

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 25 February 1956	2. LOCATION Sahaurita, Arizona		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 11:00 to 12:00 AM GMT 25/1800Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Civilian		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 hour plus	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE north	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Round object twice the diameter of a utility pole, color dark green, brown or black. No sound.		11. COMMENTS Probable balloon sighting.	

please follow up JHH

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?

25 FEB 1956
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 11 TO 12 APPROX
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] TUCSON ARIZONA
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country
Additional remarks: [REDACTED] IS APPROXIMATELY 15 MILES SOUTH
OF TUCSON ARIZONA

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. 1 PLUS
Hours 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? | <u>NEARLY</u> | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| d. Give off smoke? | | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| e. Change brightness? | | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape? | | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate? | | Yes | No | <u>Don't Know</u> |

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: AN UTILITY POLE ABOUT 1/2 MILE FROM OBSERVERS —
IT'S DIAMETER APPEARED ABOUT TWICE THAT OF THE POLE.

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud? — NO CLOUDS.

(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 | <u>Yes</u> | No | e. Binoculars | <u>Yes</u> | No |
| b. Sun glasses | <u>Yes</u> | No | f. Telescope | Yes | No |
| c. Windshield | <u>Yes</u> | No | g. Theodolite | Yes | No |
| d. Window glass | Yes | No | h. Other | <u>ALSO NAKED EYE</u> | |

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

a. Sound NO SOUNDS HEARD

b. Color DARK GREEN, BROWN OR BLACK

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.



AS SEEN WITH
NAKED EYE.



AS SEEN WITH
BINOCULARS. THE WAVY LINES
APPEARED TO BE HEAT WAVES BUT MIGHT
HAVE BEEN JUST CAUSED BY THE
ATMOSPHERE.

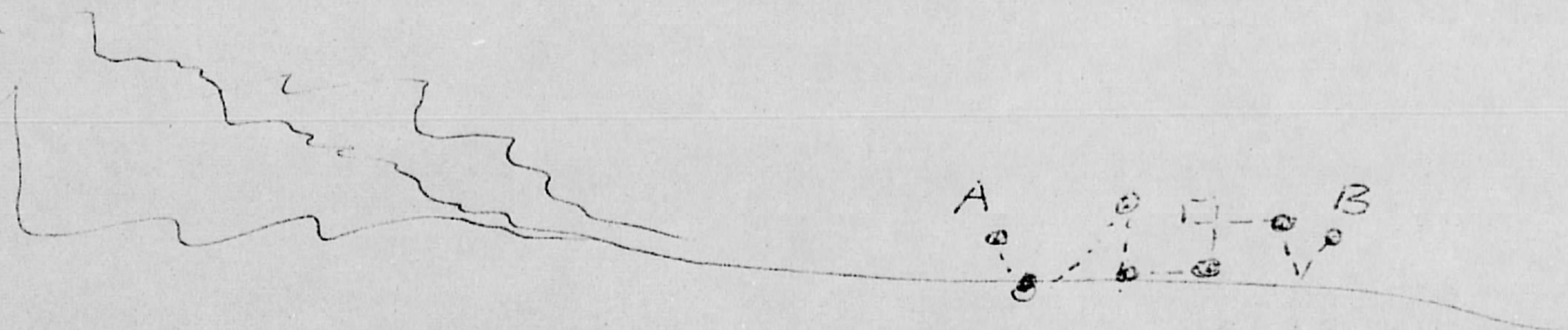
18. The edges of the object were:

- (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? ONLY ONE
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.

10 TO 50 feet. NOT CERTAIN

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? AFTER WATCHING IT FOR OVER AN HOUR AND NOT BEING ABLE TO LEARN ANY MORE ABOUT IT WE DROVE OFF AND CONTINUED ON TO NOGALES. THE OBJECT WAS STILL IN VIEW WHEN WE LEFT.

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.

I WOULD MAKE A LARGE CASTING OF IRON AND LEAVE IT IN A ROUGH FINISH. I WOULD ALLOW IT TO RUST OR DETERIORATE UNTIL IT WAS IN THE SHAPE OF A ROUGH SPHERE, IT'S SIZE MAYBE 10 FEET OR MAYBE 50 FEET IN DIAMETER. I WOULD ENDOW IT WITH THE ABILITY TO BE SELF PROPELLED IN THE AIR. THIS METHOD OF SELF PROPULSION MIGHT CAUSE IT TO GIVE OFF HEAT.

IN MY PERSONAL OPINION IT MORE NEARLY RESEMBLED PICTURES I HAVE SEEN OF FLOATING MINES, I KNOW IT SOUNDS SILLY BUT THAT IS HOW I CAN BEST DESCRIBE IT.

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 ON OUR WAY TO NOGALES, MEXICO ON A SHOPPING TRIP. MY WIFE
WAS LOOKING AT THE SCENERY WHEN IT CAUGHT HER EYE. WE STOPPED
THE CAR AND WATCHED IT THROUGH THE BINOCULARS

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? 50 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).

