

<b>1. DATE - TIME GROUP</b> 10 Jul 53 11/0100Z	<b>2. LOCATION.</b> Forrest City, Arkansas
<b>3. SOURCE</b> Civilian	<b>10. CONCLUSION</b> BALLOON: WEATHER BALLOON 1. The manuevers & description are similar to a Weather Balloon. 2. Sources seem to be unsure of time and length of sighting.
<b>4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS</b> one	
<b>5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION</b> 30-45 mins	<b>11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS</b> One large bright obj appeared from the NW hovered over the city and disappeared to the South. Obj was described as silver colored and very bright at a high alt traveling slowly.
<b>6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION</b> ground visual	
<b>7. COURSE</b> South	
<b>8. PHOTOS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

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### U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U. S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes, and will be regarded as confidential material. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that, if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

10 Day July Month 1953 Year

2. Time of day:

10:00 Hour 00 Minutes

(Circle One): A.M. or P.M.

3. Time zone:

(Circle One):  a. Eastern  
b. Central  
c. Mountain  
d. Pacific  
e. Other \_\_\_\_\_

(Circle One):  a. Daylight Saving  
b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

Farmington City Nearest Postal Address city City or Town Ark. State or Country

Additional remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

\_\_\_\_\_ Hours 20 Minutes \_\_\_\_\_ Seconds

5.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.

a. Certain  
 b. Fairly certain  
c. Not very sure  
d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One):  a. Bright daylight  
b. Dull daylight  
c. Bright twilight  
d. Just a trace of daylight  
e. No trace of daylight  
f. Don't remember

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One):  a. In front of you  
b. In back of you  
c. To your right  
d. To your left  
e. Overhead  
f. Don't remember

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8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None  
 b. A few  
 c. Many  
 d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight  
 b. Dull moonlight  
 c. No moonlight — pitch dark  
 d. Don't remember

9. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One):

a. Yes

b. No

c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

(Circle One) a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?

b. Several blocks away?

c. A block away?

d. Several yards away?

e. Other

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- |   |     |                                     |            |
|---|-----|-------------------------------------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time?           | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode?              | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| d. Give off smoke?                              | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| e. Change brightness?                           | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape?                                | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate?                  | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved behind: \_\_\_\_\_

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved in front of: \_\_\_\_\_

14. Did the object appear:

(Circle One):

a. Solid?

b. Transparent?

c. Don't Know.

15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

- |                 |     |                                     |                |     |                                     |
|-----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| a. Eyeglasses   | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | e. Binoculars  | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No |
| b. Sun glasses  | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | f. Telescope   | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No |
| c. Windshield   | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | g. Theodolite  | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No |
| d. Window glass | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | h. Other _____ |     |                                     |

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

a. Sound none

b. Color Silver

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



18. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
  - b. Like a bright star
  - c. Sharply outlined
  - d. Don't remember

e. Other \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? \_\_\_\_\_  
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.

21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.  
\_\_\_\_\_ feet.

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects held in the hand and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

- a. Head of a pin
- b. Pea
- c. Dime
- d. Nickel
- e. Quarter
- f. Half dollar

- g. Silver dollar
- h. Baseball
- i. Grapefruit
- j. Basketball
- k. Other \_\_\_\_\_

22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

- a. Certain
- b. Fairly certain

- c. Not very sure
- d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view?

*It just disappeared  
for one can't see it.*

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

25. Where were you located when you saw the object?  
(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building
- b. In a car
- c. Outdoors
- d. In an airplane
- e. At sea
- f. Other \_\_\_\_\_

26. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
- b. In the residential section of a city?
- c. In open countryside?
- d. Flying near an airfield?
- e. Flying over a city?
- f. Flying over open country?
- g. Other \_\_\_\_\_

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

*My boss [redacted] was  
[redacted] in the yard on the road  
[redacted] saw it, and call me*

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- a. North
- b. Northeast
- c. East
- d. Southeast
- e. South
- f. Southwest
- g. West
- h. Northwest

28.2 How fast were you moving? \_\_\_\_\_ miles per hour.

28.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One)      Yes      No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? (Circle One)

- a. North
- b. Northeast
- c. East
- d. Southeast
- e. South
- f. Southwest
- g. West
- h. Northwest

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

- a. North
- b. Northeast
- c. East
- d. Southeast
- e. South
- f. Southwest
- g. West
- h. Northwest

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

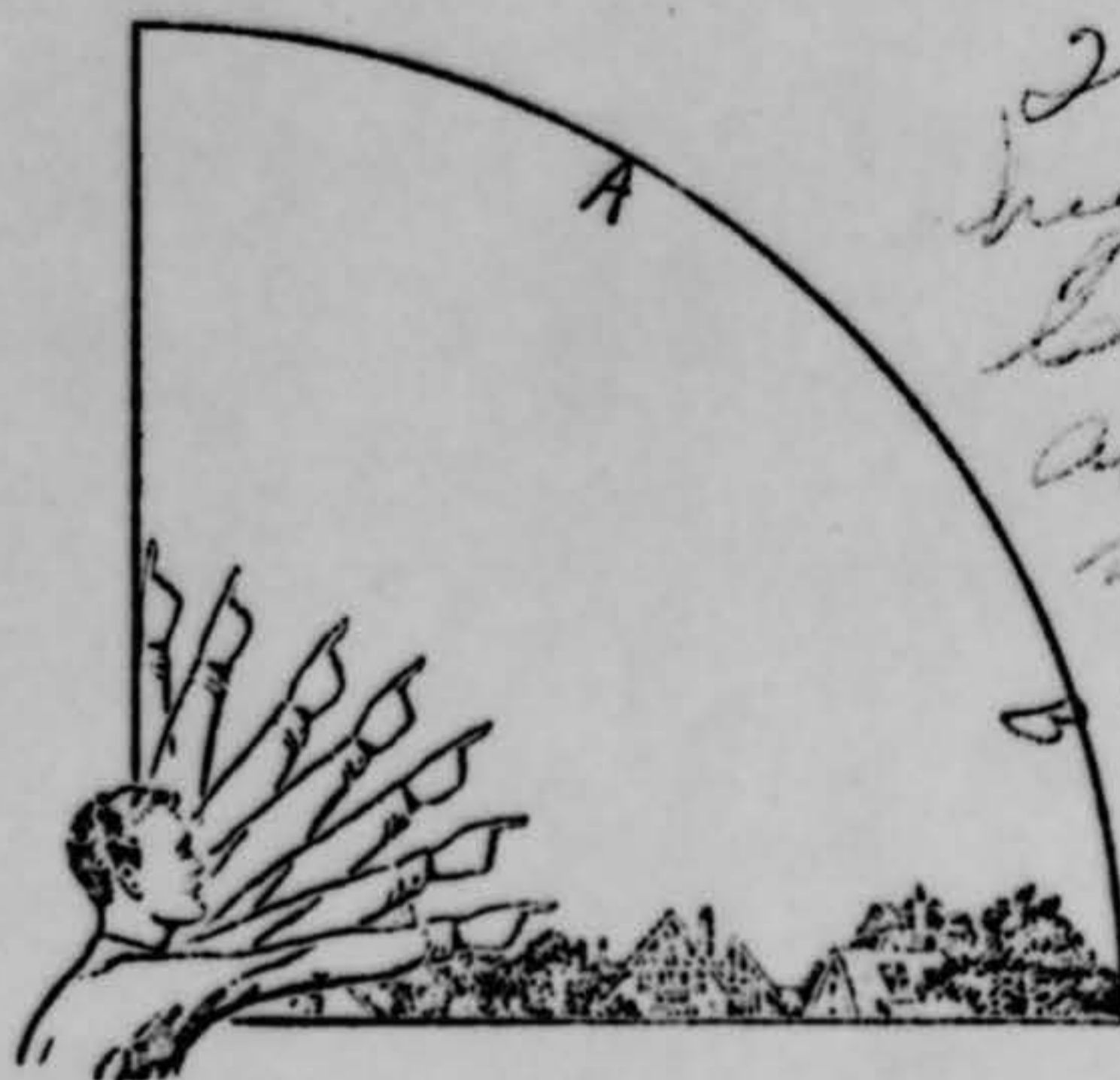
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North \_\_\_\_\_ degrees.
- b. From horizon \_\_\_\_\_ degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

