

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 18 June 1954		2. LOCATION Olmsted AFB, Middletown, Pa		12. CONCLUSIONS ☒ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 18/1142Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual BX ☐ Ground-Radar ☒ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☒ Yes Videon ☐ No Photos		6. SOURCE Military			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 hours		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE W	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Round, silver object hovering to SSW of Observer.				11. COMMENTS Two ftrs scrambled and reported object to be a balloon.	

18 JUNE Middletown, Pa.

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UFOB

- /1/ DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT
- /A/ ROUND
- /B/ DIME HELD AT ARMS LENGTH
- /C/ SILVER
- /D/ ONE /1/
- /E/ NOT APPLICABLE
- /F/ NONE
- /G/ NONE

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/H/ NONE

/I/ NONE

/2/ DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT

/A/ OTHER PERSONS

/B/ NEGATIVE

/C/ NEGATIVE

/D/ ALMOST MOTIONLESS - APPEARED TO MOVE VERY SLOWLY IN WESTERLY
DIRECTION.

/E/ VANISHED FROM SIGHT

/F/ APPROXIMATELY THREE /3/ HOURS

/3/ MANNER OF OBSERVATION

/A/ GROUND VISUAL

/B/ PINOCULARS

/4/ TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTINGS

/A/ 18/1142Z

/B/ DAY

18 JUN 54

/5/ OLMSTED AIR FORCE BASE

/6/ IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OF ALL OBSERVERS

/A/ S/SGT [REDACTED] OLMSTED AFB CONTROL TOWER
OPERATOR - RELIABLE

[REDACTED] CHIEF AIRCRAFT DISPATCHER OLMSTED AFB - RELIABLE

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EDMUND A JOHNSTON SECURITY INDOCTRINATION OFFICER OLMSTED AFB - RELIABLE

MANY OTHER OLMSTED AFB PERSONNEL MILITARY AND CIVILIAN - ALL RELIABLE.

/7/ WEATHER AND WINDS ALOFT CONDITIONS AT TIME OF SIGHTING

/A/ CLEAR

/B/ SURFACE WNW 8K

10000 E 10 K

30000 NW 25K

/C/ NONE

/D/ UNLIMITED

AIRWAYS AND AIR COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE
1912TH AACS SQUADRON (MATS)
1912-3 AACS DETACHMENT
Olmsted AFB, Middletown, Pa.

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21 June 1954

SUBJECT: U.S. Air Force Technical Information Sheet

TO: Commanding General
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Attn: ATIAE-5
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

1. Forwarded herewith U.S. Air Force Technical Information Sheet pertaining to an unidentified object observed in this vicinity 18 June 1954.

2. Two (2) exposed films taken of above cited object are being forwarded under separate cover.

3. Request that this organization be supplied with a fresh supply of films for the Vision Camera.

1 Incl
a/s

David R. Wentworth
DAVID R WENTWORTH
M SGT USAF
Detachment NCOIC.

/E/ NONE

/F/ NONE

/8/ NO OTHER UNUSUAL ACTIVITY.

/9/ NO EXISTENCE OF ANY PHYSICAL EVIDENCE.

/10/ INTERCEPTION ACTION

/A/ AT APPROXIMATELY 0830E M/SGT [REDACTED] AF 15 070 453 OLMSTED

MILITARY FLIGHT SERVICE CENTER REPORTED OBJECT HOVERING SSW OF OLMSTED

AFB TO ROSLYN CONTROL /ADC/. ROSLYN SCRAMBLED TWO /2/ FIGHTERS - WAS

ADVISED AT 0920E TO CLOSE LOG AND ASSUME OBJECT WAS A WEATHER BALLOON.

/11/ NORMAL AIR TRAFFIC IN AREA OF SIGHTING.

/12/ PREPARED BY SECURITY INDOCTRINATION OFFICER MIDDLETOWN AIR MATERIEL

AREA - OBJECT ASSUMED TO BE A WEATHER BALLOON.

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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 | 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, then tell what

it moved in front of: _____

Clouds which The Weather Station Estimated
at 310,000 F 31,000 Feet

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
- b. Sun glasses
- c. Windshield
- d. Window glass

Yes

☒ No

☒ Yes

No

Yes

☒ No

☒ Yes

No

e. Binoculars

☒ Yes

No

f. Telescope

Yes

☒ No

g. Theodolite

Yes

☒ No

h. Other _____

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?

