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Dear Sir:

I should like to report the sighting of an unusual illuminated aerial object which my wife, my daughter, and I saw the evening of June 23, 19[illegible] between [illegible] and [illegible]:30 P.M.

I was pointing out the stars of Ursa Minor when the object moved across the sky in a path some distance below Polaris. It was almost as plainly seen as a quarter moon. Its shape was roughly "tear drop" with the forward portion rather clearly defined and the rear portion feathered out. The color varied from (very yellow in the forward center area to [illegible] at the borders and rear). It had a dark band running through the front center area. We each made line and sketches of our impressions of the object and they all agree favorably. I am enclosing a sketch of my impression.

The object was first seen by my wife who called it to my attention. It was darkest against the sky. It came from behind the second story of our house, travelled through about 30° and disappeared behind trees on the neighboring lawn. We immediately made estimations of the size and location. The altitude was approximately 15° and the path [illegible] to decline at about 10°. The size appeared to be two thirds the size of the full moon at arm's length from the eye. The length of time in travelling was probably two or three seconds. There was no noise heard.

I spend a considerable amount of time observing the heavens with a small telescope and sometimes with the eye. I have observed a number of the larger nebulae, galaxies, and star clusters. I have also observed numerous meteors. This object was many, many times more spectacular than the most brilliant meteor I have observed. It was an object not soon to be forgotten.

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