

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 30 Mar 67 31/0205Z	2. LOCATION Fultonville, New York 3
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION ARTIFICIAL CLOUD Other (CLOUDS/CONTRAILS) ✓ JH JH
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 3	BARIUM CLOUD RELEASE FROM WALLOPS ISLAND, VA. AT APPROXIMATELY 1900 EST.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 hours	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observer stated that the object was like a light and had vapor. Object was compared in brightness to that of a star and appeared to be brighter. Object started out as a fuzzy globe getting closer and larger and turned into a sharp fiery red-orange disc. Object had no distinctive sound of its own. Color: green, bright red-orange, then blue vapor.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	
7. COURSE Stationary	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

4. Date you completed this questionnaire:

31

March

1967

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.

I just heard on the news about the Air Force putting some chemicals in the atmosphere causing colors and someone put a hot air balloon with burning cotton up there, too. This could have been what we saw but I'm filling out this questionnaire just in case it wasn't. On the news, it said the object was sighted late last night but the one I saw was sighted only about 7:15 P.M. ^{over}

30 March 67.

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON 20330

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY



MAY 29 1967

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

This replies to your recent correspondence regarding your unidentified observation on March 30, 1967.

Detailed investigation revealed that you probably saw the chemical clouds mentioned in your completed questionnaire. A rocket fired from the Wallops Island, Virginia station of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, at approximately 7 p.m. EST, March 30, 1967, released tri-ethyl borane and barium into the atmosphere. This caused the clouds to become various colors, but eventually they turned blue in elongated patterns along the lines of the earth's magnetic field. The clouds may extend across the sky for several hundred miles and can be visible for thirty minutes to one hour.

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

Sincerely,

Barnett B. Young

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Civil Branch
Community Relations Division
Office of Information

Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Utica, New York 13503

W. J. [REDACTED] 6-13-67

June 10, 1967.

What about that mysterious red ball that we saw on the N.Y. State Thruway and was even seen in Utica by a few observers?

Please send reply.
Thank you.

[REDACTED]

Other (Cloud/Contrails)

~~Dear~~
30 Mar 67

Proposed reply to UFO report from [redacted] March 30, 1967

30 Mar 67

Jacksonville, N. Y.

31/0205-2

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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?

30 March 1967
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

7 55
Hour Minutes

(Circle One):

A.M.

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?

State Thruway

Nearest Postal Address

Near Fultonville

City or Town

New York

State or County

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

1 0 0
Hours Minutes Seconds

a. Certain

b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined?

Wrist 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

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

He soon wasn't
up yet)

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
- and
- d. As a light
e. Don't remember

and

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:

The Sun

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

- c. Other It started out
as a fuzzy green ball
getting closer and larger
and turned into a sharp fiery
red-orange disc.

13. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- a. Appear to stand still at any time?
- b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?
- c. Break up into parts or explode?
- d. Give off smoke?
- e. Change brightness?
- f. Change shape?
- g. Flash or flicker?
- h. Disappear and reappear?

- [illegible]

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

After the firex disc faded out it left these luminous trails which flickered changing from blue, purple, green, and back to blue again. After a while these trails got dimmer and faded away.

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

b. Color

Green, Bright Red-Orange, then blue vapor.

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?

It was much bigger than the match head.

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.

(The Stages)

Big as base
ball at arm's
length.

Broke
off

(Flickering)
colors

From
large one.

Stages

It got
closer and
larger!

Then
became
sharp and
bright.

Then turned
into vapor.

The green ball split up into parts before the firex ball appeared.

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? 15-17

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? _____

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 I got out of car and went back into car.

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 | <u>g. West</u> |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

