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I talked also with the former press officer for Project Blue Book, Albert Chomp.

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He used to be a newspaper man.

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Now he works in the public relations department for the major aircraft firm.

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I'd like to ask you your opinion of the reported sightings on radar.

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And also, if you have any opinion on this statement that has been made by some authorities,

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that temperature inversions in themselves can show up as they flip on a radar,

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and therefore it explains the sightings by radar.

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Do you have any opinions on that?

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Well, yes.

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The theory was advanced first publicly by Dr. Menzel, who is an astronomer at Harvard University,

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a well-known astronomer.

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The theory of temperature inversion is well known to all radar operators,

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and a good operator can always tell a return that is caused by temperature inversion

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from that caused by an object in the sky, an actual object.

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Dr. Menzel's theory was considered early in the study by the Air Force,

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and they have publicly stated that Dr. Menzel's theory would not account for more than just about one percent

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of the sightings they have solved.

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Have you ever seen an unidentified flying object?

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I was present in Washington, D.C. the night of the big sighting over the Capnations Capitol in 1952,

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and I was present in the radar room for approximately nine hours

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while these objects were evident on the scope for about that period of time.

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Is there anything further you could tell us about this, what you saw at that time that security permits?

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Well, there's no security on this particular sighting.

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We had two flights of Air Force interceptors come over the Capitol at different times during the night,

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and the second flight made contact with the unknown traffic,

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one of the pilots who made the contact was practically scared out of his wits.

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He reported that he was in the center of the group of unknowns.

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They were closing in on him, and he, in a very scared voice, asked us civilians in the radar rooms what he should do.

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This very tense situation lasted for about 20 seconds.

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No one answered him, and finally he reported that these objects were moving away from him,

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and this was also apparent to us who were looking at the scope.

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The objects did, that had been pushed around him, finally began to move off and out, and he returned the base.

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I talked to this pilot about six o'clock the next morning, and he admitted everything that I'm repeating here,

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and I did report this to the Air Force, the command post independent on Air Force command post.

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On the basis of the information you studied during your time with the Air Force, what do you think these objects really are?

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I think these objects are interplanetary reconnaissance vehicles.

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I do not believe they are manned. I believe they are here merely to observe things that are happening on this earth.

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I take my position because I've spent an awful lot of time on this project when I was with the government.

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I've seen all the reports, I've talked to a lot of the top scientists in the country who have similar beliefs.

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I'll stick with that.