

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 22 May 61		2. LOCATION Vicinity Canton, Ohio		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 2200 EDT GMT 230200Z		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 30 sec		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 2		9. COURSE SW-NE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Shiny, metallic objts, blue-green to whitish. Passed in front of clouds. Approx 300' in diameter. Seemed to stop in mid air and lower in altitude; they then proceeded on their course. Appeared 20° fm horizon; disappeared 25° fm horizon.				11. COMMENTS This is a one-witness sighting, and in keeping with our policy regarding unsubstantiated data, it is classed as "Insufficient Data."	

UFO INVESTIGATION

To - AEROSPACE TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER
DEPT. OF UNIDENTIFIED - FLYING - OBJECTS
WRIGHT - PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE
OHIO

From - UFO INVESTIGATION
3-12 GLENN PL. NW
CANTON 7, OHIO

Dear Sir - We would appreciate in knowing the
qualification for submitting a UFO Report to the
Dept. of Air Force. We have been in the UFO business
for about five years and have received some
fairly good reports, with unknown conclusions
We've been Accepted to send these good reports
to you for investigation but just never did.
This will be greatly appreciated

Thank You
Yours Truly -
[Redacted Signature]

U.F.O.I.

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AFCIN-4E/Maj Friend/vw/69216

Submission of UFO Reports
(Captain [REDACTED])

21 APR 1961

SAFOI-3d (Major Coleman)

1. On 10 April 1961 ATIC received a letter from Captain Donald L. Hinderer of Canton, Ohio requesting information concerning the methods and qualifications for submitting reports of sightings of unidentified flying objects.
2. It is suggested that your office answer Captain Hinderer's letter and include the following information:
 - a. There are no special qualifications required for persons submitting UFO reports. However, if a witness does possess some special qualification, i.e., astronomer, this should be included in the report.
 - b. It is preferable that UFO reports be made to the nearest Air Force installation or organization in order that their entry into Air Force channels will be expedited. However, reports may be made to SAFOI-3d, Washington 25, D. C., or ATIC, ATIN: AFCIN-4E, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.
3. Mr. Hinderer signs his name with the title Captain, but it is the ATIC opinion that this is probably a position in some private UFO organization and not military.
4. Captain Hinderer's address follows:

Captain [REDACTED]
UFO Investigation
[REDACTED]
Canton 8, Ohio

FOR THE COMMANDER:

PHILIP G. EVANS
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Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Science and Components

1 Atch
Ltr fm Capt Hinderer dtd
10 Apr 61

COORDINATION: AFCIN-4E

Robert J. Friend
Maj Robert J. Friend

DATE 17 April 61

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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?

22 MAY 61
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 2200

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?

CITY OF CANTON, OH NORTH INDUSTRY STARK COUNTY - OHIO
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country

Additional remarks: WAS SIGHTED IN RUCCOP COUNTY
10 MILES FROM CANTON OHIO

5. How long was object in sight?

1 30
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

partly 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 ~~one~~ ☒ b. Shiny c. Dark d. Don't remember
 METALLIC

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? | ☒ 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. Flash or flicker? | Yes | ☒ No | Don't Know |
| h. Disappear and reappear? <i>WAS BELOW CLOUD LEVEL</i> | Yes | ☒ 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: *THE OBJECT PASSED IN FRONT OF CIRRO STRATUS CLOUDS*

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 | ☒ 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 THE OBJECTS WERE COMPLETELY SILENT

b. Color BLUE GREEN TO WHITISH

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.

THE COLOR INC IS
AS CLOSE AS POSSIBLE,



18. The edges of the object were:

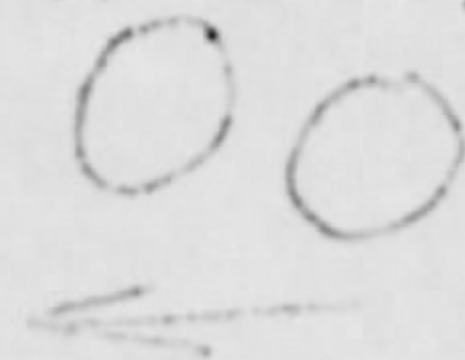
- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
 - b. Like a bright star
 - ☒ c. Sharply outlined
 - d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

