

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 30 Nov 53 01/0430Z	2. LOCATION MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA
3. SOURCE MILITARY & CIVILIAN	10. CONCLUSION ASTRONOMICAL: SIRIUS Refraction of Sirius, in SE at 7° elev, Jupiter 5h50m at 60° elev in SE. One witness states object in SE (Appear to be overhead) in SE, other in SW. (Too high to see while looking out window)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 35 mins	
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ground visual	
7. COURSE stationary(slow North)	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS See Case File
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

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HEADQUARTERS
31ST AIR DIVISION (DEFENSE)
Saint Paul 11, Minnesota

OIN 319.1

15 DEC 1953

SUBJECT: UFOB

TO: Chief, Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

Forwarded herewith is UFOB report in accordance with AFR 200-2,
26 August 1953.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

Henry C. Barnes

1 Incl
UFOB Rpt (12 Dec 53)

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Assistant Adjutant

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COUNTRY USA		REPORT NO. FLYCRPT - 73	(LEAVE BLANK)
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT			
SUBJECT UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT			
AREA REPORTED ON MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA		FROM (Agency) FLT. 2A, 4602D AISS	
DATE OF REPORT 12 DECEMBER 1953	DATE OF INFORMATION 30 NOVEMBER 1953	EVALUATION C-3	
PREPARED BY (Officer) 1/LT. BERNARD LEHDER		SOURCE [REDACTED]	
REFERENCES (Control number, dissem. previous report, etc., as applicable) AFR 200-2, AFL 200-2, ATIC FLYCRPT MANUAL 25 JULY 1953			

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112--Part II.)

SUMMARY: An unidentified object was reported observed over the city of MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA for a period of about twenty-five (25) to thirty-five (35) minutes beginning about 0430Z, 1 December 1953 (2230 CST, 30 November 1953). The object was observed by 3 SOURCES; one (1) civilian and two (2) Air Force officers.

Object was reported to be stationary in the sky at an approximate altitude of 3000 to 4000 feet. The object appeared in the form of a bright light, flashing like a diamond from white thru red, blue, yellow and green. The object appeared to the observers to be about the size of a pea held out at arms length. See inclosures #1, #2, #3, FORM A, Statement of Observer.

COMMENTS OF PREPARING OFFICER: The reliability of the SOURCES can be considered as GOOD. Two of the SOURCES are pilots with over 500 hours flying time. This was the first time SOURCES have ever seen or reported any flying objects. All SOURCES reported the object to be stationary or drifting slowly in the sky. The object appeared to be drifting very slowly in a SOUTH to NORTH direction. All SOURCES reported the object to be brightly lit and changing in color from white thru red, blue, yellow and green. After approximately thirty (30) minutes, the object disappeared. SOURCES were questioned as to whether they heard any noise or unusual sounds. All answered in the negative. SOURCES could not give an exact picture of the object. All thought the object was round with a blurred outline. All SOURCES stated that the object was approximately two (2) to three (3) miles from their respective positions and that the object was viewed at approximately eighteen (18) to twenty-five (25) degrees of elevation. See inclosure #4, Elevations and altitudes.

5 INCL. Weather over MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA at the time of the

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sighting was clear. See inclosure (5, Weather over MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA and WINDS ALOFT.

ADDITIONAL ACTION: The preparing officer investigated other sources in order to ascertain what the object sighted might have been. Contact was made with BASE OPERATIONS, 514th AIR DEFENSE GROUP, 18th FIGHTER INTERCEPTOR SQUADRON, and NAVAL AIR OPERATIONS, all stationed at MINNEAPOLIS ST. PAUL INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. All units contacted reported in the negative as to whether any of their aircraft were in the air at the time of the sighting.

Contact was made thru D/I, 31st AIR DIVISION to nearest AC and W site. Radar report received was in the negative.

