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Old reports on flying saucers?

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Absolutely.

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20 years old?

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That goes back a long way.

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That's just about the time I got into it.

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Is that right?

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Right.

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When I was in pilot training there were about 500 of us on one right across the street.

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We sat there about three minutes and watched it.

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And where was this at?

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At Lakeland Air Force Base.

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What did the object look like?

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Kind of glowed.

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It was a little larger than a one bedroom house.

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It was sitting right over one bedroom house on the other side of the street.

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We were on one side of the street standing revelry.

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And I heard him say underclass when they gave and we looked up and there was a...

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Well, it looked like it was 20 feet across.

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That's what we had to say.

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Kind of glowed.

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Kind of gave an impression of spinning.

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This was a broad daylight?

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It was just, you know, like a twilight.

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The sun hadn't come up yet.

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You know, a real early rim like.

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Oh, I see.

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And we sat there and watched it about three minutes and the upper classman started walking

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across the street toward it and it took off.

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Any sound?

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There may have been an impression of sound, but I'm not sure any physical sound.

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There was maybe like an impression of a high pitched horn, but I'm not sure there actually was any sound.

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It was out of sight over the horizon in half a second or a second.

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This about 20 years ago.

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Yeah, 1954.

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Yeah, it was a class of 54J pilot training.

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That would this be in the summer or what?

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Probably just for Christmas.

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Probably about this time of the year.

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I don't know if it'd be worth getting in touch with other people to corroborate that or not, but...

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Well, it was class of 54J and anybody in that flight, several flights there could have verified it.

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What was the name of that air base again?

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Lackland Air Force Base in Texas.

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Pre-flight training for pilots.

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That was at the time, I think, somebody reported that.

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I never got an official word on it, but I think at the time that was reported to the Air Force and

we were told that was the...

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We were told unofficially that was to be confidential.

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All of us were very careful. They were checking us on security all the time.

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We were all very careful not to tell anybody.

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Yes, I can understand that.

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Well, 54 was a real big year in this country on that UFO report.

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Is that right?

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Oh, yes, it was terrific.

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Well, man, we saw that plane. I mean, it was like 30 feet away.

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Oh, no heat or anything?

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No heat, no heat.

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But it wasn't like a mirage or an illusion, you know?

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The plane was just glowing all over, like a big light.

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It was kind of glowing. No, it wasn't glowing like a light.

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It was glowing more like fluorescent paint or something under a black light or something like that.

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Did it have any discernible shape?

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Yeah, it was like two saucers.

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Rim to rim.

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Two saucers, rim to rim.

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It was kind of like two Fresbees rim to rim, as a matter of fact.

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The edges.

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No, but it kind of went up and then something happened.

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I can't remember too clearly, but there was kind of an impression that near the edge were like a row of portholes,

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but it was like spinning, so they came off as a line.

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Well, that sounds very common.

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Does it?

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Oh, okay.

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And I don't remember the colors, but it was kind of colored.

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It was like grayed down purple and green and yellow or something.

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And one of the parties started walking towards it.

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Yeah, one of the upperclassmen in charge of it started to walk over.

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We got about half across the street and it took off.

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You figure it was only about 30 feet away?

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Yeah, it was just a little like two-lane road.

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We were like on one edge of the road and there was a house all 10 feet from the edge of the road,

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and it was directly over the house, like 20 feet over the house.

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I mean, it was kind of scary.

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I was like, a lot of us felt like we were expected to be obliterated or something.

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You know.

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Well, we sure appreciate your calling us about this.

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I didn't know if you'd be interested in something that old, but I...

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Oh, yes.

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Interested in anything, especially a close approach like that.

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Yeah, I thought it was a fairly rare thing to see it that close and for, you know, three full minutes.

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Well, we thank you very much.

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We're number handy.

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Thank you.

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