

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 24 May 1952		2. LOCATION 25 Miles E of Santa Rosa, N.M.		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☒ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 0900 MST GMT 24 1600 Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE A ¹ Lt. and wife			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 Min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE hovered then left area at high speed	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Color: Shiny Shape: Round T				11. COMMENTS	

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ACTION

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R 181500Z ZNJ ZEX

FM CO 4901MST SPT WG /ATOMIC/ KIRTLAND AFB NMEX.

TO JEPHQ/DIR OF INTELLIGENCE HQ USAF WASHDC

JEDWP/.AIR TECHINTELLIGENCE CNTR ATTN ATIAA-2C WPAFB OHIO

JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COLO

JEPYB/CG ARDC BALTO MD

JWPML/CG WADF HAMILTON AFB CALIF

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/R [REDACTED] / AQQ-WCKO-6-2. FLYOBRPT ONE RND SHINY OBJECT

SIGHTED VISUALLY FR GROUND AT APPROX 0900 MST 24 MAY ON US HWY 66

APPROX 25 MI E OF SANTA ROSA NMEX X OBJECT WAS OBSERVED AS STATIONARY

FOR APPROX 2 MIN CMA THEN DISAPPEARED TO THE S AT HIGH RATE OF SPPED

X ALT OF OBJECT WAS ^{VERY} ~~VERY~~ HIGH X FEW CUMULUS CLOUDS ALL QUADRANTS X

VISIBILITY 60 MI X WINDS W 14 MPH X OBSERVERS LT AND MRS [REDACTED]

OF 232 [REDACTED] BQ X

CCC LN 5 GP 5 SHOULD READ VERY

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STATEMENT

June 18, 1952

EXTRACT

On Saturday, 24 May, 1952, I was driving east on U.S. 66 about 25 miles west of Santa Rosa, New Mexico, with my wife as a passenger, when we both observed a round silver, shiny object in the sky. It seemed to be some ten to fifteen miles away, fairly high, and to the northeast of the highway. I assume it was fairly large in size, for I am sure that it was quite some distance away, yet it was clearly visible at all times, and quite easy to see. It seemed to hang motionless for a period of some minutes, then it started to move rapidly, and disappeared in the southeast, moving away in that direction. My wife made these same observations. The time of this happening was about nine A.M. The sky was clear around the object, though there were clouds higher up.

I testify that the above statements are true
and correct.

/s/ ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
/t/ ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~, 2Lt., USAF

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

Marion R. McCrackin
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Lt Col, USAF
Wing Operations & Training Officer

*Determined later
that it was a
balloon*

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COUNTRY U.S.	REPORT NO. IR-3-52	(LEAVE BLANK)
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
SUBJECT Unidentified Flying Objects (FLYOBJRPT)		
AREA REPORTED ON Albuquerque, New Mexico	FROM (Agency) Hq 4901st Support Wing (Atomic) Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico	
DATE OF REPORT 19 June 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 17 June 1952	EVALUATION C-3
PREPARED BY (Officer) Major Richard H. McLeRoy, USAF	SOURCE 2dLt & Mrs. [REDACTED], USAF	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) ATL #200-5 and TWX WCKO 6-2		

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)

One object was observed from the ground at 0900 MST on 24 May 1952 by 2dLt & Mrs. [REDACTED], Albuquerque, New Mexico. The observers were traveling east on U.S. Highway No. 66 and were approximately 25 miles east of Santa Rosa, New Mexico at the time of sighting. The object, which was round in shape and silver in color, was northeast from the point of observation and appeared to be motionless for 1 1/2 to 2 minutes, then moved off quite rapidly to the southeast. The object, which appeared to be large and at a very high altitude, was observed for approximately 2 minutes. No trail or fire was visible nor was any noise audible. There were a few cumulus clouds with visibility of 60 miles and westerly winds aloft of 14 MPH. It is attached to the 4913th Food Service Squadron on this base.

APPROVED:

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Copy of Statement of 2dLt Alan S. Mencher, USAF

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