

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 8, 9, or 10 Feb., 1960		2. LOCATION Sebring, Florida		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 <u>1915 Approx</u> GMT _____		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 minute		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One		9. COURSE N to S	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING White light glowing as a headlight would in fog. Oval shape. Disappeared vertically.				11. COMMENTS Report contains little unbiased information. Insufficient data is available for a valid conclusion as to the nature of this object. one witness.	

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]
(Please Print)

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SIGNATURE [REDACTED]

CODE:

DATE March 7, 1960

It is not as amazing that I observed this object successfully because ever since the flying saucer stories started I have been looking for one. I always like looking at the stars at night but I would not be unusual for me to be looking up there especially here in Florida where it is unusually clear and dark in my area. I could not believe that all these responsible people who saw these objects were wrong and always looked at any object I saw to try to determine just what it was. In the past 5 years I have seen many objects that at first I didn't know what they were but after carefully watching & listening within 5 or more minutes they were always identifiable as something we already know. When this object was approaching it looked like a plane with its landing lights on far off in the distance, where the lights would blend into one. As it approached I waited for the lights to separate but they did not & I could see the object was closer than I thought. At the meantime with the drive in movie going on when some loud distraction would come from the speaker I would glance at the screen. Last it was a busy movie I glanced right back at the object to try to make it out. It was getting closer now and still it was not identifiable and as I was watching it move along from north to south almost towards me. It suddenly went to full brilliance and as the light faded it disappeared in the open middle of the sky. It appeared for an instant and immediately disappeared when it turned. It was moving rather slow in the horizon but just as I would say it had a full minute to appear to observe it. At that time I suddenly saw some

inspector. I glanced at the screen again just a few seconds longer than before. Then when I looked back to the object which should still be in front of me it was gone. I quickly looked around forward to look up from the windshield but I still could see no bright light which could not have disappeared so fast at its rate of travel. What I did see was a series of orange streaks already pretty far up in the sky. I did not see the white glow preceding the streaks but they just kept appearing with a space in between until it disappeared in the stars. The orange streaks stayed there 3 or 4 for at a time with a space in between until it made new ones then they disappeared. They were just ^{like this} lines of orange light with a space at about regular intervals.

At first it didn't dawn on me as being a UFO but as I sat there trying to figure it out maybe it was a rocket from Cape Canaveral. But that wouldn't fly horizontal then vertical, especially vertical from my angle. I couldn't find the white light anywhere so I came to the same conclusion: it must have been a UFO. Incidentally the upward travel was at an amazing speed I would not care to estimate. I was thinking a jet may catch some of the exhaust trail but I don't know whether they could be fast enough. They wouldn't be if not in the air at the time. The next day I went for a paper in Sebring to read about it but there was nothing in the paper so I asked the woman at the news counter if anybody had seen any flying saucers last night and she said nobody said anything to her about it, so that is all I said. Now it occurred to me that for many people to see an object for approx a min or more overhead was asking to much especially when I only saw it by accident happening to be looking in the right place at the right time. I'm struckly became interested enough to observe it. I wouldn't be surprised if more people saw it at the drive in but just never followed it or gave it a second thought. It also occurred to me that there might be a lot of these if somebody would be just looking for them. I think there should be observation stations with radar just to see if there are. Incidentally if our radar didn't track them you might as well throw it on the trash as far as a defence against missiles are concerned. If there was such a

working it would be to know for my own satisfaction if there at all possible and not against regulations.

I have made me wonder why these things come by why don't they identify themselves by landing. There have been some landings which you may be sure of but I don't know so I will have to suppose they have at times and not been observed. On the other hand if these people are oxygen breathing people it would not be impossible for them to just drop in for some fresh oxygen before going on for a million more miles wherever they may be going. It is also possible that if Russia can send a rocket around the moon and photograph it that these people who are far more advanced could send small automatic machines as it is one with no one in them, all around the universe to observe all the planets.

It's quite possible that in the past they have had such experience with helping people from other planets to modernize. They may observe other planets just to find out how far advanced they are and if not so far they just ignore them but if they become as we are beginning to be, in the space age they may observe us carefully to see whether we would be friendly or an enemy. Spring this last observation I would definitely set up observation stations ^{and} not try to capture one but try to attract one, because a hostile move may cause them to just atomize this world, which for them may be possible. We may not know it but there may be all kinds of interplanetary travel outside of our immediate sphere of living. You can only possibly think of all these things if you have been privileged to see one of these, and no matter what anybody tells you, you don't doubt your observation.

Following this line of reasoning there is a very important and possibly never thought of field of thought and that is religion.

Being a Christian and a believer in the formation of our world by God, the birth of Christ, & all the ~~the~~ other aspects of Christian belief such as why we are created, what happens when we die, & believing we are the only ones in the universe. It is kind of disturbing to all of a sudden realize that possibly all of our observations as to our past

one, saying: "Nobody ever said there was not more people in the universe
if it is reasonable to assume that there are other planets with moons
of suns like ~~ours~~ ours after all what is the purpose of all the
millions of stars and planets, nobody has yet found out. I think
many intelligent and serious minded people such as scientists, clergy
of defence personnel should examine the facts and seriously consider
all the possibilities as regards these things. They also try to see one for
themselves because only then can you realize the exact possibilities.