18 June 1954
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 0742

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 Savingb. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

1912-8 AAUS Det. Olmsted AFB
Nearest Postal Address

Middletown, Pa.
City or Town

Penna.
State or Country

Additional remarks: I was located in the Control Tower on Olmsted AFB and watching it through the binoculars, also took pictures with vidicon camera.

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

one

Hours

fifty

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 youb. 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

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b. Several blocks away?

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e. Other

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(Circle One):

☐ Yes

☒ No

☐ Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved behind: _____

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(Circle One):

☒ Yes

☐ No

☐ Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved in front of: _____

Clouds which The Weather Station Estimated
at 31,000 F 31,000 Feet

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a. Solid?

☒ b. Transparent?

c. Don't Know.

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

- a. Eyeglasses
- b. Sun glasses
- c. Windshield
- d. Window glass

☐ Yes

☒ No

☒ Yes

☐ No

☐ Yes

☒ No

☒ Yes

☐ No

e. Binoculars

☒ Yes

☐ No

f. Telescope

☐ Yes

☒ No

g. Theodolite

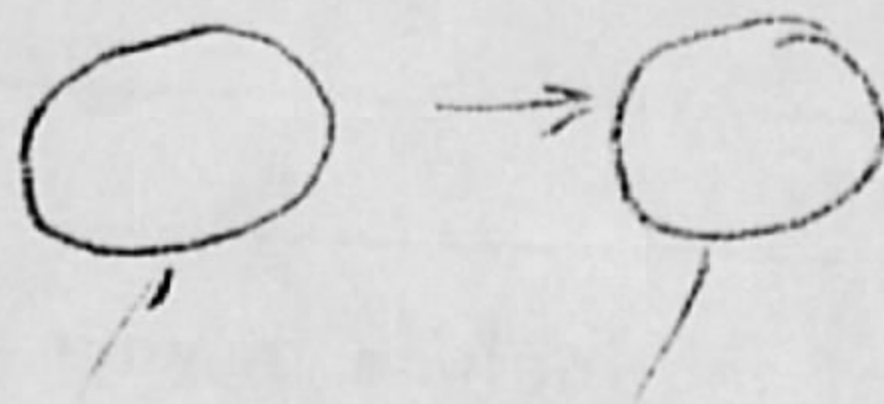
☐ Yes

☒ No

h. Other _____

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.

object moved very slowly To The west & faded away into
The distance To The SW



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

2 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. Pen
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? Faded Away into The distance

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.

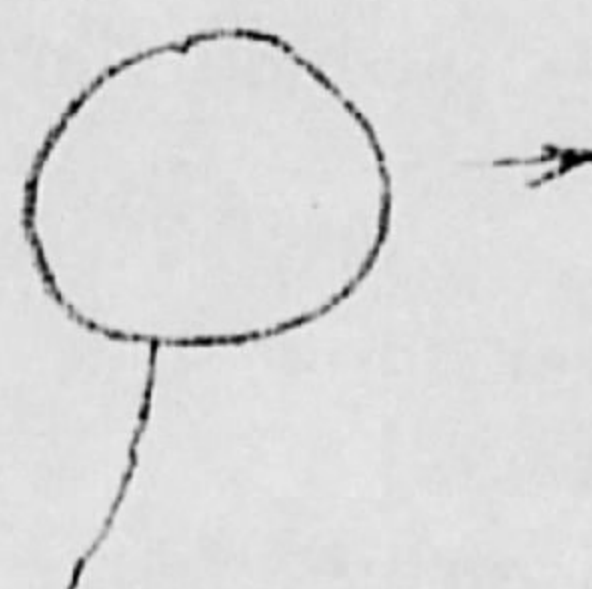
A Balloon MADE OF rubber, Thin & TRANSPARENT
when blown up. IT APPEARED TO HAVE A STRING hanging
from it.

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

a. Sound NO sound

b. Color White & 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.



