

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

DATE 23 August 52		LOCATION Richmond, California		12. CONCLUSIONS	
DATE-TIME GROUP Local 0050 PDT		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar		☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon	
GMT		☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft	
PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE GOC		☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 30 seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE W	
BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Circling.		11. COMMENTS Round, orange - sunset balloons more apparent at this time.			

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
- b. Baseball
- c. Basketball
- d. Bicycle wheel
- e. Office desk

- f. Automobile
- g. Small airplane
- h. Large airplane
- i. Dirigible
- j. Other _____

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

- a. Certain
- b. Fairly certain

- c. Not very sure
- d. Uncertain

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

20.1 How high above the earth was it? 15,000 feet.

20.2 How far was it from you? _____ feet or 2 miles.

20.3 How fast was it going? 70 miles per hour.

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

- a. Certain
- b. Fairly certain

- c. Not very sure
- d. Just a guess

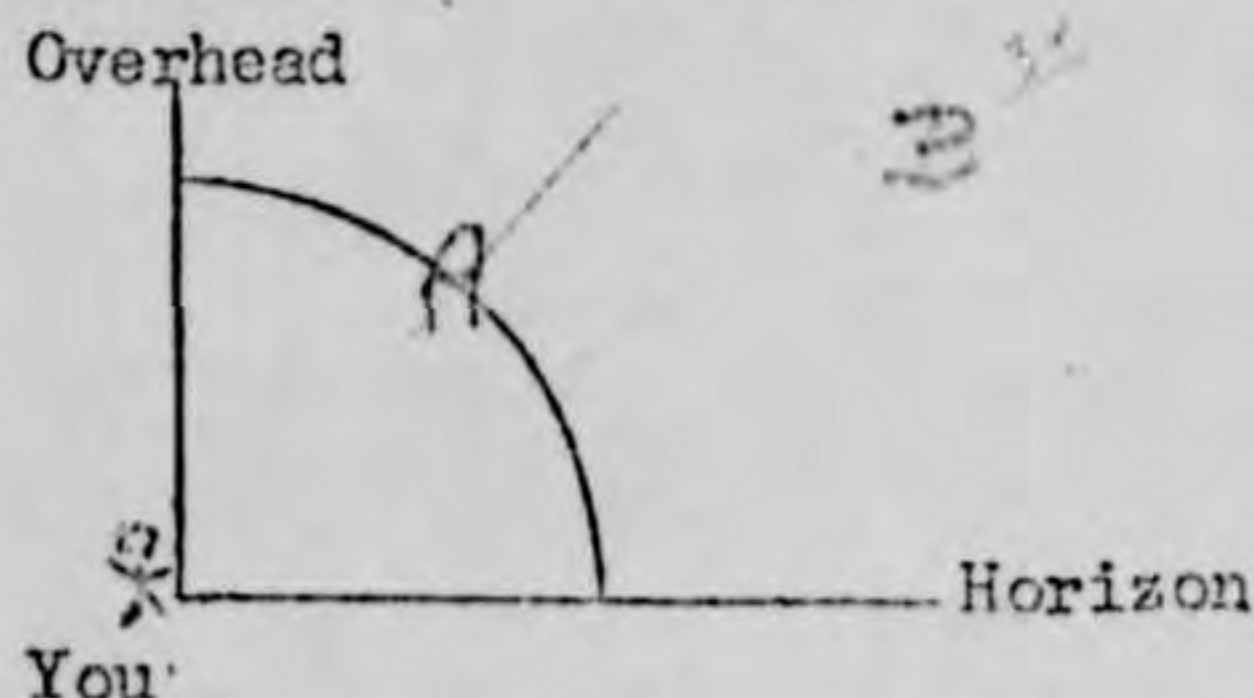
21. How did the object disappear from view?