The MINNEAPOLIS CONTROL TOWER at MINNEAPOLIS ST. PAUL INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT was contacted. Tower reported that they had received a report of the sighting and had scanned the skies in search of the object, results of scanning, negative. Tower also reported that an airborne T-6 type aircraft, belonging to the 515th AIR DEFENSE GROUP, DULUTH, MINNESOTA was in the area and was vectored into the area of the reported sighting. T-6 report was negative.

Contact was made with the following civilian agencies in order to determine whether these agencies had launched balloons in the area on the day or night of the sighting.

GENERAL HILLIS, person contacted, Mr. [REDACTED] report NEGATIVE

PHYSICS DEPT., UNIVERSITY of MINNESOTA, person contacted, Dr. NYE, reported that a balloon had been launched on 30 November 1953 but that balloon was down before 2100 hours of the same day.

WINZEN LABORATORIES, person contacted, Mr. [REDACTED] and Mr. [REDACTED] reported that a balloon had been launched at 1500 hours, 30 November 1953. No record of flight because radio beacon on balloon went out of operation during flight. Flight was number 216 and was due to fly all night. Balloon was launched for purpose of research on a highly classified project. Mr. [REDACTED] doubts that object sighted was the lost balloon because the object stayed in sight so long a period of time; also because the object sighted was brightly lit. Mr. [REDACTED] claims that balloon launched would have been flying higher than the reported altitude of the unidentified object.

All civilian agencies reported that all night research balloons usually carry one (1) light, red or white and most balloons can be tracked by radar.

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BASE WEATHER OFFICE reported no night flights of weather balloons on the night of the sighting. BASE WEATHER also explained that night weather balloons are not visible to the naked eye above 1500 feet during ideal conditions. Most night balloons are lighted with only one light usually of low candle-power. Each balloon launched has to be tracked with a theodolite above 1000 feet.

Bernard Lender
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INCLOSURE #4

RELATIONSHIP of DISTANCE and ELEVATION to ALTITUDE of SIGHTED OBJECT

ELEVATION -- 15 DEGREES

DISTANCE (in miles and feet)	ALTITUDE (in feet)
2 miles (10560 ft.)	2829 ft.
3 miles (15840 ft.)	4243 ft.
5 miles (26400 ft.)	7072 ft.
10 miles (52800 ft.)	14145 ft.

ELEVATION -- 18 DEGREES

2 miles (10560 ft.)	3451 ft.
3 miles (15840 ft.)	5145 ft.
5 miles (26400 ft.)	8582 ft.
10 miles (52800 ft.)	17155 ft.

ELEVATION -- 20 DEGREES

2 miles (10560 ft.)	3844 ft.
3 miles (15840 ft.)	5766 ft.
5 miles (26400 ft.)	9610 ft.
10 miles (52800 ft.)	19219 ft.

ELEVATION -- 25 DEGREES

2 miles (10560 ft.)	4924 ft.
3 miles (15840 ft.)	7306 ft.
5 miles (26400 ft.)	12310 ft.
10 miles (52800 ft.)	24620 ft.

ELEVATION -- 30 DEGREES

2 miles (10560 ft.)	6097 ft.
3 miles (15840 ft.)	9146 ft.
5 miles (26400 ft.)	15243 ft.
10 miles (52800 ft.)	30487 ft.

NOTE

THE FIGURES FOR DISTANCE AND ALTITUDE ARE APPROXIMATE.

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WEATHER OVER MINNEAPOLIS and WINDS ALOFT -

Sky conditions clear, visibility more than 15 miles

Ceiling, unlimited, clear

Cloud Cover, none

Surface winds, 140 degrees at 10 knots

WINDS ALOFT

6000 feet, Northwest at 20 knots

10000 feet, Northwest at 15 knots

16000 feet, Southwest at 25 knots

20000 feet, Southwest at 30 knots

30000 feet, Southwest at 55 knots

50000 feet, Southwest at 50 knots

80000 feet, unknown

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 not 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?

30 Nov. 1953
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 9:30 to 10:00
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?