24.2 How fast were you moving? 40 miles per hour.

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

(Circle One) Yes ☒ No ☐

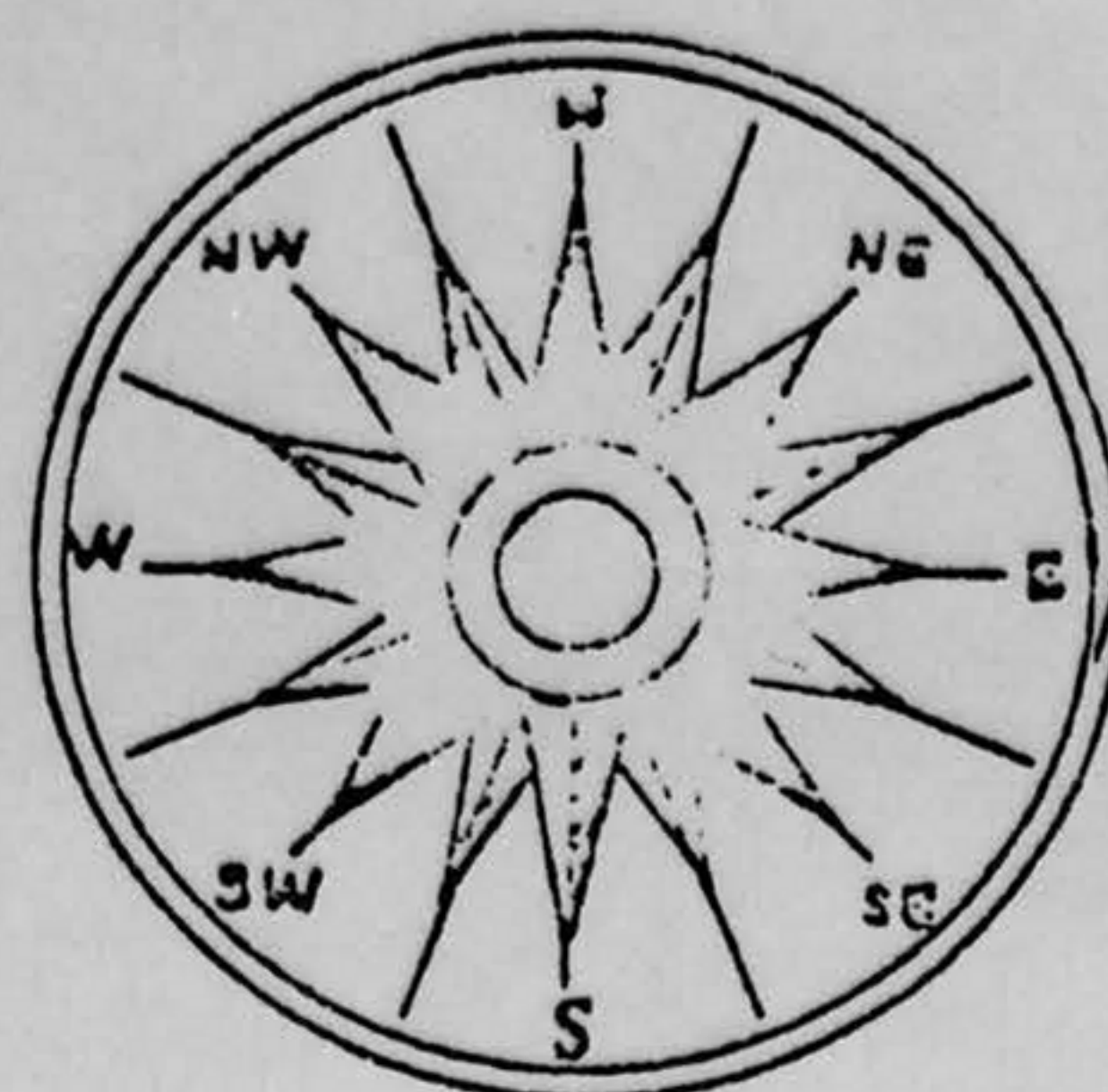
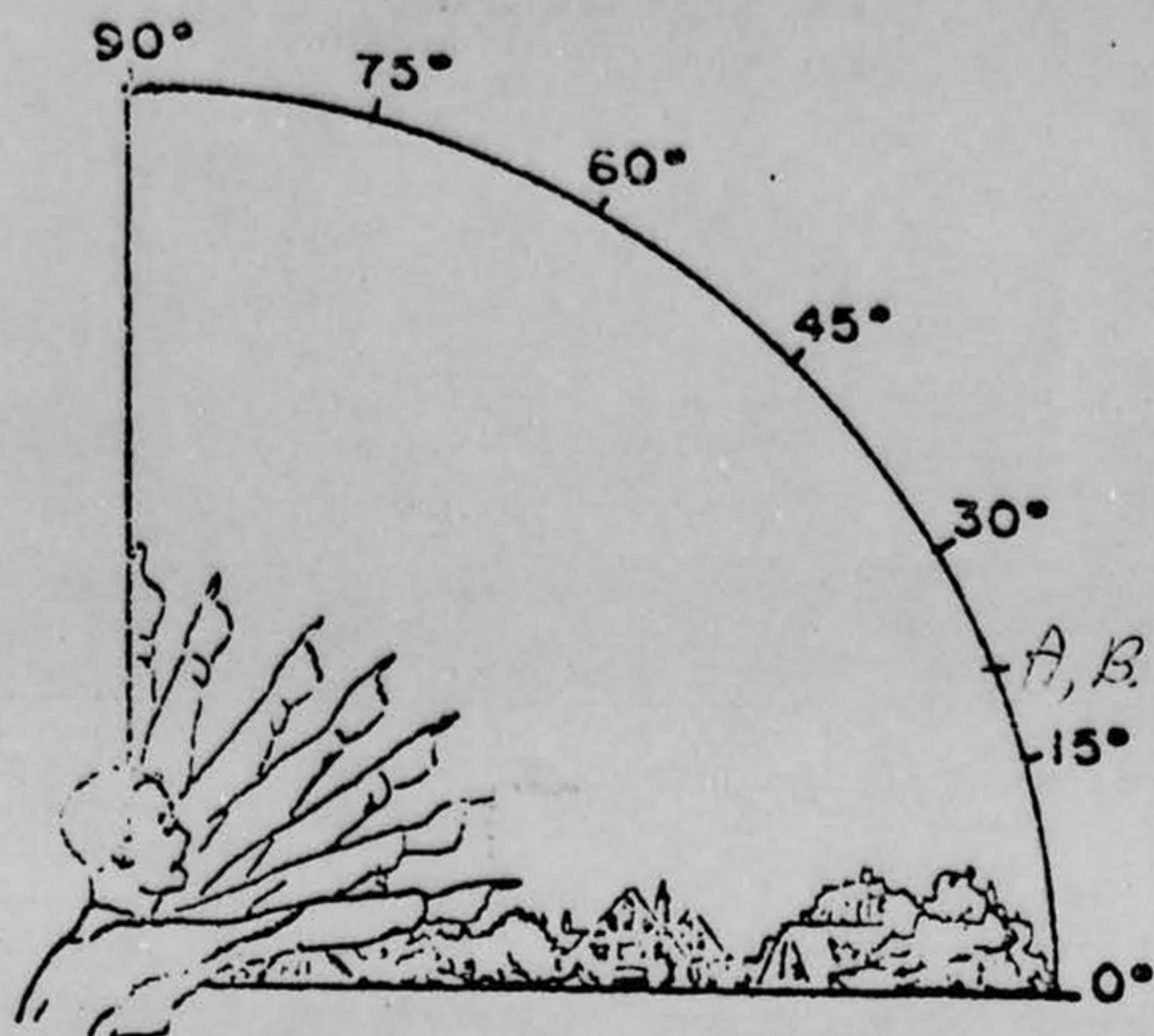
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|----|---------------|---|----|
| 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 | <u>Through windshield and open air.</u> | |

