

dU[UST 19, 1947

clnd in v:hich they 2.run:itted the roe,.. fonn-ltions had no connection v;ith any flying discs is being forwarded to the Dureau herev:ith. The statement (/ contains no information of v:ue and therefore is not being set forth herein.

Reearndine the meeting which was held in the on Thursday, July 17, 1947, stated that they both "It there about 1:00 P. M. They stated that they all left I room about 3:00 P. M. and that •took a Ir-to :erry's Airport at Tzcc "a and

C b flew his plane to Seattle where he Dick-nd up Capt. in E stated that he picked up Capt Derry's Airport about 5:30 P. M. and that came to - room about 7:00 P. M. stated that he and left about 8:30 P. M. When he drove to Se,attle to get his car and that went home at this time. -- stated they returned about 11:30 P. M. at which time the Army Intelligence officers were in room and that left about midnigh;t. He stated that he J returned to il room Friday afternoon for approximately one-half hour from 2:30 to 3:00 P. M., at which time and were still there 2.nc: neither seemed to be &:-,le to rc:ill if on r-rida;r, August 1. The b,st that could be obtained from ... 2.s tt ..

11, c.t took place in t room was to the effect thkt most of th-3 t...Jc ,i&s &bout fl,rinr, that no one seemed very interested in the rock formations ind. that they had no connection as far as they knew with any flying disc. stated that --wanted to obtain pictures of the place where the rock formations were obtained and that the Army Intelligence officers did not appear to be interested in any manner whatever.

peratest 11c- :ilhwter Avenue, Tacoma, Washington and a;:rOeer tly bt:e n working with him buying; tiJ;iber. They have also been associated; ;;itb tbel,frarbor : atrol Association at Tacoma, Washington which furnishes ;atrel c.nc . polii:te-ro- /,..., tectio to parts of the harbor area which are not patrolled by Tacoma police b / (or Sheriff's officers. II Tacoma, ... serial number 1111111a. During the war e was a pi o and it is believed presently holds a Reserve Officer's commission as a Captain.

Retp.rdins the B-25 which crashed, killing c J, .t.s.in D. .nc.SO r 'ind Lieutenant BRC',N of thE: 4th ,ire Forces, Captain;-2 Officer, l.fc Chord Field, advised that this investigation of the crash reflected :.m eY.haust stack had bur cd out on the loft on.sine ,;hich in turn Cciught the

7,-d't. "lr n <t _qf l" <> ; C ln...l tJ, ;<1+. fip th r > li:-f 't i { n a h E; , f"lf" ;+ !>|<" I

;;ii...•rti; i;n;...t-th t; ;r-th; r;itw; ;r;:,i ca;t;in Lieutenant B20 in the hitch-hiker and a man as Crew Chief to take care of tlJ o_rplanea The Crew Chief and the hitch-hiker parachuted to safety, bLtt Captain :DAVIDSON and Lieutenant Bno.m were killed. He stated that their inv2::;itativn , reflected no indication of any sabotage i;hatever.

A check of the records of the ;inthrop Hotel at iL:coma, ;:;ashington revealed that giving his address as..._1-'ount-view Drive; Boise, Idaho rented room 502 from July 30 at 7:h3 P. M. until

b7c

Office Memorandum UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DiNotor, FBI - AIR MAIL
FROM : SAC, San Francisco
SUBJECT: "REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS"

DATE: August 26, 1947

There are being transmitted herewith to the Bureau photostatic copies of three reports received from Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] A-2, Fourth Air Force, Hamilton Field, California, involving reported sightings of flying discs.

The Los Angeles Office is being furnished with a photostatic copy of the report of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] dated August 18, 1947 concerning the investigation conducted at the Muroc Flight Test Base, Muroc, California.

The Butte Office is being furnished with a photostatic copy of the report of Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] dated August 20, 1947 which sets forth a letter received from Mr. [redacted] Helena, Montana.

This office is maintaining contact with Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] and will furnish the Bureau with a subsequent report from him concerning the observations of Mr. [redacted] California, who has reported certain observations which he believes may involve a flying disc at Placerville, California on August 14, 1947.

HMKtEMB
Enclosures - 3
cc Los Angeles (with enclosure) Butte (with enclosure)

[redacted]
b7c

RECORDED

[redacted] ;oJ

[redacted]

f-34x
2x3

CONFIDENTIAL

HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff,
Intelligence
Hamilton Field, California


Title: Investigation of Flying Disc. INVESTIGATION MADE AT: Muroc AAF, Muroc, Calif.
 File No.: 120851 CONTROLLING OFFICE: Air Defense Command, Mitchel Field.
 Date: 18 August 1947 PERIOD COVERED: 8 July 1947
 CASE CLASSIFICATION: Incident
 STATUS OF CASE: Pending

REASON FOR INVESTIGATION: Investigation initiated at request of Air Defense Command reference ltr Hq ADC, dtd 7 Jul 47, file D333.6 ID, subj: Investigation of Flying Disc.

SYNOPSIS:

On 8 July 1947, approximately 1000 hours, two incidents occurred in the vicinity of Muroc Flight Test Base.
 No further investigation of these incidents is being considered by this headquarters.

Distribution	COPIES
AAF	2
ADC	1
6th Army	1
✓ FBI, S.F.	1
File AAF	1

APPROVED:

 DONALD E. SPRINGER, Lt. Col., GSC
 AG 518, A-2

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
 U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
 AUG 21 1947
 SAN FRANCISCO
 ROUTED TO

W. D. C. Form No. 110
 (This form supersedes W. D. C. Form No. 10, which will not be used upon receipt of this revision)

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF KERN)

The following is a statement given orally by
Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California, given to
Captain Harry D. Black, Intelligence Officer, on 11 August 1947.

, stated that the object he saw, he believed at the
time to be paper and of no significance or the objects not important
enough to be reported. There was nothing clearly enough seen by the
Colonel to make any further reports justifiable.

This oral statement was given freely and voluntarily without any
threats or promises under duress. This statement consists of one (1)
page, and is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief.

s/s harry d. black
CAPT. HARRY D. BLACK, MAC

A F F I D A V I T

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF KERN)

The following is a statement given by

Muroc Army Air Field,
Muroc, California, statement given on 11 July 1947.

At approximately noon on 8 July 1947, my attention was called to an object in the air by I observed between five (5) and eight (8) miles to the North what appeared to be a thin metallic object. It appeared to be metallic because the method in which it was flying caused the sun to reflect like an apparently aluminum colored surface. The object moved from an intermediate altitude in an oscillating fashion, almost to the surface of the ground and then started climbing again. It climbed to a fairly high altitude and moved off slowly into the distance. The object appeared to be the side of a pursuit airplane but did not have the shape of a conventional plane. The time that the object was in view was approximately eight (8) minutes. This same object was seen by my wife at the same time.

This statement has been given freely and voluntarily without any threats or promises under duress. This statement consists of one (1) page, and is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have initialed all corrections deemed necessary.

WITNESS:

s/ thomas a. mcmillan
THOMAS A. MC MILLAN

CONFIDENTIAL

COPY

A F F I D A V I T

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF KERN)

The following is a statement given by
4144th AAFBU, Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California, statement given
on 14 July 1947, to

This is my own written statement of what I saw on July 8, 1947.

I am NCO in charge of the _____ this Field, and

About 09:45 he was returning from the Post Exchange when he called
to me to come outside and asked me to look up to where he was pointing
and to my surprise I saw two (2) flying objects which appeared to me like
two (2) flying disc or saucer shaped silver colored objects, flying in a
northwestern direction at speed approximately 350 or 400 miles per hour
and at an altitude of about 7500 or 8000 feet. I could not hear a motor
roar like one of our planes and it could not have been a balloon.

I am of good health and sound mind and this was no hallucination.

This statement has been given freely and voluntarily without any
threats or promises under duress. This statement consists of one (1)
page, and is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have
initialed all corrections deemed necessary.

WITNESS:

s/s thomas a mc millan
THOMAS A. MC MILLAN

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL
A F F I D A V I T

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF KERN)

The following is a statement given by
Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California, statement
given on 11 July 1947, to Mr. Thomas A. McMillan, CIO S/A, this Station.

The following statement concerning the actual observance of what has
been termed as a "flying Disc" or a "flying Saucer" is true and correct and
it will be noted that the above mentioned observance was made by me per-
sonally while enjoying complete health in mind and body.

On Tuesday 8 July 1947, at approximately nine-thirty A.M. (09:30)
I was in conversation with personnel in the Post Exchange Office. My part
of this conversation was as follows:

"Someone will have to show me one of these Disc before I will
believe it."

Upon leaving the Post Exchange, I went directly to my Office and be-
fore entering heard one of our local aircraft in the traffic pattern.
Looking up, as I always do I observed the aircraft, and looked slightly
to the left, whereupon I observed two (2) silver objects of either a
spherical or disc-like shape, moving about three hundred (300) miles an
hour, or perhaps less, at approximately eight thousand (8000) feet, heading
at about three hundred twenty degrees (320°) due north.

When I first observed these objects I called

who immediately came
to where I was standing. I pointed in the direction of the objects and
asked them the question "Tell me what you see up there." Whereupon, all
the three (3) with sundry comments stated, "They are flying Disc". To
further verify my observance I asked them to tell me in what direction the
objects were traveling, without indicating their direction myself, and again,
all three (3) in a consistent nature stated that the objects were moving
toward Mojave, California.

I had time to look away several times and renew my vision of the objects
to make sure that there were not any results of eye strain, or in any nature
an optical illusion. The objects in question were not repeat, were not air-
craft, the objects could not have been weather balloons released from this
station, since they were traveling against the prevailing wind, and since
the speed at which they were traveling and the horizontal direction in which
they were traveling, disqualified the fact that they were weather balloons.

CONFIDENTIAL

After the observance of these phenomenon and hoping that I might have time to enlist further witnesses, I immediately ran into the dispensary to get personnel who are Medical Officers to verify, for my own curiosity, the actual observance of these objects, but by the time I reached the back porch of the dispensary, who is a registered nurse, and about seven (7) other personnel were with me, the objects, had by that time, disappeared, due to the speed with which they were traveling. Upon further investigation, two (2) of us at the same time sighted another object of a silver spherical or disc-like nature at approximately eight thousand (8000) feet, traveling in circles over the North-end. I called the objects to the attention of and pointed it out to the other personnel standing near by. All of us saw the object, with the exception of two (2) out of seven (7) personnel. All of us looked away from the object several times to make sure there was no eye strain or from permitting the object to become an optical illusion.

From my actual observance the object circled in too tight a circle and too severe a plane to be any aircraft that I know of. It could not have been any type of bird because of the reflection that was created when the object reached certain altitudes. The object could not have been a local weather balloon for it is very impossible that a weather balloon would stay at the same altitude as long and circle in such a consistent nature as did the above mentioned object.

I am familiar with the results of too constant vision of the sun or any bright object and am aware that optical illusions are possible and probable. I wish to make this statement that the above mentioned observance was that of actual subject matter.

This statement has been given freely and voluntarily without any threats or promises under duress. This statement consists of two (2) pages, and is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have initialed all corrections deemed necessary.

WITNESS:

s/s thomas a mc millan
THOMAS A. MC MILLAN

A F F I D A V I T

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF KERN)

The following is a statement given by
Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California, statement given to
Mr. Thomas A. McMillan, CIC Agent, This station, on 13 August 1947.

On 7 July 1947, at approximately 10:10, while running up the
XP-84 on the ground I noticed everyone was looking up into the air.
Off to the north about 10,000 to 12,000 feet altitude, was an object
that I assumed at first to be a weather balloon, but after looking at
it for a while I noticed that it was oscillating in a forward whirling
movement without losing altitude. It was traveling about 200 to 225
MPH, and heading from west to east.

The object was yellowish white in color and I would estimate that
it was a sphere about 5 to 10 feet in diameter.

I did not have time to chase it in a P-80.

This statement was given freely and voluntarily without any threats
or promises under duress. This statement consists of one (1) page, and
is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WITNESS:

s/s Thomas A. McMillan
THOMAS A. MC MILLAN

CERTIFIED TRUE
COUNTY CLERK

COPY

A F F I D A V I T

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF KERN)

The following is a statement given by
Wuroc Army Air Field, Wuroc, California, statement given to
Mr. Thomas A. McMillan, CIC Agent, this Station, on 12 August 1947.

At 11:50 hours, 8 July 1947, while the undersigned was sitting in
an observation truck located in Area # 3, Rogers Dry Lake, for the
purpose of observing a P-52 ejection seat experiment, the following
unfamiliarity was observed.

The undersigned was gazing upward toward a formation of two (2)
P-52's and an A-26 aircraft flying at 20,000 feet, preparing to carry
out a seat ejection experiment, when I observed a rounded object,
white aluminum in color, which at first resembled a parachute canopy.
The first impression was that a premature ejection of the seat and
dummy had occurred. This body was ejected at a determined height lower
than 20,000 feet, and was falling at three (3) times the rate observed
for the parachute which was ejected thirty minutes later. As it fell
it drifted slightly north of due west against the prevailing wind, to-
ward Mount Wilson. The speed, horizontal motion could not be determined,
but appeared slower than the maximum velocity 50-80 aircraft.

As this object descended through a low enough level to permit
observation of its lateral silhouette, it presented a distinct ovular
outline, with two (2) projections on the upper surface which might have
been thick fins or nobs. These crossed each other at intervals, suggest-
ing either rotation or oscillation of slow type.

No smoke flames, propellar arcs, engine noise, or other clasuable (?)
or visible means of propulsion were noted. The color was silvery, re-
sembling aluminum painted fabric, and did not appear as dense as a
parachute canopy.

When the object dropped to a level such that comes into line of
vision of the mountain tops, it was lost to the vision of the observer.

It is estimated that the object was in line of vision about 90
seconds. Of the five (5) people sitting in the observation truck, four
(4) observed this object and made remarks about it. These people include:
- Civilian, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio
(Other names not given)

The following is my own personal opinions about this object:

1. I think it was a man-made object, as evidenced distaintly by
the outline and functional appearance.

CONFIDENTIAL

2. Its side was not far from 25 feet with a parachute canopy.

3. The path followed by this object appeared as though it might have been dropped from a great height.

Seeing this was not a hallucination or other fancies of a sense.

This statement was given freely and voluntarily without any threats or promises under duress. This statement consists of two (2) pages, and is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have initialed all corrections deemed necessary.

WITNESS:

s/ thomas a. mc millan
THOMAS A. MC MILLAN

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

APPIDAVIT

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF KERN)

The following is a statement given on 14 July 1947, by

Maroc Army Air Field, Maroc, California.

I am fully aware of my Civil and Constitutional Rights, and understand prior to making this statement.

On Tuesday morning 8 July 1947, at approximately 10:00, while typing some cards, and taking care of my routine work, called me, along with to the front of B.O.Q. "A" Bldg. Pointing up in a direction directly above me he asked us to explain what we saw. There were two, silver colored disc like objects flying toward Mojave, California, one direct back of the other, at a speed of about 300 to 400 miles per hour, having an altitude of approximately 8000 feet. I listened carefully for a few minutes, and heard no drone, such as should be heard from any aircraft. I also cast my eyes to another direction and looking back to the same spot, I was able to distinguish the same objects again. Having assured myself that there was no eye-strain, I was convinced these objects were not weather balloons due to the horizontal position in which they were flying. Nor could they have been birds of any nature, due to the definite reflection from the sun rays.

I have been on this base, considering an absence of six months, approximately eighteen months, and am familiar with all type aircraft.

About three or four minutes, after these flying objects had nearly disappeared, I glanced around and sighted another flying object, similar to the above mentioned objects. This flying object was silver colored and was in the shape of a disc. Unlike the first two this object was flying in a tight circle, neither losing nor gaining altitude, at approximately eight thousand feet, therefore I was convinced it could not have been a weather balloon, and because of the tight circle it could not have been any type aircraft.

This statement was given freely and voluntarily without threats or promises under duress. This statement consists of one (1) page, and is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have initialed all corrections deemed necessary.

I am of sound mind and body, and swear that this statement is true and correct.

WITNESSES:

s/s thomas a. mc millan
THOMAS A. MC MILLAN

CONFIDENTIAL

A F F I D A V I T

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF KERN)

The following is a statement given by
4144th AAFBU, Muroc Army Air Field, Muroc, California, statement given
on 14 July 1947, to

On the eight of July 1947 at ten o'clock (10:00) in the morning
I observed personally two (2) flying disc, flying in a north west direction
at an estimated altitude of seven or eight thousand feet, traveling at
approximately three or four hundred miles per hour.

Just a few minutes before this I was in the Billing Office and
First Lieutenant Joseph C. McHenry called me and two (2) others out-
side. He then asked us what we saw. I saw two (2) objects with my own
eyes, and I am now and was then in perfect physical condition. I have
20-20 vision and I am positive these two (2) objects could not have been
Aircraft, weather balloons or birds. Due to the altitude in which they
were flying, they gave off a definite reflection from the rays of the sun.

