Historical Sightings 1952 - Part 4

- USA, Pennsylvania, Olmstead AFB: Sept. 14, 1952, time not known. Witness: pilot of Flying Tiger Airlines airplane N67977. One blue light flew very fast on a collision course with the airliner. Note: the summary card attached to the file showed completely different information.
- USA, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh: Feb. 11, 1952, 3 am. Witnesses: Capt. G.P. Arns and Maj. R.J. Gedson flying a Beech AT-ll trainer. One yellow-orange comet-shaped object pulsed flame for 1-2 seconds of a 1 minute straight and level flight.
- USA, Pennsylvania, Pottstown: June 26, 1952, 11:50 pm. Witness: assistant manager of airport. Three sightings of flashing lights: two lights separated by 2 miles, with the leader flashing steadily and the other irregularly; two similarly flashing lights, but with 1 mile separation; finally a single light. Speed estimated at 150-250 mph. Total of ½ hour.
- USA, Pennsylvania, Pottstown: July 23, 1952, 8:40 am. Witnesses: the two-man crews of three USAF F-94 jet interceptors. One large silver object, shaped like a long pear with two or three squares beneath it, flew at 150-180 kts. (170-210 m.p.h.), while a smaller object, delta-shaped or swept back, flew around it at 1,000-1,500 kts. (1,150-1,700 mph). Seen by crews for 1-4 minutes.
- USA, South Carolina, Ellenton: May 10, 1952, 10:45 pm. Witnesses: 4 duPont employees at the Savannah River nuclear plant. Up to four yellow, disc-shaped objects were seen on five occasions between 10:45 and shortly after 11:15.
- USA, South Carolina, Shaw AFB: Oct. 1, 1952, 6:57 pm. Witness: USAF lst Lt. T.J. Pointek, pilot of RF-8O reconnaissance jet. One bright white light flew straight, then vertical, then hovered, and then made an abrupt turn during a 23 minute attempted intercept.
- USA, South Dakota, Rapid City: June 1, 1952, 6 pm. Witnesses: A/lc Beatty and two civilians. At least five long silver objects flew in a neat box formation with a leader for 15-20 seconds.
- USA, South Dakota, Rapid City AFB: July 9, 1952, 3:35 pm. Witnesses: S/Sgt. D.P. Foster and three other persons. Three times, a single white, disc-shaped object sped by, straight and level, in 5 seconds.
- USA, South Dakota, White Lake: Sept. 14, 1952, 7 pm. Witness: Ground Observer Corps observer L.W. Barnes, using binoculars. One red, cigar-shaped object, with three puffs behind it, flew west, then south, and then was gone. Seen 30-40 minutes.
- USA, Tennessee, Knoxville: Oct. 21, 1952, no time given. Witnesses: persons at airport weather station. Six white lights flew in a loose formation for 1-2 minutes, and made a shallow dive at a weather balloon

- USA, Tennessee, Memphis: April 14, 1952, 6:34 pm. Witnesses: U.S. Navy pilots Lt. jg. Blacky, Lt. jg. O'Neil. One inverted bowl, 3' long and 1' high, with vertical slots, flew fast, straight and level, 100 yards from observers' aircraft for 45-60 seconds.
- USA, Tennessee, Oak Ridge: June 23, 1952, 3:30 am. Witness: secretary Martha Milligan. One bullet-shaped object with burnt-orange exhaust flew straight and level for 30-60 seconds.
- USA, Texas, Converse July 21, 1952, 4:30 pm. Witness: wife of USAF Capt. J.B. Neal. One elongated, fuselage-shaped object flew straight and level, made a right-angle turn and went out of sight at more than 300 mph, all in 3-5 seconds.
- USA, Texas, Dallas: Aug. 21, 1952, 11:54 pm. Witness: Jack Rossen, ex-artillery observer. Three blue-white lights hovered then descended; 1.5 minutes later, one of them descended more.
- USA, Texas, Houston: May 20, 1952, 10:10 pm. Witnesses: USAF pilots Capt. J. Spurgin and Capt. BB. Stephan. One bright or white oval object moved from side-to-side while making a gradual turn for 90 seconds.
- USA, Texas, Kelly AFB: June 21, 1952, 12:30 pm. Witness: T/Sgt. Howard Davis, flight engineer of B-29 bomber at 8,000' altitude. One flat object with a sharply pointed front and rounded rear; white with a dark blue center and red rim, trailed sparks as it dove past the B-29 at a distance of 500' in 1 second.
- USA, Texas, Killeen Oct. 17, 1952, 10:15 pm. Witnesses: Ministers Greenwalt and Kluck. Lights, or a rectangle of lights, moved more or less straight and level for 5 seconds.
- USA, Texas, Laredo AFB Nov. 3, 1952, 6:29 pm. Witnesses: two control tower operators, including Lemaster. One long, elliptical, white-grey light flew very fast, paused, and then increased speed during a 3-4 second observation.
- USA, Texas, Levelland: Aug. 24, 1952, 9:30 pm, 10:30 pm. Witnesses: Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sharp. One object, shaped like a spinning top, changing color from red to yellow to blue, and with a fiery tail, hovered for 20 minutes, whistling, then flew away. It, or another like it, returned an hour later.
- USA, Texas, Lubbock: June 5, 1952, 11 pm. Witnesses: Dan Benson, Mr. Bacon. A total of eight yellow circular objects, like large stars, were seen during 45 minutes. The first two were in a trail formation, the others were seen singly.
- USA, Texas, Marshall: April 29, 1952, 3:30 pm. Witness: private pilot R.R. Weidman. One round, white object which flew straight, with a side-to-side oscillation for 1.5 minutes.
- USA, Texas, San Antonio: May 29, 1952, 7 pm. Witness: USAF pilot Maj. D.W. Feuerstein, on ground. One bright tubular object tilted from horizontal to vertical for 8

