

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 18 Jun 61	2. LOCATION Westboro, Massachusetts		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2045-2145 GMT 19/0145Z Jun 61	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION XX ☐ 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 20-30 minutes	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE Varied	☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Red light moving back and forth about 20 deg elevation. At times object glowed orange. Twice a brilliant searchlight shown from object and it's rays pointed downward at a 45 deg angle were clearly visible.		11. COMMENTS Flight path and speed indicate light a/c. Light possibly explained as landing lights. Witness stated that a small airport was located in the area of the sighting. Red light assumed to be runway light. As plane turns toward witness it gives the impression of standing still. Only the lights were visible. Nothing to indicate that this was other than misinterpretation of aircraft 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? <u>18th</u> <u>June</u> <u>1961</u> Day Month Year	2. Time of day: <u>8:45</u> to <u>9:45</u> Hour Minutes (Circle One): A.M. or <u>P.M.</u>
3. Time Zone: (Circle One): a. <u>Eastern</u> b. Central c. Mountain d. Pacific e. Other _____	
4. Where were you when you saw the object? <u>[REDACTED]</u> <u>[REDACTED]</u> <u>Mass</u> Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country Additional remarks: <u>in my back yard overlooking front woods</u>	
5. How long was object in sight? <u>20 to 30 mins</u> Hours Minutes Seconds 5.1 How was time in sight determined? <u>by estimating</u> a. Certain c. Not very sure b. Fairly certain d. Just a guess	
6. What was the condition of the sky? <u>I allowed the children to remain out in the thunderstorm with umbrellas and we were all watching the brilliant lightning in the west + south</u> DAY NIGHT a. Bright a. Bright b. Cloudy b. <u>Cloudy</u>	
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 d. To your left b. In back of you e. Overhead c. To your right 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 b. Shiny c. ~~Dark~~ d. Don't remember

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

Yes
Object indistinguishable as to shape, carried red light burning to orange, twice shone brilliant searchlight in dark.

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? <i>changed color of light</i> | 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>Object, cringed, then reappeared</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: _____

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 | <i>with naked eyes</i> | |

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

a. Sound

Absolutely none except one occasion seemed to accelerate motor + then cut it off

b. Color

Shone red light, changed to orange then back to red

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.

Object could not be distinguished, I noticed only the changing lights, absence of sound and search lights - there were thunderstorms all around us + heavy rain intermittently

18. The edges of the object were: *not to be seen*

(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?

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.

Difficult to diagram - object cruised back & forth low over neighboring woods but did not appear to bank & turn as conventional craft. Rather, it stopped & moved back again in a straight line.

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

That the lights, rather large for light plane & that brilliant searchlight.

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?

Would guess a 1/3 or 1/4

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

No, we went indoors & it was still there

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.

Nothing would if you apply logic because what light plane carries such a huge searchlight and has running lights that glow red to orange.

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 outside of town near woods

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

I was allowing the children to stay out in the storm with umbrellas but I stayed too to check if the lightning was going to get too close. Then we noticed these lights in the east moving to south and back.

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. <u>East</u> | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. <u>Southeast</u> | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |
| | | | i. Overhead |

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | c. <u>East</u> | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. <u>Southeast</u> | 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).

