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Description:

On Jan. 25, 1976, between 11:35 PM and 12:05 AM, on a night with clear stars and a foggy horizon, I was walking toward empty fields in back of my home with my dog.

I noticed at once that a hazy dark-orange/red oval with a curved line across its middle (like a hamburger-bun) in a portion of the yellowish horizon, was not a star. Three small but very strong white spotlights were shining on it, apparently from the air, from about 20 and 30 degrees up from the horizon on the left, and 45 degrees from the horizon on the right. After a few seconds it moved slowly to the right, flew slowly back, and eventually disappeared, and the lights shined shortly upwards and went out.

A minute later, around where the middle spotlight had been, a larger red-and-white two-parts shape appeared over a field, and shone brighter and more intensely directly toward me.

Its base was triangular with a white metallic shine, as if it was radiating energy which was almost painfully intense to look at within its boundaries, and with a large vaguely circular central area where the white light could be aimed very strongly in a chosen direction. Its cylindrical top was red with a small off-center circular area part way up, which also emitted a very shiny strong red light (which made me think of a radio transmitter). I stood still and just watched.

After maybe 5 minutes, the object quickly glided off toward the horizon and turned down the intensity of its light. The light became half the size or perhaps was at twice the distance from me, and was now not conspicuously bright. As I walked over the fields toward it, if I veered a little to one side, I could see only part of it.

Its base was now like the top half of a semi-circle, with only a stream of white light beaming diagonally downwards out of an exit slot on each side of it, and its top was a thin, round-ended, little-bit off-centered cylinder with uniformly red light.

It then retreated or reduced the power further until it now resembled any other street-light or distant house light. But it was constantly flickering, as if it occasionally rotated around in different directions, whereas other public electric lights are steady.

As I proceeded, this light eventually beamed directly toward me again, got

suddenly brighter and then less bright. Because it was a cold night and I didn't want to go over there with the dog, I finally walked home and left it shining there. Now there was only it and a secondary small light at some distance from it, all else was black.

Total time about ½ hour.

The next morning I examined the area and found only an empty field and some farmhouses, with no such search-light possiblilities there.

Subjective after-thoughts:

When the light turned sharply stronger, it's as if it at first recognized or signalled to me. When it glided off, turned down, and apparently rotated, it may have been less interested in me. The light's directioning was very precise, and if it was not in rotating radiation, when it was turned down it would not be very visible to people looking that way from another direction. Perhaps it did not want to be discovered or interferred with by "chance" viewers.

Possible hypotheses:

The intensely beaming red and central circular light areas maybe measure or read the viewer's brain-waves, to either study the human brain or to communicate individually. The types of absorbing-light or penetrating-light might not be congenial to our ordinary camera-films.