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EXHAUST 1 DEMONSTRATION
NEW YORK CITY RADAR CHECKED.

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 28 September 1958		2. LOCATION 1. Seaford Long Island, NY 2. New York, New York		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☒ Probably Astronomical (A.E. T. 202) ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 11:25 approx GMT 29/0325Z - 29/03		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 1/2 - 2 secs		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE E to SE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING 1) Obj like a blanket, red-blue flame with two short sparks, disappeared instantaneously to the East. 2) Rnd, white obj w/appearance of "speed trails" coming fm upper & lower extremities. Size of dime. Circle shape appeared distorted due to extreme speed.				11. COMMENTS The description of this obj indicates it was probably a fireball. The speed lines indicated were probably due to sparks or a faint tail.	

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HQ USAF FOR: OFFICE OF INFORMATION SERVICES HQ USAF.

FOLLOWING INFORMATION FURNISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 200-2,
5 FEBRUARY 1958, ON UFOB RECEIVED:

A. (1) LIKE A BLANKET *→ 124PE*

(2) NOT INDICATED

(3) RED BLUE FLAME

(4) ONE

(5) NOT APPLICABLE

(6) NONE

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(7) TWO SHORT SPARKS

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

B. (1) WAS LOOKING UP AT THE TIME WHILE WALKING DOG.

(2) NOT INDICATED *(in what direction was*

(3) NOT INDICATED *object observed?*

(4) STRAIGHT DOWN

(5) INSTANTANEOUSLY TO THE EAST

(6) THREE SECONDS

C. (1) GROUND OVSERVATION, NAKED EYE

(2) NONE

D. (1) 0317 ZULU 29 SEPTEMBER 1958 031/-5-2 7 7 1 1

(2) NIGHT

E. SEAFORD, LONG ISLAND, NEW YORK

F. (1) TRUCK DRIVER, MR [REDACTED],

[REDACTED] SEAFORD, LONG ISLAND, N. Y.

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(2) SURFACE WINDS AT TEN.

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(3) NONE

(4) FIFTEEN PLUS

(5) NONE

(6) NONE

H. POSSIBLE AIRCRAFT EXHAUST OF AIRCRAFT IN A BANKING TURN

I. NONE

J. OVER TOWN OF SEAFORD (SOUTHERN STATE PARKWAY) ALTITUDE UNKNOWN
DIRECTION EASTERLY

K. AIRDROME OFFICER ON DUTY CAPTAIN FRED PERRY. POSSIBLE AIRCRAFT
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*No elevation, azimuth or
direction given. Cannot
evaluate!*

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ATTC

October 1, 1958
[REDACTED]

New York 22, N.Y.

Office of Unidentified Flying Objects
United States Air Force
Pentagon Building
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I wish to report a sighting of an identified flying object, called "flying saucer" in certain circles, on September 28, at about 11:25 P.M., while crossing the street in front of my home.

The object appeared to be traveling at a high rate of speed in a south-southeasterly direction and at very first sight seemed to be a meteorite but was traveling at a flat trajectory and was far larger than any meteorites I have observed. It disappeared past a rooftop. I would not venture to speculate as to its actual size or altitude. Trails seemed to appear at each end of the disc-like object, similar to those seen in advertisements, etc., showing "speed trails" on aircraft (which in the latter are of course invisible).

My first impulse was to report this to the local office of the U.S. Weather Bureau, and then I decided to spend a few days thinking over this unusual experience. No newspapers have been notified, inasmuch as I do not seek publicity of any kind and am even hesitant to report this to any but my closest friends.

I feel that I am unusually qualified in my observation inasmuch as I am a former air line pilot, having flown for Trans-Caribbean Airways as well as other air lines. My Airman Certificate is [REDACTED].

The length of my sighting was from 1 to 1 1/2 seconds as nearly as it was possible to estimate. Other than the facts contained herein, there is nothing else I can add except to say that an airliner passed overhead several seconds later inbound to LaGuardia Field.

