

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 11 Feb 53 1530Z	2. LOCATION Hamptonville, N. C.
3. SOURCE Civilian Man	10. CONCLUSION INSUFFICIENT DATA FOR EVALUATION  Possable balloon, however insufficient data for firm evaluation.
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS  One grapefruit shaped object was observed traveling in a SW direction at a high altitude and at a high rate of speed.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 Min.	
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE SE	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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*Multiple*

AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER  
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE  
OHIO

21 April 1953

*11/1030  
Hamptonville  
N.C.*

*in suff. date*

Mr. ~~██████████~~  
Hamptonville  
North Carolina

Dear Mr. Felts:

Your recent report of unidentified aerial phenomena has been received by the Air Technical Intelligence Center. Inclosed is a questionnaire, which, when completed by you and returned in the inclosed, self-addressed envelope, will aid in standardizing the data and will provide a complete record of the occurrence.

Your interest in reporting the matter and your public spirited desire to be of service are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

*Robert C. Brown*

ROBERT C. BROWN  
Major, USAF  
Air Adjutant General

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a/s

*Mr Brown.  
I am sending Back the Questionnaire filled  
out the Best I know if you want to know  
any thing else just write and let me know  
Sincerely,  
~~████████████████████~~  
Mr. ~~██████████~~  
Hamptonville, N.C.*



## U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

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?

11 February 1953  
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

10 30  
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?

Hamontsville

Nearest Postal Address

Jackson County

City or Town

N.C.

State or Country

Additional remarks: About 5 miles south east of Hamontsville N.C.  
Post office near Freda County southern Part of Jackson County

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Hours Minutes Seconds

5.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 5.

a. Certain

b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One): a. Bright daylight

b. Dull daylight

c. Bright twilight

d. Just a trace of daylight

e. No trace of daylight

f. Don't remember

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, 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, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, 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. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One):

a. Yes

b. No

c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

(Circle One) a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?

b. Several blocks away?

c. A block away?

d. Several yards away?

e. Other \_\_\_\_\_

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- |   |                                      |                                     |            |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time?                           | Yes                                  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?                 | Yes                                  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode?                              | Yes                                  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| d. Give off smoke?  | Yes                                  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| e. Change brightness?   | Yes                                  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape?  | Yes                                  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't Know |
| g. <input checked="" type="radio"/> Flicker, throb, or pulsate? | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No                                  | Don't Know |

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, 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 anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved in front of: \_\_\_\_\_

14. Did the object appear:

(Circle One):

a. Solid?

b. Transparent?

c. Don't Know.

