

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 18 September 66 19/0100Z	2. LOCATION New York City, New York (Multiple)
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Possible (BALLOON) <i>Prso. Tethered balloon.</i> <i>Jet</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 Hours	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual (BX)	Observers watched a hazy object that was dimmer than the moon would normally appear, movement was not noticable but it did move to the right and returned to former position in one hour. Others had been watching the object for nearly 9 hours. The object was darker than the surrounding sky. Even the stars were brighter than the object. Considering the available information it appears that the observers were watching some type of balloon that has often been used as advertising gimmicks. A large balloon held in place with a wire would account for the sighting.
7. COURSE In The East	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

FORM

FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

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:

MR. [REDACTED]
TENANTS OF BUILDINGS IN STREET AND PASSERS BY
DID NOT NOTE NAMES.

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Last Name First Name Middle Name
ADDRESS [REDACTED] ST NEW YORK CITY N.Y. 24
Street City Zone State
TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED] AGE 69 SEX M

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

I AM AN ARTIST. RETIRED. FORMERLY
EMPLOYED AS A COMMERCIAL ARTIST IN THE
PRINTING AND GRAPHIC ARTS. REALISTIC BY
NATURE EXCELLENT AND KEEN EYESIGHT -
DURING THE YEARS OF MY EMPLOYMENT I HAVE
ALWAYS BEEN IN CHARGE OF THE ART DEPT.
AND ALSO AM REPRESENTED IN THE ART COLLECTIONS
OF THE N.Y. PUBLIC LIBRARY AND IN VARIOUS MUSEUMS

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object? FIRST CALLED 264-3311
18 SEPTEMBER 1966 WAS REFERRED TO 516 258 1900
Day Month Year I SPOKE TO O.D. LT. REECING.

MY NAME IS [REDACTED]

PLEASE CONTINUE

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

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Oct

1966

Day

Month

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.

Mr. [redacted] a doorman at [redacted] called my attention to the phenomenon as I was passing to my home at 22 W 77 St. He explained he had been watching this object since 3:30 p.m. I took out my Binoculars and observed it for myself at 9 p.m. It was dark clear sky, no moon in sky. about a dozen stars scattered around which were brighter than the object. The hole in center of of round disc appeared to me to be darker than the surrounding sky and could perhaps be a solid instead of a hole the diameter of of the center whether solid or a hole seemed to be a third of the complete one.

I was told by Mr. [redacted] he saw a balloon like object come down from the object as if on a line diminish in size as it gradually disappeared behind the Museum of Natural History which is opposite. That is his statement. so I cannot attest to that but only to what I observed myself between 9 p.m. and 11 p.m. I certainly would be most interested to know if anyone else described this object. Thank you for writing me [redacted]

N.Y.

18 Sept 66

FTD (TDETR) *hl*
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
27 September 1966

Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
New York, New York 10024

Dear Mr. [REDACTED],

Reference your unidentified observation of 18 September 1966. The information which we have received is not sufficient for evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD Form 164 and return it in the enclosed envelope.

We wish to thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

Sincerely,

HL
HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF
Chief, Project Blue Book

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Chie WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB, OHIO 45433

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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

FIRST CLASS

Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Columbus Avenue
New York, New York 10024

☐ Moved, left no address
☐ No such number
☐ Moved, not forwardable
☒ Addressee unknown

FTD FORM
JUL 61 383

This form supersedes ATIC Form Nr. 383, dated Dec 60, which is obsolete.

