

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE-TIME GROUP 6 Oct 67 06/0800Z	2. LOCATION Middlesex, New Jersey (1 Witness)
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Possible (AIRCRAFT)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 2 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS The observer sighted an object that at a distance looked similar to the landing lights of an airplane, when closer however the object appeared roughly elliptical and had what appeared as windows along the side. The object had a steady floating motion and appeared yellow in color. The observer said he thought the object passed closer than permissible to an eastbound transport.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	
7. COURSE	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☐ No	COMMENTS: The description of the object is similar to that of a garment bag hot air balloon. However the wind was probably blown toward the south during the sighting, not west. The duration and description could also be of satellite decay. Object #2961 decayed at 1200 [±] plus or minus 12 hrs on 6 Oct. However it would not have been traveling westerly in its de-orbit. Since the object passed so close to the transport, one would expect the pilot to have seen the object. However nothing was reported to the Volunteer Observer Flight Network. Another possible explanation could be that of a westbound plane with both its landing
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☐ No	

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNICAL APPLICATIONS CENTER (MAC)
BLDG 159 NAVY YARD ANNEX, WASHINGTON, DC 20333



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: ETAC/EAD (SSgt Dunham)

5 Jun 68

SUBJECT: Request for Weather Data

TO: FTD (TDPTR-4)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433

1. In support of pending UFO evaluations, the following weather data are submitted:

- a. Middlesex, New Jersey: See attachment 1.
- b. Vista, California: See attachment 1.
- c. St. Paul, Minnesota: See attachment 2 for radiosonde observation on 27 Dec 66 at 1800L. Requested surface observations are as follows:
1500L E80BRKN/OVC 7 238/20/10/0806/031 / 619 1077 Stn. Pres. 29.420 RH=65%
1600L ^{cast} E80OVC 8 284/20/11/0806/030 / Stn. Pres. 29.410 RH=68%
1700L E80BRKN/OVC 15 274/19/11/0811/027 / Stn. Pres. 29.380 RH=71%

2. Data sources were ETAC surface and upper-air history files and the Asheville, N.C. data files. Surface observations for Middlesex (Newark), New Jersey, were not available on 6 Oct 67 at 0300L and 0400L. Extraction or evaluation of all other weather data were adequate for all sightings.

FOR THE COMMANDER

John T. McCabe

JOHN T. McCABE, Colonel, USAF
Chief, Environmental Applications Div.

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1. 1 Surface Data Sheet
2. 2 Upper-Air Data Sheets

SSgt Dunham

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6 Oct 67

TDPTR(LT COL SMITH)

Request surface wind direction and velocity
for Middlesex, New Jersey, 6 Oct 67, 0400 hr.

TDPT(UFO) 2d Lt Marano 15 May 68

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UNITED AIR LINES

Stephenson International Airport, Denver, Colorado 80207

May 15th, 1968

Hector Quintanilla, Jr., Major USAF
Chief, Aerial Phenomena Office
Aerospace Technologies Division
Production Directorate

Dear Major Quintanilla:

I am writing in reply to your letters of May 6th and May 7th.

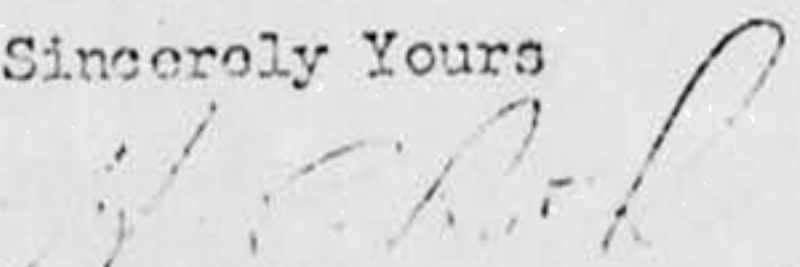
In checking the VFON pilot report files I find no report for August 20th 1967 between the hours of 2300Z and 2330Z.

There is likewise no report for October 6th, 1967 anywhere near the Northeast area of the U.S.A.

A continuous check of the March files still show no report for March 24th, 1968 between the hours of 0103Z to 0115Z.

I am very sorry that I have been unable to help you with any of the above requests. Please be sure to write if there is anything further that I might be able to help you with.