In addition to these two (2) disc I saw another object a few
minutes later at the same altitude doing certain maneuvers such as flying
in a tight circle. The two disc had already disappeared. This object to
my knowledge of aircraft could not have been an airplane because of the
very tight maneuver it was undergoing. I have been flying in and have
been around all types of aircraft since 1943 and never in my life have I
seen anything such as this. If necessary I can and will swear to this
statement.

This statement has been given freely and voluntarily without any
threats or promises under duress. This statement consists of one (1)
page, and is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have
initialed all corrections deemed necessary.

WITNESS:

s/s thomas a. mc millan
THOMAS A. MC MILLAN

CONFIDENTIAL

HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2
Intelligence
Hamilton Field, California

AAFDA
833.8/1206-1

20 August 1947

SUBJECT: Flying Disc.

TO: Special Agent in Charge, FBI, U. S. Dept. of Justice,
Federal Office Building, Room 422, San Francisco, Calif.

1. The attached letter was received by this office from Mr.
Pacific Telephone and Telegraph
Company, on 18 August 1947.

2. No further investigation will be made of this reported inci-
dent by this headquarters.

Donald L. Springer
DONALD L. SPRINGER
Lt. Colonel, OSG
AG of S, A-2

3 Encls
As indicated.

DISTRIBUTION:
AAF - 2 cys
ADG - 1
6th Army - 1 cy
FBI - 1 cy

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
AUG 21 1947
SAN FRANCISCO
ROUTED TO *151*

CONFIDENTIAL

f
97
177

111
t
-t-
t t

COPY

427 W. 3d Avenue
Spokane, Washington
August 8, 1947

Military Intelligence Division, U.S.A.
McChord Field, Washington

Gentlemen:

Following the reading of an account of the visit of Mr. Kenneth Arnold, Boise, Idaho, as published in the Spokesman Review under date of August 7, 1947, the undersigned considered the enclosed account of an observation of a "flying saucer" would be of interest to you.

This account has not been given to any newspaper or other publication as yet.

Yours truly,

/s/ R. J. Madden
R. J. MADDEN,
Division Plant Engr.
The Pac. Tel. & Tel. Co.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
AUG 21 1947
SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE
ROUTED TO

CONFIDENTIAL

Report on a "flying saucer"

At about 12:30 p.m., July 29, 1947, a sedan, driven by Steve Hermann and carrying E. J. (Bob) Madden in the front seat and Karl Herrmann in the rear seat, was proceeding northwesterly along the road leading from Canyon Ferry to York, both in Montana some 20 miles N.W. of Helena.

When at a point approximately 2 mile N.W. of Canyon Ferry, (as shown on Forest Service Map to be in the NE 1/4 of Sec. 10 T10N R1W) Karl suddenly shouted "See it! See it! There's a flying saucer!" Steve immediately slowed down and gradually brought the sedan to a stop, he and Bob meanwhile scanning the sky in the direction pointed by Karl in an effort to see the "flying saucer", but without success.

Approximately ten seconds elapsed between the time Karl reported seeing the "saucer", coming over the horizon at high speed from the southwest, (Karl first thought it a meteor) and travelling northwesterly, and the bringing of the car to a stop.

As the car came to a stop, Steve, Karl and Bob, simultaneously, saw the following:

Directly ahead, (N.W.) 2 to 3 miles distant and approximately 3000 ft. above the ground, a bright disc hovering and fluttering in the air. Descending and rising through a vertical distance of fifty or a hundred feet for a period of about five seconds then, while at the top of an ascent, the "disc" suddenly swooped to the Northwest at tremendous speed and disappeared into the clear air within a distance of 100 ft. That is to say it did not pass beyond an obstruction to further visibility but "melted into thin air" as if because of tremendous speed.

This disc was, from the viewpoint of the observers, apparently 3 ft. in diameter, circular and of no great thickness - approximately 3 or 4 inches.

The sky was blue with scattered small clouds, the sun was shining brightly and the disc glowed and shimmered in the bright sunlight as if covered with highly polished nickel.

After the "disc" disappeared from view, the sedan and its occupants proceeded northwesterly along the road, but could discern no evidence of the presence of the "disc" along or adjacent to that thoroughfare.

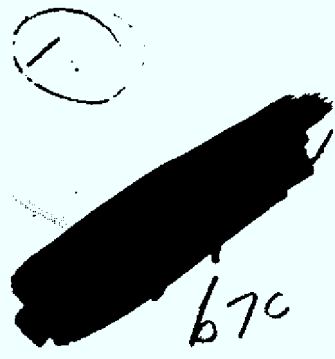
It is to be remembered that the dimensions as stated above were as they appeared to the observers from 2 or 3 miles from the "disc" and the true dimensions must be considerably greater.

✓
E. J. Madden,
E. J. MADDEN,
Division Plant Eng.,
The Rock Well & Tool Co.

(...) (e? Irr. al w'ur. eau of Inuestigaii')

Bnited Itatea llrpartm. ent of Juatirr

407 U. S. Court House
Seattle 4, Washington
August 18, 1947



11/2
X
11/2
X
11/2
X

DIRECTOR,
FB
I

RE: FLYING DISCS SIGHTED BY [REDACTED]

b7c

TACQT, 7:
SHINGTON

-X

Dear

The following, in general, are the facts regarding the flying disc story that started by [REDACTED] which subsequently resulted in news stories by the Tacoma Times, the Boise Statesman and the Chicago Times that a B-25 carrying Army Intelligence officers was shot down or sabotaged over Kelso, Washington on August 1, 1947 because it was carrying some flying disc fragments.

The original story, as related by [REDACTED] was to the effect that [REDACTED] while patrolling in his boat near Maury Island, Washington, sighted six flying discs, one of which fluttered to the earth and disintegrated, showering his boat with fragments which caused some damage to the boat and killed his dog. [REDACTED] wrote a letter to [REDACTED] of Giff-Davis Company which publishes fantastic adventure magazines in Chicago, sending him fragments of the flying disk and relating the above story. [REDACTED] requested Trans-Radio News in Chicago to verify the story as related by [REDACTED] telegraphed [REDACTED] confirming [REDACTED] story. [REDACTED] then engaged [REDACTED] Boise, Idaho, who was the first to report sighting the flying disc and whom [REDACTED] had previously made a contract for a story regarding the flying disc, to come to Tacoma and check the story as related by [REDACTED]

ENCL. ATTACHED

[REDACTED] came to Tacoma, Washington July 30, 1947 and arranged for a meeting the following day, July 31, with [REDACTED] in his room 502, Winthrop Hotel, Tacoma, Washington. [REDACTED] also called to attend the meeting [REDACTED] United Airlines Pilot who had also reported seeing flying disc fragments, and Army Intelligence to attend

64

RECORDED
&
INDEXED

EX-64

162-83894-106

34 SEP 20 1947

53 OCT 1 1947

COPIES DESTROYED
270 NOV 18 1964

14

PV

August 19, 1947

forwarded herein. _____ deny, however, that they actually started the flying disc story & their actual part in the _____ story. United Airlines pilot, _____ states that _____ on July 31, 1947, both related their

original flying disc fraud story. Information gathered would indicate that these anonymous phone calls were possibly made by _____ in order to build up the flying disc story to the point where they could make a profitable sale of the story to _____ at Chicago, Illinois. No facts have been developed

which would definitely prove that _____ made these calls. However, from all facts and information gathered, it appears he is probably the most likely to have made the anonymous calls. The detailed interviews of the persons contacted in regard to this flying disc story are being set out below.

_____ The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent _____ at Tacoma, Washington on August 6, 7, & 1947: _____ Tacoma, Washington, advised that in the early part of June, 1947 he was requested by the Seattle Post-Intelligencer to check on a story which he was informed had been obtained from the _____ at Harper, Washington. The story was supposed to have originated with _____ stated that the story was to the effect that _____ while patrolling in his boat near Maury Island, saw five or six flying discs, one of which fluttered toward the ground and finally disintegrated. Fragments of the disc were reported to have showered down on the boat of _____ causing some damage and killing his dog. _____ stated that he went to the home _____ Tacoma, Washington to check with him on this flying disc story. He stated that as best he could recall, this was just a few days after the first flying disc stories had appeared in the paper and was on a Sunday evening. He believed it was the early part of June. He stated that _____ took him in the kitchen and proceeded to talk about this flying disc story in low muffled tones. He stated that _____ acted rather suspicious and that shortly his wife came into the kitchen and was in a considerable rage, telling _____ to admit that the entire story was a plain fantasy which he had dreamed up. He stated that after his wife told _____ to admit the entire story was false, that _____ then admitted that there was nothing whatever to the story and it was an entire hoax. _____ stated that in view of the enraged condition of _____ wife, he immediately left and reported to the Seattle Post-Intelligencer that the entire story was a hoax and that they should not print it in any way. He further stated that he advised the Seattle Post-Intelligencer that _____ was a mental case and that nothing which he had reported should be carried as far as a news story. _____ stated that since that time he had received repeated requests from the Boise Statesman requesting information as to the flying disc stories reportedly originating with _____ stated that he had never, in his experience, had such pressure brought upon him to release a news story and that he repeatedly advised the Boise Statesman that the story of seeing the flying discs by _____ was a complete fabri-

August 19, 1947

L

ation and should be in no way, carried as a news story and refused to 2tsh
any infonnation regarding these reports. He further stated that
he advised
the Boise statesnan shortly before, or at the time
to come to Tacoma to check on the flvill! disc stories wlh
eft Boise
at, should not come as the etje h -

The ;oll?wine infonnation was obtained from J
co a, iashinston,

It was the Tacoma Times p8.per which first issued a story on
Aueust 2 and subsequent stories intimating that the B-25
which crashed at Kelso Washington on the early mornw ot AuP-ust l. had
been sabota ed or shot
down because of the fact that it carried flying disc fragments. stat
that on Thursday, July 31, at approxl:nately 11:JO A. ?!. he received an anonymous phone call
in which the caller stated that4l• a,,and Army Intellieence

officers were r meeting in room 502 of the ...inthrop Hotel to check of the flying J stated he
disc story from which tralments were obtained on 41...lury Island.

fJ :: i

tt e a:r =• torr:P;t

;:t

tfi!e bh n!P.e

who was out at the time of the call He stated a

ailed at room 502 In the lynthrop Hotel and was advised y

that he could furnish no information as he was there on a Government
mission. tated that on Fridbetween 11:00 A. M. and nootf/

he received another phone call for , in which the anonymous caller
stated that he might have scme infonnation for him asked the caller if
ht: was not t.be same party that had called the previous date and he said yes.

The caller then related that at that moment there was a big meeting in progress l: _1::: :-

YcChord Field officials had stated the plane was sabotaged or shot down. The i

about noon and round that there was no male operator on duty. He stated he then
went to room 502 and answered the door and that Captain

it - ::t"!::!\!h!!u • ;t": :n0!./ h!., ::• !:/:.r;.,.

attempted to check the story with various people f- .i i.. maJ{e no statement and that he had
on llaury IIlan:l with negative

results. He that about J::30 P. ?- Friday,
he wrote a story regardine the mysterious intonnant and called .-., at his
hotel roan, stating that he had written th story aoo that ad better .-.,
check it. He stated that he talked to the United Press \-fireman;
Tacoma, who advised that the story sou e antastic. tated that about
5::30 P. M., Friday, August 1, an anonymous caller ca th:.. ,

t' -2

;...1.

.....,
.....

ir//>:1..

1/5 .. 2 .. - .. - ..

..... ; i' " ! . ;

! f i l t t <



/j}h. ,.

J: ; -) : : : : £ [_ _ _



AUGUST 19, 1947

[redacted] stating that Captain DAVIDSON and Lieutenant K.O. [redacted] were the Intelligence officers that were killed in the crash of the B-25 and that civilians and the sheriff had been kept away from the wreckage. The Army guard kept it. He stated the anonymous caller then said that the names [redacted] had not been released yet by the Army and that this would verify his statement. [redacted] stated that the following morning, Saturday, August 2, the Army [redacted] verified that they were Army Intelligence officers. He stated that the anonymous caller again later contacted [redacted] call name h: imJ: y

that name, and at this time stated he did not call the [redacted] or the [redacted] denied calling [redacted]. In this call the anonymous caller stated that, "Don't think I'm doing this for you." He then asked if the story had been put on the wire and when [redacted] said yes, the caller stated, "You want this to get back to New Jersey." The caller further stated that the B-25 was shot down by a 20 mm. cannon and that the marine plane which was recently found wrecked on the side of Mt. Rainier, [redacted] have been missing for several months, but [redacted] also been shot down. The caller stated that the [redacted] should get in contact with a former [redacted] [redacted] airlines who, he stated, was with [redacted] when they were shot at over Montana. The caller then stated, "I'll see you [redacted] San Francisco." [redacted] stated that he had checked with [redacted] of United Airlines who denied knowing pilot by the [redacted] 4111 denied ever having flown over Montana. [redacted] denied [redacted] stated that he had received another anonymous call in which the caller stated that it would be sent to Wright Field on Tuesday and that Saturday one of the men who found fragments of the [redacted] of the [redacted] to be flown to Alaska. [redacted] stated [redacted] in view of the fact that the information as to the Intelligence officers on the B-25 had been furnished by the anonymous caller, had subsequently been verified by the [redacted]. The story was released that the B-25 was carrying disc fragments returning to Hamilton Field, California and furnishing the inference that the plane had been sabotaged or shot down. [redacted] stated that about 8:00 P.M. on Sunday, August 3, he contacted [redacted] this home, [redacted] Seattle at which time [redacted] stated he had not given any story out to the Post-Intelligencer at Seattle; stated that he had gotten a telegram to call a number in Boise and when he called and found out it [redacted] was the Boise State man, [redacted] had hung up. [redacted] for the Boise State man then contacted [redacted] [redacted] time he admitted he had seen the disc fragments, but that he did not take any of

This time [redacted] informed [redacted] that he had been with [redacted] Public Relations Officer from Hamilton Field, all afternoon until about [redacted]

[redacted] informed [redacted] that he had told the Army authorities everything that he and [redacted] knew about the flying disc fragments story from [redacted] Boise, Idaho and he had left Seattle, [redacted]. [redacted] admitted that there were some of the supposed disc fragments [redacted] room at the [redacted] Hotel at [redacted] that [redacted] Thursday afternoon. On Friday [redacted] stated that [redacted] [redacted] advised that if this were not used in [redacted] the paper, he and [redacted]

August 19, 1947

[redacted] would see him after lunch. -stated that about noon [redacted] and [redacted] exploring a gravel pit on Jiary Island and found some formations. He stated they picked up some of these samoles and that [redacted] later saw them and they vlent back over to Jiary Island at which time additional G&raples were obtained and **that4 •sent** these to a friend of his .Jt the University of Chicar;o to have analyzed. They stated that they received a report and th...t apparently this friend had asked a newspaperma" to fi!"ld out where the rock forra...l.tions were obtained. **a •lknd•• told** ... t.nat sometime after the first flyine disc story hadappeared, they receivec. a tele *P-ram* from Trans-Ocean Press from ChicaRo wantiM infommation on he flyine disc fragments. tatedthat they had at no tirie indicated.-the rock formations were a part of a flying disc and that Captain [redacted] and [redacted] were not interested in the rock formations and they denied et,ring tbemto--...

1(

furnished substantially the sa.I.e in [redacted] information that was obtained from [redacted] **the41 III** regarding the anonymsc phone calls \,high Le had received. He stated further that the first call he received was on Friday, August 1, at around 5:30 P. !!. At this time the caller stated that the B-25 vchich crashed at Kelso, Washington was carryine disc fragments and that the two officers killed were Captain DAVID3mr and Lieutenant BRO'!'., of:icers with >.rmy A-?- Intelligence at Hamilton Field and that the fra.zments were top secrs:lt material. He stated the caller indicated that when the Arm.:• released the names of the dead officers it vould verify that the information h was furnishine v;as ci;rrect. -stated that the second call he received at a Jproxil'!:ltely 6:45 P. H. Friday, August 1 at ,hich time the caller stated thrt the '9-25 was

1

f [redacted] in:J; at if he, **g.g.n :-::** **A: Lt**
[redacted] but it was found out it was Colonel who was in ch;irt,c: of Sheriff's Office hc.d
Anny Intelligence A-2. The caller further stated that th
been ke rom the rash nd that no civi ans had been a, ow d near
the plane.....stated the third call he received at 5:30 r. u., 1,; gust 2,
."Inl tb It tli: ti!nc the cllr st:lted th;;t one of the : ,en uho hc;d beer. r:- Jnfc!Tin
vith Capt...in hd -;iast;J: n to .lnsko. tlvit J.3.y. :rw c...llt;r further stated that
the B-25 was shot down from the air with a 20 m.F. cannon; th Lt the J:arine plane found
recently on Et, fainier had also been shot down; tliat CaoL.J.in ,ould be
t.;ken to /riP:ht Field TL1esday *mornin.r:* and that .i.
t.nited :-...irLincs pilot b;., the nanle o.f flew with Ca;tain .:hen thC;y
were shot at over !-ontana. The caller stated he was leavinc: for 3an Fr"-ncisc0
and would be back Tuesday.

