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ORAL HISTORY
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I am amazed how good the audio quality of this tape sound 50 years. NOTE; however, that I recorded it on a high track sound deck, but only used 2 tracks. (It is of course monoaural), but it is easy to erase tracks by accident.!

I would recommend you re-wind it to start on side one, with Davis interview first. The second portion is the on-site report by Terry Lane at Poker, and you have to understand that Eldon Thompson (Range Safety Officer) and Neal Brown had (jointly) and repeatedly warned Lane that there was a strong North wind that night and that the first stage could even get blown back down to Poker. He was scared stiff, and you can tell just hearing all the mistakes he made while broadcasting.

As it turned out, unknown to any one, that is EXACTLY what happened, scaring the Hell out of everyone out there. I believe it landed just east of the pad, and south of the highway. Believe it or not, that one disappeared very quickly. If you have good quality recording equipment you can actually hear the thing roaring back down to the pad with a loud thump when it hit.

Side two is an on-site report again, of the biggest, three stage barium release and is fairly well reported.

Regards Al Mc Neil

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