I could not have written a letter ~~such~~ such as this before I
saw this thing, even though I was of the opinion that a lot of these
people did see something. If the mere fact that I was looking for
one and finally saw one means that they are here and ready to
be observed, but remember you may only have one minute for your
observation. Since this happened - I examine the sky every night for about
15 min. I have seen only 3 shooting stars or as we believe. Could it not be
that they were these things passing through our upper atmosphere who know?
just a thought, but I will accept our present belief as to shooting stars.

But nobody can tell me what I saw that night was not a U.F.O.

To give you accurate information I bought a compass. I went
back to the movie, parked the car in the same place. I observed
everything ~~as~~ carefully as I could. I thought maybe it would be
very important to know where it disappeared because it went like
a rocket in that direction. I am sure that if its destination was west
it would have gone west. Possibly knowing what is in space in
that direction may be a clue. It could have been a space ship in
the stratosphere and that was a little pilot ship.

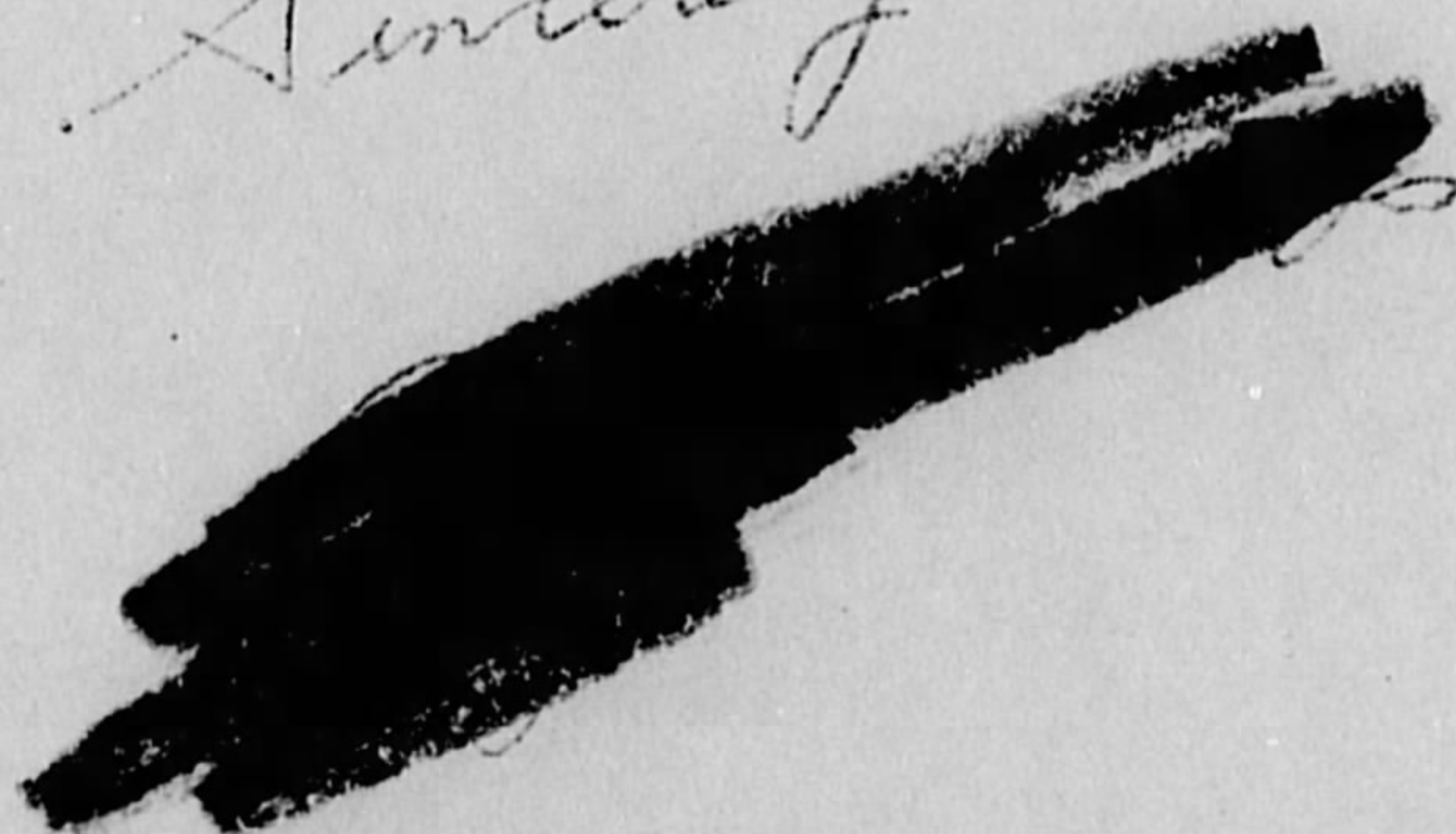
I would like to discuss this with anybody interested
in the perceptive view, but am not interested in the negative as
we have seen one. I think now people should observe the sky at night
all night now leaving it for a minute because you only have one minute.
as I said before.

