

A huge multi-colored ball of fire trailing a dense cloud of smoke was sighted at approx 1500 hours MST 18 Feb 48, 39° N-100° W at approx 20,000 ' by two B-29 aircraft of the 28th Bombardment Group (VH). It was seen some 100 miles southeast of the B-29s. Size was estimated as huge altho impossible to determine accurately due to the distance. It was traveling at very high speed and heading southeast of Limon, Colorado, at approx 20,000 ft.

Witnesses: Capt Howard H. Berodt, AO-49504, 718th Bomb Sq
28th Bomb Gp (VH). Pilot of 1st B-29

Capt Maurice T. Ritenour, AO-48043, 718th Bomb Sq
28 Bomb Gp (VH). Co-Pilot of 1st B-29.

1st Lt Leonard P. Marchese, AO-748714, 77th Bomb
Sq., 28th Bomb Gp (VH). Pilot of 2nd B-29

1st Lt. Carl W. Stucki, AO-785916, 77th Bomb Sq,
28th Bomb Gp (VH). Co-Pilot of 2nd B-29.

NOTE: See Incident 101 - Norcatar Kansas.

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