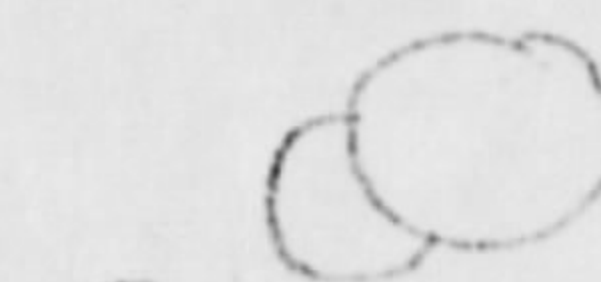
19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? TWO

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

WHEN OBJECTS
PASSED FROM VIEW



WHEN FIRST SIGHTED



WHEN OBJECTS
LOWERED

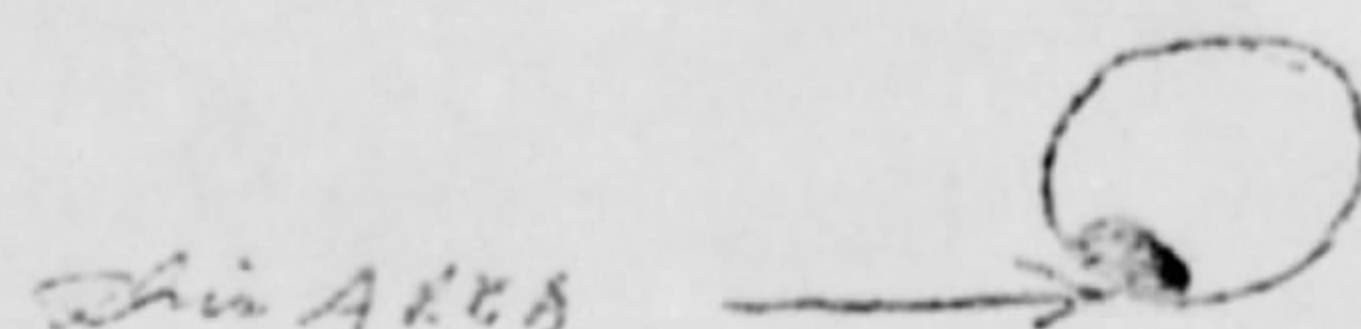
20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



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

APPROX 300 FT. IN DIA.

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?



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

NO

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.

A BASKET BALL

A SKYHOOK BALLOON

AN EARTH SATELLITE

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 STUDYING STAR POSITIONS AND
GENERALLY WAITING FOR THE SKY
TO CLEAR COMPLETELY

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).

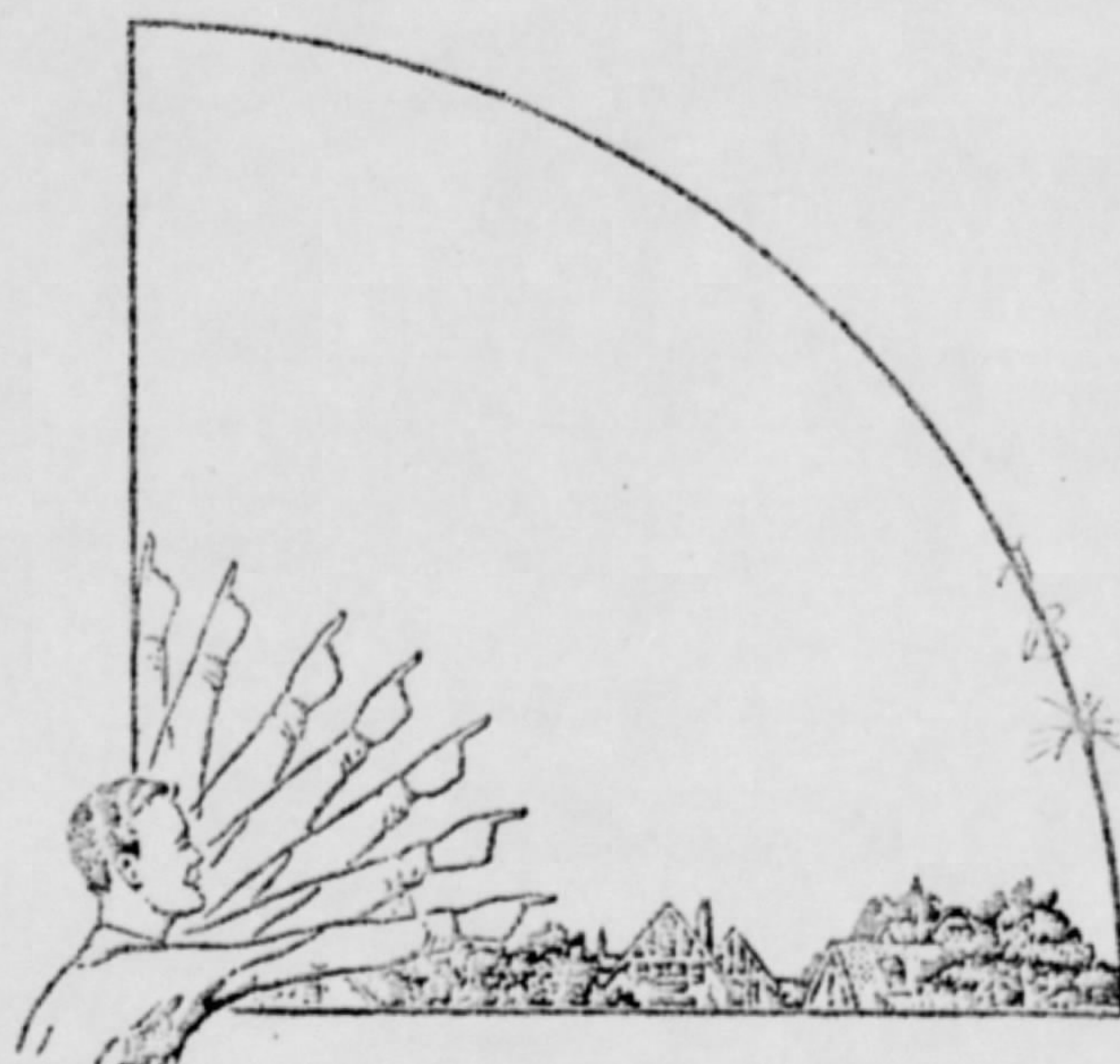
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon 20 degrees.