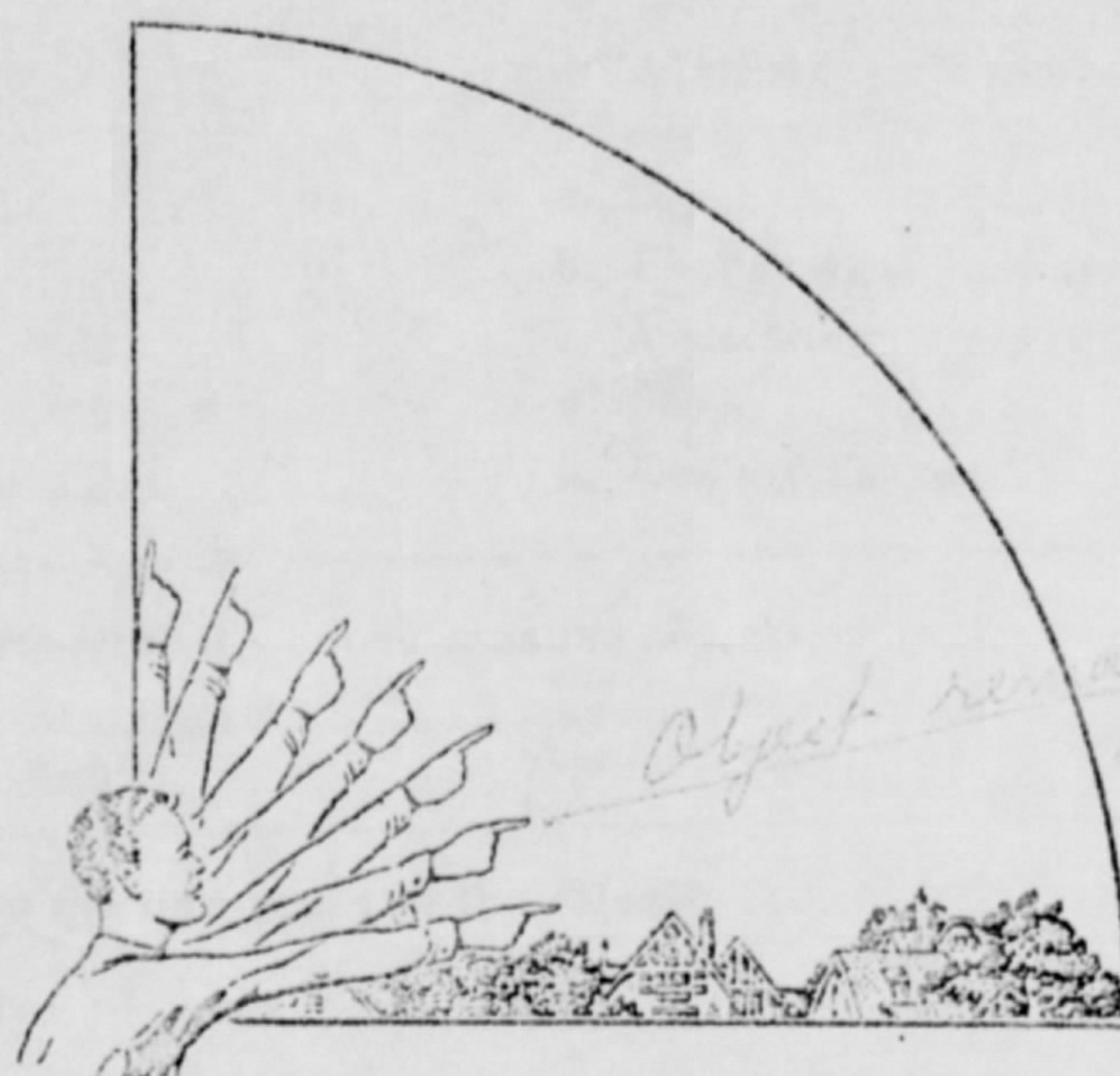
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North 135° degrees.
- b. From horizon 31° degrees.

