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Hynek's Reevaluation of Air Force Cases

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When I visited CUFOS recently, I was interested in look at the cases from 1954-1956 to match up information with cases I copied from the 4602d Air Intelligence Service Squadron files. Here is a form that Dr. Hynek used in his own re-evaluation of Air Force cases. The case itself is moderately interesting. I will make some general comments at the end.

INTERESTING CASES---AF INDENTIFIED

DATE March 2, 1955
LOCAL TIME 2300Z (5:00 P. M.)
LOCATION 10 mi. N. of Huntley, Illinois
OF OBJECTS 3
DURATION (unknown) over 10 min.
OF WITNESSES 1
QUALTIFICATIONS
WHAT WAS THE WITNESS DOING driving auto
UFO MOVEMENT 2 objects flew along side of car ~5' from ground.
3rd obj. (white light) flew ~500' above. Obj on left turned and dropped behind car several times 2 obj. would circle around buildings and trees than move in beside car. When obs. stopped for night--obj. parked in field in distance. Daylight--obj. gone.
AF CLASSIFICATION REFLECTION (due to fatigue)
OUR CLASSIFICATION CE-I
COPY - FROM FORM
REMARKS (QUOTES, OUR OBSERVATIONS, NOTES):
Long balloon shape --20' long. Black.
8 red lights w/white lights on each end. Object on right shot out a red lighted cross for 5 mins.

WHY INTERESTING: No reason to assume fatigue.

Finis.

There are a number of re evaluations of Air Force cases in CUFOS files.

Hynek also re-examined the Air Force unknowns. Many times Hynek agreed with Air Force's evaluation.

The 4602d AISS seemed to have an aversion to any close approach cases. If they were viewed through glass, they were automatically a reflections. Another ploy was to label them insufficient information. Any case reported 5 or 7 [I am not sure of the period.] days after it happened could be put in this category. Finally, the witness(es) could be said to have overactive imaginations. Therefore, the case deserved no further investigation.

An interesting example of the reflection explanation follows. A Lt S was flying across country and saw an object cut diagonally across his flight path. When asked what he thought it was on the AF questionnaire, Lt S wrote, "A machine not of this world." The 4602d AISS investigator noted that Lt S had a bad attitude. The answer was a canopy reflection. Lt S noted that Lt J was flying fifteen minutes behind him and witnessed a similar phenomenon. The 4602d AISS files have no investigation of Lt J's sighting.

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