariana stood when taking the pictures and the tower is approximately one hundred seventy-five feet in height.

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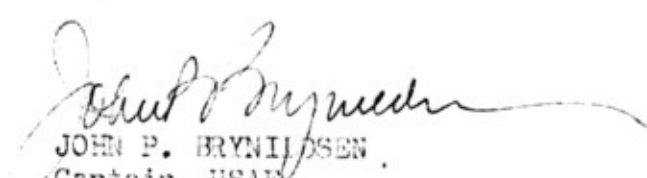
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4. With reference to background information as regards [REDACTED] he is a graduate of Montana State University, 1938, with a BA in Journalism. He was born in Miles City, Montana, in 1912, went to Montana State University in 1935 and has, since graduation from that school, resided in Helena from 1940 to 1941 and from 1941 until the present at Great Falls. During the war, Mr. [REDACTED] served in the Army Air Forces from June 1943 to October 1945, attaining the rank of Corporal and was editor of a newspaper, [REDACTED], at Great Falls Air Force Base, at Great Falls, Montana. Subject has been married for a period of ten years and has one child, a daughter, three years of age. Presently Mr. [REDACTED] is employed as general manager of the [REDACTED], Great Falls, Montana, and also as a radio sports commentator and radio announcer of sporting events. He enjoys an excellent reputation in the local community and is regarded as a reliable, trustworthy and honest individual.

5. Prior to concluding the interview with Mr. Mariana, he was advised that the film was being forwarded to the Air Materiel Command because of that agency's interest in anything which would contribute to its fund of technical intelligence data.

1 Incl.
Summary of Information
per provisions of Air
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Memo No. 4.


JOHN P. BRYNILDSEN
Captain, USAF
District Commander

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF
15TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
GREAT FALLS AIR FORCE BASE, GREAT FALLS, MONTANA

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PART II

1. 15 August 1950
 2. Between 1125 and 1130 Mountain Standard Time
 3. a. ~~Redacted~~, Great Falls, Montana
 4. Two objects, entrail, approximately fifty yards apart.
 5. The U. S. Weather Bureau, Gore Field, Great Falls, Montana, which keeps a record of the observable celestial phenomena or planets reports that there were no such phenomena observable on 15 August 1950.
 6. Distance of objects from observer:
 - a. Approximately three-quarters of a mile laterally in a westerly direction.
 - b. The angle of elevation from the horizon was about thirty-five degrees.
 - c. The altitude was approximately ten thousand feet.
 7. Mr. ~~Redacted~~ states object was in sight to him a total of about twenty seconds and about seven seconds to his secretary, Miss ~~Redacted~~.
 8. Mr. Mariana states that the appearance of the object was:
 - a. Of a bright clean aluminum surface.
 - b. Disc shape--apparently had depth
 - c. Objects appeared to be of metal material
 - d. According to observer, objects were about fifty feet in diameter and three feet in depth.
- NOTE: Observer has had occasion to frequently observe USAF C-54's in flight in the local area and states the objects had a diameter about three-quarters of the wing span of a C-54 and a depth of about one-third of the depth of a C-54 when viewed from the side.
9. Direction of flight: Objects were moving in a southerly direction.
 10. Tactics or maneuvers: Movements of objects were horizontal but slightly erratic as to speed.
 11. No evidence of exhaust.
 12. No clouds were observable on that date.
 13. No lights were observed as being attached to objects.
 14.
 - a. No wings observed
 - b. No aerodynamic list of fuselage observed.
 - c. No vertical jet observed.
 - d. Objects, according to observer, definitely had an appearance of a spinning motion; however no rotating cylinder or cone was observed.
 - e. No aerostatic lifting devices were attached to objects.
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 - a. No propeller or jet device observed
 - b. No rotor observed.
 - c. No aerodynamic vanes observed.
 - d. No visible exhaust or jet openings.
 16.
 - a. No fins observed.
 - b. No stabilizers observed.
 17. No air ducts observed.
 18. Speed estimated by observer to be approximately two hundred mph.
 19. No sound; objects had a purported "whoosh" sound

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PART II (Cont'd)

20. Objects vanished from view after about eight seconds, obscured by uprights of water tank which can be noticed in the film.

