

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 27 Jul 49	2. LOCATION Jackson, Michigan
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Other (FLARE)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION N/A	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS An object fell on the ground and burnt a hole. The object glowed without a flame for about three minutes. Residue was analyzed and it was determined to have been from a flare. See: specimen 7-3745-462
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE N/A	
8. PHOTOS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes IN FILE <input type="checkbox"/> No	

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

UNCLASSIFIED

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON

5D-OSI/JEM/vz

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, USAF
5TH DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, DAYTON, OHIO

REPLY REFER TO: 5D 24-21-M

14 September 1949

SUBJECT: PROJECT GRUDGE - INCIDENT, LUDINGTON, MICHIGAN
AND HOMER, MICHIGAN
SPECIAL INQUIRY

TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTN: MCIAXS

1. Reference is made to letter, this office, subject and file as above, dated 15 June 1949.
2. Enclosed for your information and necessary action is report of investigation of Special Agent JACK L. HECKELMAN, District Office #25, dated 9 September 1949.
3. With the submission of this report all logical leads have been developed and the files of this office are being closed in instant investigation.

1 Incl
R/I dtd 9 Sep 49 (in dup)
w/incis

Jerome M. Braun
JEROME M. BRAUN
Acting District Commander

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

UNCLASSIFIED

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

7-3712-22

218-1
P 5 COL 4 (CENTER)
JACKSON CITIZEN PATRIOT, JACKSON, MICHIGAN.



—Citizen Patriot Photograph.

MYSTERY SOLVED—Laboratory tests of a fragment of the object found burning on the pavement at Vandercook Lake Monday evening indicate it was a truck flare, commonly used as a warning signal. Mrs. Leroy Drinkwine, 509 McDevitt, holding the fragment, points to the burned pavement where it was found.

Laboratory Tested

Flaming Object At Vandercook Warning Flare

"That was no meteor—that was a fusee!"

The mysterious flaming object which burned a hole in the pavement Monday night in front of the house of Mrs. Leroy Drinkwine, 509 McDevitt, Vandercook Lake, probably was an emergency flare. That is the report of the Clark Equipment Co. laboratory which analyzed a sample of the object.

The alkalinity of the railroad fusee and the sample are identical, the laboratory reports. Probably this object was a truck flare, used by highway trucks for the same purpose as an emergency signal on the railroad.

The object, which smelled faintly of phosphorous, was retrieved by Mrs. Drinkwine's

Case contains 1, 8" x 10"
photo.

