

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 22 May 1963		2. LOCATION Parkersburg, West Virginia		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2230 GMT 23/0330Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION few seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE easterly	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Witness indicated that he saw object fall to ground. Acted like a meteor. Bright green in color. Lit up sky. Thought to be about 1 mile away. Called highway patrol.				11. COMMENTS Subsequent call indicates that object was fireball observation. Did not see object hit ground & object possibly several hundreds of miles away.	

It seems to me there may be a good
chance of finding a meteorite. I was not at all,
since he saw it all the way in and on the
ground.

LT. Roney
OO 22-23 May 63

7-1/2 hr. CXL 325-15 and 2-1/2 hr. 4-1/2 hr.

From NW 1/4 Sec 8.

Small meteorite, observed at 4-1/2 hr.

-1/2 hr. 4-1/2 hr. S. M. G.

OD's Report

At 0500Z I accepted a call to call from a Raymond Mackey in Parkersburg, Virginia. Mr. Mackey reported seeing an object fall to the ground there. In view of the fact that he was calling long distance, and that he apparently had plenty to say on the subject, I took down his name and phone number and a brief description of what he had seen. He said he would either call or write me on 23 May, or he would be reached on 24 May. I was not able to call him on 23 May, and he did not call me on 24 May. He said the object fell like a meteorite, bright blue-green in color, increasing in brightness to a copper color as it neared the ground. It was brighter than an arc weld flash. It fell down and lit up the sky after it fell. Mr. Mackey estimated the object to be 30' or more across. He said it was about the size of a washing machine. It was in the air for about 10 seconds. He said it was about the size of a subject's head. He said it was about the size of a subject's head. He said it was about the size of a subject's head.