✓ It will be greatly appreciated if you will extend me the courtesy of an acknowledgement.

Yours very truly,
[REDACTED]

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DATE					TYPE					NO.				
SUBJECT														
UFO Sighting [REDACTED]														
ROUTING														
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TO: SAFIS-3 Maj. Tacker										DATE 10 October 1958				
FROM: AFCIN-4E4										COMMENT NO. 1				
COMMENTS (Use reverse, if necessary) 4E4/Maj Friend/ac/6-9216/Bldg 828 1. The information contained in Mr. [REDACTED] letter is insufficient for the ATIC to make an accurate and valid analysis. 2. Inclosed are copies of ATIC Form No. 164, to be forwarded to Mr. [REDACTED]. Upon completion of these forms, Mr. [REDACTED] should forward them directly to the ATIC. 3. The ATIC, upon receipt of the completed forms from Mr. Wales, will proceed with the analysis or further investigation as the data dictates. 2 Incls: 1. Ltr fr [REDACTED] 2. ATIC Fm 164 <i>H. K. Gilbert</i> H. K. GILBERT Colonel, USAF AFCIN-4E														

1125pm local 28 Sep

21 October 1958

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

This is to acknowledge your letter of 1 October 1958 concerning your sighting of an unidentified flying object on 28 September 1958 in New York City.

The information contained in your letter is insufficient for the Air Technical Intelligence Center to make an accurate and valid analysis.

Therefore, I am inclosing a copy of the USAF Technical Information Sheet with instructions for completing this form. Please send the completed form directly to the Air Technical Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio.

Upon receipt of the completed forms, the Air Technical Intelligence Center will proceed with the analysis and/or further investigation.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

2 Inclosures

LAWRENCE J. TACKER
Major, USAF
Executive Officer
Public Information Division
Office of Information Services

Mr. [REDACTED]
New York 22, New York

CC: ATIC

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11E4 R06 4572 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?

22 SEPT. 1958
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

11 25 (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] New York N.Y.
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country
Additional remarks [REDACTED]

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

____ Hours ____ Minutes 15-20 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? | 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: _____

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?

