

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 14 Sep 52		2. LOCATION BILOXI MISS		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon	
3. DATA TIME GROUP Local 11/2110 CST GMT 15/0310 Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☐ No		6. SOURCE Civilian couple		☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 hours		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 3		9. COURSE ☒ Other: Probably reflection ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Cigar-shaped, greenish-white objects about the size of the moon appeared over a period of two hours above a drive-in movie at Biloxi. One object "broke" just before being joined by two similar objects.				11. COMMENTS	

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SUBJECT

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AREA REPORTED ON

Southeast Mississippi

FROM (Agency)

Wing Intelligence Office
Keesler AFB, Mississippi

DATE OF REPORT

10 October 1952

DATE OF INFORMATION

14 September 1952

EVALUATION

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PREPARED BY (Officer)

Major Eli S. Fowler, Jr.

SOURCE

Mr. [REDACTED]

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

AFL 200-5, 29 April 1952

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.)

1. At approximately 2110 hours, CST, 14 September 1952, Mr. [REDACTED], sighted unidentified flying objects in the sky East of his position at the De Drive-in Theater, Pass Road, Biloxi, Mississippi. The objects were reported as being cigar-shaped and greenish-white in color. The first object appeared in sight and remained in a constant position until it began to lose intensity, which was estimated by the observer as being twice the normal intensity of the light of a cloud, at which time the object appeared to assume a half-moon shape and disappeared from sight. Approximately five (5) minutes later, the first object returned to the same position; this object remained in a constant position from 2120 hours, CST, to 2210 hours, CST, at which time it "broke up" and the second object appeared in a similar manner, somewhat above the position of the first object. Finally, a third object appeared, considerably East of the previous two (2). The size of the objects was compared to that of the size of the moon plus four (4) inches along the circumference. No estimate of speed or altitude was given. The observer noted no trails and/or exhausts and heard no sounds coming from the three objects.

2. The sighting of the unidentified objects lasted approximately from 2110 hours, CST, until 2300 hours, CST, at which time the observer left his ground position.

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1. Weather Data
2. Statement - [REDACTED]

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Information Pertinent to Objects Sighted:

1. Shape:

The shape of the objects was reported as being primarily cigar-shaped but, as the objects lost their intensity, they assumed the shape of a half-moon.

2. Size:

The observer estimated the size of the objects as being comparable to the size of the moon plus four (4) inches along the circumference.

3. Color:

The objects were described as being greenish-white in color.

4. Number:

Three (3).

5. Formation:

Two (2) objects were in the sky East of observer's ground position, one above the other. A third object appeared considerably East of the first two objects.

6. Aerodynamic features:

No aerodynamic features were observed.

7. Trail or exhaust:

No trail or exhaust was observed.

8. Propulsion system:

None observed.

9. Speed:

No estimation of speed was given by the observer. Observer stated that the impression he received was one of merely disappearing without any sense of speed.

10. Sound:

Negative.

11. Maneuvers:

The first object appeared, lost intensity, assumed half-moon shape and

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disappeared at which time a second object appeared somewhat above the position of the first object. The first object again returned to its previous position. Finally, a third object appeared, considerably East of the previous two (2).

12. Manner of disappearance:

Objects were still in sight when observer left ground position.

13. Time sighted:

Approximately 2110 hours, CST, 14 September 1952. The length of time object(s) remained in sight approximates one hundred and ten (110) minutes.

14. Manner of observation:

Visual observation from a surface location.

15. Location of observer and object, respectively:

Observer:

Location: De Drive-in Theater, Pass Road, Biloxi, Mississippi

Objects:

Distance: No estimation of distance was advanced by the observer.

Direction: East of observer's ground position.

Altitude: No estimation of altitude was made by observer.

16. Information on observer:

Name: Mr. [REDACTED], Mississippi

Occupation: [REDACTED]
Pascagoula, Mississippi

Estimate of reliability: Observer appeared to be serious, interested, intelligent, conscientious and well aware of the significance of his statements.

Information on witness:

Name: Mrs. [REDACTED], Mississippi

Occupation: Housewife

Estimate of reliability: Not determined.

17. Weather and winds aloft conditions:

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18. Activity or condition, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for sighting:

Unknown.

19. Existence of physical evidence:

Negative.

20. Interception or identification action taken:

Negative.

21. Air traffic in area:

During the period of sighting, four (4) aircraft were in the area. Take-offs from Keesler AFB, Mississippi, were made at 2111, 2231, and 2247 hours, CST, with the aircraft type being B-25, T-6, and C-47, respectively. One (1) aircraft, T-7, landed at Keesler AFB at 2124 hours, CST.

COMMENTS OF PREPARING OFFICER:

The reporting agency of this sighting was not contacted regarding the incident until 6 October 1952. Consequently, the excessive time lapse between date of information and date of report.

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**BASE WEATHER STATION
KEESLER AFB, MISSISSIPPI**

11 October 1952

SUBJECT: Weather Data for 14 September 1952

**TO: Intelligence Officer
3380th Technical Training Wing
Keesler AFB, Mississippi**

1. The following are hourly observations of weather from 2030G to 2330G, 14 September 1952:

2030G:

Sky condition	Estimated 14,000 overcast
Visibility	Eight (8) miles
Sea level pressure	1017.6 mb
Temperature	72°
Dew point	70
Surface wind	NNE at 7 knots

2130G:

Sky condition	Estimated 14,000 broken
Visibility	Ten (10) miles
Sea level pressure	1017.6 mb
Temperature	73°
Dew point	70
Surface wind	Calm

2230G:

Sky condition	Estimated 18,000 scattered
Visibility	Ten (10) miles
Sea level pressure	1018.0 mb
Temperature	72°
Dew point	70
Surface wind	Calm

2330G:

Sky condition	Estimated 30,000 scattered
Visibility	Ten (10) miles
Sea level pressure	1018.0 mb
Temperature	72°
Dew point	70
Surface wind	Calm

2. Winds aloft for this period were as follows:

<u>Feet</u>	<u>Degrees/Velocity (Knots)</u>
2000	130°/10
4000	140°/10
6000	150°/10
8000	190°/10
10000	270°/10
12000	Light & variable
14000	Light & variable
16000	300°/10
18000	210°/20
25000	210°/10
30000	Light & variable
40000	360°/20


WILLIAM D. BRASLEY
Major, USAF ---
Station Weather Officer

STATEMENT

At approximately 2110 hours, 14 September 1952, I, the undersigned was parked at a drive-in theater in Halex, Mississippi, when I sighted an unidentified object in the sky. At first, the object appeared to be a cloud, with a size appearing to be six (6) inches long. The object, which was seen as being cigar-shaped and a greenish-white in color, radiated twice the normal intensity of the light of a cloud and remained in a constant position until it began to lose intensity. Losing intensity, the object appeared to assume a half-moon shape and disappeared from sight, straight up.

Approximately five (5) minutes later, the object returned to the same position with a gradual intensity build-up. The object remained constant from 2120 hours until 2210 hours, at which time it broke up and another object appeared in an analogous manner. Finally, a third object appeared, East of the previous two. The sighting of the objects lasted until approximately 2300 hours when I left the drive-in theater.

I heard no sounds emanating from the objects; I observed no aerodynamic features or trails or exhausts.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED], Mississippi