RELATIVE TO OBSERVER

1. Name of observer: ~~REDACTED~~
2. Address: ~~REDACTED~~ Great Falls, Montana
3. Occupation: ~~REDACTED~~
4. ~~REDACTED~~ Legion Park, Great Falls, Montana
5. Pertinent hobbies: Observer is not an amateur astronomer, pilot or engineer; however, he has broadcast sporting events and is interested in photography
6. Ability to determine color, speed and size of moving objects of observer should be relatively good in view of his experience as a sporting events announcer.
7. Reliability of observer: Enjoys an excellent reputation in the local community and is regarded as a reliable, trustworthy and honest individual.
8. Notes relative to observer on sightings in general: Mr. ~~REDACTED~~ stated to the undersigned that he had read numerous newspaper articles on the subject of flying discs and flying saucers and had not attached very much significance to them. However, Mr. ~~REDACTED~~ almost invariably carries a camera in order that he may take "opportunity pictures" and had previously thought that if he could see such conventional aircraft in flight, he would take motion pictures of them.
 - a. Observer's attention was definitely drawn to objects by their glint of light.
 - b. ~~REDACTED~~
9. Witnesses: Miss ~~REDACTED~~, age 19, employed as a secretary. Miss ~~REDACTED~~ impressed interrogator as being a fairly reliable individual and of good sound judgment. Miss ~~REDACTED~~ confirmed sightings and number of objects and in substance verified Mr. ~~REDACTED~~'s statements as regards objects' appearance, shape, speed, sound and direction of flight.

GENERAL

1. Teletype sequences of local weather conditions: On 4 October 1950, Mr. C. Robert Guern, Chief Weather Observer, U. S. Weather Office, Gore Field, Great Falls, Montana, after first examining the teletype sequences of local weather conditions, Great Falls area, stated that there were thin scattered clouds, thirty thousand feet, visibility sixty miles, barometric reading, 1013.9 millibars, temperature seventy-seven degrees, dew point, forty-five degrees, altimeter 30.02 southwesterly winds, twenty-five miles per hour. Time of this teletype sequence was 1130 hours, 15 August 1950.
2. Wind Aloft Report received from Mr. C. Robert Guern, Chief Weather Observer, U. S. Weather Office, Gore Field, Great Falls, Montana, who stated that:

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WINDS ALOFT REPORT (Cont'd)

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4000 feet, 270 degrees, 19 miles per hour,
5000 feet, 240 degrees, 25 miles per hour
6000 feet, 250 degrees, 22 miles per hour
7000 feet, 270 degrees, 22 miles per hour
8000 feet, 270 degrees, 31 miles per hour
9000 feet, 260 degrees, 43 miles per hour
10,000 feet, 260 degrees, 45 miles per hour
12,000 feet, 260 degrees, 42 miles per hour
14,000 feet, 260 degrees, 34 miles per hour
16,000 feet, 270 degrees, 34 miles per hour
18,000 feet, 270 degrees, 33 miles per hour
20,000 feet, 270 degrees, 36 miles per hour
25,000 feet, 260 degrees, 26 miles per hour

at 1400 hours, same date, winds aloft readings were:

surface winds, 230 degrees, 24 miles per hour
4000 feet, 240 degrees, 25 miles per hour
5000 feet, 250 degrees, 36 miles per hour
6000 feet, 250 degrees, 41 miles per hour
7000 feet, 250 degrees, 40 miles per hour
8000 feet, 250 degrees, 35 miles per hour
9000 feet, 260 degrees, 25 miles per hour
10,000 feet, 260 degrees, 24 miles per hour
12,000 feet, 260 degrees, 30 miles per hour
14,000 feet, 260 degrees, 55 miles per hour
16,000 feet, 250 degrees, 54 miles per hour
18,000 feet, 260 degrees, 36 miles per hour
20,000 feet, 260 degrees, 34 miles per hour
25,000 feet, 260 degrees, 39 miles per hour

There were no testing devices nor Raysonde devices sent aloft between the hours of 0800 and 1400 hours, 15 August 1950. Raysonde instruments were sent aloft at 0800 and 1400 hours, 15 August 1950 by the U. S. Weather Bureau, Gore Field, Great Falls, Montana. Mr. Guern further stated that there were no celestial phenomena listed in the U. S. Weather Bureau report for the twenty-four hour period 0800 hours, 15 August 1950, to 0800 hours, 16 August 1950.