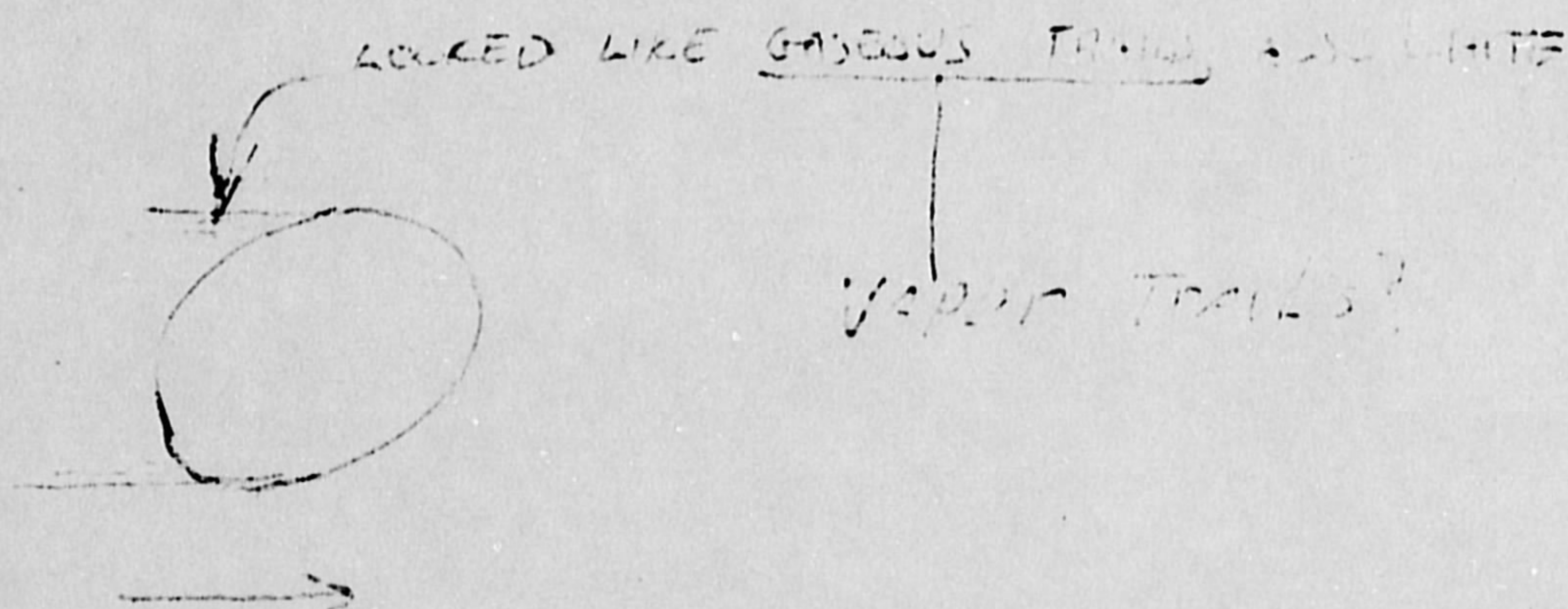
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|-----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| a. Eyeglasses | Yes | ☒ No | e. Binoculars | Yes | ☒ No |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | ☒ No | f. Telescope | Yes | ☒ No |
| c. 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 WHITE WITH "SPED" TRAILS COMING FROM UPPER & LOWER 1/2 OF OBJECT

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.



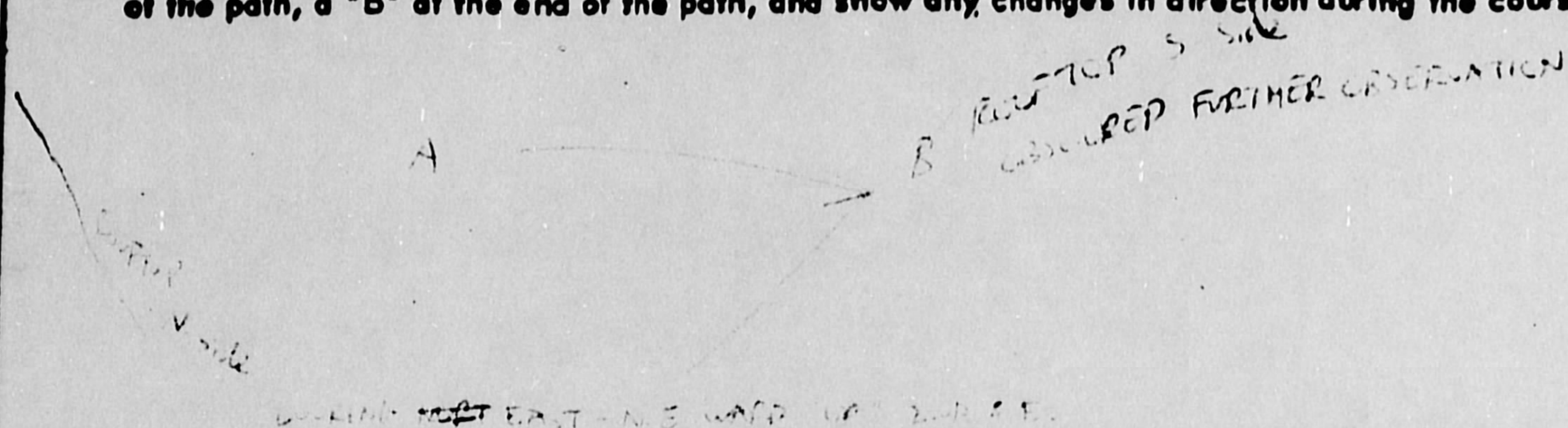
18. The edges of the object were:

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

e. Other NOT SURE IF

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.