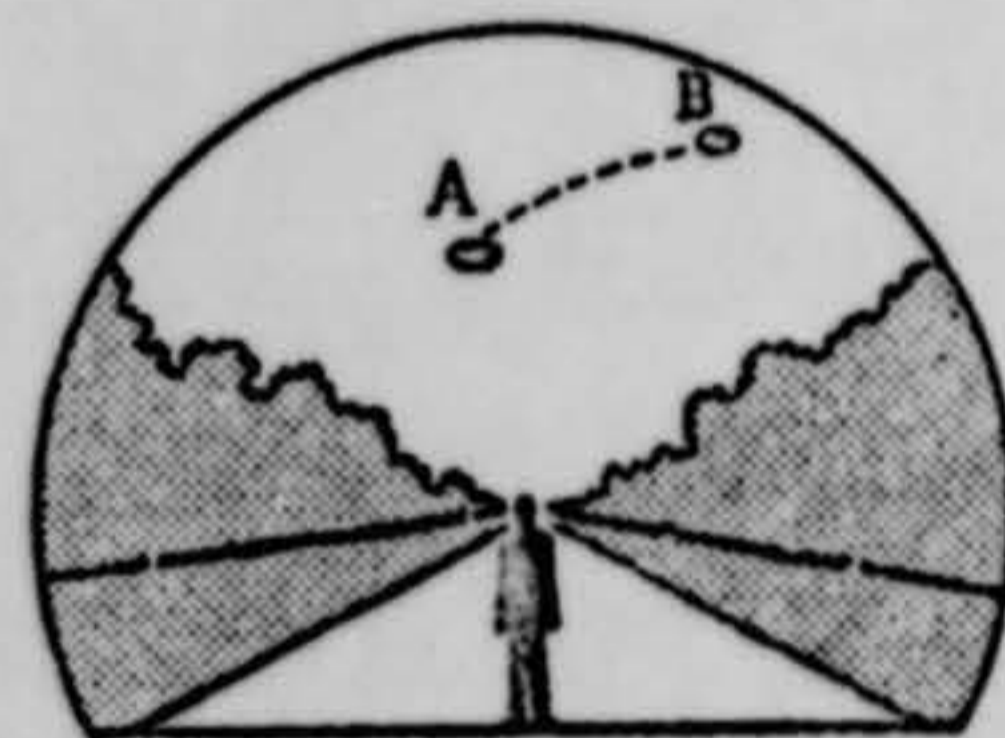
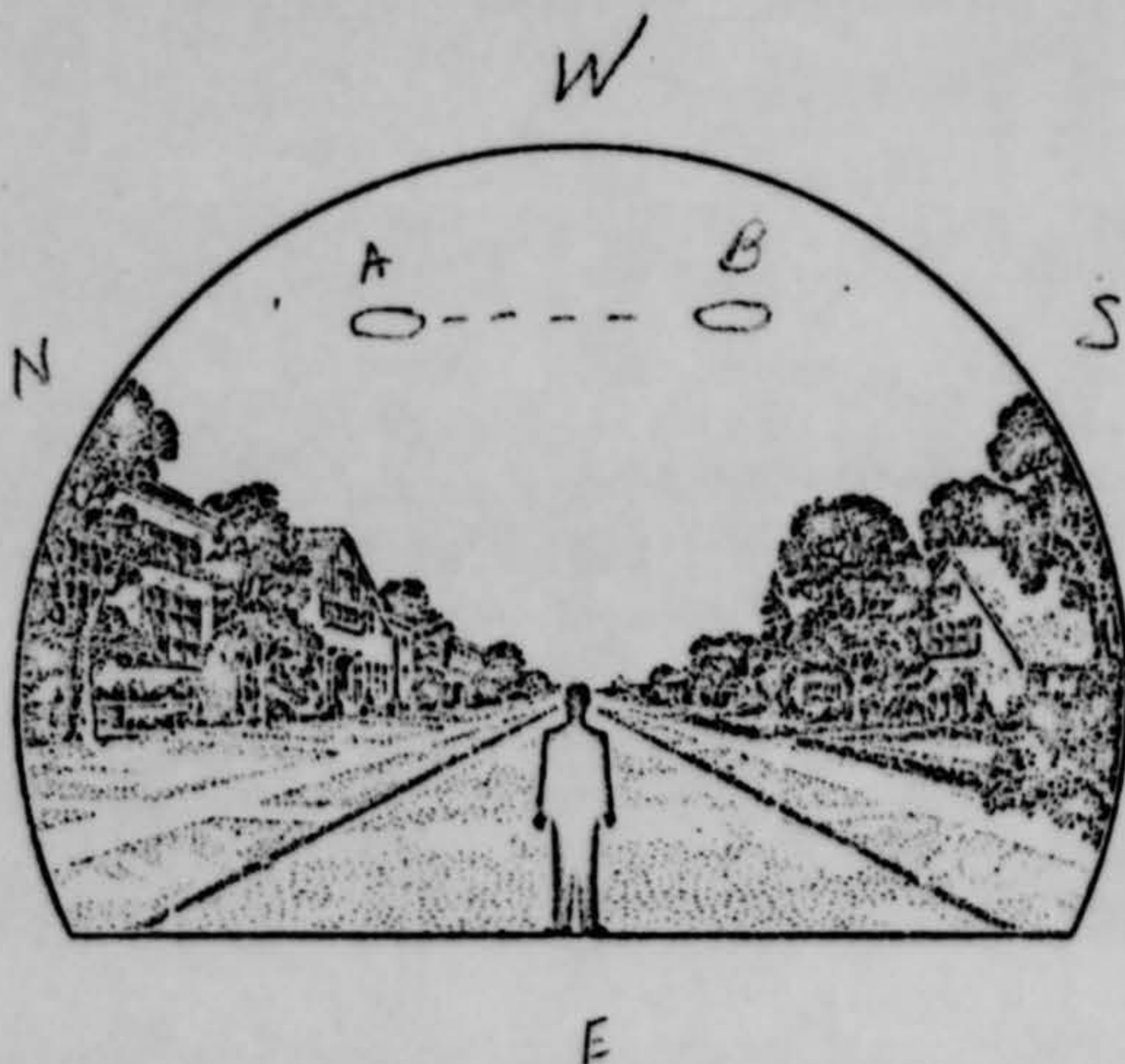
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- b. From horizon \_\_\_\_\_ degrees.

32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it.



*It was as high when I last saw it as it was when I first saw it.*

33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.



34. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

34.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds
- e. Don't remember

34.2 WIND (Circle One)

- a. No wind
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

34.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold
- b. Cool
- c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

10 July 1953  
 Day Month Year

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One)  Yes No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One)  Yes No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~  
~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~  
~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One)  Yes No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

*I don't know*



39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) Yes  No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? \_\_\_\_\_ m.p.h.

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) Yes  No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? \_\_\_\_\_ feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [Redacted] [Redacted]  
Last Name First Name

ADDRESS [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [Redacted]

What is your present job? None

Age 34 Sex Female

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

- a. Grade school 10th
- b. High school \_\_\_\_\_
- c. College \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Post graduate \_\_\_\_\_
- e. e. Technical school \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type) \_\_\_\_\_
- f. Other special training \_\_\_\_\_

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

27 July 1953  
Day Month Year

**U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET**  
**(SUMMARY DATA)**

In order that your information may be filed and coded as accurately as possible, please use the following space to write out a short description of the event that you observed. You may repeat information that you have already given in the questionnaire, and add any further comments, statements, or sketches that you believe are important. Try to present the details of the observation in the order in which they occurred. Additional pages of the same size paper may be attached if they are needed.

NAME MRC [REDACTED]  
(Please Print)

(Do Not Write In This Space)

SIGNATURE [REDACTED]

CODE:

DATE July 27, 1953

as I said before, the kids were playing & saw it, & call for me I look for a few minutes, & went to town & told police & other people I saw. It look like a big star was very pretty, silver & just disappear.

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1. When did you see the object?

10 July 1953  
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 7:00

Hour

Minutes

(Circle One):

A.M.

or

P.M.

3. Time zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern

b. Central

c. Mountain

d. Pacific

e. Other \_\_\_\_\_

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving

b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

\_\_\_\_\_  
Nearest Postal Address

Forrest City  
City or Town

Arkansas  
State or Country

Additional remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Hours

15  
Minutes

\_\_\_\_\_  
Seconds

5.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.

a. Certain

b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One): a. Bright daylight

b. Dull daylight

c. Bright twilight

d. Just a trace of daylight

e. No trace of daylight

f. Don't remember

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you

b. In back of you

c. To your right

d. To your left

e. Overhead

f. Don't remember

Gone Down

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10 July  
Forrest City

United States

TAC IR-16-53

Investigation of Unidentified Aerial Objects

Forrest City, Arkansas

163rd Troop Carrier Group Intelligence

21 July 1953

20 July 1953

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2nd Lt. Raymond J. Jundt

Mr. [REDACTED]  
Mrs. [REDACTED]

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The observers first saw the object at 1900 hours on 10 July 1953. It was spotted approaching Forrest City, Arkansas at a very high altitude from the northwest. The observers were standing in front of the City Police Station in Forrest City. The object appeared to be moving very slow and in a straight line toward the southeast. It was a very bright silver color and looked like somekind of large light. It gave off no sound and there was no evidence of exhaust. It was visible for approximately forty-five (45) minutes then faded out of sight toward the southeast. The observers estimated the object to be about one and a half feet in diameter although it looked no larger than a dime from that distance. The observers were unable to judge the distance or the altitude. It appeared to be very high and at times seemed to be motionless.

The sky was clear and the wind was very low blowing from the northwest that evening in Forrest City.

No weather stations or airports are located in the Forrest City area.

Contact was made with a crop-duster pilot at Brinkley, Arkansas twenty-five (25) miles west-southwest of Forrest City. He has seen several weather balloons drifting around in the area in the last month and believes that the aerial object was one of those balloons.

