

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 8 Jul 49 09/0230Z		2. LOCATION Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming	
3. SOURCE Civilian		10. CONCLUSION Other (BIRDS)	
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Eight			
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Not Reported		11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observers attention was drawn to eight objects by a sound like the whir of duck wings. The eight objects appeared to be round and about 20 ft in diameter. They were not in a formation, but reminded the observer of blackbirds in a broup. There was no smoke or exhaust. Estimated altitude was 800 to 1000 ft. Reflection of the sun's light off the wet bodies of birds often gives the appearance of a very large object at a much greater distance from the observer than they actually are, especially during the periods of dusk and dawn.	
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual			
7. COURSE Not Reported			
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No			
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No			

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Trapper Mt.
Jan. 1, 1950

Air Force Commanders.

Dear Sirs. In reading this article you have published in a local paper, I can not help but let you know what my wife and I saw one clear morning last July in Yellowstone Park. you may wonder why this is the only report of any one has reported when at that time there were some 50000 people in the park. But Phoshone lake is 7 miles from any road and about 15 miles by boat to where we were fishing it was early in the morning and we were the only people on the North end of the lake at that time. These discs were sailing in a South Westely direction and not very high. If I had of been in possession of a movie camera we could have tried to photograph them.

You speak of the discs whizzing through the air that is exactly what they do and sound like.

Unless you know more about these discs than you let be known. I certainly hope you do not stop looking for them because they do exist, you say you have checked up on 375 rumors well mine is 376 and no one ever checked on it. But we will be glad to give you any more information we can

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On July 8, 1949 between the hour of 6:30 and 7:00 A. M. my wife and I were fishing from a rubber boat on the north end of Shoshone Lake in Yellowstone Park, when I heard what sounded like the whir of ducks wings. I said to my wife listen, what is that sound, on looking straight up over our heads, I should say 800 to 1000 feet, there were eight objects appearing to be round and I would say about 20 feet in diameter, and very bright metal like bright aluminum, sailing as I have sailed a lid from a can many times. They were not in formation but reminded me of a flock of blackbirds in a group some above and some below each other.

There was no smoke or exhaust of any kind, it was a beautiful clear morning and the sun was shining bright. If there had been any exhaust we would surely have seen it. They did not sail on a level course but seemed to go up and down just like some of the smaller birds fly when in a group. They were going very fast and if they had not been directly over our heads we would never have heard or seen them because we were watching the water. There was no sound of a motor.

When the disc shape objects were about over the center of the lake one of them turned completely over sailing in among the rest of them without coming in contact with the other objects.

They looked the same on both sides but I could not tell how thick they were, but judging from the diameter they are large enough to have one or more men aboard.

Many times when I was younger I have taken a flat round lid or heavy cardboard and threw it to see what turns it would make. This disc object turned completely over and sailed through the air as if the air current had changed its course. Just before the disc went out of sight the one on our right turned on its edge and sailed down and away from the rest.

I have seen jet planes and know about their speed but these objects were just as fast if not faster.

I have been kidded about seeing things and having too much to drink. But the sky was clear and the sun shone bright. We had had a good night's rest and nothing but good clear water to drink.

My wife and I saw these eight metal objects if we ever saw anything in our lives. My opinion is that they are controlled by some device somewhere outside of the disc itself and there is no man aboard, even though they are large enough to carry a man. I think there is some device that keeps them from colliding with each other, and my opinion is that they belong to the United States Government, because if they did not, the U. S. Government would soon find out where they come from



'Saucers' Myth Air Force Says

WASHINGTON (AP)—After checking up on 375 rumors of weird and wondrous sights in the sky, the Air Force has concluded that there aren't any "Flying Saucers."

It took two years, a special team from the USAF's science staff, and help from university consultants to track down the rumors of strange discs whizzing through the air.

PROJECT ENDED

Tuesday night the Air Force said "Project Flying Saucer"

—the investigation started by the air material command at Wright Base, Dayton, O., on Jan. 22, 1948—has been ordered ended because there is nothing to show that the reports were "not the results of natural phenomena."

All evidence, it added, points to three factors—"misinterpretation of various conventional objects; a mild form of mass hysteria; or hoaxes"—as the origin of the flying saucer reports.

Under Air Force definition, "various conventional objects" include such things as meteors, balloons, birds in flight or just ordinary optical illusions.

STORY DENIED

The effect of the announcement was to deny a story appearing in the current edition of the magazine "True." The magazine said it had learned that "a rocket authority stationed at Wright Field has told 'Project Saucer' personnel flatly that the saucers are interplanetary and that no other conclusion is possible."

The Air Force last spring sought to shoot down the flying discs rumors with a long, detailed discussion of the whole history of the rumors. It devoted a portion of that report to explaining why visitors weren't likely to arrive from other planets on space ships.

Among other things, the report questioned the possibility of the existence of men even on the relatively near planet of Mars. Even if men were there, the USAF doubted that they were a "technically established race," able to build space ships.

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Sandy, Utah

Dear Sir:

Receipt of your letter dated 1 January 1950 is
acknowledged.

You may be assured that the information you pro-
vided will be given proper consideration.

Your action in writing this Command is appreciated.

Yours truly,

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