- (Circle One):
- a. Suddenly
 - b. Gradually

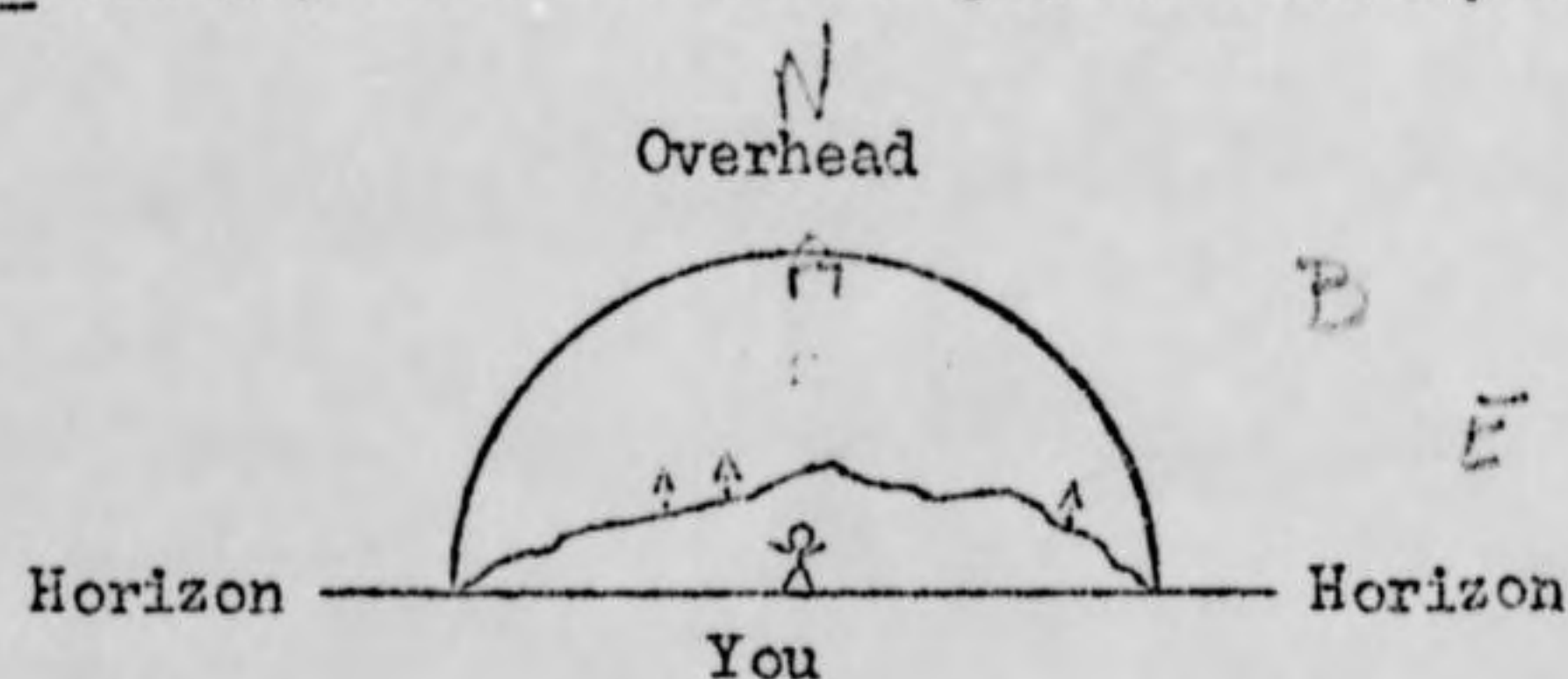
- c. Other _____
- d. Don't remember

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.



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.



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.



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 think it was a weather Balloon because there are all sorts of air force Bases around in a radius of 30 miles.

28. Give the following information about yourself:

NAME Will GARY WAYNE
 Last Name First Name Middle Name
 ADDRESS 2346 Humphreys Pickman 2 CALIFORNIA
 Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER RE-5-0684

What is your present job? School

Age 16

Sex MALE

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:

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

Several Phone calls came in from
Pine Calif. and Mira Vista Calif
which called in the filter center at Oakland
and ask what the object was. a woman
at C. O. N. Q. called the post at which
I am at Nectar - How 3-5 BLACK and
asked if I had seen it or not just before
that I had reported it. Pine is north
of Richmond and Mira Vista east of
Richmond.