- minutes, then slowly returned to horizontal, again tilted vertical, accelerated, appeared to lengthen and turned red. The entire sighting lasted 14 minutes.
- USA, Texas, San Antonio: July 30, 1952, 10 am. Witnesses: E.E. Nye and one other person. One round, white object flew slow and then sped away after 20-30 minutes.
- USA, Texas, San Antonio: Aug. 7. 1952, 9:08 am. Witness: Mrs. Susan Pfuhl. Four glowing white discs: one made a 180' turn, one flew straight and level, one veered off, and one circled during the 70 minute sighting.
- USA, Texas, San Antonio: Sept. 7, 1952, 10:30 pm. Witnesses: chemist J.W. Gibson and others. One orange object or light (the color of 2,000' F.) exploded into view. Seen for from 3-20 seconds by various observers.
- USA, Texas, San Antonio: Oct. 19, 1952, 1:30 pm. Witness: one ex-USAF air crewman Woolsey. Three circular aluminum objects, one of which was olive-drab colored on the side, flew in a rough V-formation. One object flipped slowly, another object stopped, during the 3-4 minute sighting.
- USA, Texas, San Marcos: July 21, 1952, 10:40 pm. Witnesses: one Lieutenant, two Staff Sergeants, three airmen. One blue circle with a blue trail was seen to hover and then accelerate to near-sonic speed (700+ mph) after 1 minute.
- USA, Texas, Temple: April 6, 1952, 2:59 pm. 50-75 grey-white discs changed position within formation continually, tilted in unison every 12-15 seconds during 3.8 minute sighting.
- USA, Texas, Uvalde: July 22, 1952, 2:46 pm. Witness: Don Epperly, Trans Texas Airlines station manager and weather observer. One large, round, silver object flew at more than 1,000 mph for 45 seconds, while gyrating.
- USA, Texas, Wichita Falls: July 27, 1952, 8:30 pm. Witnesses: Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Ellis. Two disc-shaped objects, illuminated by a phosphorus light, flew at an estimated 1,000 mph for 15 seconds.
- USA, Vermont, Bellevue Hill: April 24, 1952, 5 am. Witnesses: crew of USAF C-124 transport plane. Three circular, bluish objects in loose "fingertip" formation twice flew parallel to airplane during 3-4 minute period.
- USA, Virginia, Annandale Nov. 24, 1952, 6:30 pm. Witness: L.L. Brettner. One round, glowing object flew very fast, made right angle turns and reversed course during a 1 hour sighting.
- USA, Virginia, Langley AFB: July 29, 1952, 2:30 pm. Witness: USAF Capt. D.G. Moore, of military air traffic control system. One undescribed object flew at an estimated 2,600 mph, below 5,000' altitude, toward the air base for about 2 minutes.
- USA, Virginia, Langley AFB: July 29, 1952, 2:50 pm. Witnesses: Mr. Moore, Gilfillan electronics representative, W. Yhope. One radar target tracked moving away, stopped for 2 minutes, again moved very, very fast. four minutes.

