

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 10 Dec 60		2. LOCATION Lynbrook, Long Island, New York		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other <u>Prob reflection</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>1730</u> GMT <u>10/2230Z</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 1 min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE stationary	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Looked like a moon, full and the same color as a newly risen harvest moon. Faded out and reappeared once. Seemed to grow dimmer and dimmer as it faded out. Then when it reappeared it grew larger and larger until it was the size of the moon, then it grew progressively smaller until it disappeared.				11. COMMENTS Size of the object was reported to be that of the moon. It is possible that there was a low hanging cloud which was reflecting lights from the ground. There was no other report of anything unusual from this area, and certainly if there were anything unusual in the area it would have been seen by many people, especially during the early evening hours. The alternate appearance and disappearance of the object was probably due to the cloud slowly moving to the E with the usually prevailing westerly winds.	

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

27 February 1961

Dear Mrs. [REDACTED]

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 1 February 1961, but postmarked 22 February 1961, concerning the sighting by you and your husband of an unidentified flying object on 10 December 1960.

Your letter contained insufficient information for a valid conclusion. Therefore, we ask that you fill out the attached Air Force Questionnaire in detail and when completed that you forward it to the Commander, Aerospace Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio for their analysis and/or evaluation.

Sincerely,

Inclosure

William M. Mack
WILLIAM M. MACK
Captain, USAF
Public Information Division
Office of Information

Mrs. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Lythbrook, New York

(Feb 1 1961

Gentlemen:

FCM

On Dec. 10, 1960 my husband & I arrived home at 5.30 P.M. After helping me in with the bundles he went out to lock up the car. As he started back into the house he glanced up into the sky wondering what the weather would be like the following day. He saw a large round flame colored object, which seemed to flash out and then disappear. He came into the house and called me to look at it. When I got out it was gone and he tried to point out to me just where it had been. We were both looking at the sky while he was explaining when all of a sudden it appeared again only this time it was further East by N.E. It appeared just like a horned moon about the same

size and flame colored. While we watched it flared out all around it until it was about 5 times as big, then & brighter, then gradually returned to the size of the moon and the color seemed to fade away. We waited a couple of minutes but it did not show again and as I had no coat on & it was cold I went

5.37 P.M.

back into the house & started dinner later we went out to look for it again but could not find it.

Can you please tell us just what it could have been? We have patiently ~~the~~ watched the news broadcasts and scanned the papers for an explanation but so far have not heard it mentioned.

Please satisfy our curiosity

Yours very truly

Miss P. [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]

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?

10 Day Dec. Month 1960 Year

2. Time of day:

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?

IN DRIVEWAY

LYNDBROOK
City or Town

NASSAU Co., L.I., N.Y.
State or Country

Additional remarks:

5. How long was object in sight?

Hours

Minutes

Seconds

5.1 How was time in sight determined?

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY

a. Bright
b. Cloudy

NIGHT

a. Bright
b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, 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, 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. The object appeared:

(Circle One):

- a. As a light *DULL THEN* b. Shiny c. Dark d. Don't remember

10. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? YES

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? | 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? <i>MAY HAVE BEEN VAPOR</i> | Yes | No | <u>Don't Know</u> |
| e. Change brightness? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape? <i>BECAME LARGER</i> | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |
| g. Flash or flicker? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't Know |
| h. Disappear and reappear? | <u>Yes</u> | No | Don't Know |

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

(Circle One):

Yes

No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

in front of: _____

14. Did the object appear:

(Circle One):

a. Solid

b. Transparent

c. Vapor

d. 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 None
- b. Color Color of New Harvest Full Moon

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 as a
full moon*

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 As it seemed to get brighter

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.

The object seemed to stand still for a long time. Then it suddenly disappeared only to reappear 3 or 4 miles later about 20 to 30 ft. further east. It turned at a point from a low shape to one that got brighter and white. It then got larger & larger than usual and then it disappeared.

21. How large did the object appear to you as compared to an object with which you are familiar?

NEWLY RISEN FULL HARVEST MOON

22. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head? *Very little*

23. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how? *Faded out*

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, 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.

