

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 5 November 1957		2. LOCATION Springfield, Ohio		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>0450</u> GMT <u>05/0950Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 6 - 10 seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE SE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Object, shape of cigar, 150 to 200 ft long, glowing a light haze blue, appeared to be headed in a SE direction, the farther S it was it appeared to be brighter, seemed to melt into the clouds. The light had a peculiar frosty blue color at the northern terminus & an extreme brilliance at the southern terminus. No sound.				11. COMMENTS Light observed was from an under-terminated, but probably ground source.	
12. Other <u>Ground Lights</u> ☒ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown <i>perhaps transformer light etc</i>					

6 November 57

SUBJECT: Summary Report - Springfield "Blue Light" Incident, 5 Nov 57

TO: AFCIN4X1, Mr. Arcier
AFCIN4X3

1. Major Cooper and Capt Matsuo, Det. 8, AISS, WPATB, were requested to investigate the incident because of the many inquiries by Dayton, Springfield and Columbus press and TV representatives. Details and guidance personally provided these officers prior to their departure.

2. Interrogations and investigations disclosed the following:

a. Light observed was from an undetermined, but probably ground source.

b. Locale is in a hilly area. It was observed that cars on an "up incline" threw their beams sky ward. It has been repeatedly proven that beams of light under misty or foggy conditions normally have a peculiar "blue, frosty color" as described by observers.

3. Weather conditions existing in the area at that time: rain, misty, low clouds, poor visibility and almost "ceiling zero".

4. A number of factories having heat sources and "open type chimneys" were located less than a mile away, and in directions of the observers.

5. With regard to the allegations of [redacted], the investigators reported that [redacted] who is a part time janitor at the city hall, was in the room when police officers [redacted] and [redacted] were relating the incident. [redacted] suddenly remarked that "his ignition system and the taxi next to him went out at the same time" that the officers saw the light. Major Cooper and Capt Matsuo both stated that the janitor made the statement on the basis of "suggestability".

6. Dayton, Springfield and Columbus press and TV representatives have been continuously querying ATIC all day re this incident.

George T. Gregory
GEORGE T. GREGORY
Captain, USAF

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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.

1. When did you see the object?

5 Day 11 Month 57 Year

2. Time of day:

4 Hour 50 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] Nearest Postal Address Springfield City or Town Ohio State or Country USA

Additional remarks: _____

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

Hours

Minutes

Seconds

5 to 15

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? 5

- 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>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | <u>Yes</u> | No | 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? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate? | Yes | <u>No</u> | 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: _____

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 | Yes | <u>No</u> |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | <u>No</u> | f. Telescope | Yes | <u>No</u> |
| c. Windshield | <u>Yes</u> | No | g. Theodolite | Yes | <u>No</u> |
| d. Window glass | Yes | <u>No</u> | h. Other _____ | | |

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

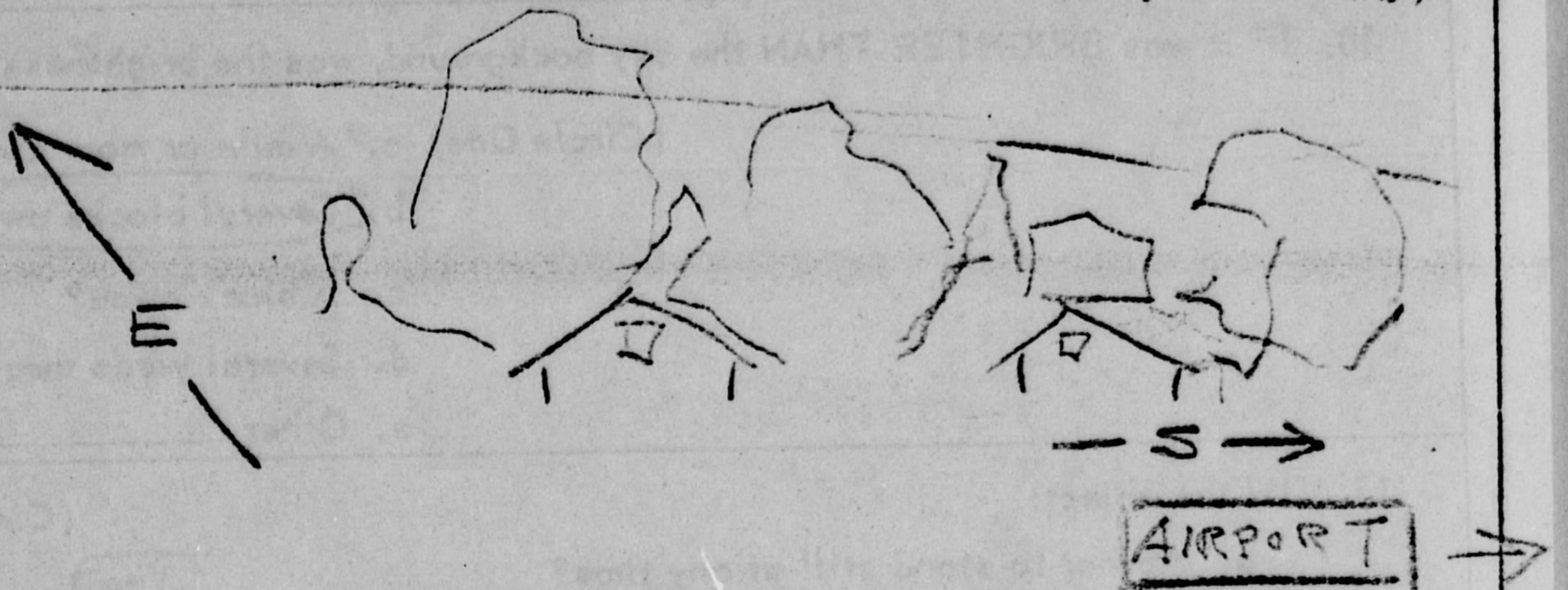
a. Sound None

b. Color Light frosty blue to brilliant as the sun

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.

LIGHT BLUE

BRILLIANT



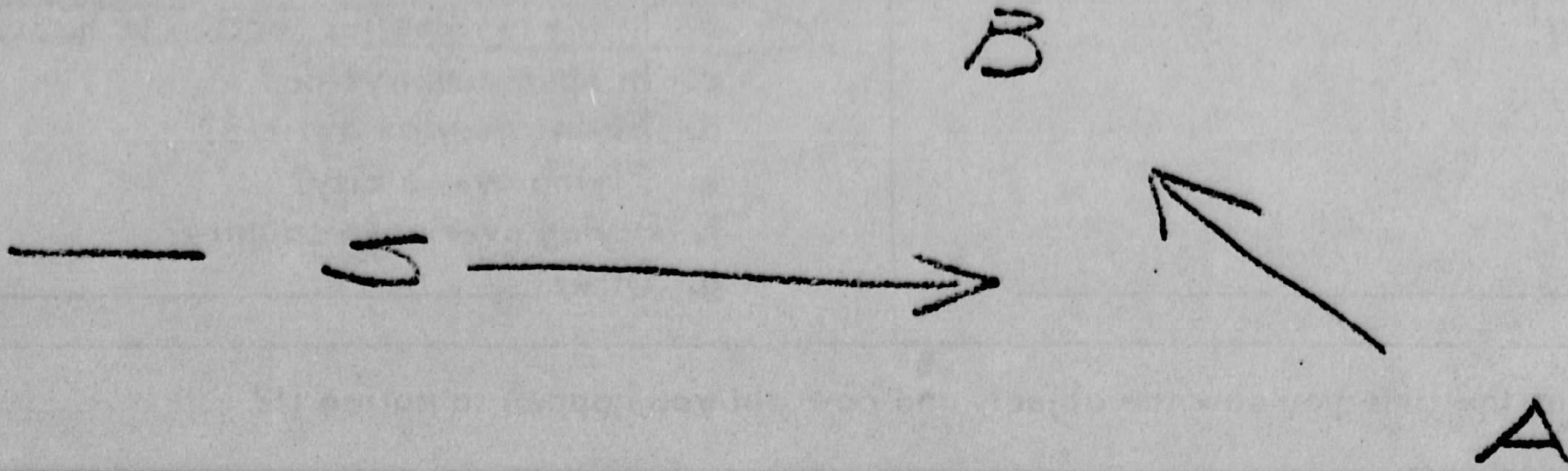
18. The edges of the object were:

