

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 1 July 1950 01/0709Z	2. LOCATION Chicago, Illinois
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astro (Meteor)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Description of object and degrees of arc through which object passed in two seconds consistent with this evaluation. 11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Round intensely bright object. No sound. Ball of fire at high altitude. Horizontal flight.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION South	
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ground visual visual	
7. COURSE South	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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Subj: "Flying Saucer" (cont'd)

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Flying saucer reported seen by: Dr. [REDACTED]
Chicago 19, Illinois at 0109, 1 July 1950.

"Flying from N to S at terrific rate of speed. Covered distance from N horizon to S horizon in 2 seconds.

"Description: Round, intensely bright, soundless. Not a meteor. Dr. claims he has seen meteors and knows what they look like. This object, like a ball of fire, the Dr. claims, was at a high altitude and traveled a horizontal course over West Chicago."

2. No further investigation is contemplated by this headquarters.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

[Signature]
W. Col. GSC.
for ROBERT F. BELL
Colonel, GSC
AC of S, G-2

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SUBJECT: "Flying Saucer"

TO : Commanding General
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: MCI A

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In compliance with letter, Department of the Army, GSUSA, CSGID 452-1, dated 25 March 1948, subject: Unconventional Aircraft, control number A-1917, the following information is hereby submitted.

1950 JUL. Detroit News - 6 July 1950

"Farmer Tells of Watching C-54 Launch Flying Saucer
Dowagiac, Mich., July 6—A 'young, hardworking farmer not given to seeing things' has reported watching a flying saucer launched from an Army C-54.

"John Keller made the report to the Dowagiac newspaper, and said his two young sons would verify his statements.

"Keller said he watched a saucer shaped like an automobile hub cap, about 25 feet in diameter and 12 to 15 feet thick, launched from a low-flying Army C-54 on June 29.

"Keller said the launching took place about a quarter of a mile from where he was riding a tractor, in a hay field.

'The plane was heading southwest at a low rate of speed, about 300 feet up, when the saucer came from the belly of the plane,' he declared. 'It sort of wobbled, then shot away at a terrific speed, due south. It easily outdistanced the C-54 and was out of sight in five seconds.'

"It looked like a gigantic hub cap or half of a sphere. It's topside looked like chrome and had a little dome protruding, and the bottom was dull grey. 'I didn't report it sooner because I was afraid my neighbors might give me the horse laugh.' Keller was with his young sons, Larry and Johnny, when he saw 'the launching.'"

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