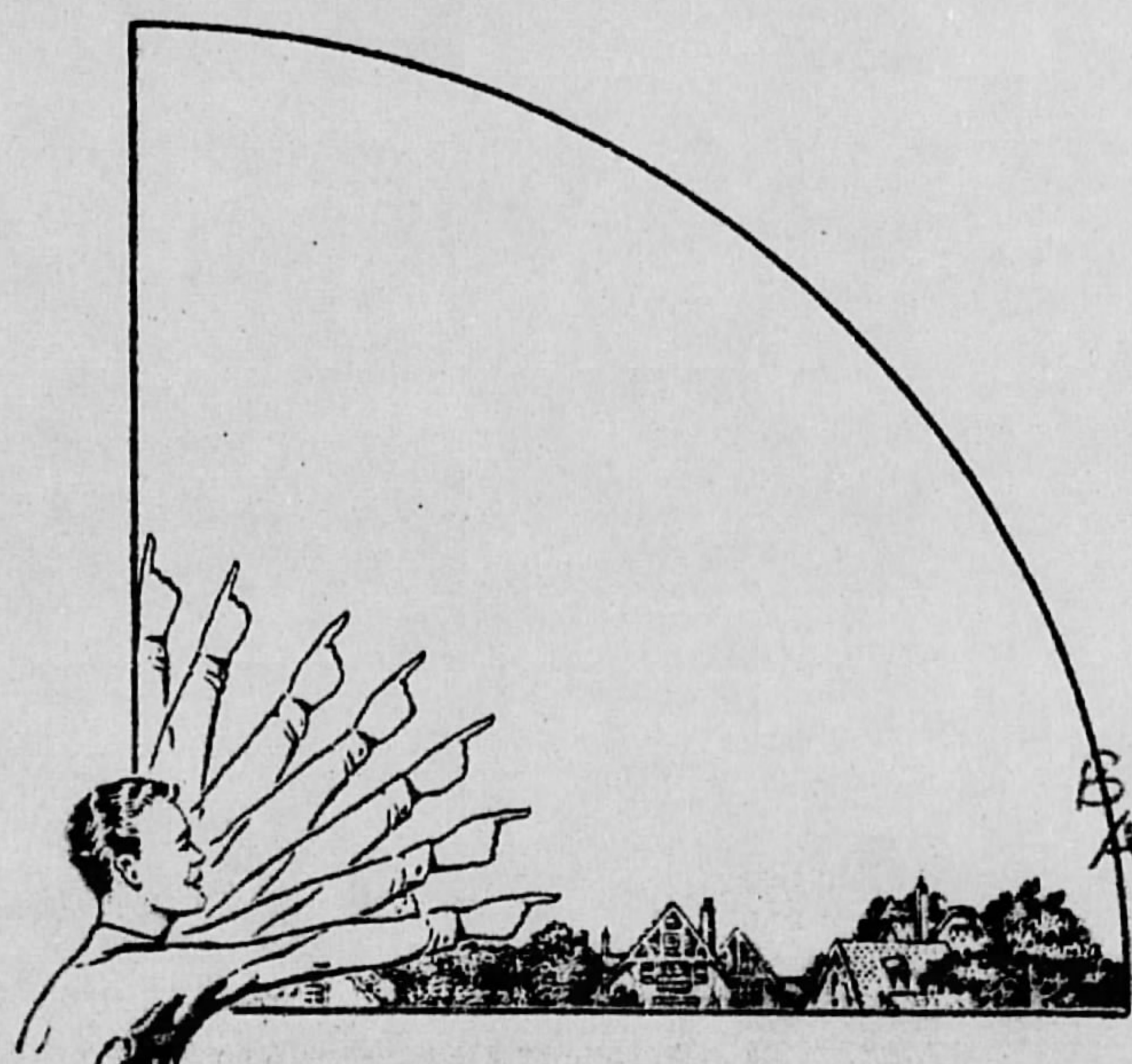
31.1 When it first appeared: 270-290

- a. From true North 70-80 degrees.
- b. From horizon 0-15 degrees.