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TO JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COLO SPRINGS CGLO

JEDWP/AIR TECH INTEL CENTER WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO ATIAA-2C

JEPHQ/DIR OF INTEL HQ USAF WASH 25 DC

JWPML/CG WADF HAFB CALIF

~~RESTRICTED~~ 28TH OLD/9440 FLYOBRPT.

1 ONE ROUND WHITE OBJECT, SIZE OF DIME FLYING A STRAIGHT COURSE.

OBJECT REPORTED AS DRIFTING. SPEED AND SOUND NOT REPORTED.

2 1700 PDT 25 AUG 1952. OBSERVED FOR 25 MINUTES.

3 OBSERVED VISUALLY FROM GROUND.

4 OBSERVER WAS LOCATED AT NH 39 BLACK(GOC POST) NH 3957, RICHMOND, CALIF. OBJECT WAS LOCATED 4 MILES NORTH EASH OF POST, 10,000 FEET. FLYING NORTH.

5 OBSERVER WAS GARY WILL, RICHMOND POLICE HQ. BUILDING. TEL BEACON 22203.

6 CLEAR. WINDS FROM NORTH AT 10 MPH.

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ATIG 2:11

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7 NONE

8 NONE

9 NONE

10 TWO F-86S OVER RICHMOND AREA AT THIS TIME.

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OBJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

1. DATE <i>25 Aug '52</i>	2. LOCATION <i>Richmond, Calif</i>	3. TIME Local: <i>1600 PST</i> Zebra: <i>2400</i>
4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND? ☒ Yes ☐ No		
☒ Naked Eye ☐ Binoculars ☐ Telescope ☐ Theodolite		
5. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED BY GROUND RADAR? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ By One Set ☐ By Two Sets ☐ By Three Sets		
6. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE AIR? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ A/C Observed Object ☐ Interception Attempted ☐ No Intercept Attempted		
7. WERE AIRCRAFT SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ A/C Scrambled ☐ Visual Contact Made ☐ A/I Contact Made ☐ No Contact Made		
8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
☐ Normal ☐ Violent		
9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT: ☐ Blinking ☐ Steady		
10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT: ☐ 1-15 Seconds ☐ 1-5 Minutes ☒ Over 10 Minutes		
11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address)		
<i>CG 38th AD Hamilton AFB, Calif</i>		

II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED? <i>No</i>		
13. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO ARCH DOWNWARD?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
14. DID OBJECT HAVE A TAIL?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
15. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO DISINTEGRATE?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
16. TIME OF SIGHTING RELATIVE TO SUNRISE OR SUNSET (Data From Air Almanac)		
☐ Night ☒ Day ☐ Sunrise ☐ Sunset		

III. AIRCRAFT DATA

17. WERE AIRCRAFT NOTED IN AREA?	☒ Yes ☐ No
☐ One Aircraft ☒ More Than One Aircraft	
18. WAS ANY SOUND HEARD?	☐ Yes ☒ No
19. WERE THERE INDICATIONS OF HIGH BACKGROUND NOISE?	☐ Yes ☒ No
20. WAS THE OBJECT VIEWED ABOVE 45° ELEVATION?	☒ Yes ☐ No

IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA? ☒ Yes ☐ No						
22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE: <u>3 hrs</u> Minutes						
23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:						
	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted?		Describe Lighting
				Yes	No	
a.	Moffett HAFB	Pitbull	U.S.N.			
b.	Mountain Calif	"	"			
c.	Hammonton "	"				
d.	Oakland "	Bonnie + Pitbull W.B. Alouette	USOA			

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V. EVALUATION

21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE:		22. DETAILS OF REPORT:	
☐ Excellent ☐ Good ☒ Fair ☐ Poor ☐ Unreliable ☐ Extremely Doubtful ☐ Hoax		☒ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Poor ☐ Insufficient to Evaluate	
23. FINAL EVALUATION:			
☐ Was Balloon ☒ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft		☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other: _____ ☐ Insufficient Data For Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
24. COMMENTS:			