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13/2300Z - 7/0301Z
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INCOMING MESSAGE

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ACTION : FDC-4 INFO : XOP-1, XOPX-2, SAFOS-3, NIN-7, DIA-1 (19) ADV CY DIA
SMB B284CZ CBV 04 03

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ZNR UUUUU

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FM 52FTRWG SUFFOLK COUNTY AFB NY

TO RUEDHQA/CSAF

RUEDHQA/SECRETARY OF AF WASH DC

RUWMFVA/ADC

RUEDMAA/1AF STEWARD AFB NY

RUEDBOA/21AIRD IV MCGUIRE AFB NJ

RUEDFIA/HQ FTD WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB THIO

BT

UNCLAS 5200C 00213 SEP 66

FOR USAFCAFNIND, 21AIRD IV (21AD01N. UFO RPT. IAW AFR

200-2 CONSOLIDATED REPORT SUBMITTED ON 2 UFO SIGHT -

INGS BETWEEN 2300Z 18 SEP-0200Z 19 SEP. INFO IN BOTH

REPORTS SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME.

A. (1) ROUND WITH HOLE IN MIDDLE. (2) GRAPEFRUIT.

(3) FIRST OBSERVER: GREEN & YELLTWH WITH STRIPE.

SECOND OBSERVER: DULL WHITE TO GRAY WHITE. (4)

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ONE (5) N/A (6) OBJECT INCREASED AND DECREASED IN
SIZE BUT DID CHANGE POSITION. (7) NEG (8) NONE (9)

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THE HOLE SEEMED DARKER IN COLOR THAN SURROUNDING
SKY.

B. (1) ANOTHER PERSON. (2) 45 DEGREE-90 DEGREES ELEVATION, 360 DEGREES.

(3) DID NOT OBSERVE. (6) OBSERVED FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR.

C. (1) GROUND-VISUAL. (2) BINOCULARS (3) N/A

D. (1) 18 2300Z SEP 66 & 19 0300 SEP 66. (2) DUSK & NIGHT

E. DOWNTOWN NY CITY.

F. CIVILIANS: MR. [REDACTED] 22 W [REDACTED], N. Y.,

N. Y.; MR. [REDACTED] WEST SIDE COLUMBUS AVE,

N. Y. BOTH GENTLEMEN APPEARED TO BE INTELLI-

GEN, SINCERE AND SENSIBLE.

G. (1) CLEAR (2)

WIND VEL IN KNOTS

SURFACE

240 5

6,000

260 5

10,000

260 12

16,000

280 20

20,000

280 29

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50,000	270	34

(3) UNLIMITED (4) 12 (5) 6/10 (6) NEG (7) UKN.

H. N ME

I. NONE

J. UNKTWN

K. WING OPERATIONS OFFICER. BOTH OBSERVERS REPORTED
SIGHTING OVER N. Y. CITY MUSEUM. SIGHTING PROBABLY
LIGHTS FROM MUSEUM REFLECTING FROM A CLOUD OVER OR
NEAR THE MUSEUM.

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U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

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. 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?

18 Sept. 1966
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: AT NIGHT FROM 9 TO 11 P.M.
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?

W STREET AT 22 W. 77th ST. N.Y. CITY N.Y. U.S.A.
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or County

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration)

2
Hours Minutes Seconds

(a.) Certain
b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

I SAW OBJECT FOR 2 HRS
OTHER OBSERVERS SAW IT
FROM 3³⁰ TO MIDNIGHT.

5.1 How was time in sight determined?

BY MY WATCH.

5.2 Was object in sight continuously?

(Yes) No

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

NIGHT
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

DARK NO CLOUDS OR MOON.

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. 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 ← → ☒ d. As a light (HAZY -)
- b. Transparent
- c. Vapor
- 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: A HAZY LIGHT DIMMER THAN THE MOON
WOULD ORDINARILY APPEAR

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 ROUND WITH HOLE IN
THE CENTRE LIKE
A DOUGHNUT.

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?