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

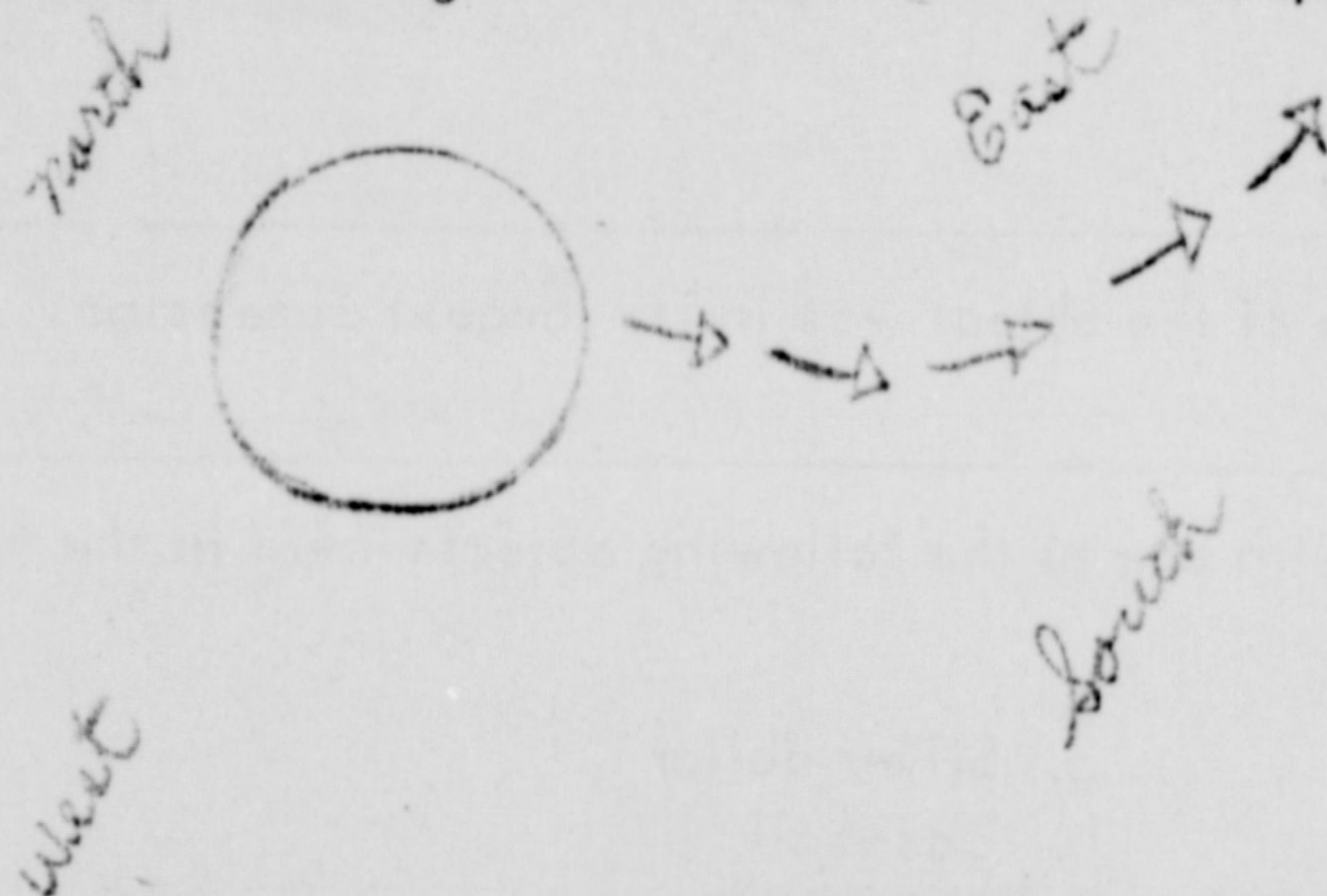
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|-----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| a. Eyeglasses   | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | e. Binoculars  | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No |
| b. Sun glasses  | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | f. Telescope   | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No |
| c. Windshield   | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | g. Theodolite  | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No |
| d. Window glass | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | h. Other _____ |     |                                     |



16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

- a. Sound None
- b. Color Bright like new tin are linecum.

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.



Sound

18. The edges of the object were:

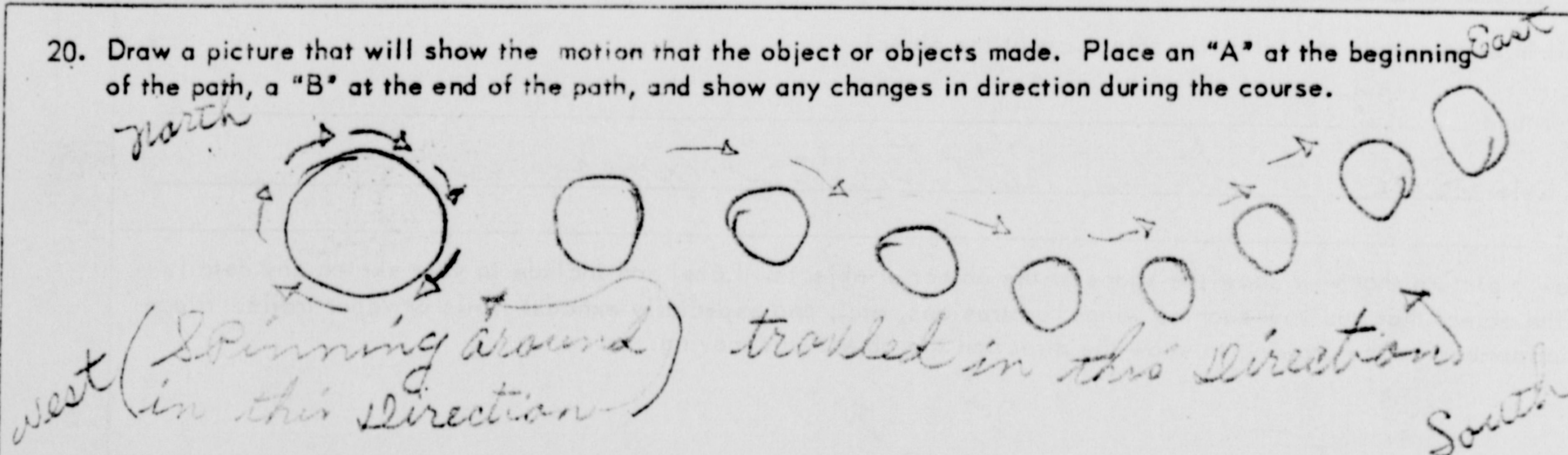
- (Circle One): a. Fuzzy or blurred  
 b. Like a bright star  
 c. Sharply outlined  
 d. Don't remember.

e. Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

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. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.  
40 feet.

22. How large did the object or objects appear as compared with one of the following objects held in the hand and at about arm's length?

(Circle One):

- a. Head of a pin
- b. Pea
- c. Dime
- d. Nickel
- e. Quarter
- f. Half dollar

- g. Silver dollar
- h. Baseball
- i. Grapefruit
- j. Basketball
- k. Other \_\_\_\_\_

- 22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

- a. Certain
- b. Fairly certain

- c. Not very sure
- d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? disappeared from sight  
several miles away, traveling south East at  
a High rate of speed

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? 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.



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
- 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. Flying 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?

*Cutting timber. I looked straight up a tree to see  
which way it would fall and I saw it straight  
up. Just a little north west.*

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. Northwest |

*Straight up*

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

- |                         |                     |              |              |
|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North                | c. <u>East</u>      | e. South     | g. West      |
| b. <del>Northwest</del> | d. <u>Southeast</u> | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North \_\_\_\_\_ degrees.
- b. From horizon \_\_\_\_\_ degrees.

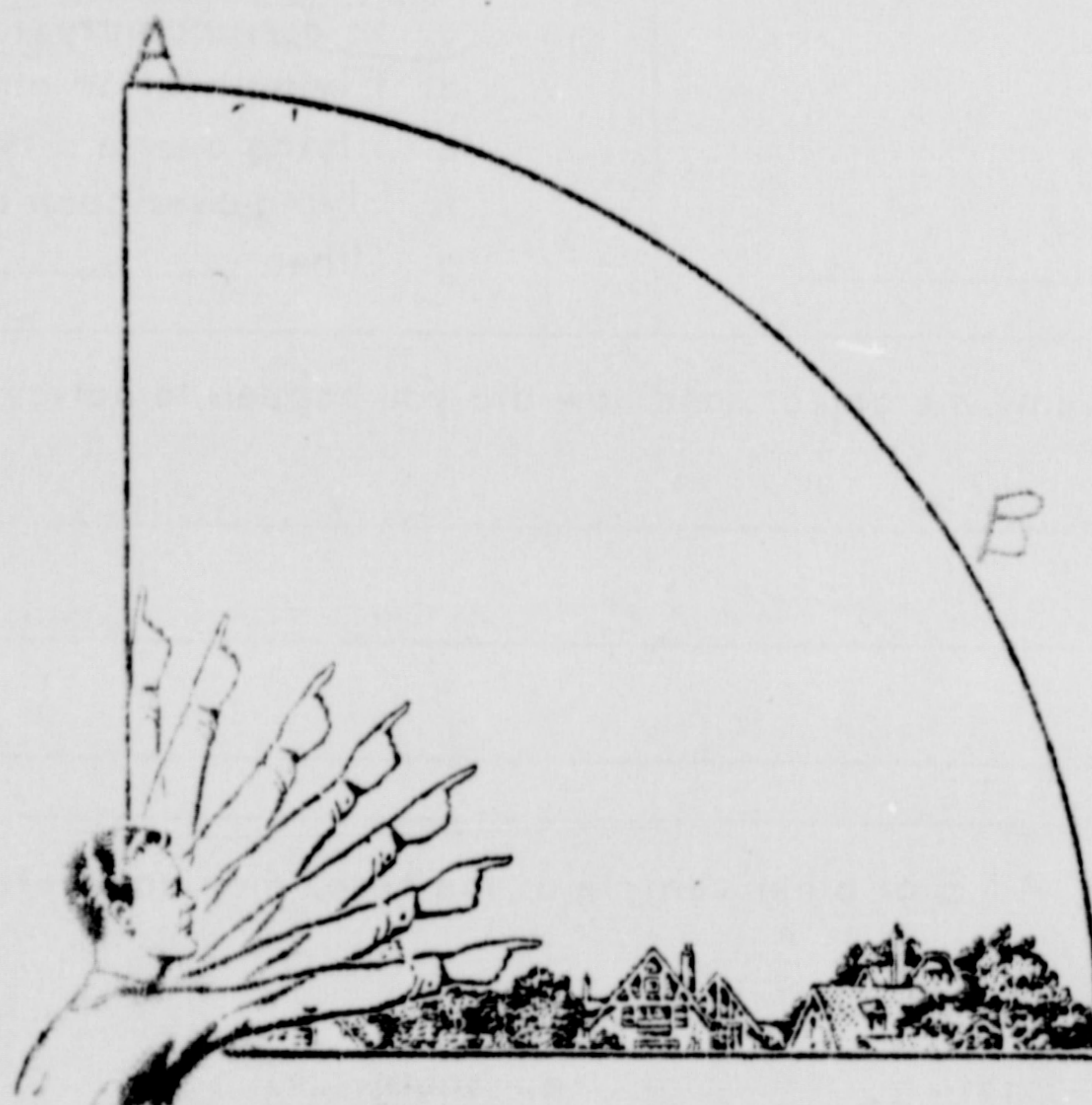
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North \_\_\_\_\_ degrees.
- b. From horizon \_\_\_\_\_ degrees.