Can only refer you to answer given

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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 (type)
- 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. 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 driving home from work. I was on a highway and I was looking at the radio. I saw a flash of light and I looked out the window. I saw a small object in the sky. I was driving at about 60 miles per hour. I was looking at the radio when I saw the object. I was looking at the radio when I saw the 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. 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 |
| | | | i. Overhead |

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 |
| | | | i. Overhead |

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North (thru east) and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

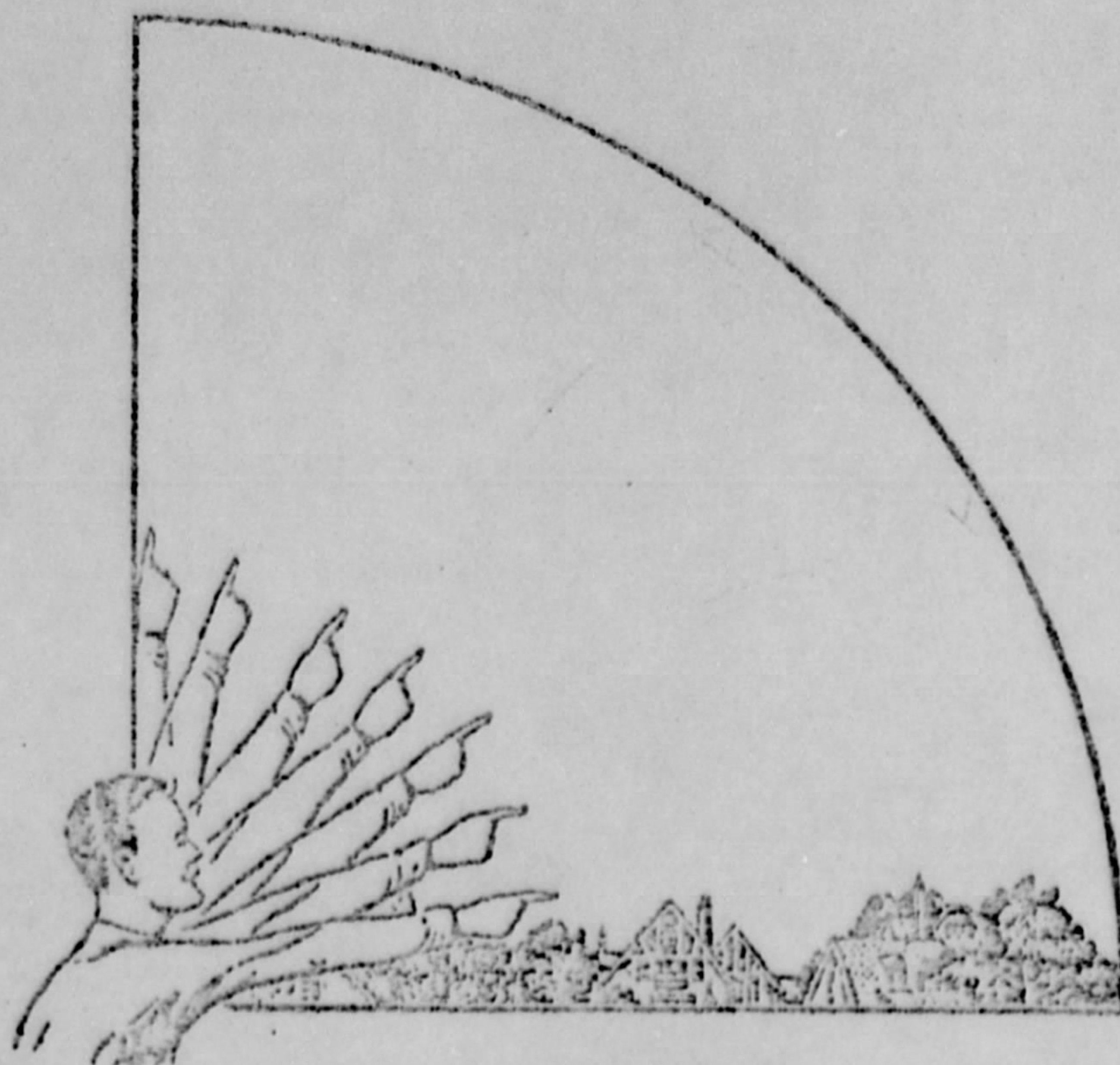
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