- (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.
2000 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. 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

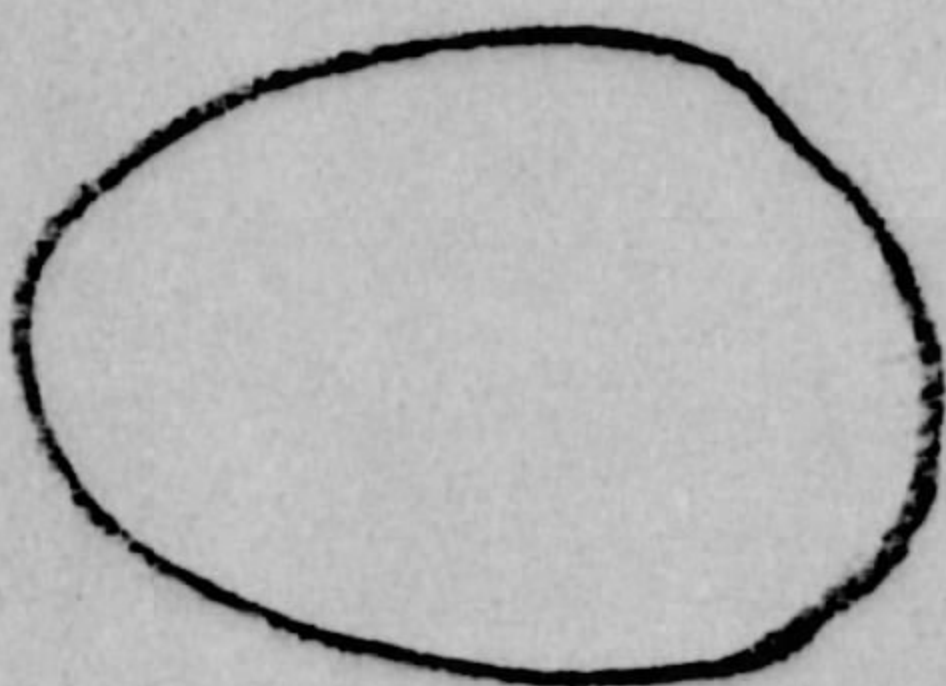
c. Not very sure

d. Uncertain

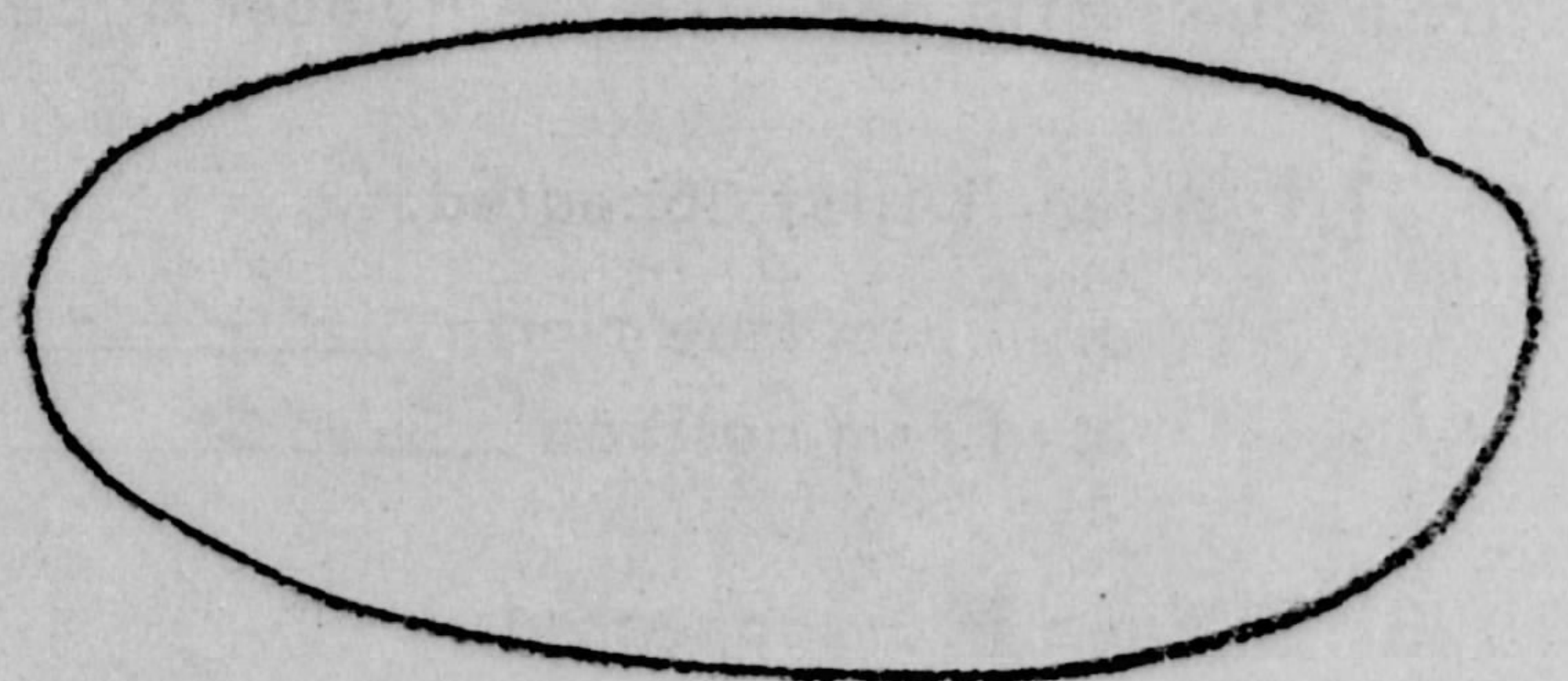
23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? EITHER MOVED IN AN
EASTERLY DIRECTION, OR VANISHED.

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.

In relation to a searchlight, it was larger and in the dimension of a dirigible



SEARCHLIGHT BEAM



THIS OBJECT
MUCH LARGER

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?

DRIVING IN A CRUISER SOUTH ON WITTENBERG AND SAW
THE LIGHT TO THE LEFT ABOUT 4 SQUARES EAST,
NOT APPEARING AT A GREAT HEIGHT - BRILLIANCE
OF LIGHT ATTRACTED OUR ATTENTION.

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 | <u>e. South</u> | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

28.2 How fast were you moving? 15 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 | <u>d. Southeast</u> | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | <u>c. East</u> | 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).

