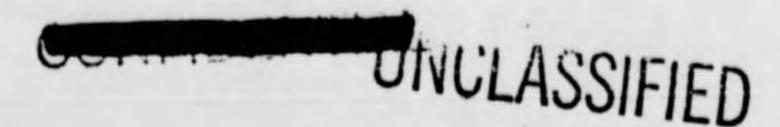
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TO : Special Agent Robert A. Smith

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At 1030C the local weather condition was clear twelve miles visibilty wind direction and speed was northeast eight knots.

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SUBJECT: Unconventional Aircraft

TO:

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

Attention: MCI (Control No. A-1917)

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SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

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"CITY FOLK LOOK UP, SEE THINGS IN THE SKY

"Chattanoogans were looking up and seeing things again yesterday. The things were described as 'flying machines without wings--12 of them' and 'a great ball of fire.'

mear the intersection of Brainerd and Airport roads and saw the sunlight of yesterday afternoon reflected on a dozen round-shaped silvery things like parachutes. She said they were flying in three V's. She said she later inquired at the airport and was told no flight of that kind had communicated with the field.

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"A meteor was reported seen here and elsewhere in the Southeast last Wednesday midnight."

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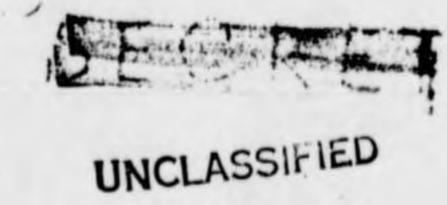
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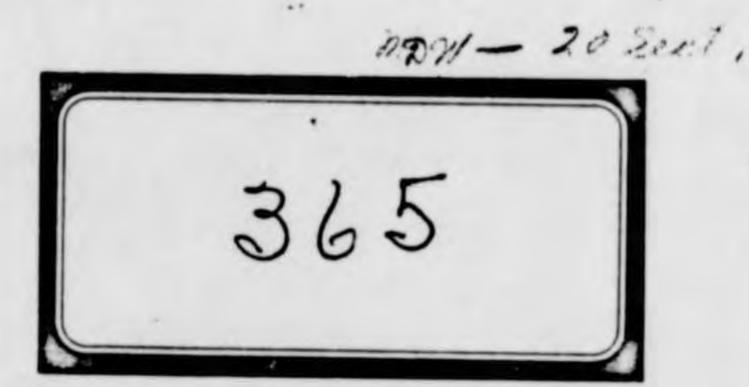
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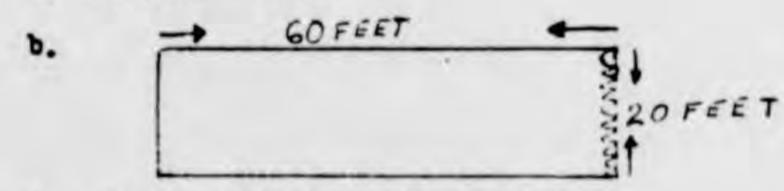
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DESCRIPTION OF

- 1. Sighted 21 Hovember 1949.
- 2. The sighting was at 11:00 Item.
- 3. B. (1). Object appeared to be traveling at high speed on a heading between 10 and 30 degrees, at an altitude between 31,000 and 32,000 feet.
 - (2). Observer over Akita, Honshu Japan, 39043'N 140008'E.
 - (3). One O'clock
- 4. One. (See paragraph 8 b)
- 5. A check with the 20 20th Air Weather Service Detachment revealed no clues that may have accounted for this sighting.
 - 6. a. Object when first sighted approximate distance 1,500 yards.

b. Approximately 30 degrees.

- c. Estimated between 31,000 and 32,000 feet.
- 7. 11:00 Item
- 8. A. Grayish-white.



- c. Had appearance of tow target.
- d. (1). Estimated 20 feet by 60 feet.
 - (2). Appeared at least twice the size of normal towed target.
- 9. Heading was 220 degrees ..
- 10. Only unusual characteristic appearance was the flutter in trailing edge. Object appeared to be traveling in level flight.
 - 11. Nothing observed.
 - 12. There was no ceiling and visibility was unrestricted.
 - 13. Hone observed.
 - 14. Nothing observed.

