

1967: Weston, MO

from Skylook # 33, Aug 1970

Missouri Man Reports 1967 Sighting  
Investigation and Report by Ted Phillips, Jr., SKYLOOK staff.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brown (not their real names) had an experience the night of Feb. 16, 1967, which they will not forget. The Browns live on Route 2, near Weston, Missouri (a small community 15 miles northwest of Kansas City) near the Missouri River and were driving home from Weston about 7:00 p.m., going east on Route P when they suddenly saw "two rows of lights, which looked like lights on a ball field."

There were eight lights visible directly ahead of them, or due east. Brown stated that he thought that the lights were on an airplane when first seen. They were like neon lights and did not dim or brighten. The sky was clear, but dark. Brown does not remember seeing any stars or the moon.

They continued 0.4 mile when Route P turned sharply to the left, and Brown decided to continue on in an easterly direction on a gravel road that left Route P at that point, as he was curious about the lights and wanted to approach them. He had been driving about 50 mph, but slowed to about 30 miles on the gravel road. When they were within an estimated 0.2 mile from the point where the lights were hovering, they could see that there were two separate objects--one hovering to the left of the road, the other to the right. Each object consisted of four lights, the same color and size. As the Browns came within 0.1 mile of the objects, they could see the object on the right was about 25 feet from the road, while the one on the left was about 10 feet from the road. They were hovering above the ground at about the same height and Brown estimated they were some 150 to 175 feet above the ground.

When slightly less than 0.1 mile from the objects, the one on the right moved away towards the south, describing a slight arc. It moved at a high rate of speed and no sound was heard. The lights did not change in intensity or color, and the object disappeared in a few seconds.

The object to the left did not move. Brown stopped his car in the middle of the road at a point some 10 feet from the near edge of the object. He rolled down the side window for a better look, but could see no definite shape, just the four lights. Again there was no sound, and Brown estimated the object, which seemed to wobble slightly in its hovering, to be some 50 feet in diameter (the diameter of the row of lights). The object was larger than a grapefruit at arm's length and was at an angle of about 70 to 80 degrees just ahead of and to the left of the car. Brown had turned off the engine, which had not been affected by the object, and the car radio was not on.

As the object seemed to be slowly descending to the ground and toward the Brown car, Mrs. Brown became frightened and asked her husband to leave the scene. As Brown started his car which rolled forward a foot or two, the lights on the object suddenly went out, and at the same time a red light appeared at the top front section of the object and a loud roar was heard and what appeared to be smoke came from the rear section. The roaring sound and smoke continued for about 4 to 5 seconds, and the object started to move in a northerly direction. Out of the smoke, the object was visible as a dark egg-shape against the sky, and the red light was still on. The object moved to the north for a very short distance, picked up speed and turned northeast and disappeared in the distance in a matter of seconds. In visiting the area with Brown and retracing the events, it is estimated the total observation time was about 3 to 3½ minutes.

E 2 C -

2 witnesses.

MISSOURI FILE # 226

DATE: February 16, 1967

WITNESSES: Mr. Paul Goodpaster, age 23, Mrs. Paul Goodpaster, age 20, Rt. #2, Weston, Missouri, 64098

LOCATION: Weston, Missouri, a rural community, population 1,067. 15 miles northwest of Kansas City,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile east of Missouri-Kansas line, near the Missouri River & 17 miles northwest of the Kansas City Municipal Airport.

Mr. and Mrs. Goodpaster were driving home from Weston at about 7:00 p.m. They were driving east on Rt. P. They suddenly saw "two rows of lights, which looked like lights on a ball field." There were eight lights visible directly ahead of them, or due east. Goodpaster stated that he thought that the lights were on an airplane, when first seen. They were like neon lights and did not dim or brighten. The sky was clear and dark, however, Goodpaster could not remember seeing any stars or the moon.