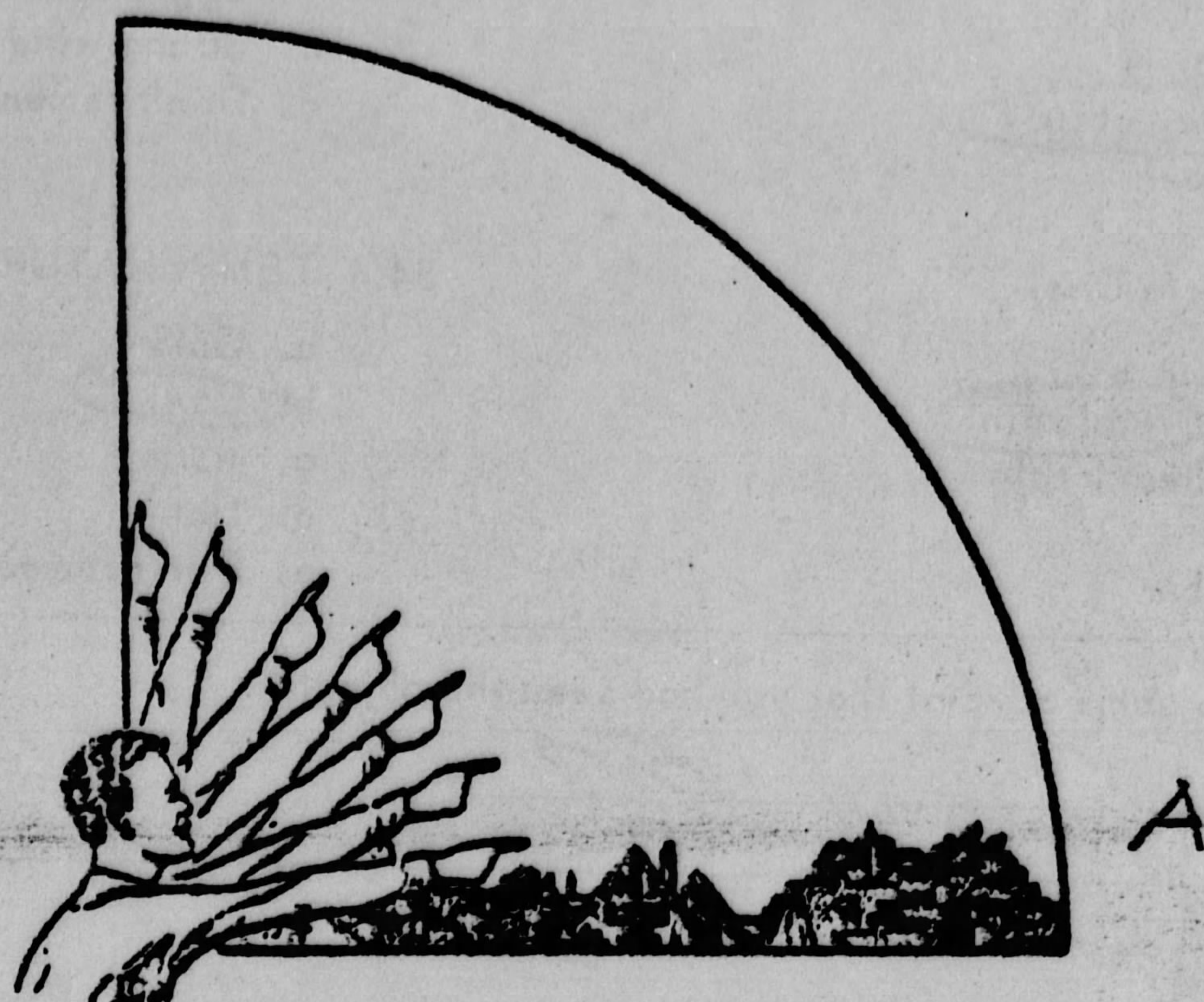
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North 110° degrees.
- b. From horizon 10° degrees.

