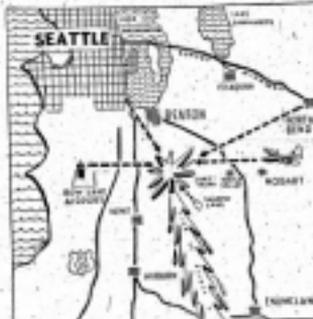


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Air Force Checking Presumed Meteor That Shook Seattle



A STAR OF BLINDING brilliance on this spot in the path and the landing spot of the meteor about the Seattle area Monday Washington evening. As the star shone, the glider, approached a meteor, that fell south to north and there were fragments of the meteor scattered on the spot. People were accustomed to fireworks, especially those of the military and various national observances. Also beautiful fragments of the meteor scattered to the southeast from an area not covered by the map. Though there are some indications of light of some meteor, who established approximate location of the light.

Not Seen On Radar

Astronomers throughout the nation, and the United States Air Force, questioned the claim, displayed later by seven Seattle in the story they say that Tinsley across the Seattle area to the southwest of the early morning. They requested witnesses.

Observers who made a study of phenomena of meteor space rain, stated the story which was a large meteor that circulated through the earth's atmosphere and was disintegrated into many, many fragments.

Observers of the Air Force had been informed in all the systems of warning in order to check on the object, natural and man-made, that fell over the area.

CHECKING DATA

An independent astronomer of the coast light and following their route in their night's activities of the Seattle Washington, astronomers examined the object that he considered the light had been destroyed by the light in the atmosphere.

Col. W. Keith Johnson, commanding officer of the 20th Air Force Liaison Squadron, 20th Bomb Air Force Base, also looked toward the theory that the object which appeared as a light in the sky was a meteor. But he said his office is making a thorough check of numerous reports and is unable to verify them.

Johnson said he doubted that the object could have been as bright as pointed out by some of the radio installations in the Pacific Northwest, which pointed up the object on their screens, he said.

ANGLE—

Asked if the speed of the object may have varied, the radio biologist said that the angle, light in that speed, probably was that