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1. DATE OF OBSERVATION		2. TIME OF OBSERVATION		3. STATION OBSERVING	
4. WINDS ALOFT:					
ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)	ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)
0	10 m.p.h.	3000	25,000		
1,000			30,000		
2,000			35,000		
3,000			40,000		
4,000			45,000		
5,000			50,000		
6,000			55,000		
7,000			60,000		
8,000			65,000		
9,000			70,000		
10,000		?	75,000		
12,000			80,000		
14,000			85,000		
16,000			90,000		
18,000			95,000		
20,000			100,000		
5. WAS AN INVERSION LAYER NOTED? (If yes, at what altitude? _____)			☐ Yes ☐ No		
6. WERE ANY THUNDERSTORMS NOTED IN AREA? (If yes, at what quadrant? _____)			☐ Yes ☐ No		
7. CLOUD COVER:				8. VISIBILITY WAS	
_____ tenths at _____ feet.		_____ tenths at _____ feet.		_____ MILES.	
_____ tenths at _____ feet.		_____ tenths at _____ feet.			
9. COMMENTS:					

PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

1. DATE <i>23 Aug 52</i>	2. LOCATION <i>Reinhardt - Calif</i>	3. TIME Local: <i>0500 PDT</i> Zebra: <i>1200</i>
4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND?		☒ Yes ☐ No
		☒ Naked Eye ☐ Binoculars ☐ Telescope ☐ Theodolite
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		☐ Normal ☐ Violent
9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT:		☐ Blinking ☐ Steady
10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT:		☒ 1-15 Seconds ☐ 1-5 Minutes ☐ Over 10 Minutes
11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address)		
<i>CG 28th Air Division, Hamilton AFB - Calif</i>		

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22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE: 2 hrs Minutes
23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:

	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted?		Describe Lighting
				Yes	No	
a.	Santa Rosa, Calif	Piball	U.S.N.			
b.	Wallops AFB	Piball	U.S.N.			
c.	Delaware	Piball	U.S.N.			
d.	Chickland	Radio Piball	USDA Weather Bureau			

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V. EVALUATION

21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE:
- ☐ Excellent
 - ☐ Good
 - ☐ Fair
 - ☐ Poor
 - ☐ Unreliable
 - ☐ Extremely Doubtful
 - ☐ Hoax
22. DETAILS OF REPORT:
- ☐ Good
 - ☐ Fair
 - ☐ Poor
 - ☐ Insufficient to Evaluate
23. FINAL EVALUATION:
- ☐ Was Balloon
 - ☐ Probably Balloon
 - ☐ Possibly Balloon
 - ☐ Was Aircraft
 - ☐ Probably Aircraft
 - ☒ Possibly Aircraft
 - ☐ Was Astronomical
 - ☐ Probably Astronomical
 - ☐ Possibly Astronomical
 - ☐ Other: _____
 - ☐ Insufficient Data For Evaluation
 - ☐ Unknown

24. COMMENTS:

Bad report

ACTION

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JEDWP/CG WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB, DAYTON, OHIO

JEDEN/CG ENT AFB, COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.

JWPML/CG WADF, HAMILTON AFB CALIF

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1. ONE ROUND OBJECT, SIZE OF A NICKEL. ORANGE OR REDISH IN COLOR.

200 M.P.H. NO SOUND, CIRCLING WEST FADED INTO DARKNESS.

0500 PDT, 23 AUG. 52., OBSERVED FOR 30 SEC.

3. OBJECT OBSERVED VISUALLY FROM GROUND.

4. GOC NH -5 BLACK, GEO. REF. NH 3957, RICHMOND, CALIF. OBJECT OVERHEAD OF OBSERVER. ALT. NOT REPORTD.

5. OBSERVER WAS RICHARD PURNELL, HALL OF JUSTICE, RICHMOND, CONTRA COSTA CO., CALIF.

6. CLEAR

7. NONE

8. NONE

9. NONE

10. NONE

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PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>25 August 52</u>	2. LOCATION <u>Richmond, California</u>	CONCLUSIONS ☒ Was Balloon ☒ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>1700 PDT</u> GMT	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE <u>GOC spotter</u>	☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <u>25 minutes</u>	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>1</u>	9. COURSE ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING <u>White in color. Round. Drifting.</u>		11. COMMENTS <u>Drifting motions, straight unvarying course.</u> <u>2 F-86's in area.</u> <u>Surface winds against direction of object.</u>