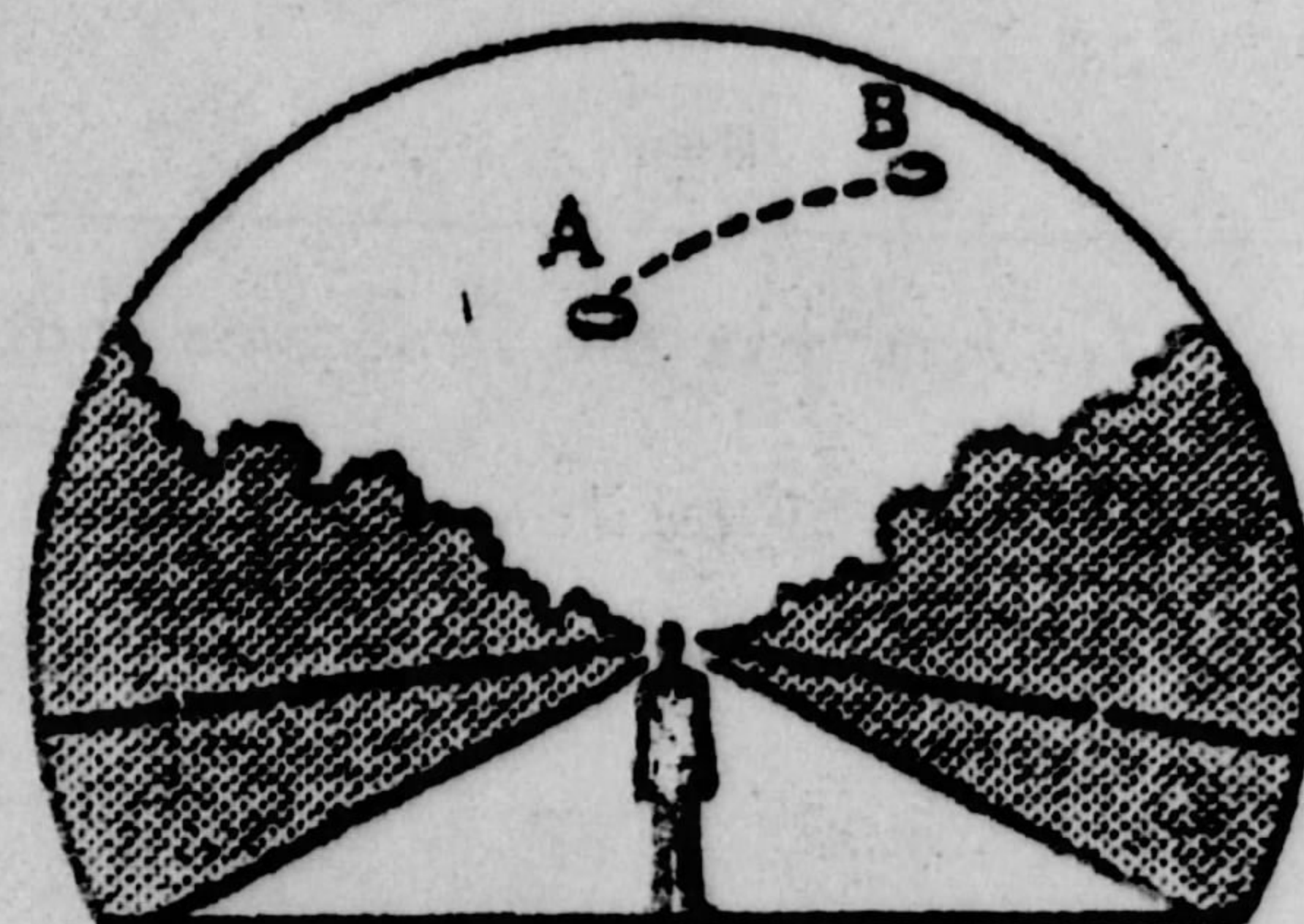
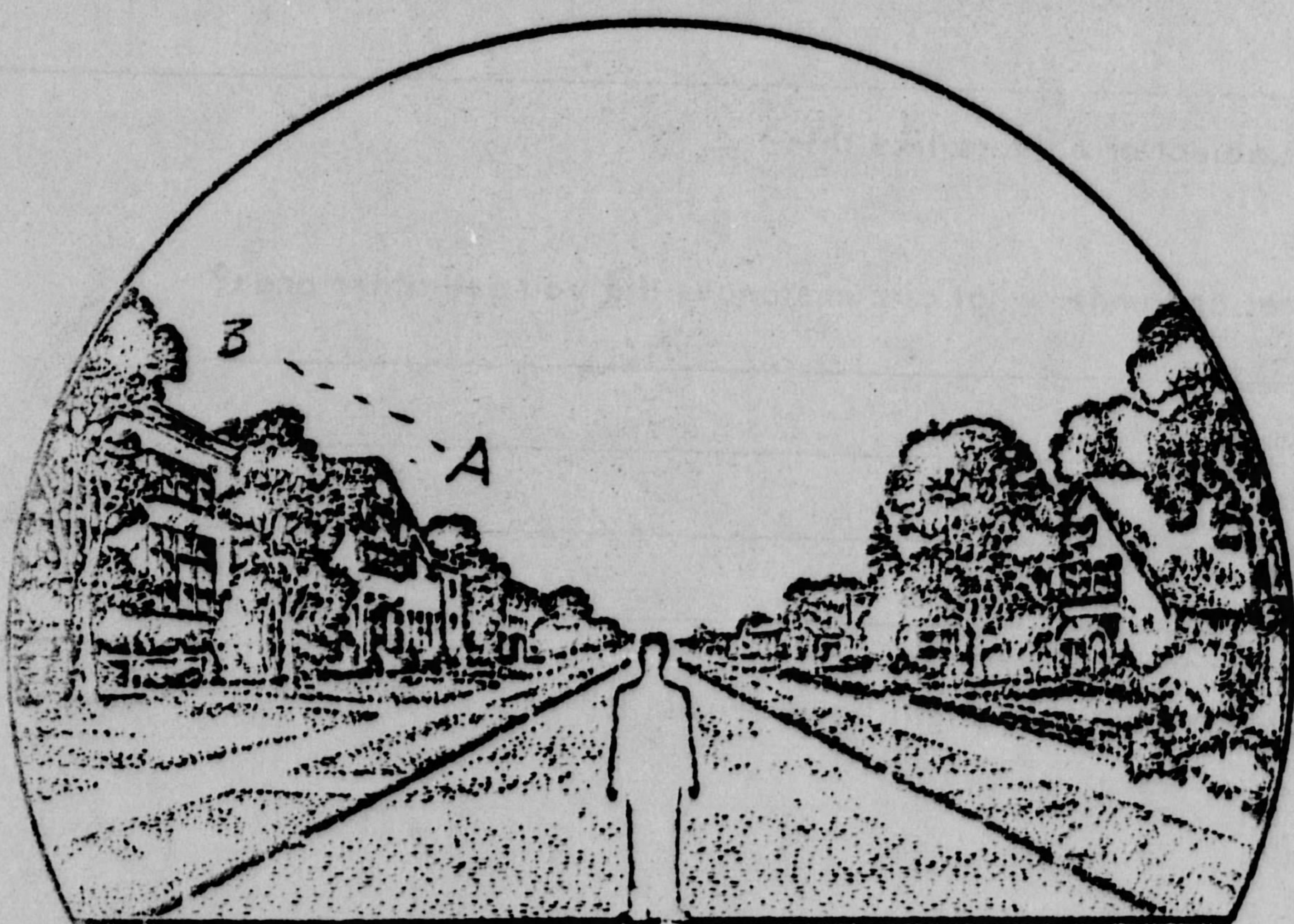
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 110° degrees.
- b. From horizon 10° 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

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

5 11 57
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:

SPRINGFIELD OHIO FIRE DIVISION

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?

I DON'T KNOW

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? 2000 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? _____

Age 45 Sex MALE

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school ☒

b. High school ☒

c. College 2 YEARS

d. Post graduate _____

e. e. Technical school _____

(Type) _____

f. Other special training _____

POLICE

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

5 11 1957
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 [REDACTED]

(Do Not Write in This Space)

SIGNATURE [REDACTED]

CODE:

DATE November 5, 1957

Officer [REDACTED] and myself were patrolling, in a cruiser, south on Witterburg Ave., at about 4:50 AM when I first noticed this light or something to the southeast of us. I asked [REDACTED] if he could see it and he said "yes". We decided that it was a searchlight. Off [REDACTED] suggested it was originating from Jubel's Corner and that it was a searchlight. I was driving and started toward the source of origination. When we moved about 6 squares south and east, the light moved or disappeared to the east. In relation to our first observation on Witterburg, the light seemed to be low and over Clifton Ave which is five blocks east. To me the light seemed to terminate at either Euclid or Grand Ave which was two blocks south and extended southward. At the Grand Ave terminus, the light, to me, seemed to be

light blue in color and the further south you looked it seemed to be brighter (brighter than the sun). After the light disappeared to the east, we proceeded to Lappah Lane under Limestone searching for the origination, which we thought we could locate, but were unable to see anything of it. We remarked of the weather conditions, the low clouds, rain. Poor visibility, ceiling zero, etc., then proceeded to headquarters and gave the info to Lt. Able.