..v_r,y,little effort to --iuestion tle anony;ncal7cr fo o',t n his identity 2-s
thy f lt it was useless and that if they started.. questionin; k; him he ;,;:lld

1J

sent these formations, asking ~~me~~ have them analyzed. They stated that

1

0

August 19, 1947

refuse to furnish any further information.

contacted in the residence of McGinnis

Ma! At this time, asked if the Seattle Office was investigating the crash of the B-25 and he was informed that no investigation was being conducted by the Seattle Office. At this time related in a rambling story that he had picked up some strange rock formations which he had forwarded to a friend of his in the University of Chicago to have analyzed and that later, in some manner unknown to him, these rock formations had been reported as being fragments of a flying disc.

On August 7, 1947, McGinnis and Ma were interviewed at the Tacoma resident agency office. Both Ma and McGinnis were interviewed.

Ma denied any knowledge of how the rock formations which they had picked up to

have analyzed became connected with the flying disc stories. Both denied making any statement to anyone that these rock formations were portions of a

fragment. It is apparent from the start of the interview that Ma and McGinnis were not telling their complete and true connection with the disc story. They refused to give any definite information as to what they said

or had done which caused them to become involved in a flying disc activity, but gave evasive answers and repeatedly stated that they had nothing to do with it.

Ma and McGinnis were at a loss to understand how they became connected with the flying disc story. After considerable questioning, they stated that in the early part of June they sent McGinnis Ziff-Davis Publishing Company which published "Fantasy" magazine in Chicago and "the Venture" magazine in Evansville, Indiana, some rock formations which they had found on Jaury Island. They stated they

later Ma wrote and asked for more samples advising he had failed to analyze

Ma stated they held a record of the flying disc story and that he immediately set down and wrote a letter to Ma in which was in the latter part of June in which he stated

was when he called Ma and asked if the rock formations could have come from a flying disc. Ma stated he made some remark that they possibly could have come from a flying disc and that he immediately set down and wrote a letter to Ma in which was in the latter part of June in which he stated

the material could have been portions of a flying disc. Ma claimed that he

... it" .i...
boat when -
I -t written to f
nd claimd that he passed the whole thine- off a.6 a jo
fronna ■ lti lnliais' /;:e£ s! ela
! :o: ::n !g! :! ef: rma-

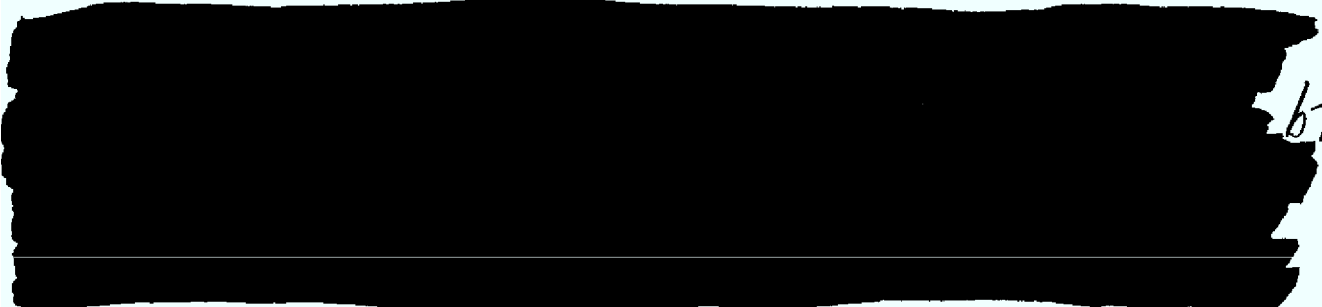
f & tions. However, each atated that the only thing they had done was tell
{ft l the formations could have come *iran* a flying disc in view of the fact it appeared
f.J1.j_}, :: :Y t! :!
k l.. " , } that's what he wanted thelll to eay". } lo definite w-onuation coll..ld be obtained
•i•ory•....-u to what each specifically had done to start the

f,--:i-}'t' .,;... g:, (/." .- T!Jo •ii:ned ot"tem:n:ii•,.,.,• o!>trlnod fl-om .r:}'
; {itl • .f- _:, .: : :
l

ti:ii-7/_1_•t..
i :;;>>>< : : ! : ! - \

ft

August 19, 1947



b7c

The following information was obtained by Special Agent in
interview on August 12, 1947 with Captain
United Airlines pilot. It should be noted that
Captain as previously received publicity for having supposedly seen flying discs or similar
objects on July 4, last while on a routine United Airlines flight out of Boise, Idaho in company with
his co-pilot 6

Concerning this incident. Captain 411 states that he took off from Boise, Idaho
at 12:12 P.M. on August 4, 1947 enroute to Portland, Oregon at 10,000 feet, co-pilot called his attention to objects in the sky ahead of them about ten degrees left which neither one could identify.
• Captain states that he called a CAA radio operator at Ontario, Oregon and requested him to step outside his radio shack and see if he could see any of these objects overhead. The CAA radio operator replied in the negative.

Captain states that he first met John J. J. J. in the offices of the Boeing company in Boise, Idaho in the summer of 1946. John J. J. J. interviewed concerning their sighting of flying discs. John J. J. J. states that he met John J. J. J. three weeks ago in Boise, Idaho at which time he was on another flight from Boise, Idaho and had a ten minute lay-over there. On this occasion was in company of William L. Davidson (J. Edgar Hoover's former Army Intelligence officer, and John J. J. J. next contact with John J. J. J. was on July 31, 1947 when he received a telephone call from John J. J. J. in the early afternoon at which time he asked to come over to his home.

John J. J. J. and John J. J. J. discussed the flying disc sightings. John J. J. J. stated that he would fly over and pick him up at Boise airport at 1:30 P.M. and at Boise field about 4:00 P.M. and they flew to Perryville Airport at Pocomo, Washington where they were met by John J. J. J. The three of them proceeded in a car to the Linthrop Hotel where John J. J. J. was occupying room 502. John J. J. J. and John J. J. J. during this time either invited him up to the room. John J. J. J. learned from John J. J. J. that John J. J. J. were the participants in the latest flying disc story and John J. J. J. states that he had no previous contact with either of these men before meeting them in Pocomo, Oregon.

This letter was typed by John J. J. J. at the Chicago office of the United States Air Force. The information was furnished to the Chicago office by John J. J. J. of the Chicago office of the United States Air Force.

t $\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -\frac{GM}{x^2}$ $\frac{dx}{dt} = \sqrt{2GM(x - x_0)}$ $x = x_0 + \sqrt{2GM} \sqrt{t}$

$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -\frac{GM}{x^2}$ $\frac{dx}{dt} = \sqrt{2GM(x - x_0)}$ $x = x_0 + \sqrt{2GM} \sqrt{t}$

August 19, 1947

the story in J. como... \$ info... and Q at the... tie that
after receiving this letter he had called by telephone in Chicago
as a result of which call... had forwarded him \$200.00 expense money
for covering the story. Shortly thereafter, at about 7:30 P.M. ... arrived at the Hotel
room and the discussion began. One; the; four were present
as to what ... had seen on aury Island. ... groi'e;t;sed reluc-

tance to tell the story, claim that several unfortunate incidents occurred subsequent to
his seeing the flying discs and he believed the entire incident had brought him bad luck.
In this connection he stated that for five days subsequent to his sighting the flying discs, a man called at his home and had a
conversation with him the course of which was warned to forget
all about everything he had seen on or near L'Aury Island. In addition to that, ... stated
that his sixteen year old son had run away from home following the incident
and had been picked up by the police somewhere in Montana. After some
further discussion ... finally agreed to tell his story of the flying
disc incident in front of ... after eliciting ...
... that he would not discuss the matter for at least two weeks. It should
be noted that ... had previously told his story to ...
at this point late in the incident which has already been discussed and which he
alleged had taken place on or about June 23 or 24. ... relating the
incident mentioned that he had taken pictures of the flying disc which
he had seen but that the printed films were marred with white spots. ...

... had concluded his story, related that he had done the following day to L'Aury
Island to verify what had told him concerning the fragments and had at this time picked up
several fragments and taken them with him. At this time related
that he also saw one of the flying discs hovering over the Island but that it had
disappeared into a cloud. ...
... had finished telling their story 411-1 told the group that he had recalled in
that evening called Captain ... in Det. VIDSON and Lieutenant HLO'H, Army Intelligence officers
and that they were on their way to the Hotel room. At this point
... protested that he did not wish to tell his story before anyone else, but he
was advised by ... that if such was the case he didn't he just leave and wait
to be there when ... then

went downstairs, departed a one. ... drove back to ... Field
near Seattle where he desired to pick up his own personal car, which he, ... They then returned to
the Hotel where the ground Captain DAVIDSON and Lieutenant ... in room 502 with ...
met them at the door and secured ... explaining to Captain D. WIOSOJ had
just drawn a reproduction of a freak disc which had supposedly been seen by a woman in
Arizona and that this drawing was an exact reproduction of the flying disc which he, ...
had seen several weeks before, naming Lt. Rabiner, states that shortly after his
seemed very anxious to tell his story to the ... officers. Before this was done,
however, ... had a discussion with Lieutenant
... informing him that they had promised not to release the story for
two weeks and that if ... were allowed to tell the story, ... at ...

... must agree not to release the story for one month. ...
... at ... and his story of the flying discs over the ...

August 19, 1947

J

Island to 31: C "ir and D: YID O', Follo, in; this recitation, Lieu, enant ? C-!?", in ansl.er to a query from said tLat he ...rd Ccl.ptain n: VID30F ., :0rc of the opinion t, l-t, there might be some truth in the current flyin disc storj_8s, but that their immediate superiors (prestID.ably ; -2 at llanilton Field) did not ae;ree vtl.th them.

Bna.; and D, WID.; ON the l l held a brief discusion as to l: hE: tner they should return that same nir;ht to Ear: tilton Field anq U.ey decided that they would, ;\11 five of the mou then went dmm to the lobby where E, C, lJ / det.lched himself from the croup and enter<Jd a phone booth to call fc, r a car/J fror: l rcChord Field, --also left the croup and : wt 3ROY. : orltside the p: :;e booth --; here they held a short discussion relativ: to the creJibilit; ;, ;f

story. ! 0.11-J indicated to...that he should atte: it to find out if the story was on the level andthat Biw..1, v10uld call him the .. ollov;ing day reear ding this matter. The group then proceeded to the front of the Hotel at which time h" 'ought his car to the front of the Hotel and took from his trllllk a box of the alleed flying disc fragments picked up on !l: : :ury Isla.nd.

t: 8 offered them to BRU. J J nnd DAVIDSON and v lhen the i- rmy car .i. rrvied from : :cChord

departed alone: and tii ■ ■ - ■ ■ i: i search of ; ;o, lcthir, c to c L ?, nd later

rettn-ncd to the Sotel for the richt.

On Friday morning, Auc:ust 1, 1947,received a call frominfonnine him th.et a B-25 had crashed during the night and it believed to be the sam.lane which BRO: JI and DAVIDSON ; ;ere flying, this call -.and came to the Hotel room and from the room tcChord Field in an attempt to get infonnation about the crash.

ook th phone froe. nd spoke to a Colonel f) identHyil.z : l.rrlself and.addng if the B-25 which crashed vrl's the only one l' :hich li, d ta' : :n off frm. HcChord Field the previous night, told hill that it , l s, rollow- ine this call 411 • arllled • in Chicaeo and Informed hir., of t'le previous night's conversations and the fact that D.AVID50N and JRO' ; l' . ;ere believed

to have been killed. old 411 -to discontinue his investiction of the incident and that he,

L was no lonzer intereoted. then tookj-? the phone from anj asked if he could shed an on the / C situation. I asunable to say VJhat • reply to v, ; ;ls. Fe!.. low ne t e e telephone discuss ons says that he callee. ? v, hom hP riPnt, f, PC: i R .i. nPToc:nn, fr, Pnn nf h, ;, P.nn an

T tate; th: l t he he. d : weviousl; : nacl.e : n a ; ;i-ec, lEnt \-rith- in Chicago thnt should he ever rlln across any flyinG disc stories which s'ioveC: ., romise of news value, that Ile would contact and this call was a result of thut agreement, Shortly afterward, Colonel called him from EcCr, ; ;rd

Field sta, ting that lfa.milton Field had requested that, on.dsubmit their addresses to Humilton Field !'or convenience of any i.n.y investiation of the incident which may be fortllcomin_r; ;. After this c&.11 th; ; ;our men went to a restaurant for lunch, Durinc t e course of thimeal _excused himself from the table on.d n.ttempted to call SAC 308! : IITT of the Port- - • iand Field C.lfice, Fecteral Bureau of Investig with ,ihom he cl; :-bs : :cqu.; ; ; in tance. 30BBITT, however, was unavailable and, v, as i.lnable to co2p:ete the

t_g = ts..

not

room un

August 19, 1947

returning to the Hotel room, a

called

f

uv;ok;rto,hirn- \h;--t;i pho;•

but refused to rrive out any infonnation further relates that while the four men were in the room at this time, an envelope was shoved under the door and that he retrieved it from the lloor....statesthat the appearance

of this envelope seemed to startlconsiderably and that infact, turned white as a sheet U.. '1til4111 11r1 lead the note unsigned which P"BS a commu- nication to the Hotel advisin3 that a stri;ce of Hotel employees was et.linent and

all;er l,nl.s uicJ;o;ent.. expect :11 :tly

take to Haury Island the followine morn(Saturday).

and then 1"1ent out for dinner and on their return, OW1d a note in the box requestine him to call a certain telephone number. e did this fran the: l:otel room and was answered by who requested

... to e,o out and call him from a pay station. W complained and was / infonncdb th2ttHo &nonymous telephone cc:lls h:d been received by C

him th t a discussion reardine f\}ini dices had been taking place in room 502 at the Jinthrop Hotel, l,hich involved Anny Il:telligence officers. From.

the infonnation whic' 'tad received, - was

convinced that the a.norl,Ylllous caller must have been present at the discussion also, a: was seeminel.Y

in possession of pertinent rem:trks which had been made in the room. C

states that he did not give o..y further information and that 1n conclu- aion of the call, he retur-nJto the Hotel room and he andl!!!llll!!! retired for the night. •

On Saturday mornine, August 2, 1:"4" I 9 rec:leived a tele- phone call from in Chica.e_o, but was unable to eive him an.;

! and--.joined nda.n unknown mnn in the Coffee Shop for breakfast.

The unknown person was discussing some lwnber business ith d askE about and left after breakfast. On leavine. the coffee shop.

the negatives or the photographs which he claimed to-have taken of the flying discs. ••asaid the neeatives were in the glove compartment of his car, but/-7 a ::earch of the instant clove com,r,artment las fruitless. The four then pr (ceded in sc,otle dock v:here they ;;ere to embark for Uaury Island. T"ne boat, however, could not be started and the trip was postponed wtil later

in the day. 'hile at the dock, however, sked to be shown the damaee to the boat which had allegedly- occurred when the fragments showered dol,m on Maury Island. -pointedow that may have been repairs to the t-Jindshield and liP-hts on the boot. but as not personally satisfied th...t these repairs were•made as a result of n.ny such incident • lltben drove -

• •and4ll-aa,back to the Hotel at approximately 10:45 A. !!.and the:n he would call them liter on and that they would c;o to !!aury Island. On

in\$. te Hot.el+ cnlle... L... A le... co - 'irncs as a result of Which

room due to the Hotel employees' strike.

