

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 29 August 1962		2. LOCATION Alexandria, Virginia		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 _____ GMT 30/0214Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 15 seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE SW varied	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Egg shaped obj with red light as bright as brightest star. Shiny. Stood still, changed speed & brightness in 15 second sighting. Gave appearance of being solid. Blurred when moving. Round when slowed up. No sound. Random movement. Observed first in NW & then disappeared over horizon in SW. Initial observation at 045dgr disappearing at 125 dgr. Slowing down occurred when it was near a star.				11. COMMENTS Distance & duration of sighting indicate meteor observation. However witness indicates marked deviation in course w/abrupt changes in flight path. Possible illusion. Speed changes attributed to the close approximation of the various stars in the field of vision. The duration of 15 seconds for 90 dgrs of arc or a speed of 6 dgr per second is possible for meteors; however, is in excess for high flying a/c. Probably meteor sighting but data not conclusive.	

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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CODE:

SIGNATURE [REDACTED]

DATE August 31, 1962

My two sisters, which are 14 and 10 years, and the boy next door, who is 12 years old, and I, were looking through my telescope. It was a clear night, so I wanted to see Jupiter and Saturn in the eastern sky.

I was adjusting my telescope, when my sister called me over to look in the northwest at an object in the sky. My other sister ran over with [REDACTED]. It appeared egg-shaped with a red light. It was impossible to tell how far away it was because it was so far away.

The strange part was the flight. It looked like it was following some stars in the eastern sky.



A. It was where we first saw it.

B. From A it went on a straight course to B.

C. From B it followed a straight course to C.

D. From C it followed a straight course to D. Between C and D it went the fastest.

E. From D it followed a straight course to E.

F. From E it went to the brightest star of the group. It still followed on a straight course between stars.

G. From F it went on a straight course to G.

This is where we lost it, because some trees were in the way. I'm pretty sure of the route. It was moving too fast to be lost.

I'm still wondering why it would follow that route. I know I saw it, but I don't know what it was.

It was going very fast and when it came to the star it slowed up, and then picked up speed until it got to the next star.

AT 06.24	AM	SEP 1, 27	SOUTH OF CITY,	27 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.26	AM	SEP 1, 28	SOUTH OF CITY,	12 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
LOCAL STANDARD TIME						
AT 06.35	AM	AUG 31, 29	SOUTH OF CITY,	04 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.37	AM	AUG 31, 30	SOUTH OF CITY,	26 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.42	AM	AUG 31, 31	SOUTH OF CITY,	10 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.48	AM	SEP 1, 01	SOUTH OF CITY,	33 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.54	AM	SEP 1, 02	SOUTH OF CITY,	12 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
LOCAL STANDARD TIME						
AT 06.51	AM	AUG 31, 29	SOUTH OF CITY,	16 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.56	AM	AUG 31, 30	SOUTH OF CITY,	04 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.59	AM	AUG 31, 31	SOUTH OF CITY,	50 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.58	AM	SEP 1, 01	SOUTH OF CITY,	23 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.58	AM	SEP 1, 02	SOUTH OF CITY,	08 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.59	AM	SEP 1, 03	SOUTH OF CITY,	42 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
LOCAL STANDARD TIME						
AT 06.52	AM	SEP 1, 29	SOUTH OF CITY,	17 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.57	AM	AUG 31, 30	SOUTH OF CITY,	25 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.59	AM	SEP 1, 01	SOUTH OF CITY,	24 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.58	AM	SEP 1, 02	SOUTH OF CITY,	10 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.59	AM	SEP 1, 03	SOUTH OF CITY,	50 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
LOCAL STANDARD TIME						
AT 06.49	AM	AUG 31, 29	SOUTH OF CITY,	15 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.54	AM	AUG 31, 30	SOUTH OF CITY,	03 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.51	AM	AUG 31, 31	SOUTH OF CITY,	40 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.46	AM	SEP 1, 01	SOUTH OF CITY,	22 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.47	AM	SEP 1, 02	SOUTH OF CITY,	51 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
LOCAL STANDARD TIME						
AT 06.45	AM	AUG 31, 28	SOUTH OF CITY,	01 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.57	AM	AUG 31, 30	SOUTH OF CITY,	19 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.40	AM	AUG 31, 31	SOUTH OF CITY,	06 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.48	AM	SEP 1, 01	SOUTH OF CITY,	45 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.53	AM	SEP 1, 02	SOUTH OF CITY,	26 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.57	AM	SEP 1, 03	SOUTH OF CITY,	79 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
LOCAL STANDARD TIME						
AT 06.52	AM	AUG 31, 29	SOUTH OF CITY,	16 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.57	AM	AUG 31, 30	SOUTH OF CITY,	05 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.48	AM	SEP 1, 01	SOUTH OF CITY,	24 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
AT 06.53	AM	SEP 1, 02	SOUTH OF CITY,	10 DEGREES	ABOVE HORIZON	MOVING NE
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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?