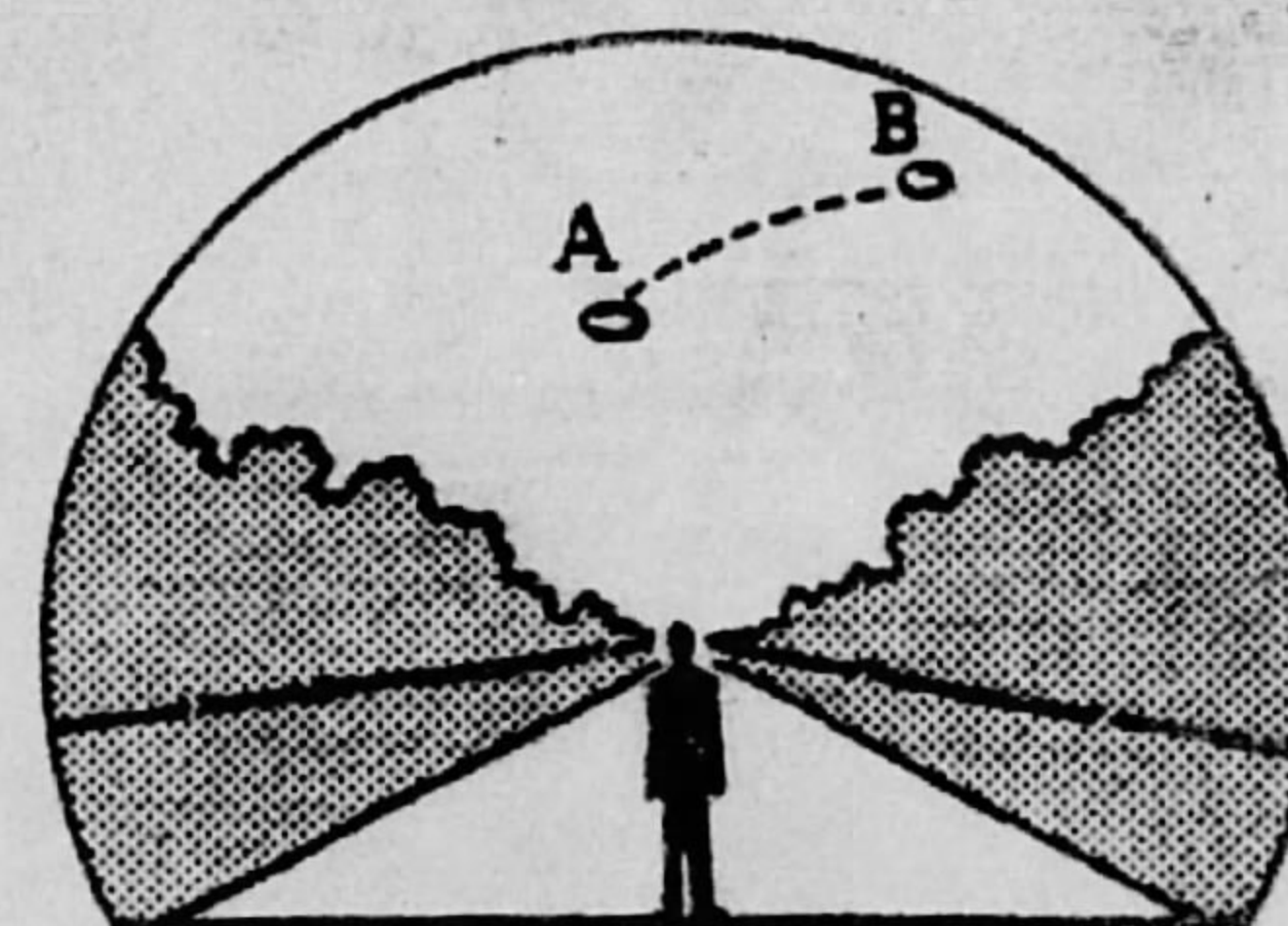
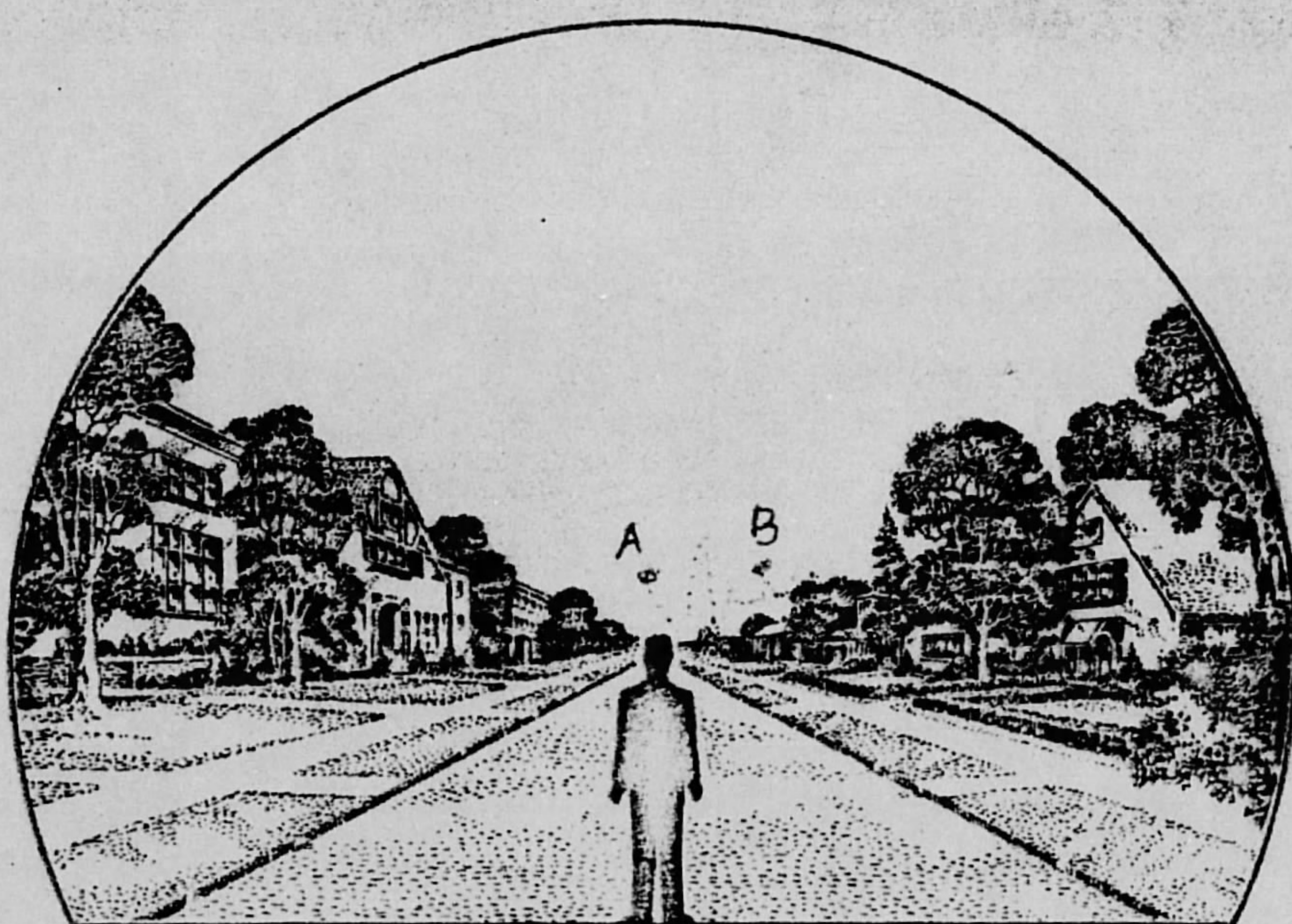
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 330 degrees.
- b. From horizon 5 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

