

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE

3 Aug 52

2. LOCATION

NEW ORLEANS, LA.

12. CONCLUSIONS

3. DATE-TIME OF REPORT

03/2138 CST

04/0338Z

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

☒ Ground-Visual

☐ Ground-Radar

☐ Air-Visual

☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. PHOTOS

☐ Yes

☒ No

6. SOURCE

CIVILIAN MAN

7. DURATION OF OBSERVATION

30-60 sec

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS

1

9. COURSE

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☐ Was Balloon
☐ Probably Balloon
☐ Possibly Balloon

☐ Was Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☐ Possibly Aircraft

☐ Was Astronomical
☐ Probably Astronomical
☐ Possibly Astronomical

☐ Other
☒ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
☐ Unknown

10. SUMMARY OF OBSERVATION

11. COMMENTS

"Flying Saucer" which was spinning and throwing off blue-white sparks was seen by clerk-typist working for Army Finance. Object traveled about 100 mph.

HEADQUARTERS
NEW ORLEANS PORT OF EMBARKATION
New Orleans 12, La

AD/1s

3 September 1952

MONTHLY REPORT
POST, CAMP AND STATION INTELLIGENCE
1-31 AUGUST 1952

2. DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE

SITUATION: Active

h. AERIAL PHENOMENA

[REDACTED], employed by Fourth Army Finance Office, NOPE, reported to the Intelligence Branch, NOPE, on 4 August 1952 that he saw a "Flying Saucer" in New Orleans on 3 August 1952. Attached is statement from Dupras describing the sighting. A copy of the statement was turned over to OSI, USAF Ninth District, New Orleans, La.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

4 Incls:

1. ***
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4. Statement, dtd 4 Aug 52

/s/ MERLE L. MENNIE
/t/ MERLE L. MENNIE
Lt Colonel, TC
Chief, Intelligence & Security Div

A TRUE COPY (Extract)

Leonard J. Abbott
LEONARD J. ABBOTT
Lt Col, GS

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH ARMY

FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS

Office of the AC of S, G2

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8 September 1952

SUBJECT: Unidentified Aerial Phenomena

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

3 Aug
New Orleans

Attached for your information is report on unidentified aerial phenomena forwarded to this office by the Chief, Intelligence & Security Division, Headquarters, New Orleans Port of Embarkation, New Orleans 12, Louisiana, dated 3 September 1952.

2 Incls:

1. (Extract Cy) Mo Rep
Post, Camp and Sta Intel
Hqs, New Orleans Port of
Embarkation, 3 Sep 52
2. (Cy) Stmt, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], New Orleans, La,
4 Aug 52

John P. Kaylor
JOHN P. KAYLOR
Colonel, GS
AC of S, G2

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CG, Continental Air Command**

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4 August 1952

STATEMENT

[REDACTED], age 36, [REDACTED], New Orleans, La.
Employed by Fourth Army Finance Office, NOPE, as Clerk-Typist.

I would state that at about 9:38 pm on 3 August 1952 while I was in the front of my house on Port Street in the right front seat of [REDACTED] car, I saw what appeared to be to me a "Flying Saucer". I was adjusting the vacuum hose with my right hand and naturally looking through the windshield in a southerly direction. All of a sudden the "Flying Saucer" appeared from the West headed East. It appeared that it was spinning clockwise throwing out bluish-white sparks from a white circle about two feet wide. I was looking at it from about a 45 degree angle. It appeared to be about 3/4 of the distance to the moon from the earth, but only approximately one mile away much closer than the moon. [REDACTED] my brother-in-law, was on the outside of the car looking north; he did not have an opportunity to see it. I didn't want to get out the car and lose it or miss some of it. I was so stunned that I didn't get an opportunity to tell him about it. It only lasted between thirty to sixty seconds. The sky was hazy in that section of the sky which obscured any stars that may have been in that section; there was a full moon; there were three sets of lights glaring in my face from the railroad yard and I could still see the object. I took every precaution to make certain I wasn't being fooled by reflections. The object appeared to be sparks from an emery wheel, spinning very fast. On an emery wheel the sparks only come off in one spot; but this object had sparks all around it. The object did not leave any trail behind it. Within the circle of the object there was dim glow. The sparks seemed to be coming off about two to three inches from the object. This was the first time I have ever seen anything like it before. The object I saw was traveling about 100 MPH.

/s/ [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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California, on the afternoon August 3, 1952—toward the end of the summer's saucer scare (Chapter VII). As reported in the annals of saucerdom, "two huge silver disks, flying at different altitudes, had raced out of the east. As jet pilots on the ground watched them, the higher machine dived to the other one's level. Then the two saucers began to circle the base, maneuvering like fighter planes in a dogfight." [5, p. 120]

No evidence justifies the use of the words "saucer" or "machine," while ample evidence supports the Air Force conclusion that the UFOs were balloons. The two objects were first seen at 4:15 P.M. Ground observers at the Air Force base, with the aid of binoculars, described them as silver in color, circular in shape, 60 to 100 feet in diameter, and traveling from east to west at an estimated speed of 400 to 450 miles an hour. One object was at about 12,000 feet, the other at about 18,000 feet; as they moved to the west a distance of about fifteen miles, passing over the heads of the observers (but not "circling the base"), the higher object dived to about the level of the lower, and they bobbed about each other in a dogfight. They were in view for about an hour and a quarter. Toward the end of this period they were visible only intermittently because they were seen against the sun; three additional pairs of objects came into view in the same area, fifteen to twenty miles west of the observers (a total of eight objects) and, buffeted by the winds,

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Galley 23—THE WORLD OF FLYING SAUCERS

appeared to carry on a dogfight; momentarily they appeared in a "diamond" formation extending over an area of about four miles. Since the witnesses were looking into the sun at objects fifteen or twenty miles away, they found it difficult to follow the course of any one for any length of time.

The objects looked like balloons, behaved like balloons, and weather balloons had been released in the area that day. Conclusion: the "machines" were weather balloons [2].

HEADQUARTERS
4TH AIR RESERVE DISTRICT
FLOOD BUILDING, 870 MARKET ST
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

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21 August 1952

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Major Robert E. Kennedy
Air Adjutant General
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

Dear Major Kennedy:

Reference is made to your letter dated 15 August
1952.

In compliance with your request the attached
questionnaire is returned.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie R. Hadley
LESLIE R. HADLEY
Captain, USAF

- 3 Incls
1. Questionnaire
2. Two (2) drawings

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TENTATIVE
OBSERVERS QUESTIONNAIRE

SECTION A

1. When did you see the object:

1.1 Date: 3 August 1952
Day Month Year

1.2 Time of day: 1613 Hours PDST ~~XXXXXX~~ ~~(XXXXXX)~~
Hrs. Min.

1.3 Time Zone: (Circle One):

a. Eastern
b. Central
c. Mountain

d. Pacific
e. Other _____

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

1.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above question 1.2:

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

2. Where did you see the object?

Quarters 1149 B
Postal Address

Hamilton AFB
City or Town

California US
State Country

3. 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 _____

3.1 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 Public Housing, Hamilton AFB, Calif

Incl #2

8. What direction were you facing when you first saw the object?

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

8.1 What direction were you facing when the object disappeared?

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

8.2 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above two questions. (8 and 8.1).