29 8 1962
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 9 14
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?

[REDACTED]
Nearest Postal Address

Alexandria
City or Town

Virginia
State or Country

Additional remarks:

5. How long was object in sight?

Hours

Minutes

15
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?

It was as bright as the brightest star.

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? | <u>Yes</u> | 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? | <u>Yes</u> | 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 No sound

b. Color It appeared to have a red light, but it also shined 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.



This is not a ~~good~~ drawing, because it was egg shaped with a red light.

18. The edges of the object were:

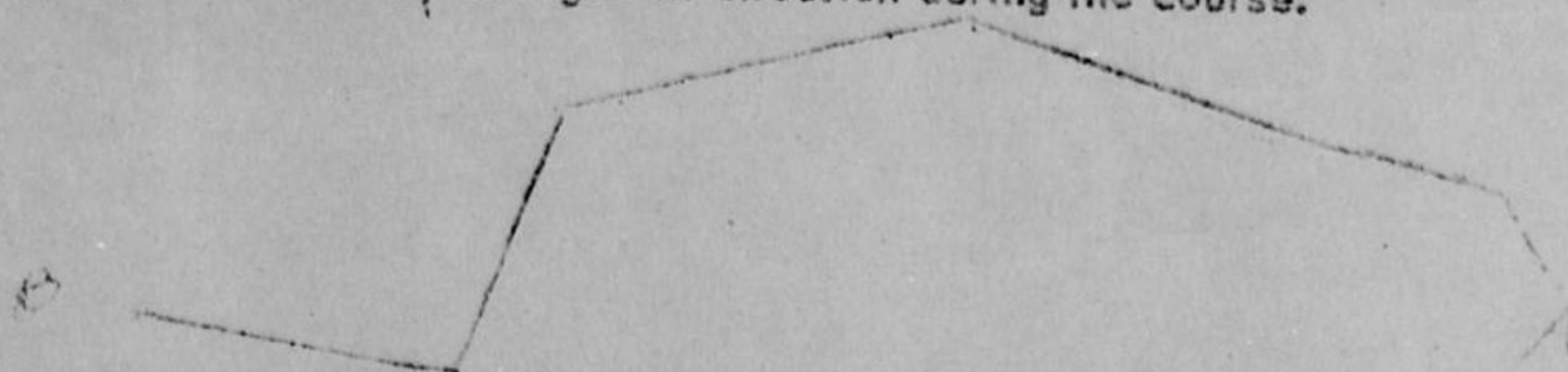
- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
 - b. Like a bright star
 - c. Sharply outlined
 - d. Don't remember

e. Other When moving it appeared blurred, but when it slowed up, it appeared to be round.

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.



21. How large did the object appear to you as compared to an object with which you are familiar? *It appeared to be as big as a table from when we landed. We could not really tell because it was so far off!*

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? *Yes, we lost it over a group of trees.*

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.

I've never seen anything like this before. I have seen plenty of airplanes, jets, balloons, meteors before, but I have never seen anything like this before.