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.

A very ~~hot~~ hot, red, sun.

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.



(Fairly certain)

A, B.

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.

No motion.

29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? Appeared to be 3
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

*flickering
vapor*

*One object which turned
into three vaporlike objects
which ~~it~~ disappeared after
about an hour.*

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

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31. Has 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] Utica, NY
 [redacted] Utica, NY
 [redacted] Utica, NY
 [redacted] Utica, NY
 Miss Jos [redacted] Utica, NY

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
 Last Name First Name Middle Name
 ADDRESS [redacted] Utica 3 New York
 Street City Zone State
 TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] AGE 14 SEX Male

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

I have written to project Blue Book asking for information about UFO's.

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

30 March 1967
 Day Month Year

Griffis AFB
 Rome, N.Y.

I am almost sure that this was not a balloon.
Am sending a clipping from the Utica Paper.
Please send me the results of your
tests which I will pass on ~~to~~ the newspaper.
Thank you.

Some Ball in the Sky

Utica Press reporters last night received three reports of a large orange ball along the Southern horizon. The reports came from West Winfield, Whitesboro and New York Mills.

Callers said the ball appeared to be larger than the moon. It first appeared as a very bright light and then seemed to disappear as if being covered by a cloud.

The object then reappeared, grew very bright and then seemed to explode.

Mrs. Kenneth Davis, West Winfield Press correspondent, said she saw the unidentified object shortly before 7 p. m.

The Old Farmers Almanac said the moon would rise at 1:29 a. m. today. It reported that the moon set at 3:22 a. m. yesterday. Therefore the moon would not have been visible at the time the object was seen.

Griffiss Air Force Base spokesman said base opera-