I sincerely hope that anything and everything I have told you will be of some help ^{as} if there is any further help I can give I will be glad to.

I would also like to share in anything that is not strictly confidential for my own study because as I said there is something much more interesting happening around us than reality entails, new cars & this genus factious.

Excuse the writing I just wrote what I thought ^{was} in a hurry as I have to make a living for my wife & 3 kids

Sincerely



P.S. The one unfortunate thing was I was not looking as it went from the horizontal to the vertical. A change in color of light or light intensity could have been very important. Next time I want miss I assume you.

It is also reasonable to assume they come in this area for their oxygen because if they would open a door they wouldn't freeze to death. So on this basis I would say look in the south in the winter.

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? <u>5</u> <u>12</u> <u>1964</u> Day Month Year	2. Time of day: <u>APPROX 7</u> <u>15</u> Hour Minutes (Circle One): A.M. or <u>P.M.</u>
3. Time zone: <u>OTHER IT WAS 8-9-10 OFFES.</u> (Circle One): a. Eastern b. Central c. Mountain d. Pacific e. Other _____ a. Daylight Saving b. Standard	
4. Where were you when you saw the object? <u>SEBRING</u> <u>FLORIDA</u> Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country Additional remarks: <u>I WAS AT A DRIVE IN MOVE ABOUT 3 MILES ON OUTSKIRTS OF TOWN OF SEBRING</u>	
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	

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

NO MOON IN THE LINE OF VISION COULD HAVE BEEN

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?:

- IT WAS AS GLOW AS A HEADLIGHT IN A FOG WOULD BE LIKE A BRIGHT FLUORESCENT LIGHT
- (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 |

TOO DARK TO TELL

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?

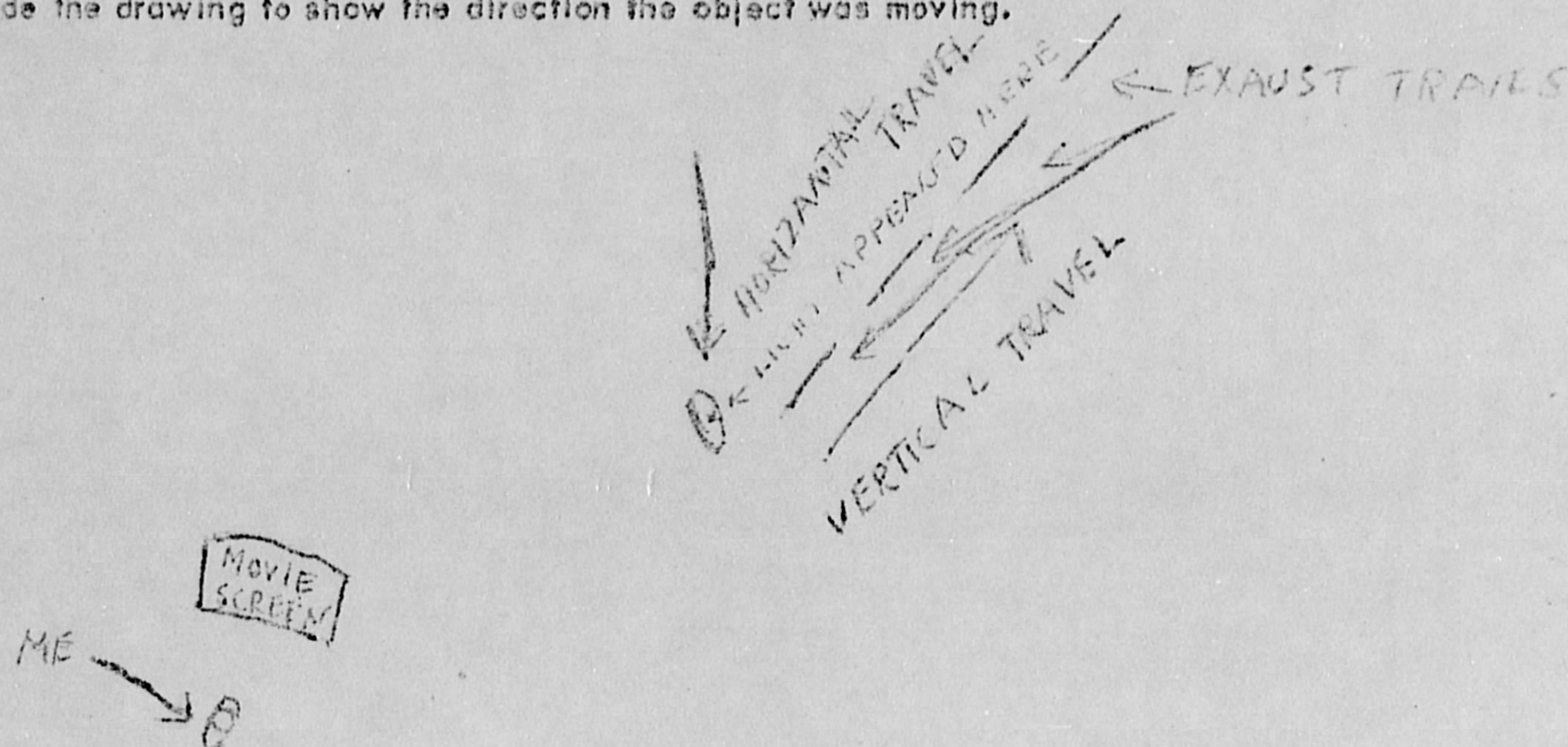
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| a. Eyeglasses | Yes | No | e. Binoculars | Yes | No |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | No | f. Telescope | Yes | No |
| c. Windshield | ☒ Yes | No | g. Theodolite | Yes | No |
| d. Window glass | Yes | No | h. Other _____ | | |