They had driven 0.4 mile when Rt. P turned sharply to the left. A gravel road left Rt. P in an easterly direction at this point, and they decided to try and approach the lights. Goodpaster had been driving at about 50mph, but as they pulled onto the gravel road he slowed to about 30mph. When they were about 0.2 mile from the point where the lights were hovering, they could see that they were two separate objects, one hovering to the left of the road, the other to the right. Each object consisted of four lights, they were the same color and seemed to be about the same size. At a point about 0.1 mile from the objects they could see that the object on the right was about 25 feet from the road, the left object being about 10 feet from the road. They were hovering at the same height. Goodpaster estimated that they were some 150 to 175 feet above the ground.

When slightly less than 0.1 mile from the objects the one on the right moved away towards the south, describing a slight arc. It moved at a high rate of speed and no sound was heard. The lights did not brighten or dim, nor did they change color. This object disappeared in a few seconds. The object to the left did not move. Goodpaster stopped the car in the middle of the road at a point some 10 feet from the near edge of the object. They could see no shape, just the four lights. Goodpaster rolled down the side window and looked out and up at the lights. There was no sound, but the object seemed to wobble slightly as it hovered. He estimated the object to be some 50 feet in diameter (the diameter of the row of lights). The object was larger than a grapefruit at arms length and was at an angle of about 70 to 80 degrees just ahead of and to the left of the car. Goodpaster had turned the engine off, it was not affected by the object, the car radio was not on.

The remaining object was slowly descending towards the ground and seemed to be approaching the Goodpaster car. Mrs. Goodpaster became frightened and asked to leave. As Goodpaster started the engine and the car rolled forward only a foot or two, the light on the object suddenly went out. As the lights went out, a red light appeared at the top front section and a loud roar was heard. At the same instant the rear section was emitting what appeared to be smoke. The roaring sound and smoke continued for about 4 to 5 seconds. The object started to move in a northerly direction. After the roar and smoke had ceased, the object was visible as a dark egg-shape against the sky background and the red light was still on. The object traveled towards the north for a very short distance, picked up speed and turned northeast and disappeared in the distance in seconds.

Goodpaster and I returned to the area of the sighting and retraced the events of that evening. The lights were first seen from a distance of 1.1 mile. The time required to drive the distance at about the speed described by the observer was  $1\frac{1}{2}$  minutes. Goodpaster estimated the total observation time at about 3 to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  minutes. The object on the right was in sight for less than two minutes. The roar was likened to an automobile engine being accelerated rapidly. There are no airports in the immediate area.

Sunset: 5:30 p.m.

Twilight: 5:30 - 7:10 p.m.

