

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 12 January 1957	2. LOCATION Tempe, Arizona		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1125 GMT 12/1825Z	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		
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE AF Civilian Employee		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5 minutes	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE unk	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Object size of half dollar shining with brilliant light observed at approx 30,000ft. Object remained stationary.		11. COMMENTS WX balloons normally launched between 1030-1100 hours. 4 balloon launching units within very short distance: Luke AFB, Williams AFB, Prescott and Winslow. Size, shape, description and stationary movement all indicate object undoubtedly balloon.	

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ACTIVITY SUBMITTING REPORT 3524th Combat Crew Training Wing (FTR) Williams Air Force Base, Arizona	DATE OF COLLECTION 1 February 1957	SRI NO.	CANCELED/COMPLETE
PREPARING INDIVIDUAL Crawford L. Scott Captain, USAF	DATE OF REPORT 6 February 1957	SRI NO.	CANCELED/INCOMPLETE
NAME OR DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE Mr. Asa W. Baker	EVALUATION	SRI NO.	ACTIVE
REFERENCES (BAIR Subject, previous reports, etc., as applicable) None			
SUBJECT (Descriptive title. Use individual reports for separate subjects) Unidentified Flying Object (UFOB)			
SUMMARY (Give summary which highlights the salient factors of narrative report. Begin narrative text on AF Form 112 unless report can be fully stated on AF Form 112. List inclosures, including number of copies) At approximately 1125 hours, 12 January 1957, Mr. Asa W. Baker of 502 College Avenue, Tempe, Arizona, observed an unidentified flying object that gave off an intense light.			
<p style="text-align: center;">1. Initial report rendered by Asa W. Baker (1 of) w/d by 4602d AISS</p>			
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REFERENCE: AIR FORCE REGULATION 200-2, 12 August 1950, paragraph 7.

(1) Description of Object

- (a) Shape - At first reappearance object was almost square; just prior to disappearance it became oblong.
- (b) Size - Approximate size of half-dollar coin, 1/2 inch in diameter and 1/8 inch length. (Object was observed at approximately 30,000 feet altitude.)
- (c) Color - Gave off a brilliant light as if it was a large mirror reflecting the sun's rays.
- (d) Number - One (1)
- (e) Formation - N/A
- (f) Features - None
- (g) Tail, Trail or Exhaust - None
- (h) Sound - None
- (i) Other pertinent or unusual features - None



(2) Description of Course

- (a) What first called attention to object? - Intensity of Light.
- (b) Unknown
- (c) Unknown
- (d) Description of Flight Path - Remained stationary
- (e) Manner of Disappearance - Faded out of sight in two to three seconds as if it were moving away from observer at a high rate of speed.
- (f) Length of Time in Sight - Approximately five (5) minutes.

little movement

(3) Manner of Observation

- (a) Ground/visual
- (b) Optical Aids - Area in which object was observed was searched after its disappearance with an eight (8) power telescope lens. Lens was not immediately available when object was sighted.
- (c) N/A

(4) Time and Date of Sighting

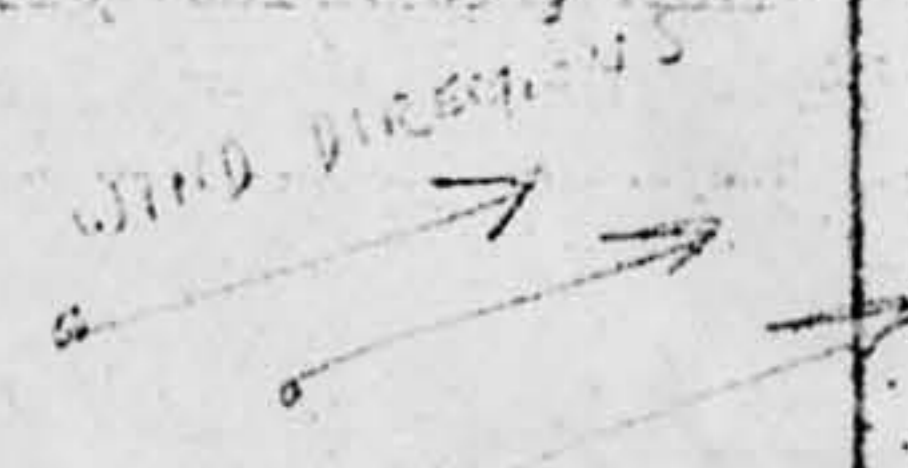
- (a) Zulu time-date group of sighting - 1525 hours 12 January 1957.
- (b) Light Conditions - Day

(5) Location of Observer - Four to five degrees east of due north of the west city limits of Tempe, Arizona.

(6) Identifying information of observers - [Redacted] Tempe, Arizona, civilian employee of [Redacted] Department, [Redacted] Tempe, Arizona.

(7) Weather and Winds aloft Conditions

- (a) Observers' account of weather conditions - Clear, visibility unlimited, minimum surface wind.
- (b) Winds aloft Base at base of cloud - 5,000 - 11 W-30
10,000 - 20 W-30
15,000 - 20 W-30
20,000 - 20 W-30
- (c) Ceiling - 35,000 - Broken
- (d) Visibility - 20 miles



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- (a) Amount of Cloud Cover - 17 per cent
- (b) Thunderstorms in Area - None
- (c) Any other unusual activity or condition - None
- (d) Interception Action - None
- (e) Location of Air Launching Area - Unknown
- (f) Possible Title and Grade of Preparing Officer - Wing Intelligence Officer.
It is known that balloon activities were being conducted in this area during this incident.
- (g) Existence of Physical Evidence - None

why - didn't he check?

- ① Balloon (WX) normally launched c/a 1030.
- ② Luke AFB + Williams AFB very close to VFD location. WX balloon sites at WINGLOW + PRESCOTT.
- ③ Based on numerous balloon reports from desert regions - eye color reflection of sun's rays off surface of balloon shows up as exceptionally bright light.

Prob Balloon

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