Sincerely Yours


H. E. Roth, Project Director
Volunteer Flight Officer Network

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7 MAY 1963

UFO Observation, 6 October 1967

SECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Lt Colonel, USAF
Chief, Aerial Phenomena Office
Aerospace Technologies Division
Production Directorate

UDDPT (UFO) OFFICIAL FILE CY

6 October

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OCT 12 1967

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Reference your recent letter regarding your sighting of an unidentified flying object (UFO), it is impossible to tell precisely what you saw unless we have more information.

If you will complete the attached questionnaire and send it in the postage free envelope, inclosed for your convenience, to the address given on the envelope, it is quite possible that we will be able to tell you what you observed.

Sincerely,

DAVID L. STILES
Major, USAF
Acting Chief, Civil Branch
Community Relations Division
Office of Information

2 Attachments

Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Middletown, New Jersey 08846

SAF-OIC

Insen
[Signature]

✓Coord Cy - SAF-OIC
Cmbk Cy - SAF-OIC
Activity Cy - SAF-OIC
Reader Cy - SAF-OIC
~~XXXXXXXX~~ Stayback

10/6/67 # 2961 Coz 176 delive 17002 ± 12 hrs.

① Oct 6, 1967

United States Air Force

Officer in charge of UFO
Investigations —

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~~W. J. J.~~
08846

Dear Sir:

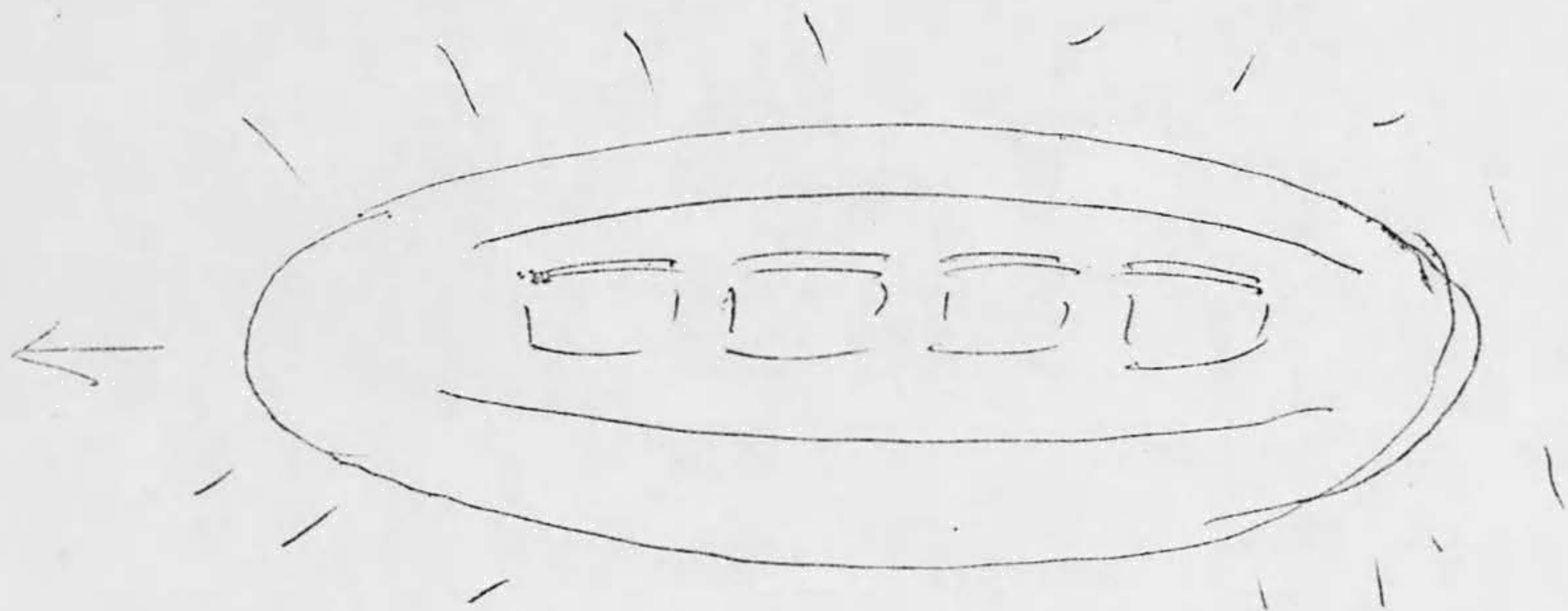
At about 4 am this morning, on going to the bath-room, I looked out of the window to observe the two Planets (2) now so clear in the morning sky.

