

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 3 July 66 4/0345Z	2. LOCATION Dixon, Illinois 3 witnesses
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Insufficient data for evaluation <i>Prob. meteor + imagination</i> ✓ <i>just</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 18 seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observers reported an object that was extremely bright red in the front section and a bright white in the rear section. The object disappeared by traveling over some houses and trees. The object was as bright as a light bulb at ten feet. The front section looked like a truncated cone which was on fire. In some respects the description is consistent with that of a meteor or fireball observation; however the drawing indicates the object had a fairly definite shape. The late of the report prevents a detailed study and the case is being carried as insufficient data for evaluation.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	
7. COURSE SSE	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

1. When did you see the object?

3 July 1966
Day Month Year

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

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

(Circle One): ☒ a. Daylight Saving
b. Standard

Nearest Postal Address Dixon, Illinois
City or Town State or County

0 0 18
Hours Minutes Seconds

- a. Certain c. Not very sure
b. Fairly certain d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined? Used the proportion of seconds to minutes

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes X No

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	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. 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

10. The object appeared: (Circle One):

- ☒ a. Solid
- b. Transparent
- c. Vapor
- d. As a light
- e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? (Circle One):

- ☒ a. Brighter
- b. Dimmer
- c. About the same
- d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

Bright as a light bulb at 10 feet distance

12. 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 Front was too bright to see sharp outline but rear section was sharply outlined.

13. 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 |

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

Went over houses and trees.

15. 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: _____

16. 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: _____

17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

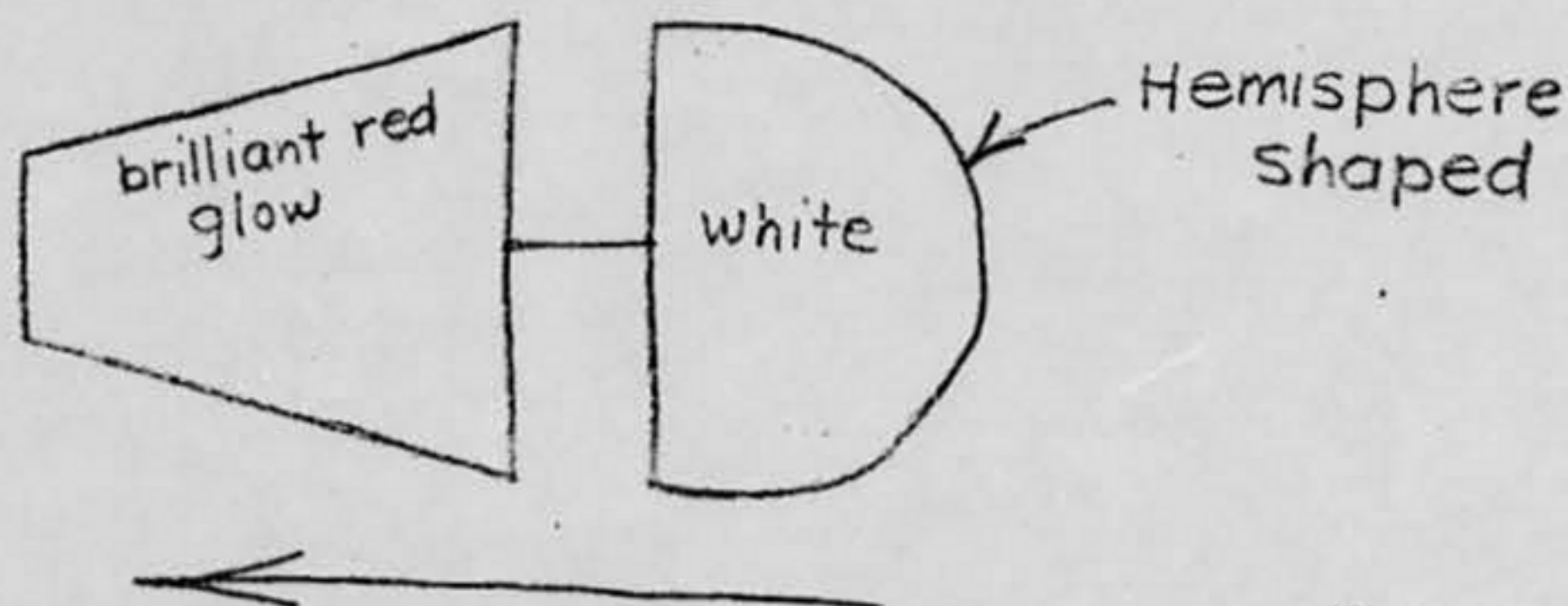
a. Sound None whatsoever

b. Color Front section - extremely bright red Rear section - bright white

18. 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?