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TENTATIVE
OBSERVERS QUESTIONNAIRE

SECTION A

1. When did you see the object:

1.1 Date: 25 8 52
Day Month Year

1.2 Time of Day: 4 30 A.M. or P.M. (Circle One)
Hrs. Min.

1.3 Time Zone: (Circle One):

- a. Eastern
- b. Central
- c. Mountain

- d. Pacific
- e. Other _____

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

2. Where were you when you saw the object:

Richmond Police Bldg Richmond Calif U.S.A
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 Gov. Post

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 CIVIC CENTER

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4. How did you happen to notice the object? I was spotting
airplanes when I happened to look
north and there it was.
5. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?
- 25 8 52
 Day Month Year

SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object? Was on
Duty for base.

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.

No specific thing, Except
Spotting AIR PLANES

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? Walking 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

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 |

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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).

- | | |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| a. Certain | c. Not very sure |
| b. <u>Fairly certain</u> | 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. Through sunglasses |
| c. <u>Through binoculars</u> | g. <u>Through open space</u> / 5+ |
| 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. <u>Clear sky</u> |
| b. Hazy |
| c. Scattered clouds |
| d. Thick or heavy clouds |
| e. Don't remember |

11.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- | |
|-----------------------------|
| a. <u>Dry</u> |
| 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. <u>Slight breeze</u> |
| c. Strong wind |
| d. Don't remember |

11.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- | |
|-------------------|
| a. Cold |
| b. Cool |
| c. <u>Warm</u> |
| d. Hot |
| e. Don't remember |

SECTION C

12. Estimate how long you saw the object?

Hours 30 Minutes 30 Seconds 00

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

- a. Certain
b. Fairly sure
c. Not very 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> | <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> |
| 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

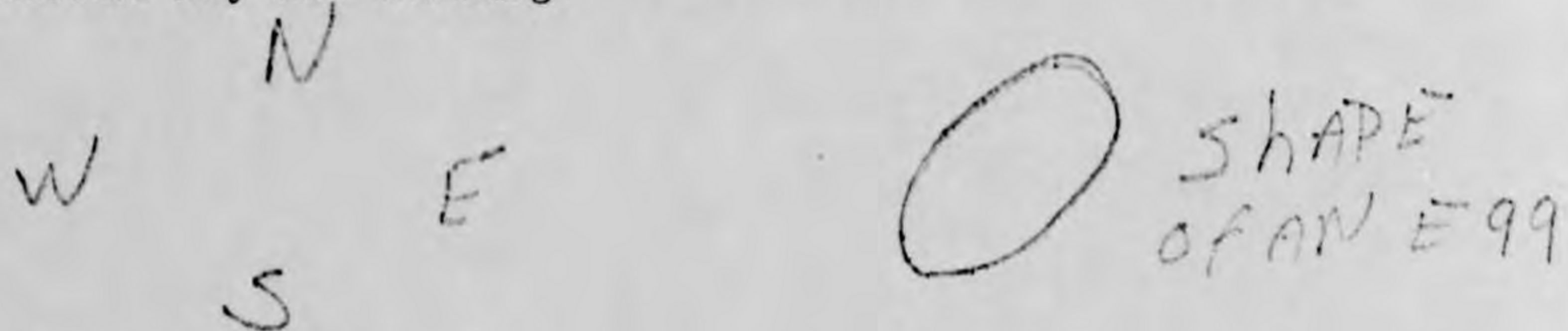
15.1 IF you answered YES, what was the color of the light? _____

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

16.1 Sound NONE

16.2 Color YELLOW

17. 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 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.
