

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>17 Apr 52</u>		2. LOCATION Sault St. Marie, Michigan		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☒ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>1600</u> EST GMT <u>17</u> / <u>2100</u> <u>3</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE 			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 60 seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Pink color. Circular. Hovered. Balloon is launched from Sault St. Marie at 2100. Probably was balloon. Pink color normal for balloon diffusing oblique rays of sun.				11. COMMENTS Object appeared to be over Sault St. Marie. Weather was clear.	

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COUNTRY United States	REPORT NO. AFK01 1-52 U/I A/C	(LEAVE BLANK) af 444219
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
SUBJECT Reporting of Information on Unidentified Flying Objects		
AREA REPORTED ON Michigan	FROM (Agency) Director of Intelligence, Hqs Tenth AF	
DATE 30 April 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 17 April 1952	EVALUATION E-6
PREPARED BY (Officer) 1st Lt James E. Delaney	SOURCE Sault Ste Marie, Michigan	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFOTN-C/CC-2, 19 December 1951		

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. This report contains information on an unidentified aerial object as reported to this headquarters through Headquarters Fifth Army.
2. Subject report was investigated by Captain Grady Woodham, Post S-2 Officer, Camp Lucas, Sault Ste Marie, Michigan, in accordance with AFOTN-C/CC-2, dated 19 December 1951.

APPROVED:

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FROM (Agency) Director of Intelligence Hqs Tenth Air Force	REPORT NO. AFZOI 1-52 U/I A/C	PAGE 2 OF 2 PAGES
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1. On 17 April 1952, the [REDACTED] of Sault Ste Marie, Michigan, was driving east on Michigan State Highway Number 28. [REDACTED] states that at approximately 1600 hours on that date and at a point approximately eight (8) miles south of Sault Ste Marie, he observed for about sixty (60) seconds, a round, pink, stationary object at an altitude of five thousand (5000) feet to eight thousand (8000) feet approximately eight (8) miles to the north. The object appeared to have a diameter equal to that of a B-29 type aircraft or larger. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] further states that he continued driving but glanced from his car window from time to time in an attempt to determine the size, shape, color, distance, height and route of travel of the object so that he could report it to the authorities at Camp Lucas.

2. Rumors have spread to a small number of people in Sault Ste Marie but investigation revealed that no other person or persons had seen the phenomenon.

3. The investigator, Captain Woodham, reports that the sky was clear with the temperature at fifty (50) degrees.

COMMENTS of Preparing Officer:

1. The Preparing Officer is of the opinion that the object sighted could be any one (1) of the following:

- a. Weather balloon
- b. Kite
- c. Friendly aircraft
- d. Sun reflected from distant cloud
- e. Sun reflected from Lake Superior

f. Sun reflected from mist formed over St. Mary's River Falls at Sault Ste Marie, Michigan.

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EXTRACT FROM STATUS REPORT # 7

DATE: 17 Apr 52

TIME (Local): 1600 EST

LOCATION: Sault St Marie, Michigan

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED: Not Reported

SOUND: Unknown

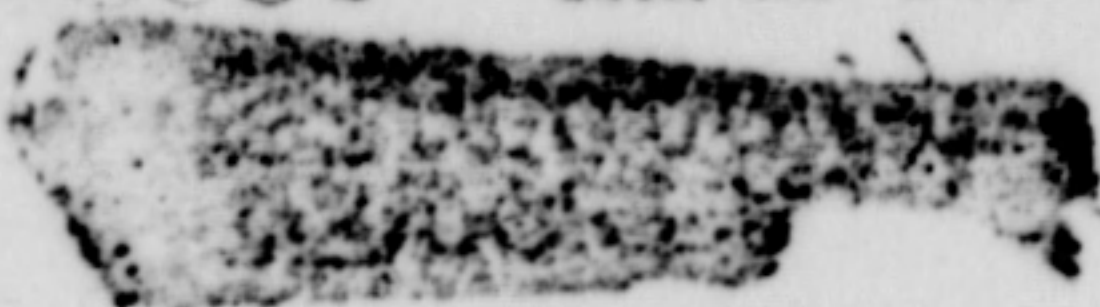
SPEED: Unknown

ALTITUDE: 5000-8,000'

HEADING: Unknown

SOURCE: Civilian

ACTION OR COMMENTS: Balloon released at 1600. Source observed the object at the same bearing.

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT: Round, pink, stationary object at 5000-8000' altitude and appearing equal in size to B-29. 

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