August 19, 1947

Received call of the "the voice" had

"inthrop Hotel. -- ct&td th...t thr: /... rpose oi' this meetinc ...as to try to find out something morga out the anony,nous phone c&lls ;,hich ... held told him about. He and £ still refused to e anyfurther information reardine the Thursday evenine conference to __,-u.nd were infor-,led by. that the wasafraid of being scooned on the story :lnr. v,as goil 2 to print somet..nng on th...it daycl.nd ...c:hen returne ! to :.l. Fote,;_ and ...

thereafter received a phone c:1 from 41 1. but the co.]~l 1:1c. cut off by the switchboard oerutor since it v;as not an ernerccnc.T cz-11.... and henreturned to the ;rotel lobby r:here ui<,;,' found a telecr,;m fro,:'

41111Sas,anc them to call h1m at either Bro:,dw.'ly or Proctor- is r.c., sure of the exchanee. 4 - alled tl'lis nwrber, but __,-a.s nothere, states that l'-c y;cnt then to the 'csternUni OfficeandspatcheJ a collect tele13ram to a.at the -----which co:ltained a £ & to brief resume of the incidents ,hich had occurred and which req_u.ested £ & to

wire £ a telephone number v:here-,could be reached 2fter 6:OC ? • !:.

st. tes that he has never received an ansrJer to thr.>t wire. Follm:ine this, All9- states that he and-thD.t hand lobby of the Cl/i.lp:ic Fotel :hen ent(.:ed end gc.ve the... each... of t'le I test editio:l of the 'c: con: 'T:cs. vlllich contL inE.C. :.ctor 7 hintin... ..c:boi in the crash of the Anny 8-Q... vlllich killed Captain D/VIDJCTJ J.nd Lieut.cmant B...C-...-st...fed th;-.t. he and.....continued to occupy seats in the Eoi-el lobby; most of the afternoon in.J.smuch 3.3 they were ur:able to receive clls in theP;itel

in the late afternocn from 3 advisiot: him to ca11a...l.l tb t evellir; t

JO as t(1:1: rc:h requesting th.s.t he call re arcine the, nonymot: s calls. -E.J £ Co.lsc t;...t it ,:as f the -■■■ Ile refu:- 0 L: :givea: :my 11

f.lrther infonllation at this tir:le. HovlevEr, shortly there:..i!"ter, • call,, from Boise and advised C tho.t the Army had released a story throu. zh Pr ,sz.dier r-eneral SHPJJ. revealin: the confidential assienment which :SITO;.. and n.-.VM.SC;: • to a:l:ier :;:,d been engaged on. In vie,; of this esLwsted

one que:..tion for hiaa vihich was, "here they carryint 3.ny allec;ed disc fr2[.:1e:l s on the plane?" and nsvlered, "Yes., they v!ere." Followin,c; this ca:iled... a)ser his earlier request and was info11,,eC:.. that

h.J.d. received another anonymou'..: phone ce:1l at v;hich time s i-l th- t t..Le .h":1ly I3-25 cc.r,r;inc Cal)tain :i:..Tu.SC;! ;_Ind LiGutcl.mt 1?::c h,-,en sL t, do:n ...i.h 20 :-:,.-n. shells vnd th;t, t:1c.. :c.rine ,lare f(_c:nd c;: • t. :inier h;:d also hcen s:10t down with 20 m.m.. shells. The voice V'er,t on to :'.:..t, th:t - :.ould be c,,lled back to -irir;ht Field on 'foesd.ly, -;hen... :;:l-ed why he w:1-s rivine: out this infonnation the c:..lller relJlierl that i.t - as not for the benefit of the newspapers, but thc,t he :...s interested in a,;E8inz tli<lt the informo:tion GOt back to Tew Jersey. The voice also informec at this time th:t one of tht tviO persons who had been talkine to...and - ---Lad now left for Alaska. f,s a result of th.is latter bU of info'f;:-;ut.ior. -0.t ;cided to find 01,t if r had left tovm. :le locatec at tre :...;unciet 'l:1,catre t.n ra,ae to otel and r:ict --J.nd 'l:1 cywure unable to locate :; ,phon.a and left sayine thL - u..2 try to find out v!here ,w:is and thaL he would call tileia t'=i_0 (.SunCu.r) and that they would go out to Maury Island at that time. Aft.er c.ft.,

August 19, 1947

and went to the

here the

They took them to the ... the ... -re they re:1 t'le ...
Latest press releases and had a discussion with ... rdinr: the 2-. onyK/
mous phone calls. In the course of this discus ... mentioned the nar:1.e
of ... !:ajor • h'blie Relations Officer at ;wrcChord Field as being one of
the officers interested in the investir,ation.

Following this discussion with

J J at x:hiel e 7
4" and fJ

states they still refused to divulge any fir"u;; r infor'l:,tion,
returned to the Hotel for the nic;ht.

On Sunday morning, August 3, 1947, ... appeared at the
f-iotel room and told them that he had received a letter from ... which said in effec
Take care of my business. I'll be out of tovm for three or four days."
hn.d aletter with him but he did not show it to -or, T!;e three men then drove to, secretary'
s house in south Tacoma and
picked ver uri and the four of them then went to bre;1'<fast on the South 'Tacar... ighwly. 'mile
the four of the:n then went to breakfast 9 c::used ::;r;self am: callRd?. :;tjor t:cC'. wrd
Field -id a.r:r::uc0c'. ;J.n a;ip0int:l'er<:, t.o .:e-;
Hotel lobb. at 11:00 li: . They then took ecreta.y ;;o lie:: ilorne v;here ..
p..cked up a typewriter and then drove 4111Sc.nd All J'l'oack /
to the Hotel. Tley as:::ed him if he was goine to take them to !.clury I::Jand ;,1,2,(/
day and he replied that he was not. He further stated that i-e wQ.s sick of the entire business
and that if he was ever contacted by the Anny or the c,ui,ho!:' if:s', {; y,,3s
f:;Ding to deny ever havi.ne seen anything and clGirn to be Uthe bie::;est lfar tl-1at ever lived".
Chortl r after returnine to the Hotel, -1et :: jor
in the lobby and they -lent in car to a coffee shol) ,r. 'youth '2.co:11.i. ;:1:re
!_roceeded to tell r;ajor the eirLire story of the incider!t.s ;,ihicl,
-rl occurred in Tacoma reathe 'and story sin-ce J:1. 1-cday
..fternoon. Following this, oo back to the Eot ;1t.ro- duced him
to and suesteged to -..that healso tell J ajor tie entire story had

occtlrred. :ajor -- c.f cr loo' ine
at the fra;]nents which were still intheroom, suggested that they drive out
tie Smelter near Tacoma as he believed the slae; at the Smelttr l wuld u ar c.
distinct resemblance to these frar:nents. The three ;len then drove tL. :-1.c. "ait t r
...cl: t,r /! , ;:i. noted Le. be <left itely si 1&r to the fragmer,t.s ,L.i.e"
and -- had lc:ft in the E0tal room. J,hc; ;;en r,,_t,ff 1Gd to t(B 'ote:::r:>ori. 1-r,d
: aj 9 ll::lft ther.i. i,fter l'ilc cinc their bdc's, ...a.too.t< ci ;;cl:t;:1's
...Lrport whc:re his !Jl(,ne was purked and then [drove hiriiself back :o Sc:::ttle.

about an hour after his arrival in ..ieattle, which wtis ap1)rox.111at"ely 7
of the i'l_i)pen.red at ...home

JO r. l.l.;
it henewsp:per contni in!_. the !,5::ociated •ress stor.f v:ich }v;,d or:).:vttc;J.I] [
h l:l.cnse, l(laho in the LOL:Je to.tesman and ihich v;:,is v:ritten by...:follo.1111'/.
;dmision to him t.h:it fra::nments had been c3rried by Li.euterwnt - ' - - ,nJ
C11pt...in D/VIDOU! on the f.J.t.'ll E-25 fli,f3ht. J ;;t this tbc conti"11:cv: to
refuse to give any sto.tc."lents for the Press andtold-tlK.t. he ;;;; i-,laced

U♦

August 19, 1947

all of his information in the hands of the Army. stated that a couple of days later he called... at McCord Field and asked him if there recent information concerning the incident. states th IQ informed him that ad not yet been contacted., but that the Federal Bureau of Investigation was "setting a trap for him".

Further, he advised that on Friday, August 8, 1947, he appeared before Lawyer... at the County-City Building, Seattle and made a deposition of the facts relating to the incidents in Tacoma from Thursday afternoon, July 31, last until Sunday morning, August 3, last.

A copy of this deposition is now in possession of the writer and is being forwarded to the Bureau. It should be noted that this deposition as complete as the statement taken by the writer above and any setting out of this deposition in this communication would be superfluous.

Copies of this communication are being sent to the Butte, Portland, San Francisco and Chicago Offices for their information only. Unless advised by the Bureau to the contrary, instant investigation is considered closed by this office.

For the information of the Bureau, Captain Intelligence Officer, McCord Field, Ft. Lewis, Washington advised O.N.I.-S.I.D.-F.B.I. Intelligence conference that the Public Relations Officer, at McCord Field had received a telephone call from an individual at Army Air Forces Headquarters at Washington, D. C., during which call the Public Relations Officer was requested to obtain a signed statement from 5 which could be published and thus publicly close the matter.

Further, Captain... related that he had no additional information in this matter and that he did not handle it.

Very truly yours, .

itr..... I" C." 10;"
J-1V<(A)JV
D."1U;PHL:'K
100-18945
CC - Butte
Portland
SD.n F:ranci
sco
Chicaco

STATE OF WASHINGTON)

comm OF J as
K. IRI

b,c [redacted] being first duly sworn, on oath, deposes and says:

This is a narrative statement as to what took place in

"law" a f " fflhnPi:itA,r 3'n1v " :tl nt,1,ntV &qm1A.t

Thursday I received a telephone call from Tacoma from a [redacted] the gist of this conversation was that he thought to the [redacted] idea for me to come to Tacoma, I and listen

h t. 'His [redacted] 11111111 had met two times previous - once on July 5 at the office of the P.I. in Seattle for a very brief time and the second time in Boise, Idaho when I was passing through on one of my trips.

In this conversation with [redacted] on the phone, I made the statement that it would be impossible for me to go over to Tacoma due to my going out to Salt Lake City the next morning. He said

drove the [redacted] of [redacted] line. Winthrop Hotel. Via we.c.t up to Room two [redacted] to

[redacted] put a telephone call into [redacted] asked him where he came up to that room. A halt our later [redacted] mode his appearance. At this time there were [redacted] men in the room [redacted] I J J asked Mr. [redacted] to relate the story as to what took place on June 24. [redacted] as very hesitant about telling the story to me [redacted] and [redacted] were already aware of the statements that [redacted] had made [redacted] previous. [redacted] the statement to me that it [redacted] statement he would [redacted] make relative to his story. it would keep, it confidential. for two weeks, that he felt definitely that I would want to force the whole thing. I made the statement to Mr. [redacted] that [redacted] was concerned. I would keep MY statements be made to me confidential or at least two weeks.

b . . . & L. i. l. i. t. i. o. n. Here isstory: On June 24 (this date to be
chec who owns the Harbor later he wae in a boat owned by
.....c...fo.ROI io. Tacoma. They -- Ur. p ! 8
Mr. -- and Ur- t

I Soll age 16, were cruising around Maury Island looking tor logs
llbad broke. a e. wa7 tram booms. They were fairly close
to shore of Maury Island when they saw tour or five
objects in the sky at an
WA.111

b7c

Page 1/-2

100 teet 1n dlameter, circular 1n. shape, and it appeared that there was a hole ill the center of ea.oh as he could see the sky through this hole. He also mentioned that on the inside Or the olrole or tho hole thnt portholes were visiblo. Their speed was negligible as they appeared to hover over a given spot. One of these objects appeared to be in trouble. Another object came over and appeared to make contact. Attar making tllls contact for approximatell two minutes, lt rose to lts original p031t1on.

At thla tine the object that appeared to be in trouble seemed to throw a lot ot debris troJ:J. one ot the portholes. 'lhose objects theA disappeared tram view. Some ot this debris that n1r landed broke 1n. tha wbelhouse or the boat. the spotlight. and 1-1 1"- th kla.xon. \lhile this debris won fallins, ny boy and llr. got o f the boat and hid under some logs. This debris that tell killed our doeand a nee. gull. I kulked Ur. what was dono wit. tho dog. He made the statement they threw the dog into the water.

This story was told to Mr. who the next day went out to this Island to cheok on tflsstory. He Teritied the tact or the damage to the boat, also to the tact that there appear to be quite a tevl pieces of el.ther rock or metal on. the shore. 1/r

also stated that while he was over there investigating on Maury Island, he also saw a disk. 'his disk '! a1/4, ot the aame llb.ape and contour as the objects explained by . £

he was Inveatlgatl.ne this story. Kr. stated that he reoal,--- a letter from a Ur. ...

Evanston, niinois.- The g[st of th.is lotter was that Mr.

received a letter trom. Mr. andUr.also a

/J-' ge of these tragJllruits that were round on Maury J.slaad. Mr.

...also made the statement 1n the letter that the Chicago Unlvoraity tailed to analyze these ntsand. that would ur. 11 plea.so investigate the story. Mr. was sent a Western Union

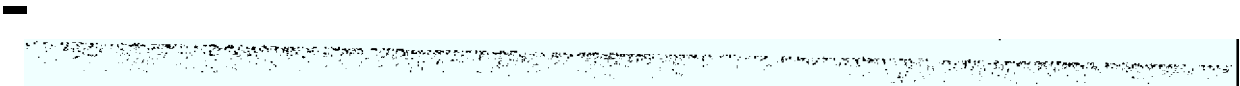
while t.b.l.s

" Lir. had made a tele phone co.ll to llaru.lton Field tcontact a Ca.ptain Davidson and e.Lieutenant Brown, who wt,re with A-2 l.Jltel.ligenco at llamilton Field, then would the make listen to this story of nd

Yihen :Mr ..-r ncquaintod me with the fact that he he.d made
1C t s

W . phone call in front of 1 Jr. 3 L & tr. in made the statement that I
MA wnn1 hnt. t.A11 t.h'is storv to an v bod. V in Army Intelligence

• • d; th; ;tat t-to-Ur:-illi, that it.
he .felt .this way; that he should not be in the room
when these two Intelligence officers arrived.
Ur.-.thought this waa an excellent idea.



[REDACTED] left the hotel room. to

b7c go downstairs as I. i. r. some cat. al that wns in the back of his car that na nad picked up on Maury Island, to bring back to the b.otel room. Mr.. departed.

At this time I llde tho statementto that I should llke to plck up my oar in Seattle. Kr. drove me to Boeing Field, Seattle. Attar leaving me at Boe ng Field, he drove

back to To.coma and I drove my own ca.r back to Taoom.a. Arter r had ; ! ..8!f!1 e.. !..,T II wen,,,, upu:o the Winth: !> ! =!

b7c Davidson tram Army Intelligence. Lieutenant Brown was downstairs catting sandwiches and coffee. When Lieut. Brown Calle baol::, the stories were ac;ain related and Lieut. Bro.-In r:::iade u etnter,ent that all the facts or theso stories would be bold in **stric est** oonfidenc until released by Kr. [REDACTED]

Arter Mr. bad told all the facts, relat.ng not only his own story but at of Mr. he asked tor ttle opinJ.oB ot both officers as to w.nat they thought. Lieut. Brown made the statement that he would like to obtain some ot these fragments to tak back to llrunilton Field.

At this time Capt. Da.vldso.n and Lieut. Bru-w.ci were dobe.t1 the thought as to whether to atay over lliect ill Tacoma or leave to; Bamilton l'ield lmedntely, as the B-25 they were nyllog was supposed to be at; Ham.1ltoll Field the next de.y tor the Air Show.

The f!Te ot us then lett the hotel room and went down to the hotel lobb1 where Mr. -made atelephone call to JJcCh.ord Field ask.ille: them to send a driver to pick up Ce.pt. Davidson and himself. Lieut. Brown camo up to me a ad cade tho statement that h1 and capt. Davidson were going baok to llamilton Field and that ha

f? (would get ill tou.h with me tomo.rrow all d i.f atte.r J: had seen the fra(lm.enta on Kaury Island. it I. thought ID. ray qwn m.lnd that th!a was authentic, they would immediately l.eo.va llwnilton Flold an.d return.I was to hold this etateaent by Lieut. Brown strlotest of oontldenoe from the other group of three.

and-- We the.a went 4own. to the street where Ur. - drova ; car up in tront and took out a. box of fragments and gaveth1s box

h7c

Davidson and Br n. While waiting *for* the driver from UoChord Fie
Lieut. Brown e.nd I disouse-ed Paoltic operatlo.ns and things not per
taining to this mission. Capt. dson a.o.d Lieut. Brown
departed approxlmately 12:45 A.u. Mr. -, and Iwent back
to our hotel room atter having a Ulidnlg.llt a.o.ack.

Page 14

Friday the 1st: At approximately 8 o'clock in the morning, Ur..... called up our hotel room and acquainted us with the fact the B-25 had crashed. Also that he had called JJ:ochord Field and from information he received also verified the fact that the two men in the anip were capt. Davidson and Lieut. Brown. plus a flight engineer and a hitch-hiker. This left both Kr. and myself in a very bad state of concern.

b7c

Approximate ly an hour later Mr. and Mr. made their appearance in the hotel roan. I still wasn't sure that this was the same B-25 that the two Intelligence ottloers had lett in last night. Mr. then again called HcChord Field and talked to a Colonel d tJle t'aat was verlt'ied aga.l.n that the two pilots were Davidson and Brown.

"))(

After an hour or so Mr. -.i.and **Ur.at** left the

morning (Saturday) for breakfast and going out to Maury Island.

..... Be told me, "I most certainly am do myaelt out story but I thought you ought to know that som.obody has been. callJ

l "1(

..... this paper and gi vi.D.g us a blow-by-blow desorlption of all tbat. ha taken place in your roan since you arrived." To verity this, Hr. repeated back to me discussions that I felt had only been tsk1ng place 111 our room.

fJ (1..

Jr.-also made tbe statement that there **was a** leak either from the switchboard operator or our room had bean tapped. I asked Mr. why he was tipping us **ott** with this iJlformtlon.