REMARKS BY REPORTING OFFICER:

The significance of this report is to supply the Air Force with information which will help in solving the "Flying Saucer" cases.

Raymond J. Jundt

RAYMOND J. JUNDT  
2nd Lt., USAF  
Intelligence Officer

8. IF you saw the object, at NIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None
- b. A few
- c. Many
- d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight
- b. Dull moonlight
- c. No moonlight — ~~plains~~
- d. Don't remember

9. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

- (Circle One):       a. Yes                      b. No                      c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

- (Circle One)  a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?
- b. Several blocks away?
  - c. A block away?
  - d. Several yards away?
  - e. Other

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- |   |                                      |                                     |            |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time?           | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No                                  | Don't Know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | Yes                                  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode?              | Yes                                  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| d. Give off smoke?                              | Yes                                  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| e. Change brightness?                           | Yes                                  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape?                                | Yes                                  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate?                  | Yes                                  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

- (Circle One):      Yes       No      Don't Know.      IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: \_\_\_\_\_

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

- (Circle One):      Yes       No      Don't Know.      IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved in front of: \_\_\_\_\_

14. Did the object appear: (Circle One):      a. Solid?      b. Transparent?       c. Don't Know.

15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

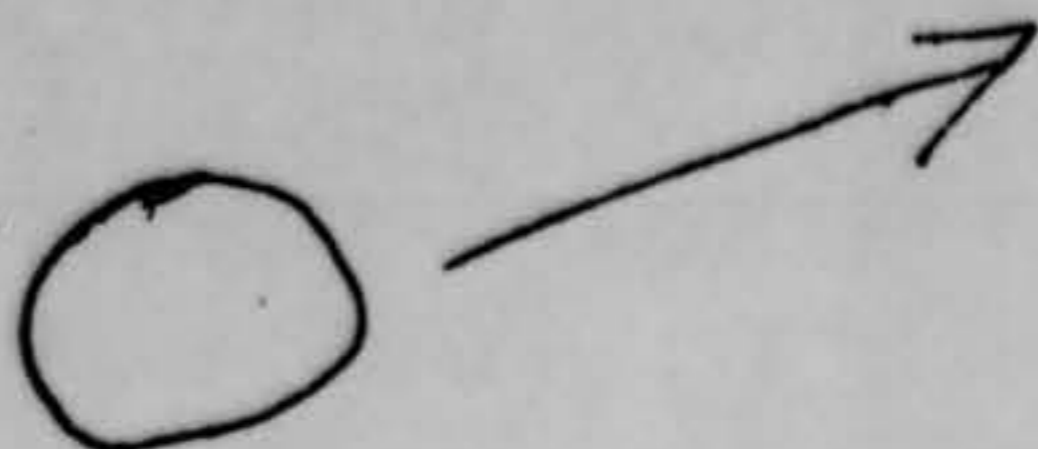
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| b. Sun glasses  | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | f. Telescope   | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No |
| c. Windshield   | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | g. Theodolite  | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No |
| d. Window glass | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | h. Other _____ |     |                                     |

16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

a. Sound No sound

b. Color Light Bulb turning

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



18. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
  - b. Like a bright star
  - c. Sharply outlined
  - d. Don't remember

e. Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

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21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.  
\_\_\_\_\_ feet.

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects held in the hand and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

- |                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| a. Head of a pin | g. Silver dollar                               |
| b. Pea           | h. Baseball                                    |
| c. Dime          | <input checked="" type="radio"/> i. Grapefruit |
| d. Nickel        | j. Basketball                                  |
| e. Quarter       | k. Other _____                                 |
| f. Half dollar   |  |

- 22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

- |  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| a. Certain   | c. Not very sure |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> b. Fairly certain | d. Uncertain     |

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view?

*It looked like the tail light of an airplane at about 20,000 to 30,000 ft high, traveling about 200 miles per hour.*

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

25. Where were you located when you saw the object?  
(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building
- b. In a car
- c. Outdoors
- d. In an airplane
- e. At sea
- f. Other \_\_\_\_\_

26. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
- b. In the residential section of a city?
- c. In open countryside?
- d. Flying near an airfield?
- e. Flying over a city?
- f. Flying over open country?
- g. Other \_\_\_\_\_

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

*We were sitting in the yard when our attention was called to it by someone else.*

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- |              |              |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North     | c. East      | e. South     | g. West      |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

28.2 How fast were you moving? \_\_\_\_\_ miles per hour.

28.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One)      Yes      No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? (Circle One)

- |              |              |   |              |
|--------------|--------------|---|--------------|
| a. North     | c. East      | <input checked="" type="radio"/> e. South | g. West      |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest                              | h. Northwest |

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

- |              |   |              |              |
|--------------|---|--------------|--------------|
| a. North     | c. East                                       | e. South     | g. West      |
| b. Northeast | <input checked="" type="radio"/> d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

31.1 When it first appeared:

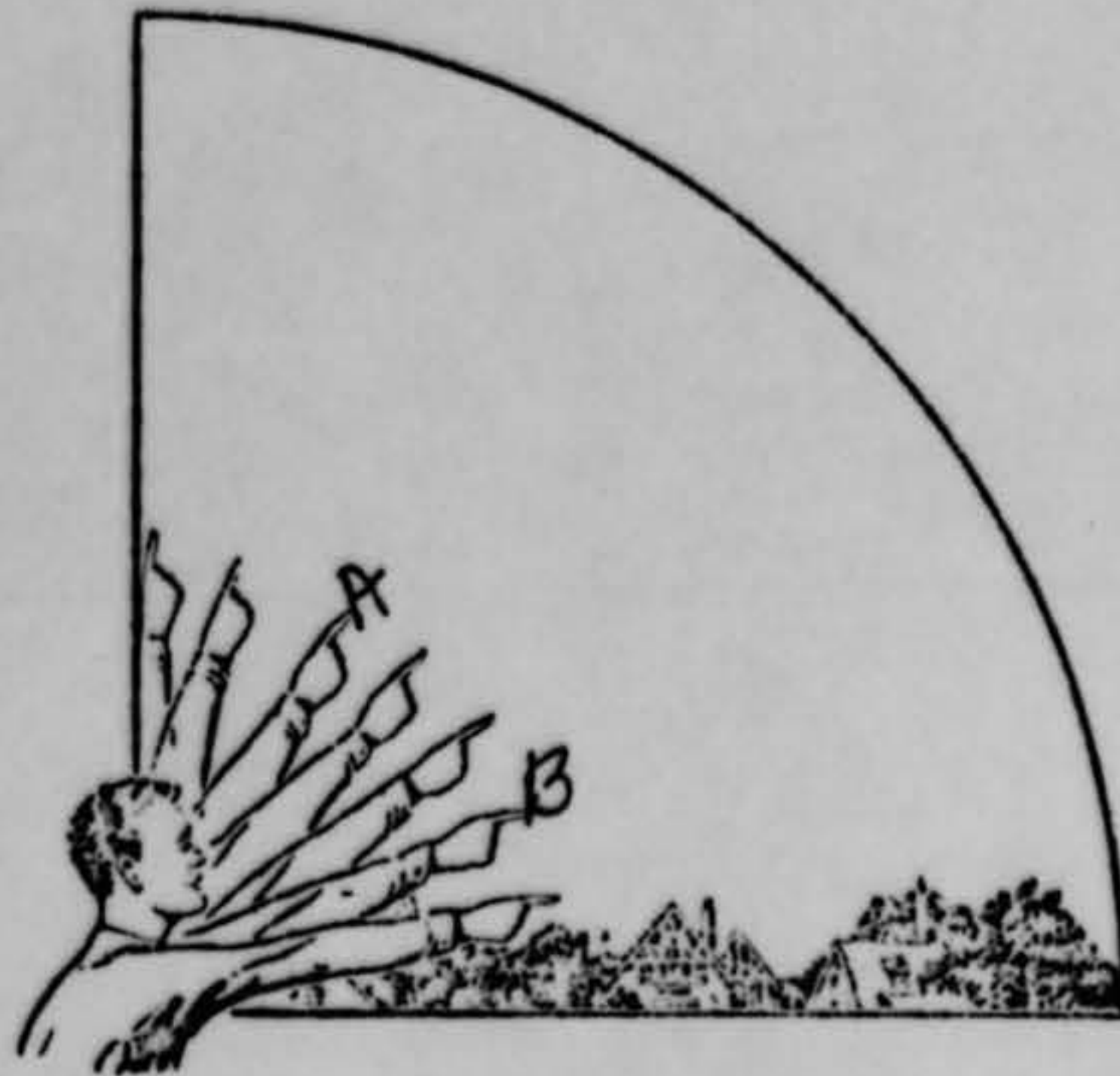
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- b. From horizon \_\_\_\_\_ degrees.