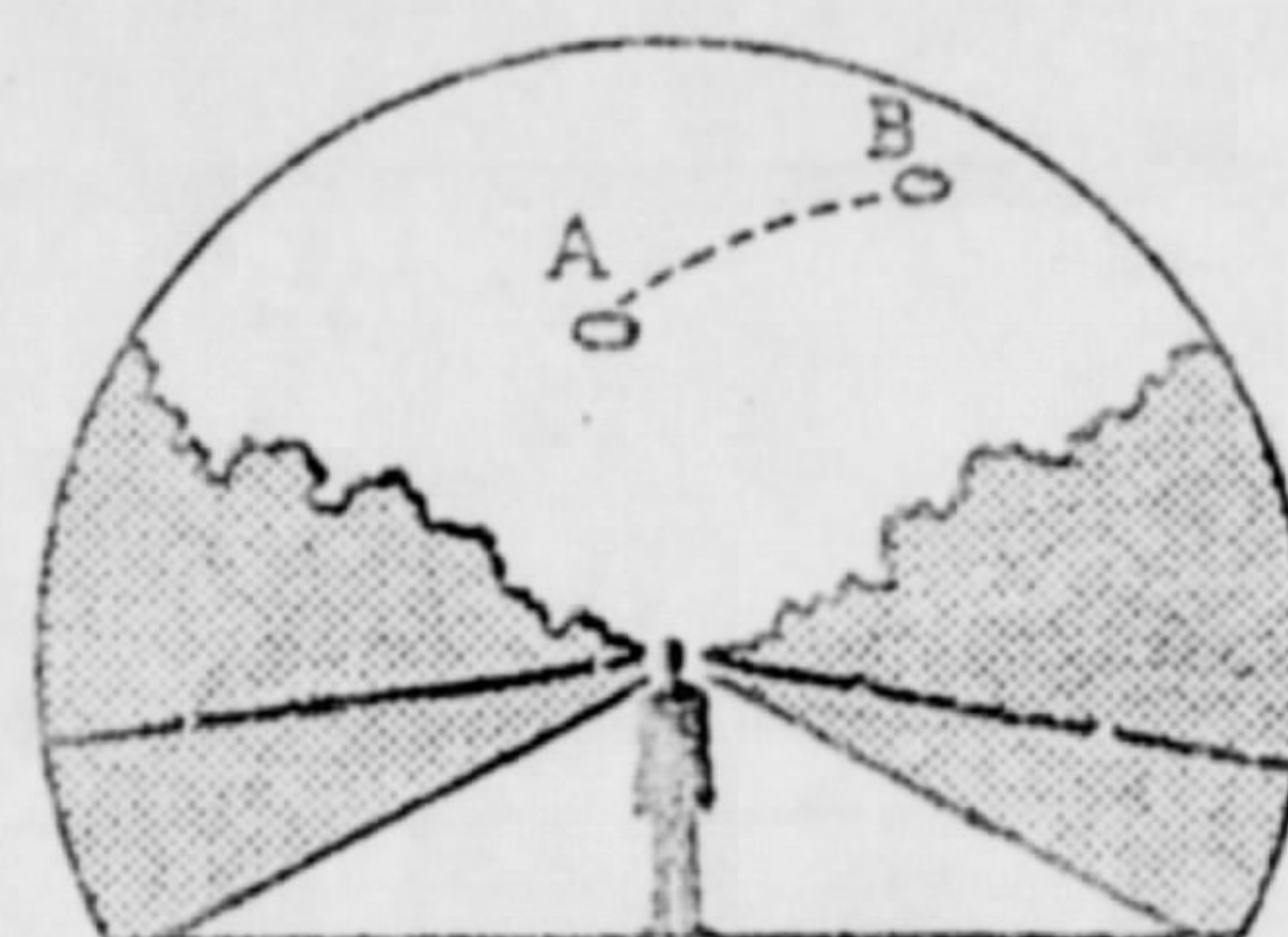