!lf. " " " " - ?! - -!r.!

a... turn

After thle OO.nTersation with Mr. I went back to our room and

h

told-Mr .S-what took: place o.n e telephoa.

SO.turday morning: l.tr. and h and
torbreakfast. We ve out to the boot to £0
d. Tho boat was unserviceable at the time so we went
'/C, baok to the hotel. Ur. ----snld that he would oall later on
ln the day and lot us know when the
boot would ba repaired.T.hat

1,UV &D.PV V "" _uu.n.....*

•• Approximately 11 o'clock Saturday mo.'rnl.ng Mr •

b7c

phoned mo and made the statement it would be impossible
for him tkeep this appointment with me. We were cut
o!f by tne switchboar operator as this was
classified as not an anergency call. The reason we
were cut ott was due to a strl e ln all the Tacoma
hote.

h
b7c hlm

Page #5

Mr called up and said I would call him at
8:30 that evening, he would have some additional
information for me. I called Mr. at 8:30 that evening. He told me that

....., /, this anonymous caller had again called and said that one of the parties that Mr. _____, end

a-

/t- This was flow a to Alaska. Also he made the statement Kr. would
be called to Wright Field Tuesday. This 8.11.04 anonymous caller made the statement
to Kr. that this B-25 was shot down. Kr. asked
this person calling what his name was. This anonymous caller made a statement - Don't tell
T M Ar. CS C n HAW PAPA 411 T AFEL 4-APAA Ad In TA 4AF f
that his information gets back to New Jersey.

After I finished the conversation with Mr. _____ I went

b7c over to the United Press and talked with Mr. _____ who
read back to me the conversations that he had with this
anonymous caller. But all opinions at this time were
voiced to the
by me or Mr. _____

Sunday morning I called a Major _____ of S-2
McChord
and asked him to meet me at the Winthrop Hotel at 11
o'clock. I met him at 10 o'clock and we drove to a small food
shop on the Tacoma Highway where this complete story
was related to me. We then drove back to the
Winthrop Hotel where Major was introduced to Kr. by
_____ and _____ again. I listened to
the story. _____ I departed from the
Winthrop Hotel on Friday afternoon at approximately 4:30.

This is to certify that the foregoing statement was taken before me, a
notary public; that prior to making said statement, I warned the
person to tell the whole truth and nothing but the truth,
truth, that the statement was then reduced to writing and
signed by _____
me on the _____ day of August, 1947.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed
my seal the day and year last above written.

Notary Public In and for the State of _____

August 8, 1947

made the following report to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

li. ti. ' a. d.; t. m. ; t. ; ; ; -
Ju

b7c tre - a cov<:-l r, it on ur; Isl nd, i' ashing... a box (cicor)
of these traQTE:lt; to •
to have it enalyzad.

b7c Inter ;rote and
hav; t; e: l o. Lolyzed.

b7c the first disc stories started •
b7c us not to tell the news-
papers about the fragments and he would pay for an exclusive story if
the fragments could be proved to be discs.

One of us told him; the fragments could have been from a flying disc.

Just after our first conversation • ■ - wrote the letter setting out our notes etc. receding the fragments at

indicating they could have come from flying discs.

p. 1-

The next thing we heard was about the first of July when we got a letter from Chico asking about these flying disc fragments. We told him to forget the entire matter.

The next thing we heard of these fragments was when we were called to meet with him in the Winthrop Hotel on July 31, 1947. Ji 7c

We told him exactly how we had found the fragments and had forwarded them

to - to be analyzed. C.

'J. ... Lo. it t. ' r. n-irr, oncl 7 true story as recounted our connection with the flying disc stories etc. will be originated through the press if we sent to be analyzed.

TO : The Director

DATE: 10/25/47

FROM : Mr. J. E. Ladd

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS

In connection with your request to be advised as to the facts concerning news reports of flying discs in the Portland area and the

the Portland Office has advised that Leavitt G. Richards, editor of the Oregonian, has stated that Captain Phillip J. Ladd and Lieutenant J. E. Ladd of the Fourth Army Air Force, San Francisco, were in Portland on June 27, 1947.

While in Portland they interviewed Dick Ladd, an experienced pilot, who had reported that he observed a formation of ten flying discs over Bakersfield, California. Ladd and Erovim had also interviewed the following four experienced pilots who were among the first to report seeing discs, Kenneth J. Smith, a co-pilot of United Airlines and former pilot of Idaho State; Ralph Stevens, United Airlines and former pilot of Idaho State; Major General J. E. Twining of Wright Field Ohio, and from his report he gained the impression that the AF instituted this investigation to wash out the disc reports since they are definitely not of AF origin.

On Friday, August 1, the plane in which AF investigators, Captain J. E. Ladd and Lieutenant Brown, were flying, crashed at Kelso, Washington and Ladd and Brown were killed. The wreckage was screened by AAF Intelligence from J. E. Ladd. The Washington Tribune and through them the United Press put out a story that the plane was carrying parts of a disc which had struck a boat owned by Captain D. Ladd and Fred Chrisman. It has also been inferred that this plane was sabotaged to prevent these disc reports from being examined.

S-1: r
us

Investigation by the Bureau files reflected that this plane was definitely

not carrying parts of a disc and there appears to be no substantiation of a sabotage clue.

For your further information there is attached a blank memorandum setting

forth in more detail the results of the investigation surrounding the
cr...sh. No further inquiry is being made in this mattGr.

Love pl ne

ACTION

Air Force Intelligence has been advised of the results of our investi-

g.t
RGT:mjp

RECORDED
&
INDEXED

1-^a - ^b ?
c-ti,li - I A <
g-t 1 v v

11--_Qf

COPIES DESTROYED
270 NOV 18 1964

14

φ; I
r.

102

C(8

August 14, 1947

FLYING
DISCS

The Tacoma News Tribune¹¹ and through them the United Press put out a story that an army plane which was allegedly carrying parts of a disc which had struck a boat owned by Harold Dahl and Fred Chrisman had crashed on **August 1, 1947**, killing two Air Force Intelligence officers who were interviewing persons who were alleged to have seen flying discs.

and... interviewed by Bureau Agents, advised in June 1947, that in the early part of June, 1947, they picked up some strange rock formations in a gravel pit on Pratt Island, Washington. They sent a cigar box of these formations and also of the

in Chicago, Illinois. According to them they requested to make only a chemical analysis of the rock formations. then wrote asking for additional samples stating he had been unable to analyze the material. [redacted] that a few days after the flying disc stories appeared during the latter part of June contacted them by telephone saying he would pay for an exclusive story if the materials they had sent him were fragments of a flying disc; [redacted] he wrote a letter in which mentioned the material as being a part of a flying disc and both admitted that this statement was entirely false.

and [redacted] then received a call from one of Boise, Idaho who requested them to meet him at the Winthrop Hotel in Tacoma on July 31, 1947. According to the named army intelligence officers from Hamilton Field, California and one Captain [redacted] of United Airlines [redacted] of Seattle, Washington to attend this meeting. d maintained they told the intelligence officers Captain Davidson, Lieutenant [redacted] and exactly how they got the rock formations and that they had no connection with any flying discs. [redacted] and [redacted] stated that they then furnished some of the rock formation to the intelligence officers as samples.

Captain Davidson and Lieutenant Brown left Tacoma, Washington in a [redacted] 2S to return to Hamilton Field, California about 2:30 P.M. August 1, 1947, and were killed when their plane crashed at Kelso, Washington, after the left engine burst out an exhaust stack which in turn caught the left wing on fire which caused it to break off. The crew chief and [redacted] officer parachuted to safety.

at Tacoma. advised that two or

rted he contacte tocheck. tha •tory

-1,000.
IJ IL.

three days after the flying disc story sta

COPIES DESTROYED
270 NOV 18 1964

ENCLOSURE

62 938 1477

received by a £

L

J rd the

at Tacoma

Harbor, [redacted] effect that [redacted] had some flying disc fragments.
 At this, Washington, to [redacted] that the entire story was false.
 to e ry was false.
 • s time •• ad.mi
 tted

.h1
C

Relative to [redacted] stated that he was paid by [redacted] of the [redacted] and possibly the [redacted] ([redacted] came [redacted])
 C. to Tacoma and obtain a story from them regarding the flying disc fragments.

on July 31 and August 1, [redacted] a total of five anonymous calls were
 ti vinz information regarding the meeting at the Winthrop Hotel over the disc
 fragments and stating that the B-25 had been shot down or sabotaged which killed
 Captain Davidson and Lieutenant. Brown, inferring that this was done because the
 intelligence officers were carrying disc fragments in their plane.

7 C

stated that lies(;) calls could only have come from
 themselves, [redacted] In 1910, they stated, had a friend on the Chicago Times
 and [redacted] denied making these calls. Chicago Times through this [redacted]

IJ 76

upon [redacted] reporter [redacted] or the Tacoma Times and [redacted] in Tacoma had informed him that [redacted] had several anonymous calls and from the accuracy of the information
 7G transmitted [redacted] believes they were made by either

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Egan

4/8
TYPE A

7/19
40
[Redacted]

FBI BUTTE

DIRECTOR, FBI

URGENT

FLYING DISCS. ON INSTANT DATE [Redacted] OF TWIN FALLS, IDAHO
INFORMED LOCAL NEWSPAPER THAT COMMUNITY THAT AT ONE PM ON WEDNESDAY

APXXX

I
M
T
J
A
C
V

B, DATED JULY THIRTY NINETEEN FORTY SEVEN. BUREAU WILL BE PROMPTLY,
AND FULLY INFORMED OF ALL PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

BANISTER 30

END

PLS ACK AND HOLD

620019 10 R-344 263
7-48 PM OK FBI WA BW

RECORDED
INDEXED
EX-46
7/21/47
104
JUL 24 1947

5-11

Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

1. m

.,VU

(Handwritten initials)

DATE:

[Redacted date]

7-29-47

TO:

S:::.

tp. 1V

[Redacted name]

v\

SUBJECT: METAL PARTICLES OBSERVED AT WEST RWDGE. NETI HAMPSHIRE, JULY 7, 1947 SECURITY MATTER (X)

Reference is made to Boston teletype to the Bureau dated July 18, 1947.

Dean [redacted] the original informant. has advised that a spootographic examination has been completed of the metal particles referred to. They were determined to be of ordinary cast iron which had been subjected to a very high degree of heat. The heat caused scales to be formed on the cast iron which were originally thought to be of some metallic alloy.

The scientist examined; the particles concluded that if they had come through the air from any great altitude in as small pieces as they were found then most of the heat would have been taken from them by the time they reached the ground and fires would not have resulted. It is noted they landed approximately 100 feet from a railroad track and inquiries were conducted by MIT to determine whether or not the particles could have been originally a part of a liner in a smoke stack or some other part of the steam engine. These inquiries resulted in positive information that the particles did not come from a train or locomotive. Measurements of the four pieces examined revealed that they had most likely been originally all part of a hollow cylinder, eight inches in diameter and three sixteenths of an inch in thickness. It was felt that one piece falling from a great height would have still retained a good part of its heat and probably would have smashed when it hit the ground.

COPIES 270

A scientist, whom did not identify by name, recalled that cast iron cylinders of similar measurements had been used in New Mexico on research work on a guided missile project. However, this unidentified source did not so conclude to the exclusion of all

other possibilities.

- Ij; is intera "ting to note that the examination
 at MIT was aotually conducted
 by ..who Iurnishad the Boston Office with an inform. ai. report similarJ:1/
 in all major details to that supplied by...-above. The men at MIT ...;ft:•
 are gathering through friends all additional pieces of thw
 original oylin · a:vailabl4. These will be turned over to the
 tioston Office. No furt."1-iBr,.... .; •examination is being oonduoted
 by MIT and no effort is being mad ,v · reconatruot the
 original cylinder. .-· ._, , ·/

d_A
T

Unless advised to the contrary by Augu.st 15. 1947 the' -oston ·or:rioe
 'Will de:atroy **these** specimens. In the interim they **will be**
 transmitted to the B.ureau on speoifio Bureau instruoctiona.

(0;

01

{.)

It is noted that the original Boston teletype reflected that this inquiry ll'as being treated as "secretn matter at Y. IT. as adn.sed tha.t the comparatively small nwnber or research soien sts at laT during the swmner are all cognizant of the incident and tho resulta of the research. However. / no p blioity has been givan and it is not anticipated that eny will result. (} 7(The ureau's intere•t is not known to the scientists at MIT. There has been no apeoulation that a guided missile originating in a foreign la.nd landed in **New Hampshire.**

As indicated above. **unless the** Bureau requests speoifioally further investigative action, this case is being olosed in the Boston Office.

BSG:::nd
100-20698

Office Memorandum • UNITED

GOVERNMENT

DATE: September 4, 1947

HMK
TO
FROM

Director, FBI
Atten: Assistant Director D. M. LADD
SAC, San Francisco

AIRMAIL

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS

Enclosed are copies of two letters from Lt. Col. of A-2, Hamilton Field, California, dated August 27, 1947, with attachments reporting the sighting of "flying discs" on Guam, and result of A-2 investigation at Tacoma and Kelso, Washington. 7C

DWK:MR
62-2938

Info to major [redacted] b7c
mid [signature]

ENCLOSURE ATTACHED

COPIES DESTROYED
276 NOV 18 1964

12-31-57 ENCLOSURE BEING FILED
EX-37
R 344
1947

RECORDED
EX-37

162-83794-102 h
SEP 24 1947
[initials]

HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE,
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2
Intelligence
Hamilton Field, California

IAFPA
858.5/1208-1

27 August 1947

62-2938*

SUBJECT: Re Flying Discs.

TO: Special Agent in Charge, FBI, U. S. Department of Justice,
Federal Office Building, Room 422, San Francisco, California.

1. Following is extract from the Weekly Intelligence Summary,
Air Transport Command, Washington 25, D. C., dated 20 August 1947,
Copy No. 180, Article 1, pg 1:

FLYING OBJECTS IN GUAM: Unidentified flying objects have
been observed by three American enlisted men of the 147th Air-
ways and Air Communications Service Squadron at Harmon Field,
Guam. The men report that at 1040 hours on 14 August 1947 the
two objects, which they describe as small, crescent shaped and
traveling at a speed twice that of a fighter plane, passed over
them on a zig-zag course in a westerly direction at an approxi-
mate altitude of twelve hundred feet. The objects disappeared
into clouds and a few seconds later a similar object possibly
one of those previously observed, emerged from the clouds and
proceeded west. No further details have been reported."

2. For your information:

Donald L. Springer
DONALD L. SPRINGER
Lt. Colonel, GSC
AC of S, A-2

46



HIAL.WfT1.(, HS T: ...r1;1 UR t,mer.
Ofi'ice of thr: **Ae,-,Istonl**, Chief of f;te.ff, **A-2**
Jn+,ollr:ho
HnMll te>1 F'old. Cnlforn;,,_

4.VIJA

27 August 1947

3,, .1:1 m -1

SUBJECT: Investigation of Flying disc.

T01 Special *rc;ryn**, In r:lnrp, FBI, U. S. Department OF **Juatloe**,
Federal Orr1,, thi ldir:.. room 42 , O'n Fresnooo, **California**.

Attached summary forwarded for your information.

1 H1cl1
3umllrry of Inf'orr.tlr,n.

POIJAT.D L. :-PRIHGER
t. Colon1, GSC
rc or S, A-2

UNITED STATES

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

PROFIL front in Civil
Se title, nghln t0n.

Attached summary [unclear]

AIR FORCE

California

California

27 August 1947

1 bdt
[unclear] of [unclear] [unclear]

FBI, [unclear] [unclear] of [unclear], [unclear]

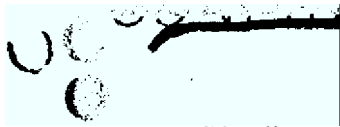
for [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

DONALD I. SPRINGER
Lt. Colonel, GSC
AG [unclear], A-2



1947

RP-1



k WB

CO RT

JI n,;cm: r,;: vler.
n::rA:il?::t 8 (t2d A.AF BU)
MoChord Field, Tacoin&, ralhi on

4 August 1967

SUBJECT: Final Mission Report

T01 Co ndtn
Cttlcor Air
Reaeuo 5\$rvlo
L oDill Field, l orid&

1. MISSION NUMBER Thirty-Nine.

2. NATURE.

.. At oo r!;t. 1 A-u .t 41. Ar;a fHmT s=:1-v1cr: r,ot.il'led th1 dot
ohr.ont thet4 plane Md beon locn to oraeh and burn thlirt.cn
(13) all. south or lf.:L:t'0, kaahintton (4608'Jf, 122055.1).

:S. ACTION: TAIEN

.. 1 Au 41. At 04tSO PtT, AYS roociT Info)"ti&tlon rrc ! .

O.

