PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP DR Aug. 1947	2. LOCATION Danforth, Illinios
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Hoax
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Instrument found by a farmer near Danforth, Illinios. He said it landed in the middle of a section of his farm land and burned weeds 2 ½ feet tall to fine ash an area of 1½ feet in diameter around where the object droped. The articles contained in the instrument was analyzed and it was found that no connection can be made between these articles and the so-called "Flying saucer." These specimens, therefore., are considered as part of a hoax that could be perpetrated by almost anyone seeking publicity or for other reasons
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	
7. COURSE	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☒ Yes ☐ No See Case File	See Case File

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WRIGHT FIELD, DAYTON, OHIO
25 August 1947

SUBJECT: Flying Saucer.

TO: Commanding General
Army Air Forces
Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: AC/AS-2
Lt Col George Garrett

1. The specimens of an alleged "Flying Saucer" brought to this Command by Colonel H. M. McCoy, which were obtained by the FBI and given to Lt Col Garrett, were examined to determine their connection, if any, with the so-called "Flying Saucers", or any project at Hq AMC, Wright Field. The specimens were carefully examined by both technicians of the Analysis Division (T-2) and Electronics Sub-division (T-3). The latter organization stated that these specimens definitely had no connection whatsoever with the "Mogul" project nor with any other research and development project of this Command.

2. It is also the opinion of this Command that these specimens have no connection with the so-called "Flying Saucer" or "Disc". These specimens, therefore, are considered as part of a hoax that could be perpetrated by most anyone seeking publicity or for any other reasons.

3. The specimens shown in the attached photograph include fragments of an undeterminable shape made from plaster of paris or similar ceramic and containing some electrical resistance wire for measurement or heating purposes. The condition of the ceramic indicates that the resistance wire was heated electrically at one time or another. These fragments could not be connected with any AMC project. The other articles at the top of the photograph reading from left to right are identified as follows:

a. An outmoded type of magnetic speaker diaphragm made of aluminum alloy, manufactured by The Nathaniel Baldwin Company of Salt Lake City, Utah, which was first patented May 1, 1910. This article cannot be connected with any AMC project.

b. The second and third articles are bakelite coil forms

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Package received from Sheriff Merle T. Wilmoth, Watseka, Ill. His letter states the instrument in the package was found by a farmer at Danforth, Ill. It landed in the middle of a section of his farm land and burned weeds 2½ feet tall to fine ash an area of 1½ feet in diam. around where the object dropped.

The instrument consists of:

(a) Plaster of paris body having an oval cavity thru it.

(b) A power microphone which screws over one end of the oval cavity. The power microphone carried the name, "Nathaniel Baldwin Inc." Salt Lake City, Utah. Pat May 10 1910 & Sept 14, 1916. Pat Nos 957403 (second number not readable)

(c) A small "Polymat" filter condenser.

(d) Two bakelite cylinders to which is attached a net work of fine copper wire. These were obviously coils and the impact has torn the wire from the core. (Our radio section definitely states that this is old stuff, or the coils were used quite some time ago, since having been replaced by smaller more efficient coils)

(e) A piece of metal having magnetic properties obviously broken off the power microphone as a result of the impact.

The plaster of paris body was broken up by the impact but some of the pieces were held together by wire reinforcement inside the plaster of paris.

Mrs. [redacted] 3B 274 Ext 73909 (Sig C) was shown this object by Mr. [redacted] Mrs [redacted] claims she knew what it was, but couldn't tell [redacted]

Major [redacted]

Dr. Davis WHS

wrapped with ordinary thin enameled copper wire. These coils indicate that they were skillfully made at one time but were crudely rewrapped by one not familiar with the art of making a coil. These coils also have no connection with any AMC project.

c. The fourth article is a metallic box which is the remains of an electronic filter condenser made by the Polymet Manufacturing Company of New York, N. Y. This article also has no connection with any AMC project.

d. The fifth article is the remains of a metallic magnetic ring that could not be identified as any part of any device used at this command.

4. This information and attached photograph may be transmitted to the FBI to inform various agencies throughout the United States as to what action to take in the event other similar specimens are found.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

Hugh McCoy

H. M. McCOY
Colonel, Air Corps
Deputy Commanding General
Intelligence (T-2)

1 Incl:
1 Photo 8-1/2x11
"Flying Saucer"

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From Analysis Division, T-2, (TSNAD-2B), AMC, Wright Fiel (Agency or officer) (Station) Date 21 August 1947

Source ____ Eval. ____

Area Reported On ____ Subject "Flying Saucers"

Reference ____
(Directive, correspondence, previous report, etc., if applicable)

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1. To examine and evaluate specimens of a so-called "Flying Saucer" furnished this Command by the FBI.

2. Report to be furnished to A-2 for transmittal to FBI to inform various agencies throughout the United States as to what action to take in the event other similar specimens are brought to their attention.

3. Comments

a. Specimens ~~as indicated~~ shown in the attached photograph include fragments of an undeterminable shape made from plaster of Paris or similar ceramic and containing some resistance wire. The condition of ceramic indicated that the resistance wire was heated electrically at one time or other.

b. Reading from left to right, the first article is made of aluminum alloy and appears to be a type ~~of pressure recorder~~ of outmoded magnetic gauge. The second and third articles are ~~plastic cylinders~~ bakelite coil forms and wrapped with ordinary ~~bare electrical wire~~ insulated copper wire. The fourth article is a metallic box which is the remains of an electronic condenser mfg. in New York. The fifth article is the remains of a metallic magnetic ring.

c. All these articles were apparently either intentionally or unintentionally damaged or obtained from scrap.

d. There is no specimen indicate or connection what so ever

d. No connection whatsoever can be made between these articles and the so-called "Flying Saucer". These specimens, therefore, are considered as part of a hoax that could be perpetrated by most anyone seeking publicity or for other reasons.

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