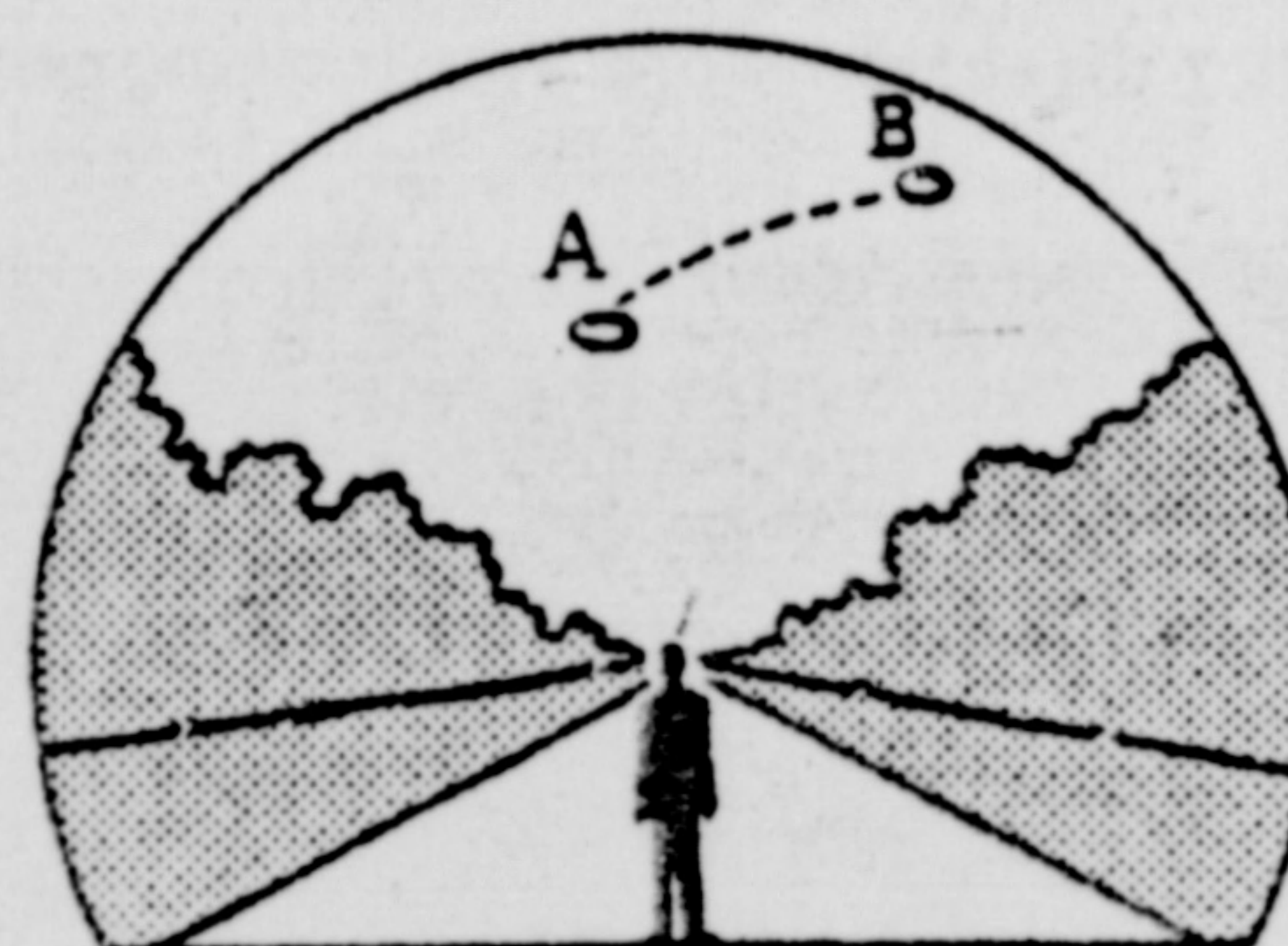
