CIGAR SHAPED OBJECTS SEEN BY RENO VISITORS

"They weren't birds—my wife's a bird watcher and used 12-power field glasses—and they weren't anything recognizable as planes."

This was a portion of the explanation given by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hoag, vacationers from Eureka, Calif., of the 15 to 20 cigar shaped objects they saw in the skies four miles east of Sparks this morning.

Hoag, a Eureka newspaperman, wasn't making any "flying saucer" claims, but told the Gazette he didn't know what the objects were. He said they had red cigar-shaped bodies, small silver wings or fins, and were in sight about three minutes before disappearing to the north at terrific speed.

He said he and his wife judged that they were big objects and very high, rather than small ones flying low.

He said there were no vapor trails and no noise. The objects were spotted by Mrs. Hoag in her glasses while Hoag was driving. He stopped and used the glasses himself to watch the "things" also. He said they could be seen well only when they banked and changed direction.

Neither the Civil Aeronautics Administration control tower at the municipal airport nor any law enforcement offices had any reports on the strange flying objects this morning.