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 have a telescope, and at the time I was looking at Jupiter which was in the eastern sky. My sister was waiting to look at Jupiter when she told me to look in a westward direction at a strange 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. <u>Northwest</u> |
| | | | 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. <u>Southwest</u> | 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).

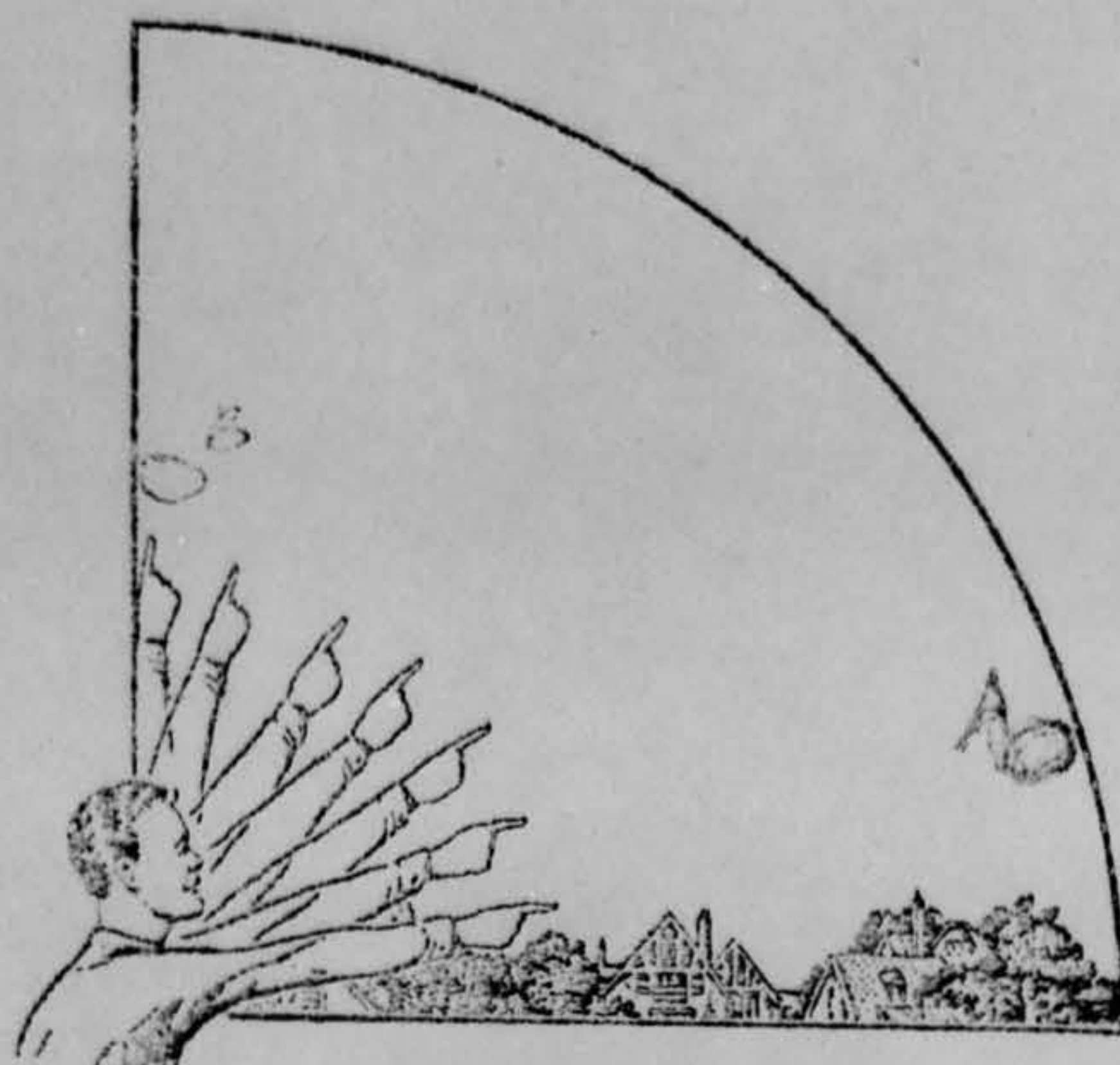
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North 45 degrees.
- b. From horizon 40 degrees.