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IN REPLY REFER TO: 24-41

9th OSI District Barksdale AFB, La. 9 January 1950

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SUBJECT:

UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT Sight of "Flying Cigar" on 18 November 1949, at Biloxi

Mississippi, by

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SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO:

Commanding General Air Materiel Command

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base

Dayton, Ohio

ATTN: MCIAXO-3

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1. Transmitted herewith is Closed Report of Investigation regarding the above Subject. District Office No. 9 contemplates no further investigation of this case.

2. Unauthorized disclosure of information contained in this report will be considered to be a violation of AFR 205-1.

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- 15. Nothing observed.
- 16. None observed.
- 17. None observed.
- 18. Estimated between 400 and 500 MPH.
- 19. Wo sound observed.
- 20. b. Faded from view.

INFORMATION AS TO OBSERVER

- 1. First Lieutenant John J. Jackson, Jr., A0-697550.
- 2. Misawa Air Base, APO 919.
- 3. Jet Fighter Pilot, 8th Fighter Squadron, 49th Fighter Group.
- 4. USAF, Misawa Air Base, APC 919.
 - 5. a. Observer is not an amateur astronomer or engineer. Observer is a pilot.
 - b. Builder of model ships and ocassionally shoots skeet. Very interested in sports. Has been interested in model ship building for approximately 15 years.
 - 6. a. Is not color blind.
 - 7. b. Subject observer has been flying Fighters about six years and has been reasonably accurate in observing speeds. Total Fighter aircraft time is about 575 hours.
 - o. Judgement of subject considered to be adequate.
- 7. Consensus of opinion as expressed by his Commanding Officer and close associates is that the observer is extremely reliable, truthful, and not given to exaggerations in any of his expressions. Observer has never been described as being extroverted or a seeker of publicity in any manner.
 - 8. a. Subject has never reported sighting before.
 - b. (1). No sound.
 - (2). Apparent movement of object.
 - (3). None observed.
 - c. Subject had been in flight approximately 30 minutes. After the sighting, he checked oxygen supply to determine if suffering

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9. No witnesses.

10. The undersigned interviewed Subject and is of the same opinion as indicated in paragraph 7 above.

RELATIVE TO RADAR

- 1. Not applicable.
- 2. a. Object was not observed to have caused radar inductions or extra noise on radio circuits.

GENERAL.

- 1. AWJA-1 WUQT 210200 Z 58002. 25-362/46/33C/058/FEW SC.
 - a. Wo ceiling.
 - b. Visibility 25 miles.
 - c. Temperature 46 degrees.
 - d. Dew point 33.
 - e. Wind velocity Calm.
 - f. Altimeter 058.
- 2. Winds aloft:
 - a. 20,000: 270 degrees at 44 K.
 - b. 25,000: 260 degrees at 61 K.
 - c. 30,000: Unknown.

CERTIFICATE

On 21 November 1949, at 11:00 hours, the undersigned saw the following unidentified object: While flying at 30,000 feet in an F-80C, on a heading of 220 degrees, at an IAS of 230 MPH, an object which appeared to be an aerial tow target was observed at an estimated altitude of 31,000 to 32,000 feet, traveling at an estimated speed of 400 to 600 MPH, on a heading of 10 to 30 degrees.

The objects color was grayish white, was rectangular in shape, and the approximate dimensions were 60 feet long and 20 feet wide. The only indication of movement within the object itself was the apparent flutter of it's trailing edge.

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I certify that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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STATUS

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CHARACTER

SPECIAL INQUIRY - UNCONVENTIONAL AIRCRAFT

REFERENCE

None, this is an initial report.

SYNOPSIS

A flying object of unusual nature was observed 18 November 1949 at 1000 hours due south of the Biloxi Veterans Hospital, Pass Road, Biloxi, Mississippi, by Chief Guard and Guards

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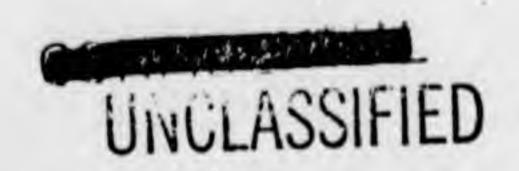
DETAILS:

1. This investigation was initiated upon receipt of letter, 9th OSI District, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana, File 24-41, dated 9 December 1949.