NO STATIONARY — FOR ABOUT 1 HOUR
THEN MOVED OVER TO THE RIGHT AFTER ONE
HOUR RETURNED TO ORIGINAL POSITION

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:

POSITION CHANGED ~~BEHIND~~ BUT NOT OBSTRUCTED AT ANY TIME

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

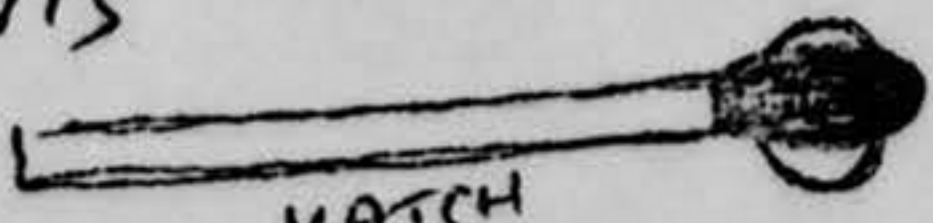
(Circle One): Yes ☒ No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what
in front of:

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

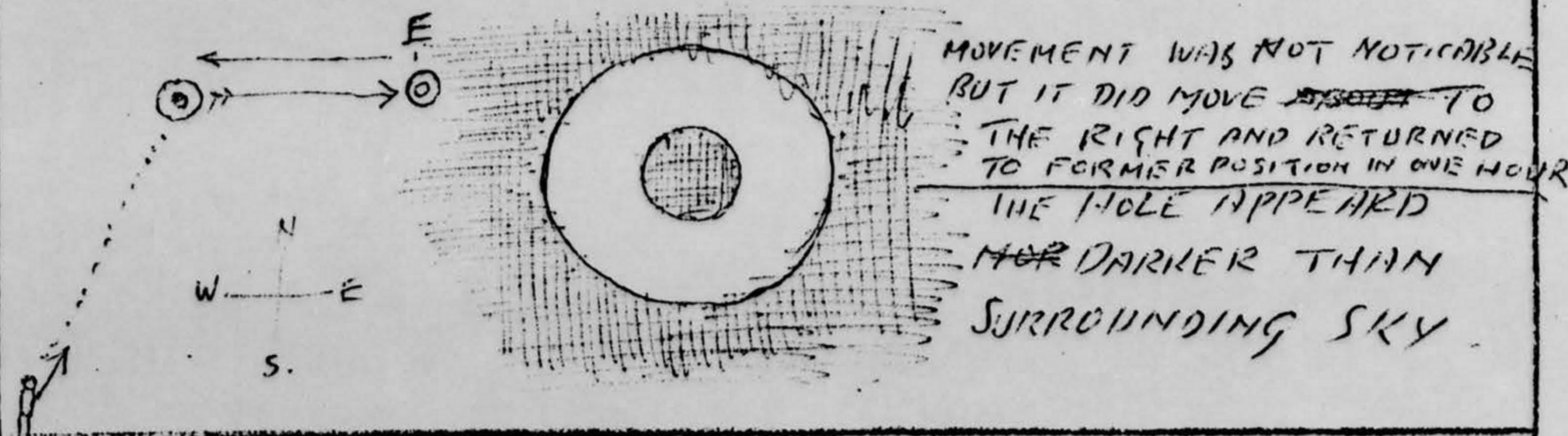
a. Sound NO SOUND

b. Color LIKE MOON BUT MUCH DIMMER OR HAZY —

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?