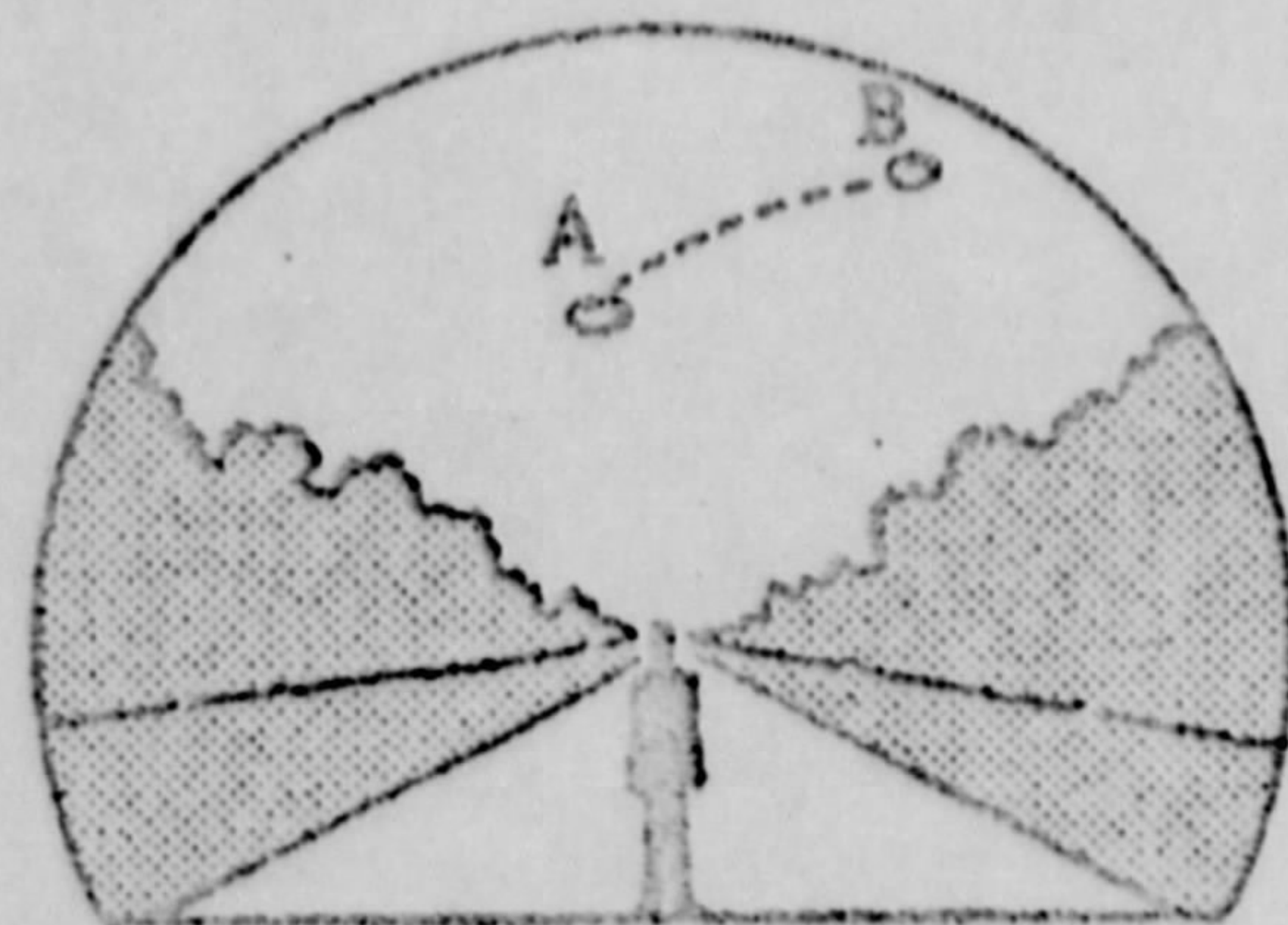
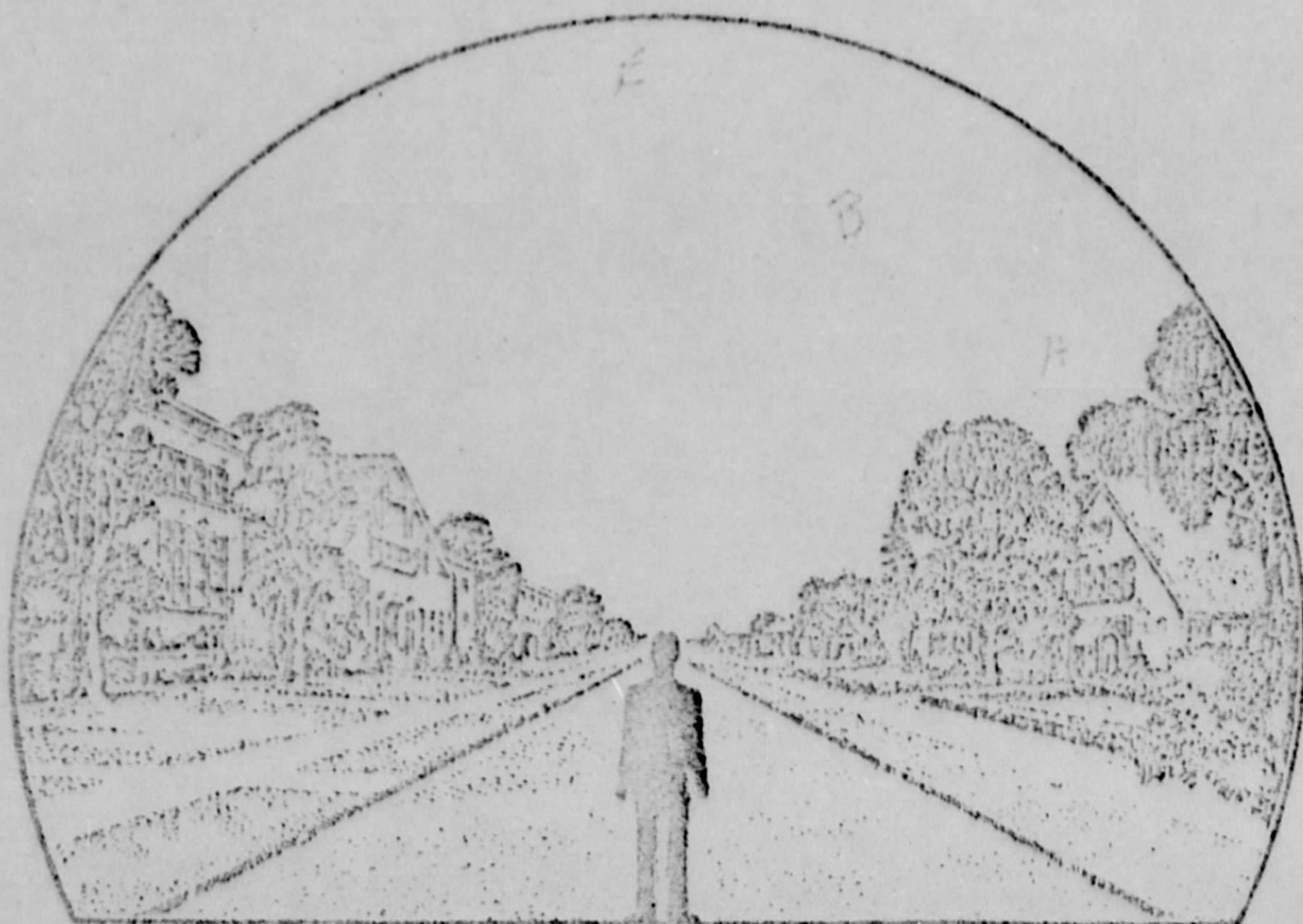
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