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.
INDEFINITE 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?

WENT BEHIND A BUILDING
ON STREET - WAS OBSERVED PREVIOUSLY TO LOSS

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.

ELLIPSOID SHAPE, AS A SPHERE OR CIRCLE DISTORTED BY HIGH SPEED.
SPEED: NO OPINIONS ON OTHER QUESTIONS AS TO SIMILARITIES

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?

I WAS PREPARING TO CROSS THE STREET AND WAS LOOKING UP AT THE SKY
AS THE SKY HAD CLEARED THAT DAY OR EVENING.

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).

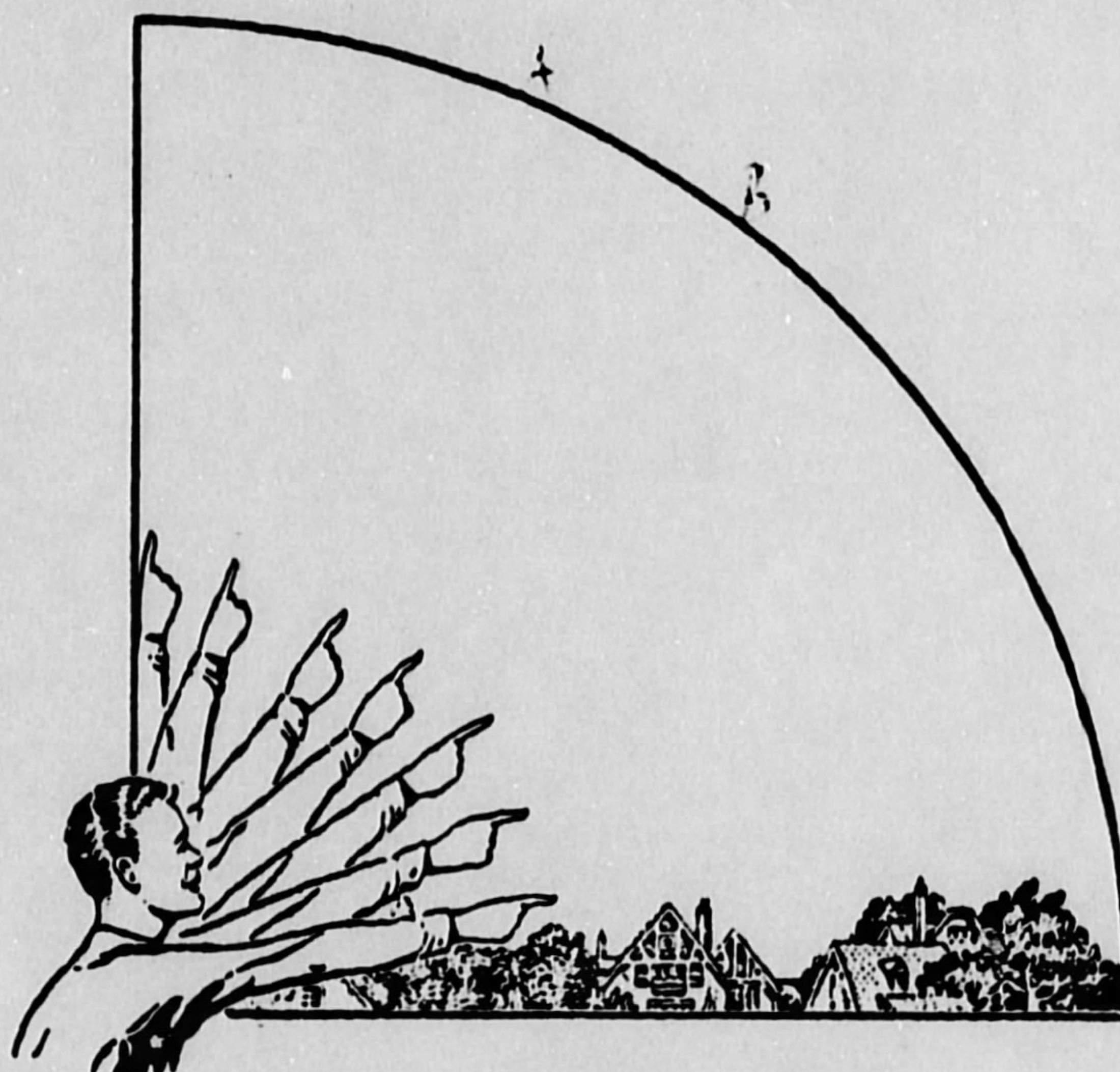
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North 50-60 degrees.
- b. From horizon 55-80 degrees.