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

a. Sound HEARD NONE

b. Color WHITE LIGHT

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:

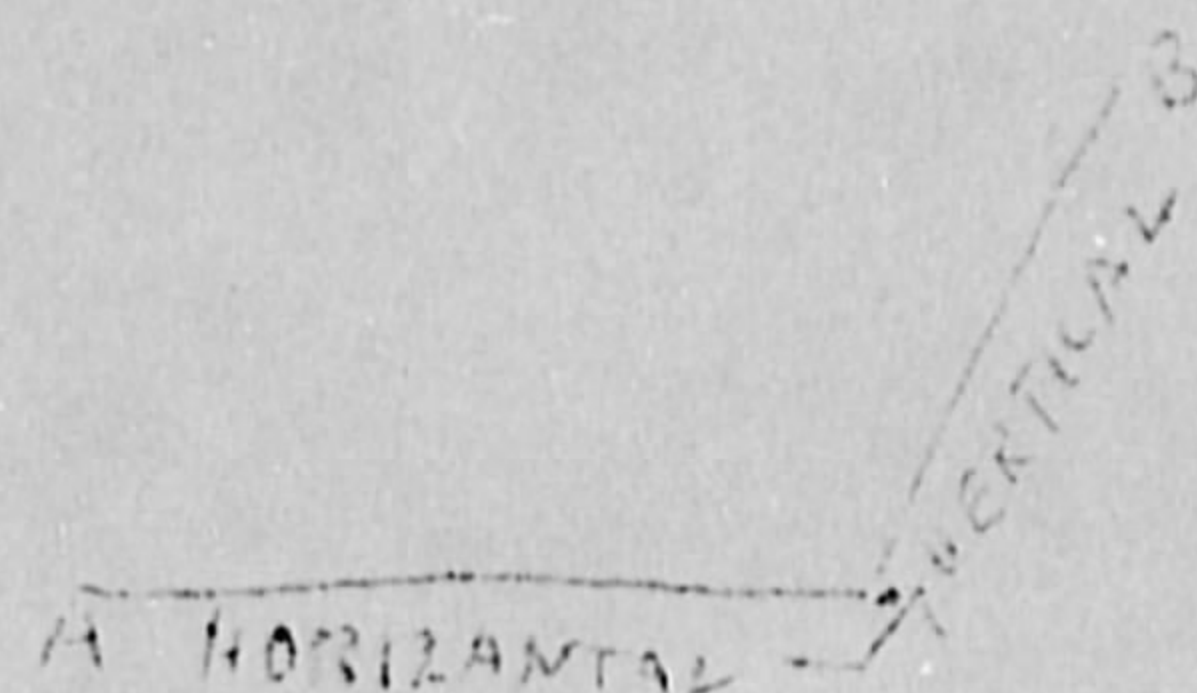
- (Circle One): ☒ a. Fuzzy or blurred
☐ b. Like a bright star
☐ c. Sharply outlined
☐ d. Don't remember

a. 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.

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.



DISAPPEARED OUT OF SIGHT IN THE STARS

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

_____ feet. IMPOSSIBLE TO ESTIMATE

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 _____ |
| f. Half dollar | |

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

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

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? DISAPPEARED IN THE DISTANCE

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

IT WAS JUST PLAIN LIGHT WITH AN OVAL RATHER THAN A ROUND LIKE A SPHERE SHAPE.

YOU COULD NOT SEE THROUGH THE GLOW EXCEPT FOR THE ONE INSTANT AND I MEAN INSTANT THAT THE GLOW WENT OUT ABOUT HALF WAY, AND THE LIGHT JUST LIKE AN ELECTRIC LIGHT BULB APPEARED AT THE TOP CENTER, THEN THE BRIGHT GLOW RETURNED.

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 WATCHING A DRIVE IN MOVIE AND IT APPEARED JUST TO THE
RIGHT OF THE SCREEN

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 ^{30° EASTERN 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)

- UP & SLIGHTLY EASTWARD
- | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 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).