5601 Oak Lawn Ave., Waco, Tex.
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country
Additional remarks:

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. 40
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

Night

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. Many
b. A few c. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle one)

- a. Bright moonlight
b. Dull moonlight
c. No moonlight -- pitch black
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 | 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 |
| <u>e. Change brightness?</u> | Yes | No | Don't know |
| f. Change shape? | Yes | No | Don't know |
| g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate? | Yes | No | Don't know |

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particular a cloud? (Circle one) Yes No Don't know IF YOU answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: _____

13. Did the object appear: (Circle one) a. Solid? b. Transparent? c. Don't know

14. 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: _____

15. Did you observe the object through an 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. Windowglass? <u>Yes</u> | No | | h. Other? | _____ | |

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

a. Sound none

b. Color Amber to green to blue to yellow

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.

18. The edges of the object were:

(Circle one) a. Fuzzy or blurred
b. Like a bright star
e. Other _____

c. Sharply outlined
d. Don't remember

changing colors slowly & colors changing bright to dim

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.

Object oscillated in small area

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

7. 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 g. Silver dollar
 b. Pea *much smaller* h. Baseball
 c. Dime i. Grapefruit
 d. Nickel j. Basketball
 e. Quarter k. Other _____
 f. Half dollar

22. 1 (Circle One) of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

a. Certain c. Not very sure
 b. Fairly certain d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? *diminished*

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?
- b. In the residential section?
- c. In open countryside?
- d. Flying near an airfield?
- e. Flying over open country?
- f. Flying over a city?
- g. Other _____

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it? Looking out window

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 | f. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | g. 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 | f. West |
| b. Northeast | <u>d. South east</u> | f. South west | g. Northwest |

