

UFOB INDEX CARD

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| <p>1. DATE 4-9 Aug 56</p> | <p>2. LOCATION Tarrytown, N. Y.</p> | | <p>12. CONCLUSIONS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon</p> |
| <p>3. DATE-TIME GROUP 09/0435Z Aug 56</p> | <p>4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar</p> | | <p><input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft</p> |
| <p>5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> | <p>6. SOURCE Civilian</p> | | <p><input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical</p> |
| <p>7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Still visible at time of Initial report</p> | <p>8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One (1)</p> | <p>9. COURSE Southeast</p> | <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown</p> |
| <p>10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One (1) yellow star-like object, 5 or 6 times the size of the North Star. Noticed because of light plus movement. Object moved very slowly in a southeasterly direction at a very high altitude. Object still in sight at time of initial report.</p> | | <p>11. COMMENTS Do not concur with Reporting Officer that sighting was a shooting star. Sighting meets all criteria for a balloon hypothesis. Winds correlate to course of object. Evaluation of this headquarters as "was balloon."</p> | |

Case 183, Tarrytown, N.Y., Aug. 9, 1956—At 12:15 police headquarters received a phone call from Walter Kocher who saw a mysterious light in the sky. Sgt. Fintan Maegerle was dispatched by radio to investigate. He confirmed the report together with two other officers. Sgt. Maegerle, a World War II pilot who holds a commercial license, described the light as yellowish, and "five to eight times the size of any star in the sky." He could not estimate its altitude, but said it was moving in jerks in a generally southeasterly direction. In his flying experience he had seen nothing like it. . . . About 1:30 a.m., the light disappeared.⁹