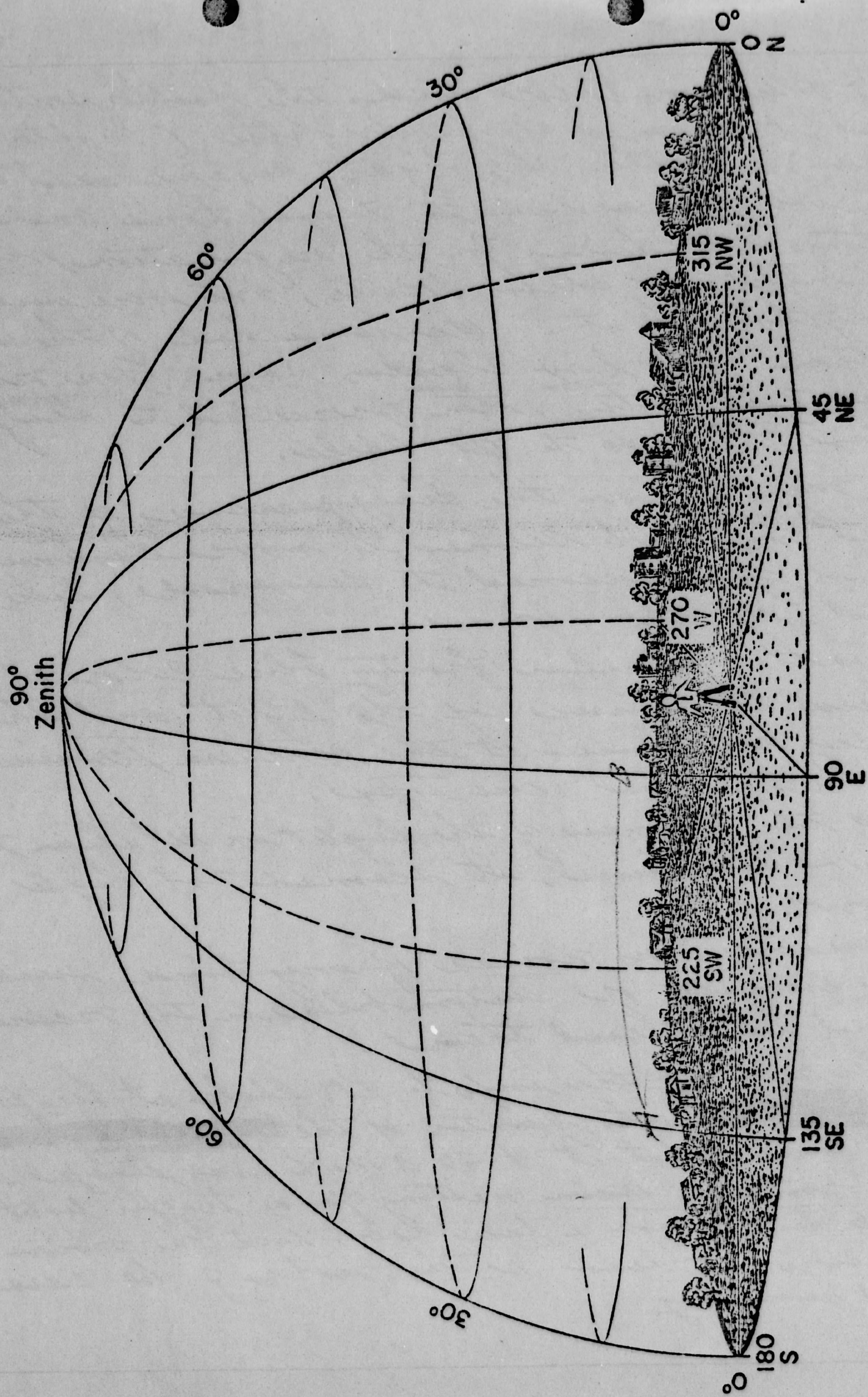
In my opinion the disappearance of the light bothered me. It seemed to move eastward, but again it just seemed to disappear, like it melted into the clouds.

Also the peculiar frosty blue color at the northern terminus of the light and the extreme brilliance at the southern terminus above the trees and house tops.

Also the lowness of the light in relation to our Livingston terminus, it seemed not high or not low.

There were no noises of any kind, such as flying aircraft or automobiles in the vicinity we could have heard them.

After relating the info to Lt. Able at headquarters, ~~the Janitor of the~~ related to me, that at 4:50 a.m. he was stopped in his car at Fountain & Main waiting for a traffic light and alongside his car was a taxi cab, and the motor on both cars went dead or the motor of the car stopped running.



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1. When did you see the object?

5th November '57
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

4 hr. 50
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?

Springfield Ohio Springfield Ohio Ohio USA
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country

Additional remarks: _____

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

Hours

Minutes

Seconds

6 to 10 sec.

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?: Yes

(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 possibly a mile

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- | | | | |
|---|-----|-----------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time? | Yes | <u>No</u> | 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 | <u>No</u> | 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: _____

14. Did the object appear: (Circle One):

a. Solid?

b. Transparent?

c. Don't Know.

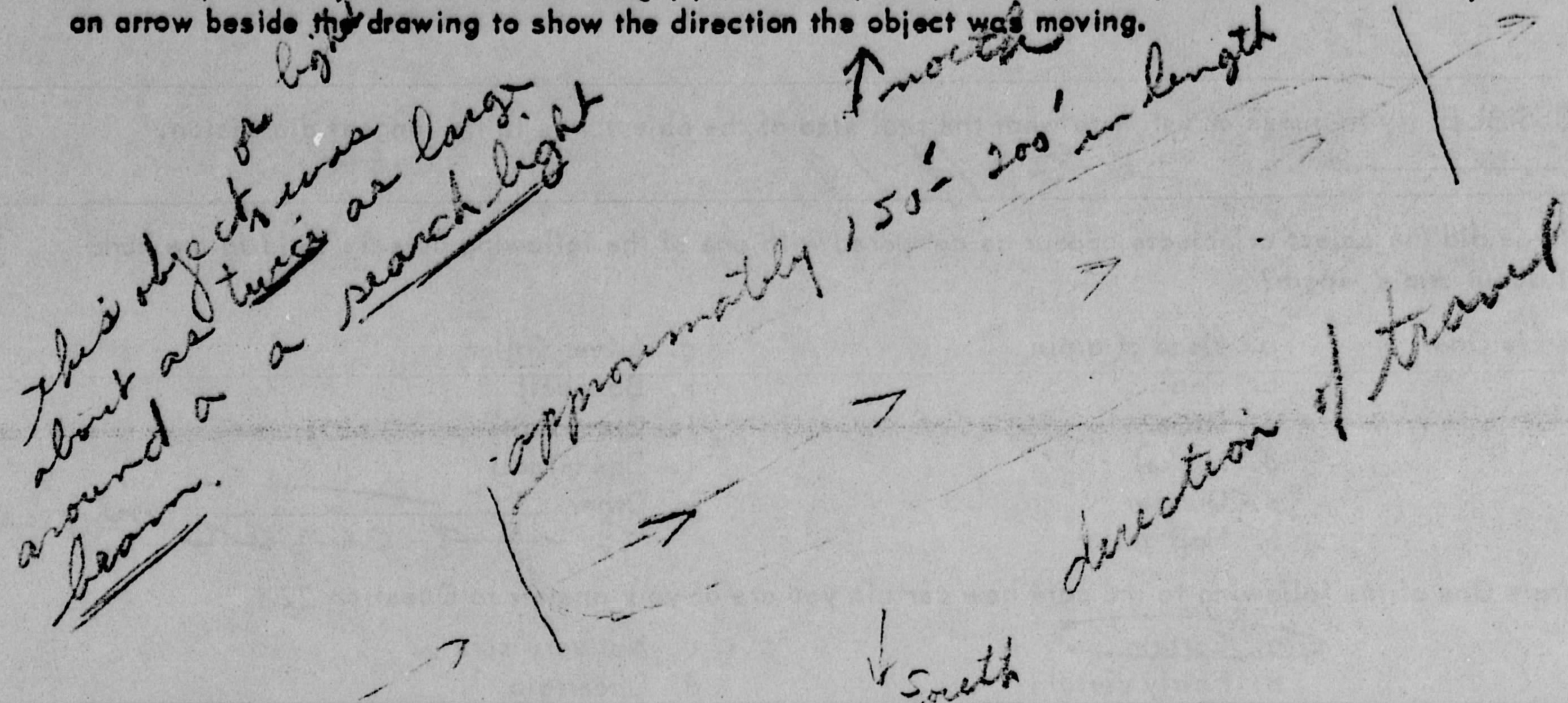
15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|------------|----|---------------|-------|----|
| a. Eyeglasses | Yes | No | e. Binoculars | Yes | No |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | No | f. Telescope | Yes | No |
| c. Windshield | <u>Yes</u> | 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 no sound
- b. Color light blue haze color

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? 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.