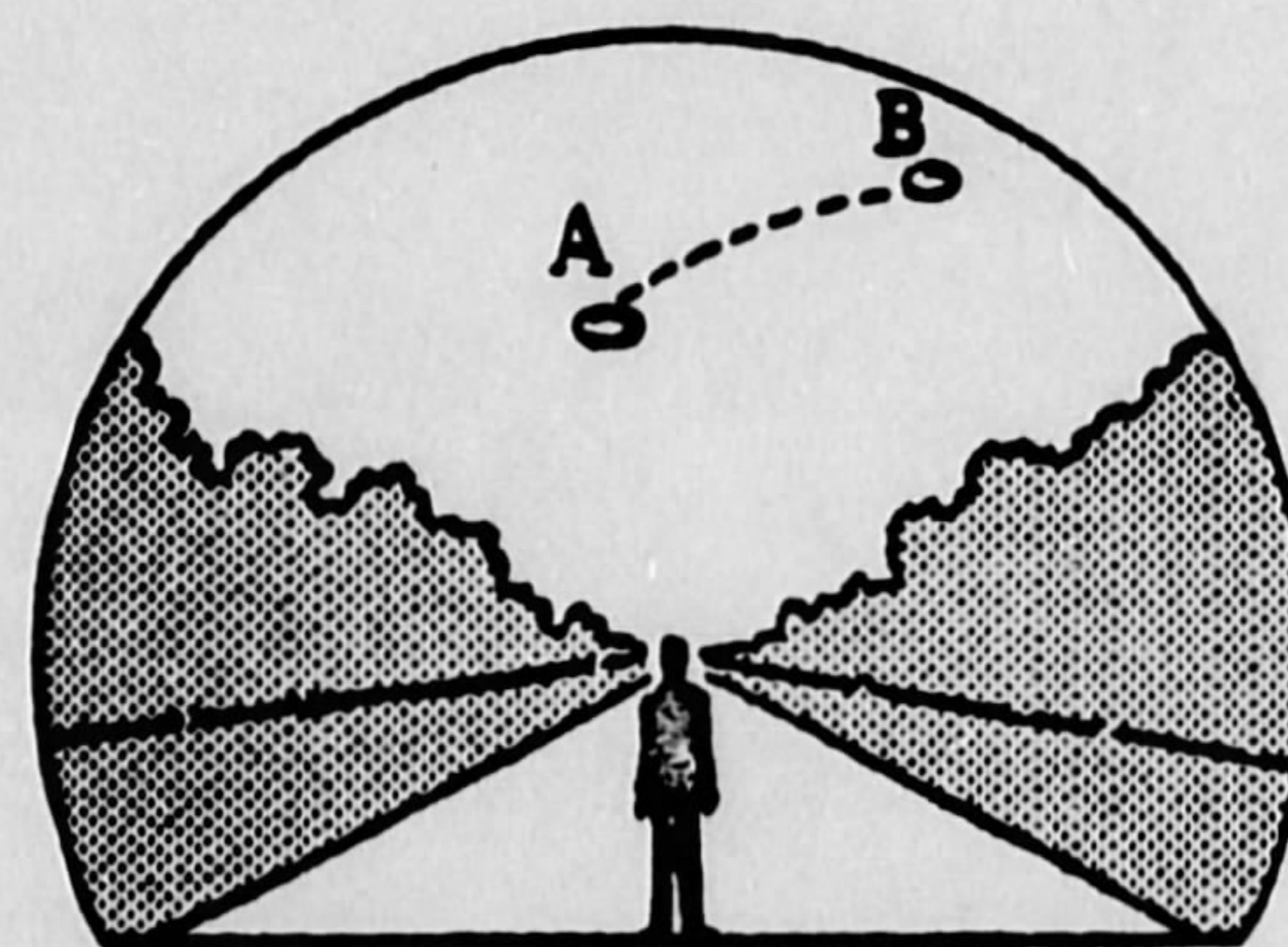
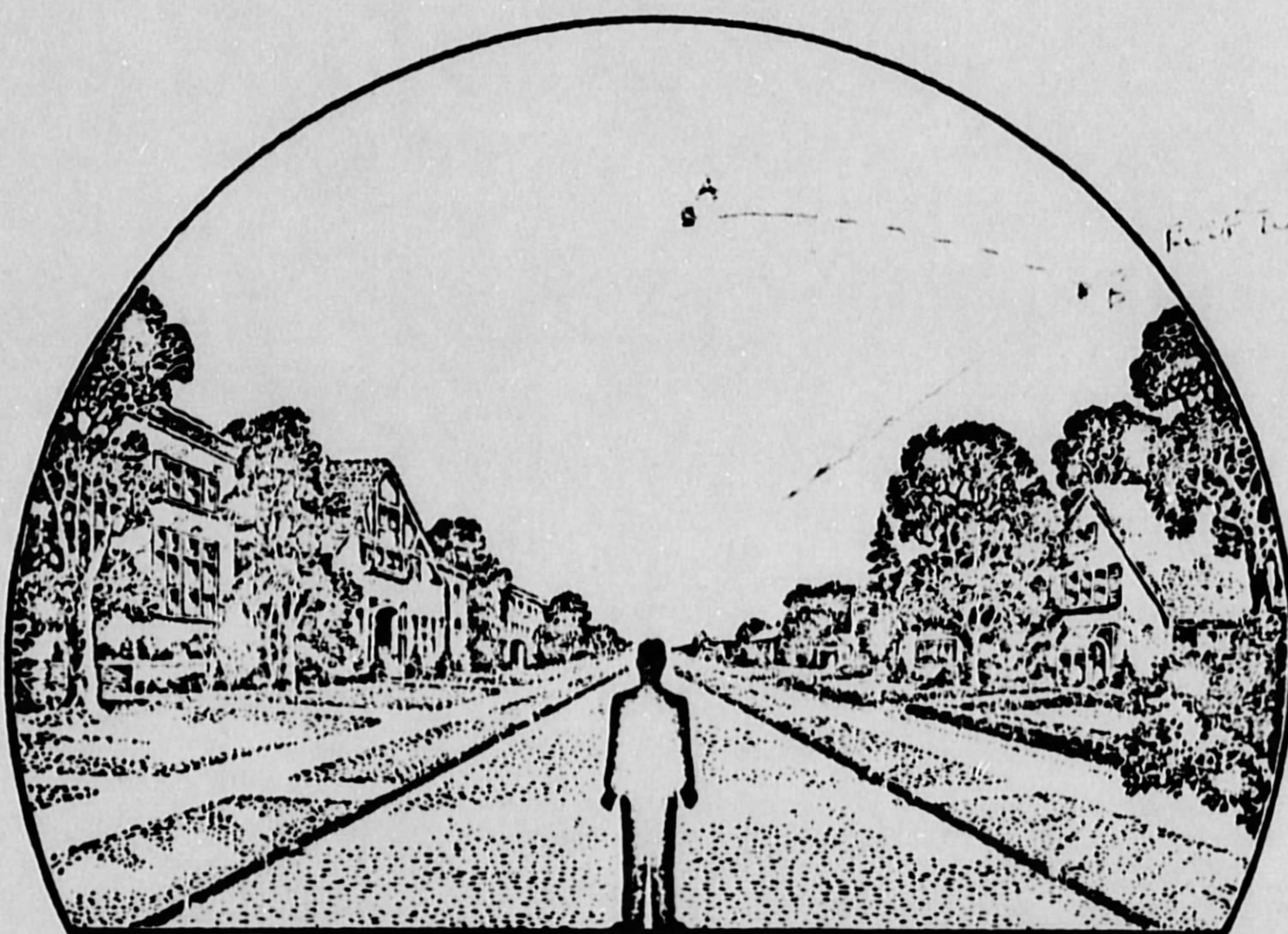
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 60 degrees.
- b. From horizon 65-70 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?

