

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 3 Dec 59		2. LOCATION Alpha, Ohio		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1915 GMT 04/0015Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		☒ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian		☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 min 30 secs		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE WSW	☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Rnd, yellow-white obj, pulsating, size of pea. No sound.			11. COMMENTS Balloon could not have moved fm NW at 30° elev to the WSW at 40° elev in 1 min 30 secs. Probably the F-101 or T-33 in the air at the time of the sighting.		

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?

3 Dec 1957
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

1915
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?

Alpha Ohio
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country
Additional remarks: Observer approx 7 miles from
Wright Field

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

1 30
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

at least 1 min 30 sec. Possibly 2 minutes
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

of course, moon is far from full

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 | <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? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |

Not rapid flicker like a/c warning light. Approx 5 sec. between brightening - bright cycle. Not much dimmer between bright & dim phase

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes No Don't Know.
it moved behind: _____

IF you answered YES, then tell what

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes No Don't Know.
it moved in front of: Stars

IF you answered YES, then tell what

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 | <u>No</u> | e. Binoculars | Yes | <u>No</u> |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | <u>No</u> | f. Telescope | Yes | <u>No</u> |
| c. Windshield | Yes | <u>No</u> | 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 Heard nothing except aircraft which he saw

b. Color Not very bright — yellow-white 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.

Round — no details

18. The edges of the object were:

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

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? One only
 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.
_____ feet. Looked similar to Russian Satellite

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? Started to pulsate on turn
indicated. Became dimmer as it began to straighten out.

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.

Like a metal ball except when
pulsating. Then appeared as if on
fire although no flame seen.

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 _____

*Living room
lights on in
surrounding
houses*

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

Walking home. Heard airplane. Looked up.
Saw airplane lights and object.

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

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. <u>South</u> | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | <u>(180°) Southwest</u> | 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).

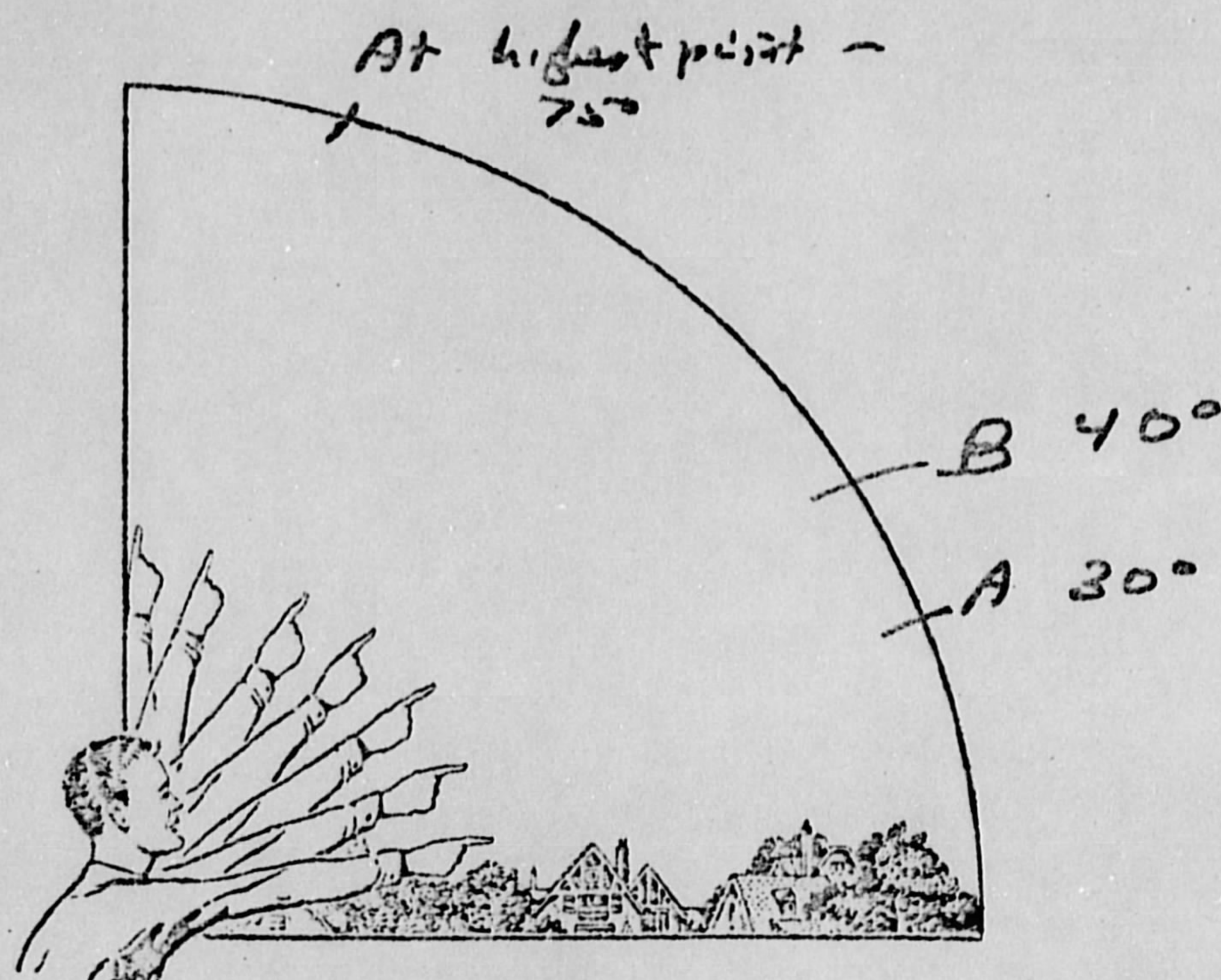
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North 310 degrees.
- b. From horizon 30 degrees.