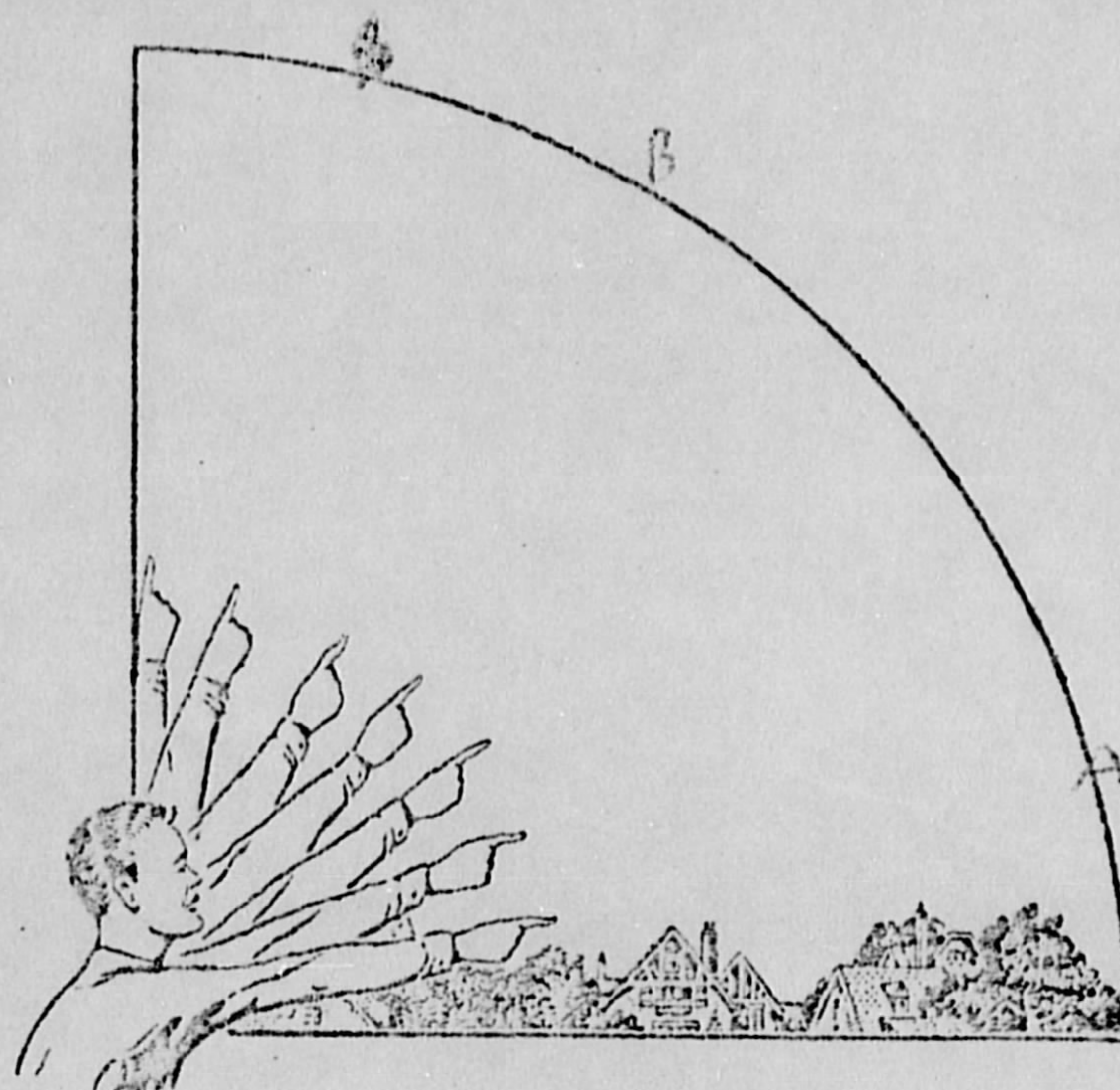
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North 30° degrees. east
- b. From horizon 20° degrees. if horizon is 0°