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

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

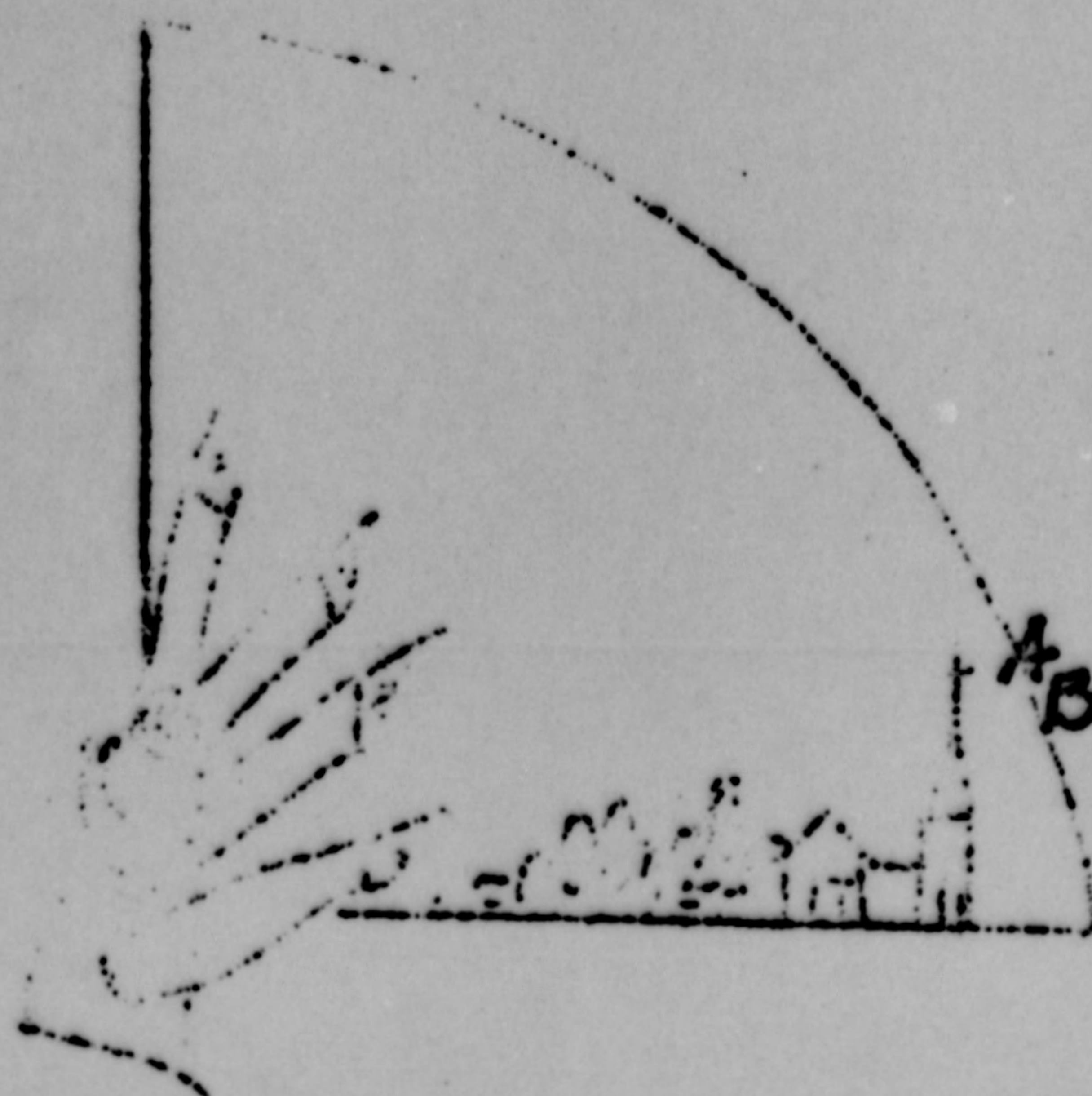
31.1 When it first appeared: 145

- a. From true North 145 degrees.
- b. From horizon 20 degrees.

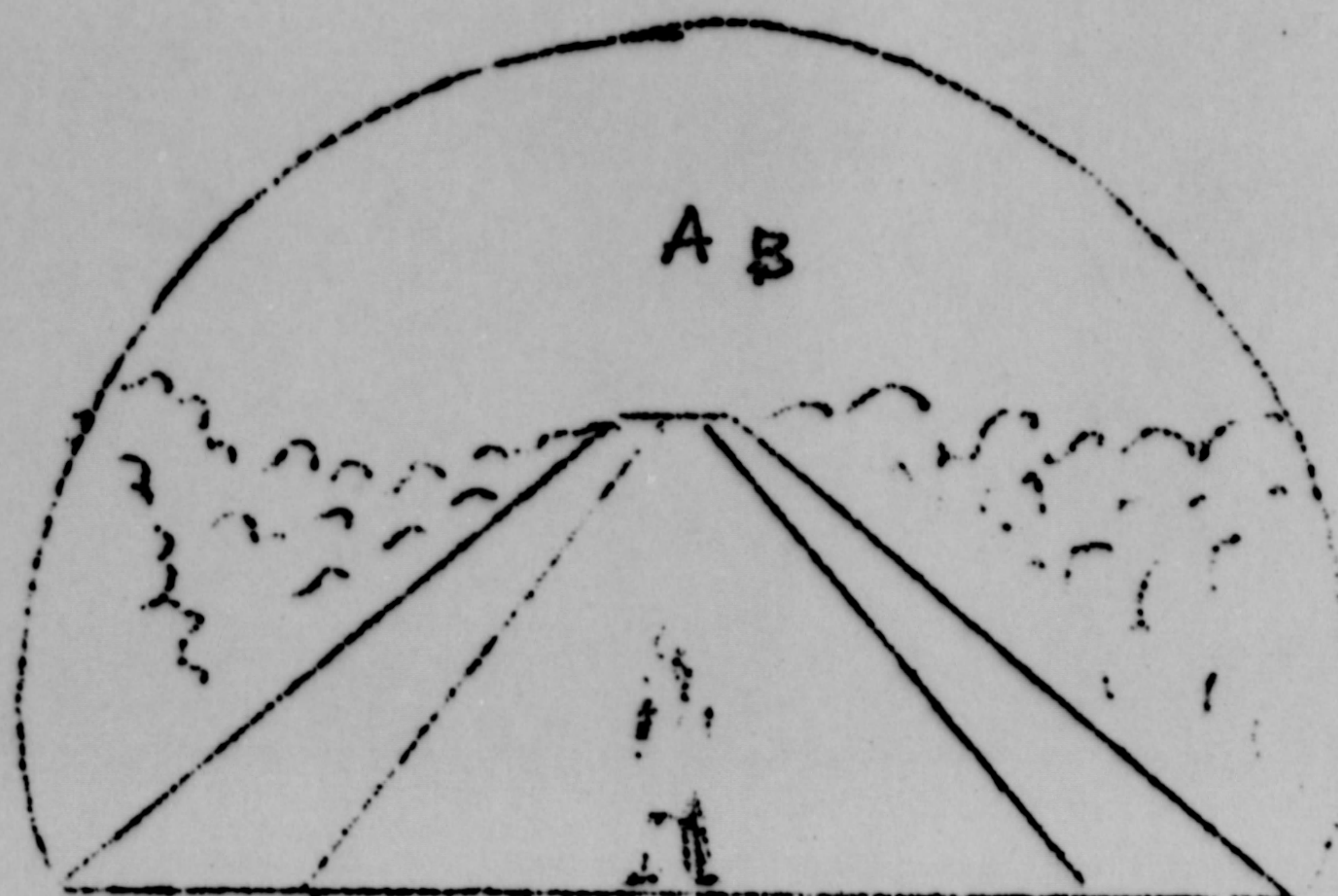
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 155 degrees.
- b. From horizon 18 degrees