C. : "lnrJc; looal; sh.rlrr ct r.r.LSa., Ua.111:: thnt. tho seer. ot' tho crtu,h 111u
thrtCion U5) to 1."lf8:tt.y (t:Jj ,.1101 east or tl:L.5 in tre YloloNlt.:. of oo;u.
en: 'fho kt,;:-; Cliter ol' :>olleo HMI r.n et.ro,,-r tly lo,,, ov' t;o to\1TL,
t.ht: o'm'at. M<! burn to q;: ocat. Tho tit:: mis a':out 02si; iJL. J. ctaok or alrcrcl.r t l:m,-
z.: to bo in tho YloloNlt.y mealo-d thAt 9-26 ;'-15...G haG cl'parte4 CCl; ?;O FI&::LD at
0212 ?S? {fir JLUaL'ON FIELD. CaUornia. The ltCtn;'-.or wu
..,ort-ed a.l en. A lult t'IOon do Y1a1blilly ex0tt tlonal17 rood. Tho
pilot. wa1 Carl'. l.: C. DAVIDSOli:l 'ho pb.no c-rl'ie-d. t tree (} addltic:nal
pora;n1. rt,Bt.11 Operatlon1 Otrtoor and Baae PIO wore notltted.
Thi t,u.ohrnt begt'-l\ ortantug . grou.d p.rty or ba.o por.oan"l to lupplo!)81,t.
tr.at. beb:r ror.:oad by tho KELSO Chier or rolloo. At 0600 ?3? Infor:-aUon

n, recdveJ from r,;:t.,O Y AFS lih.t ground tor; in tho 'Hll :,, at i.l.e sce:o
c: tho orluh ... pte..ntinr . r.r.i.unC: part' from looat111 th. phnc.. Since
tho ob'v' ground ?t:tr to KELSO but a cheep or; tho rteld conditior, tho doeMed .lt
wa' the plene reported a sr-1ellar ah-orart.ARS C-47 wilt or thnted to Cr-06a-1enUa'b-le,
one belor.rlnr; to Af3 .. unlorFloed .rt.r . 1:1,ht. t'Ut"th1 tho other, belont-Snr. lo
MCC. 11111 redlod o on hour.ha roapon11bl . orrtoor of thnt orran-h_t_\on !!
c.c.t-not rir...nt. to uthol"lle the tilr;h. For at Ki:LSO preY. .td take-c"t"nt until
0700 PST. Tho CJ"Ounc! ptu;ty11 led by CA?1' "fi". ?.. L!"! LL 1;JCh?I.
T. R. FCR S . oon111t d or alx &n lnoludInt . Mdteal toctnlclan
that a passenger of the crashed airplane was in his office and had confirmed

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

!;u joot, FIMllao on R ">n- l)i... , Au;ust 1&47
f ' (

The belie' thft tho ol" aah na thAt or tih unreported ...-2s. 'ho =-111nner,"
Srt. r. L. l'AFt or Yt. r.,-. IO, ...-t.TIL: FHLI un1njurod. but roported t?:at
the **orew** ohl•t• t/s. t. ;(1>. W.Ta.;•-s. was -t. a ro.rri: house near i; 10ot,o o!" h•
oralh **an wa** lr.jur•d• ngt. TJ.II then led an acbulknoe to i;,t.
11.Atr.t;r;s **who wa**, eublaqu•ntll token to a local hospital. At 0810 P
T n att, cp,
• Jfl!ld• to tele;hone sq. S ., riAV.ILTCW FIELC but no &na r NOeiffdJ
ho,m-or, it waa known that WJ. !ILTC?t AFS na aware of the
tnoldort. anc! lrOuld notify Sq. 9. At 070w PST Ce?t• LJTT. LL departed
ln • C-i5 tor JU.I.So. At 0746 PST :q n "i oonhoted
p>p ono anii thoa • fln•h ropon. At 090t r:n CAPT LITT!cLL phoned ar.!

Inrol!"Jtd that l-e hn4 placed CLPTAlli
Fci.;jJERT: In oh•rr• c,f h.r.r.y roraom:iol prooocUnr. ic the isooue nr the oraab. l'o
o lal aearch •• neoeftsary •• oLY111•n• ln the Aroa knew the
exaot looatlon or tho era■h ar,d had reported findin& one (1) ?>ody ln ti: wr•ohr;e-
CA.ftf• WTTT.ELL prepared Lo fly Sgt• TA.Yi•e r.d Y.A:'il. '.,;:; to MCCHOR:J Ylr;U)
tor mdlonl at entloc, &rring at 046 P3r. the • rvlYora llat&d that
they 'believed n.lt.bo?" tte pllot nor oo•ptlo!.. 1-A■)!ll"lchut-od tro" tho
ple. 1. Thi' ceun of th! 1nc1Mnt. wa.1 at tnh t.b.e dot.r!nc:1 to uo • th-e in
th., lort entt:11• CJ.P'r t,n-Ti<:U. ...-a.a lr.ror:-,(o b:J S-t r,r-F ti.ft he bdleved
qbasit'ed down cits ht,d boor, 11 boorJ, t;C. pl,ngi.. c.g." Jk1. n G
An a:-:T:ff-cc t - tl.o plune

at LJCCY.OFIH Fli!Li oarrylni; r10 ryo e.:rvlv.>r1 gnd took thci to the hoepital.
Int•nfp tion reveftlod tbt the left •nc1ne hftd oau;h tlro
1L the power Hct'ln and tle:nua urid a,,:olo ?11.d l;>rc.a.d to the tlJ=:ht dook
"1.111ot 1:-.u.od• latoly
lhooro; o:ilet", l-Air: ••=• a.a.h:od Tl.77 rQ at& 'l1ti.?:; hit, oh.c1t paok nJ:d 't!J, a!nr..Sc •d
l,he ;,lane ot an e■tl::,ated altttud, of lv. ft
{t, ls tc.ot la C:o•,ljt,oJ b, it h, :10t oor.si-lttred noouu rily rol,tvar;-).
YAT,!:0:S holpo l.hC'l pilot. and. oo-pilot e.ttaoh t.l:olr c.8;1. pAcl:s (r.11 pt;:-
1or..Acl P}ft.1 'ao?n wel'a.dnr. tho ha.men:) aru! e.s ho l--rt th• ;,l n'> M-t tll";'\$,ro thlt the Qn-
pilot. v&ll pre;>arin to follow. n.e pilot l;r:r! lta.rted :o leaTe anl. to tl:t
boot. reoolloot.loi. or l'ATD'S, •r11 p..rthll; t 1tan4nr: a .d h lilln&
th• c trol wheal rjth hi• lctt hand. AT !:d'S llat• •nt1 ln tc
t• that prop1lr er;fnc,y prcoo •lroa had been porfor-i.od b l. that l.h tlat"Ot had
eD•nlo ed the ntir• l• llde al-w•t lr.odiaieily. TAFf ata\od
i t, becaule or the t1lll 11.00n •nd ooa Yhlbllity, },e ec:w
UATE V:S loavtt the phne ar.4 waa able \o tollo•the plone to th• groun and
that ho anw no on olae batl out. fho • lp •a■•uvloped in tlk:o, nd
n cclrmln: to fPlI • art befo hittlr.t the round wr.ore tt ex
lodod and b rned a ou nc (1) mile trcri•here he, TA'f1, bnded, Jle lit
1'D & tree, lllld not. l: no,,1nc ho'n• to releJi.ae hh pa.rflooto or thft q lok-
<letl.or.able kind, cut hl:uaolr lc.cee tro ,tt.c l,t,J"r;ou Y'ith hh poo'k•t lcnlre. Ee
kto'li'ld r.J. ,tru led e.nu evc-ntul, ll;• jun:-•! to \he groun, rocelYlr.g •
jolt on l •ot ut 'IRII na le t ruel! how tor he Juld r llon. te
then roll •od a oow p•th tor an \$1St\?1'l&tod two
(2) !\lltl t' a tarll houe, arrhln, ;; ,thr ll! .T:a:13. l'01:..,hU, " MAifa;,:
olec.nd th, ?le.nu ho iurnad ar.4 aaw t-ho ;,lft.nt ltrlko th• sround, explode and
burn, Juat b\$ror• or juet at the t: :-:io of l:-,pact he 11r. "r: ob.ltot atJ.,e
th.ro.,n clear or the pllm. but di' tot knClr: '11.i.etr.r 1.t v,r1 " :-:ie.r.r.un
or pl.l,rt of th.. plane. :H!!!i.,5 dao lH fo • tr,• ll.nd aftor !'rednt: hi ult
tron hll h•rncu, ft:11 l.o. CONFIDENTIAL tia.cl:-, e leat
••oonloloulnoal l.:lll on reoofHr!h went to th• burz.int plona.. about t!t7

Subject, Final Report

'Aucuat 1947

(SJ) yt-rd, a1ray. Fl.ta.r6a wero colr. off n.: he thoueht bollt to leave l.he
 aoe??e. l:-e hearc.\ • mtrca= nu.rhy , :.d t'ollo.-0'1 it upUl ho ae "" to •
 houH and
 .arould tle oooolpDnt-a. :loon l:A?' arrived a.l.ho ir. hc,uao and, bdnc un-
 •Injur•d. waa d.r1•en idto to-r;. Th•n ho led an •bulanc• \o effect
 \r•n•Porta tlon ot.UA?Hh1'\$ to &Lor,, ltal. Us&n hlla. clY11ln• reach
 d tho **acene of**
 the on.sh whore they found one body. At 0930 PST. a ca•••r••
 tro Sq **B**
 1r!"ormod what top ,ecret trJltortcl ue tn th• na.Tlg11tor1 lr:lt a,d to
 requeat
 ndinc Cttloer UCCP.OD ri;:-L:) to •xps.!!te nll avnllable Intom,t1lon to

Co r.din.e: c rticor HJ.' Ittor; fILD. JJoan• 1la•, Cl°.T, 33-c.;F!O ar1d rour (4)
 cni i•te i:n Jepar.t.!! 1r.1,-;(! at OS 0 PST for ■om!:.c of the ere.sh. 'ho) wore
 t.n: """";t'lor.t.o.i br Vho ,!3h"HCt:m :TA.TE r l.1C5 who k •• th• uxaet locotion of
 \!:.e plC11'1" (fCOO'J'? : 122o43,..). The g.round part:, det,rior.1neid upon arrival at
 the ac,no, that tw (2) bcdios lrero l tho •reckagt.In4lcation,
 led to ihe bolit t-he.t tho oo-,Uot. 1111a llfin 1•!! ho l•tt thepln.not L"l. inlt-a.nt
 bt'tore li,,aot. T}!,,,;Uot's 2-ei:rain• were round in the wroor.azo. Pre-
 11::d.r.ary 1 n•tti t1cn by CAPT F r.sotnc tl•oloted the pl
 nc• 1 rt •inz about one hU!ldr•c! tnty-flTO (125) yards rro:n 'tho a-id,,ly ,c, ..tt
 M<l ;,ort• tlonl or the ;,lc:m:c. Th? lott. In. in e-: snJ. l;,,.l r;,,;er' :-:tl;:
 t:>m

otr :z:t. ;iut->u.r: rrt. lo't 3:-;irc l'ie!o:-- ir)ta.o\ 'l:-- ; -;i-:-, r,rtlo:l
 or th"" "Wini; stab wL-;m&tcd b'lt the r &r tYo !tirdt 1r.ulcet,ii •.'t it ,rd•
 rip?4J l?C,Sd: lrc V1:--",oard. ceotic ,,,I t!-: wlr-.. :tM 1-:1.r-r 1-i:lrr: edc•
 wt; 1.trie.sa&@Qe Tho na.fli:•t1on am:. :u. ln; 11;)-.+.a r w.rokcn. T'uo
 allvron r.■ulld.iifA.g&d but t>i> flap ae lon •ns oru1h•d• lea4ln.; to l.h•
 b•ller that tho r: atruok the t•11 lootion. F o• th••
 lndlc•tion■

l t• 'belhTo4 t?le wtri: rl?r,od rro tl-:o airplane juat attor- >'A:--
 abe.toned th• plane. Th• rca •Jltint: spin tt.u, prevo-nt•:S th•
 r-enrlllnrncir •mbora tro balli r, o t ftlthou h he oo-pllot
 r.y fte beo tr. t hatch. A tew ch'Uhr.l wcrs tn the, arn wh•n C.l..TT
 f)RSDERG arrin:1 and ha took pr• •utlona to reYont t ea tro
 dliturbic t e •roolrac,o.

At 11&7 P:T <tr.T t1TRI:-!J. th• CA?? RlCt:, H. C.° to £ELS:J.. An 11. bub:u.,
 4hpetobed trim MCCHORD ,REW, Nt tho:e at XILSO, and was led to the ■oeoe
 nr h• ftPa•h hy h• ST T POLICr. Th• bndl•• WAP• Pftftt WIPAd And .-an•
 ported tn th• &.9-bulanc• to CC ORO PIZLD. CA T LITtdr.Lt returned to
 l, cw:, a, l'lf."LD •h•• eamping .qu.lpment waa pnpared to 'be dror od to the tround
 p.rty. Cart LLTiRELL1mado a auoc• ■tul drop a, dulk by
 elr,htnt;n a •itnal tire. lhe tround p rty set up camp a\ tho
 wreoaic• •e•n• to
 •ot •• ,uar4 and to involtic•-t• rurther tho rollowint di:., Th"Y YltN
 r•lleved or ro•por.eibtllty ot ell raoovor•d docu:?Wnt1 by
 Cle • or.t •ho ht\d 11.rrlT•d ah!'lut 1800 P I.

b. 2 Au. 41. the ,roun.l party roi:11n1ld at t.he loeno of
 the oraah r4)ndl ortlol■l aourlnc ct ihe Inoldont,l,o a.orla.l aoUTity.

o. 3 Aur. 47. MCCn∅ D FIRU, Oporn\iona Ottlcer de a.rtud t
 1000

PH to nTeathate tho acctdar and to r'hevo CAPT rOI-530, who roun.ad
 t 1600 Ptr. In1dm oloacde

COPY

O

S bJcot1 Final c11 lon Report

4 August 1947

.a. STATISTICIAN 5Cf.4.9 IIY

PROU CTIVITT

(1) Total :,,an ho r• by AR rersonr.ol in field
72

(2) TotQl n ho r, bl t r Anny Poraonr. 1
(e.t.l!fl.te) ioo

(3) T>ta.l r:Mtn h ur1 by olv1bn poraonnd {ut;) IGO

u. ~~STATISTICIAN~~ (4) ~~1 c. r. J. llt. ldrlnr.~~ bJ J.z;y ,rc:lcl r bJJ

(1) tot.al :10. vsortl,, :s Tlo111

o. ~~STATISTICIAN~~ (Z) Total hours tlo-an 7 Ant.y alrcn.rt

o. COMPT (4) ?one

o. Cooperation recoelT•4 trom •ll ol lli•n •r•011c
eorne4

• a'° "e. "None and exc•llen,.

!7032.R1 H. YASOJ,iH:iI:
C&ptain, Lir Corp
Co dln orrlcor

1 h:oll
l•P'l o oJp-4phl

UNITED STATES FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence
Hamilton Field, California

Title Investigation of Flying Disc INVESTIGATION MADE AT Tacoma and Kelso, Washington
FILE NO. AAF-1808-1 CONTROLLING OFFICE Air Defense Command, Mitchell Field
DATE 18 August 1947 PERIOD COVERED 31 July through 7 August 1947
CASE CLASSIFICATION Incident
STATUS OF CASE Pending

REASON FOR INVESTIGATION: Investigation initiated at the request of Air Defense Command, reference ltr HQ ADC, dtd 7 Jul 47, file D333,519, subj: Investigation of Flying Disc.

SYNOPSIS:

On 31 July 47, [redacted] of the Idaho Daily Statesman, telephoned Lt. Brown requesting he return to Tacoma because [redacted] believed he had some very vital information on the flying disc. b6

Lt. Brown and Capt. Davidson interviewed a [redacted] along with [redacted] of the United Air Lines, and [redacted] at the Winthrop Hotel in Tacoma, Washington, on the night of 31 July 1947. b6

The summary of their interrogation and findings was related to Major Sander, Public Information Officer, McChord Field, by [redacted] Smith. Major Sander retold the results of the investigation to this officer from his notes. b6


[redacted] were not available for interview while this officer was in that area, although every effort was made to contact them. b6

Further investigation of this particular incident was left with Mr. Brady, Resident Agent, FBI, Tacoma, Washington.

It was apparent from newspaper clippings, telephone calls to this officer, and conversations with Major Sander, that a United Press correspondent, of the Tacoma Times, was instrumental in keeping this case alive. This officer and Major Sander, although quoted many times in the press, did not discuss this matter with the press during the period of this report.

