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ATIC NO. - - -

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REPORT NO. - - -

DATE OF REPORT - - -

TIME OF [redacted] 0750

SHAPE Flat Top & Round dishpan

SIZE 18" wide 5" deep at 15 Ft.

COURSE N to S

NO. IN GROUP 1

SOUND - - -

PHOTOS - - - SKETCHES - - -

DATE OF INFO 27 June 1950

LOCATION Texarkana, Texas

SOURCE Civilian

DATE IN TO ATIC - - -

COLOR Bright Aluminum

SPEED - - -

ALTITUDE 65° - 75°

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED 4 to 5 sec.

TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground

MANEUVERS - - -

UNIDENTIFIED

(COULD BE REFLECTION ON GRASS) (COULD BE BALLOON)

Temporary ATIC Form 329
(2 Jan 52)

COULD BE DRAFTING [redacted]

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH ARMY
Office of the AC of S, G-2
Fort Sam Houston, Texas

000.9 AMADB-I 17 July 1950

SUBJECT: Unidentified Aerial Phenomena

TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTENTION: MCI

The following report(s) re unidentified aerial phenomena observed at Red River Arsenal on date and time indicated, forwarded for your information:

OBSERVER	DATE	TIME
Mr. [redacted] Texarkana, Arkansas	27 June 1950	7:50 A.M.
Mr. [redacted] Texarkana, Arkansas		

GEORGE A. A. JONES
Colonel, GSC
AC of S, G-2

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ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT
RED RIVER ARSENAL
TEXARKANA, TEXAS

DO NOT RECORD

IN REPLY REFER TO ORDKJ-MIO

29 June 1950

Incident No. 1

SUBJECT: Spot Report, Unidentified Aerial Objects

TO : Commanding General
Headquarters Fourth Army
Fort Sam Houston, Texas
ATTN: AC of S, G-2

1. Date of observation: 27 June 1950. Date of interview: 28 June 1950.

2. Exact time of observation (local) - 7:50 A.M.

3. Place of observation: 2993.60 - 667.01. Intersection of Van Buren Street and Fourth Street in the Lone Star Area, Red River Arsenal. This is the position of the observer. Object was observed and appeared to be over coordinates 2993.01 - 667.00.

4. When first observed, observer was in a Federal truck headed south on Van Buren Street at the intersection of Fourth Street. Notice was first made by passenger glancing out of the right door window of vehicle, and attention called to the driver who leaned forward and glanced up through the right front portion of the windshield and then moved the vehicle approximately 20 feet in a 90 degree turn which put the vehicle headed west and observation continued through the left door window.

5. Object appeared bright and glittering. This attracted attention.

6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping: One. See sketch attached.

7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length): Described as appearing to be as large as ordinary dishpan 18 inches wide by 5 inches deep as the dishpan would appear at about 15 feet distance.

8. Color of object: bright aluminum.

9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object): Object appeared to be spherical in shape when first observed but as it got farther away the appearance changed so as to make it look flat on top and bottom and rounding on sides, similar to two

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dishpans turned together.

10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0° at horizon, 90° overhead): One observer estimated 70°; the other observer estimated 65° to 75°.

11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from north): When first observed, vehicle of observers was headed south and object was at 270°, when object disappeared the vehicle of the observers was headed west and object disappeared at 180°.

12. Distance from observer (distance to town, building, etc., over which object appeared to be): 2993.01 - 667.00 are the coordinates of Building G-37, a gas station, Lone Star Area, Red River Arsenal, and object appeared to be above this building when first sighted. This building approximately 1200 feet from observers.

13. Direction of flight of object: Object appeared to be trafelling from north to south, just a few degrees east of south.

14. Time in sight: Approximately 4 to 5 seconds.

15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance): Unknown. Observers stated object "plenty fast."

16. Sound and odor: None. Observers are positive.

17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc). None. Observers are positive.

18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of brilliance): Observers stated object appeared bright shiny aluminum that glittered and reflected the sunlight. One observer noticed that object appeared to have gone through a low flying cloud, at which time the brilliancy and glittering ceased, but re-appeared after object passed through cloud.

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.) None. Observers are positive.

20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc - sketch of flight path): Straight level flight.

21. Manner of disappearance: Object just seemed to get smaller and smaller until it disappeared.

22. Effect on clouds: See number 18.

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23. Additional information concerning object: None.

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting: Clear, sun shining, no cloud overhead.

25. Name and address of observer: 1-Mr. [redacted], Texarkana, Arkansas, employed by Red River Arsenal. (2)- Mr. [redacted]arkana, Arkansas, Red River Arsenal employee. Mr. [redacted] mechanically inclined, but has no hobbies. Mr. [redacted] mechanically inclined and enjoys baseball games as a spectator. Both persons employed in the Maintenance Mechanic Section, Ammunition Division, Red River Arsenal.

COMMENTS of interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observers: The character and integrity of the observers is beyond reproach. Both are employed in supervisory capacities and possess above-normal intelligence. [redacted] at the time of the observation, wore glasses, plain lens as prescribed by a doctor. Mr. [redacted] does not wear glasses, and medical records show he has 20/20 vision. Both observers while viewing the object were looking through either a glass window of a door or a glass windshield. Both observers are positive there was no sound, no fins, wings, projections, antennae, etc., and that they did not see any vapor, exhaust smoke, or trail, nor did either smell any odor.

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Map

J. A. MATCHAN
Capt, Ord Dept
Intelligence Officer