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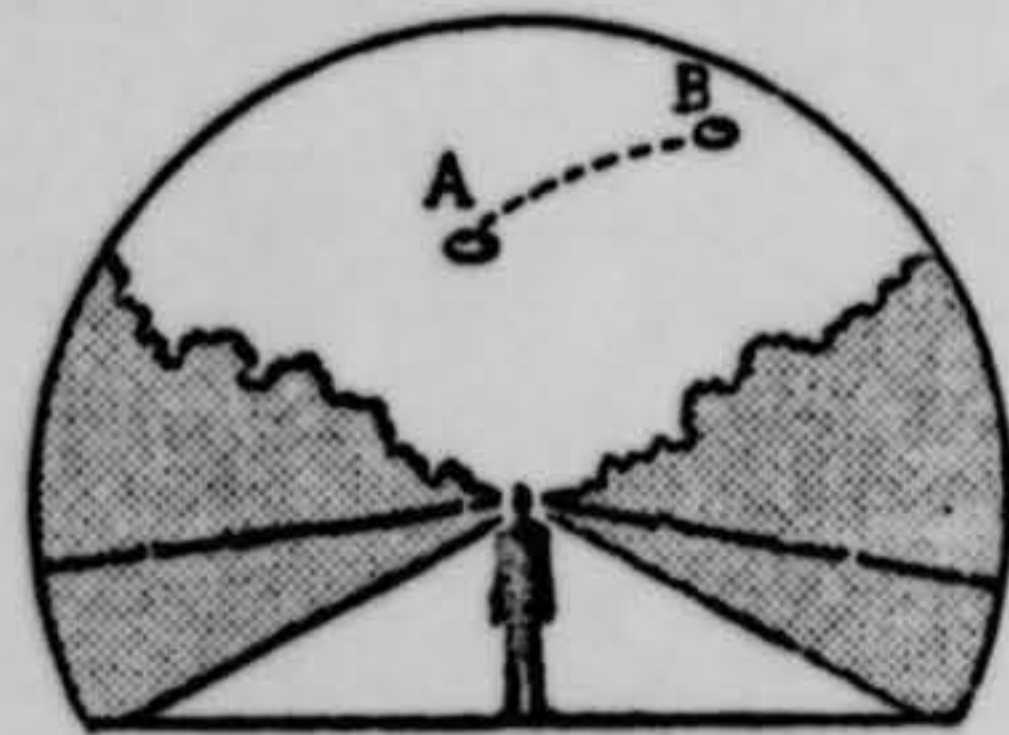
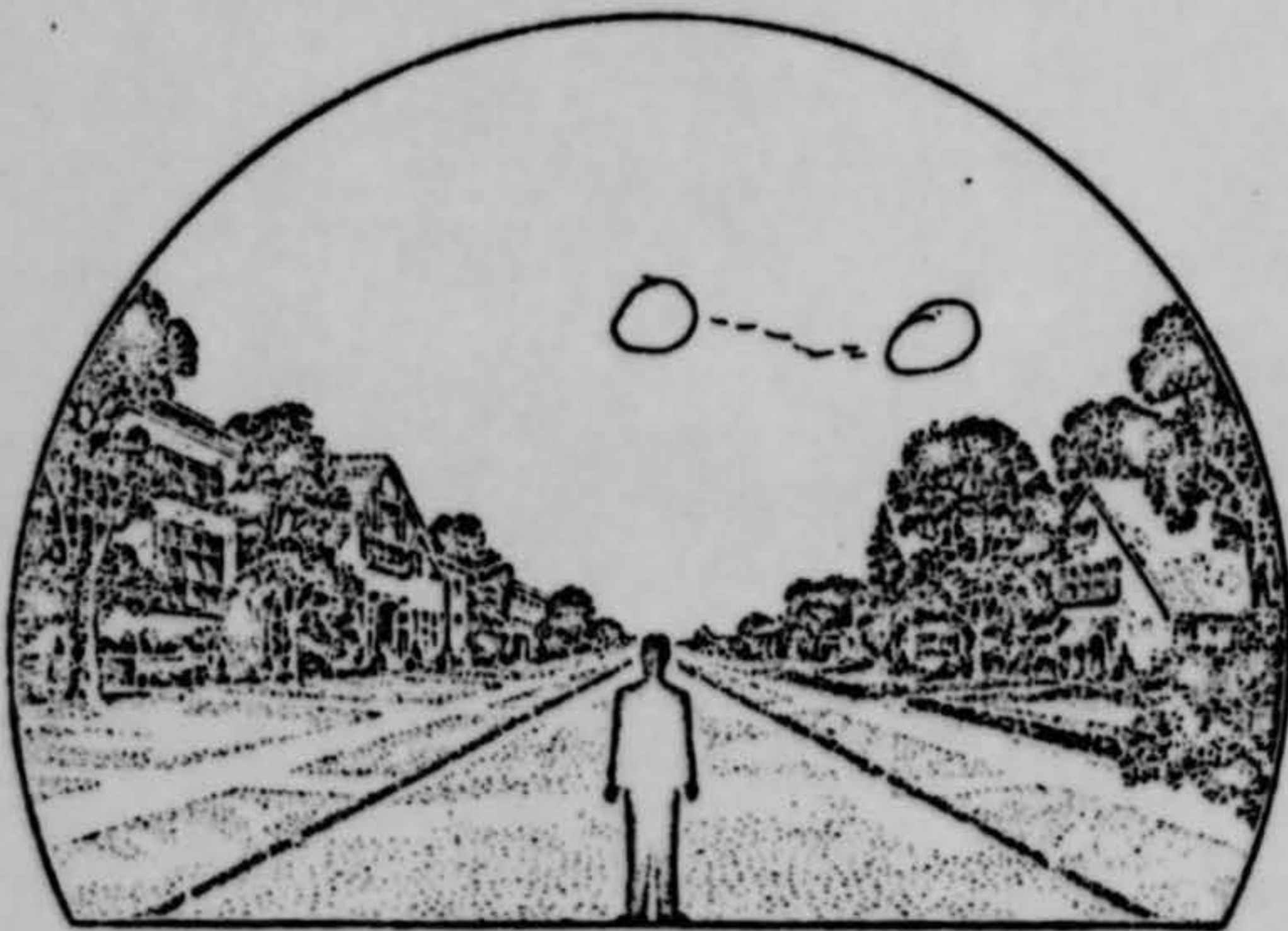
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32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it.



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34. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

34.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds
- e. Don't remember

34.2 WIND (Circle One)

- a. No wind
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

34.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold
- b. Cool
- c. Warm
- ~~d. Hot~~
- e. Don't remember

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

\_\_\_\_\_

Day                      Month                      Year

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One)  Yes                      No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One)  Yes                      No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

*M. [Redacted]*

*Farmers City, Ark.*

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One)  Yes                      No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

*Don't know*

39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One)  Yes  No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? 200 m.p.h.

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One)  Yes  No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? 20 to 30,000 feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [Redacted] Farrist City [Redacted] Ark.  
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [Redacted]

What is your present job? Market Manager

Age 27 Sex male

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

- a. Grade school \_\_\_\_\_
- b. High school \_\_\_\_\_
- c. College \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Post graduate \_\_\_\_\_
- e. e. Technical school \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type) \_\_\_\_\_
- f. Other special training Flew with in Navy. on R5-D transport.

42. Date you completed this questionnaire: 27 7 1953  
Day Month Year

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

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DATE \_\_\_\_\_

It was a small light in the sky.  
So just look at it, it didn't seem to be  
moving but to look away then back you  
could tell it was traveling. It would be  
hard to give a definite shape as it only  
looked like a burning light bulb. It would  
also be hard to estimate the distance because  
of the time of day

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1. When did you see the object?

10      July      1953  
Day      Month      Year

2. Time of day: 1900      0015  
Hour      Minutes

(Circle One): A.M. or P.M.

3. Time zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern  
b. Central  
c. Mountain  
d. Pacific  
e. Other \_\_\_\_\_

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving  
b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

[REDACTED]      Forrest City      Arkansas  
Nearest Postal Address      City or Town      State or Country

Additional remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. \_\_\_\_\_ Hours      45 Minutes      \_\_\_\_\_ Seconds

5.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.

a. Certain  
b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure  
d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One): a. Bright daylight  
b. Dull daylight  
c. Bright twilight

d. Just a trace of daylight  
e. No trace of daylight  
f. Don't remember

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you  
b. In back of you  
c. To your right

d. To your left  
e. Overhead  
f. Don't remember

8. IF you saw the object, at NIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None
- b. A few
- c. Many
- d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight
- b. Dull moonlight
- c. No moonlight — pitch dark
- d. Don't remember

9. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One):

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

(Circle One) a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?

