

UNO SUMMARY
FAIRFIELD, ILLINOIS
8 - 7 August 1965

On 6 August 1965 information was received at Wright-Patterson AFB that an unidentified flying object had been observed in Fairfield, Illinois. The information was essentially that carried over the long airmail.

"Ronnie Austin and his girl friend, Phyllis Roon, had been to a Drive-In movie. Coming home they were chased by a flying saucer as big as an auto, which at times passed in front of them, along with, and at times trailing the car. After taking Miss Roon home Ronnie then proceeded to his own home while the saucer continued its attack. By this time he was in a state of shock and was given sedatives on the advice of the family doctor. The parents of Ronnie called Harry Lee, the Deputy Sheriff of Fairfield, Illinois, and he proceeded to the farmhouse with Mr. George Santos, Village Marshall of Wayne County, to observe the object which was now besieging the farmhouse. When arrived the object was identified as the "wandering star" (Jupiter). Two youths watched the object from the Austin farmhouse until it disappeared with the coming of dawn."

Scott AFB was contacted and requested to investigate the sighting under AFM 300-2.

Information received from Scott AFB confirmed that the object besieging the farmhouse was indeed Jupiter. However, since the story was attracting national interest through the news media, and additional sightings were being reported in the area, an investigation team from Wright-Patterson AFB conducted an additional field investigation.

The following information is extracted from this report:

"Ronnie Austin and Phyllis Roon were driving east on Illinois Highway 15 at approximately 0500 hours on 5 August 1965. At this time Mr. Austin noticed a bright object at approximately 40 degrees elevation to the right of his automobile. Observers were traveling in a valley of the road and approximately 30 yards from the Huxford Transformer Sub-Station. Object was first observed at an elevation of 15 degrees while observers were near a Micro-wave transmitting station. Object was reported to change course from the right to the left of the car. While observers were still traveling east on Highway 15, object appeared in the east at an elevation of approximately 15 degrees. Observers changed direction and were traveling north, the object appearing in the east at an elevation of 30 degrees.

When Mr. Austin arrived at Miss Roon's home he went inside and stayed for about 15 minutes. From Miss Roon's house, the object appeared in the east at an elevation of 25 degrees. On his way home, Mr. Austin "floor-boarded" the accelerator and drove as fast as his car would go, jaring