

# Bright Fireball Seen in Skies Over N. Texas

A bright ball of fire seen by many Fort Worth residents Saturday about 3:21 p.m. and reported to the Star-Telegram, was apparently a meteor which may have fallen somewhere in northeast Oklahoma.

Oscar Monnig, an amateur astronomer, reported that the meteor was several hundred miles north of here and was visible over a large area.

"These meteors give the illusion of nearness," Monnig said, "but in actuality are many, many miles away."

The meteor, visible for only a few seconds, was reported to have crashed near cities all the way from Childress, Tex., to southern and central Oklahoma.

No verified reports of the crash had been received by the Federal Aviation Administration, however. FAA officials said that sightings had been reported from motorists over North Texas and southern Oklahoma, many saying it looked like an airplane exploding.

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