PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE: 17 December 1954	2. LOCATION: Frenchman's Bajou, Arkansas		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other: Spon Combustion ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local: 2340CST GMT: 18/0540Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE: Civilian		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION: -- --	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS: 1	9. COURSE: ---	

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Source sighted logs on his farm smoldering. Upon examination, source thought burnt path and smoldering of logs caused by meteorite.

11. COMMENTS

4ØØ 4602d unit at Grandview AFB, conducted thorough field investigation of sight on 17 Dec 54. Smoldering caused by spontaneous combustion in old logs packed tightly and serving as a dike on farm of source.

Case closed.

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17/0530Z FRENCHMANS BOYER

17 Dec 1954
1530 Hrs
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A Mr. [redacted], Frenchman's Boyer, Afkansas, phoned Joiner, Ark at 2340 Hrs, 35 miles from Memphis, Tenn and reported to Col. Norman Rogers, Memphis Depot, that a meterorite had come down on his ~~x~~ farm, entered the ground and was still smoking.

Col. Rogers called Col. O'hern who in turn called me.

I placed a call to HQ 4602nd to have the nearest uint investigate. also requested they let us have a short preliminary report as soon as possible. Further requested that if it could be identified as a meterorite not to ~~x~~ send it; however, to send it if it is some material which they could not identify.

Inform Col. O'Hern when you get ~~x~~ anything definite. Hardin

1030 Hrs, 20 Dec 54

S gt. Drepperd received a call from Capt.Bellowvant, Flt Commander, 4602d Det at Grandview AFB, Missouri. Capt. Bellowvant reported that he and members of his detachment flew down to Mr. [redacted] farm on Friday Night, 17 Dec 54.

Mr. [redacted]k has a 1600 acre farm on which he grows rice and cotton. The rice field is seperated from the cotton filed by a man made dike consisting of many logs. Upon close inspection of the logs, it was evident that spontaneous combustion had taken place and some of the logs were smoldering. From the appearance of the logs, it looked like they had been on fire for quite a while and by the time it was noticed by the owner, it looked like a burnt path of some object.

A teletype report will be forwarded to ATIC by Capt. Bellowvant which will contain complete ~~x~~ details.

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