70°

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object? I REPORTED TO D-M AIR BASE WHILE
 25 FEBRUARY 1956 THE OBJECT WAS STILL IN VIEW (BY PHONE)
 Day Month Year THEY WERE UNINTERESTED.

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:

MR. & MRS. [REDACTED]

MIDDLETOWN, OHIO

(NOW ON VACATION IN CALIFORNIA)

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? IT WAS A TANGIBLE
 OBJECT. I CAN NOT EXPLAIN ITS ORIGIN OR EXISTENCE. I FIRMLY BELIEVE IT WAS
 NOT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: AN HALUCINATION, AN AIRPLANE, HELICOPTER, BIRD,
 BALLOON, KITE OR ANYTHING ELSE WITH WHICH I AM FAMILIAR.

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

(Circle One) Yes No

IT WAS MOVING SLOWLY, MOSTLY
IN A VERTICAL DIRECTION.

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

I FIRST ESTIMATED 2 MILES--
AFTER DRIVING 2 OR 3 MILES TOWARDS
IT AND NOT GETTING MUCH CLOSER I
DECIDED IT MUST BE MUCH FARTHER AWAY.

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

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

First Name Middle Name

ADDR _____
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

What is your present job? TOOL PROOFER - HUGHES AIRCRAFT CO. TUCSON

Age 43 Sex MALE

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

- a. Grade school _____ e. e. Technical school _____
b. High school _____ (Type) _____
c. College _____ f. Other special training SOME METEOROLOGY
d. Post graduate _____ IN C.A.P. IN 1944. WHEELING, W.VA.