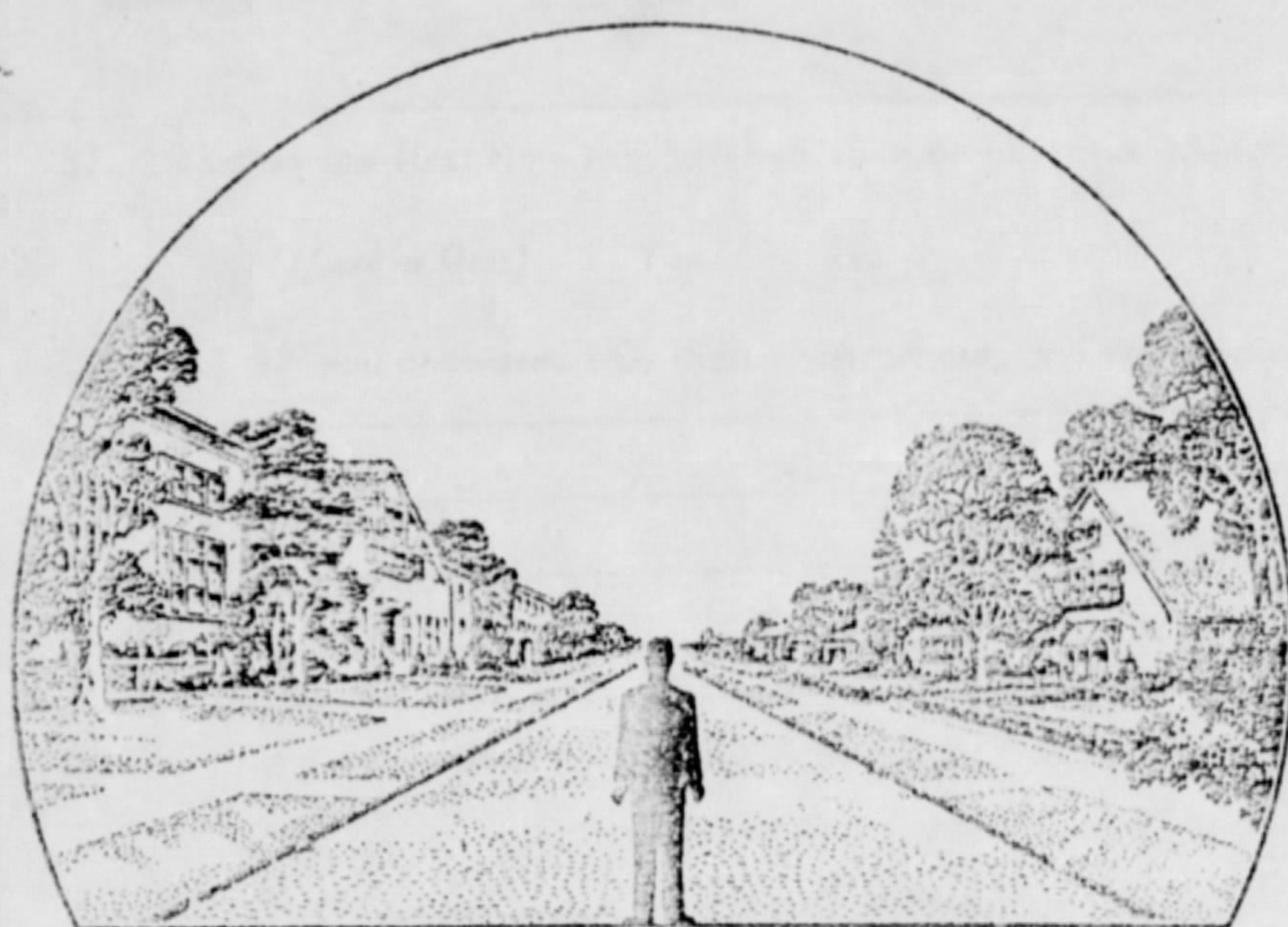
31.2 When it disappeared: 2.5 ft

