PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 10 November 1963	2. LOCATION 40N 173W (Pacific)	12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local GMT 11/0553Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE USS FALGOUT (Civilian Ship)	☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Seconds	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE - - - -
		☐ Other ☒ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Object appearing as planet or bright star. Altitude unknown. 25 deg elevation. Covered 45 deg arc in 55 seconds. Initial bearing garbled.

11. COMMENTS

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8 INITIAL BEARING 785., COVERED 45 DEG OF ARC IN 55 SECONDS

9. NONE

10. SEAS 3 FEET. WEATHER CAVU

11. EVALUATION UNKNOWN

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'STRANGE LIGHT' OBSERVED

NOV 12 1963

Deputies See Object In Sky

By JOHN F. BROWN
(Times Herald Reporter).

"People will say we are crazy," Deputy Sheriffs Robert Baker and Merle Clark said when they were asked to describe what they saw while on patrol early today.

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THEY DIDN'T say they saw a flying saucer or any little green men, but they did say they saw and heard something strange.

The officers were very hesitant to talk about their experience, for today a person who says he sees or hears something out of the ordinary, especially from a "nut" by his fellow man.

But remember when they thought the World was flat — Even this Times Herald reporter was a little skeptical when shortly before 8 a.m. today Deputy Sheriff Jack Foster asked if he had heard about what Officers Baker and Clark had "seen and heard."

And when he returned to The Times Herald, he was not greeted with any bouquets from his associates when he told them about the officers' experience.

It was about 5:15 a.m. and Deputies Baker and Clark were on routine patrol driving north on Twenty-fourth Avenue.

The sky was extremely dark but peppered with stars and a small white silver strip of the moon, which rose at 3:30 a.m., was above the officers.

Just south of Keewahdin Road, Officer Clark remarked to his companion, "There is something odd."

The officers pulled over to the

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3 Others Also See 'Object'

Three other persons have collaborated the story of the Deputies who observed a strange object in the sky early today:

Robert J. Kemp, 3063 Sylvan Drive, Lakeport, who was on his way to work at St. Clair Community Hospital, said that when he came out of his house between 5:15 and 5:20 a.m. there was a whirr sound that drew his attention skyward.

"There was a flashing white light that moved in the direction of Lake Huron.

"I thought it was very strange for the sound was very high-pitched and one that I had never heard before," Mr. Kemp said.

Ralph E. Jordan, 15, of 4357 Keewahdin Road who was walking out of a barn with his father after feeding some steers about 5:30 a.m., said he and his father also saw the strange light.

"We didn't hear anything, but the light was flashing and it moved to the north. It was very high in the sky—and it sure brought a scary feeling about you," young Ralph said.

Strange Object In Sky Remains A Mystery

The unidentified flying object observed by two St. Clair County Deputy Sheriffs and at least 10 other persons about 5:15 a.m. Tuesday still remains a mystery.

It was theorized Tuesday afternoon that the object could have been a jet or turbine-powered helicopter from Selfridge Air Force Base, Mt. Clemens.

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COL. CALEB P. Moberly, commanding officer of Selfridge ruled out this possibility today.

"We have five helicopters, two jet and three U.S. Army regular helicopters, but at the time in question Tuesday they were all on the ground at Selfridge," Colonel Moberly said.

Lt. Jerome Lagemann, information officer, said there was a slight possibility that the object could have been a craft from another military installation, but it wasn't very likely.

Deputies Robert Baker and Merle Clark said the object appeared to be a "flickering light in the sky near Twenty-fourth Avenue and Keewahdin Road."

Deputy Baker said the object seemed capable to stand still in the air and at times the motor sounded like it was idling and then became more powerful and disappeared into the heavens.

Ten other persons in the area backed the report by deputies.

All agreed the object was a flashing white light that could, and did, move in any direction.

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By The Staff

A column of features and opinions by members of The Times Herald Staff

Rumors of flying objects and strange noises may be resumed again this week in and around Port Huron!

However, before people start calling the police, The Times Herald or neighbors, they are advised to blink their eyes a few times, make sure their glasses and ears are clean.

The first Fighter Wing, Air Defense Command, from Selfridge Air Force Base, will begin an extensive week-long night flying program today.

Sonic booms will be heard during the period of training.

"Night flying is one of the many means of training to keep flying personnel current in all phases of air defense," Col. Converse B. Kelly, Commander, First Fighter Wing, said.

Through the exercise, new and better ways to plan air defense of the United States are devised to preclude any attack upon this country by a hostile air power.

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ALL IN A DAY

Nobody Believes In Sky Objects, Do They?