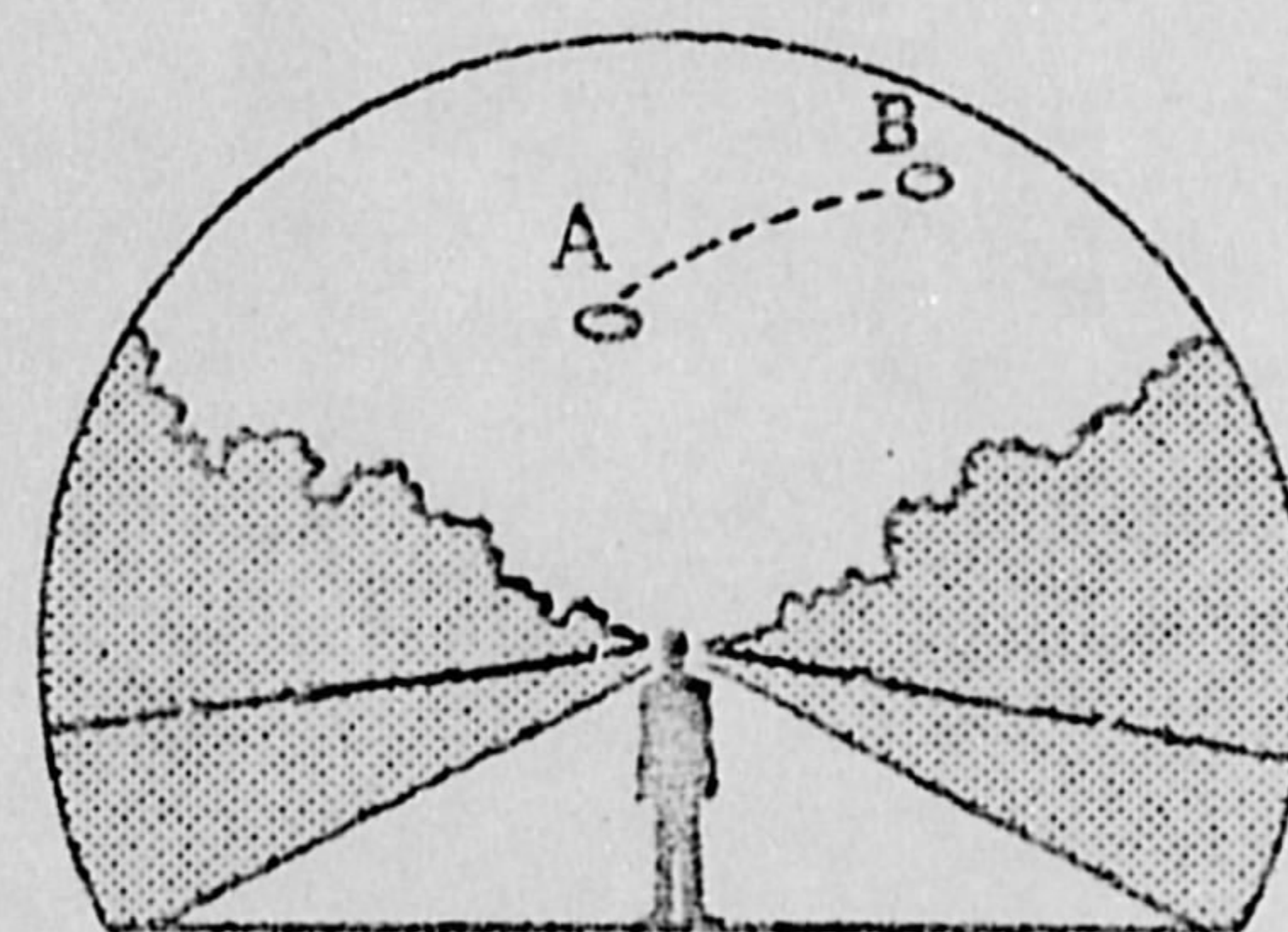
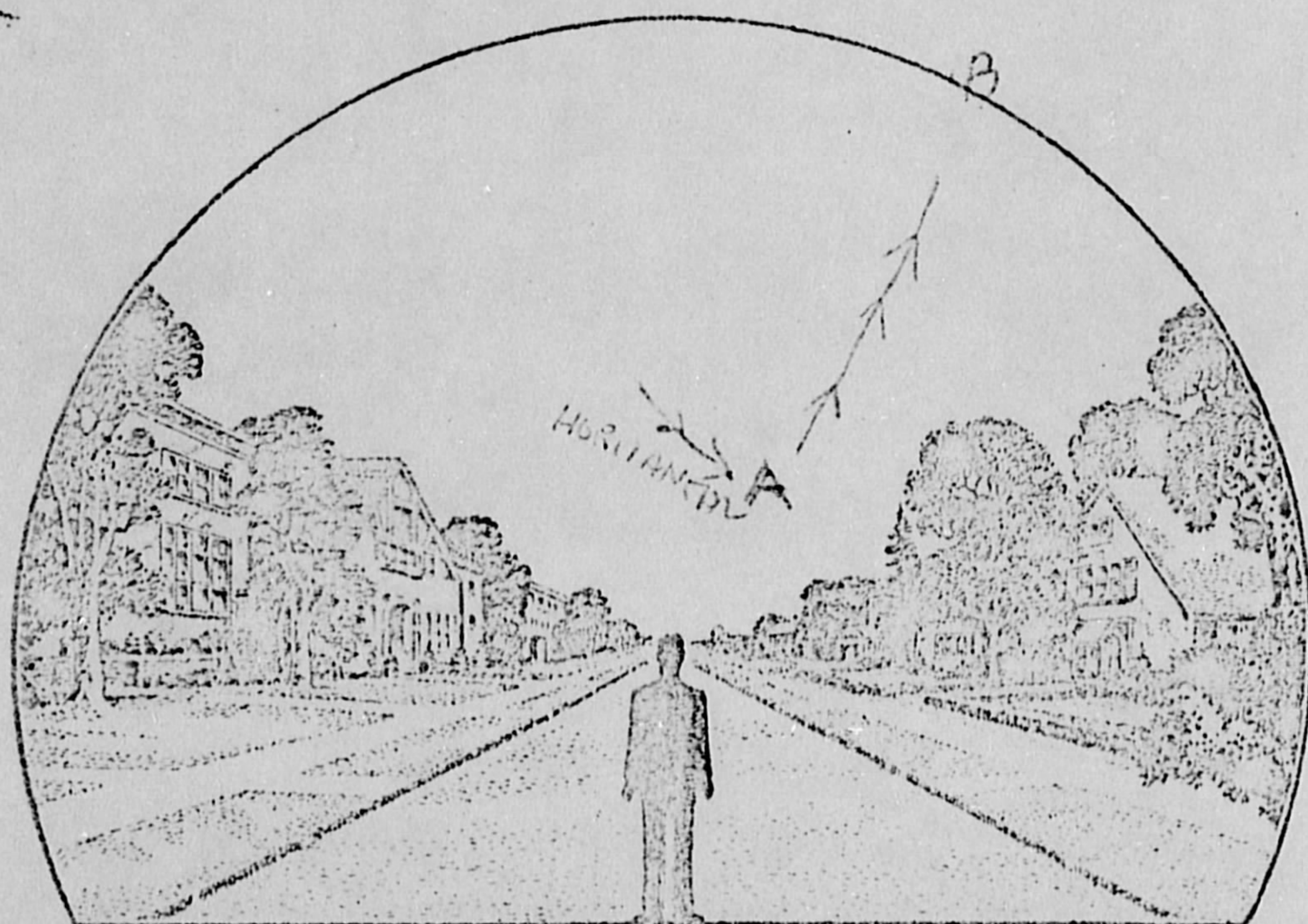
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon 50° to 60° degrees. if horizon is 0° this is up to disappearance