As I looked, I observed a very bright light behind nearby trees, at least as bright as a plane's landing lights, and wondered why a WESTBOUND plane (Apparently

(2)

out of Newark or Kennedy) would have landing lights on. As I watched, I was amazed to note that the entire "object" was aglow, and seemed to "float" or glide rather than be powered.

As it came closer, I got this view, (next page) of the entire object —
— Very clearly.

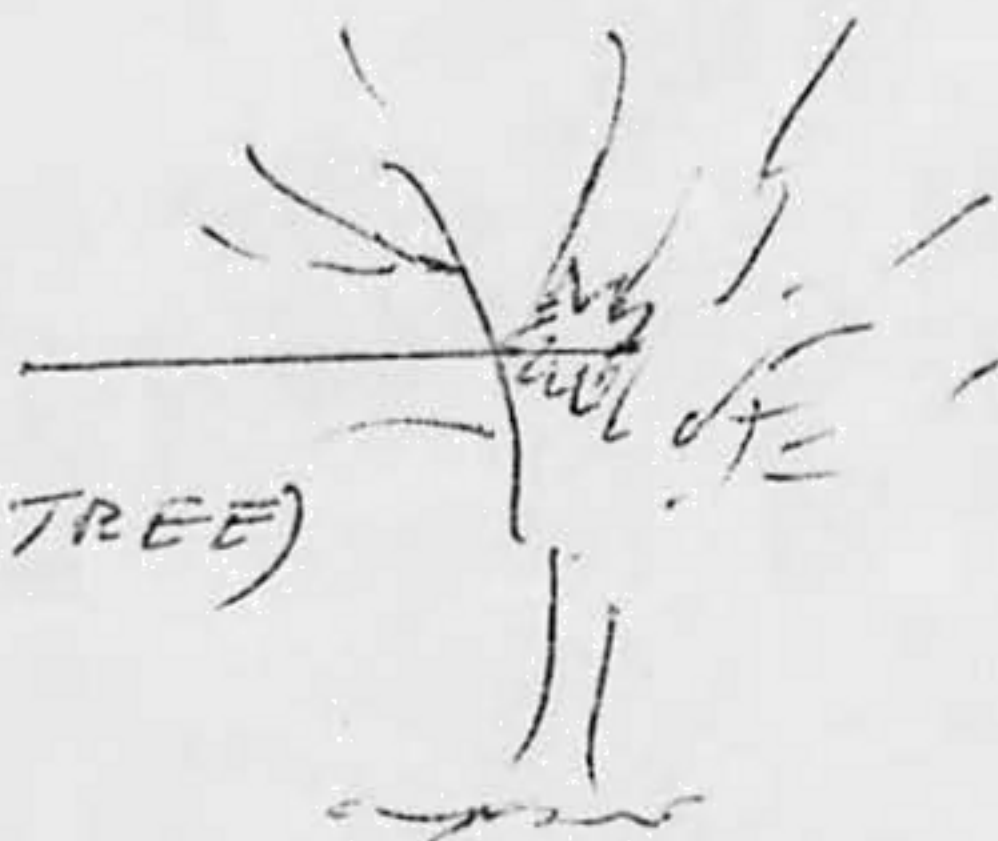


Entire object aglow
Bright on approach, but not when in
line with vision — Then, about bright
as full moon. NO EXHAUST SEEN.

The motion was similar to a satellite - but of course, too close, plus faster (to eye)

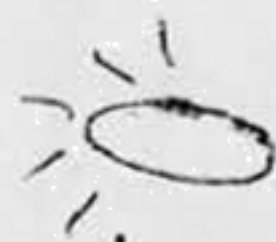
(VIEW # 1)

BRILLIANT
(BEHIND TREE)



VIEW # 2

(ELONGATING)



VIEW # 3. (As sketched.)

At no time did it appear
as a CIRCLE OR SAUCER
I did not feel the squares

lights and cabin lights on. The sudden disappearance of the object could also be explained by the pilot switching off his lights.

NOTES

DIRECTION — EAST TO WEST

SIZE — (DIFFICULT TO DETERMINE)

ALTITUDE — (EST.) 1500 FT.

SPEED — SAME AS SLOW
PLANE.

FLIGHT — STEADY, EVEN.

NOISE — NONE

The sky was unusually light
with a slight haze, and
IF it were a plane, I
would have seen this:
(SILHOUETTE)



on the sides were assembly
windows.

Other factors:

① An Eastbound Transport
was going over at a greater
altitude, and seemed closer
to the UFO than permissible.
Its marker lights were flash-
ing, and its motors could
have killed any sound from
the UFO - No - No clouds,
reflection is out - Plus, only
marker lights on Transport.