The anonymous mystery caller in Tacoma would possibly be [redacted]. b6

Distribution	CCol
AAF	1u
ADC	-
G-2 6th Army	2
FBI, Seattle	2
FBI, San Francisco	2
OO files	2

APPROVED:

DONALD L. SPRINGER, Lt. Colonel, GSC
AC of 1, 2-2

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
AUG 30 1947
SAN FRANCISCO
FOURTH AIR FORCE

DETAILS:

1. During the afternoon of 31 July 47, [REDACTED] of the Idaho Daily Statesman, telephoned Lt Brown, CFC Sub-Attachment Commander at Headquarters Fourth Air Force, and stated in substance: That he, Arnold, and Capt Smith had arrived in Tacoma to investigate the purported flying disc explosion on a surface craft on 21 June 47. This investigation was requested and financed by a Mr. [REDACTED] Illinois. b6

AGENT'S NOTE: See Inclosure 1 and Inclosure 2. The signature to Inclosure 2, Mr. [REDACTED] is that of the [REDACTED] is a former Army Air Force officer and from all indications is a very patriotic American. On the receipt of Inclosure 2 at Headquarters Fourth Air Force, this officer requested the San Francisco FBI Office to check the Chicago FBI Office for [REDACTED] and the Venture Press. The return answer, by telephone, was to the effect that the Chicago indices of the FBI, the Chicago Police, and Credit Bureau had no record on [REDACTED] or the Venture Press. b6

2. Lt Brown and Capt Davidson arrived at McChord Field during the afternoon of 31 July 47. They changed from their uniforms to civilian clothing in the aircraft and, on being queried by Operations as to why they desired transportation to Tacoma, they replied they were to make a speech.

AGENT'S NOTE: This was in compliance with par 4, ltr Cr Hq ADC, File D533.613, 7 Jul 47, subj: Investigation of Flying Disc.

According to Major George Sander, Public Information Officer, McChord Field, the Tacoma Times received an anonymous telephone call that [REDACTED] were present in the Winthrop Hotel for the purpose of conducting an investigation on the flying disc. The Tacoma Times checked and found this to be true, such to [REDACTED] surprise. Lt Brown and Capt Davidson did interview [REDACTED] in a hotel room in the Winthrop Hotel, Tacoma, Wash., in the presence of [REDACTED]. If notes were taken of this conversation, they were destroyed in the aircraft accident. [REDACTED] stated to Major Sander that Lt Brown obtained from [REDACTED] samples of an unidentified substance that were identical to those appearing in Inclosures 3 to 7. The samples pictured in Inclosures 3 to 7 were taken by [REDACTED] from the same box that [REDACTED] offered Lt Brown and from which he obtained his samples. [REDACTED] on the crashed aircraft, upon being interrogated by this officer, stated that he placed a heavy cardboard carton in the rear compartment of the A-26 that crashed. He did not look in the box nor hear any comments from Lt Brown or Capt Davidson as to its contents. b6

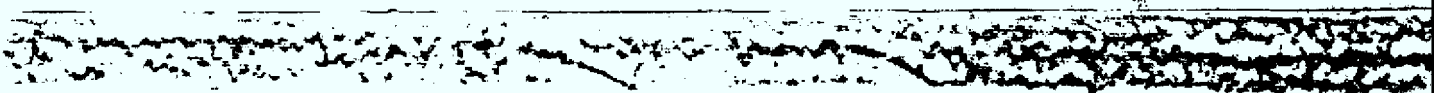
3. The following surmises what was related by [REDACTED] to Major Sander as to the substance of the interrogation by Lt Brown and Capt Davidson, that on 21 Jun 47 [REDACTED] was proceeding south of Henry Island in [REDACTED] boat. Five flying discs came down out of the clouds and circled slowly around the bay, dropping to an estimated elevation of 800 feet. These discs appeared round and b6

hl?Jr11 ... I Au 11t\ I:141. (,_, Inofo•tu•I" B).

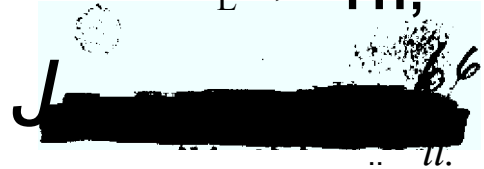
(Uz,f, J Uij •'1, \ht 1 fl' rto/11,'• In \h'Lll fl(l'im.J r,/l J(l,r n.hd•r WChG""
;f l. "l:r<•j;, ,,-t111\,for; t "e'lt, 'l', "(w\ Ftr.tlrlfl it\ltf"r9 or 1r:...-.. "ip\l@•., "oi "":,

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

I,D,,P,N,G, Po!JP No. IIO



CONFIDENTIAL



to-nt:o, •t ther 1\iHl,ti 31-..t.,,... a ftlo•r •,rY;;
d67ut,"i th.f if("i'1\ •rp,1, on • - .. • 47, n,n ,(ro, thh
fl)portunt;y nF (l(:1vtir'l'n,t with 'd,?r& dlr•Ot,l.7.

A'lc'Sl'i-I RO'fi • 4 r"Gorcl •>Met vaa l":11-•lt by tebphcm• bJ •rttdt wltH \hf hd\l.tt, •

'eld :X-the• f;U, for r•cord• oi, _nt. et:utolr. oa •• C',..._..._
hifG J,nlfU,... th, tioa'tU•, 81 b:dl0'19 tM !QAH l rol4 haf. tt. n: :
1iUh ttm 1notd ,h oi Ul. •;111 lfffU"iç of i.he unitorM •ndOM win U.ft efaiOMI
pnperty. n f,,ul l r.at. , <lete.rr1\noi&a, 1.Ml tt, " 11".oth•r Darol4 A. Uaki,
ln ,u.,•t lon t... i.ialhl #t ... lm:1Ht, n, J;nd tbAa...{,,•"; i;,_ • ...

hodtnUonhd ii, .1. tha\lao --\•' ---•-;:
, ... ,tl ndholJ oo-,nd ulcm •, 1n \h• Air n.-rn.'t, _ :/ -: :) ;ar _:f ,

A• tn•,i; i; r 1 'n,1 fiuintt\ 41 # t1 r,i flkt• ol-A•td \h• ro.oqrd• ot Uio " ,¥:i-•• , 3
11:ilR•') 11Nt d•...-91\11fd. _ l.h l'• ! ! ? ? ■ ■ ■ ■ ;,l,l r•C" flt•rd whh\M' U.N,.,. Vld:tt.. \t:

Cit1,t5.Ari• H.h Niil htiHi' ••C f•o jiftlw,.,.,.,,j
Ptl 11Art ;;;13 lr,l 'l. t t m lJbh lu 10,za 110 .. wHb u trlalnal .fiivwn1,.,.1&0ll 1.'iJItl'•• t
&1,;"to f("•t'i-tr 'ti:-,n, •nd prn,ict,Ml:, M\ lkr. l ,,,, oU ,enhnoUr,n IJ\2• W. Woafaatl
P-t IWIII:, •nhr•,lHi!iill Hr'ttt• la14P •• U\ •nl1•t•4 ,,,.ant """"H_ it.
trrr &0Y1-ttoen , -u1tu,. In liH3 hft •• (W)mtv\ uloned llii gN.1!uaUn trc.o n,t.ag ..._1,.
• \! HfTi:t4 " l',c, :...1 of h1!11.fij•t lncr 11lr;l-nt.hh fJ -k ff tho_ta.ohn& •1' '1Net"7 ..

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That no further investigation be undertaken on this specific incident by Army Air Force personnel.

.. [redacted] in vl.. or t-h. rpor\,d e\et.,mi,nt; by Mr. Cris-an, that consideration t., t:l"fl)\ \c, rt -- l.,1. tb f 11-ngrv. eM\Utrm audflying status as an undesirable? •r,o unt-e\lahl? \f.U>Cler.

I Jnclet

- 1. Phot.ottat., ltr t, [redacted] b6
- 1. ft11)toa ti \el.,r-"t [redacted]
- I. to T. rhvio-v.rt".p)\19, U11HtmUt.t...a \$lab,t;11nc..
- " final 111u, n n.,;or-\, 4.\r !\eou. lor,-\,ofh

VENTURE PRESS

EVANSTON, ILLINOIS

July 22, 1947

Holbe, Idaho

Dear Mr.

Quite obviously you have been fibbed so much you'd like to forget the flying saucers--but I'd sure like to have your personal story, your photo, pic of your plane, etc, as I asked before. And you won't be made to look silly, because there's more to this than the newspapers and the "experts" have made of it.

Besides the article, I have another proposition. You seem to get around quite a bit, and if you can make a trip to Tacoma, Washington at all feasible, I'd be willing to pay expenses plus a nice amount to make it worth your while.

I'd want you to see

Hill Station, Tacoma, and

Fern

, owner of the

and two other seamen, on a patrol near Merry Island, off Tacoma, saw six discs, one in trouble, witnessed an explosion, saw falling stuff which smashed their wheelhouse and searchlight and landed on the beach. They sent me samples which Chicago U has failed to analyze. I want a picture of the beach and the stuff that landed there (about twenty tons, they said). And I want somebody who'll get the truth, to find out if these boys are on the up and up. You could do that, I hope you will. If agreeable, please write and perhaps we can talk business. I think you'd like to prove this thing too!

Anyway, I still want that article!

Sincerely yours,

< r

~'>

e . . . 14' . . . 17--> . . . 7.-_l1 . . . A i 7 /_7
w

1 -

\$T .
£7.-F

1.

1
u';il'
->
-92. .

1.1 .

ai
-a
R. L
HI-
i~z

>2.?
x - -4 <
:-:
!'7
-92

!> Te.
H:

5 . '" ; "' - A J_-";'

> . " * 'L;l ; "-'iF *Q"" . -' ' ' 1 *"?=rw:4--. ' .-! *:"7 -&

- -92- _' v - l-l '- / -- 92.- & # 3 9 ; =; | 35? _ ii-; ; ~ ~ ; 3.0 ; f. ; f.

/ > 11.-1 &Em ; ; * ; 1-."' ; \$!3

- , -l , v. -; .3 , =5sQ -.-l -' ; ' ; ~ -5 ; = - - * ""' ; ' ; - - -

."v ; jlll-l ' ; i -; :!'* . 1
'''"'7&

1 .' = *+ " ' 5 - ' ; -- .r... 1" "l 4- l .- xi

UNION
UNION
UNION

BOISE IDA 29 1947 255P

LT FRANK M BROWN, A-2 (RPT A-2)

OFFICE 4TH AIRFORCE HAMILTON FIELD CALIF.

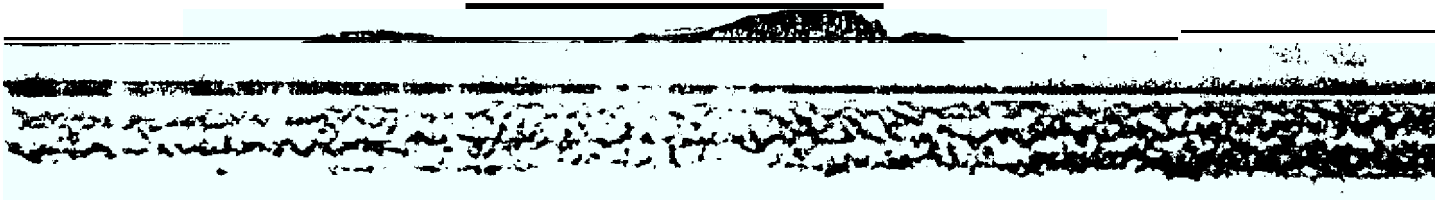
VENTURE PRESS

EVANSTON ILL.

SENT ARNOLD \$200 TO GO TO TACOMA TO INVESTIGATE FLYING
DISC REPORT THERE, SUGGEST THIS OUT OF LINE FOR PRESENT PUBLIC
INTEREST IN STORY AND BELIEVE AS I SUGGESTED ON YOUR VISIT HERE
VENTURE PRESS SHOULD BE CHECKED

305 1718 \$200

308P



C.

