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Incident 199 -- near Grays Harbor, Washington -- 30 October 1948

From the meager information given by Lieutenant [illegible], presumably a responsible and well-trained observer, positive identification of the object is impossible, but it appears likely that it was a burning fireball.

The bits of evidence that tend toward this interpretation are the following: [illegible] burning into two or three pieces, color white and yellow, and the short time [illegible]. The matter of disappearance, simply fading from view "like flakes from an airplane," is also similar to that of a disintegrating fireball; in bright daylight the otherwise bright, flare-like quality is sometimes not observed.

Against this interpretation are the following: no lights or outstanding reflection, and no trail. The former might be the result of bright daylight; obviously the objects were observed, and if they were yellow and white, they must have had some luminosity. Lack of trail is, however, unusual.

Unfortunately, without more detailed information, little more can be said.

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