Respectfully .

Submitted,

~~_____~~
~~_____~~
~~_____~~
(Ayer)

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?

2. (See letter)
orig. OCT. 1967
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 4
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

MIDDLESEX
City or Town

N. JERSEY
State or County

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

Hours

2
Minutes

(EST.)
Seconds

a. Certain

b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined?

Guess

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

Too bright for stars.
Only 2 planets
visible

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 *2 PLANETS*
 b. A few *IN EAST*
 c. Many
 d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight
 b. Dull moonlight
 c. No moonlight -- pitch dark *IF MOON,*
 d. Don't remember *NOT NOTICED*

9. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS (Circle One):

- a. Clear sky
 b. Hazy *(Very light haze)*
 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

*FIRST, THEN MORE DULL
 WHEN CLOSE*

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:

FULL YELLOW MOON (WHEN CLOSE)

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 _____

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?

Yes	<u>No</u>	Don't know
Yes	<u>No</u>	Don't know
Yes	<u>No</u>	Don't know
Yes	<u>No</u>	Don't know
<u>Yes</u>	No	Don't know
Yes	No	<u>Don't know</u>
Yes	<u>No</u>	Don't know
<u>Yes</u>	No	Don't know

IN DISTANCE (SUDDENLY)

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

YES - VERY SUDDENLY, WHEN SOME
DISTANCE TO WEST

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: MY FIELD OF VISION, AS I WALKED
FROM BATHROOM TO BEDROOM.

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: _____

NO CLOUDS - LIGHT HAZE

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

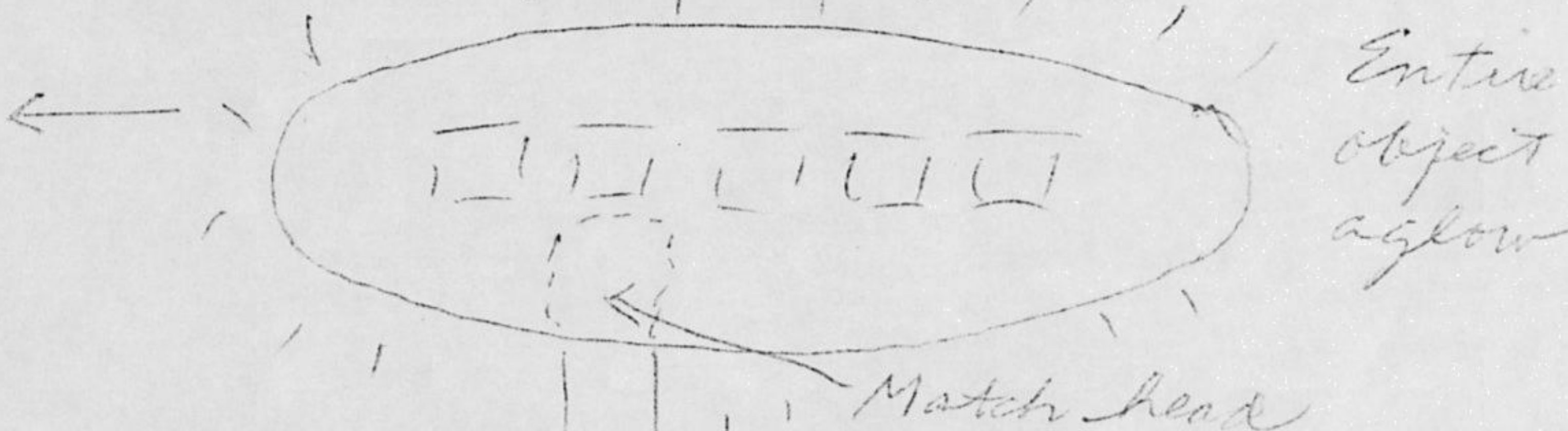
a. Sound NONE
b. Color YELLOW LIGHT } BRIGHT AS, BUT
YELLOWER

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?

(See below)

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? 150 MPH (IF PLANE SIZE)

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? 1/2 to 1 MILE.