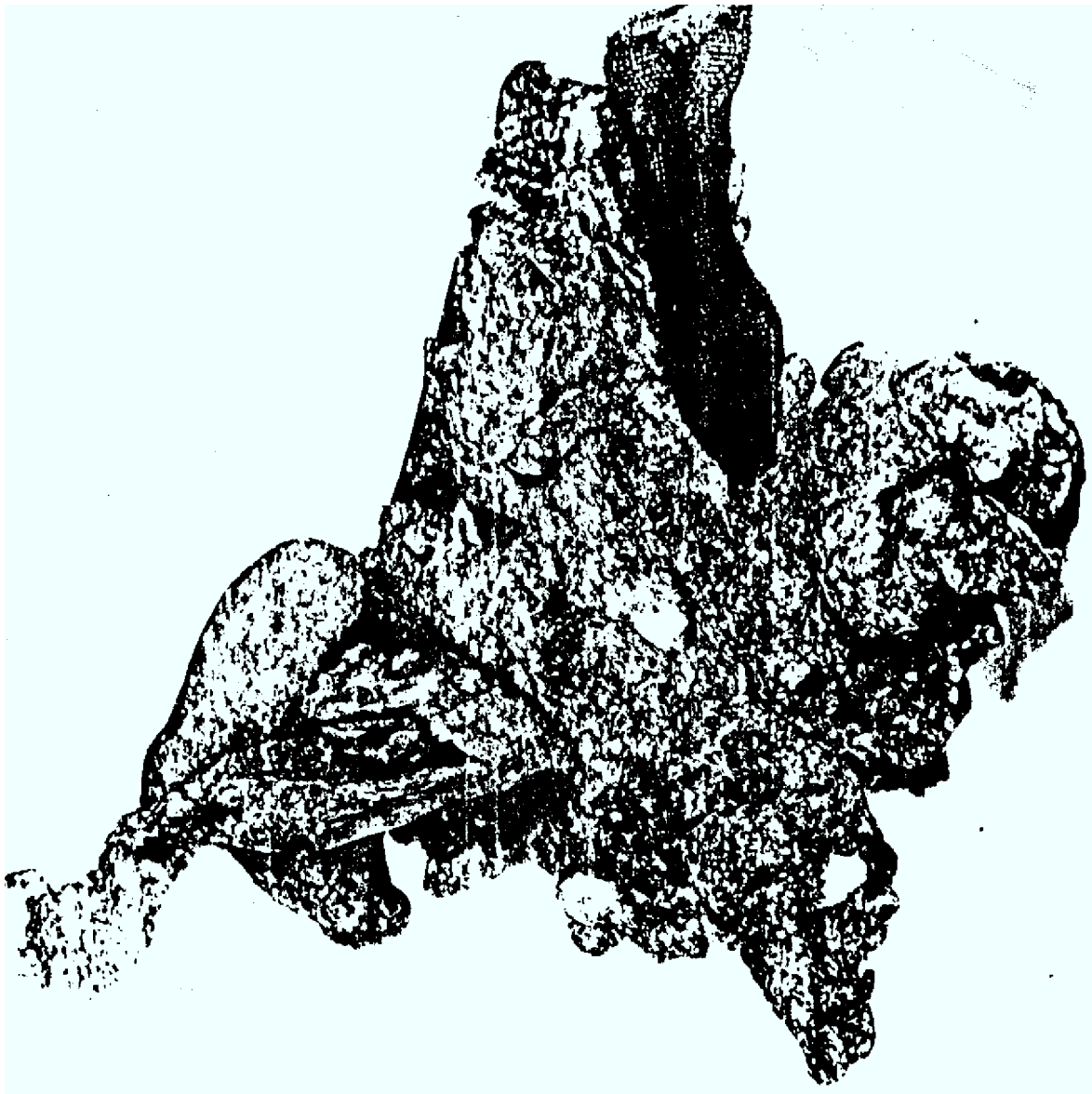
222

a



22222222

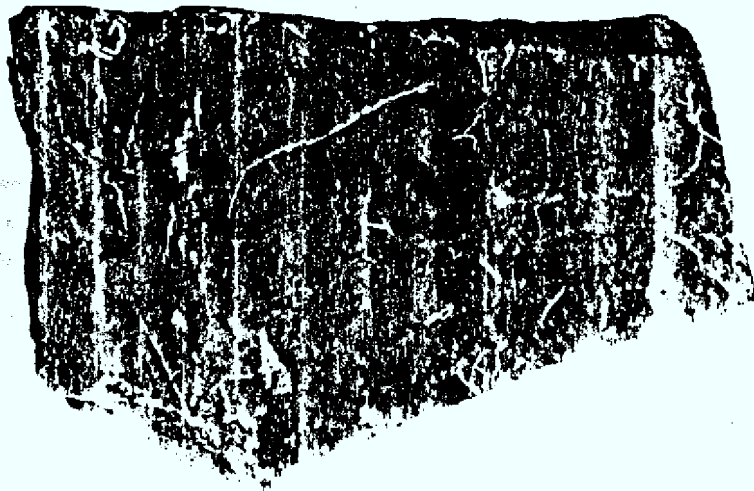
2



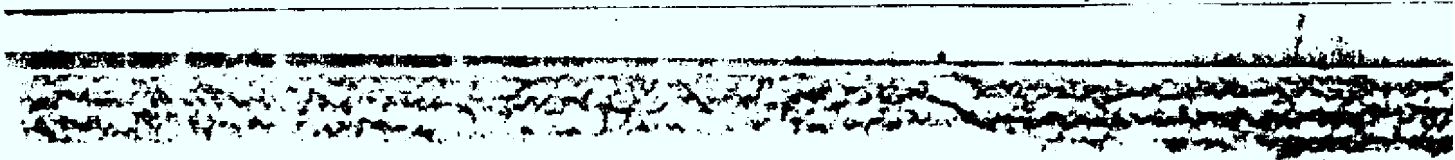
SECRET

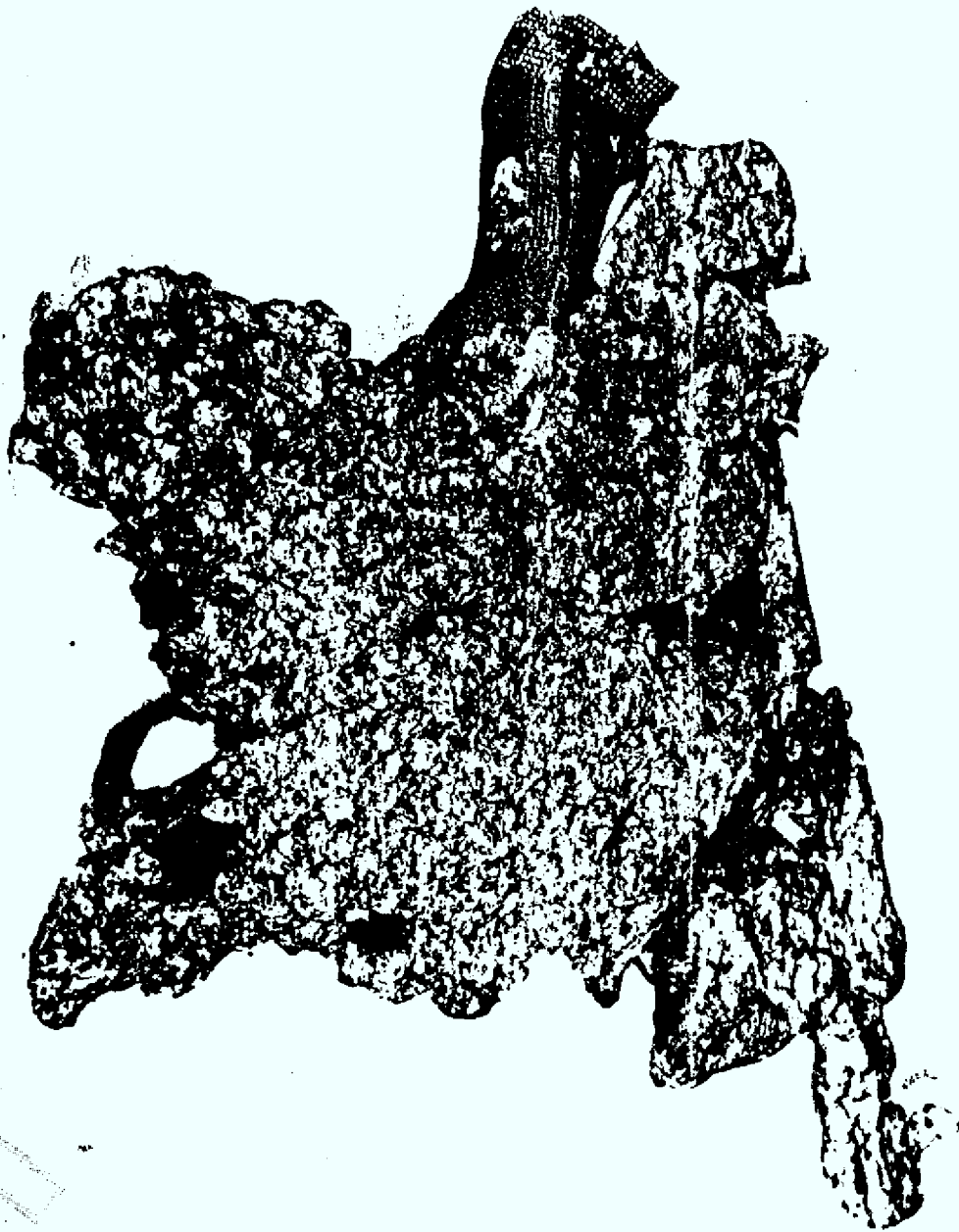


I



111







INVENT

11

11

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI
FROM: SAC, San Francisco
SUBJECT: REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS

DATE: September 4, 1947

AIRMAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

Enclosed is a copy of a letter dated August 25, 1947, with attachment from Lt. Col. ... of A-2, Hamilton Field, / ... California. Even though I believe that Mr. ... may have some of the claims in a newspaper, Col. ... believes that Mr. ... should be interviewed in this matter.

In accordance with Bureau Bulletin No. 42, dated,

47, Port J. ... requested 2 &

:= :eio:e !:r;,,. **b11**

alleged sighting of a "flying disc" on June 24, 1947. Copies of the result of this interview should be furnished the San Francisco Field Office for distribution to the 6th Army Intelligence.

DWK:MR
Encls. 2
62-2938

cc Portland (Encls. -4)

Info to major [redacted] mid b7c

RECORDED
INDEXED

135

31 SEP 23 1947

EX-11

S. P. K.

[redacted] b7c

FBI

R-314

/ [REDACTED] 66

A TRUE COPY:

Donald L. Springer
Li: 010:1el, -JS;
..L. of: 3, A-2

[REDACTED] 101

s:de li'ce a bi" mn.renet. / ere S'eed as !'er as I know see:-ied to be
renter".t:en nythir.r; 1 evor se...: Last voiw I "'Ot or the o..)5octs
they r s ftr.cinv n ed e Bankinr in• loud.

HAMILTON, CALIFORNIA

1947

1947

1947

1947

1-FDA

25 August 1947

SECRET

Department of Justice, Hamilton, California

1. ... 1947

[Redacted] b6

2. Your attention is directed to the similarity between [Redacted] report and this gentleman's report. A possibility exists that [Redacted] might have read some of this in the newspapers when [Redacted] was publicized re this matter. b6

3. This ... incident.

1 Jpoli (1-1-47) Ltr fr ... (1-ruo c...)

1947, U. L. SPf, Tt:HEK U. G"lm1(L. ;Jt: <C of ;, A-2

AUG 27 1947

SAM
TED

UFO

SECTION 4

Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO THE DIRECTOR

FROM D. J. LADD

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Tele. Room
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Holmes
- Miss Gandy

SUBJECT:

For your recall that Mr. [redacted] advised

the Bureau of a letter which Walter Winchell had received from an individual in Los Angeles indicating that he had seen a flying saucer leave the ground within his view and which letter theorized that this might have been a landing from another planet.

The Los Angeles Office was requested to locate and interview the writer of this letter, [redacted] Street, Los Angeles 7, California.

now advised that the [redacted] have no [redacted]

knowledge any to locate was unproductive. that this may have been a prank.

and that other investigation It would appear, therefore,

You may desire to advise Mr. [redacted] that there is no such person at the address given inasmuch as he indicated that Mr. Winchell intended to do a column on this letter.

0 J1 \

TJML:JA

9 1

[redacted] b7c

RECORDED - 5

INDEXED - 5

1-185

1 Bureau of Investigation
Bureau of Investigation of the
Department of Justice

!J

June 8, 1949

Director,
FBI

0
RE: FLYING DISCS

Dear Sir:

Refer Phoenix letter to Bureau, dated September 9, 1947, captioned, REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS: for the attention of Assistant Director for the result of an interview conducted by then a representative of the Air Force Intel¹ nee from Hamilton Field, California and Special Agent with one Phoenix, Arizona, concerning his observation and photographing of an object which was considered by the Air Force of significance from a security standpoint.

On June 7, 1949, Mr. J. _____ OSI repleu1nt.At.iv, Phoenix, Arizona, called at this office, advising that he had been requested by his superiors in San Francisco to obtain detailed in-

p

information concerning this interview since 30 i aPJ \ "h ;0 .ED!'. ;
requested the Air Force to return the photographs, ')U

If J!1!1!!!1!. When questioned by his superiors concerning the matter, stated his recollection was "hazy" on the matter. OSI is anxious to secure the substantiation in the Phoenix file concerning this matter. Mr. _____ was furnished the substance of the interview, as set forth in letter of reference and he has now requested that he be furnished with a blind memorandum setting forth this information in detail in order that he may make it available to the OSI at San Francisco.

Ha

A memorandum setting forth this information has been prepared by this office and is attached hereto. The Bureau is requested to advise if such information should be made available

rt.tllhH 11 . 3 .,,- /// , t' c..g,3/

Attachment **I** -t. /?

vL10 949 1

TAM-kb

ip&, CI/-"F

SAC.II. • It! UtvJ, JJ

W.

2-213

5-r

107 1101

. VJ)..

91949.

t'r!

Phoenix Arizona

[Redacted]

67c

AJ

[Redacted]

June 30, 1949

SAC, Phoenix

RECORDED - 130

Director, FBI

[Redacted]

67C

INFORMATION CONCERNING

FLYING DISCS

EX-94

Reurlet June 8, 1949., captioned "Flying Diaca."

It is believed that the retence appearing in the first line of paragraph 1 of the referenced letter to the Bureau is incorrect. Complete details concerning the matter referred to in your referenced communication appear in a letter from your office dated September 4, 1947, and not September 9, 1947.

Pursuant to your request, you are granted authority to furnish the attached blind memorandum, which was forwarded to the Bureau in your referenced letter for approval, to SA [redacted] Phoenix, Arizona. ¹⁹ IC

Attachment

EHH:EFF

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. Clegg _____
- Mr. Glavin _____
- Mr. Ladd _____
- Mr. Nichols _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Tracy _____
- Mr. Egan _____
- Mr. Gurnea _____
- Mr. Harbo _____
- Mr. Mohr _____
- Mr. Pennington _____
- Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Mr. Nease _____
- Miss Gandy _____

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

★ JUL 11 1949 P.M.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

RECORDS ROOM

JUL 11 1949

[Handwritten signature]

Office of
Memorandum
[Redacted]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

1

TO
FROM

DATE: June 30,
1949

b7c

SUBJECT:

INFORMATION
CONCERNING
OFFICIALS OF RSCJ.

Purpose

Your approval is requested in order that the attached letter and memorandum can be forwarded to the Phoenix Office authorizing that office to furnish the attached memorandum to Mr. OSI representative, Phoenix, Arizona.

Background

In July 1947, [Redacted] was jointly interviewed by Special Agent [Redacted], A-2 [Redacted] presentative [Redacted] JC from [Redacted], C8J. [Redacted]. The purpose of the interview was to secure information and photographs of [Redacted] a flying disc, which had been sighted and photographed by Rhodes.

The complete results of the interview and subsequent events are contained in the attached memorandum submitted by the Phoenix Office.

Mr. [Redacted] OSI representative at Phoenix, Arizona, has requested the Phoenix Office to furnish him complete facts relating to this

interview, which subsequent [Redacted] d: !
o! : ! !!!c:U: !tf e r = ngA

by his superiors and he has advised them that his recollection is hazy on the matter. According to [Redacted] [Redacted] ahas apparently now requested the Air Force to return the photographs, which were previously obtained from him.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Phoenix Office be advised that the memorandum

Attachments

EHM:EFF

RECORDED 34

INDEXED - 135
EX-68

17-183
FBI
23 JUL 20 1949

2010

AUG 3 1949
185

SHM
FIVE

0-resentat!vej

Phoer..ixj **IJ7** G

Arizona.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: July 21, 1949

FROM : SAC, NEW ORLEANS

SUBJECT: FLYING DISCS AND SAUCERS
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

For the Bureau's information, several citizens in the community of Alexandria, Louisiana, have recently reportedly seen flying discs. The Alexandria, Louisiana daily paper has carried numerous articles concerning this.

At a recent meeting of the Young Mens Business Club in Alexandria, a member suggested that since Alexandria, Louisiana is known as a convention city, the club should try promoting a convention of flying saucer seers. This particular comment appeared in the Alexandria paper and was picked up by the KP lines.

Mr. **!IMS?** a member of the Young Mens Business Club, advised Special Agent _____ that since the AP release, they have received a large number of requests regarding the convention of flying saucer seers from many parts of the United States. Mr. _____ states that the interest of the people evidenced by their inquiries about convention particulars, stating they are flying saucer seers and want to attend such a convention.

This gentleman further advised that in view of the volume of inquiries coming in, it appears that the YMBC will have to hire an employee to handle all the correspondence. It might be noted that he advised a representative of the Air Force from Barkdale Field, Louisiana, has inquired as to plans of a flying saucer convention, stating that they are interested in furnishing an observer if such a convention were held.

This information is being furnished the Bureau, as it is possible such an enterprise may cause people to falsify that they have seen flying discs or flying saucers. Such falsifications might be made so that they might attend such a convention or become official delegates thereto.

WEM:gp
62-0

JUL 30 1949

RECORDED - 63
INDEXED - 63

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Mohr	
Tele. Room	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

7A
44
143-1
CST
b7c

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

91

//f:
"..eLETYPE

FBI ,tIAHA 7-14-49 4-55 PM CST RECEIVED

@,,ECTOR U R G E N T % /

FLYING DISCS, INFORMATION CONCERNING. WHILE ON VACATION AT LAKE OF THE WOODS, NEAR KENORA, ONTARIO, CANADA, SA O I
I
.....OBSERVED UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT ESEMBLING FLYI DISCJJ 7[

HE HAS FURNISHED FULL INFORMATION CONCERNING SAME TO U.S. DALTON
&R FORCE INTELLIGENCE, FORT CROCK, NEBRASKA, AND SAME ILL NOT BE
REPORTED TO THE BUREAU UNLESS ADVISED TO THE CONTRA

RECORDED - 102
162-83811

31 JUL 19 1949

94 PLS

END
50 AUG 1 1949
FBI WASH DC EJC
ACK

b7c
FIVE-64
b7c

b ha 7 7 C

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

PHILADELPHIA,
PENNSYLVANIA

FILE NO. 62-2542 VFH

REPORT MADE AT

PHILADELPHIA,
PA.

DATE WHEN MADE

6-15-49

PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE

5-20-49

REPORT MADE BY

lc

TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; CT; 4. FIRE.; SCRNJTON, PE: 1-INSYLVATrJA,

CHARACTER OF CASE
MISCELLANEOUS

COMPLAINANT

1

INFORMATION CONCERNING

c

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

IP submitted ash residue to Fire Marshal's office, Philadelphia, Pa.

6

which made chemical analysis. opinion that fire may have been caused by military flare or 'flying saucer'.

- C -

DETAILS:

This report was prepared by the Philadelphia office.

4 received from the office of the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, dated May 19, 1949,

advising that ashes had been received from one [redacted], purportedly from a fire which had continued to burn for twelve hours. A chemical analysis of the ashes had been requested. The Office noted that [redacted] had at one time worked for the Atomic Energy Commission.

[redacted] advised that there had been received through the mail on April 21, 1949, an ash sample with a request for analysis. In the letter of transmittal, [redacted] had pointed out that the fire had continued to burn twelve hours after water had first been applied. The original letter of transmittal was examined and reflected that an object had entered the roof of the building, caused an explosion, and threw people out of bed.

attempted to locate [redacted] at his residence

residence

the time

but had been unsuccessful. He added that at
commented that **11** ► been employed by C/


the Atomic Energy Commission.
at the

... was then requested by letter to appear

APPROVED / END
FORWARDED,


CORDED -

129

			 3/3QNI

[Large redacted area]

 said he
,
had


L. V. Boardman SPECIAL AGENT
IN CHARGE


DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

6/2 + 5/18 + 1/80 RE
b7c 82

COPIES OF THIS REPORT

- 2 - Bureau
- 2 - Philadelphia

COPY IN FILE



Fy.c

174
33 JUL 20 1949

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

PH 62-2542 ,_

.....advised that he had been employed by the Atomic Energy Commission at Oak Ridge until 1943. He was entirely rational. He discounted the theory that a portion of a meteor had struck the house on the basis of the chemical analysis made by the City Chemical Laboratory.

b7c

[redacted] advised that at the suggestion of the City authorities, he had written to [redacted] suggesting that any further inquiries be directed to the State Police.

/.....

The file of the Philadelphia Office reflect that the records eIJJniation :: Natu- i ion Service.re nega&i:e e ai;uyt. cern- office like%lse reflect that a : ; i y letter received August 14, 1947, .b]l requested - of this office the identity of a powder or dust used to catch thieves.

Inasmuch as there is no...Yi.QlatiOn indicated within the Bureau's jurisdiction, there is no further investigation being conducted in this matter. However, the ash residue obtained from the I _____ J b fo being forwarded to the Bureau Laboratory for any interest or study the Laboratory may desire to conduct relative to flares or in connection with the possibility of the presence of "flying saucers".

- CLCEED -