- a. From true North 135° degrees.
- b. From horizon 31° 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 *thunder-lightning*
d. Snow
e. Don't remember

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

2nd June 1961
Day Month Year

to NASA

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:

*all [redacted] children - [redacted]
[redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] Westboro*

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?

*On a day March 11, 1950 in city of Worcester, Mass. 2 obj
saw in sky. 1st 2 silver white saucers at position 10 o'clock + 2
o'clock. Headed for each other. Head-on crash appeared in
present area. Saw nothing from 2 o'clock until 7 o'clock.*

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

*I think I saw 2 saucers - I knew in 1950 we had a
craft that could stop on course + reverse direction. I
also I assume they must have been from another
planet.*

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?

Day

Month

Year

An organization in Los Angeles that was collecting WFO data

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?

In regards to object seen this past June (61) think it could have been a sent space craft from another planet inasmuch that I haven't read about the Soviets having a craft that could perform in that manner. We have commercial aircraft flying over our heads daily out of Los Angeles, a very much doubt that any of them would be flying at such a high altitude over this area. I am not a pilot, but I would think that

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?

30 miles per hour

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?

Perhaps a mile

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

[Redacted]
Last Name

[Redacted]
First Name

[Redacted]
Middle Name

ADDRESS

[Redacted]
Street

Westboro
City

Zone

Mass
State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

[Redacted]

Age

36

Sex

Female

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

High school graduate, Educational TV fan, subscriber to Time, Life, am interested in space, ^{side of} medicine, music, literature, the arts, theology, philosophy, economics, politics and read extensively when possible. Am also very interested in the Antarctic and Foreign Affairs. Also meteorology.

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

14
Day

Aug
Month

1961
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

(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

SIGNATURE

DATE

August 16, 1961

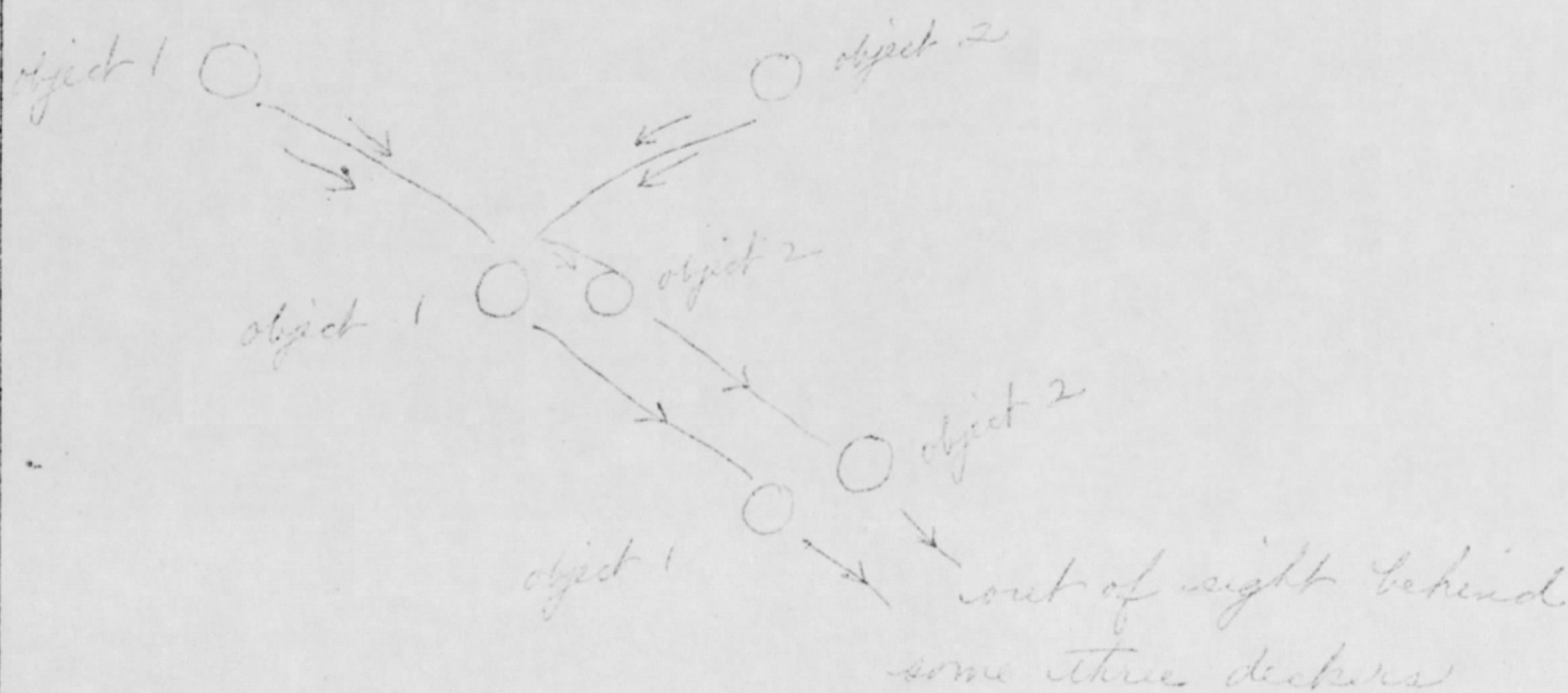
On June 18th Saturday evening, 1961, I and my 5 children were out in our backyard with umbrellas during a thunderstorm. The rain fell intermittently and there was brilliant lightning in the west and some, not as much in the south. While watching the sky, I noticed in the east south east low over the woods a red light moving slowly back and forth about 20° up on the horizon. At times this light glowed orange. I heard no sound of motors except once when it seemed the engine was being geared. This object cruised back and forth from southeast to east not seeming to bank & turn as conventional craft. Twice while I was watching it (a period between 20 minutes and a half hour) a brilliant searchlight shone from the object and its rays at a 45° angle downward were clearly visible. The whole thing struck me as odd, because the object did not behave like a light plane, which I doubted would be out in a severe thunderstorm and neither did I think it would carry a powerful searchlight.