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 BUT WASN'T STRONG WIND IM SURE

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?

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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?

IT WAS DEFINATELY A CONTROLLED OBJECT (I DON'T KNOW WHAT)

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

(Circle One) Yes No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? 60 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? 1/2 MILE feet. at the end of

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [REDACTED] LAKE PLACID FLORIDA
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER NONE

What is your present job? JUST MOVED HERE FROM PHILA. PA. IN NOV. 59 NOT WORKING YET

Age 43 Sex MALE

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school _____

b. High school 2 YRS.

c. College _____

d. Post graduate _____

e. e. Technical school _____

(Type) HAVE HAD MUCH SCHOOLING BY

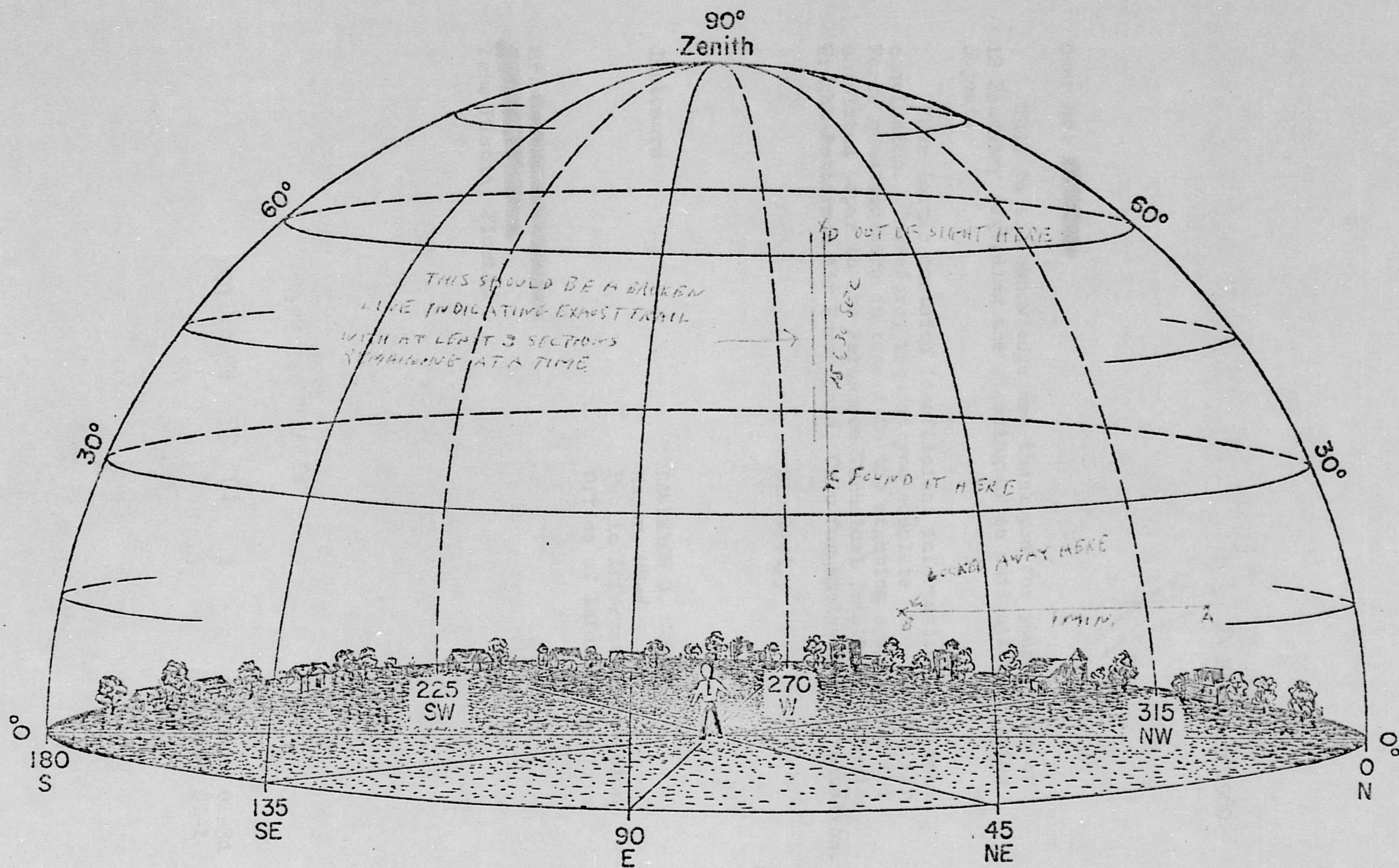
f. Other special training THEM IN MECHANICS &

