

PROJECT 10070 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 21 JUL 52	2. LOCATION MEMPHIS TENN	3. CONCLUSION: C Not Sighted D Probably Sighted E Possibly Sighted
4. TIME OF OBSERVATION 21/0500 CST	5. TYPE OF OBSERVATION XIII Ground-Based	6. TYPE OF AIRCRAFT A Jet B Propeller C Helicopter D Unidentified
7. NUMBER OF OBSERVERS 2	8. WEATHER NE	9. COMMENTS XIII D Unknown
10. NAME OF OBSERVERS	11. NAME OF COMMAND	

White light was sighted over Memphis by control tower operator and by several civilian observers in the area.

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JEDWP/AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CEN ATIAA TWO WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS COLO

JEPFF/CDR MATS WASHDC

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**[REDACTED]** MFSC 24-G-25 FLYOBRPT UNIDENTIFIED FLYING  
OBJECT REPORTED NORTH OF MEMPHIS TENNESSEE MOVING IN A NORTH EASTERLY  
DIRECTION.

SIGHTED AT 0600CST CMA 24 JULY. NO DESCRIPTION AVAILABLE EXCEPT REPORTED  
AS A WHITE LIGHT, APPEARED TO BE MOVING TOO FAST FOR AN AIRCRAFT  
AND DID NOT HAVE APPEARANCE OF A METEOR. ALTITUDE UNKNOWN BUT  
REPORTED VERY HIGH.

OBJECT SIGHTED BY **[REDACTED]** MEMPHIS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT CONTROL  
TOWER OPERATOR, TELEPHONE MEMPHIS **[REDACTED]**, **[REDACTED]**

**[REDACTED]**, WHITE HAVEN TENNESSEE, TELEPHONE **[REDACTED]**

**[REDACTED]**, MEMPHIS TENNESSEE, TELEPHONE MEMPHIS  
TENNESSEE **[REDACTED]**

CEILING AND VISIBILITY UNLIMITED AND WINDS ALOFT AT 10000 FEET TO  
30000 FEET LIGHT AND VARIABLE EAST NORTH EAST AT 10 KNOTS.

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NO OTHER KNOWN AIR TRAFFIC IN VACINITY AT TIME OF SIGHTING. NO OTHER  
INFORMATION AVAILABLE. SGD GENRY

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IR-451-52

Unidentified Flying Object Sighted Near Memphis, Tennessee 24 July 1952.

State of Tennessee, USA

Flight Service, MATS, 3800 Newark  
Street, N. W., Washington 25, D. C.

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Frank M. Allen, Lt Colonel, USAF

CAA Airport Traffic Controller and others

Teletype FLYOERPT submitted by Maxwell Flight Service Center 241030Z July (MFSC 24-G-25)

A white light, which appeared to be moving too fast for an aircraft, and which did not have the appearance of a meteor, was sighted by a Memphis Municipal Airport Traffic Controller at 0600CST 24 July 1952. Object was North of the observer, moving in a Northeasterly direction.

No air traffic was reported in the area, and the object was apparently not moving in the direction of the reported winds aloft.

FRANK M. ALLEN  
Lt Colonel, USAF  
Intelligence Officer

1. An unidentified flying object was visually observed from Memphis, Tennessee 24 July 1952. Sighted at 0600CST by Airport Traffic Controller at Memphis Municipal Airport and two other persons.

2. Reported as a white light which appeared to be moving too fast for an aircraft, and which did not have the appearance of a meteor. Altitude unknown, but reported very high. Object was North of Memphis, moving in a Northeasterly direction.

3. Weather in the area:

a. Memphis, Tennessee reported (0530CST) sky clear, visibility 8 miles, barometer 1019.6, temperature 77°, dew point 67°, surface wind North 4 MPH, altimeter 30.11.

b. Winds aloft: 10,000 feet, from 330° at 11 knots  
20,000 feet, from 320° at 6 knots  
30,000 feet, light and variable

4. Witnesses:

a. [REDACTED], Memphis Municipal Airport Traffic Controller (Telephone [REDACTED]).

b. [REDACTED] White Haven, Tennessee (Telephone [REDACTED]).

c. [REDACTED] Memphis, Tennessee (Telephone [REDACTED]).

5. No air traffic reported in area, no physical evidence, no attempted interception, and no activity which might explain the sighting.

6. Information received by Maxwell Flight Service Center, from Memphis ARTC Center (CAA), at 0630CST 24 July. Teletype FLYOERPT submitted by Maxwell Flight Service Center 241030Z July (MFSC 24-G-25).

Comments of Preparing Officer:

1. Occupation of primary witness should qualify him as a capable observer in this field. No information on other witnesses.

2. Winds aloft appear to be neither strong enough, or of the proper direction, to carry a balloon as indicated by the report.

3. Witnesses were not interrogated.