18. The edges of the object were:

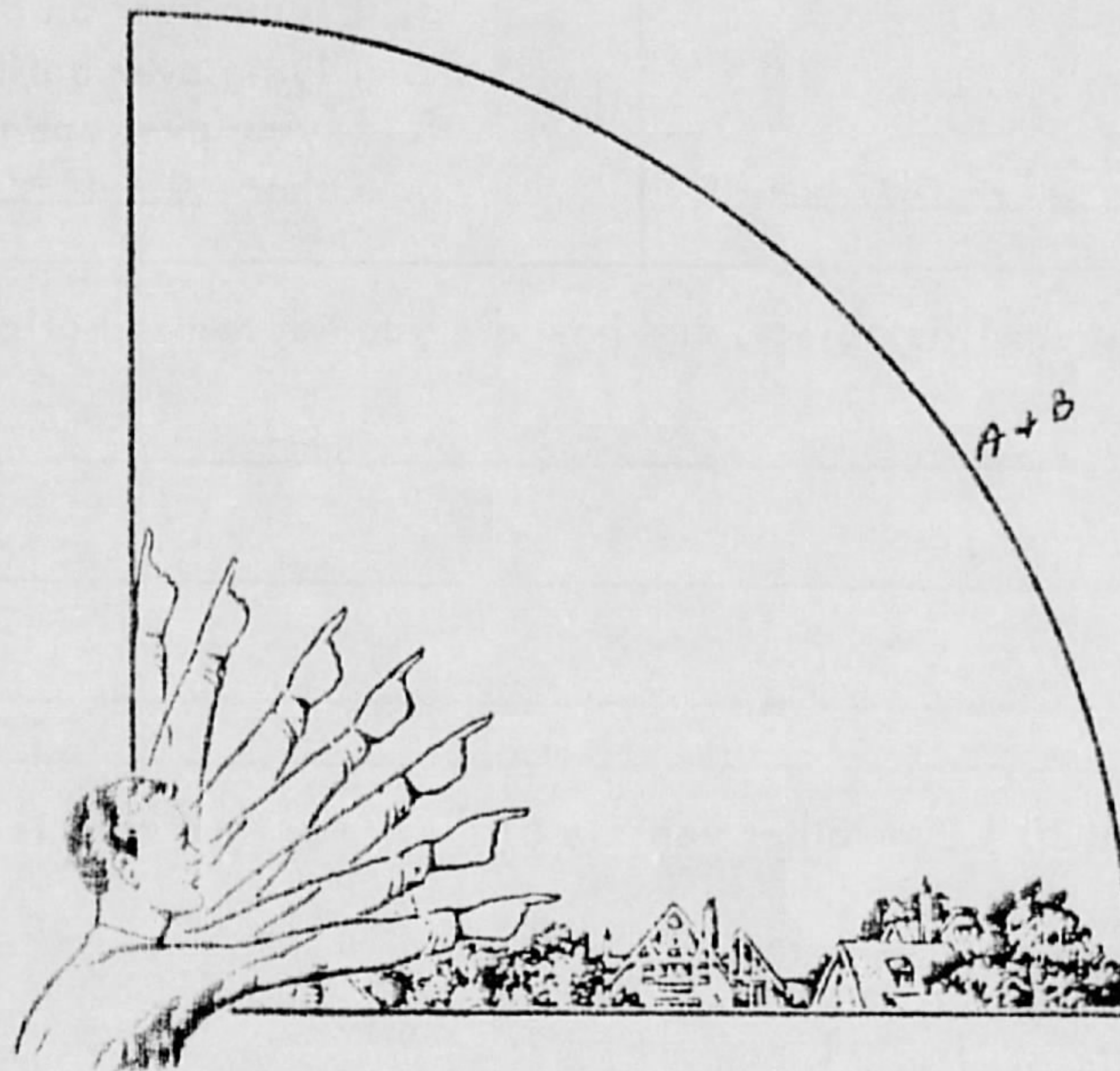
- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
 - b. Like a bright star
 - ☒ c. Sharply outlined
 - d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

