

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 2-3 May 1962		2. LOCATION Vandalia, Ohio		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical VENUS ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2000 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 Hour (Approx)		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Witnesses observed object toward NW, quite low, displayed many colors and appeared to move very slowly toward N, witnesses observed object with 7x50 binoculars but were unable to determine shape. Disappeared by suddenly flashing out. Witnesses did not watch object continuously but returned to house for short periods between observations.				11. COMMENTS Object was probably planet Venus. Planet was in a direction coincident with that reported by the witnesses and set at approx. same time as conclusion of sighting. Venus was of magnitude 3.3 at time of sighting. Venus is on opposite side of sun from earth and has a semi-diameter of only 5".52; therefore, it is understandable that witnesses were unable to determine shape through 7x50 binoculars. Cause of sighting misidentification of Venus.	

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1. When did you see the object?

2 Day May Month 62 Year

2. Time of day: 2000

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?

Nearest Postal Address Vandalia City or Town Ohio State or Country

Additional remarks: _____

5. How long was object in sight?

1 Hours 00 Minutes 00 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 ☒ b. Shiny c. Dark d. Don't remember

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

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? | 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 _____ | | |

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

a. Sound None

b. 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.

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? _____

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

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?

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. *moving slowly*

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) *object moved slowly*

- | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--|
| 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. ?

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

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

a. 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?

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

(Circle One)

Yes

No

object moved
slowly

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? _____

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME _____
Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS _____
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

Age _____ Sex ✓

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

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

Day

Month

Year

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3 May 1962
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 20 00 →
Hour Minutes

(Circle One): A.M. or P.M.

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern
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c. Mountain
d. Pacific
e. Other

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving
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4. Where were you when you saw the object?

[REDACTED]
Name of Person Address City or Town

Vandalia
State or Country

Additional remarks:

5. How long was object in sight?

Hours Minutes Seconds

5.1 How was time in sight determined?

Still in sight

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY Dusk
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

Dusk - sun down
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:

looks like diamond

(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

11. Did the object:

15-20 min

(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>Red green, yellow flashes</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? | 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

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(Circle One):

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| 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

None

b. Color

Red, green, yellow, red white - glisters

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 - size of star at first - then larger

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

can't tell - it glisters

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.

Two last night

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.

In South West - moving South West

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

Size of dime at end of hand-arm stretched

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?

Don't know

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

No - still set

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.

Don't know - possibly a diamond

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)

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- 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?

Outside looking at stars

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)

- | | | | |
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| | | i. Overhead | |

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

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|--------------|--------------|---|--------------|
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| 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:

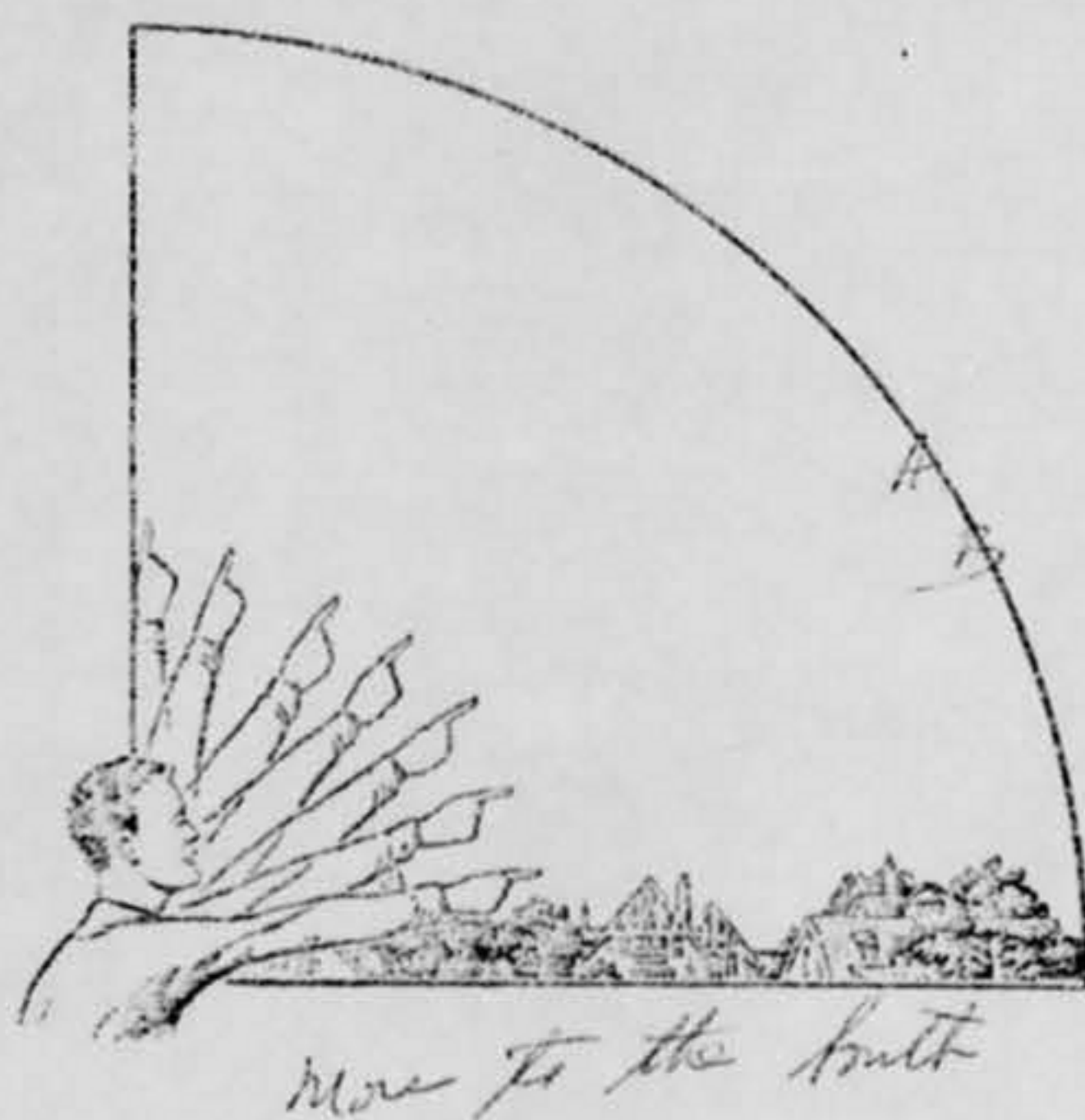
- a. From true North 225 degrees.
- b. From horizon 30° degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