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| a. <u>Certain</u> | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Just a guess |

9. Were you wearing eye glasses when you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes or No

10. How was the object seen?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| a. Through window glass | e. Through theodolite |
| b. Through windshield | f. <u>Through sun glasses</u> |
| c. <u>Through binoculars</u> | g. <u>Through open space</u> |
| d. Through telescope | h. Other _____ |

11. What do you remember about the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

11.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

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

11.2 WIND (Circle One)

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

11.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

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

11.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

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

4. How did you happen to notice the object? I was lying on my back taking a sunbath; the objects went through my field of vision
5. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?
- | | | | |
|----------|---------------|-------------|---|
| <u>3</u> | <u>August</u> | <u>1952</u> | <u>Fighter Sq, Hamilton AFB</u> |
| Day | Month | Year | |
| <u>4</u> | <u>August</u> | <u>1952</u> | <u>Intelligence - 28th Air Division(Defense) Hamilton</u> |

SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object? At first sighting, I was lying flat on my back taking a sunbath; from then on I was uprie

- 6.1 What had you been doing for the 30 minutes before you saw the object? Try to list the activity or activities, and the approximate amount of time spent on each.

Sunbathing, but lying prone so that the sun did not affect my vision. I had opened my eyes to change the volume of the radio.

7. Were you moving at any time while you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes or No.

If you answered YES, then complete the following questions.

- 7.1 What direction were you moving?

(Circle One):

- a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast

- e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

- 7.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

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

(Circle One): Yes or No

SECTION C

12. Estimate how long you saw the object? one ten
 Hours Minutes Seconds

12.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 12:

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

13. Did the object look: (Circle One) Solid or Transparent?

14. Did the object at any time:

(Circle One for each question)

See below	14.1 Change direction?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
	14.2 Change speed?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
	14.3 Change size?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
	14.4 Change color?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
See below	14.5 Break up into parts or explode?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
	14.6 Give off smoke?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
	14.7 Change brightness?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
	14.8 Flicker, throb, or pulsate?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
	14.9 Remain motionless?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>

15. Did the object give off a light? (Circle One): Yes No Don't know

~~15.1~~ If ~~the~~ ~~object~~ answered YES, what was the color of the light? _____

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

16.1 Sound None - distance and wind conditions would have prevented sound from reaching me; A C-46 passing between objects & me had no sound.
 16.2 Color Silver (ALCLAD)

17. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? eight or more
 Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction they were traveling. Please see insert.

14.3 The physical dimensions did not change; there was an apparent change in size when the objects dove from 20,000 to 14,000 estimated altitude.

14.7 The change in brightness seemed to come from change in attitude of the object thereby giving a more optimum angle of reflection of the sun.

18. Did the object at any time:

18.1 Move behind something? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

If you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind.
C-46 flying south 5 miles to the west at altitude of 7000' (est)
Buildings obscured line of vision on occasions.

18.2 Move in front of something? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

If you answered YES, then tell what it moved in front of.

18.3 Blend with the background? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

19. Which of the following objects is about the same actual size as the object you saw? (Circle One):

- | | |
|------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Pea | f. Automobile |
| b. Baseball | g. Small airplane |
| c. Basketball | h. <u>Large airplane</u> |
| d. Bicycle wheel | i. Dirigible |
| e. Office desk | j. Other _____ |

19.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 19.

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| a. <u>Certain</u> | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Uncertain |

20. Try to tell the following things about the object:

20.1 How high above the earth was it? 14-20000 feet.

20.2 How far was it from you? _____ feet or 0 - 18 miles

20.3 How fast was it going? 450 (average) miles per hour.

20.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above questions:

If considered as estimates, I am certain that they are good.

- | | |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| a. Certain | c. Not very sure |
| b. <u>Fairly certain</u> | d. Just a guess |

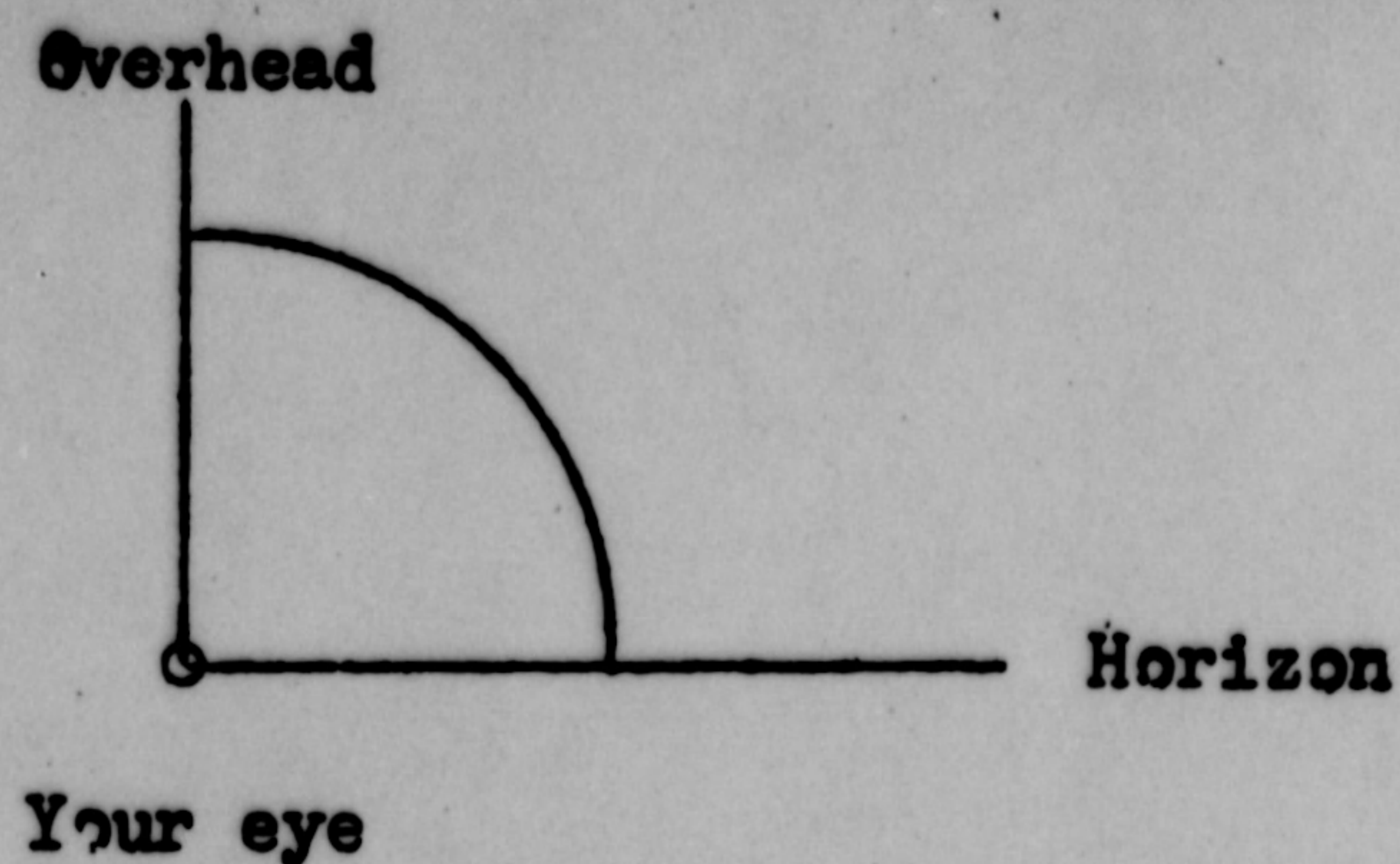
21. How did the object disappear from view?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| a. Suddenly | c. Other _____ |
| b. <u>Gradually</u> | d. Don't remember |