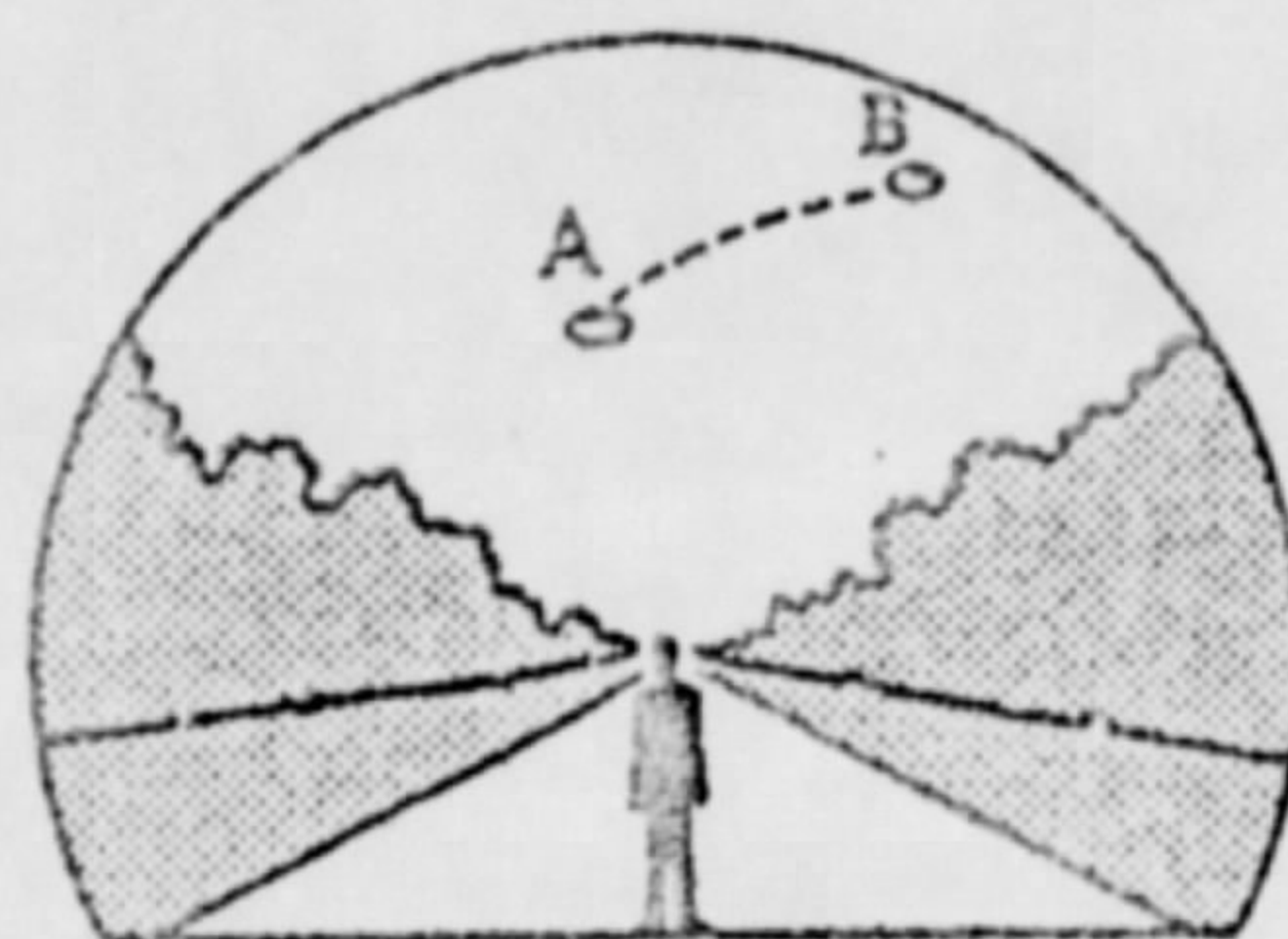
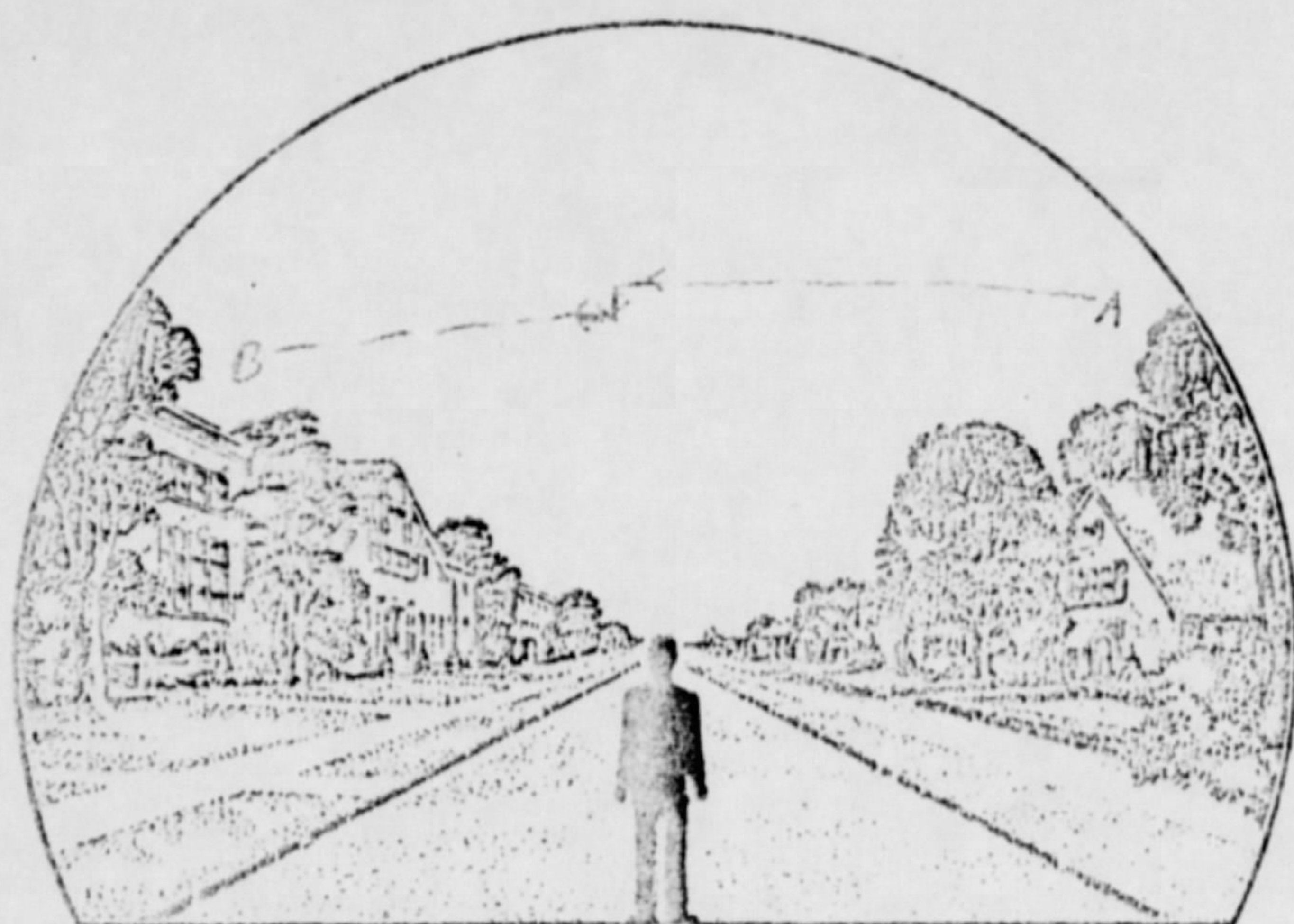
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon 25 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
- 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?