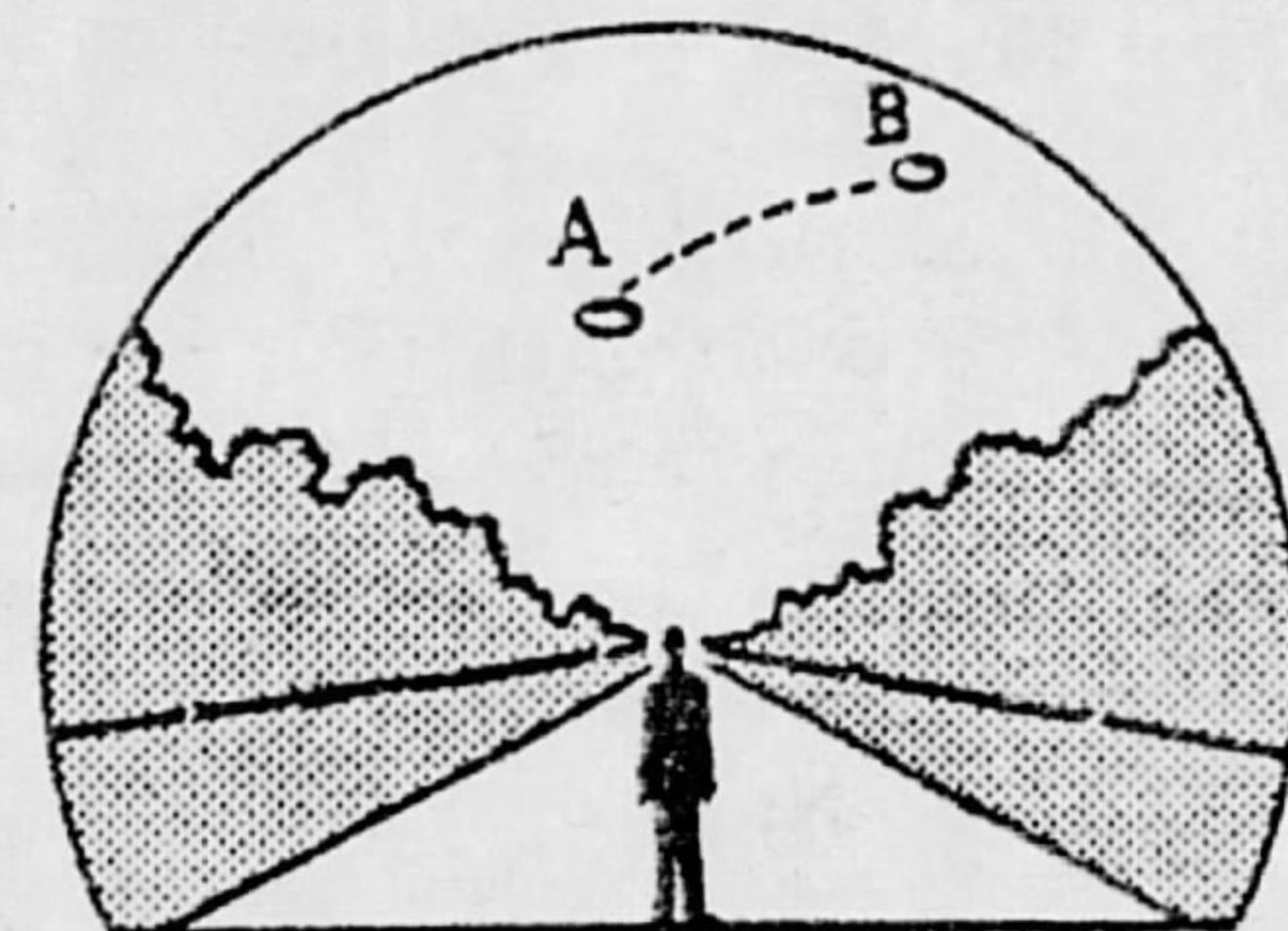
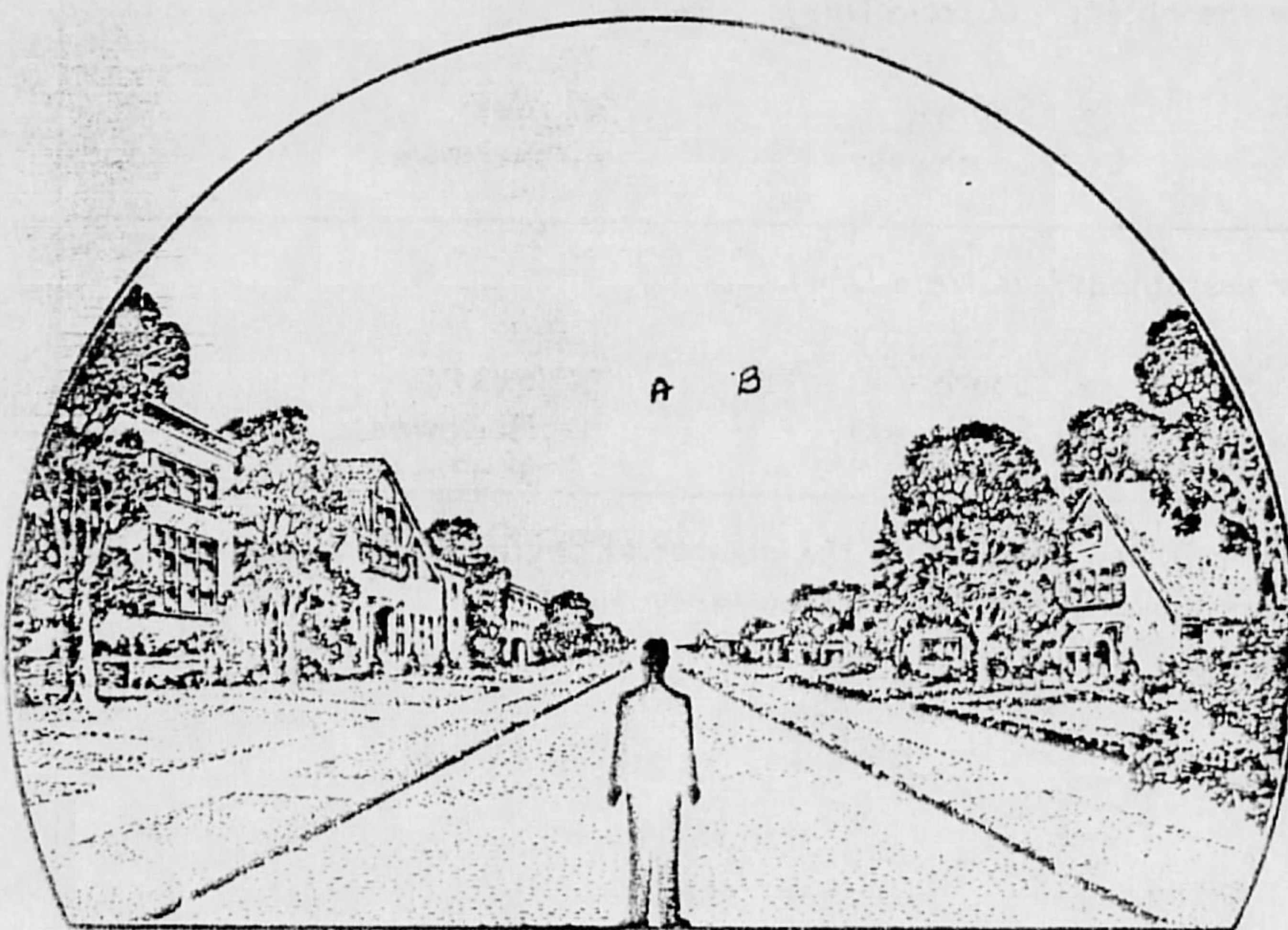
19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? Just one

