

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 13 Aug 63		2. LOCATION Borger, Texas		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>night</u> GMT _____		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☒ Yes, Physical Anal ☐ No		6. SOURCE civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION not observed		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE on ground.	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Heart shaped mark on ground about 11 ft across. Thought to have been painted on lawn. Dark purple. Mark was 3 inches wide all around. Grass not mashed down, just colored. Looked phosphorescent with sun shining on it. Smelled like acid. Several drops inside heart. Deputy sherriff took pictures and a sample of the paint. Substance remained through two rains. After a few days it never died. Ten days after first observ ation clung to grass.		11. COMMENTS Deputy sheriff report indicated that the substance was analized as the eggs of a specie of grass fly. Mrs Keegan, who reported the observation notified of the findings. substance like heavy black dust or soot			

Fritch Texas.

Aug. 27, 1963.

Project Bluebook, Wright Air Force Base, Dayton Ohio.

Dear Sir.

Yesterday I read with much interest., The article which appeared in my last Grit, Aug. 25th last. Your article about your tracking down mysterious Flying Saucers reminded me about the time a dozen years ago when late one night I saw a mysterious object low in the sky. You can be sure I never said a word about seeing this to any one. My husband laughed when I told him. I thought surely we would read or hear something about this object but never a word. However I am writing to you about an object which we didn't see which paid us a visit on the night of Aug. 13 1963. Whatever this strange thing was it left it's calling card on the front lawn of the house which we call the cook house because that is where all of the cowboys eat. After Sunup on the morning of Aug 14 1963. this month and only 2 weeks ago now. The man that was cooking (~~REDACTED~~) a man 60 years old asked my husband to come over and take a look at something which he did not know was. My husband came back a few minutes later very much amazed at what he had seen. He said someone has painted a heart on Ted's lawn. We both went back and sure enough almost a perfect heart was there on the lawn. The color was a dark purple. It was about 11 foot across and the circle itself was three inches wide all around. The grass was not mashed down in the least. The coloring went all the way down each blade of grass. With the Sun shining on this circle it had somewhat of a phosphorus substance look to it and it smelled like acid of which none of us could place. It looked as though some object had hovered just above the ground. There was several big drops of the same substance in the circle. A Deputy Sheriff came out took colored picture and samples of the paint. This substance stayed on after two heavy rains. After a few days it dried but clung

he ~~REDACTED~~ was from Berger Tex.

to the blades of grass .The grass never died and was just as lively other than having this dark color.After 10 days if I rubbed my hand through the grass there was black soot which was very dusty.Very Black.*Clinging to my hand*
We have checked and double checked for strangers in our vicinity that night but have been unable to find out a thing. As I recall the night was very dark.I wish I could send you a sample of the substance but it is all gone now.My husband is formen of this Ranch and we have lived here for 20 years.

What was it? I wish I knew and I am darn glad some one else saw this beside me.

Yours very truly.

Mrs ~~_____~~

Box ~~_____~~

Zip ~~_____~~

30 mi North of Amarillo.

Mrs ~~_____~~

AFTER FIVE DAYS RETURN TO

Mrs. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Fritch Texas.

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Project Bluebook. Wright Patterson Air Force Base.

Dayton Ohio.



HEADQUARTERS
FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION
AIR FORCE SYSTEMS COMMAND
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO



REPLY TO

ATTN OF: TDEW

SUBJECT: UFO Sighting (Mrs. [REDACTED])

TO: Hq USAF SAF-OI 3b (Mrs. [REDACTED])
Wash 25 DC

1. Reference the attached letter from Mrs. [REDACTED] requesting information on a UFO sighting of 13 August 1963. This letter is forwarded to your office for whatever action you deem necessary.

2. Request results of the investigation made by the Deputy Sheriff from Borger, Texas.

FOR THE COMMANDER

Robert T. de Jonckheere
ERIC T. de JONCKHEERE
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Technology and Subsystems

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Ltr fm Mrs. [REDACTED],
dtd 27 Aug 63.

September 18, 1963

Office of the County Sheriff
Borger, Texas

Dear Sir:

We have been asked by a Mrs. [redacted] of Fritch, Texas, to attempt to explain an unusual occurrence at their ranch on the night of August 13, 1963. We understand that a Deputy Sheriff from your office took colored pictures and obtained samples of the substance that was discoloring the grass.

In that the letter from Mrs. [redacted] is the first official report of this happening to a military installation, we would appreciate very much your analysis of the situation or the subjects involved. In the event complete laboratory analysis of the samples and the photography was not accomplished, we would be happy to continue this investigation providing you could furnish the original photography and any remaining portion of the samples.

Please advise this office concerning any facet of this investigation. For your convenience we are inclosing a self-addressed envelope.