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/R [REDACTED] FROM CLN AFOI 50862 REF YOUR MSG GFOPP-10-1027 DTD 11 OCT 52. WE HAVE ITTN PERSONAL LETTER TO MR.

[REDACTED] ATIG OUR DESIR TO BORROW 16 MM MOVIE OF FLYING OBJECTS TAKN 15 AUG 50 OVER GRET FALLS SINCEOUR COPY THIS FILM WAS INADVERTENTLY LOST AND WE NOW EQUIR IT FOR COMPARISON WITH RECENT MOVIES AND OTHER PHOTOGRAPHS. INFORMED HIM THAT AN OFFICER YOUR BASE WOULD CONTACT HIM PERONALLY AND GIVE HIM LOAN RECEIPT FO FILM IF HT IS WILLING TO LEND IT TO US. IF BALKY HE CAN BE TOLD FOR SAKEOF PERSUASIO THAT WE COSIDER HIS FIL TO BE VERY PERTINENTTO CURRENT FLYOB ANALYSIS. INFORMHIM FILM WILL BE RETURNED AT EARLIET PRACTICABLE DATE. REQUEST THIS ACTON BE TAKEN IMMEDIATELYSINCE LETTE SHOULD HAVE REACHED HIM BY NOW. AIR MAIL FILM THIS HQ ATTN AFOIN-2A2. IN RESPONS REPLY TO AFOIN-2A2.

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[REDACTED] GFOIN-10-2815 ATTN AFOIN-2A2. URMSG AFOIN-2A2.
 FOL FACTS ESTB RESULT SUBJ INTERVIEW 28 OCT 52 MR [REDACTED] AT
 LEGION PARK, GRET FALLS MONT: FILM HAS BEEN SHOWN CIVIC SPORTS CLUBS
 BE MR [REDACTED] FILM ORIG LENT AF, OSI OFF DID NOT ISSUE REC. FILM
 RTRN 15 TO 20 FRAMES MIS FR ORIG REEL ACCORDING TO MR [REDACTED] AND
 SEVERAL NEWSMEN, SPLICING OF PROFESSIONAL NATURE. COMMENTATOR [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] DENOUNCED THOSE CLAIMING TO HAVE BEEN FLY OBJ. ART CAUSED
 MR [REDACTED] LOSS OF 9 OF 14 RAD STA AS SPONSORS FOR SPORTCASTS. MR
 [REDACTED] HAS INSTIGATED LEGAL ACTION AGAINST MR CONSIDINES SPONSORS.
 MR [REDACTED] FILM HAS BEEN VOL TO AF FOL COND: NO FRAMES W/B FURTHER

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What file do we ever remove?

[REDACTED]

REMOVED FR REEL. FILM SHALL BE RTRN, IN HIS POSSESSION NLT 27 NOV
52 FOR USE EVIDENCE LEGAL PRO. FILM FWD 29 OCT 52 REGIM AIR MAIL. HAVE
ISSUED MR [REDACTED] APROP REC.

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is CAP IN 80698 dtd [REDACTED]
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FROM: AFOIN

Reference our AFOIN 50862 dtd 23 Oct 53 and your GFOIN-10-2115 dtd 29 Oct 53. Movie film received this date. However, it is torn at one point about one foot from beginning and has a few stripped sprocket holes in same vicinity. Splice will result in loss of one frame. In view of admonition by Mariana re further deletion of frames from reel desire to know if film was in this condition when obtained from Mariana and, if so, did receipt given him reflect this? In response reply to AFOIN-2A3.

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CONCERNED AF PERS ARE IN AGREEMENT THAT FILM WAS IN DAMAGED COND WHEN
LENT TO AF [REDACTED] HAVE REC HIS PERMISSION TO REMOVE SUB⁽¹⁾ FRAME FR REEL.
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~~REDACTED~~ FROM AFOIN 53534 REFERENCE OUR AFOIN 52682
 DTD 22 OCT 52 AND LETTER TO YOU DTD 14 NOV 52 CMA SUBJECT CLN
 MOVIE FILM BELONGING TO MR. ~~REDACTED~~ WANA. DESIRE TO KNOW SPECIFICATION
 OF LENS USED TO OBTAIN SUBJECT MOVIES CMA PARTICULARLY FOCAL
 LENGTH. IN RESPONSE REPLY TO AFOIN-2A2.

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NOV MR [REDACTED] STATES FOLG FILM TAKEN AT F-22 USED

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