I BELIEVE THE MATCH HEAD  WOULD EXCEED
THE SIZE LIKE THIS

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

STATIONARY

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? _____

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? 10,000 TO 15,000 MILES

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

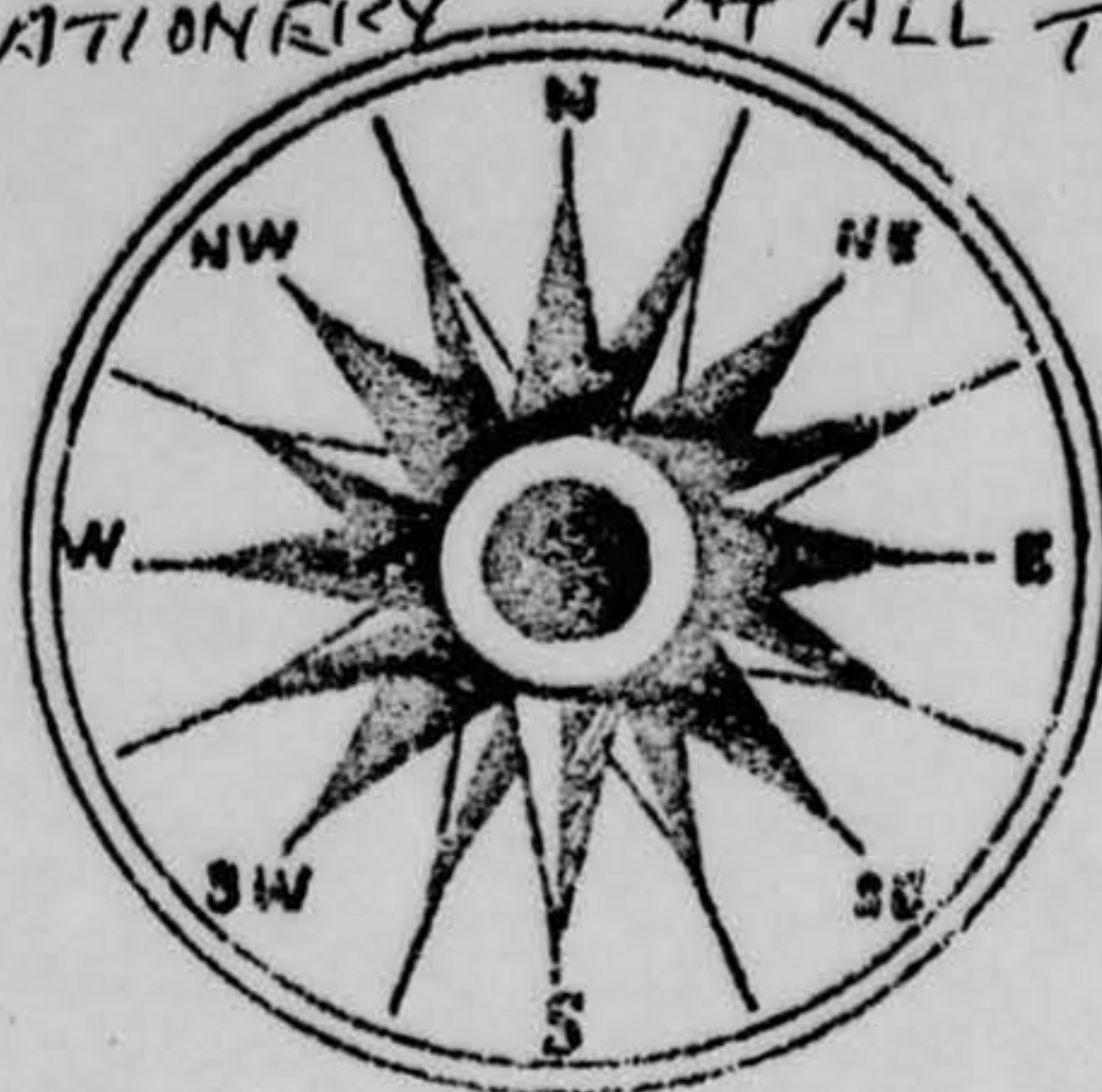
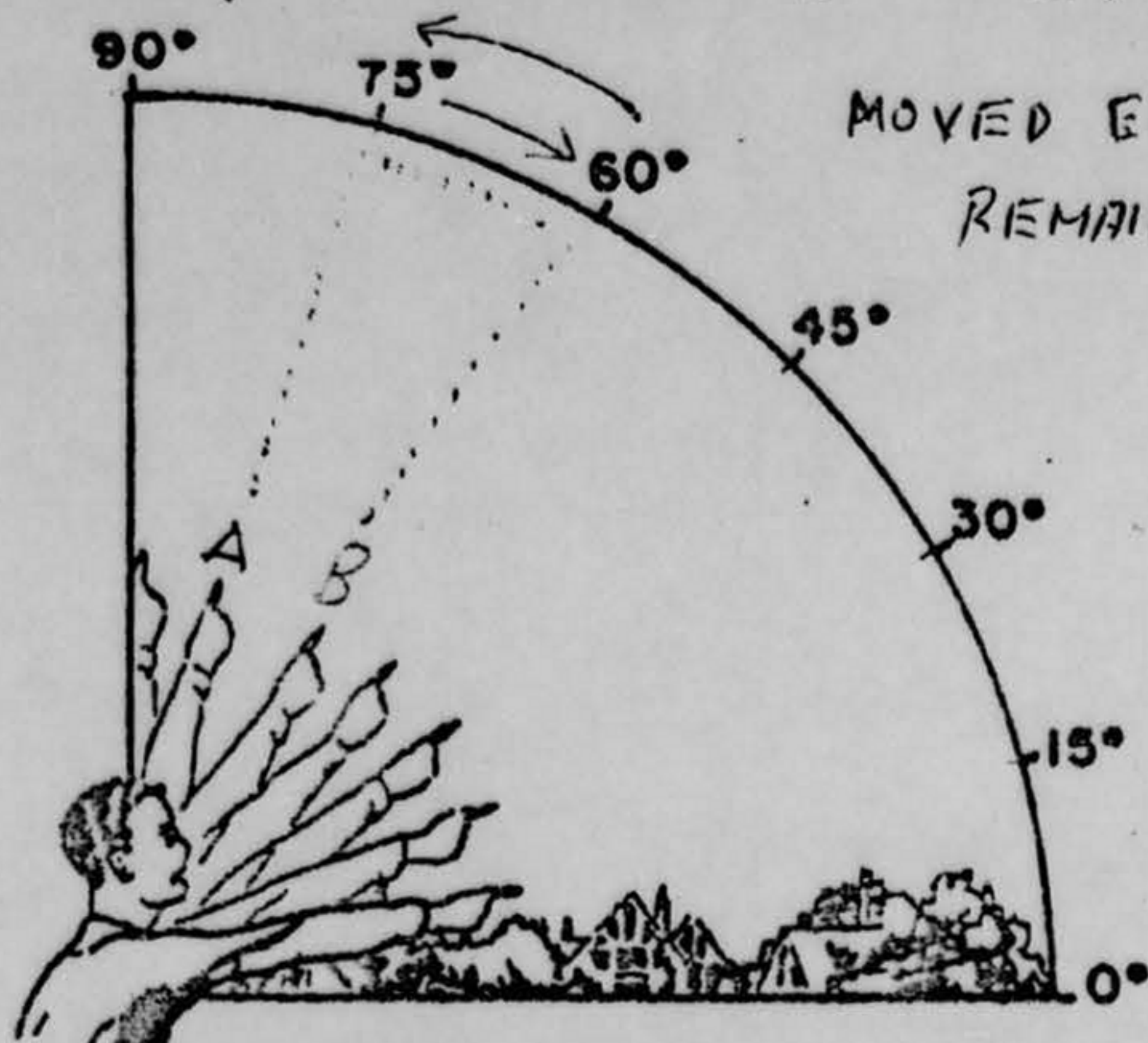
h. Other _____

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.

ABOUT $\frac{3}{4}$ THE DIAMETER OF THE MOON ~~BUT~~
THE SAME COLOR BUT NOT BRIGHT DULL AND HAZY
LOOKING BUT SHARPLY OUTLINED. WITH HOLE IN CENTRE
AS ILLUSTRATION.

ABOUT THE SIZE OF 10" OR 12" PLATE

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.

AS ABOVE

29. 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.

NO OTHER OBJECT