

this time, the car splattered and the radio started to crackle and stopped playing. Almost immediately after it had begun to splutter, the car was normally again and the radio ceased to crackle. The car was at this time being driven at its maximum speed on a gravel road. Upon reaching home, Mr Austin immediately informed his INVOICER of the phenomena he had seen. The object seemed to leave over some trees which were about two hundred yards from the house. At this time the lights in the house were extinguished and the Deputy Sheriff of Fairfield, Illinois was notified. During the excitement, Ronald Austin momentarily blacked out and was given a relative to take his horse.

Deputy Sheriff Harvey Lee of Wayne County, Marshall George Swain of Wayne City and State Trooper Edward Sizemore went to the Austin farm to witness the phenomena. The area surrounding and surrounding the Austin farm is densely vegetated, and on the night the phenomena was observed a slight haze hung over the area. The three law enforcement officers observed the object for a period of time and Marshall Swain concluded that the object was the "rearing star". The officers observed the object for about a half an hour and then left. Russell Smith and two of his friends (Dory Harshbarger and Tom Kessner) watched the object until day break. The object disappeared with the coming of daylight. When the object disappeared, it was at an elevation of 45 degrees and an azimuth of 215 degrees.

Returning to their home station, Marshall Swain and State Trooper Sizemore observed an object which appeared to be moving from west to east. The object appeared as a red light with colored flames and/or fiery streams. The object disappeared after approximately four seconds.

On the evening of 7 August 1961 at approximately 2300Z hours, Mr Chesney Ufford and Mr Mike Hill observed a bright diamond shaped object in the sky. The object appeared at times to be shaped like a diamond with a tail. The object first appeared in the south and traveled towards the east. The object traveled approximately 30 degrees in the sky in 15 minutes. The object then appeared as two objects and one object traveled from the southwest to the northwest while the other object made a 'U' turn and disappeared.

Subsequent to the field investigation additional confirmation of suspected s/c in the vicinity was needed. Indianapolis Eastern was contacted for flights to the West. St Louis center was contacted for low altitude flights and Kansas City for high altitude cross over from Indianapolis. This information was requested to determine the suspected s/c in Chesney Ufford sighting. The 807 was enroute from Joplinville to St Louis at 0130Z. Eastern Altitude Flight 905 over Brookville at 0215Z, over Columbia at 0230Z. These were the only jet s/c at upper altitudes being carried on the line. A call was made to Little Rock Arkansas (Howell) for Sandy Spot Refueling area. Information received revealed that the 700W was using the area on the nights of the 5,7,8,11,14,26 from 0300Z-0300Z. It was determined that the Ufford sighting was a misinterpretation of the jets refueling.

Call made to Ft Campbell, Ky. 79C Lighthouse Operations checked records to ensure that restricted area was not in use. Call to Ft Campbell, Ky revealed that the base is no longer in use. This ruled out possibility of maniactions or