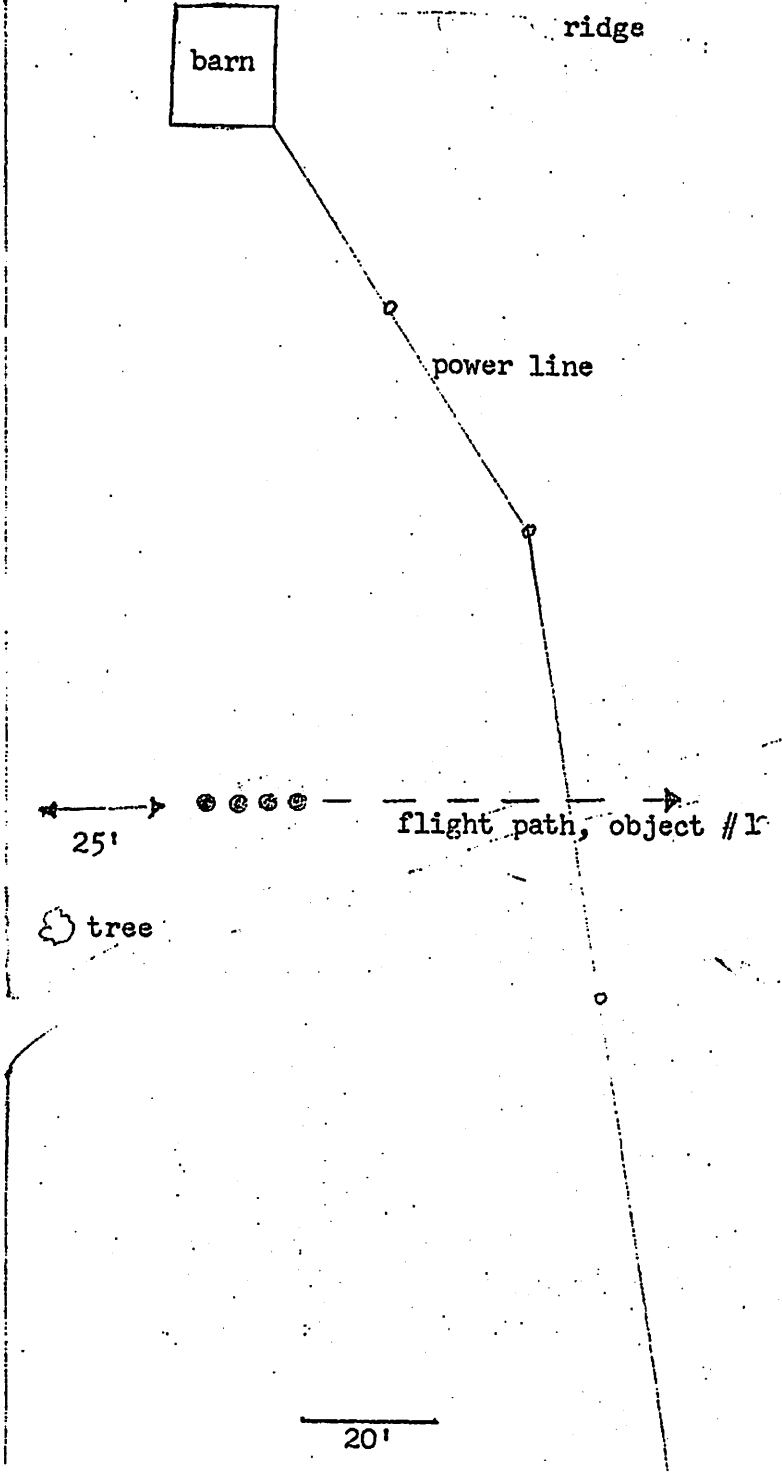
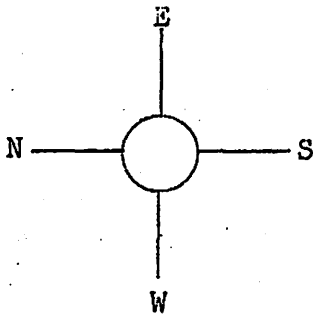
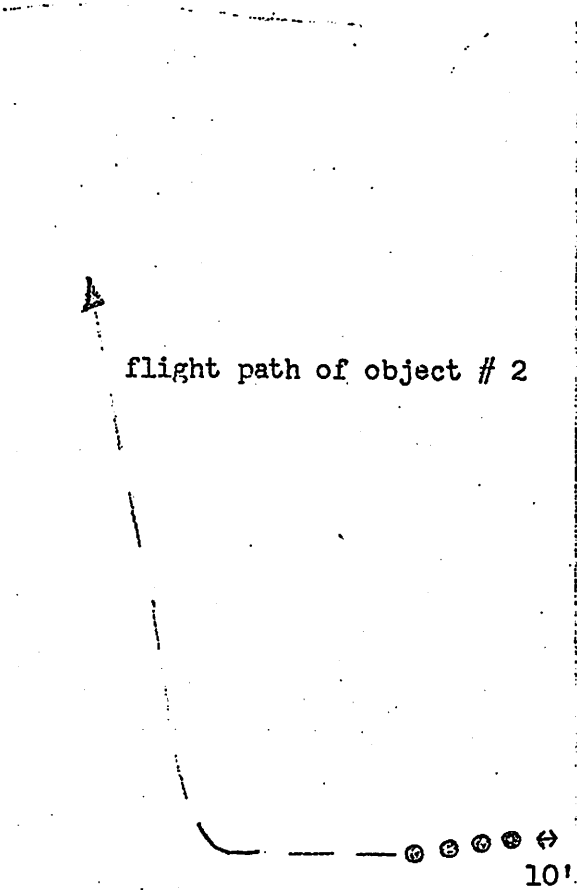
Venus set: 7:30 p.m.