By LOUIS J. DUNN
(Times Herald News Editor)

Not too many of us "wise" mortals believe these stories of flying saucers, sky objects and what have you, but did you ever notice how those are the very stories none of us ever misses when reading the paper.

It was that way here in The Times Herald office even before reporter Jerry Brown's story on the sky lights observed by the two deputies, Bob Baker and Merle Clark, got into the paper last Tuesday.

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NONE OF US experts believed it, of course. After all, flying objects with motors and flashing lights! Phooey.

But everybody was knocking everybody down trying to get a chance to read proofs of the story.

Sure, nobody believes in such things . . . but.

Jerry grabbed a nice needle from history to help put the story across. "Remember when they thought the world was flat?" . . . he wrote.

Although not there at the time, we do recall reading in the history books how they all laughed at Christopher Columbus when he set out to prove that the earth was not flat, but round.

There was just one major difference between Chris and this saucers-from-other-planets business.

Chris could prove he was right, whereas, for now anyway, man is having one tough time proving or disproving anything about who's growing what vegetables on what planets, if any.

Someday perhaps man will be able to soar out there and provide the answers, but right now we just have to sit here and wonder.

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THOSE DEPUTIES, and the other persons who also said they saw the lights, are level-headed people. Certainly they saw something. We must remember too that none of them would go beyond what they actually saw in describing the incident to the reporter —they didn't speculate, or deal in guesswork. They just told what they observed. No more, no less.

Maybe the lights were some phenomena resulting from the aurora borealis, that ghostly display of northern lights which has been visible of late. The aurora can take the form of streamers, rays, arcs, bands, curtains, draperies, sheets or patches that seem to shimmer and flit across the sky, according to William L. Donn in his book, "Meteorology."

But neither of the deputies talked about draperies or streamers, or anything like that. What they saw was a strange-acting light. Perhaps it was a reflection from some light on the ground some distance away. Light reflections have been known to bounce skyward with weird results. It could have been from something like that. Nobody's arguing that it couldn't have been. What is so frustrating is that no one wants to get off the negative, and become positive. What was it?

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IF THOSE LIGHTS were motor-driven space vehicles from Mars, we can't think of a better place for them to make their first touchdown in the U.S.A. than in beautiful St. Clair County where sites are available for industrial expansion, all bridges are now in good condition, the Flags are winning and I-94 soon will be opened.

The only suggestion we would make is to choose a time other than 5:15 a.m. (when the deputies saw the light) to make the landing.

Shades of the West Indies, who wants to get up at that hour, even to welcome Martians?

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A requiem to victims of another "big blow" is retold by Dorothy Mitts, below.

FANTASTIC ENERGY DEC 16 1963

Study Mystery Space Object

DALLAS, Tex. (AP)—Did the collapse of a super-star in far outer space create the mysterious object 3C273 which by the radio energy it emits is known to be at least a million million times brighter than the sun?

More than 100 of the world's most distinguished scientists began pondering that question today in the opening sessions of a three-day symposium on "gravitational collapse and other relativistic topics."

Radio astronomy developed from the electronic advances of World War II made possible the discovery of object 3C273, a nebulous mass with two sections, whose fantastic energy indicates a source far more powerful than nuclear reaction.

Despite its tremendous brightness and energy, object 3C273 is too distant to be seen from the earth. Scientists estimate that it is about 1,500 million light years away—and light travels at a speed of 186,234 statute miles per second.

Theories based on the assumptions of a space explosion or collision could not account for the tremendous radio energy which continues to pour forth from outer space.

Early this year Dr. Fred Hoyle of Cambridge University and Prof. William A. Fowler of the California Institute of Technology, put forth the theory that the gigantic energy of the extragalactic radio sources could be caused by the shrinking, or gravitational collapse, of a super-star.

"Gravitation is capable of yielding a hundred times more energy than the most powerful nuclear reaction — hydrogen to helium," Dr. Hoyle says.

The revolutionary theory, which has attracted the interest of scientists over the world, prompted the Southwest Center for Advanced Studies to arrange the three-day symposium. Co-organizers are the University of Texas and Yeshiva University of New York City.

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Centre Nurses Report Strange Lights In Sky

Seven St. Clair County Medical Centre nurses reported seeing strange flashing lights in the sky early this morning, similar to those reported by deputy sheriffs Nov. 12.

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THEY SAID that the lights seemed to be high in the air about two miles west of the Centre in Goodells, and were green, red and white in color, the same as those reported north of Port Huron last month.

The object was first sighted by two of the nurses, Miss Carol Koltz and Miss Judith Bailey, who saw the lights as they drove on M-21.