A *straight line* B

21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.
_____ feet. *note #19*

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 | g. Silver dollar |
| b. Pea | h. Baseball |
| c. Dime | i. Grapefruit |
| d. Nickel | j. Basketball |
| e. Quarter | k. Other <i>glorified cigar in shape</i> |
| f. Half dollar | |

- 22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.)

- | | |
|---|------------------|
| ☒ a. Certain | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Uncertain |

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? *vision obscured by houses*
tree etc

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.

take aluminum sheeting over a skeleton framework and paint the sheeting a haze blue, a distinctive cigar shape 150' - 200' long. It would not be a dull color, nor neither would it be a shiny color, in between.

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?

A. patrolling the city in a police cruiser
 B. Just happened to notice a glow against the sky line

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
- b. Northeast
- c. East
- d. Southeast
- e. South
- f. Southwest
- g. West
- h. Northwest

28.2 How fast were you moving? 15-25 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
- b. Northeast
- c. East
- d. Southeast
- e. South
- f. Southwest
- g. West
- h. Northwest

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

- a. North
- b. Northeast
- c. East
- d. Southeast
- e. South
- f. Southwest
- g. West
- 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).

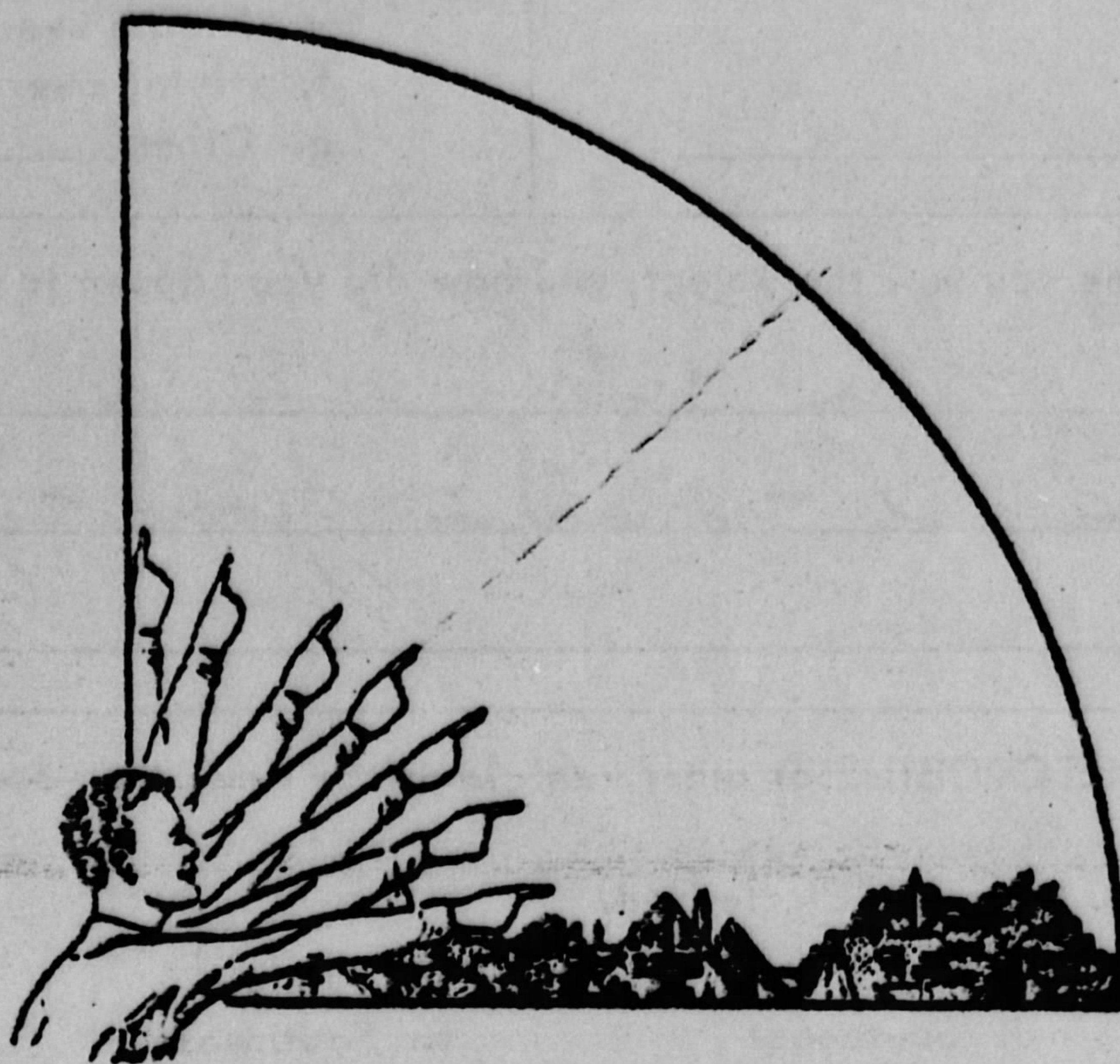
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North 150-5 degrees.
- b. From horizon 45 degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