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

18 MARCH 1956
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 _____

(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

SIGNATURE _____

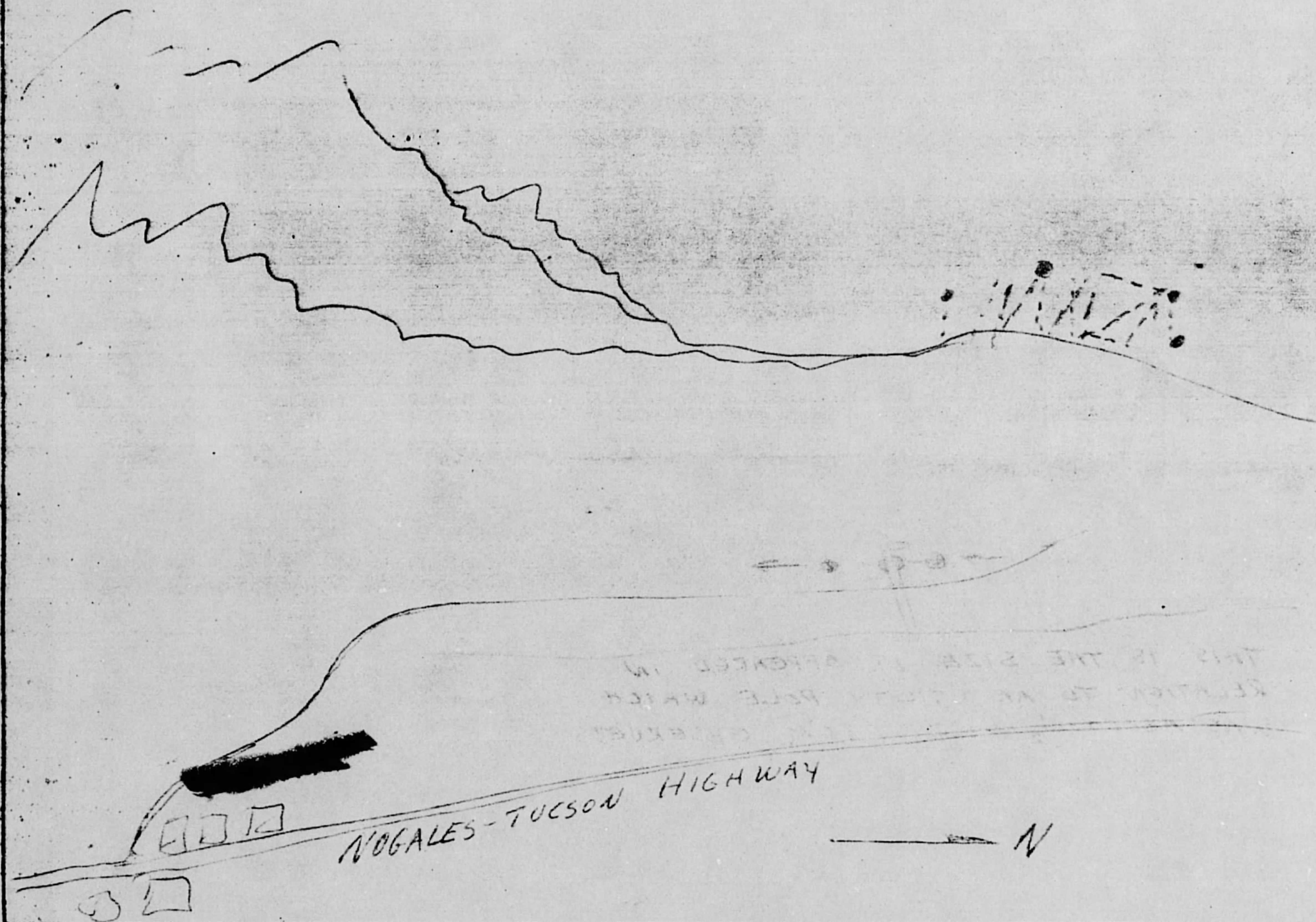
DATE

March 16, 1956

About 11 AM on Feb. 25th 1956 about 15 miles south of Tucson, Ariz., we noticed a spherical object which appeared over the foot hills of the mountains to the west of us. We judged it to be about two miles away and seemed to hover over the desert and then descend almost to the ground and then rise again. We had good binoculars and all four of us in turn attempted to classify the object as something familiar but were unable to do so. We drove a mile or so to the small town of Sahuarita and phoned from a tavern to the Davis-Monthan Air Base, Air Police and reported the object. They were uninterested and I felt like a fool or mental incompetent. Since we had no official assistance we attempted to investigate ourselves. There was a road leading in the general direction of the object so we drove towards it stopping several times to observe the object through the binoculars. We had at first thought the object was landing on the desert floor but after driving a couple of miles and not getting much closer we decided it had been descending to the horizon beyond the foothills and then rising again. At no time did it rise very high, perhaps 10 or 15 degrees from the horizon. The road we were on ended at a private ranch so since we could apparently get no closer there didn't seem to be any point in waiting longer. We had a 8mm movie camera with us but felt the object was too far away to appear in a picture so we didn't use it. There were two or three patrons of the tavern who confirmed the object as we saw it but they were of different opinions, one said it was a kite the others didn't know. We returned to the area three or four hours later but the object was gone. We don't know what it was but we are extremely interested. We mentioned our experience to several people, some were interested, others skeptical. We were ridiculed at the time we did not say we thought it might be some extra terrestrial object. The next time, if any, we will say nothing about it to the general public.

Thank you for your answer to my report and for the additional information. I don't agree with the opinion that the object we saw was a balloon but I could be wrong. At least we feel that someone is interested and that we weren't having bad dreams. If we could be of any further help we of course would do so.

Following is a rough sketch of the area as I remember it.





25/1700 Z to 1800Z
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HEADQUARTERS
4602D AIR INTELLIGENCE SERVICE SQUADRON (ADC)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
ENT AIR FORCE BASE, COLORADO

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AISOC

2 January 1957

SUBJECT: Sahaurita Case

TO: Commander
Air Technical Intelligence Center
ATTN: AFOIN 4E4
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Ohio

1. Reference your letter, AFOIN 4E4, Subject: (U) Request for UFO Investigation, dated 16 May 1956.
2. Inclosed is the correspondence on the ~~SAHAURITA~~ Case.
3. This headquarters has given a "Possible Balloon" evaluation to this sighting for the following reasons:

Although details of sighting indicate sighting was caused by a balloon, there is no evidence to indicate a balloon was in the area.

4. Request you advise this organization of any further action needed.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

9 Incls

1. Ltr, ATIC, Reg for UFO Investigation
2. ATIC Form 164
3. Msg AIS1C 077
4. Msg AIS1C 082
5. D/F, Memo for Record, 6 Jun 56
6. Msg, 1910AACS, 1910T-06-S-1
7. D/F, fr Comdr 4602d AISS, 8 Jun 56
8. D/F, fr AIS1C, 22 Jun 56
9. Ltr, AISOP, 9 Jul 56, w/3 Ind

Charles W. Godsey
CHARLES W. GODSEY
Captain, USAF
Assistant Adjutant

Gen Mills
has indicated
that there are
a number of
"runaway" and
lost balloons
each year, many
are found later
way off course.