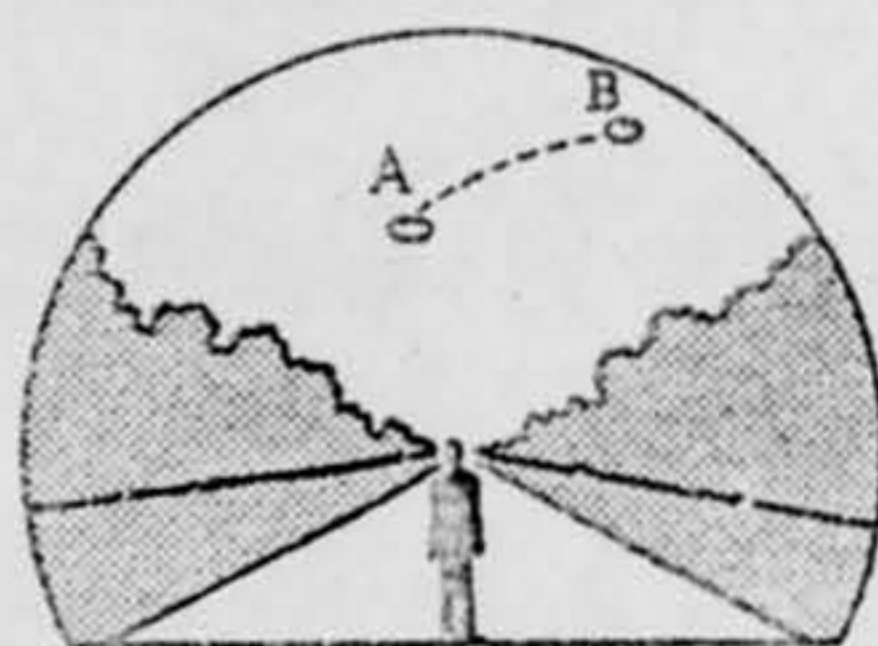
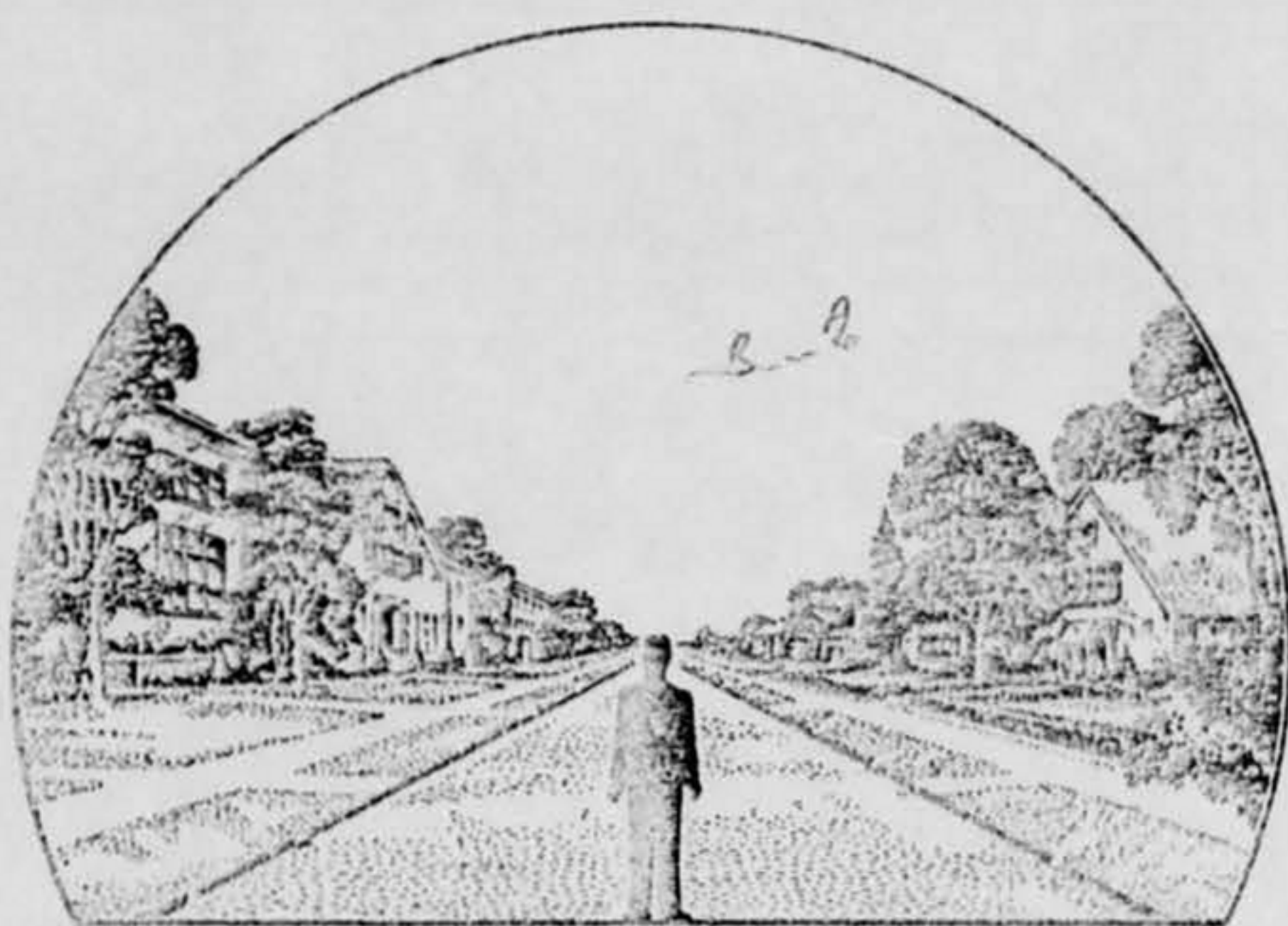
- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

about same when came in to phone

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

Clear where object was

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

3rd
Day

MAY
Month

62
Year

DUTY OFF

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:

Husband, son & neighbors

[Redacted]

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?

Last Night - Reported to Duty Officer

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

Don't know

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? Stationary & slow

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) Yes ☒ No an acre away

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? _____

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

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

ADDRESS [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

Age 40 Sex F

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

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

3 MAY 62
Day Month Year