23
Day

MAY
Month

61
Year

FILED IT IN THE OIG
NOTE BOOK AND SHOWED
IT ONLY TO MEMBERS and
LABELED IT CLASSIFIED.

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

HE WAS GATHERING FIREWOOD IN
THE VALLEY BELOW.

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
NW
CANTON, OHIO

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?

BERLIN DAM, OHIO - CAMPING OUT - CAPT.
VIA SIEBER - TACCT JAMES GODFREY - CAPT D.L.
HINDERER WITNESSES

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

POSSIBLY SPACESHIPS FROM ANOTHER
PLANET MUCH FARTHER ADVANCED THEN WE,
OR A VERY LOGICAL EXPLANATION CAN BE
GIVEN.

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? 400 TO 600 MPH

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? 5 MILES AT CLOSEST POINT

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

[REDACTED]

22. NW

CANTON

7

OHIO

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

[REDACTED]

Age

20

Sex

MALE

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

AM GOING TO SCHOOL AT CARTOONIST EXCHANGE
Pleasant Hill, Ohio

HAVE STUDIED ASTRONOMY ; METEOROLOGY,
MINERALOGY ; MOTION PICTURES, PHOTOGRAPHY,
SINCE THE AGE OF NINE. HAVE HAD MY OWN
TOOT GEOLOGY IN HIGH SCHOOL LAB FOR ABOUT 10
YEARS.

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

23

Day

MAY

Month

61

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 <u>[REDACTED]</u> (Please Print) SIGNATURE <u>[REDACTED]</u> DATE <u>23- MAY- 1961</u>	(Do Not Write in This Space) CODE:
UFO REPORT NO. 602-222 MONDAY 22-MAY-61 WHILE STUDYING STAR FORMATIONS AND TRACKING IN THE RUGGED CLIF AREA OF NORTH INDUSTRY OHIO, I SIGHTED TWO UNIDENTIFIED - FLYING - OBJECTS TRAVELLING FROM SOUTHWEST TO NORTH EAST BLUE-GREEN TO WHITISH IN COLOR. THE FIRST THING THAT CAME TO MIND WAS EARTH SATELLITES OR LIGHT REFLECTION OR POSSIBLY A JET. THE NIGHT WAS PARTLY CLOUDY and RAPIDLY CLEARING, VISIBILITY -	

Cont-

WAS GOOD, VERY GOOD AS THE
ATMOSPHERE WAS COLD and DRY. THE OBJECTS
WERE JUST AS BRILLIANT WHEN THEY PASSED
CLEAR PARTS OF THE SKY AS CLOUDY. WHAT
CHANGED MY MIND AS TO WHETHER THEY
WERE JETS, LIGHT REFLECTION, SATELLITES,
METEORITES OR BALLOONS WAS WHEN THEY
STOPPED IN MID AIR AND LOWERED IN
ALTITUDE AND THEN PROCEEDED ON
THEIR COURSE. WHEN THE OBJECTS LOWERED
THEY MADE NO SOUND EITHER THEN
OR IN HORIZONTAL FLIGHT. THERE WAS
NO VISIBLE EXHAUST, AND THEY HAD
THE APPEARANCE OF TWO LARGE BASE
BALLS. THE ENTIRE SIGHTING TOOK ABOUT
A MINUTE and A HALF.

Capt. [REDACTED]

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