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REPORT OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT (Cont'd)

130° at five (5) knots.
If sighting was by electronic methods a statement whether any attempt to visually sight the object was made, negative.
Any activity or conditions meteorological or otherwise which might account for the sighting: unknown.
Remarks: Photographs and statements attached.

DESCRIPTION OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT:

The object was first observed at approximately one thousand (1000) feet, and at thirty (30) degrees standing still, then in approximately five (5) seconds rose to approximately an altitude of two thousand (2000) feet, then descended at approximately the same speed to one thousand (1000) feet remaining there for approximately one (1) minute. Then ascended rapidly on a vertical climb to approximately two thousand (2000) feet and then started to bounce up and down rapidly for approximately one (1) minute. Object then descended to one thousand (1000) feet remaining there for three (3) to four (4) minutes, and then started to rise to approximately two thousand (2000) feet at which point it began to move to the east on a straight and level flight path. Observer then broke off his observation in order to walk his post and object was lost to his sight. Air was last sighted of the object.

Investigating officer went to the Hill [illegible], which is in vicinity of location of object and questioned Airman [illegible], 550th Signal Radio Relay Co, 4189th AAU, Signal Service Det, and the Guard on duty at the time object was sighted. Neither had any knowledge of object. Also questioned Airman [illegible], Hartman of the 550th Signal Radio Relay Company, 4189th AAU, Signal Service Det and Airman [illegible] on duty at time object was sighted. Neither had anything about object.

Investigating officer proceeded to the 4189th Air Detachment which operates a Bladen strip in the vicinity of where object was sighted.

Questioned Capt [illegible], Base Operations Officer to determine if object had been sighted. He had no knowledge of object and the detachment did not have planes up or weather balloons at the time object was sighted.

Capt Blount, [illegible] question by investigating officer on possibility of light being from weather balloon and was informed balloons were sent up at [illegible] hours each day. The possibility of one of their balloons being in the vicinity of lighted object is practically impossible due to excessive rate of 700 feet per minute. The distance from point of release of the balloon to point the observed object is approximately seventeen (17) miles.

The sighted object could possibly have been a light on the ground in vicinity of Bladen strip or a plant balloon although thorough investigation failed to turn up a balloon in this area.

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