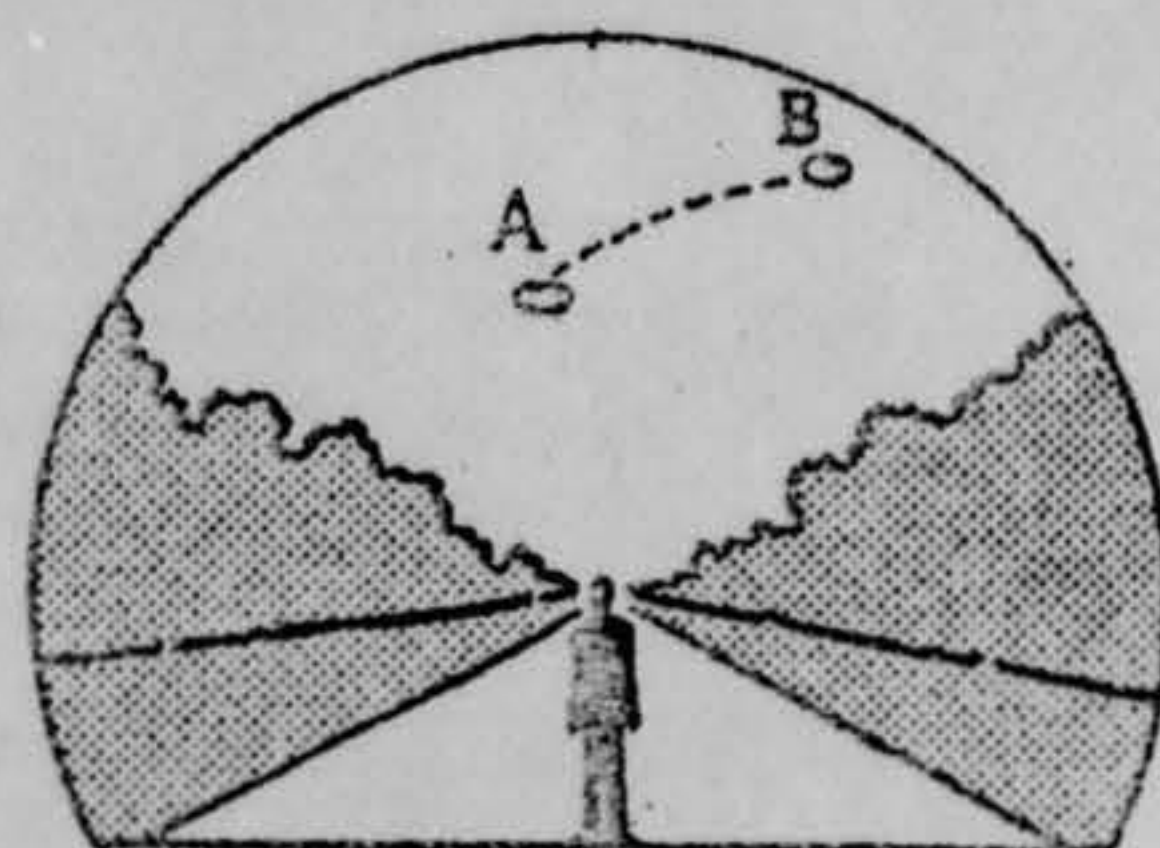
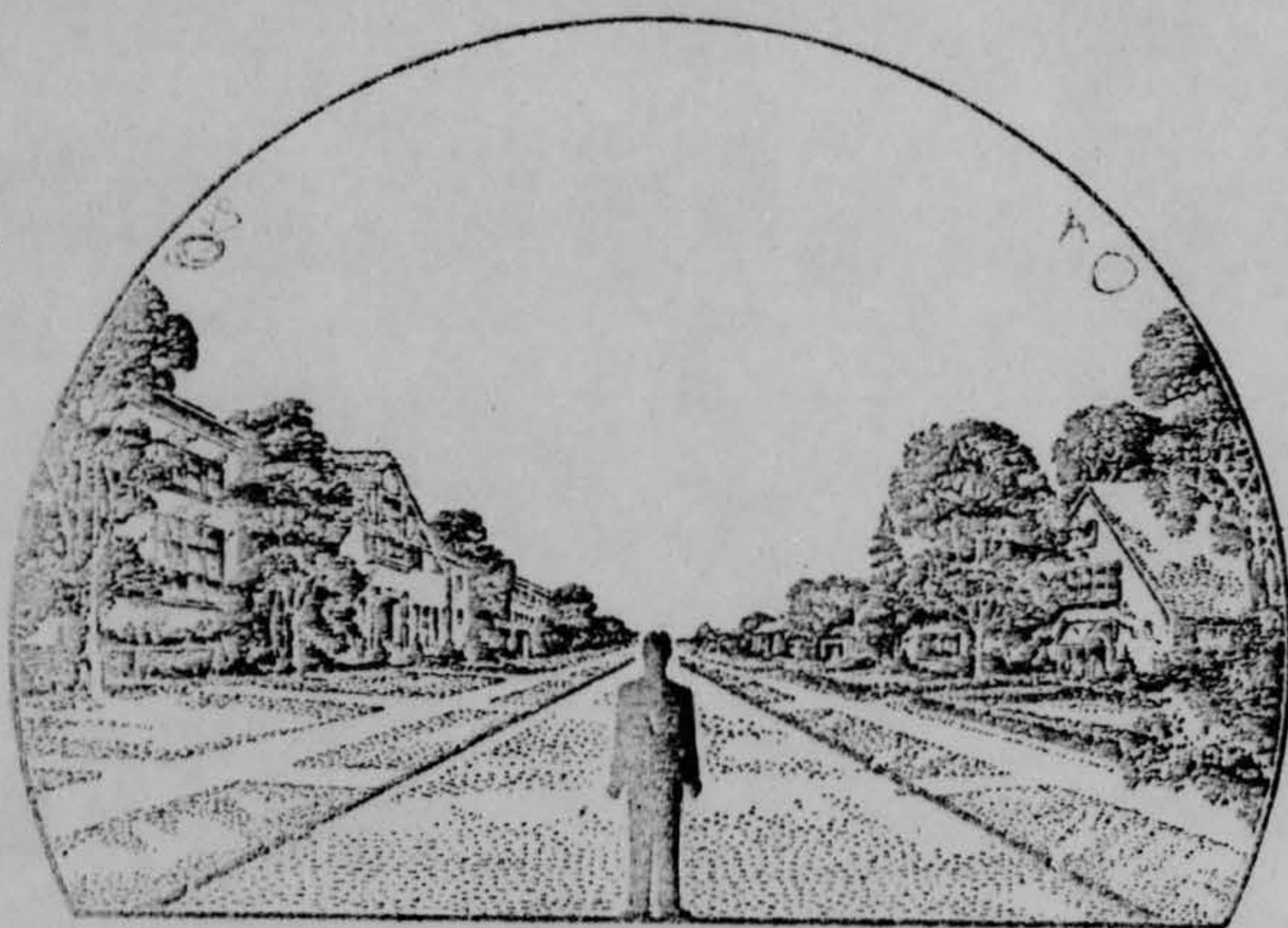
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 125 degrees.
- b. From horizon 45 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?

30 8 1952
Day Month Year

National Space and
Aeronautics Association

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]
[REDACTED]
[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?

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

I think it was some type of space vehicle, which was egg shaped. I can't answer what caused it.

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? _____

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

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

Age 16

Sex

male

I'll be 17 Sept. 5, 1962

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

I'll be a senior in high school this year. I make better than average grades. I have a telescope, and I often use it. I can get Jupiter and Saturn in very good. A couple weeks ago there was a meteor shower, and my friend and I stayed up to 2:00 A.M. We counted 20 meteors or more. I know that meteors look like

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

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Day

8

Month

1962

Year