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?

CLOUDS (Circle One)

a. Clear sky

b. Hazy

c. Scattered clouds *Maybe some*

d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER (Circle One)

a. Dry

b. Fog, mist, or light rain

c. Moderate or heavy rain

d. Snow

e. Don't remember

35. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object?

22
Day

Feb
Month

1961
Year

*I did not know who to report
to so I called the police & advised
them to check up on it.*

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]

LENDROCK NY

My husband saw it first and called me out to see it.

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?

*We can't imagine.
we only know it was not the moon or a plane.*

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?

It seemed to be standing still. It appeared to be, but must have been moving slowly to appear to be 2' away.

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?

It seemed to be between us & the stars, and not as high as the moon would be.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

Age

67

Sex

FEMALE

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any education, which might be pertinent.

Completed Grammar School. Worked as sales girl, dept store. As manager of hospital manager of Dept. in large drug chain. In childhood grew up around the Coast Guard Station. This brother has left. Before we were married my husband was in the Coast Guard. Later he was a home painter and at present a High School painter.

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

Day

Month

Year

I say I took so much time, but I have been all over there, had is some time, and other things to get out of the way.

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 MRS. [REDACTED]

(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

SIGNATURE [REDACTED]

DATE March 7, 1961

My husband saw it first, and called me out to look at it. It looked like a moon, but, and the color of the newly risen harvest moon it was fading out when I got out doors and my husband & I stood looking at the sky where it had been while he was explaining how it looked, when it started to glow again only it was 20 to 30 feet farther to the East. Gradually the color got deeper & deeper then through the center remained the same, a brighter glow spread all around it until it was 6 to 8 times as large, then gradually got smaller to the original size and then the color faded away until there was nothing (as far as I could see) left.

some place the time, because we had been shopping
 in the afternoon and had stopped in the store for
 coffee, confession before we got home. When we did
 get home I looked at the clock to see if it was time
 to quit supper. It was 5.30 exactly. We removed
 our coats and while I got the supper started my
 husband decided as we were not going out again
 he may as well look up the car and he would not have
 to go out again later. It was on his way back to the house
 when he saw the object in the sky he watched a minute
 or so then came to the door and called me to see it.
 By the time I got out it had almost faded out. We
 stood watching the sky where it had been as he was at
 standing it to me. Then it appeared again and we
 watched it to quite. After it had gone again we went
 into the house as we were chilly and had no coats on. I
 looked at the clock again when we got back and it was 5.43.
 After we had supper I went out and looked all
 around but could not see it again. This is the
 best I can tell you to explain it. If you can explain it and
 can please let me know. We have watched this light and we have
 had not seen any signs to it since then.

Yours