

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 21 May 53 21/1930Z	2. LOCATION Kansas City, Missouri
3. SOURCE Military	10. CONCLUSION AIRCRAFT
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Three	Source stated that he heard a/c noise in the sky and was trying to locate the a/c. It is believed that the objects were a/c at high altitude.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Three egg shaped transparent objects resembling balloons traveled in a SSW direction at a high rate of speed and a high altitude.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE SSW	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

Multiple

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2. 1330

3. CST

4. KANSAS CITY, MO

5. 10 MINUTES

6. A

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- 9. A
- 10. E. MORE TRANSPARENT THAN BRIGHT.
- 11. (A) NO. (B) YES. (C) THRU (G) NO
- 12. NO
- 13. NO
- 14. E
- 15. A. YES
- 16. A. NONE. B. TRANSPARENT
- 17. MORE OR LESS EGG SHAPED BUT NOT SO DRAWN OUT AS AN ORDINARY EGG.
- 18. C
- 19. 3 OBJ TRAVELING SSW
- 20. SEE WRITTEN REPT
- 21. COULD NOT SAY FOR SURE.
- 22. A 22.1. A
- 23. SIMILAR TO THE WAY AN AIRCRAFT DISAPPERAS WHEN DISTANCE IS INCREASED AND IT GOES INTO A TURN.
- 24. LOOKED LIKE WE BALLOON BUT MAN'S EXPERIENCE WITH WEA BALLONS PLUS PECULIAR MANUUVERS RULE THESE OUT AS A POSSIBILITY.
- 25. C
- 26. B
- 27. LOOKING FOR B-36 FLY OVERHEAD SLIGHTLY TO N FR THE SOUND OF THE ENGINES.

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- 28. N/A
- 29. F
- 30. F
- 31. 1. A. 195 DEGREES, B. 50 DEGREES
- 31.2 A. 195 DEGREES. B. 50 DEGREES
- 32. SEE WRITTEN REPT
- 33. SEE WRITTEN REPT
- 34. A

28. N/A

29. F

30. F

31. 1. A. 195 DEGREES, B. 50 DEGREES

31.2 A. 195 DEGREES. B. 50 DEGREES

32. SEE WRITTEN REPT

33. SEE WRITTEN REPT

34.1 A

34.1 A

34.3. A

34.4 D

35. 21 MAY 1953

36. YES

36.1 YES

36.2 MRS. [REDACTED], K.C., MO.

37. YES

38. HAVE NOT THE SLIGHTEST IDEA

39. EST ALT 30000 SPEED 1700 MPH

40. NO

41. M/SGT [REDACTED], AGE 32, MALE, GRADE SCHOOL, TRADE

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SCHOOL AND RADIO SCHOOL, SCOTT FIELD. PRESENTLY WORKING WITH GUIDED MISSILES AT HOLLOWMAN AFB.

42. 22 MAY 1953

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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.

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1. When did you see the object?

21 May 1953
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 1330 EST
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

Kansas City
City or Town

Missouri
State or Country

Additional remarks: _____

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

Hours

10
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

N/A

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):

☒ 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 More transparent than bright.

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

☒ a. Appear to stand still at any time?

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know

b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?

☒ Yes

No

Don't Know

c. Break up into parts or explode?

Yes

No

Don't Know

d. Give off smoke?

Yes

No

Don't Know

e. Change brightness?

Yes

No

Don't Know

f. Change shape?

Yes

No

Don't Know

g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate?

Yes

☒ 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, than 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

No

e. Binoculars

Yes

No

b. Sun glasses

Yes

No

f. Telescope

Yes

No

c. Windshield

Yes

No

g. Theodolite

Yes

No

d. Window glass

Yes

No

h. Other _____

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

- a. Sound None
- b. Color transparent

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.

More or less egg shaped, but not so drawn out as an ordinary egg

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? 3 moving S/SW.
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.

See written report

21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.
_____ feet. *could not say for sure*

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? *Similar to the way an A/C disappears when distance is increased and it goes into a turn.*

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.

Looked like a balloon (weather) but mans experience with weather balloons plus peculiar maneuvers rule this out as a possibility

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?

*Looking for a B-36 fly overhead slightly to N. from
the sound of the engines.*

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 <i>N/A</i> | 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 | 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 | 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).