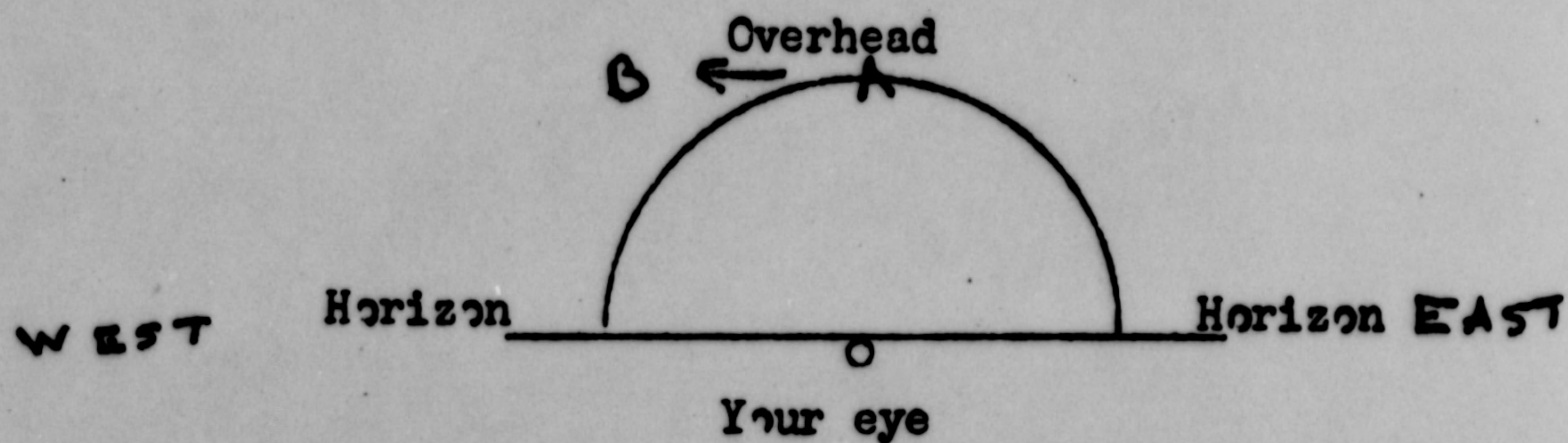
→ In the same manner that aircraft at a distance will disappear when there are no clouds to help retain the focus of the eye.

SECTION D

22. In the following sketch, imagine your eye at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon when you first saw it. Place a "B" to show where it was when you last saw it.



23. In the following 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.



24. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object made. Place an "A" at the beginning of its path and a "B" at the end of its path.

Please see attachment

25. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw, and place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

Please see attachment

SECTION E

26. Was this the first time that you have seen an object like this?
(Circle One): Yes No

26.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what conditions did you see other ones? _____

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27. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it? I do not know. I never have seen anything like it, nor had any of the others. Everyone seeing the objects felt it was unlike anything they had ever seen as far as speed, maneuverability etc, were concerned. The feeling was that the objects could have originated from some place other than this planet as there was something eerie and unknown about them. This is not something dreamed up, but the feeling generated while watching.

28. Give the following information about yourself:

NAME Captain USAF
 Last Name First Name Middle Name
 ADDRESS Hq 4th Air Reserve District 870 Market St, San Francisco
 Street City Zone State Calif

TELEPHONE NUMBER ext

What is your present job? Capt USAF: Pilot, Director of Management-
Analysis; Director of Statistical Control