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116 MAY 1956

AFOIN-424

SUBJECT: (U) Request for UFO Investigation

TO: Commander
Air Defense Command
ATTN: 4602d AHS
Ent Air Force Base
Colorado Springs, Colorado

1. Attached herewith is a USAF Technical Information Sheet on a UFO sighting submitted by Mr. [REDACTED] of Sahaurita, Arizona.

2. On the basis of a preliminary review and analysis of the sighting reported, it is the opinion of this office that further information and more detailed data will be required to carry this matter to some firm conclusion.

3. In accordance with AFR 200-2, it is requested that an investigation of this specific sighting be conducted, and the results made known to AFIS as expeditiously as possible.

4. In any reply or correspondence to this UFO sighting, it would be appreciated if reference be made to the "Sahaurita Case."

FOR THE COMMANDER

1 Incl
USAF Tech Info Sheet

WALLACE W. ELWOOD
1st Lt., USAF
Assistant Adjutant

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CMN 22 MAY CMN RE CLK HFOB SIGHTING 23 FEB 56 PD TWO BALLOONS RELEASED

CMN ONE ON 22 FEB AND ONE ON 23 FEB 56 PD DR ALVIN H. HOWELL WILL GIVE

DEFINITE STATEMENT TO THIS UNIT ON MAY 23 COM UPON HIS RETURN FROM

BOSTON MASS PD YOUR HQ W/B NOTIFIED BY TTNSG IMMED UPON RECEIPT OF INFO BY

THIS FLT PD END

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UNCLAS AISIC 082 PD BALLOON PROBABLY RELEASED ON PROJECT 119 L PD

MAJ RAY ZELINKA FROM CAMBRIDGE AFB RESEARCH CENTER IN CHARGE PD LR

WRIGHT DE LOWERY AFB DENVER CMM PHONE CMT EXT 535

CMM HAS BALLOON TRAJECTORY PD END

BT

01/1734Z MAY RJWPJB

15-36 miles SW of

MUSEUM AFB 2 CR

25 Feb 56 - 17 12 PM

25/ 1800-1900Z Feb 56

Noted 01/13/56 EST Jun 56

Loc 4

R.D.

AISOP

Comdr, 4602d AISS

Long Distance Telephone Call

AISOP

6 Jun 56
1331 hours
AISS Log #41
S/Sgt DeRudder/4498

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

1. Telephone conversation between S/Sgt DeRudder, this headquarters, and S/Sgt Neiry, 1910th AACS, Lowry AFB, Colorado.
2. The undersigned called Sgt Neiry to ascertain the position of any balloon which could have been in the Tucson, Arizona area at 25/1800Z Feb 56. After checking all records Sgt Neiry stated that they had no record of a balloon in subject area on 25 Feb 56. Sgt Neiry informed the undersigned that he would recheck all his records and inform this headquarters by mail if he should find positive information about a balloon in the Tucson area.

R.D.
Ronald R. DeRudder, S/Sgt, USAF
NCOIC, UPCH Section

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UNCLAS 191BT-06-S-1 ATTN AISOC. RE TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WY JUNE 56.
NO BALTIN FLIGHTS I AREA MENTIONED ON 251 FEB 256.

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AISSOP

OIC, Flt 1-C

WSHA, Flt 1-C, 1 Jun 56

Comdr, 4602d AISS

8 June 1956
Capt McEntee/4498

7. Operations Control

b. Action Required

- (1) As suggested Lowry AFB, Colo., was contacted for possible correlation of balloon tracking in the Tucson, Arizona area. Negative results. If your Flight has any further information such as balloon flight number, etc., or can ascertain balloon trackings through Vernallis NAAS request action be initiated. Request headquarters be informed of action taken.

HENRY C. BOMER, Capt, USAF
Assistant Adjutant

TO	FROM	DATE	COMMENT NO. 2
Comdr 4602d AISS ATTN: AISSOP	OIC, Flt 1-C	15 Jun 56 Capt Steffel/al/4101	

1. Vernallis NAAS contacted on 13 and 15 Jun 56. Information requested is being compiled and will be sent to Flt 1-C early next week for relay to Hq AISS.