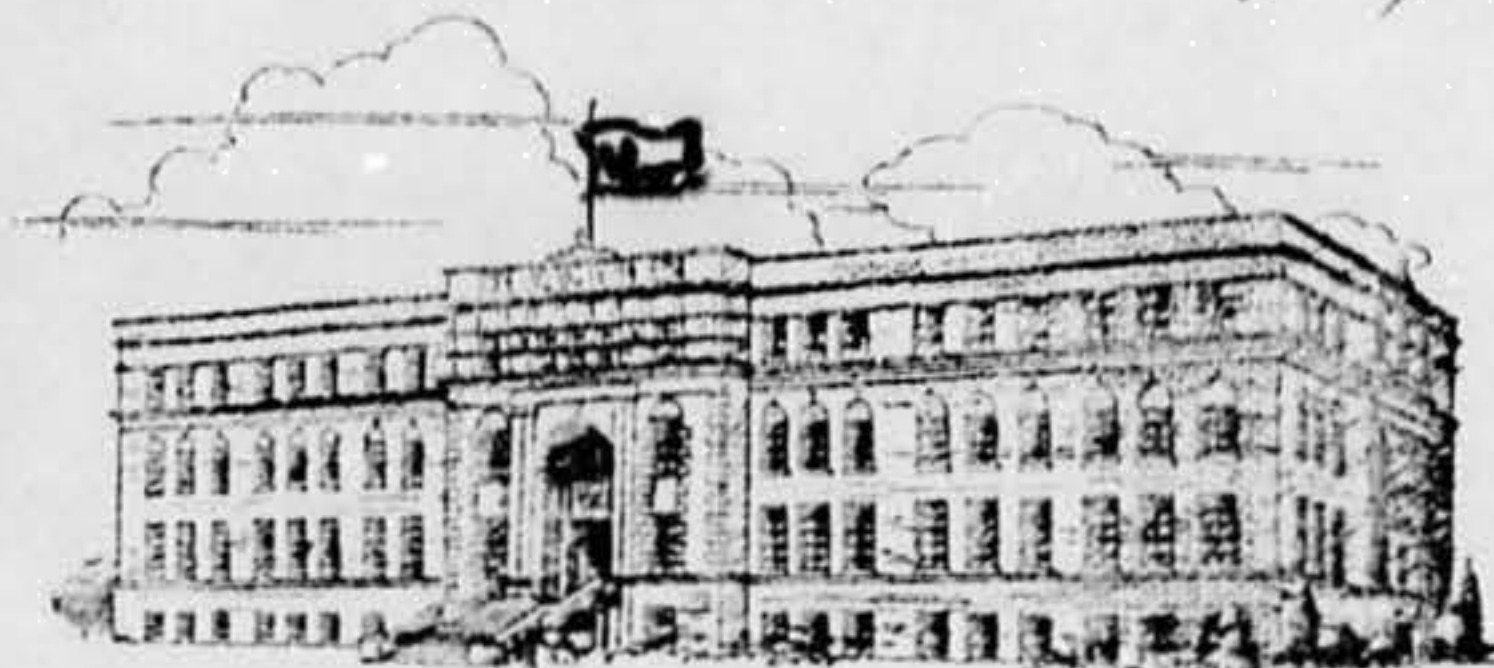
Sincerely,

CARL M. HART
Major, USAF
Public Information Division
Office of Information

Inclosure
Self-addressed envelope

County of
HUTCHINSON
State of Texas

STINNETT, TEXAS,



ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO: BOX 1426, BORGER, TEXAS

September 30, 1963

Carl Hart, Major
United States Air Force
Public Information Division
Office of Information
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Major Hart:

Reference your letter of September 18, 1963, pertaining to the unusual occurrence on the Bayins Coldwater Cattle Company Ranch at Fritch, Texas, and to the inquiry you received from Mrs. [REDACTED], please be advised an investigation was conducted by this department; photographs and samples were taken.

Be further advised that the pattern was somewhat unusual in as much as it was in the shape of a large heart something over ten feet in diameter. Laboratory analysis indicated that the material on the grass are eggs of a specie of grass fly. We were able to identify the nucleus and have done some research and are satisfied that it is as previously stated; however, we did not run a chemical analysis. If you feel it is necessary, we can supply samples.

Very truly yours,

[REDACTED SIGNATURE]

L.P. [REDACTED]

MEMBER



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HUTCHINSON COUNTY
BORGER, TEXAS



Carl Hart, Major
United States Air Force
Public Information Division
Office of Information
Washington 25, D. C.

October 8, 1963

Dear Mrs. [REDACTED]

Possibly by now [REDACTED] or someone of his office has contacted you with the results of their investigation of the heart-shaped design on your lawn. In case he hasn't, we have been informed that laboratory analysis indicated the material on the grass to be eggs of a species of grass fly.

Thank you very much for reporting this case as it is an unusual happening with an unusual answer, and does add to our fund of knowledge concerning unusual happenings that are frequently attributed to Flying Saucers.

Cordially,

C. R. HART
Major, USAF
Public Information Division
Office of Information

Mrs. [REDACTED]
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