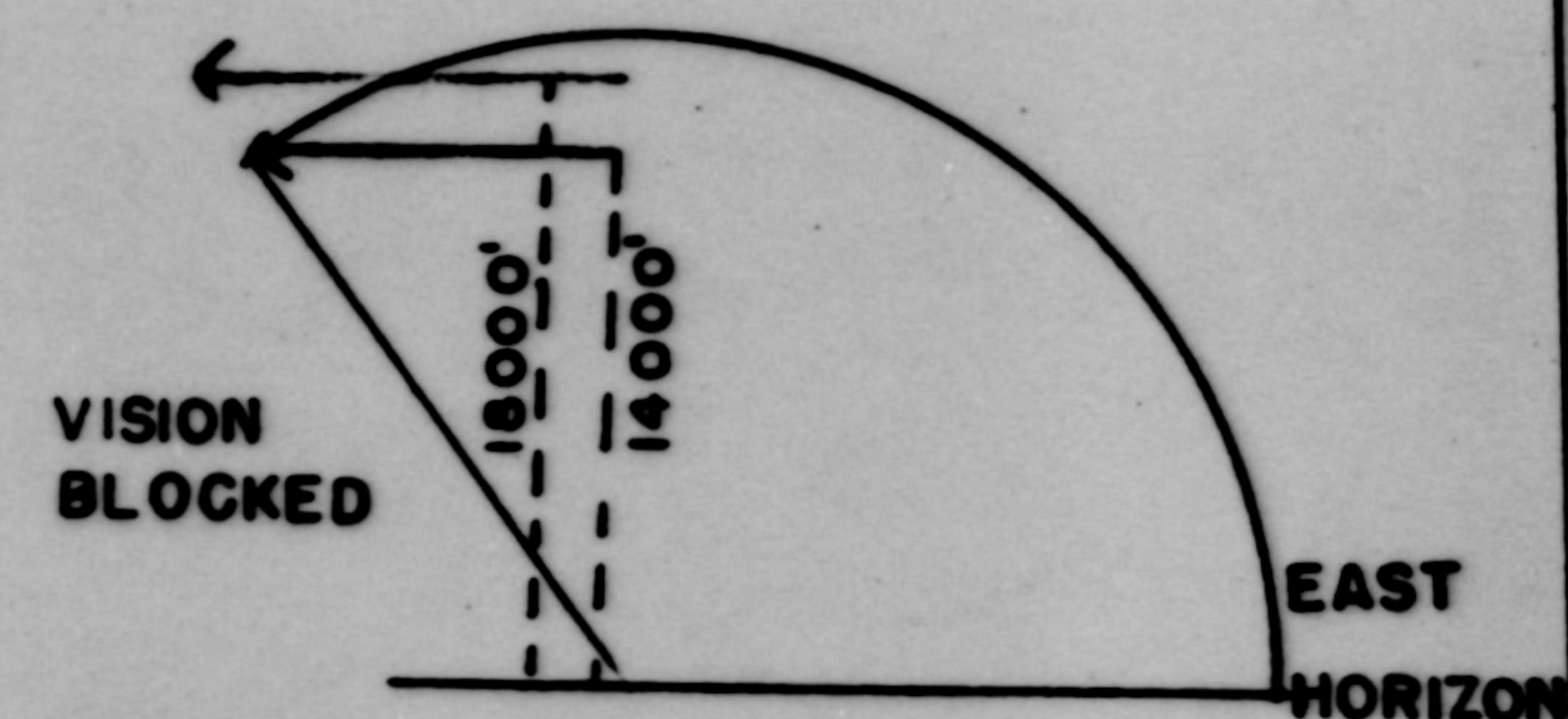
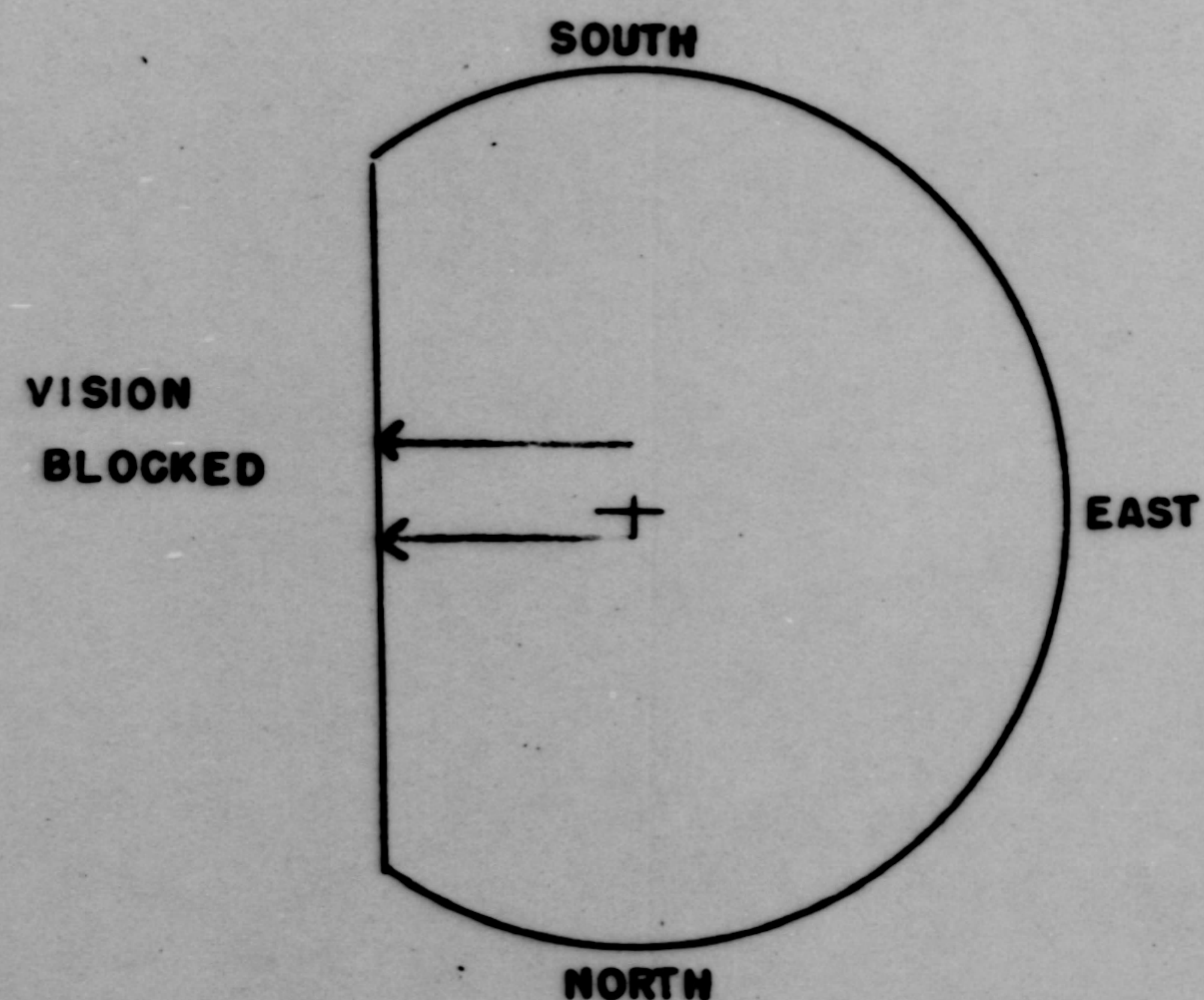
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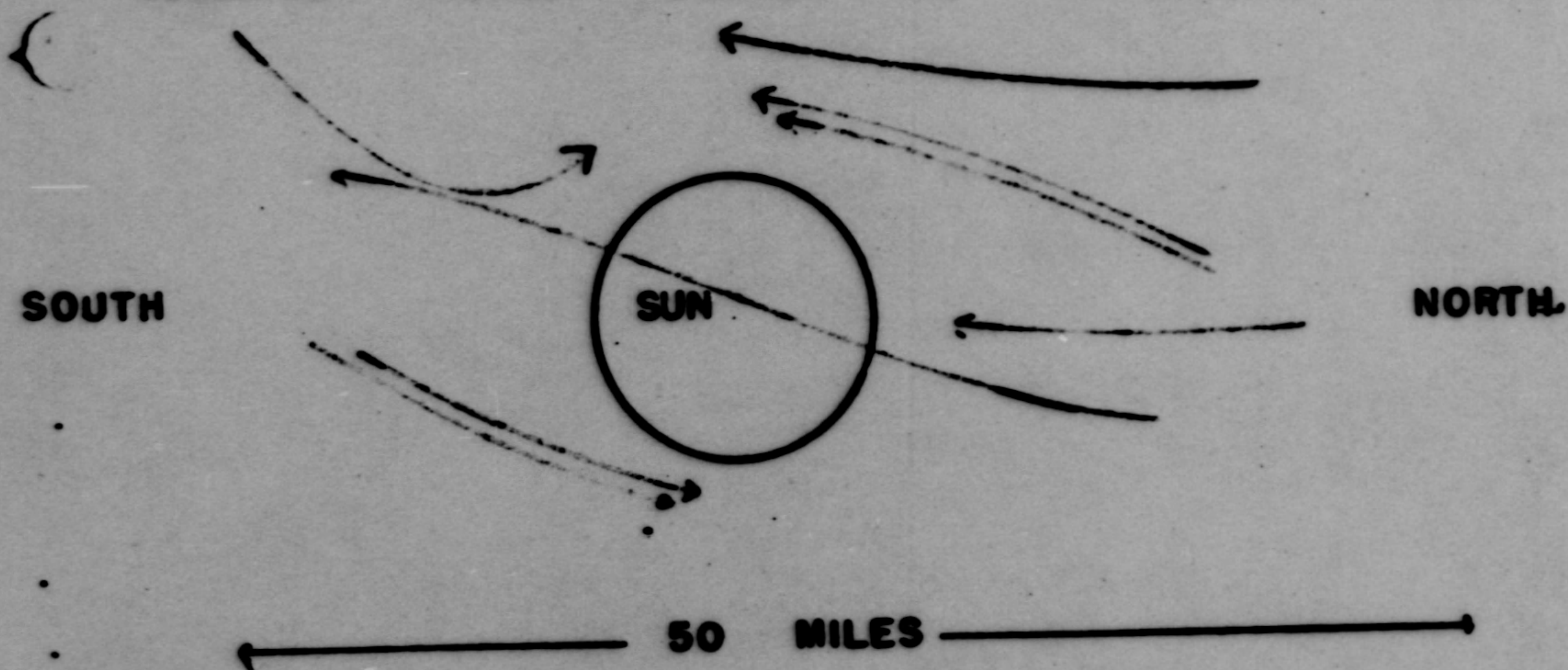
Last School Attended Phillips Academy, Andover Mass & Service Schools