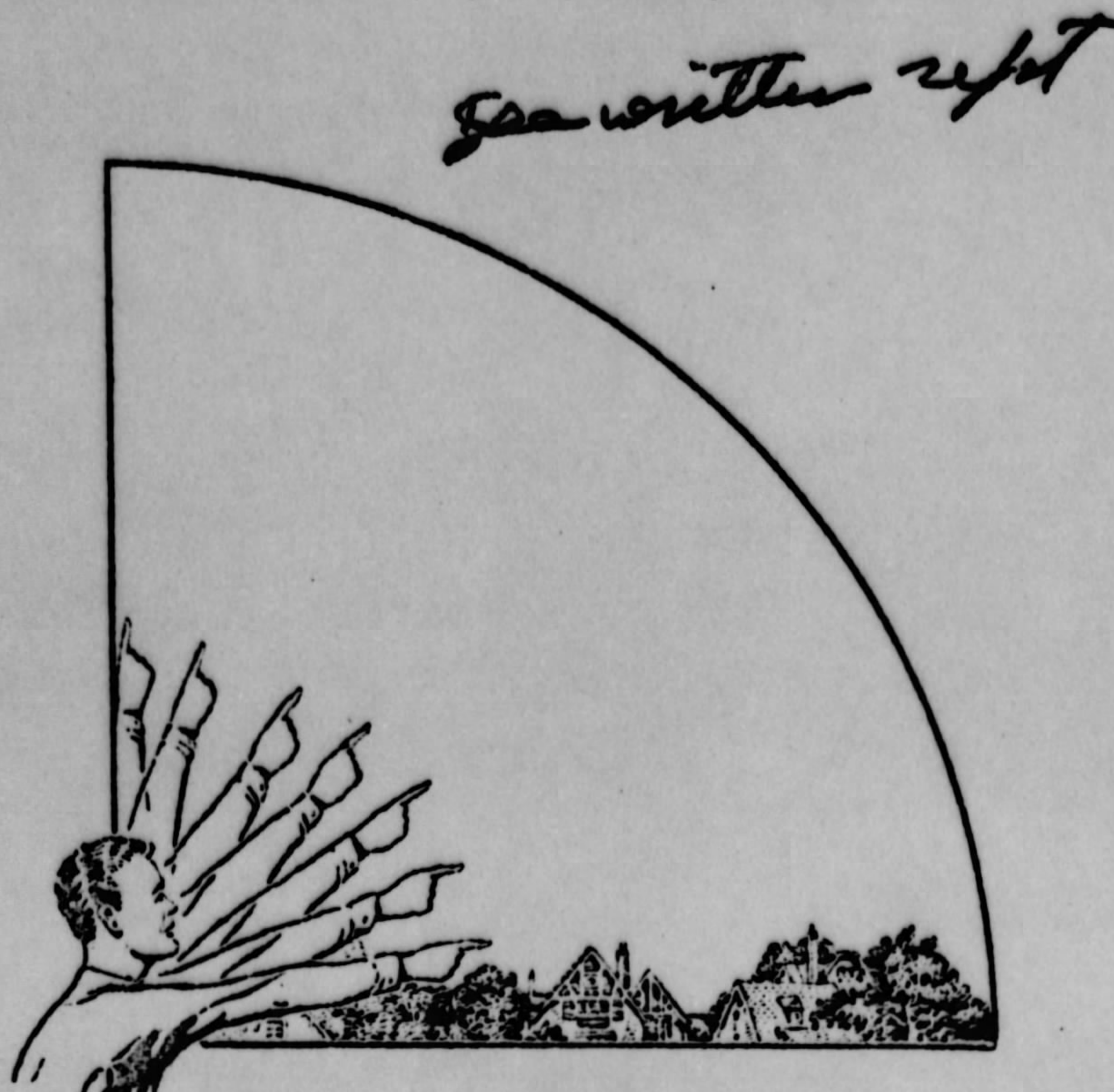
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North 195 degrees.
- b. From horizon 50 degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