They returned to the Centre and pointed out the lights to five other nurses, Miss Katherine Ballentine, Miss Helen Jewell, Mrs. Alice Himmell, Mrs. Rosemary Ruck and Mrs. Dorothy Hicks. All seven told deputies they saw the object.

Miss Jewell and Mrs. Hicks joined Miss Bailey and Miss Koltz in the car and drove west on M-21 to see if the object would move.

After driving about two miles west of Goodells Road, they stopped, turned off the motor, and shined the car spotlight at the object, which then zoomed off out of sight.

One of the girls said she thought she heard a humming noise like that of a motor, Miss Jewell told The Times Herald today.

Deputies Kenneth Koob and Robert Parker were dispatched to the scene, but by the time they arrived, the lights were gone.

Some believe that the objects sighted may be helicopters, but military installations in the area report no such flights last night. Airbase spokesmen at the time of the Nov. 12 sighting also said that none of their helicopters was anywhere near Port Huron then.

The non-commissioned officer in charge of base operations during the night at Selfridge Air Force Base said that there were no helicopters from that base in the area last night.

Spokesmen from Grosse Ile Naval Air Station said there was no flying activity in the Port Huron area last night from their base.

Mrs. James Harter, 1887 Goodells Road, reported this morning to the Sheriff Department that she saw a white, low-flying object with flashing white and red lights heading east at about 7:30 p.m. Friday sight.

A Constance Andrei, address unknown, called the Sheriff Department at about 12:50 a.m. to report seeing an object with lights similar to that seen by the nurses.

DEC 14 1969

Fisher Executive Dies In Crash

DETROIT (UPI) — Robert C. Shields, Rochester, a Fisher & Co. Executive, was killed late Friday in a three-vehicle collision in Madison Heights.

Detroit Junior Live

Object Sighted In Sky

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shoulder of the road and stared at what they said was "a flickering light in the sky."

They said it seemed to be hovering over the apple orchard near Keewahdin.

Deputy Baker, officer with 18-years of service behind him, said they could make out no size or shape to the object other than it was a flashing light that could move in an direction.

"It seemed at times that there was a big divided window in the midst of the flashing light, but I couldn't be sure," Deputy Baker said.

He said the object came low, about the height and distance of a City block.

"Then, as it came, the object seemed to move out toward the north east and we attempted to follow it," Baker said.

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THE OFFICER said they reached speeds up to 75 miles an hour, but the object just "ran away from us."

They said they lost sight of the object on Lake Shore Road because of Street lights, but when they turned down Metcalf Road and were in the area of Vincent Road they sighted the object again.

This time, the officers turned out the car lights and shined spotlights of the patrol car toward the object.

The blinking light in the sky seemed much closer to them.

The officers then turned on the flashing light on top of the patrol car and in a few moments they said the object not only had a flashing white light, but it seemed that it was flashing a red light back.

Deputy Baker said the object this time seemed to be standing still in the sky and he could hear the sound of motors.

The patrol car was stopped and the ignition off when the officers heard the sound of motors.

"It seemed to idle and then all of a sudden the noise became louder and more powerful and began to move off into the north west section of the sky," he said.

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THE OFFICERS said they watched the mysterious object disappear into the heavens until it was just a speck lost among the stars.

The officers were not sure themselves that they had seen and heard what they did.

At first they were not going to say anything about what had happened, but they decided it would be best to let someone know.

Maybe there was something and maybe there wasn't — a trick of the imagination, or phenomena, but never the less Officers Baker and Clark had something happen that they will not soon forget.

INFORMATION
SAUCER NEWS, VOL II, Mar 64

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CLOSE SAUCER SIGHTING IN MICHIGAN: Two deputy sheriffs in Port Huron, Michigan, had an unusual encounter with a UFO at about 5 a.m. last November 12th. They observed what was at first only a "flickering light" hovering in the sky. As it got closer, it seemed at times that there was a big divided window in the midst of the flashing light, but the officers could not be sure. The UFO eventually approached to a height of only a few hundred feet above the ground, a short distance from their patrol car. The deputies attempted to follow it, reaching speeds up to 75 miles per hour in the chase, but the object out-distanced them. They lost sight of it completely for awhile. It then reappeared, and the officers stopped the car, turned out their headlights, and shined spotlights onto the object. They then turned on the flashing light on top of the patrol car, and in a few moments the UFO not only had a flashing white light but it also seemed to be flashing a red light back at them, as if in an attempt at communication! The UFO appeared to again be standing still in the sky at that time, and they could hear a low sound of motors. Suddenly the motors grew louder, and the object disappeared rapidly out of sight.