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

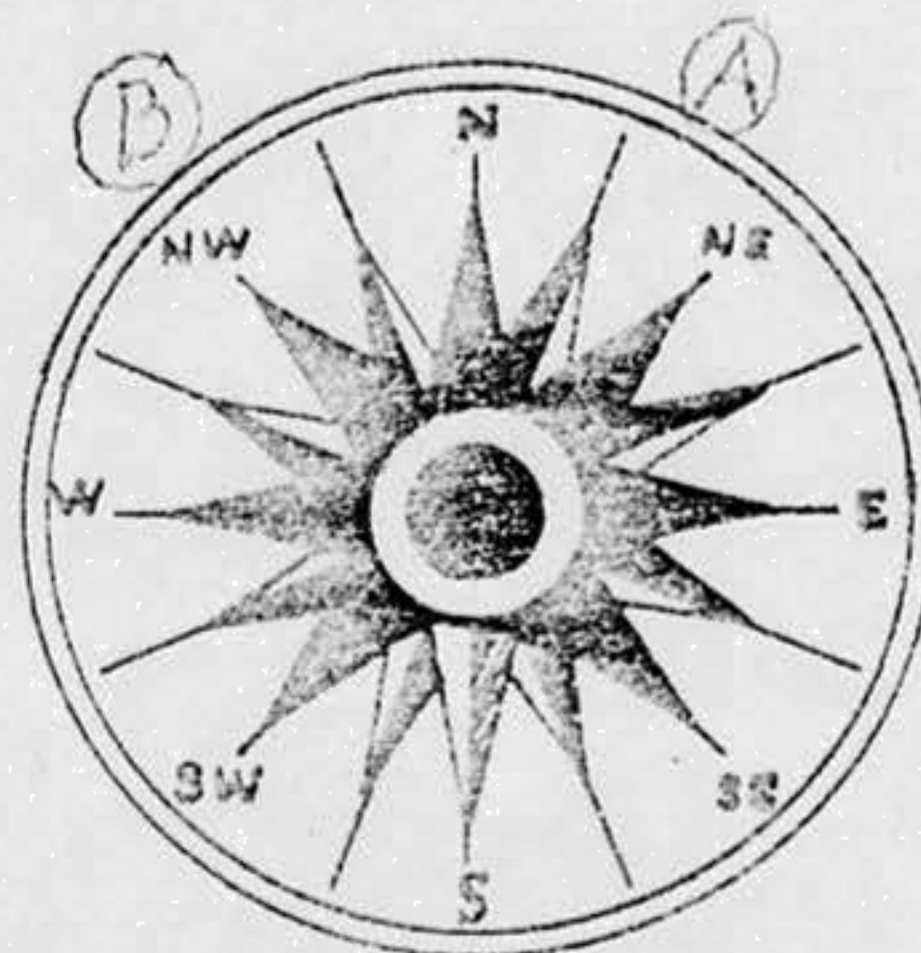
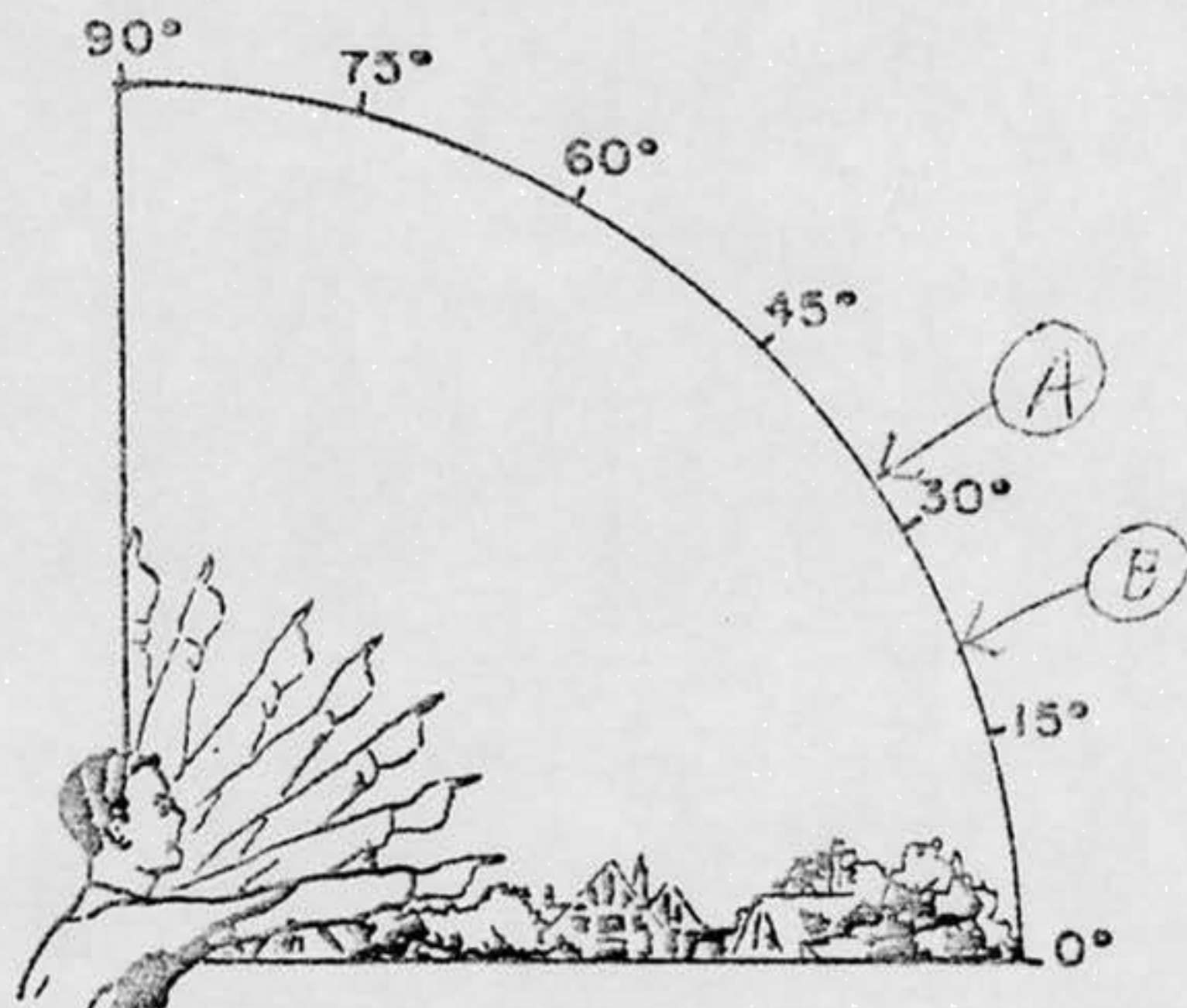
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|----|---------------|----------------------|----|
| 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 | <u>WINDOW SCREEN</u> | |

