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Daylight Disc

This was about a month ago (late July), on a Tuesday or Wednesday, because my friends just got back from a fishing trip . . . We'd just been hauling some grain and we'd finished--no we hand hadn't been hauling grain. we'd, my ff friend Kelly Robidoux had been painting his car, so we got thirsty, so we decided to go up for some beer. and we pulled out about 9 o'clock. It was about 15 minutes before dusk. The sun hadn't, it had just gone done. It was just dusk. We'd just pulled out and I had driven about half a mile and all of a sudden I saw--there were clouds in the sky but they were all toward the north. There was a small bright cloud about to the northwest and it was about 10,000 feet altitude, I estimate. And I says, hey look at that weird cloud, have you ever seen anything liike that? And Kelly looks up and says, yes , it is weird. and I says to him, I kept looking at it and looking at it, n and I just--I\* I'd never seen a cloud like that separated from the rest of the pack. and so I said, "that's no cloud." to him. and he said, aw, come on, that"s a cloud. and I says, 'look at it hard.' I says put the throttle down going after it, eh? He looks out and he says, 'you're right, it's not a cloud.' So we put the throttle down and it was a small, bright, a bright cloud, and it, and if you looked at it long enough, like maybe 5 or 6 seconds you'd see it a was almost changing shape, eh? It was pulsating, I don't know, sort of alike a small pulsating cloud. and we started following it and we couldn't , like we couldn;t gain on it. and it was to the right of us. we were heading west and it was over to the northwest of us. and so we started going after it and it started going away and we couldn't gain on it, and we doing about 60 mph and we'd gone 2 minutes and by that time it was about 30 miles away, whereas right before it was right over head. and we stopped, we stopped 2 miles from the La Salle River, and juts got out and watched it. and it just effortlessly, just sort of glided across the sky. and it was just, going like absolutely no noise, no sound, no vapor trail, nothing, just glides, and then it went right past over the top of Elie, it looked like, right over in that direction, eh? Went right over Elie and then I thought it was somewhere between Elie and Portage la Prairie. from what I could see and sbou about 10,000 feet. it always maintained its altitude. and all of a sudden another one came up. like we were on this side of the La Salle River and there\*s bush there, eh? You can;t see the horizon very well, and all of a sudden out of the horizon two the right of this object at about half the first object's altitude, say 5,000 feet, another one comes gliding out of the horizon. by now the sun's red, so it looks like a small red cloud. it comes up, a small red object, up to about 5,000 feet. And they just sat there and they maintained their positions relative to each other. and we look at it for about 30 seconds. two people from Starbuck stopped and I said, we waved

for about 30 seconds and two people from Starbuck stopped--I waved them down--and I said, 'will you look at that?' and they were Allen and Dell Shade, and Allen says, 'that's only a jet plane.' well, I didn't argue with him there, but where was the vapor trail, where was the noise, why was it moving about 900 mph? We'd gone 60 mph ~~ix~~ for 2 minutes and they'd gone about 30 miles and I calculated it, and it was really moving. so OK, these two objects, they're maintaining their distance from each other, and the lower one, the second one, like it just faded into the sunset it just moved quick. right into the sunset and it was gone, and the other one, after that veered off, the other one stayed there for a out 20 seconds, then it took off. it seemed like it proably veered off north of Portage La Prairie. and we tried following it for a while until it was just a pinpoint in the sky, and then it was gone. and --

Q. Where does Kelly live?

A. Lido Plage--it means little place in French. Kelley is 19 Oor 20.

Q. Where did you start from.

A. Our home, 2 miles north and a mile east. we were going to come into Starbuck to get a case of beer, then we saw this thing and there was no way I was going to pass it up. it moved fast, it was there, I wasn't hallucinating it. Allen said it was a jet plane. I didn't want to argue. Dell says yeah, it looks like a small cloud, same thing I described it as. and she says it was right over Starbuck and then it started moving. so thats what she said. . . and I hadn't hadnothing to drink. I was sober.

Q. What do you do for a living?

A. I farm and I'm a student at the University of Manitoba, second year agriculture diploma.

Q. How can u you estimate 10,000 feet?

A. Well, we've got, you see that (microwave) tower out there? well it was about 10 times that height and it's 1,000 feet. And I phoned immediately after that, I phone CFRY Radio in Portage La Prairie, and I says, Listen, and I described the exact same thing I described now, and he says, 'before you go any further, that's pretty well an exact description of what a dozen people saw a night previous.' And I'm telling you. weather balloons don't move that fast. . . the cloud always seemed to move, to change shape. Pulsate. but it was always circular. . . my very first impression was a cloud. I glanced at it and then, right away I glanced again, because I said, 'it's not a cloud.' . . . (Kelly was driving, a 1968 Falcon)

(called radio station at 9:30 pm . . . And then a jet came over right after that, a big vapor trail, and huge. this jet was about 2,000 or 3,000 feet

lower. this thing took off northwest and the jet was going west.

Q. Could you see the jet and the object at the same time?

A. No, the object was gone. The jet came about 30 minutes later.

Q. There was no comparison between this thing and the jet?

A. Absolutely none. I would say the jet was 10 times the size of this thing.

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