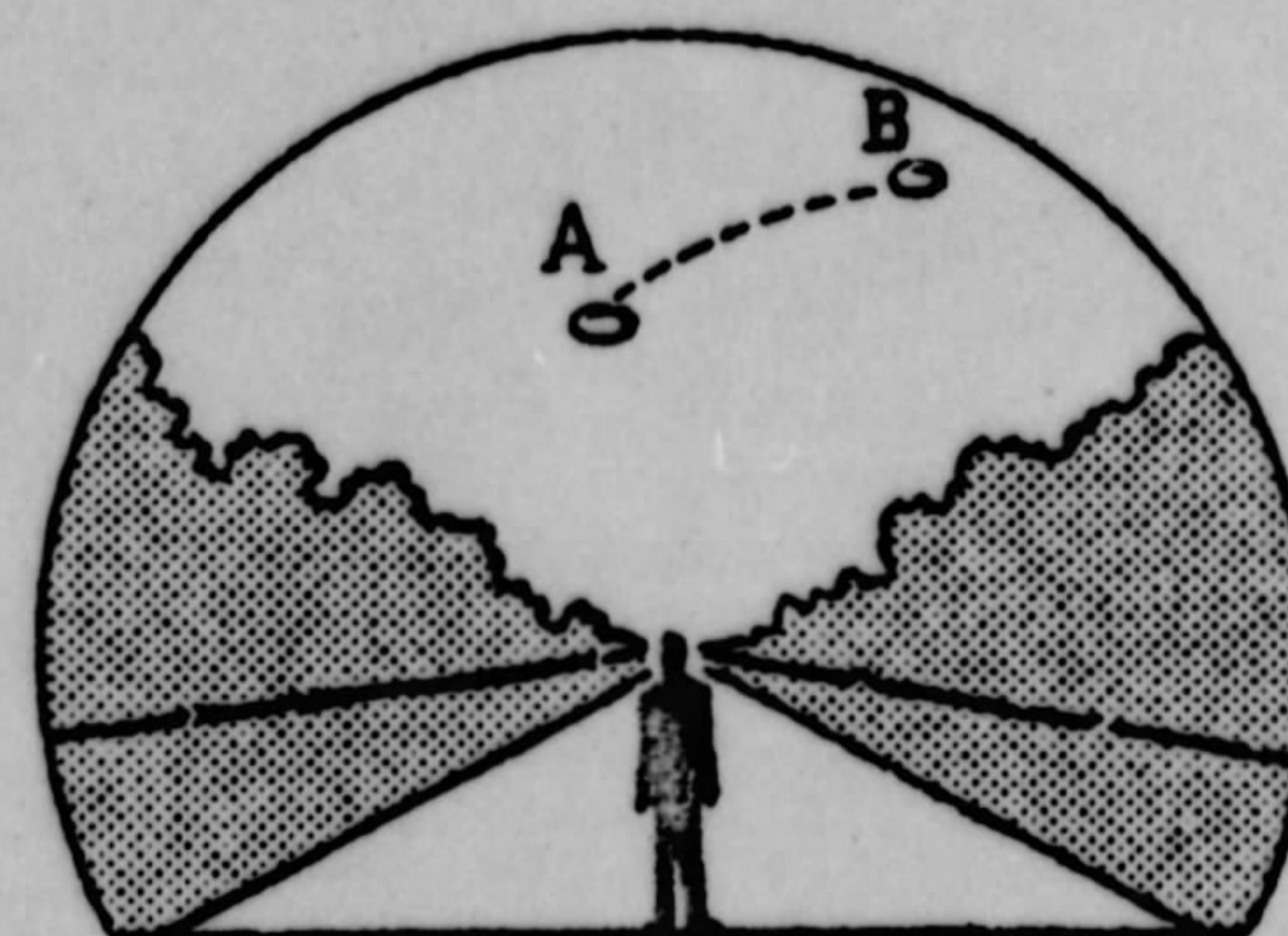
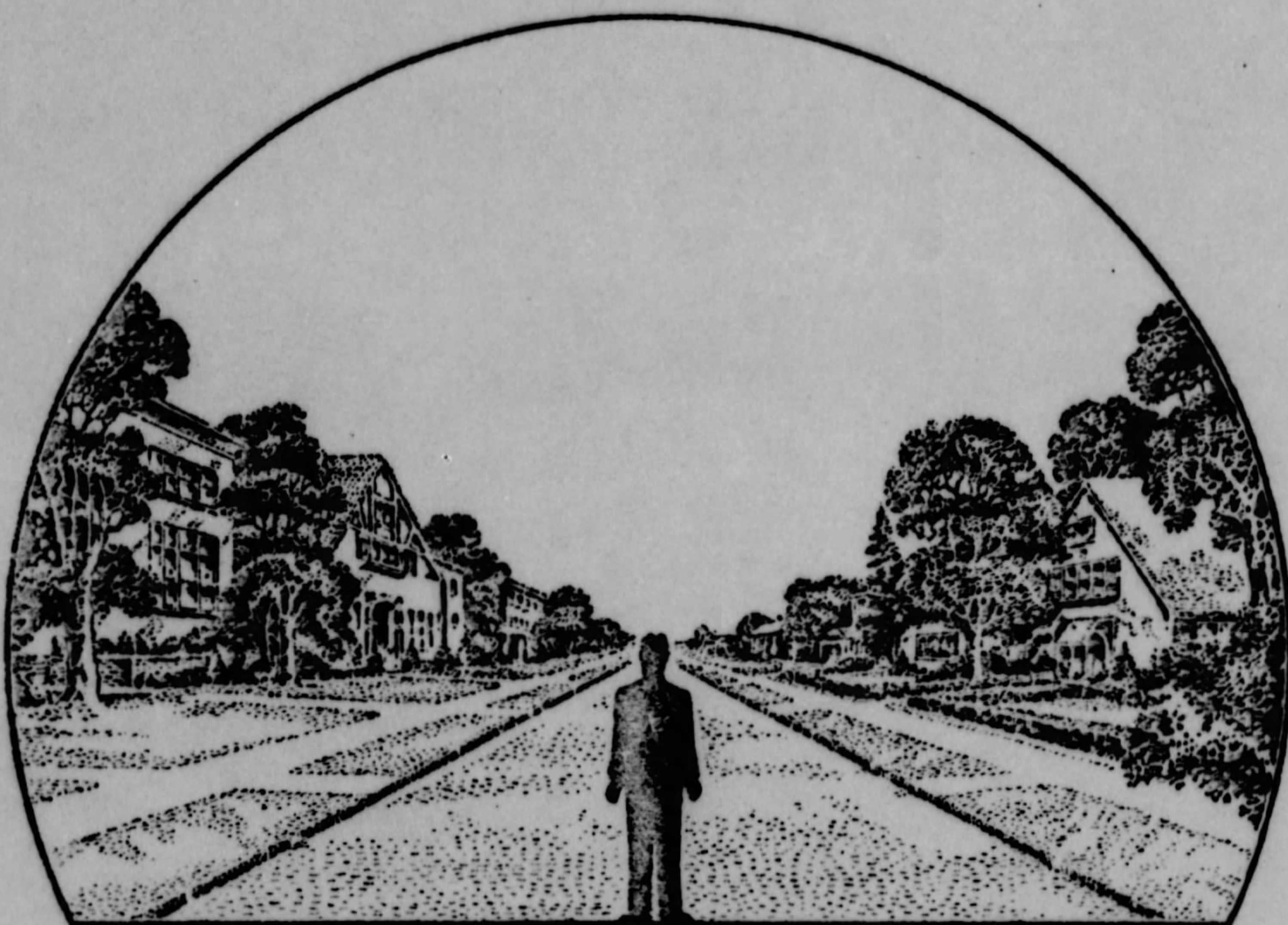
- a. From true North 195 degrees.
- b. From horizon 50 degrees.