- b. Several blocks away?
- c. A block away?
- d. Several yards away?
- e. Other

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- |   |                                      |                                     |            |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time?           | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | <input type="radio"/> No            | Don't Know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | <input type="radio"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode?              | <input type="radio"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| d. Give off smoke?                              | <input type="radio"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| e. Change brightness?                           | <input type="radio"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape?                                | <input type="radio"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate?                  | <input type="radio"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes  No  Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: \_\_\_\_\_

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes  No  Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved in front of: \_\_\_\_\_

14. Did the object appear: (Circle One): a. Solid? b. Transparent?  c. Don't Know.

15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

- |                 |     |                                     |                |     |                                     |
|-----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| a. Eyeglasses   | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | e. Binoculars  | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No |
| b. Sun glasses  | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | f. Telescope   | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No |
| c. Windshield   | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | g. Theodolite  | Yes | No                                  |
| d. Window glass | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | h. Other _____ |     |                                     |

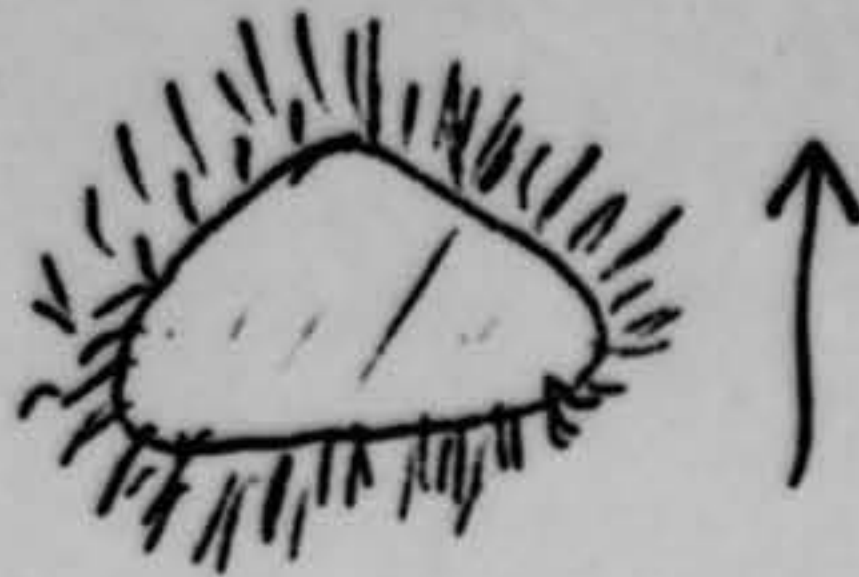


16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

a. Sound No Noticeable Sound

b. Color Bright (as a car light)

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



18. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
  - b. Like a bright star
  - c. Sharply outlined
  - d. Don't remember

e. Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.



20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.

N-W



21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.  
\_\_\_\_\_ feet.

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects held in the hand and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

- a. Head of a pin  
b. Pea  
c. Dime  
d. Nickel  
e. Quarter  
f. Half dollar

- g. Silver dollar  
h. Baseball  
i. Grapefruit  
j. Basketball  
k. Other \_\_\_\_\_

- 22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.)

- a. Certain  
b. Fairly certain

- c. Not very sure  
d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? Moved slowly S-E with  
No tricks etc.

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

A large hot light or 'ball of fire' would be about the same appearance.

25. Where were you located when you saw the object?  
(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building
- b. In a car
- c. Outdoors
- d. In an airplane
- e. At sea
- f. Other \_\_\_\_\_

26. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
- b. In the residential section of a city?
- c. In open countryside?
- d. Flying near an airfield?
- e. Flying over a city?
- f. Flying over open country?
- g. Other \_\_\_\_\_

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

I was operating a police radio when a lady came by the P.D. and ask me to come out and look at it.

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- |              |              |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North     | c. East      | e. South     | g. West      |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

28.2 How fast were you moving? \_\_\_\_\_ miles per hour.

28.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One)      Yes      No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? (Circle One)

- |              |   |              |              |
|--------------|---|--------------|--------------|
| a. North     | c. East                                       | e. South     | g. West      |
| b. Northeast | <input checked="" type="radio"/> d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

- |              |   |              |              |
|--------------|---|--------------|--------------|
| a. North     | c. East                                       | e. South     | g. West      |
| b. Northeast | <input checked="" type="radio"/> d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

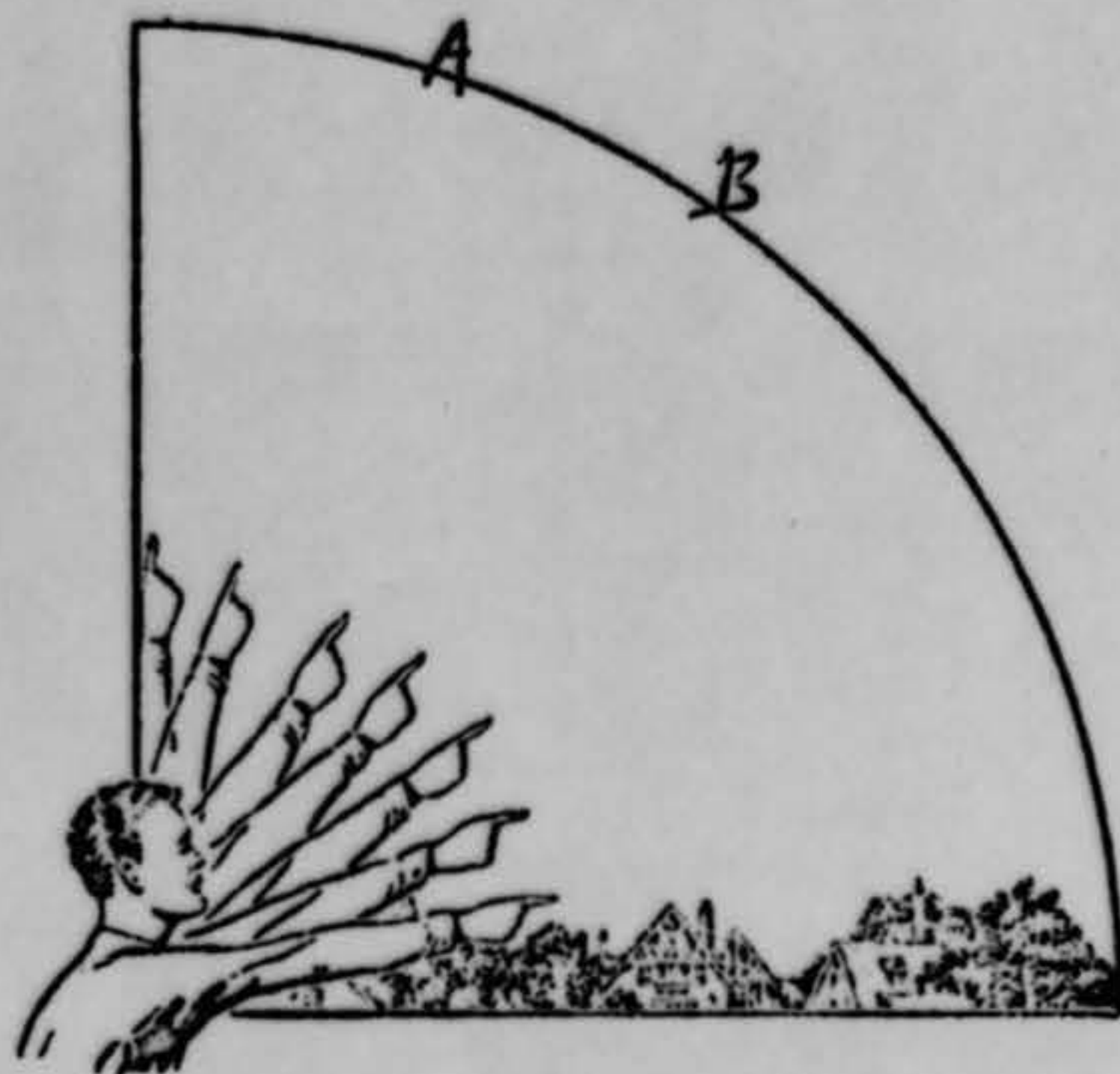
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North 45 degrees.
- b. From horizon 75 degrees.