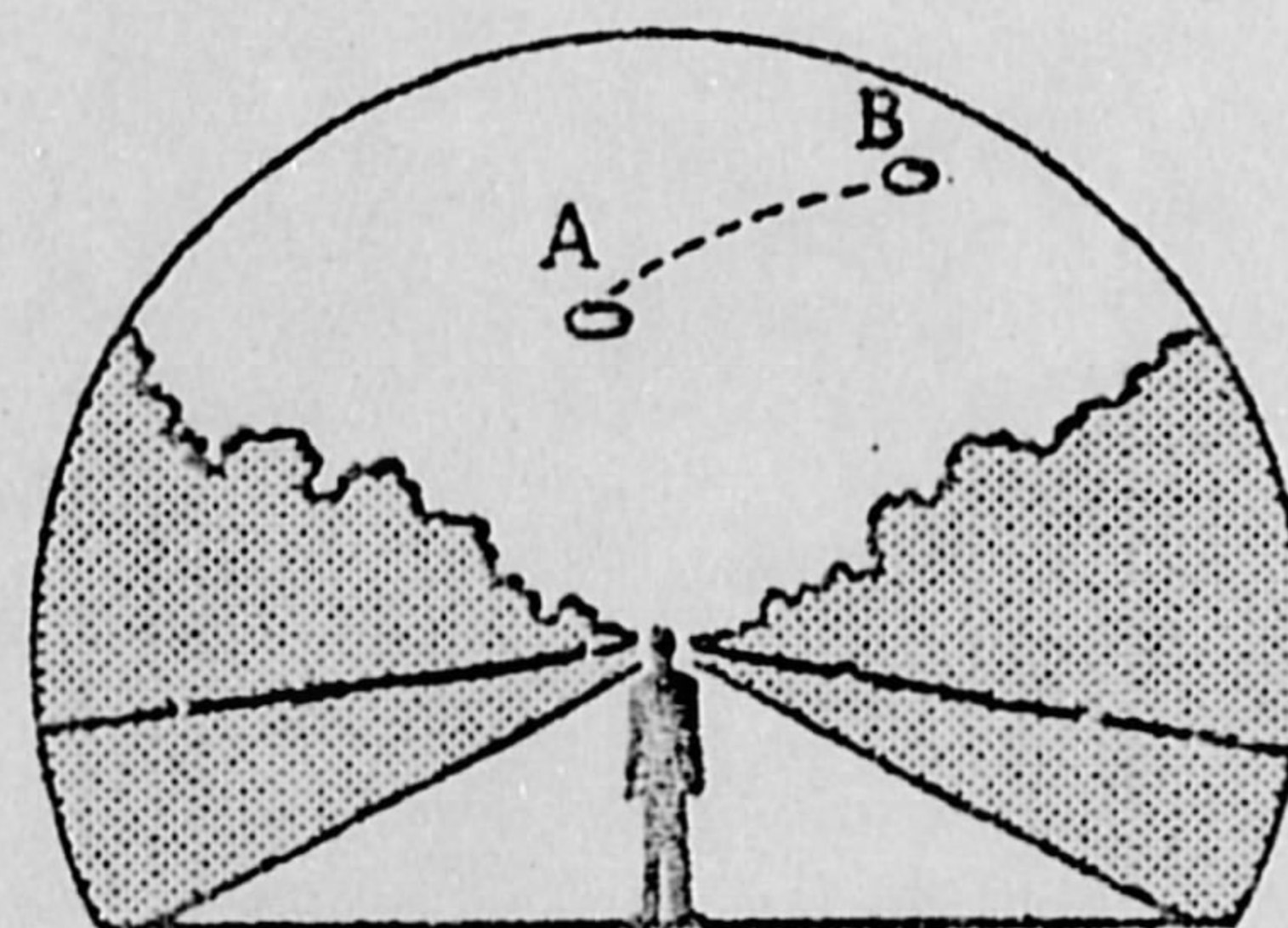
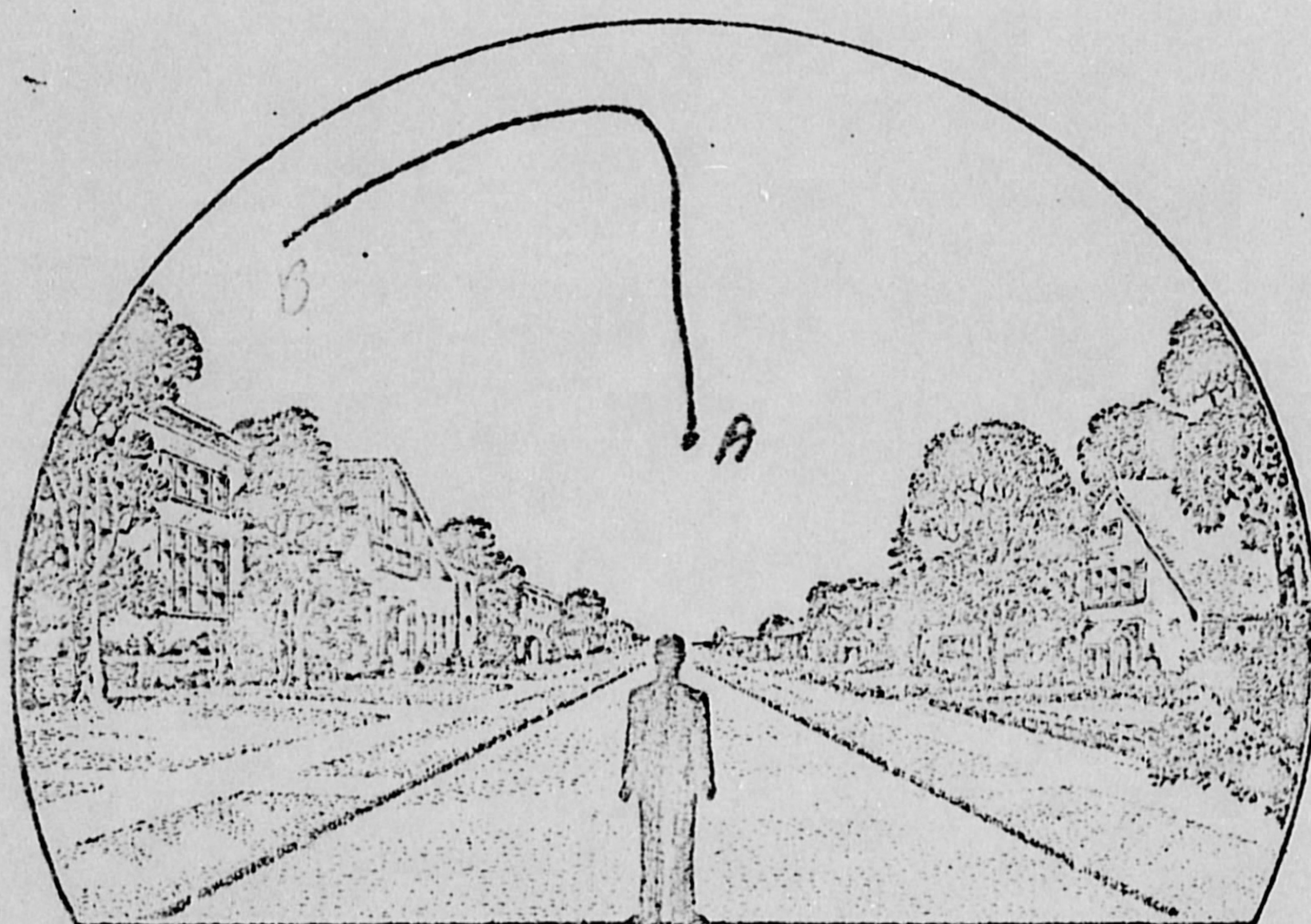
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 255 degrees.
- b. From horizon 40 degrees.