$\frac{1}{5}$ of object

19. 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.



20. 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? Fairly Slow

21. 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? 200 ft.

22. 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 _____

23. 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 _____

~~24~~ IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

a. North

c. East

e. South

g. West

b. Northeast

d. Southeast

f. Southwest

h. Northwest

24.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

25. 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

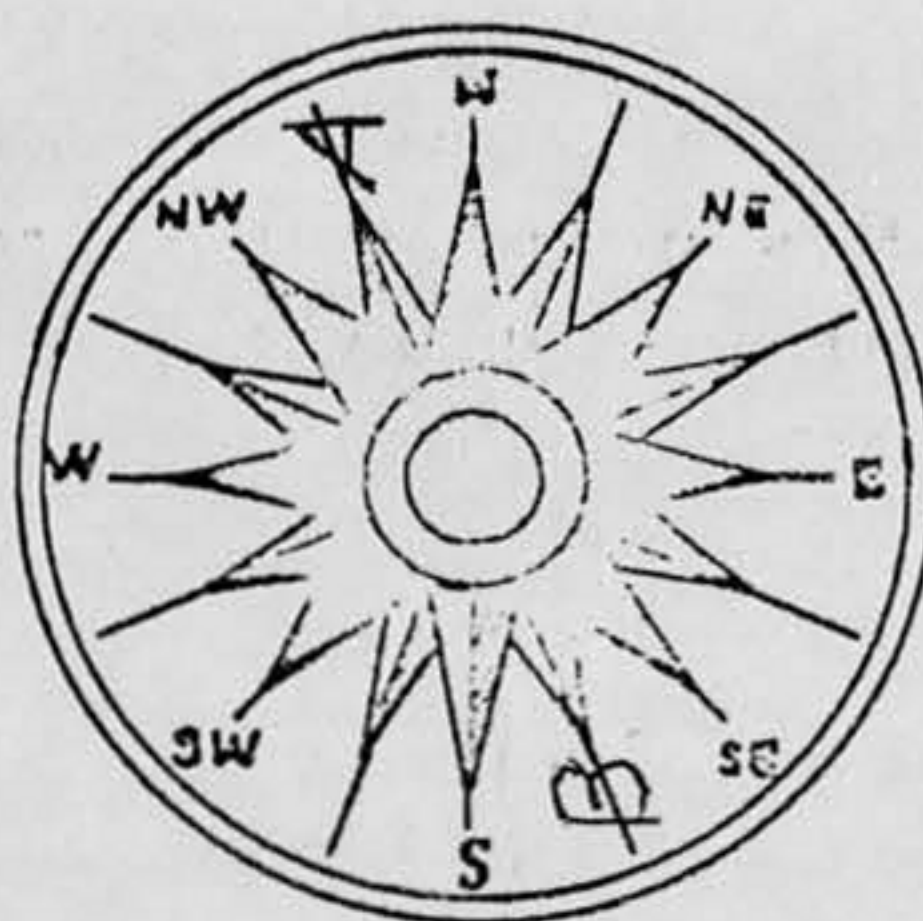
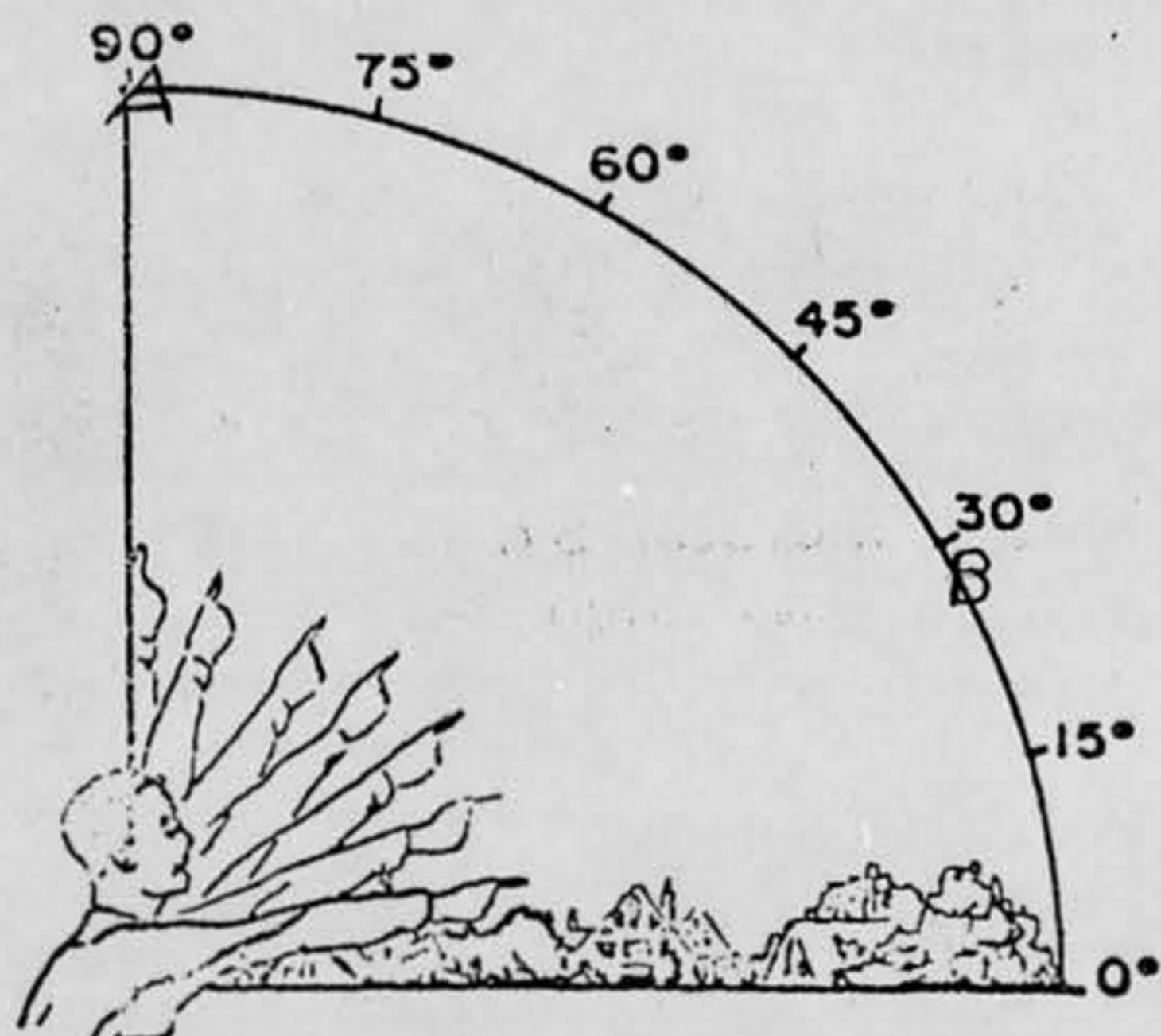
☒ No

h. Other _____

26. 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.

Rear section looked like a solid parachute with many bright lights inside. Front section looked like a truncated cone which was on fire.

27. 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. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you *last* saw the object.



28. 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.



29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? JUST ONE
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.

No

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? (Circle One)

☒ Yes

No

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? (Circle One)

☒ Yes

No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Mrs. [REDACTED] (38 yrs.)

[REDACTED] (8 yrs.)

both live at

[REDACTED] St.
Dixon, Illinois 61021

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

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

ADDRESS [REDACTED] Dixon Illinois 61021
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED] AGE 17 SEX Male

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

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

15 October 1966
Day Month Year

[REDACTED]
Midland,
Michigan 48640

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

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Day

December

Month

1966

Year

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

If you want to make sure I'm not making this up I will gladly submit to a lie detector test.

AFTER FIVE DAYS RETURN TO

Dixon, Illinois 61021

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