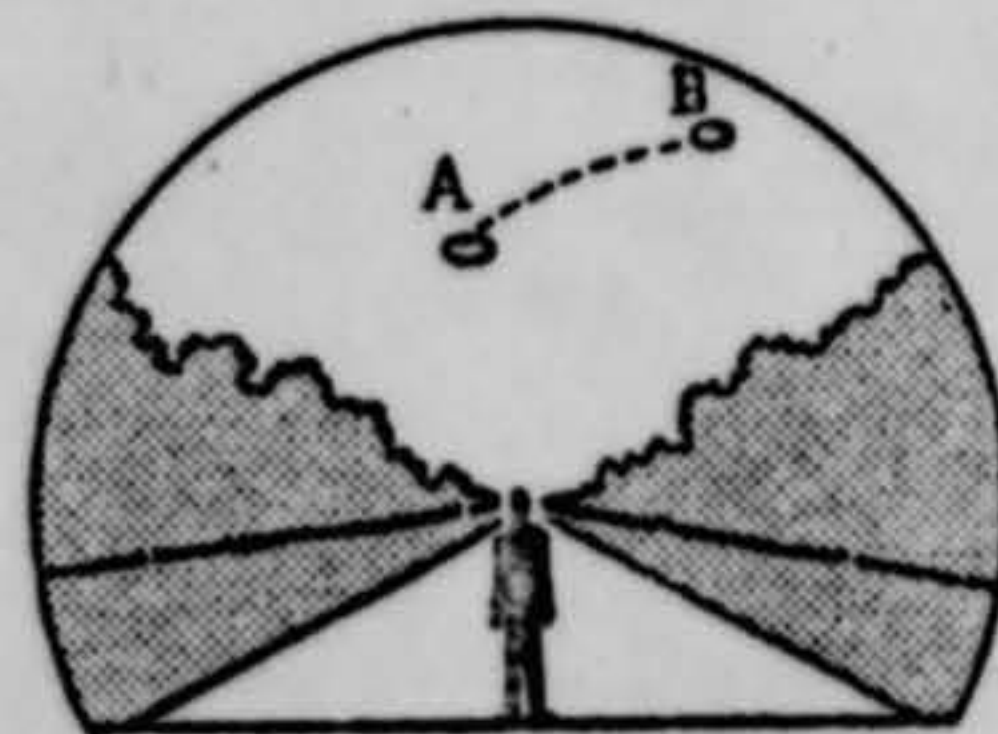
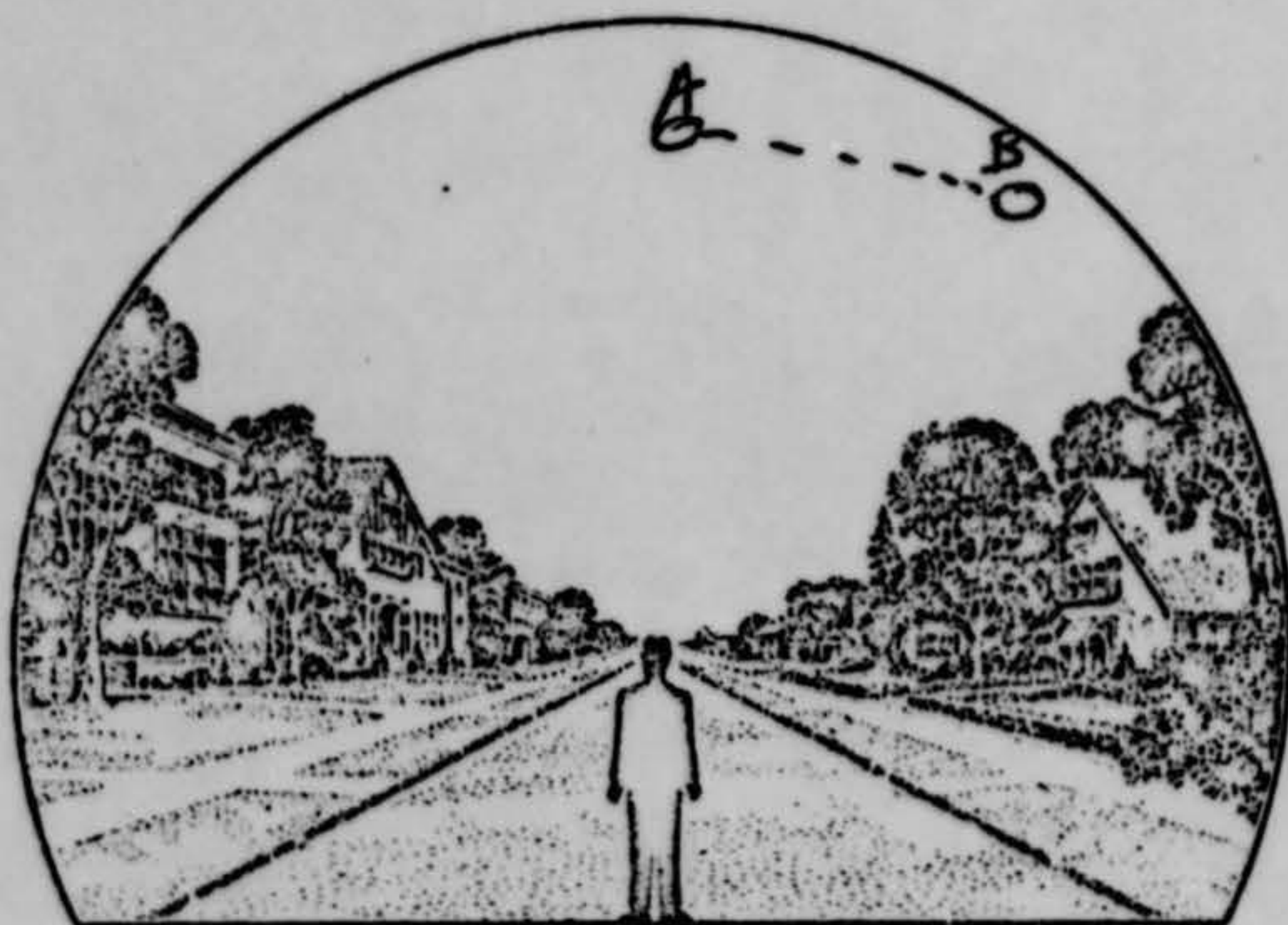
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 140 degrees.
- b. From horizon 60 degrees.

32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it.



33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.



34. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

34.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds
- e. Don't remember

34.2 WIND (Circle One)

- a. No wind
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

34.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold
- b. Cool
- c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

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Day Month Year

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One) Yes No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Mrs. + Mrs. [Redacted] Forrest City, Ark.  
 Mr. + Mrs. [Redacted] Forrest City, Ark.  
 Mrs. [Redacted] Forrest City, Ark.

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) Yes No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

I have no idea what it was or what caused it.

39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) Yes  No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? \_\_\_\_\_ m.p.h.

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) Yes  No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? \_\_\_\_\_ feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City Zone State  
Forrest City Ark.

TELEPHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

What is your present job \_\_\_\_\_  
Forrest City Police Dept.

Age 21 Sex MALE

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

- a. Grade school \_\_\_\_\_
- b. High school \_\_\_\_\_
- c. College 3 1/2 years (Physics Mjr.) Other special training \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Post graduate \_\_\_\_\_
- e. e. Technical school \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type) \_\_\_\_\_

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

July 18 July 1953  
Day Month Year

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_

(Please Print)

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SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

CODE:

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

July 18, 1953

On the day of July 10, 1953 an object over the city was called to my attention by a passer-by. I observed the strange object for about 45 minutes. It was like a real bright star but definitely was not and was moving. It seemed to stay almost still for a few minutes and then started moving in a southward direction. The weather conditions were good, dry, warm and clear. I have no idea what it was or what it might have been.

Do we have anything  
for this date?

11/Jul/53

(No)

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1. When did you see the object?

July      11      1953  
Day          Month      Year

2. Time of day: 2      10  
Hour                      Minutes

(Circle One):      A.M.      or      P.M.

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern  
b. Central  
c. Mountain  
d. Pacific  
e. Other \_\_\_\_\_

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving  
b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

Amarillo

Texas

Nearest Postal Address

City or Town

State or County

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Hours      10      \_\_\_\_\_  
Minutes      Seconds

a. Certain      c. Not very sure  
b. Fairly certain      d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined? By Radio program

5.2 Was object in sight continuously?      Yes \_\_\_\_\_      No X

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY  
a. Bright ✓  
b. Cloudy

NIGHT  
a. Bright  
b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you  
b. In back of you  
c. To your right  
d. To your left ✓  
e. Overhead  
f. Don't remember

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None
- b. A few
- c. Many
- d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight
- b. Dull moonlight
- c. No moonlight - pitch dark
- d. Don't remember

9. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS (Circle One):

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER (Circle One):

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

10. The object appeared: (Circle One):

- a. Solid
- b. Transparent
- c. Vapor
- d. As a light
- e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? (Circle One):

- a. Brighter
- b. Dimmer
- c. About the same
- d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

\_\_\_\_\_

12. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
  - b. Like a bright star
  - c. Sharply outlined
  - d. Don't remember

e. Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

13. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- |   |            |    |            |
|---|------------|----|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time?           | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode?              | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| d. Give off smoke?                              | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| e. Change brightness?                           | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| f. Change shape?                                | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| g. Flash or flicker?                            | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| h. Disappear and reappear?                      | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |



14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?

15. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):      Yes      No      Don't Know.      IF you answered YES, then tell what  
it moved behind: \_\_\_\_\_

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):      Yes      No      Don't Know.      IF you answered YES, then tell what  
in front of: \_\_\_\_\_

17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

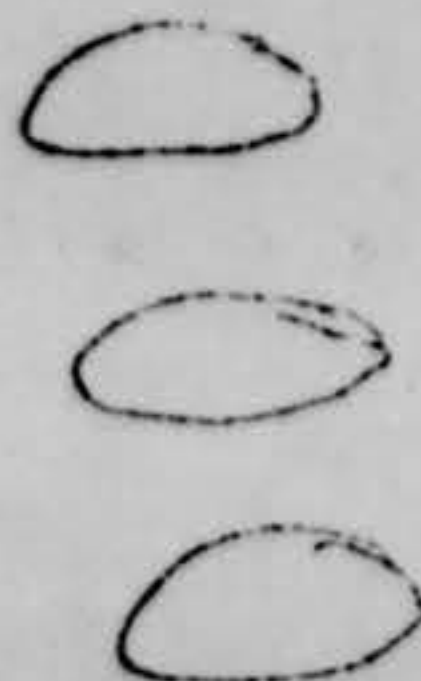
a. Sound No

b. Color No color, more like a bright light

18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head?

