

There being the cause of the sighting of W Gilman and Don Sexton and left the remaining possibility of their sighting as a meteor.

None of the other reported sightings were investigated.

The following points were considered to be the most pertinent in evaluation of the Nauvoo Austin portion of the Fairfield sightings: (a) The exact route that Ronnie and Myrtle took was retraced at a corresponding time. The moon was in the position of the UFO at the time of the initial sighting. Subsequent observations revealed that Jupiter was always in the reported position of the object. (b) The turning of the road accounts for the alleged changes in position of the object. (c) At no time did Myrtle see the object as described by Nauvoo. (d) Marshall Sexton identified the object as the Evening Star. (e) Two youths continued to watch the object for the remainder of the night, the object always being in the position of Jupiter and disappearing with dawn.

It is concluded that Mr Nauvoo Austin first saw the moon through a slight haze while driving in the valley of the road by the Elford Transformer Sub-Station. Mr Austin continued to see the moon at the top of the valley near the Morse-Love station; however, at this time his attention was diverted to the left of his road and he focused his attention on Jupiter. He continued to see Jupiter for the rest of the evening. Marshall Sexton's conclusion that what Mr Austin saw was the "evening star" (Jupiter) was correct.

The sighting reported by Marshall Sexton and Steve Trooper Gilman was a meteor of the fireball class.

The sighting reported by Mr Updoff and Mr Hill was an air-to-air refueling operation which took place over southern Illinois.

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