Year of last attendance at this school 1943; 1943, 1946, 1949

INITIAL SIGHTING: FACING EAST, SUPINE



VIEW OF FLIGHT OF OBJECTS; FACING WEST; 18,000', 15-20 MILES
OBSERVER MOVED POSITION 100' TO INCREASE FIELD OF VISION



L. R. Hadley
CAPT L. R. HADLEY, USAF

Hadley #2

IMPRESSION OF AN OBJECT DIVING
OPTICS: 7 X 30 BINOCULARS WEARING AF ROSE SUN GLASSES

SUN

ALTITUDES: 20,000 TO 12,000'
TIME OF DIVE: 9 SECONDS (ESTIMATED)
NO. DIVES OBSERVED: 3
DIRECTION: 145°



Incl #3

Capt. J. H. Hadley

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

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.1 If you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Mrs. [REDACTED] (wife) [REDACTED] Hamilton AFB

[REDACTED] Hamilton AFB

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Occupants of Quarters [REDACTED]

30. Please add here any further comments which you believe are important.
Use additional sheets of the same size paper if necessary.

With all the publicity given to the sightings of the objects by the press, a person sighting objects has the tendency to avoid reporting as the general opinion is that a person sighting objects is slightly addled.

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COUNTRY United States	REPORT NO. IR-33-52W	(LEAVE BLANK)
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
SUBJECT Unidentified Flying Objects (Short Title: FLYOBRPT)		
AREA REPORTED ON Central California	FROM (Agency) Dir. of Intel. 28 AD Hamilton AFB, Calif.	
DATE OF REPORT 6 August 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 3 August 1952	EVALUATION B-2
PREPARED BY (Officer) 2d Lt. James W. Westbrook, Asst. Dir. of Intel.	SOURCE Military Personnel and personal contact.	
REFERENCES (Central number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) TUX 28th OID F-291 FLYOBRPT, 5 August 1952		
SUMMARY: (Under concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclusions at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)		
1. This Flying Object Report contains information obtained from military personnel of the Hamilton Air Force Base, Hamilton, California. 2. The information contained in this Flying Object Report (Form 112, Part II) seems to indicate the possibility of the unidentified objects being weather balloons.		
1615 PDT 1515 PST 2315 Z		
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APPROVED: <i>Orville E. Bixel</i> ORVILLE E. BIXEL Captain USAF Director of Intelligence		
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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

FROM (Agency) Dir. of Intel. 28 AD, Hamilton AFB, Calif.	REPORT NO. IR-33-52 W	PAGE 2	OF 2	PAGES
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77 Two unidentified objects were first observed visually and with binoculars at 1615 Pacific Daylight Time, 3 August 1952 for a period of 1 hour and 15 minutes. They were described as silver in color and circular or globular in shape. They were approximately 60-100 feet in diameter traveling at an estimated speed of 400-450 M.P.H. They made no audible sounds. The objects were moving from East to West. One object appeared to be at approximately 12,000 feet and the other at about 18,000 feet. The two objects moved to the West for approximately 15 miles passing overhead of the observers. During the flight course over the observers heads, the object at about 18,000 feet altitude, reportedly dove to the approximate same altitude as the lower object. When the unidentified objects reached a point about 15 miles West of the observers, they began maneuvers similar to a fighter dog fight. The objects were diving at each other. The two unidentified objects disappeared in the sun momentarily. The observers then sighted either two more or the same two flying objects in the approximate location at which they were lost from view. During the latter period of the observation six additional objects of similar description were observed 15 to 20 miles West of the observers. This made a total of 8 similar objects observed in this area. These additional six flying objects came into view in pairs at altitudes not estimated by the observers. The unidentified objects were reportedly making passes at each other in the manner of a fighter dog fight. The observers stated that the objects took up a diamond formation momentarily covering an estimated 4 mile area. The observers stated that the objects were definitely not jet aircraft. No vapor trails, exhaust, or sound was noted on these objects. The observers said that it was difficult to follow any one object for any length of time.

The observers were located at their homes on Hamilton AFB, Calif. The observers' names are: Capt. [REDACTED], Hamilton AFB, Calif.; Capt. [REDACTED], Hamilton AFB, Calif. and [REDACTED], Hamilton AFB, Calif. Capt. [REDACTED] and Lt. [REDACTED] are both experienced pilots.

The weather officer reports the area as clear during the time of the sightings with approximately 20 miles visibility. Winds were as follows: 12,000 feet, 200° at 14 knots; 15,000 feet, 200° at 19 knots; 20,000 feet, 210° at 23 knots. The observers mentioned that there was some dust in the air at the time of the sightings.

Meteorological activity, physical evidence of the sightings, identification action taken and aircraft in the area were reported as negative.

Comments of Preparing Officer:

1. The information available to the preparing officer concerning the unidentified objects covered in this report indicates the possibility that the objects sighted were weather balloons.

James W. Westbrook
JAMES W. WESTBROOK
2d Lt. USAF
Asst. Dir. of Intelligence

Comments of Approving Officer:

1. Concurs with preparing officer.

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ATTN DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE

~~REDACTED~~ 28TH OID 291 FLYOBRPT

(1) TWO OBJECTS SILVER IN COLOR CMA CIRCULAR OR GLOBULAR IN SHAPE. APPROXIMATELY 60-100 FEET IN DIAMETER TRAVELING AT AN ESTIMATED SPEED OF 400-450 M.P.H.WM THEY MADE NO AUDIABLE SOUNDS. OBSERVER WATCHED OBJECT MOVER TO THE WEST FOR ABOUT 15 MILES OF OBJECTS TRAVELS. OBJECTS WENT INTO VARIOUS MANEUVERS. RESEMBLING FTR. DOGFIGHT. OBJECTS JOINED BY PAIRS OF TWO UNTILL A TOTAL OF 8 SIMILAR OBJECTS WERE IN THE GROUP APPROXIMATELY 15 MILES WEST OF OBSERVERS. THEY WOUND DIVE AT EACH OTHER AND MAKE ALL KINDS OF MOVEMENTS. AT ONE TIME OBJECTS APPEARED TO BE IN A DIAMOND FORMATION. THE OBJECTS LEFT NO TRAILS CMA EXHAUST OR

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Two unidentified objects were first observed visually and with binoculars at 1615 Pacific Daylight Time, 3 August 1952 for a period of 1 hour and 15 minutes. They were described as silver in color and circular or globular in shape. They were approximately 60-100 feet in diameter traveling at an estimated speed of 400-450 M.P.H. They made no audible sounds. The objects were moving from East to West. One object appeared to be at approximately 12,000 feet and the other at about 18,000 feet. The two objects moved to the West for approximately 15 miles passing overhead of the observers. During the flight course over the observers heads, the object at about 18,000 feet altitude, reportedly dove to the approximate same altitude as the lower object. When the unidentified objects reached a point about 15 miles West of the observers, they began maneuvers similar to a fighter dog fight. The objects were diving at each other. The two unidentified objects disappeared in the sun momentarily. The observers then sighted either two more or the same two flying objects in the approximate location at which they were lost from view. During the latter period of the observation six additional objects of similar description were observed 15 to 20 miles West of the observers. This made a total of 8 similar objects observed in this area. These additional six flying objects came into view in pairs at altitudes not estimated by the observers. The unidentified objects were reportedly making passes at each other in the manner of a fighter dog fight. The observers stated that the objects took up a diamond formation momentarily covering an estimated 4 mile area. The observers stated that the objects were definitely not jet aircraft. No vapor trails, exhaust, or sound was noted on these objects. The observers said that it was difficult to follow any one object for any length of time.