Jupiter transit: 10:00 p.m.

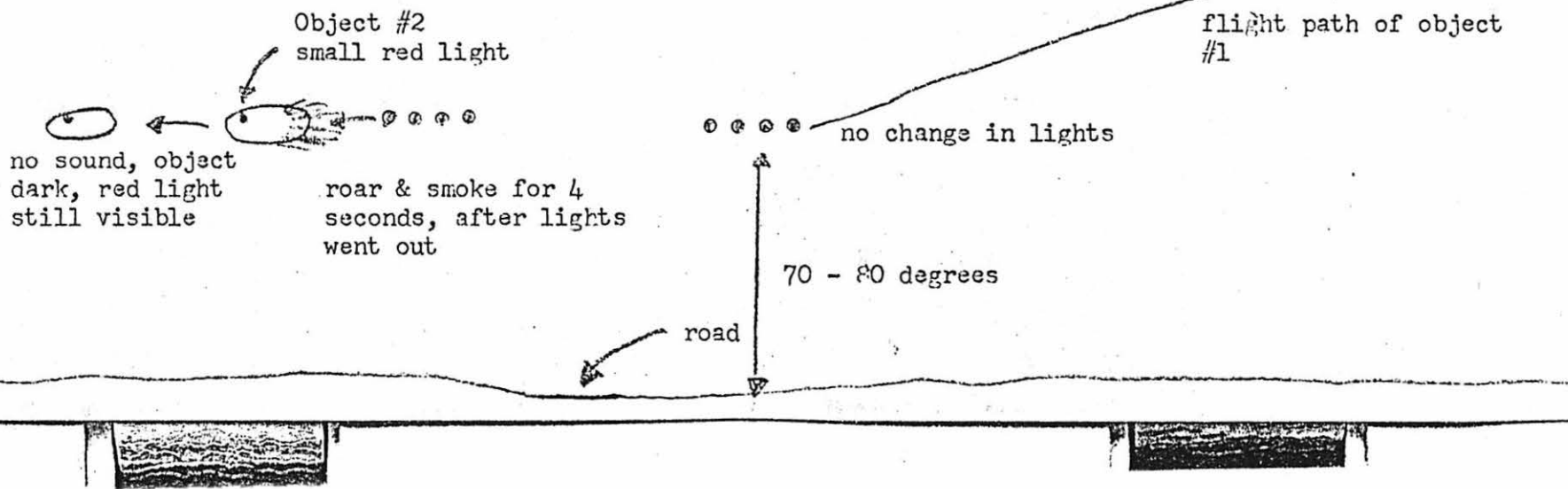
Moon: First quarter, set 12:00 midnight

*What were witnesses like?  
- vocative, ref -*

Case #226: The witnesses live in a modest farm home, located some four miles northeast of Weston. They have lived in that general area for the better part of their lives. Mr. Goodpaster was very accurate in his description of the event, he estimated the various time periods involved, we then went to the area and went through the whole thing again, his time estimates were most accurate. He did not indicate that he was really excited during the observation, he was curious. His wife, however, became quite frightened when the object moved closer to their position. They were not interested in UFO's until their observation. They have read a great deal since. Mr. Goodpaster seemed to be, intelligent and very sincere. He is most curious as to what they might have seen. As noted in the report, they did not think the objects to be flying saucers at first, but thought the lights were on an airplane. I would suggest that the witnesses be considered good ones.



N ←



#2

#1

30 mph..0.6 mile

Rt. P

50 mph..0.4 mile

N ←

Hwy 45