- USA, Virginia, Norfolk: July 14, 1952, 8:12 pm. Witnesses: Pan American Airways First Officer William Nash, Second Officer William Fortenberry. Eight large, round, glowing red objects maneuvered below their airliner, in formation.
- USA, Washington, DC. July 26, 1952, 8 pm. until after midnight. Witnesses: radar operators at several airports, airline pilots. Many unidentified blips tracked by radar all over Washington area, at varying speeds. Pilots spotted unidentified lights.
- USA, Washington, DC, Washington National Airport: Nov. 30, 1952. Witnesses: operators at Washington National Airport. Radar trackings similar to those of July 26, 1952.
- USA, Washington, Bayview: June 2, 1952, 5:02 pm. Witness: Larry McWade. One purple object seen for unknown length of time. No further information in files.
- USA, Washington, McChord AFB: June 17, 1952, between 7:30 and 10:20 pm. Witnesses: many and varied. From one to five large silver-yellow objects flew erratically, stopped and started for about 15 minutes.
- USA, Washington, McChord AFB: June 23, 1952, 9 pm. Witness: 2nd Lt. K. Thompson. One very large light flew straight and level for 10 minutes. No further information.
- USA, Washington, McChord AFB: July 28, 1952, 2:15 am. Witnesses: T/Sgt. Walstead, S/Sgt. Calkins of the 635th AC&W Squadron. One dull, glowing, blue-green ball, the size of a dime at arms' length, flew very fast, straight and level.
- USA, Washington, Moses Lake: May 1, 1952, 5:32 am. Witnesses: Two Atomic Energy Commission employees, Eggan and Shipley. One silver object without wings flew straight and level for 1.5 minutes.
- USA, Washington, Soap Lake: June 1, 1952, 3:?? pm. Witness: Ray Lottman. Three glimmering objects flew straight and level for 10 minutes.
- USA, Washington, Spokane: June 23, 1952, 4:05 pm. Witness: Airport weather observer Rex Thompson. One round disc with a metallic shine flashed, and fluttered like a flipped coin for 5-7 minutes.
- USA, Washington, Walla: June 1, 1952, 1 pm. Witness: ex-military pilot Reserve Maj. W.C. Vollendorf. One oval object with a "definite airfoil" performed a fast climb for 7 seconds.
- USA, Washington, Yakima: March 23, 1952, 6:56 and 7pm. Witnesses: pilot and radar operator of F-94 jet interceptor. On either occasion, a red fireball increased in brightness and then faded over 45 second span. Stationary both times. Note: *Project Blue Book Status Report #7 (May 31, 1952)* says target was also tracked by ground radar at 78 knots (90 mph) at 22,500' and 25,000' altitude.

- USA, West Virginia, Charleston: Sept. 24, 1952, 3:30 pm. Witnesses: crew of USAF B-29 bomber. A lot of bright, metallic particles or flashes, up to 3' in length, streamed past the B-29 for 15 minutes.
- USA, Wisconsin, Columbus: April 14, 1952, 12:35 pm. Witness: unidentified CAL airline pilot. Several light colored objects flew in V-formation. No further details in files.
- USA, Wisconsin, Lake Kishkanoug: June 28, 1952, 6 pm. Witness: G. Metcalfe. One silver-white sphere became an ellipse as it turned and climbed away very fast. 10 seconds.
- USA, Wisconsin, Madison: Dec. 9, 1952, 5:45 pm. Witnesses: Capt. Bridges and lst Lt. Johneon in USAF T-33 jet trainer. Four bright lights, in diamond formation, flew at 400 mph and were passed by the T-33 at 450 mph during the 10 minute sighting.
- USA, Wisconsin, Osceola: July 29, 1952, 1:30 am. Witnesses: radar operators on ground, pilot of F-5l Mustang in flight. Several clusters of up to 10 small radar targets and one large target. Small targets moved from southwest to east at 50-60 kts. (60-70 mph), following each other. The large one moved at 600 kts. (700 m.p.h.). One hour total time. Pilot confirmed one target.
- USA, Wisconsin June 18, 1952, 9 am. Witness: R.A. Finger. One crescent-shaped object hovered for several seconds and then sped away.
- Viet Nam, Saigon: May 28, 1952, 10:30 am. Witnesses: many in crowd watching a ceremony. One white-silver disc-shaped object flew straight and fast for 2 minutes.
- West Germany, Erding Air Depo: Oct. 29, 1952, 7:50 am. Witnesses: USAF S/Sgt. Anderson, A/2c Max Handy. One round object, silhouetted against a cloud, flew straight and level and smooth at 400 mph for 20 seconds.
- West Germany, Fulda: June 2, 1952, time unknown. Witness: lst Lt. John Hendry, photo-navigator on an RB-26C reconnaissance bomber. One porcelain-white object flew very fast for an unknown length of time.
- West Germany, Heidelberg July 28, 1952, 10:20 pm. Witnesses: Sgt. B.C. Grassmoen, WAC Pfc. A.P. Turner. One saucer-shaped object having an appearance of light metal and giving off shafts of white light, flew slow, made a 90' turn and climbed away fast after 4-5 minutes.
- West Germany, Weisbaden: July 21, 1952, 6:30 pm. Witnesses: USAF pilot Capt. E.E. Dougher, WAF Lt. J.J. Stong, situated miles apart. Four bright yellowish lights were seen by Dougher to separate, with two climbing and two flying away level in the opposite direction. Stong watched two reddish lights fly in opposite directions. Sightings lasted about 10-15 minutes.

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