The observers were located at their homes on Hamilton AFB, Calif. The observers' names are: Capt. [redacted], Hamilton AFB, Calif.; Capt. [redacted], Hamilton AFB, Calif. and [redacted], Hamilton AFB, Calif. Capt. [redacted] and Lt. [redacted] are both experienced pilots.

The weather officer reports the area as clear during the time of the sightings with approximately 20 miles visibility. Winds were as follows: 12,000 feet, 200° at 14 knots; 15,000 feet, 200° at 19 knots; 20,000 feet, 210° at 23 knots. The observers mentioned that there was some dust in the air at the time of the sightings.

Meteorological activity, physical evidence of the sightings, identification action taken and aircraft in the area were reported as negative.

Comments of Preparing Officer:

1. The information available to the preparing officer concerning the unidentified objects covered in this report indicates the possibility that the objects sighted were weather balloons.

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Asst. Dir. of Intelligence

Comments of Approving Officer:

1. Concurs with preparing officer. *CWB*

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(1) TWO OBJECTS SILVER IN COLOR CMA CIRCULAR OR GLOBULAR IN SHAPE. APPROXIMATELY 60-100 FEET IN DIAMETER TRAVELING AT AN ESTIMATED SPEED OF 400-450 M.P.H. WHEN THEY MADE NO AUDIBLE SOUNDS. OBSERVER WATCHED OBJECT MOVER TO THE WEST FOR ABOUT 15 MILES OF OBJECTS TRAVELS. OBJECTS WENT INTO VARIOUS MANEUVERS. RESEMBLING FTR. DOGFIGHT. OBJECTS JOINED BY PAIRS OF TWO UNTILL A TOTAL OF 8 SIMILAR OBJECTS WERE IN THE GROUP APPROXIMATELY 15 MILES WEST OF OBSERVERS. THEY WOULD DIVE AT EACH OTHER AND MAKE ALL KINDS OF MOVEMENTS. AT ONE TIME OBJECTS APPEARED TO BE IN A DIAMOND FORMATION. THE OBJECTS LEFT NO TRAILS CMA EXHAUST OR

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(2) 1615 PDT - 1730 PDT CMA 3 AUG. 1952.

(3) VISUALLY FROM GROUND AND WITH BINACULARS.

(4) OBSERVERS AT HAMILTON AFB CALIF. FIRST TWO OBJECTS MOVED FROM EAST TO WEST CMA PASSING OVER HEAD OF OBSERVER. ONE AT APPROXIMATELY 18000 FT. THE OTHER AT 12000 FT.

(5) CAPT. [REDACTED] CMA [REDACTED] CMA HAMILTON AFB CMA CALIF.

CAPT. [REDACTED] CMA [REDACTED] CMA HAMILTON AFB CMA CALIF 592D

[REDACTED] CMA 83RD FTR. SQND. CMA PAYNE AFB CMA WASHINGTON.

CAPT. [REDACTED] AND LT. [REDACTED] ARE BOTH EXPERIENCED PILOTS.

(6) WX-CLEAR

(7) OBSERVER MENTIONED SOME DUST IN THE AIR. ALL OBSERVERS SAID OBJECTS WERE NOT JET AIRCRAFT.

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

(10) NONE REPORTED.

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1. When did you see the object:

1.3 Time Zone: (Circle One):

- a. Eastern d. Pacific
b. Central e. Other _____
c. Mountain

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

1.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above question 1.2:

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

2. Where were you when you saw the object:

[REDACTED] HAMILTON AFB. CALIF USA

Postal Address City or Town State Country

Additional Remarks: _____

3. Where were you located when you saw the object:

(Circle One): a. Inside a building d. In an airplane
 b. In a car e. At sea
 c. Outdoors f. Other

3.1 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 IN A DENSER AREA at Hamilton AFB.

4. How did you happen to notice the object? was laying on the ground and happened to look at the sky.

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

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SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object? laying on the grass.

6.1 What had you been doing for the 30 minutes before you saw the object? Try to list the activity or activities and the approximate amount of time spent on each.

I had been reading the Sunday paper before going outside to lay in the yard.

7. Were you moving at any time while you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes or No

IF you answered YES, then complete the following questions:

7.1 What direction were you moving?

(Circle One): a. North e. South
b. Northeast f. Southwest
c. East g. West
d. Southeast h. Northwest

7.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

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

(Circle One): Yes or No

8. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object?

(Circle One): a. North e. South
b. Northeast f. Southwest
c. East g. West
d. Southeast h. Northwest

*After waiting 5 minutes
clearly tried to raise to check with
radio reports that were coming in.*

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8.1 What direction were you looking when the object disappeared?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | e. South |
| b. Northeast | f. Southwest |
| c. East | g. West |
| d. Southeast | h. Northwest |

8.2 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above question and preceding question (8 and 8.1).

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

9. Were you wearing eye glasses when you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes or No

10. How was the object seen?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| a. Through window glass | e. Through theodolite |
| b. Through windshield | <u>f.</u> Through sunglasses |
| <u>c.</u> Through binoculars | <u>g.</u> Through open space |
| d. Through telescope | h. Other _____ |

11. What do you remember about the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

11.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

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

11.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

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

11.2 WIND (Circle One)

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

11.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

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

SECTION C

12. Estimate how long you saw the object?

45.50 minutes

Hours	Minutes	Seconds
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12.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 12:

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

13. Did the object look: (Circle One) Solid or Transparent

14. Did the object at any time:

(Circle One for each question)

- | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|----|------------------------------|
| 14.1 Change direction? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| 14.2 Change speed? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| 14.3 Change size? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know when it dove down |
| 14.4 Change color? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| 14.5 Break up into parts or explode? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| 14.6 Give off smoke? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| 14.7 Change brightness? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| 14.8 Flicker, throb, or pulsate? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |
| 14.9 Remain motionless? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't know |

