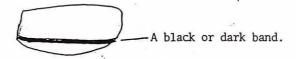
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18 August. Near Hammoton (?), New Jersey. (about 2:30 or 2:45?)
"It filled the road."

A letter sent to NICAP from Mrs. Albert Soffian of Ventnor N.J.:

"On the morning of August 18, 1958 I was driving from the International Airport in Philadelphia to Ventnor, N.J. with my 16 year old daughter, and 10½ year old son. We were driving on the Black Horse Pike approximately midway to Atlantic City at about 2:30 or 2:45 a.m. The road was in complete darkness, no street or road lights, and no cars going in either direction save mine. It was a dewy night, however about ½ mile ahead of me appeared a white object. I was traveling about 50 miles and it moved ahead of me at approximately the same rate for awhile. It was twice the width of a car, looked like the rear of a large boat, had no lights, no wheels and yet was luminous and appeared to fill the entire road except for the shoulders on either side of the road.

"At first we thought it was a bus, but no wheels, then a truck, no wheels, no lights. It was shaped like this:



"It did not seem to be setting exactly on the road. After proceeding about 1 mile or so, it seemed to slow down, and my car was about 1 or 2 city blocks away from it. I flashed on my bright lights. Then I saw it was not a mirage, like something you see a halo around lights, or arcs, but this was solid, carrying no lights, no doors or windows facing us and yet luminous.

"I became frightened and turned my wheels and almost came to a stop as I was going to turn off to the shoulder of the road. When it stopped, hovered, shimmied and then hestiated, moved a little and then vanished.

"We proceeded on the road, arrived safely home at 3:30 a.m. without mishap." (21.)