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

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.



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 on the Control Tower Catwalk

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 ATAN Airport

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

Base Operations notified 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 | 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 | ☒ 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 240 degrees.
- b. From horizon 30 degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 245 degrees.
- b. From horizon 30 degrees.

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 _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS _____
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

What is your present job? Control Tower Chief

Age 27 Sex Male

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

- | | |
|--------------------------------|---|
| a. Grade school _____ | e. e. Technical school <u>Control Tower School</u> |
| b. High school <u>graduate</u> | (Type) _____ |
| c. College _____ | f. Other special training <u>5 Years experience</u> |
| d. Post graduate _____ | <u>In Control Tower.</u> |

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

18 June 1954
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

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

SIGNATURE

DATE

18 June 1954

At 0742 eastern standard time Base Operations called and told us about the the object and told us to take pictures of it. We spotted the object right away and began taking pictures. The first roll was used up so incase the film wasn't any good, as it had been in the camera for quite some time, the second roll was taken. The object was as described in form A, Round with ~~the~~ what appeared to be a string hanging from the bottom. It was first spotted to the sw, it appeared to be moving away and slightly to the right. The object was below the clouds which the Weather department estimated to be 31,000 feet. There was no appreciable movement or change in color, size or shape during the time it was in sight. At 0932 eastern standard time the object disappeared from sight. It seemed to disappear in the distance. In my opinion the object was a balloon.