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AT BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI:

- 2. An unidentified aerial object was observed 18 November 1949, at 1000 hours directly south of the Biloxi Veterans Hospital, Pass Road, Biloxi, Mississippi, by Guard, according to information received during interviews with aforementioned persons on 15 December 1949. Guard First sighted the object while on duty at the Hospital Main Gate and notified his superior, Chief Guard At this first appearance, the object was approximately over Ship Island, which lies off the Biloxi coast about ten (10) miles to the south. There was only one (1) object. At the distance of ten (10) miles, the altitude of this object appeared to be between 2500 and 3000 feet. The object remained in sight for approximately twenty-five (25) minutes. It was white and reflected the sunlight. The shape was similar to a cigar. Nothing could be determined as to the type of construction. Guard Guard that, using similar type planes and aerial objects as a guide, the size of the object appeared to be approximately two hundred feet (200') in length and a proportionate diameter to that of a cigar of that size. The line of flight was from New Orleans, La., to Mobile, Alabama. It maintained a steady flight with no change of altitude while in the view of these observers. There was apparently no exhaust or any engine sound. The day was clear and no clouds were viewed near this object. Being daylight at the time the object was sighted, no lights of any type were observed in connection with the object. No wings or normal control surfaces were observed. The method of propulsion could not be determined as there was no sound of any power or any visible evidence of engine and exhaust. Control and stability was apparently excellent, however, the method of control could not be determined. The speed was approximately fifty (50) miles per hour and this object was completely silent in its passage through the air. It finally passed from sight behind the trees surrounding the area from which the object was observed, after having remained within view for approximately twenty-five (25) minutes.
- 3. Observers, Guard JA. and Guards A. are employed by the Biloxi Veterans Hospital, Pass Road, Biloxi, Mississippi. All of these men, in connection with their assigned duties, are trained to observe and report unusual incidents. The Executive Officer of the Veterans Hospital, Mr. was interviewed regarding the reliability of these observers and stated that, in his opinion, they were entirely reliable personnel, that all had been employed



at the hospital for several years with no bad marks of any kind on their records. According to the personnel records of these men, they had all passed their physical examinations without any trouble and, while two (2) of the men, I reading glasses, they have no difficulty in determining true color and both drive automobiles. Their estimate of speed of moving objects and size at a distance appears reliable to the average degree. This Agent has known Chief Guard for approximately two (2) years and considers him to be an entirely reliable person who has a responsible position at the local Veterans Hospital. Mr. is charged with the responsibility of Ground Safety and Fire Prevention and Control in addition to his duties as has vouched for the reliability of his two (2) men, and I on the day that this observation was made, the weather was clear. Two (2) of the observers are familiar with the derigible type aircraft, having in their lifetime observed Air Force equipment of most types. They positively state that this object was not an aircraft of such nature. There was no projection on the underside of the cigar-shaped object which would indicate a cabin or other such space. The object was even in contour throughout its length according to Mr.

INCLOSURES:

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, AIR MATERIEL COMMAND, WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO:

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(Re Sighting(s) of Unidentified Aerial
Object (s)

- 1. Date of sighting 18 November 1949
- 2. Time of sighting (Zonal by 24 hr clock)- 1000csT
- 3. Where sighted: (Observer's position) Directly South of Main Gate of the Biloxi Veterans Hospital, Pass Road, Biloxi, Mississippi.

a. Ground

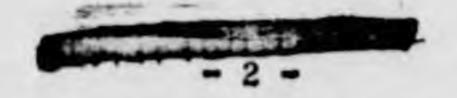
- (1) City, tewn Biloxi, Mississippi
- (2) Distance and direction from city or town, road, intersections, etc.
- Approximately over Ship Island which lies approximately 10 miles south of the coast line between Gulfport and Biloxi, Miss.
- (3) From building (story), yard, etc. Main Gate, Biloxi
 Veterans Hospital, Pass
 Road, Biloxi, Miss.
- (4) Map coordinated (if feasible) showing Not available. latitude and longitude
- b. <u>Air</u> Not applicable.
- c. Sea Not applicable.
- 4. Number of objects One (1)
 - a. Fermation type (if any) Cigar shaped.
- 5. Not available
- 6. Distance of object from observer 10 miles
 - a. Laterally or horizontally Laterally, 10 miles
 - b. Angle of elevation from horizon Unknown.
 - c. Altitude 2500 3000, estimated approximately.
- 7. Time in sight approximately 25 minutes.