Most

19. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



*They were stationary*

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[REDACTED]

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20. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? They were standing still.

21. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) Yes No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? \_\_\_\_\_

22. Where were you located when you saw the object?

(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building
- b. In a car
- c. Outdoors
- d. In an airplane (type)
- e. At sea
- f. Other \_\_\_\_\_

23. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
- b. In the residential section of a city?
- c. In open countryside?
- d. Near an airfield?
- e. Flying over a city?
- f. Flying over open country?
- g. Other \_\_\_\_\_

24. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- |              |              |              |                |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| a. North     | c. East      | e. South     | g. <u>West</u> |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest   |

24.2 How fast were you moving? 60 miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

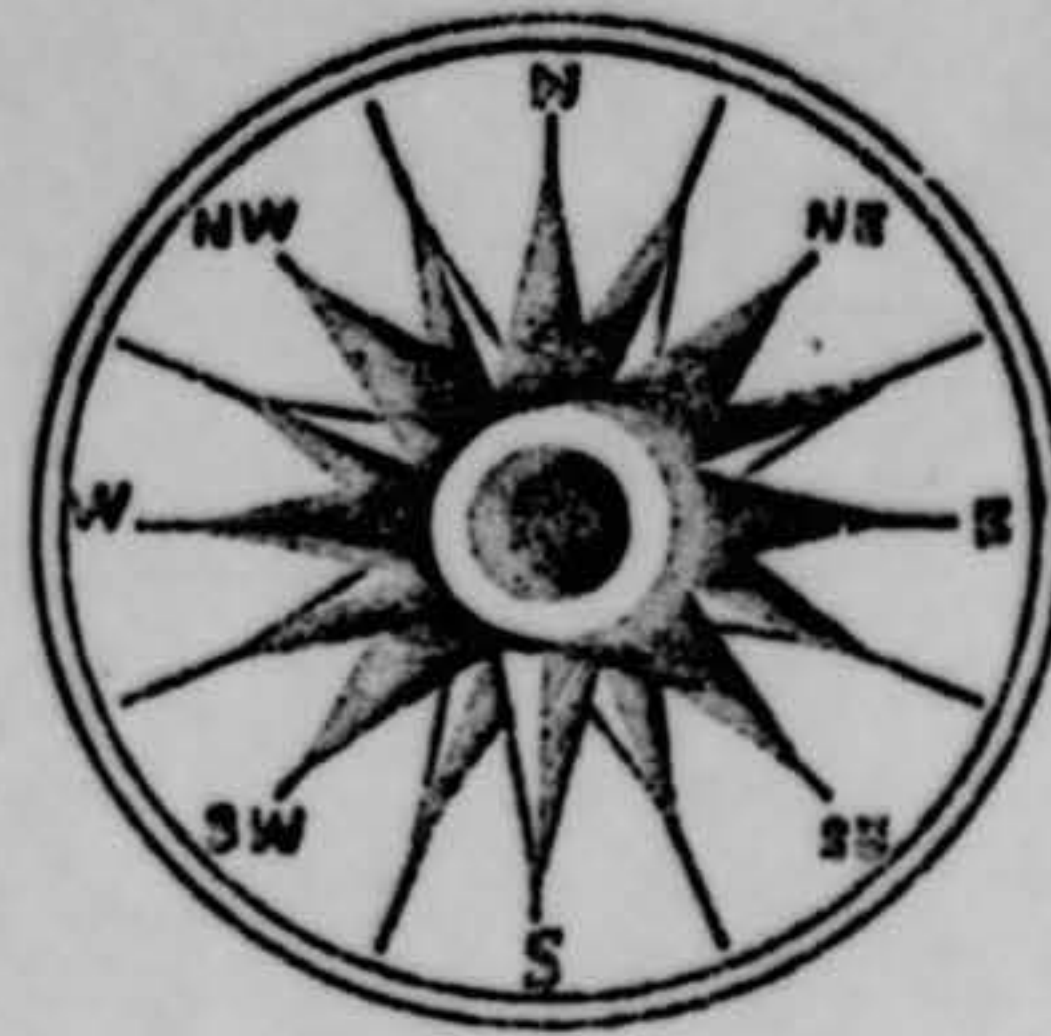
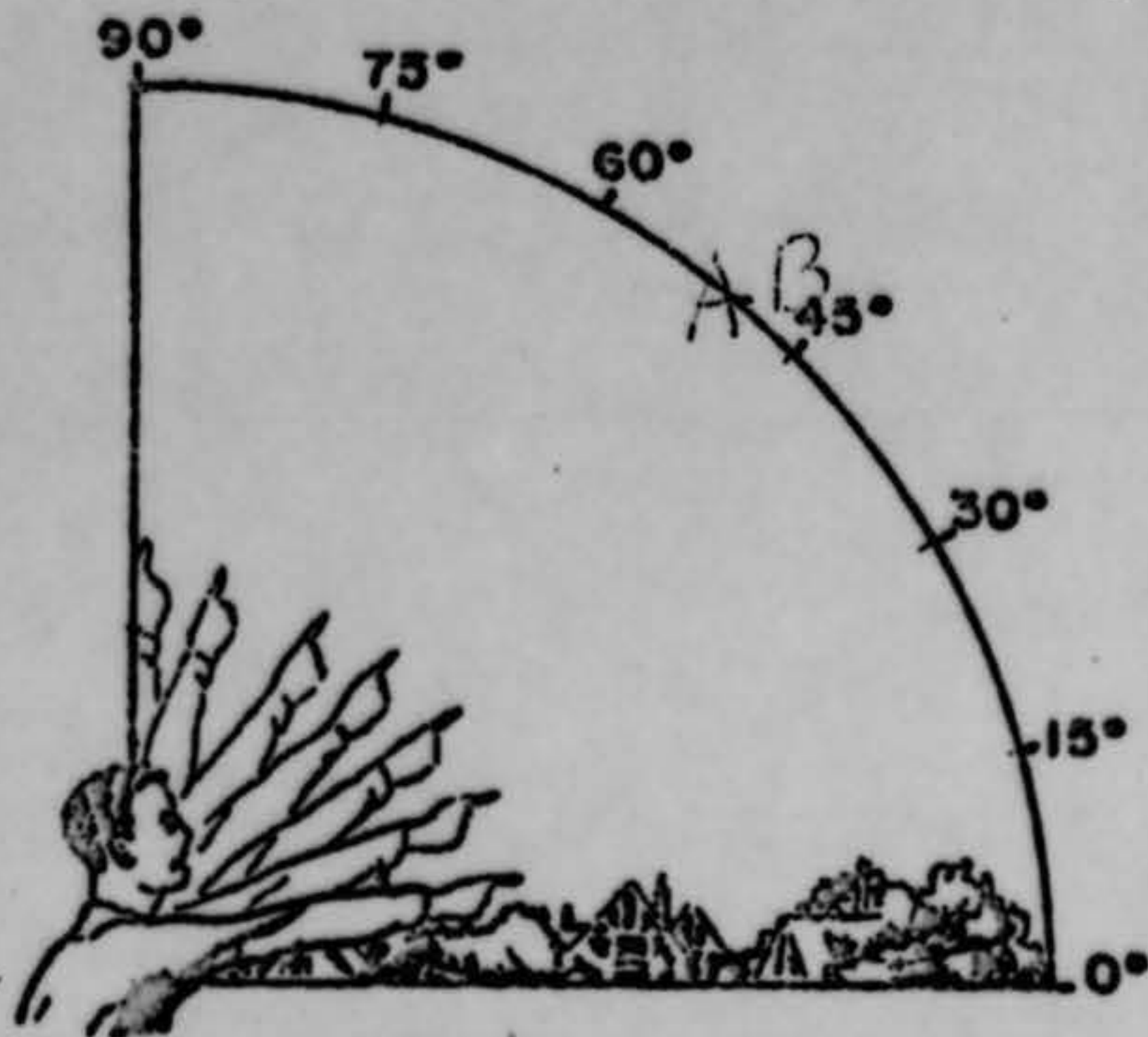
(Circle One) Yes No

25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

- |                        |     |    |                |     |    |
|------------------------|-----|----|----------------|-----|----|
| a. Eyeglasses          | Yes | No | e. Binoculars  | Yes | No |
| b. <u>Sun glasses</u>  | Yes | No | f. Telescope   | Yes | No |
| c. Windshield          | Yes | No | g. Theodolite  | Yes | No |
| d. <u>Window glass</u> | Yes | No | h. Other _____ |     |    |

26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw. It was as if you had put an object similar to an egg, only more rounded.

27. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you *last* saw the object.



28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.

29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? Three  
 Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

They were Standing Still.

30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.

No

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? (Circle One) Yes No

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? (Circle One) Yes No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Mrs [redacted]  
[redacted]  
Columbia, Missouri

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [redacted] Columbia, Missouri  
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] AGE 45 SEX Male

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any special experience, which might be pertinent.