ELECTRONICS

WORKED FOR PHILCO CORP PHILA. PA.
25 YRS. AS ELECTROMIC TECHNICIAN

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

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24 February 1960

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

This is to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of 12 February regarding the sighting of an unidentified flying object.

Your letter contains insufficient information for a valid conclusion. Therefore, request you complete the attached Air Force questionnaire in regard to the sighting and forward the completed paper to the Aerospace Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio for analysis and evaluation.

Sincerely,

Inclosure

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

Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Lake Placid, Florida

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Lake Placid Florida
Feb 12, 1960

Dear Sirs,

To whom it may concern, if it better concern
somebody, if it don't already in secret.

I am a recent resident of Fla., having
been here only since Nov. I was privileged to witness
something that a few other people must have seen before
and in which I neither believed nor disbelieved until
Wed evening Feb 10 at approx 7 PM. I suppose
by now you know what is coming even before I tell
you, but here it is for what you may care to do with
the information. I mentioned it to only one person
and that was a woman who runs a news stand, the
following morning at which time I went to buy a
paper expecting to find it all over the front pages,
but of which I found no mention whatever.

I was sitting in a drive in movie with my
wife & 3 children. we were there approx 15 min.
when I happened to glance at the north east sky which
is the approx direction of the screen. Right off to the
right of the screen I saw a bright star I thought

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only it moved (I thought it was an airplane with its landing lights on, but there was only one light).

I thought it may be too far away that's why it looked like one light, but it kept getting bigger & closer & still only one light. By this time it was so unusual that I watched it carefully and saw it was a big white glowing light not a ball but a round light sort of flat on top & bottom. Now I didn't see any object, just the light. I don't know whether it was a saucer, or cup, or frying pan, but that is not important. It was moving almost toward me as I couldn't tell only by its increase in size how fast it was going, it was fast. While it was moving a significant thing happened, for an instant only a bright flash appeared in the middle of the big light and as it did so the big glow diminished to about half brilliance but the bright light went out & the other light resumed its original brilliance & it continued to come on. Now at this point (and I could kick myself for it) something happened on the movie screen & I glanced at it for possibly 15 sec. then I glanced back to the object but it was no longer coming toward me instead it was going up & eastward, the light was now orange or so it appeared. Within approx 15 sec. from that time it started up & I watched it get smaller & smaller until it faded into the stars & disappeared out of sight. It looked like a rocket going up. Now this whole business didn't take more than 1 minute.

III

At first I thought it was a rocket from Cape Canaveral but after thinking about it a rocket would not be in lateral flight coming inland & then go up. so, I recalled reading some of the Pilots reports of balls of light & it fitted their description, so I apparently saw the same thing. Now the night was as clear as a bell and anybody could have seen it, but it happened so fast anybody could have missed it even me if I hadn't been looking at the movie screen which was right in line with it.

Now I don't want to belong to any flying saucer fan club I don't even want it mentioned but I do suggest if watching stations were set up & some kind of photo & radar for tracking them that a lot of them might be seen, and also that while we are messing around with rockets, there is already a proven mode of propulsion which we know nothing about, and if somebody isn't trying to find out how light or what could produce light in the atmosphere could be used as a ~~propellant~~ propellant they better soon. Also I would say the object disappeared at ~~the~~ a speed which we cannot attain. As far as I am concerned we either have people on other planets or somebody on this planet is far more advanced than we think. I don't mean Russia because they would have knocked us out long ago if they had such things. It is pretty inconceivable anybody else on this planet has them, so they must be from outer space.

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IV

These objects are apparently not hostile & I imagine you couldn't hurt one if you tried. I don't know whether they ever landed here or whether they ever will, or why they don't but I think somebody should consider a program of finding out more about them & how to attract them. I think every night every square mile of this country should be watched by observers of some kind. If one of these things could be contacted we might fly to the sun this year not 20 yrs from now.

I am an electronic technician 25 yrs old with Philco corp Phila. Am very capable of appraising what my eyes see & I have good eyes.

If anybody is interested & wants any more information either write to above address or come down to Lake Placid (this incident took place in Sebring Fla) & the Post office will direct you to my residence.

Excuse the writing as I am in a bit of a hurry. I deliberated 2 days before deciding to write, so if the info. is useful it was worth the effort.

Sincerely



PS I don't know who to write this to so that is how you got it whoever you may be.