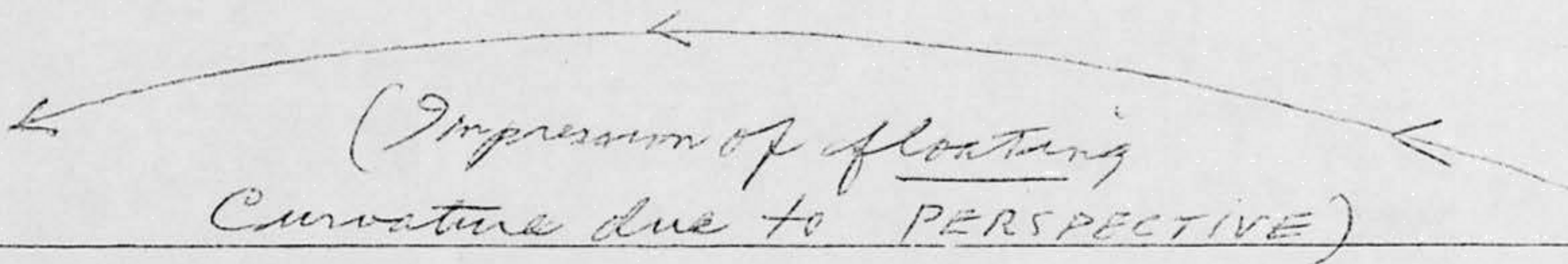
26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

At a distance like landing light of a plane. — Close up — LIKE NOTHING FAMILIAR.

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? _____
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:

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
Last Name

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
Street

MIDDLESEX
City

02146
Zone

N.J.
State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
AGE

51

SEX

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

*My vision is R - 20/20 L - 20/15
I am a Special Police officer.
I do not wear glasses.*

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

Day

Month

Year

*Mentioned to few
(Ridiculed)*

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

17
Day

10
Month

67
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.

- ① No impression of "SAUCER SHAPE"
- ② No impression of POWER such as a plane conveys.
- ③ Steady floating motion; like satellite, or second hand of a large clock.
- ④ I feel if these were "from outer space" we would have found ONE wrecked by now.
- ⑤ I feel these "PHENOMENA" have ALWAYS been here. We are only recently ASSOCIATING them with planes or rockets.

F. E. Taylor