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On a clear Sunday morning on March 11, 1950 in Worcester, Mass I saw very high up 2 round silvery white objects moving toward each other at what appeared to be high speed. Each object left a vapor trail. As a head-on crash appeared certain if one or the other maneuvers did not alter its course, I watched very interestedly.

Just as the objects closed in upon each other, the one on my right stopped and instantaneously continued on a parallel course with the other object. It looked like this:



Case 18 JUNE 61

11 August 1961

Dear Mrs. [REDACTED]

Your letter of August 2nd addressed to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration has been referred to this office. The investigation of unidentified flying objects is the responsibility of the U. S. Air Force as it quite naturally falls within the air defense role of the Department of Defense.

In order to attempt an objective evaluation of your sighting we will need more information. I have enclosed an ATIC questionnaire which we would like for you to complete. You may return it in the enclosed pre-addressed envelope.

Your interest in this subject is appreciated.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM T. COLEMAN, JR.
Major, USAF
UFO Project Officer
Public Information Division
Office of Information

Mrs. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Nestboro, Massachusetts

mai C [redacted]
Westboro, Mass.
August 2, 1961

To the Director of NASA:
SHP

Dear Sir:

As I saw 2 UFOs very distinctly in 1950 in Worcester, Mass. and as I was in the Worcester Tornado of 1953 I am an interested cloud and sky watcher. In the first 2 weeks of June, I believe it was, (this past June) my children and I were in our backyard from around 8:45 to 9:45 because there were thunder storms

all around our vicinity. The ^{2.} ~~one~~ directly overhead. We were having occasional showers and seeing very brilliant lightning over in the southwest. Soon I noticed an object whose shape was indistinguishable in the southeast, rather low over the tops of the woods. It had reddish lights which occasionally became orange in hue. I was surprised to think a light plane should be out in such a threatening storm and watched it moving slowly for 2 or 3 minutes before I realized I heard no plane motors. Also the lights moved back and forth and did not make it

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near that the object was banking as
with a plane. At first I tho't it
was a light plane caught short in the
looming thunderstorm, but the West-
boro Airport (very small) is ^{on the} west
side of town. The things that really
surprised me were that just once
I heard a sound like that of an
engine being gunned and I heard
a slight acceleration and then the
sounds died and the object came
nearer ~~to~~ ^{and} the woods and
twice a very brilliant light like
a gigantic searchlight shone out.
When this happened I couldn't see
the other reddish light. The child-
ren all saw this too and we talked

about its oddity. ^{4.} What made me
decide to tell you people was a
chapter in Frank Edwards' book
"Stranger Than Science". On page 214
he tells of people in Sistersville,
West Virginia who saw a great cigar-
shaped thing (in daylight) which had
red + green lights and swept brilliant
searchlights over the countryside. This
was in April 1897. I have read quite
a lot on U F O's and there are so
many reports, by reputable people,
which agree on details that I find
it hard to discredit them.

Most Sincerely

Mrs. [REDACTED]