RS
RICHARD S. STEFFEL, Captain, USAF
Officer In Charge, Flight 1-C

Incl 7

4602d Air Intelligence Service Sq, (ADC), AISOP, subj: Request for
Balloon Trackings

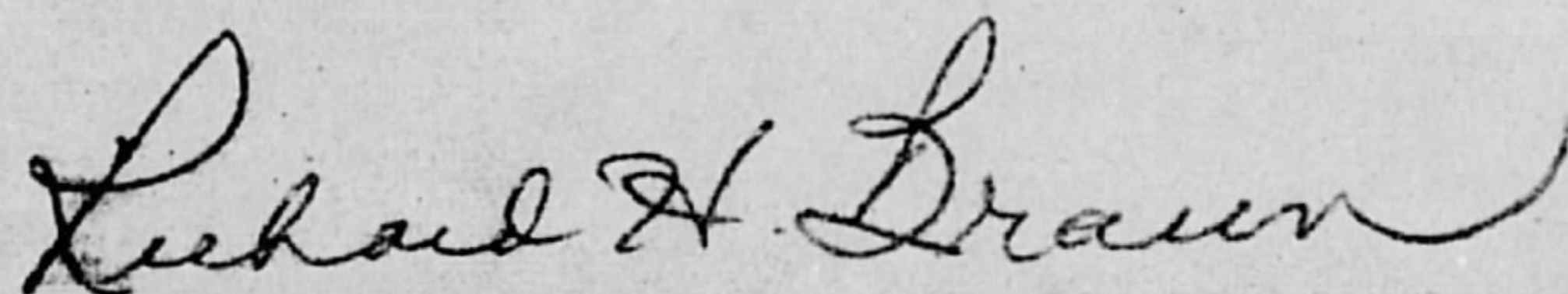
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HQ, AF CAMBRIDGE RESEARCH CENTER, Air Research and Development
Command, L.G. Hanscom Field, Bedford, Massachusetts
13 December 1956

TO: Commander, 4602d Air Intelligence Service Squadron (ADC)
Ent Air Force Base, Colorado Springs, Colorado
ATTN: AISOP

Reference is made to paragraph 2 of 1st Ind. and paragraph
2a of 2nd Ind. Records available indicate that flight I-2 was east of 80°
W. Longitude and that flight I-5 had terminated before 25/1800Z
February 1956. Therefore, it appears that neither of these flights account
for the report mentioned in the basic letter.

FOR THE COMMANDER:



RICHARD H. BRAUN

Major, USAF

Chief, Atmospheric Devices Laboratory
Geophysics Research Directorate

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22 Jun 56
WO Holm/al/4101

1/ Reference UFOB Sighting over Tucson, Arizona, 25 Feb 56, and DF, AISOP
Subject: WSUA, Flt 1-C, 1 Jun 56, dated 8 Jun 56.

2. Dr. Alvin H. Howell of the Vernallis NAAS contacted Maj. R.H. Braun of the Air Force Research Center, 415 Summer Street, Boston, Mass office symbol CHHD for the track information of the balloons launched on the 22 and 23 of Feb 56. The balloon launching numbers are I8 and I9. The tracks will be forwarded upon receipt of a request at the above address ATTN: Maj. R.H. Braun.

RSS
RICHARD S. STEFFEL, Captain, USAF
Officer In Charge



INC 18

HEADQUARTERS
4602d AIR INTELLIGENCE SERVICE SQUADRON (ADC)
ENT AIR FORCE BASE
COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO