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- 8. Appearance of object
 - a. Color White
 - b. Shape Cigar shaped
 - c. Apparent Construction undetermined.
 - d. Size -
 - (1) Estimated size approximately 200 feet in length with a diameter proportionate to that of a cigar of that size.
 - (2) Size as it appeared from observer's view Same as (1) above (Compared to known object)
- 9. Direction of flight From West to East
- 10. Tactics or Maneuvers
 - a. Vertical ascent or descent, horizontal, oscillating, fluttering, evasive, aggressive, erratic, etc. Horizontal flight.
- 11. Evidence of exhaust
 - a. Color of smoke None
 - b. Length and width not applicable
 - c. Odor (if any) none
 - d. Rate of evaporation not applicable
 - e. Does trail vary with sound? No trail or sound.
- 12. Effect on clouds No clouds present during observation.
- 13. Lights No lights observed.
- 14. Support undetermined. No wings or normal means of support visible.
- 15. Propulsion undetermined. No visible means.
- 16. Control and stability No control surfaces visible, however, the object appeared to be under excellent control in that its flight was regular throughout the period of observation.
- 17. Air ducts None observed. UNCLASSIFIED
- 18. Speed M.P.H. estimated at approximately 50 miles per hour.



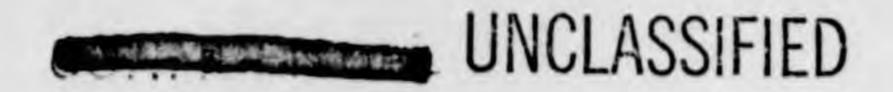
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- 19. Sound None
- 20. Manner of disappearance
 - a. Not applicable.
 - b. Not applicable.
 - c. Disappeared behind obstacle. The object disappeared from the view of the observers behind the tree line surrounding the Biloxi Veterans Hospital.

Relative to the Observer

- 1. Nameof observer Mr. J
- 2. Address Common h, Biloxi, Mississippi
- 3. Occupation Guard
- 4. Place of business Biloxi Veterans Hospital, Pass Road, Biloxi, Miss.
 - a. Employer or employee employee of Veterans Hospital
- 5. Hobbies
 - a. Hunting and fishing
- 6. Ability to determine
 - a. Color O.K.
 - b. Speed of moving objects average ability
 - c. Size at distance O. K.
- 7. Reliability of observer
 - a. Sources
 - (1) Employer Executive Officer, Biloxi Veterans Hospital, Mr. ELSWORTH J. SACKS. Mr. SACKS personally verified the reliability of Mr.
- 8. Notes relative to observer on
 - a. Sightings in general Mr. due to the nature of his duties is trained in observation of occurrance of an unusual nature.



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- b. How attention was drawn to object Glint of light
- c. Degree of fatigue and duration of flight at time of sighting in case where observer is airborne Not applicable.
- 9. Witnesses Guards Alexandra and Barrell and Barrell
 - a. Addresses Barracks No. 1, Biloxi Veterans Hospital
 - b. Occupation Guards
 - c. Reliability Verified as reliable by the Executive Officer, Mr. ELSWORTH J. SACKS
- 10. Comments of interrogator to intelligence and character of

 person interrogated Mr. Line is a person of high calibre
 and holds a very responsible position with
 the Biloxi Veterans Hospital. This Agent
 has known Mr. Most for approximately 2 years
 and considers him to be completely reliable.

Relative to Radar Sightings

Not applicable.

GENERAL

- Teletype sequences of local weather conditions Extract from the Keesler Weather Station attached to this report.
- 2. Winds aloft report See Extract, Keesler Weather report
- Local flight schedules of commercial, private and military aircraft flying in vicinity at the time - Unknown
- 4. Possible releases of testing devices in vicinity sent aloft by Ordance, Navy, Air Force, Army, Weather Units, Research Organizations or any other No record.
- 5. Not applicable
- 6. Not applicable
- 7. Not available
- 8. Secure signed statement -
- 9. Not applicable
- 10. None observed.

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