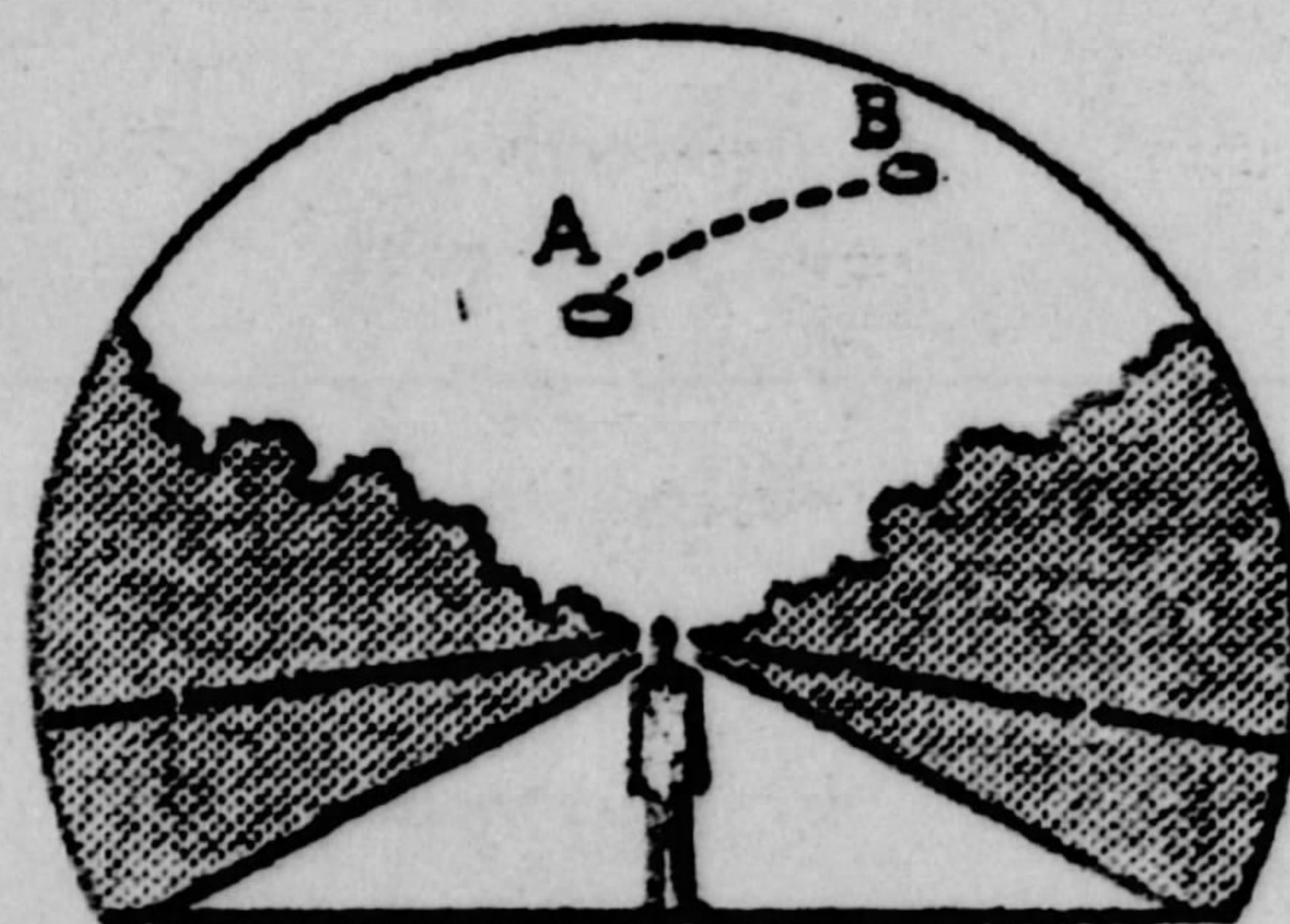
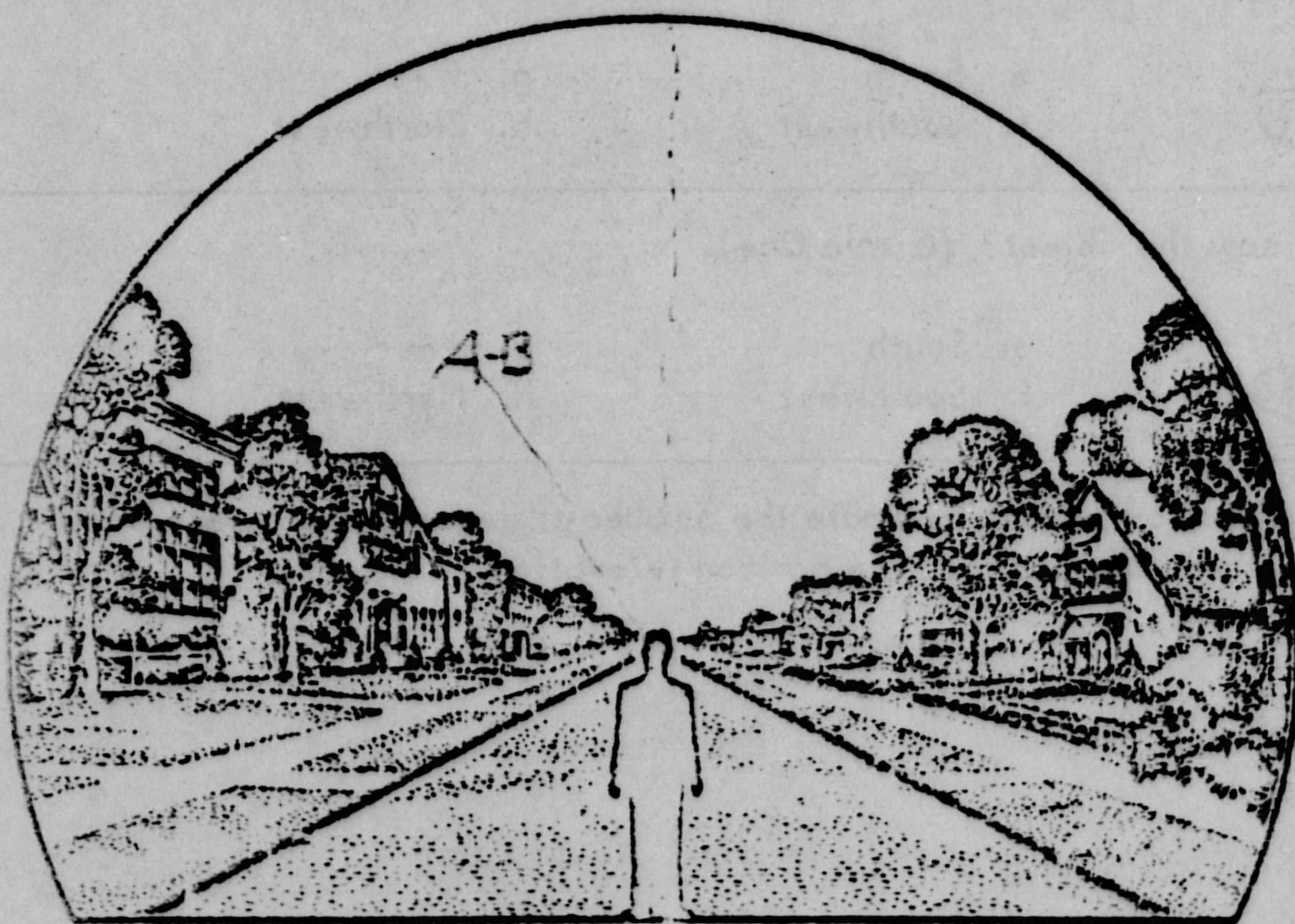
- a. From true North 150-5 degrees.
- b. From horizon 45 degrees.

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.

Looking south



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

*hot - note
had been raining
but not at this particular
- time*

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

Day Month Year

I did not personally

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:

[Redacted names and addresses]

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?

*I don't know, it could have
been a phenomenon.*

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?

3/4 of a mile

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

[REDACTED] Irion
Middle Name

ADDRESS

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Ohio
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

What is your present job?

[REDACTED] Ohio

Age

34

Sex

male

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school

8

e. e. Technical school

b. High school

4

(Type)

c. College

0

f. Other special training

d. Post graduate

0

police
school

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

5th
Day

11th
Month

57
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)

SIGNATURE

CODE:

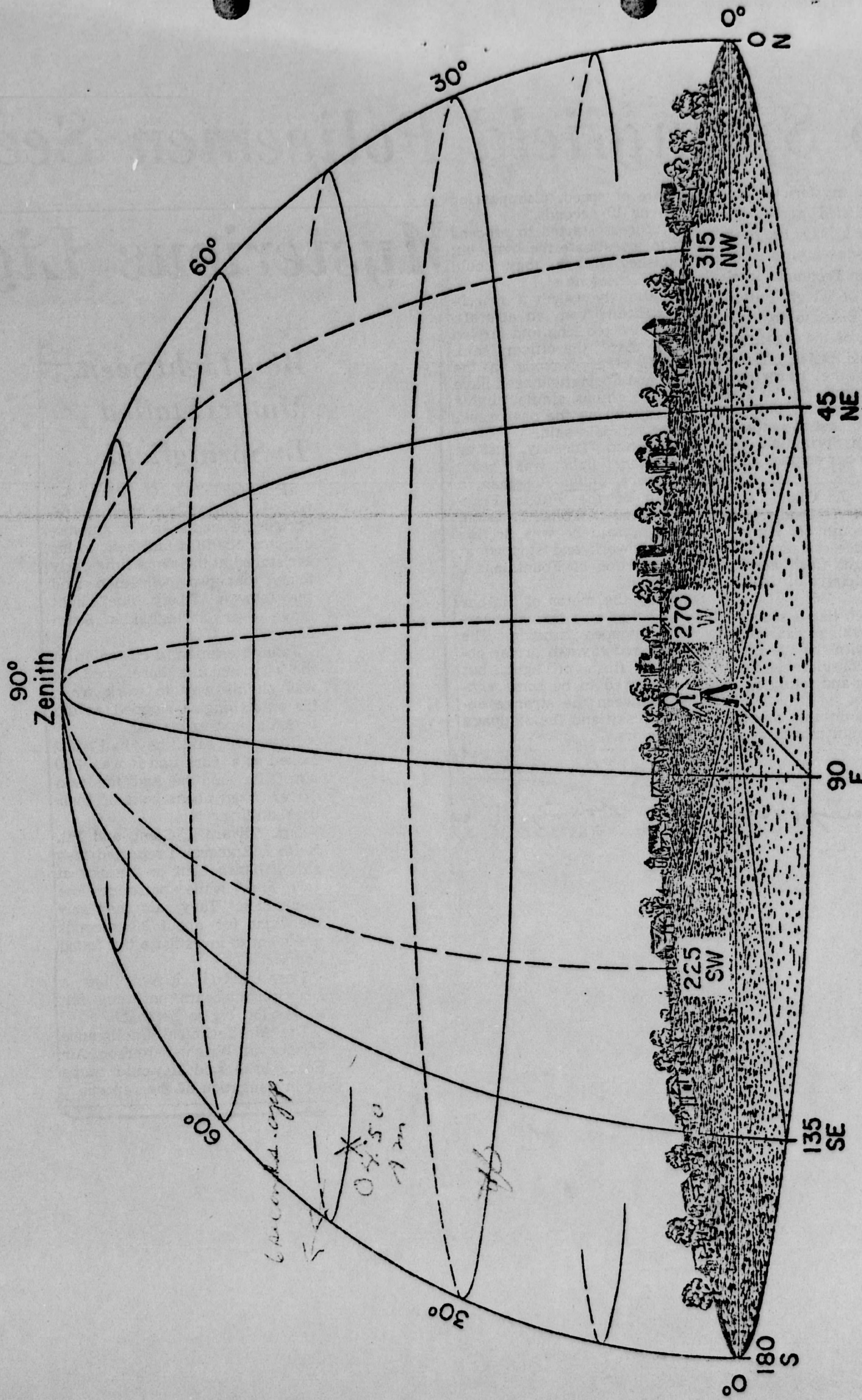
DATE

5/11/57

We were at Oakwood and Wittenberg Avenues, when we first saw this ²³(sight). It appeared to be headed in a southeasterly direction. Due to being in a cruiser, moving along we were not able to keep it in sight, more than 4 to 6 seconds; then too as I already stated our vision was obscured. When we were able to get another clear view, it was no longer in the sky. I thought it might have been a searchlight playing across the sky at South Limestone and Liffel Lane, but on our arrival there, — no searchlight. We then scanned the entire area but it still did not appear.

in the sky.

If you can picture a mammoth cigar 150'-
200' in length, glowing a light haze blue,
this will give you some idea of what I
saw.



due to moving in the car the object
 appeared to be moving in a northerly
 direction

Two Springfield Policemen See

Reports of a mysterious blue light which flashed across the early morning sky in south Springfield Tuesday prompted officials of the Air Technical Intelligence Service of Wright-Patterson Air Force Base to institute an investigation of the sightings.

Two Springfield police officers reported seeing the strange "frosty blue light" for a few seconds about 4:50 a.m. And at the same time at least two motorists in downtown Springfield reported that their car engines suddenly died.

Sgt. Edward J. Glenn and Patrolman Keith I. Rutherford were traveling south on Wittenberg av. in a police cruiser when they saw the light flash across the sky in the vicinity of Jack's Corner.

It traveled much like a search-light beam, flashing eastward across the sky, with the "beam" extending for a considerable distance to the north and south, Sgt. Glenn said.

There was no noticeable sound, and the strange light moved at a

high rate of speed, disappearing in five or 10 seconds.

The officers started to proceed south to investigate the light, but it vanished before they could drive to Limestone st.

"It definitely wasn't a search-light or beam from an aircraft, it was much too long and far too wide for that," the officers said.

Several other persons in the Dayton and Springfield area have reported sighting similar lights in the sky during the past week, air base officials said.

At 4:50 a.m. Tuesday, just as the mystery light was being sighted here, Julius Roseman, a custodian of the Public Properties Bureau in Police Division, City Bldg., said he was driving his car to work and stopped at the intersection of Fountain av. and Main st.

Suddenly the motor of his car died, and that of a taxicab nearby also stopped running. The custodian and taxicab driver observed no flash of light, but there appeared to be some connection between the strange object in the sky and the stoppage of the motors.

Mysterious Light

Blue Light Seen, Motors Stalled In Springfield

SPRINGFIELD, O., Nov. 5—(AP)—A Springfield motorist reported the engine in his automobile and one in a taxi next to his car stalled at the same time early today that two policemen said they saw a "frosty blue" light move over Springfield's South Side.

Julius Roseman, a custodian at the city building here, said he was on his way to work when his auto's engine stopped as did a taxi's next to his car.

Roseman said he had just looked at a clock and it was 4:50 a.m. He said he and the taxi driver joked about both of their cars stalling.

Sgt. Edward J. Glenn and Ptl. Keith I. Rutherford reported they saw a bluish light in the sky at 4:50 a.m. while patrolling the South Side. They said they saw the light for about 10 seconds and went to investigate but found nothing.

They said it looked like a search-light beam but they felt it was too big to be that.

The Air Technical Intelligence Service at Wright-Patterson Air Force base said it would make an investigation of the reports.

*Springfield Ohio Lock in report
Daily News - Nov 5, 1945*

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 6 November 1957		2. LOCATION Springfield, Ohio		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2040 GMT 07/0140Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10 seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE North	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Very bright white light, weaving back and forth. Object was about the size of a dinner plate.				11. COMMENTS Object evaluated as meteor based upon description as bright white light and duration.	
				K243.6012-1 6-8 Nov 1957 RETURN TO: Director Aerospace Studies Inst ATTN: Archives Branch Maxwell AFB, Alabama	

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1 Witness

Release Dean

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U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

POSS BALLOON

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?

6 Day Nov Month 57 Year

2. Time of day: 2040

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

City or Town

State or Country

Additional remarks:

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

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

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

a. Sound _____

b. Color _____

White - real bright

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.

About size of
Dinner Plate

Just going
north S-E-N

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

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

Brighter

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:

Characteristic of balloon

NOTE! Weaving back and forth

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:

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 | | |

25. Where were you located when you saw the object?
(Circle One):

a. Inside a building

b. In a car

c. Outdoors *ran outside*

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?

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 _____ degrees.

b. From horizon _____ degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

a. From true North _____ degrees.

b. From horizon _____ degrees.

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. _____ 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. 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? _____

How did it disappear

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.

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 Middle Name

ADDRESS _____
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

What is your present job? _____

Age 27 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 _____ |
| d. Post graduate _____ | |

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

Day Month Year

Do 7 years
Buddy

ATIC Comment:
no winds are given; however, the
object could possibly be a balloon
released at a nearby airfield.
poss balloon