AISOP

9 JUL 1956

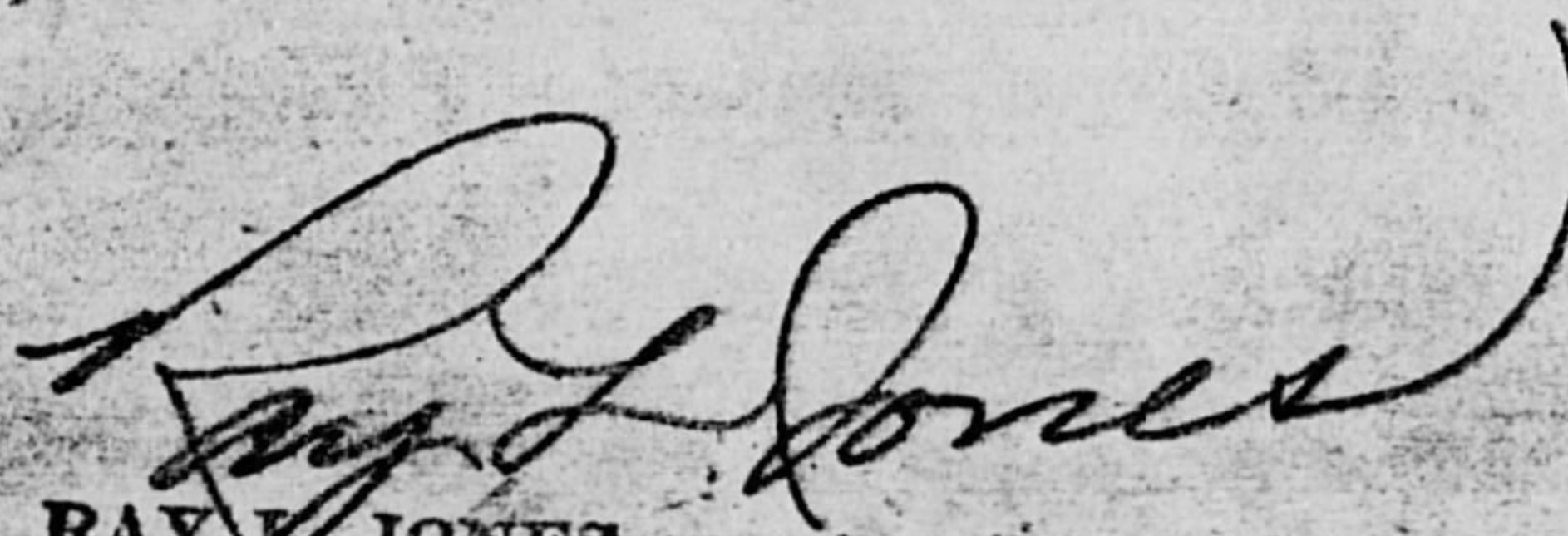
SUBJECT: Request for Balloon Trackings

TO: Commander
USAF Research Center
ATTN: CRHD
415 Summer Street
Boston, Massachusetts

1. Reference contact between Dr. Alvin H. Howell of Vernallis NAAS and Major R.H. Braun, your organization, with respect to track information of balloons #18 and #19, launched from Vernallis NAAS on 22 and 23 February 1956, respectively.

2. One of the aforementioned balloons was possibly the cause of an unidentified flying object (UFOB) sighting on 25 February 1956. It is requested that this headquarters be furnished with the trackings of Vernallis balloons #18 and #19 to deny or substantiate the above hypothesis.

FOR THE COMMANDER:


RAY E. JONES
Major, USAF
Adjutant

4602d Air Intelligence Service Sq, (ADC), AISOP, subj: Request for
Balloon Trackings

CRZD P-6641 (9 Jul 56)

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HQ, AF CAMBRIDGE RESEARCH CENTER, Air Research and
Development Command, L. G. Hanscom Field, Bedford, Massachusetts
20 July 1956

TO: Commander, 4602d Air Intelligence Service Squadron (ADC)
Ent Air Force Base, Colorado Spring, Colorado
ATTN: AISOP

1. This Center has no record of balloon flights #18 or #19 having been launched from Vernalis NAS on 22 or 23 February 1956. However, during the two day period 23-24 February 1956 flights I-1 through I-5 were launched from this site. Of these five flights, I-1, I-3, and I-4 terminated prematurely, the maximum flight time of the three being that of I-4, which was approximately 2 hours 44 minutes. Flights I-2, launched 23 February 1956, and I-5, launched 24 February 1956, remained aloft for several days prior to terminating and remained within the ZI for the greater part of their time in the air.

2. We request that you inform us of the approximate location of the subject unidentified flying object (UFOB) sighting in order that we might inspect our available trajectory information on flights I-2 and I-5.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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Chief, Atmospheric Devices Laboratory
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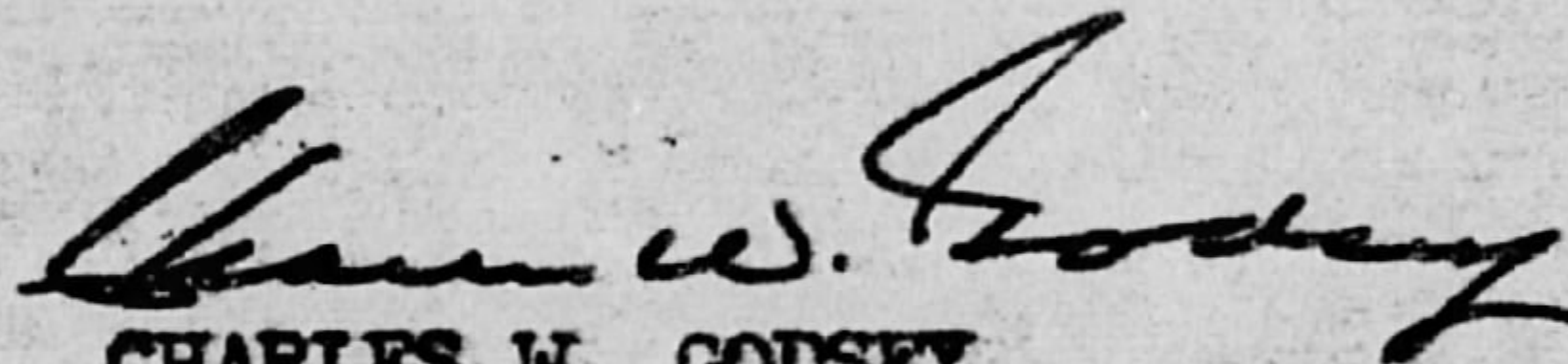
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TO: Commander, AF Cambridge Research Center (ARDC), ATTN: CRZD P-6641,
L.G. Hanscom Field, Bedford, Massachusetts

1. Due to administrative oversight, reply to 1st indorsement has been delayed.
2. The information requested by the 1st indorsement as follows:
 - a. Subject unidentified flying object (UFOB) sighting took place from 25/1800Z Feb 56 to 25/1900Z Feb 56 at Sahaurita, Arizona (GEOREF EJKF 0258--35°58'N, 110°52'W).

FOR THE COMMANDER:


CHARLES W. GODSEY
Captain, USAF
Assistant Adjutant

25 Feb. 1956 Sahauri 141 Arizona
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