15. Did the object give off a light? (Circle One): Yes No Don't know

15.1 IF you answered YES, what was the color of the light? _____

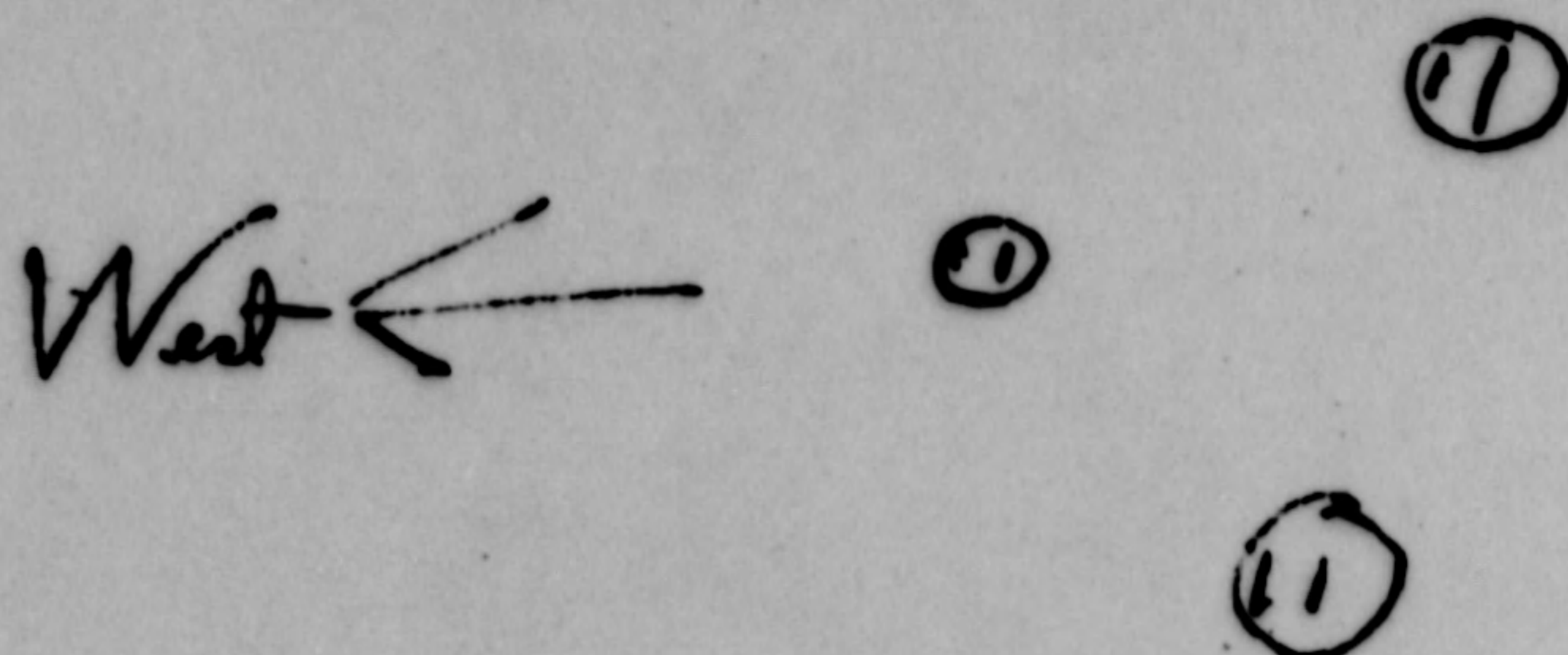
16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object?

16.1 Sound none

16.2 Color silver

17. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? 3 or 4

Draw a picture of how they were arranged and put an arrow to show the direction they were traveling.



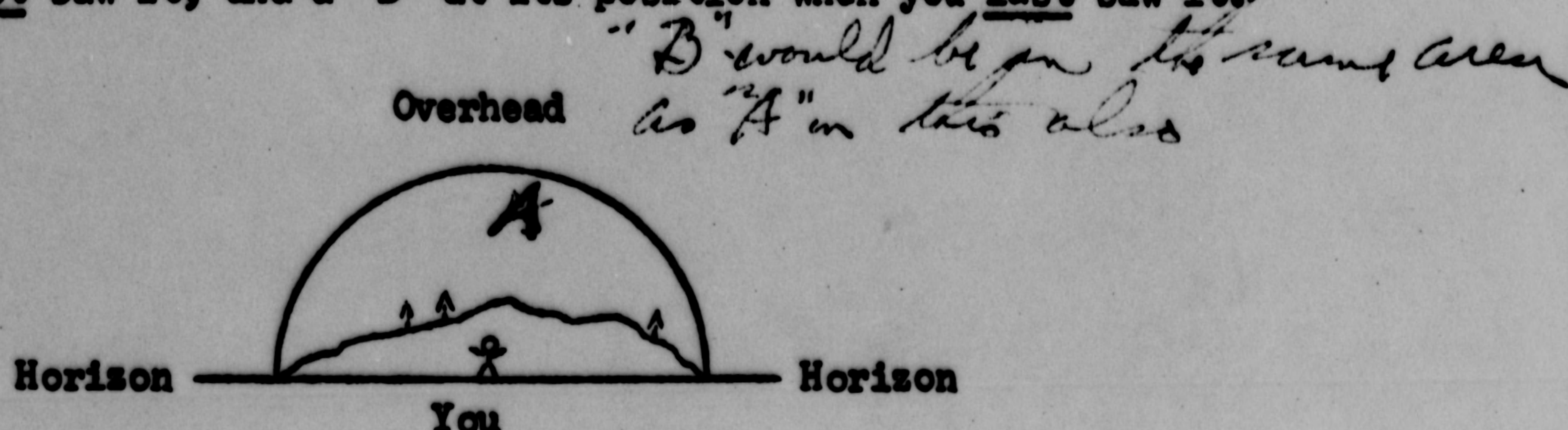
18. Did the object at any time:

18.1 Move behind something? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind.

I could follow them as about 20 miles before they would be out of sight

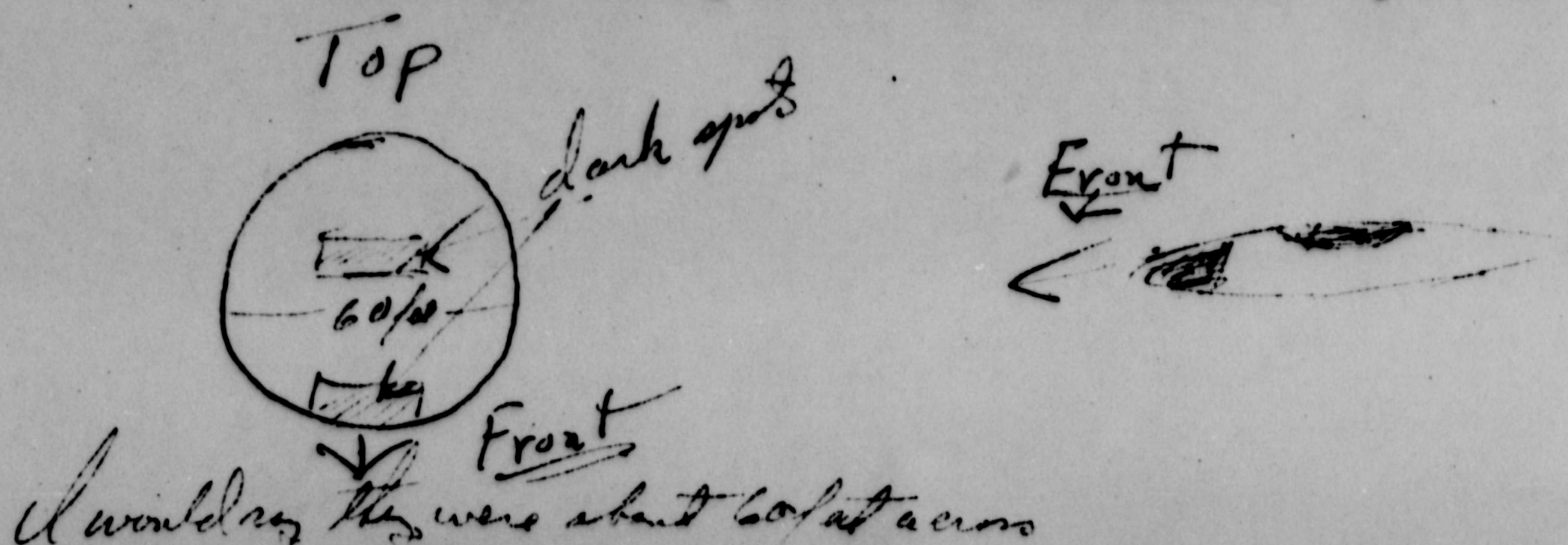
23. In the following sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you first saw it, and a "B" at its position when you last saw it.



24. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object made. Place an "A" at the beginning of its path and a "B" at the end of its path.

They seemed to fly in every direction up and down and also to either side, sometimes in formation and sometimes in trail patterns

25. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw and place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



18.2 Move in front of something? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved in front of.

18.3 Blend with the background? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

19. Which of the following objects is about the same actual size as the object you saw? (Circle One):

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|------------------|-----------------------|
| a. Pea | f. Automobile |
| b. Baseball | g. Small airplane |
| c. Basketball | h. Large airplane |
| d. Bicycle wheel | i. Dirigible |
| e. Office desk | j. Other <u>62/80</u> |

19.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 19.

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|-------------------|------------------|
| <u>a.</u> Certain | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Uncertain |

20. Try to tell the following things about the object:

20.1 How high above the earth was it? about 21,000 feet.

20.2 How far was it from you? 5 feet or 5 miles.

20.3 How fast was it going? 20-30 miles per hour. it moved at different speeds

20.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above questions:

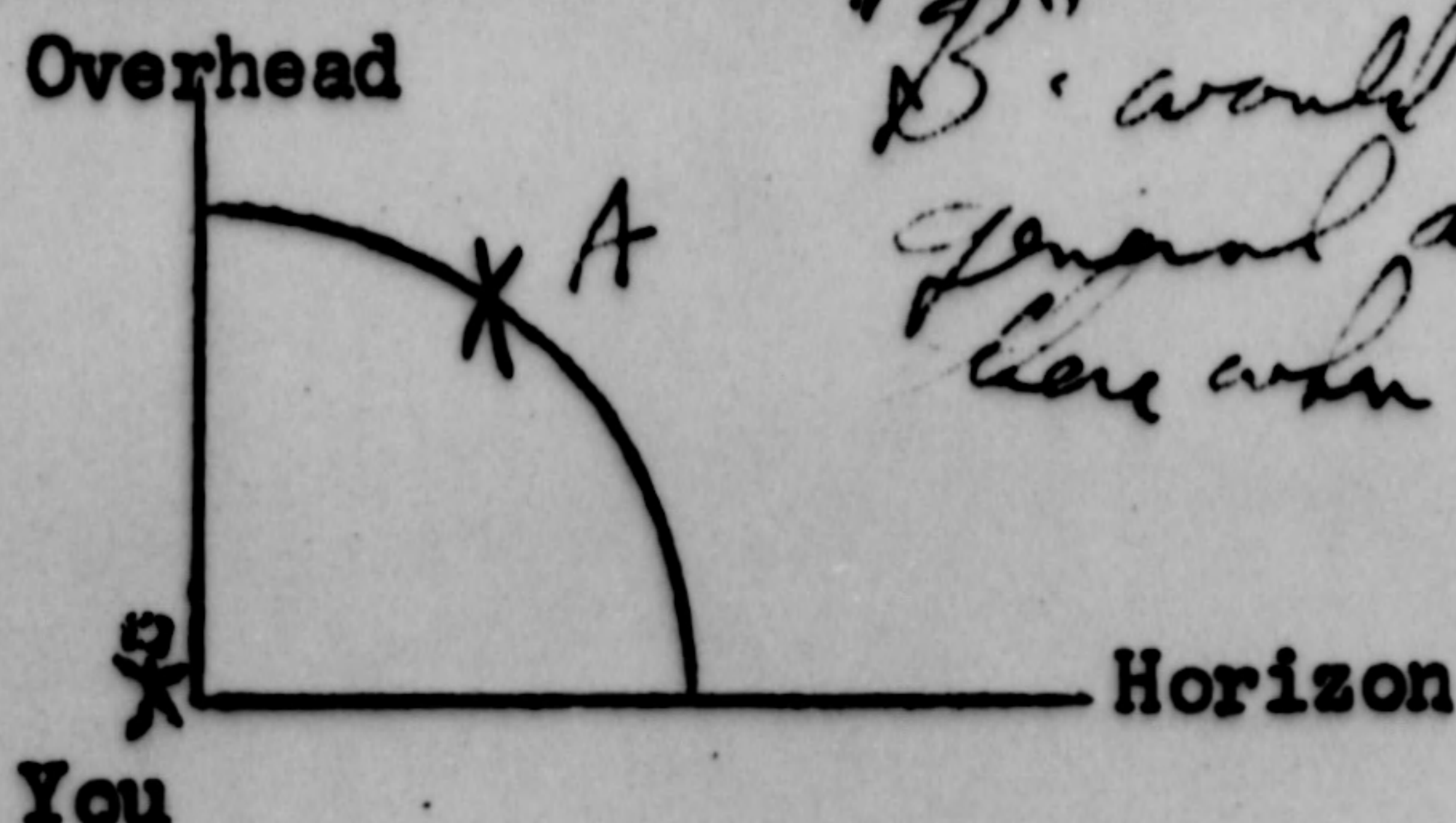
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| <u>a.</u> Certain | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Just a guess |

21. How did the object disappear from view?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
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| a. Suddenly | c. Other <u> </u> |
| <u>b.</u> Gradually | d. Don't remember |

SECTION D

22. In the following sketch, imagine your eye 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" to show where it was when you last saw it.



"B" would be in the same general area as they were when I was with them

SECTION E

26. Was this the first time that you have seen an object like this?

(Circle One): Yes or No

26.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what conditions did you see other ones? _____

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

I am sure it was a solid object, and also I am sure the weather had nothing to do with it. as to what it was I don't know, but radar won't pick up sun reflectors etc.

28. Give the following information about yourself:

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

ADDRESS 5311 E. St. Everett Zone Wash
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER Hiland [Redacted]

What is your present job? Fighter Pilot "H. Weather"

Age 24

Sex M

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

(Circle One): Yes or No *In all there were eight H.F. officers*

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

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Capt. [Redacted]
Hamilton AFB

Capt. [Redacted]
Hamilton AFB

30. Please add here any further comments which you believe are important.
Use additional sheets of the same size paper, if necessary.

I do not know the names of the other officers that saw the objects, however they all lived in the same area.

I do not know what the objects were but I am sure they were solid, because they didn't leave a vapor trail or distinct particles any sound means nothing because an F-5H at 20,000 would always leave a trail and it's almost impossible to hear one at all.

Due to the fact that our radar station picked up these objects I believe there is something to it.

If there is any other way I can help if would be very glad to do so.

[REDACTED]
R. W. P.