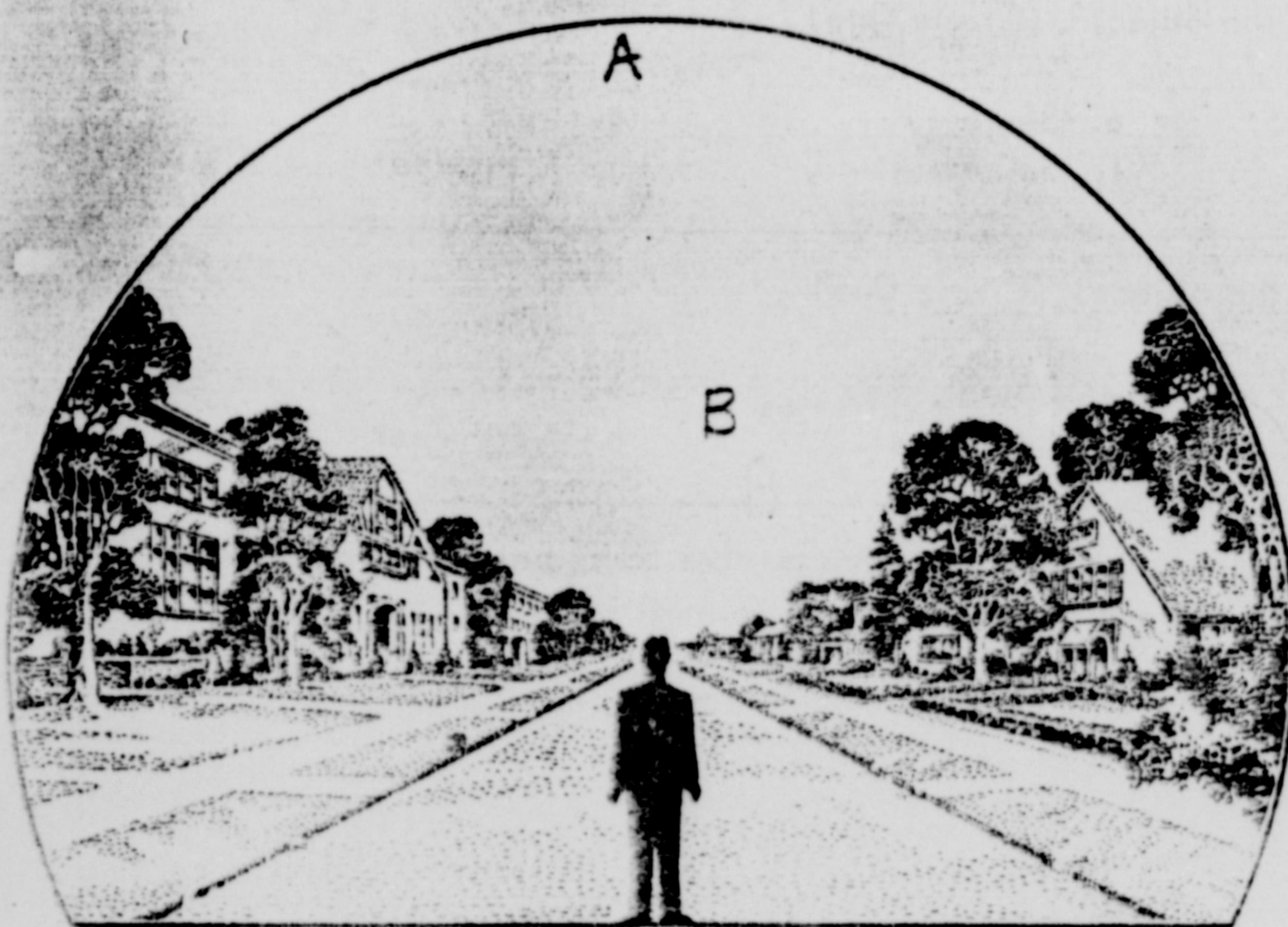
*(not familiar with)*