32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it.



33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.



See attached 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 or very slight
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- a. Dry
- b. very slight 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 32 - 40°
- c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

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

Called ATIS ten minutes later.

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:

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?

His mother turned in a UFO
report over a year ago. She received
a big government report.

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

Doesn't know. might be space vehicle
but "That sounds fantastic.... Looked like
some sort of vehicle." Not a meteor or
satellite — turned too much.

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

(Circle One)

Yes

No

*Hard to tell distance.
Same speed as Russian satellite
~ 50 per 10 seconds*

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate?

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

Xenia
City

Zone

Ohio
State

(PO address above.)

TELEPHONE NUMBER

Actually _____

What is your present job?

Freshman, Beaver Creek H.S.

Age

14

Sex

M

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

*Completed 3 Dec 59 by Lt. George
W. Lohmeyer, Jr. per telephone
conversation.*

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(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 _____

Despite his age, [REDACTED] appears to be a competent observer. He reported what he saw and was restrained about jumping to conclusions. He was familiar with many technical concepts which aided in the interview. His mother's previous report probably gave him the confidence to turn this UFO in and did not appear to bias his report.

REPORT OF SUBSEQUENT INVESTIGATION

Patterson Field Ops

F-101 up at 1915. All F-104 returned. KC-135 landed at 1924. Four bright lights on it made it look "like a Christmas tree"--very unusual according to observer. The lights pointed toward the wings.

The possibility that the KC-135 might have been the UFO is intriguing. The pulsation seen by Spine might have been the result of a/c banking and turning. I called him up again and found that the only ~~other~~ noise he had heard was the propeller driven aircraft which apparently was coming in for a landing. He heard no jet planes and the prop a/c was not very loud. Heard no jets before or after the UFO sighting.

Wright Field Ops

Several falling stars noted. No WADC special projects tonight.

56th Fighter Squadron

No answer of [REDACTED]

US Weather Service

Balloon released at 6:30. Headed toward north, then started circling around to the east. Balloon broke 84 minutes later, azimuth 316°, altitude 86,000 ft. At 7:15, azimuth 333°, altitude 13,000 meters, range 46,700 meters -- "just about where the fellow saw it"; velocity, 23 meters/sec or 45 kts. At 6:30, cloud coverage was scattered with some altocumulus. Wind direction 333°.

Balloon might have been in the sun at 7:15 but the weather bureau man wasn't sure.

AACS Squadron

No information

Wright Tower

No information

Flight Test Division

No answer on 5-0232

Cox

No unusual reports. T-33 with lights made ILS then VFR to Patterson. Hazy at time of UFO sighting, would prevent low altitude sightings of phenomena at Wright Field.

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For further information, call [REDACTED]