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.

see written report.



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?

21 May 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:

None

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?

NO IDEA

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?

alt. 30,000 ft
1700 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?

30,000 ft alt.
_____ feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

[redacted]
Last Name

[redacted]
First Name

[redacted]
Middle Name

ADDRESS

_____ Street

_____ City

_____ Zone

_____ State

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

What is your present job?

M/Sgt USAF

Age

32

Sex

male

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school X

b. High school _____

c. College _____

d. Post graduate _____

e. e. Technical school TRADE SCHOOL

(Type) _____

f. Other special training Radio school
presently working with guided
missiles at Holloman AFB

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

22
Day

May
Month

1953
Year

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Date: 21 May 53

L.C.T.: 13:30

Location: MKC

Kansas City, Mo.

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H²:

N:

3 objects

REMARKS:

Inconsistency in answers — too contradictory

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Miners Say "Saucer" Invades Diggings, Ask OK To Shoot

BRUSH CREEK, Calif., June 24 —(UP)—Two grizzled miners today asked the Butte county sheriff's office for permission to shoot at a midget-manned "flying saucer" that keeps invading their mountain diggings.

The miners, John Q. Black and John Van Allen, who operate a small gold mine in the remote Marble Creek area a few miles north of here, told Sheriff's Capt. Fred Preston the "saucer" landed twice on a sandbar at the junction of Marble and Jordan Creeks.

Each time, they said, a little man resembling a midget got out of the contraption, scooped up a bucket of water in a shiny pail, and handed it to someone inside.

When he saw them, they said, he jumped into the "saucer" and it zoomed away without making a sound.

"What we want to know," Black said, "is whether we have a right to shoot at it when it comes back. You see, it lit there on May 20 and June 20, and we feel pretty sure it will come back July 20."

Preston said he told the men he

couldn't give them permission to shoot at anything.

"I told them they'd better grab it next time it comes back," he said, "so they'll have something to back up their story."

The officer said he wasn't planning to make an official investigation, but said he had "informed the Air Force."

The men said the "saucer" used a tripod for a landing gear which retracts when it takes to the air. The "saucer" left marks on the sand like elephants' tracks, the men said.

They described the object as being about seven feet in diameter and about four feet thick.

The little man wore something like a heavy "knee-length parka" and his legs and arms seemed covered with a heavy tweed material, they said.

"He was as broad-shouldered as you are," Black said, pointing to Preston, who is a very large man.

Mrs. Vi Belcher, owner of the Brush Creek store, said the two miners have a very good reputation and are "not drinking men."

20 MAY
2 witnesses
ATIC COMMENT:

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The 19th O.S.I. District at Travis AFB, Calif., has been asked to investigate this sighting. It appears to be a hoax from its sensational flavor, but since it has received UP attention it is believed necessary for Blue Book to look into it.

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Brush Creek
Calif. Form 1A

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