

Incident: 216

On 8 Dec 1948 at approximately 1846 hours Sergeant James E. Doty noticed what appeared to be either a sky rocket or meteor, and called the object to the attention of his companion, Sergeant Eugene E. Montag.

Sergeant Doty stated that the object did not appear to be a star because it was three or four times as large as a star and seemed closer than a star would be. It was heading from the northeast toward the south southwest and was moving upwards at about a 15 or 20 degree angle. As it moved it seemed to get larger. The object left a trail. In about two or three seconds it disappeared. The object was round, white, and moved very fast.

Sergeant E. Montag's statement does not differ as to direction or color or angle of ascent. States that the object traversed about 2 to 3/10 of the sky while under observation and did not appear to him to be a falling star. He reported to the Duty Forecaster at the Base weather station. Sergeant Montag's statement does not mention seeing a trail.