_____ Day Oct 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:

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 HAVE BEEN A COMMERCIAL AIR LINE PILOT INTERMITTENTLY SINCE 1942 AND HAVE NEVER SEEN ANY OBJECT IN THE SKY, INCLUDING METEORITES, WHICH RESEMBLED THIS AND THEREFOR I HESITATE TO VENTURE ANY GUESS AS TO AIRCRAFT OR OTHER THINGS.

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

(Circle One) Yes ☒ No (DUE TO UNRELIABLE DISTANCE)

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? _____

Age 41 Sex MALE

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school _____

b. High school _____

☒ c. College _____

d. Post graduate _____

e. e. Technical school _____

(Type) _____

f. Other special training _____

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

27 01 1968
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 _____

(Print)

SIGNATURE _____

DATE

OCT 27 1958

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

On Sept. 23, 1958, at about 11:25 P.M. on a clear night I was returning to my home at 255 East 50th St., New York, N.Y. I looked up at the stars on the south side of 2nd Ave., after observing traffic and awaiting a change in the stop-lights. Just as I looked up, a whitish circular-ellipsoid object streaked across the sky on an azimuth of about 60 degrees (remaining on a constant course) and was observed from further view since it disappeared behind the rooftops to my right. The length of the sighting was about 1 1/2 to 2 seconds. The size of the object was larger than any meteorite (which I first thought it to be), and showed two "tails" at the upper and lower extremities. Several seconds later - possibly 5 to 10 - an airliner passed inland towards La Guardia Field.

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Witness

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UFO Analysis Sheet _____

Location NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Date 28 SEPT 58

Hour (Z) 0425 Z

WX Clear, Light Breeze, Dry and Cool

Description: Round, white object with appearance of
"speed trails" coming from upper and lower
extremities. It is of a dome circle like
shape.

Direction of Motion EAST TO SOUTHEAST

Satellite: Observed and ruled out.
(AFCIN-4F3) Phone: 69219

Astronomical Phenomena
Meteor, Comet, Planet, etc.

The description of this object and its
speed indicates it was probably a fireball.

Radar Analysis (AFCIN-4E1) N/A

Natural Phenomena
Ball Lightning, etc. N/A

Aircraft, Balloons, Airships, etc. _____

Other: _____

Evaluation of Source Reliability PROBABLY GOOD - EX AIRLINE PILOT.

Analysis and Conclusions:

THE DESCRIPTION OF THIS OBJECT
INDICATES IT WAS PROBABLY A FIRE BALL.

THE SPEED LINES INDICATED BY THE
WITNESS WERE PROBABLY DUE TO SPARKS
OR A FAINT TAIL. OBJECT WAS ONLY
IN SIGHT 1 TO 2 SECONDS -

ATIC CONCLUSION — FIREBALL.

