

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 5 Jul 49 06/02. Z	2. LOCATION Boise, Idaho
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION BALLOON
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 25 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Object was a brilliant silver color, round, traveling at great speeds, appeared to be quite high, maneuvered in steady loops and turns and at times appeared to emit occasional puffs of smoke or vapor of a greyish color.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	Sun had just set. Could have been an upper air research balloon still in the sun's light.
7. COURSE Southwest	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS REPORT OF INVESTIGATION		FILE NO. 24-20	DATE 13 SEP 1949
TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT Unidentified Aerial Objects Sighted NE Boise, Idaho		REPORT MADE BY S/A GEORGE E. NIELSEN	SEARCHED ☒ INDEXED ☒ SERIALIZED ☒ CLASSIFIED ☒ FILED ☒
		REPORT MADE AT DO #19, Fairfield-Suisun AFB	
		PERIOD 25 August 1949	
		OFFICE OF ORIGIN DO #16, Hill AFB, Utah	
		STATUS RUC	

CHARACTER

SPECIAL INQUIRY

REFERENCE

Report of S/A ERNEST C. BLASS, file DO 16 24-17, dated 5 August 1949

SYNOPSIS

Interview with [REDACTED]
Fairfax, California, revealed that they witnessed the flight of unidentified aerial object on 5 July 1949 at about 1930 hours to 1955 hours, MST, from one of the highest points on Skyline Road about six or seven miles northwest of Boise, Idaho.

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DETAILS:

AT FAIRFAX, CALIFORNIA

On 25 August 1949, [REDACTED],
were interviewed regarding the unidentified aerial object reported to
have been sighted by them.

[REDACTED] and his wife stated that while they were at one of the highest
points on Skyline Road about six (6) or seven (7) miles northwest of
Boise, Idaho, on 5 July 1949, before sundown and while the sun was still
visible but at about its lowest point before sinking from sight, their
attention was drawn to an object in the sky, by the son of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
Boise, Idaho.

The object appeared to be circular and about the size of the bottom
of a 55 gallon oil drum. The object was an undeterminable distance away
from their vantage point, but was probably traveling at about 40,000 ft.
and at 1500 (fifteen hundred) mph. The object was at about a 30° angle
from the horizontal and traveling northeast or toward their position and
about 30° to their right as they faced southwest. When this object
reached a point at about 90° from their first sighting (southwest), it
suddenly appeared to gain altitude and turn directly north until it
disappeared from sight. The object was in sight 25 minutes by the clock,
and performed no acrobatics or maneuvers other than the bank or turn and
climb as mentioned. The object appeared to be constructed of polished
metal and reflected the coloration of the sunset. Dark grey smoke appear-
ed to emit from one side of the object near the bottom part of the circle
in irregular, but intermittent, intervals. This smoke appeared to follow
the lower contour of the object to almost halfway up the other side of
the object and would then disappear. There was no vapor or smoke trail.
No sound nor unusual odor could be connected with the object. There
were no appendages emanating from the object, and its appearance was
entirely round. The only appearance of motion was a probable rota-
tion determined by the action of the smoke which emanated from the object.
The sky was cloudless and there was good visibility. The object appeared
to have excellent stability and control.

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DETAILS (Cont'd)

Agent's note: [REDACTED] is a bartender at the King of Clubs, 130 Post St., San Francisco, Calif. His only hobby is athletics, and he appears to be a man of normal reactions. [REDACTED] is a housewife, and also appears to have normal reactions. [REDACTED] and his wife had considerable difficulty agreeing on various points concerning the object sighted and it is believed that the directions given may not be factual. None of the party had indulged in alcoholics prior to the sighting, according to [REDACTED].

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TITLE SPECIAL INQUIRY Unidentified Aerial Objects Sighted NE Boise, Idaho	REPORT MADE BY S/A FRANK C. BLASS nfb		
	REPORT MADE AT 16th OSI Detachment Ht. Home AFB, Idaho		
	PERIOD 6-7 July 1949		
	OFFICE OF ORIGIN DO #16, Hill AFB, Hill Field, Utah		
CHARACTER SPECIAL INQUIRY		STATUS CLOSED	

REFERENCE Newspaper article appearing in "Idaho Daily Statesman", Boise, Idaho, and letters from FBI, Butte, Montana

SYNOPSIS

This investigation was predicated upon an article appearing in the newspaper "Idaho Daily Statesman", published at Boise, Idaho, on 6 July 1949, and the subsequent receipt of two letters from Federal Bureau of Investigation, Butte, Montana, dated 11 July 1949 (see Inclosure 1 and 2). It was stated in the newspaper article that an unidentified object was observed by several people for approximately a half hour on the evening of 5 July 1949. All people listed in the article were interviewed and stated substantially that the object they had observed was a very brilliant silver in color, round, traveling at great speed, maneuvering in steady loops and turns, appeared to be quite high, and emitted occasional puffs of smoke or vapor of a greyish color.

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