During World War 11 ,I finished the Height Finder School which takes special vision to qualify.

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object?

Everybody I came across.

July 1953  
Day Month Year

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

13      January      1966  
Day              Month              Year

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

For a period of some miles, along the highway there were cars parked along the side of the road looking at the sky.

20 July 1953

Wires to Stork:

18 Jul 53                      Sheridan, Wyo.  
13 Jul 53                      Shaw AFB, S. C.  
11 Jul 53                      Forrest City, Ark.

- 18 - Very probably a meteor. Sending questionnaire. Ask your confirmation.
- 13 - Sending two questionnaires on this one since aerial and ground observation combined. Again this sounds like a ~~fast~~ <sup>slow</sup> meteor.
- 11 - Possibility here of upper air research balloon although our tracks on Moby Dick balloons show none in Arkansas for this date.

UAR activity starting from Carolina, area, however. Sending questionnaires to various observers involved. Time is wrong (0015Z) for local balloon release. Carrying this as unsolved.

Dear Dr. Hynck:

It has been sometime since we have received any comments on the sightings and are anxious to see your opinion on same. When do you expect to leave for your summer vacation? I am clearing base on 31 July but will hope to see you or at least call you before I leave. Am going to Washington on Wednesday and Thursday this week on Press Release and now AF regulation for this Project and to tie up my projects in general.

Capt Ruppelt is due back today and am anxious to see him, and as I think I have told you, he will be part-tining this project until my replacement arrives.

Best regards,

Bob Olsson

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

HOWARD L. BEVIS, President

COLUMBUS 10

EMERSON McMILLIN OBSERVATORY

27 July 1953

Dear Capt. Ruppelt and Lt. Olsson;

Greetings, Captain, and glad to have you aboard again. (Pardon the Navy expression.) Here are my comments on the last few items that were sent to us. Of the three cases, one was clearly a fireball and can be dismissed. The other two cases are definitely more puzzling, particularly the Forest City, Arkansas of July 11. The questions we should like to have answered on this are stated on our regular Form "Eye." Little can be judged about it until we have this additional information.

The Shaw AFB one may have been a fireball but certainly an unusual one if it went into the overcast. Fireballs have been known to break out of the overcast, but it would be most unusual for one to come through the overcast, sail along for awhile, then back into the overcast. Therefore this case should be followed up. Again, the information we would like is on our Form Eye.

I shall be in New Mexico on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday (28,29,30) and will take the trusty camera along just hoping; the following week I go to Ann Arbor and Boston. Then as Lt. Olsson has probably told you, I shall be in Europe all of September. I shall be on the watchout for phenomena over there. Lest you be fearful, this trip is not being charged to the Project! Though if some legitimate occasion arises to track something down, I shall of course do so. I certainly hope to see you at least once before I leave.

Cordially,

*Allen Hynek*

Allen Hynek

P.S. I'll look forward to seeing you again, Ed. If you can manage to get enough free time to visit us, I'm sure the data we have so far would be of much interest to you. Your final report will really be a thick one. We already have 150 pages of very interesting data. Microscopic-cated types of analysis are now in progress. Come to Columbus & observe us in action with the <sup>IBM</sup> machines — they are really amazing.

John E. ...

Jan/j



*Msg. Telephoned to ATIA: 11/16/52  
Reg suby may be delivered Monday by regular message  
Pick up.*

11 JUL 53 09 34z

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*53114.*

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*56194*

**ACTION**

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FORREST CITY ARK #6  
3. Atia  
3.  
H. L. file*

WPA122

YDA113

VYC161

VDA094

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OO JEPHQ JEDWP JEDEN JEPFF JEPRS 555

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P 112030Z *changed*  
110830

*at least  
some info*

FM CMDR FLIGHT SERVICE CENTER MAXWELL AFB ALA

TO JEPHQ/DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE HQ USAF WASH 25 DC

JEDWP/AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

ATTN ATIAA-2C

JEDEN/COMMANDER AIR DEFENSE COMMAND ENT AFB COLO SPRINGS COLO

JEPFF/COMMANDER MATS ANDREWS AFB WASH 25 DC

JEPRS/COMMANDER FLIGHT SERVICE WASH 25 DC

/ [REDACTED] FLYOBRPT UNCLASSIFIED

THE FOLLOWING FLYOBRPT WAS RECEIVED BY THE OPERATIONS OFFICER

ON DUTY AT MAXWELL FLIGHT SERVICE CENTER AT 0005C 11 JULY 53

FROM JW AT MEMPHIS CONTROL PD THIS INFO WAS VERIFIED LATER BY A

PHONE CALL FROM MR [REDACTED] RADIO OPERATOR FOR THE ARKANSAS

STATE POLICE AT FORREST CITY ARK AT 0054C PD

OBJECT APPEARED FROM THE NORTHWEST AND HOVERED OVER THE CITY

FOR ABOUT 30 TO 45 MINUTES AND THEN DEPARTED TOWARDS THE SOUTH PD

THE OBJECT WAS SILVER COLORED AND VERY BRIGHT IT WAS ALMOST ROUND

LEFT NO VAPOR TRAIL AND MADE NO SOUND PD HAD NO VISIBLE MEANS OF

PROPULSION PD WAS VERY HIGH AND TRAVELLED SLOWLY

PAGE TWO JESYQ 01B

1953 JUL 13

06:56

SIGHTED AT BETWEEN 1815 TO 1900C AND WAS OBSERVED FOR A  
 PERIOD OF BETWEEN THIRTY TO FORTY-FIVE MINUTES PD  
 VISUAL SIGHTING FROM SURFACE PD MR [REDACTED] CHECKED MANY  
 SURROUNDING CITIES BUT NO OTHERS HAD SEEN IT PD  
 OBSERVERS WERE ALL IN FORREST CITY ARK PD OBJECT WAS DIRECTLY  
 OVER THE CITY VERY HIGH AND APPARENTLY STOPPED PD  
 ONLY OBSERVERS WHOSE NAMES ARE AVAILABLE ARE MR [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] A [REDACTED] FOR THE FORREST CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 AND A MRS [REDACTED] OF FORREST CITY PD SEVERAL OTHERS SAW  
 OBJECT BUT MR [REDACTED] DOES NOT HAVE THEIR NAMES PD RELIABILITY OF  
 THE WITNESSES NOT DETERMINABLE PD  
 WEATHER CLEAR WITH MODERATE WINDS PD  
 NO CONDITION OR ACTIVITY OR CONDITION METEOROLOGICAL OR  
 OTHERWISE WHICH MIGHT ACCOUNT FOR THE SIGHTINGS PD  
 NO FRAGMENTS OR PHYSICAL EVIDENCE OF SIGHTING PD  
 NO INTERCEPTION OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION TAKEN PD  
 UNABLE TO ASCERTAIN AIR TRAFFIC AT TIME OF SIGHTING DUE  
 TO LATENESS OF REPORTS RECEIPT

GAETANO J LA SPINA

CAPT USAF

11/2032Z JUL JESYQ

*Questioned*

*Ballou?*

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ROUTING

# JOINT MESSAGEFORM

COMMUNICATIONS CENTER NO.

*Comdr  
516 7th Troop Carrier Wg  
Memphis Municipal Apt  
" "*

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SPACE ABOVE FOR COMMUNICATIONS CENTER ONLY

FROM: (Originator)

COMDR ATIC

DATE-TIME GROUP

151300Z JUL 53

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION

PRECEDENCE FOR: ACTION

ROUTINE

TO:

COMDR MEMPHIS AFB MEMPHIS TENN

*JESHA*

BOOK MESSAGE

ORIGINAL MESSAGE

MULTIPLE ADDRESS

CRYPTOPRECAUTION

YES  NO

REFERS TO MESSAGE:

IDENTIFICATION

CLASSIFICATION

**UNCLASSIFIED**

INFO:

*RESTRICTED*

FROM: AFOIN-ATIAE-7-14-E FOR INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

This Center was advised thru Maxwell Flight Service Center by Memphis Control of a sighting of an unidentified aerial object at Forrest City, Ark., on 101815C July 53. Request you perform an investigation of this sighting as soon as possible according to AFL 200-5. Contacts are Mr. [redacted] /o Arkansas State Police, Forrest City, and Mr. [redacted] c/o Forrest City Police Dept.

In reply cite Project Blue Book.

COORDINATION:

ATIAE-5 *R. Olsson* Date *15 July 53*  
(Lt Olsson)

ATIAE *H. B. Johnston* Date *15 July 53*  
(Col Johnston)

ATIA *Ray W. McDuffee* Date *15 July 53*  
(Col McDuffee)

*16 Jul 53 21 04Z*

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DRAFTER'S NAME (and signature, when required)

*R. M. Olsson*  
LT R.M. OLSSON/RWC/vs

RELEASING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE

*Barbara P. Haeuwalt, Lt Col*

SYMBOL

ATIAE-5

TELEPHONE

65366

OFFICIAL TITLE

ROBERT C. BROWN, MAJOR, USAF  
*for* ADJUTANT

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REPLACES NME FORM 173, 1 MAY 48, WHICH MAY BE USED.

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