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.





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?

700 to 1200 m.p.h.

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? 4 to 7 miles feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

[REDACTED]  
Last Name

[REDACTED]  
First Name

[REDACTED]  
Middle Name

ADDRESS

[REDACTED]  
Street

Hornstonville  
City

[REDACTED]  
Zone

North Carolina  
State

TELEPHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

What is your present job?

Farming

Age

37

Sex

male

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school X

e. e. Technical school \_\_\_\_\_

b. High school \_\_\_\_\_

(Type) \_\_\_\_\_

c. College \_\_\_\_\_

f. Other special training \_\_\_\_\_

d. Post graduate \_\_\_\_\_

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

12

Day

May

Month

1953

Year



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

34.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds
- e. Don't remember

34.2 WIND (Circle One)

- a. No wind
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. Don't remember

34.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

34.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold
- b. Cool
- c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

\_\_\_\_\_ Day      April Month      1953 Year

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:

Mr. [redacted] Yadkinville, Route 2, N. C.,  
Mr. [redacted], Hamontonville, N. C.,

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?

over my farm in Yadkin County, about 18 months ago saw one about  
4 o'clock in the afternoon about 2 mile high trailing fast it was round  
and not so large it had fins underneath of it and long  
Exhaust Pipes sticking out Behind

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

is that it was a space ship or some other Planet  
or a small Planet sailing right out in space



You can check on my truth, Honesty,  
and Character, with the names listed Below.

Mr. [REDACTED], Fodkinville, N.C.  
(Insurance agent)

Mr. [REDACTED], Hamptonville, N.C.  
(Merchant)

Mr. [REDACTED], Fodkinville, N.C.  
(Merchant)

Mr. [REDACTED], Hamptonville, N.C.  
(Farmer)

Mr. [REDACTED], Hamptonville, N.C.  
(Farmer and oil Dealer)

Mr. [REDACTED], Elkin, N.C.  
(Banker)

Mr. [REDACTED], Hamptonville, N.C.  
(Retired mail carrier  
and Farmer)



**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)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

SIGNATURE [REDACTED]

CODE:

DATE May 20, 1953

February 11-53. i was cutting timber in Yadkin County with 2 other men about 10.30 o'clock i looked up and saw a strange shaped object straight up way out in space traveling a very High rate of speed i called to the other men and we all watched it for about maybe 3 minutes it disappeared from sight traveling south East at a high rate of speed there was no sound and no smoke it appeared to be spinning around very fast and it was about round it never changed speed all the while it was traveling it looked just exactly like a full moon sailing across way out in space and as large. there was no shadow and real cold it looked and seemed like new sun are Bright Lineum