32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place and "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 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.



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?

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DAY MONTH 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? Yes No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Mrs. [REDACTED]

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this? Yes No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

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

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? _____ 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? _____ feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

What is your present job?

Age

Sex

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade School ☒

e.e. Technical school

b. High School ☒

(Type)

c. College ☒

f. Other special training

d. Post graduate

Pilot

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

Dec 10, 53

Day

Month

Year

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1. When did you see the object?

30 Dec 1953
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 21 45
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?

514th ADC. Minneapolis. Minnesota
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country

Additional remarks: Bldg. 680

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. 45 min
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? N.A.

(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. Many
b. A few ☐ c. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle one)

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

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particular a cloud? (Circle one) ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't know IF YOU answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: _____

13. Did the object appear: (Circle one) ☒ a. Solid? ☐ b. Transparent? ☐ c. Don't know

14. 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: _____

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


- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------|-------------------------------------|
| 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. Windowglass? | 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 Changing Colors. Amber, Red, Green or. brightens you that
compression.

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 and arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

 Stationary.

18. The edges of the object were:

(Circle one) a. Fuzzy or blurred

b. Like a bright star

e. Other _____

c. Sharply outlined

d. Don't remember

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? NA.
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.

Stationary

21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.
_____ 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 g. Silver dollar
 b. Pea h. Baseball
 c. Dime i. Grapefruit
 d. Nickel j. Basketball
 e. Quarter k. Other Pencil Eraser
 f. Half dollar

22. 1 (Circle One) of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.
a. Certain c. Not very sure
b. Fairly certain d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? (1) R.

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.

*Fluorescent material. A brightly
lighted weather balloon might give the same
effect.*

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?
- b. In the residential section?
- c. In open countryside?
- d. Flying near an airfield?
- e. Flying over open country?
- f. Flying over a city?
- g. Other _____

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it? Just advised by telephone of its appearance.

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions: NA.

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle one)

- a. North
- b. Northeast
- c. East
- d. Southeast
- e. South
- f. Southwest
- g. Northwest
- f. West

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
- b. Northeast
- c. East
- d. Southeast
- e. South
- f. South west
- g. Northwest
- f. West

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

- a. North
- b. Northwest
- c. East
- d. Southeast
- e. South
- f. Southwest
- g. Northwest
- f. West

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). Not familiar

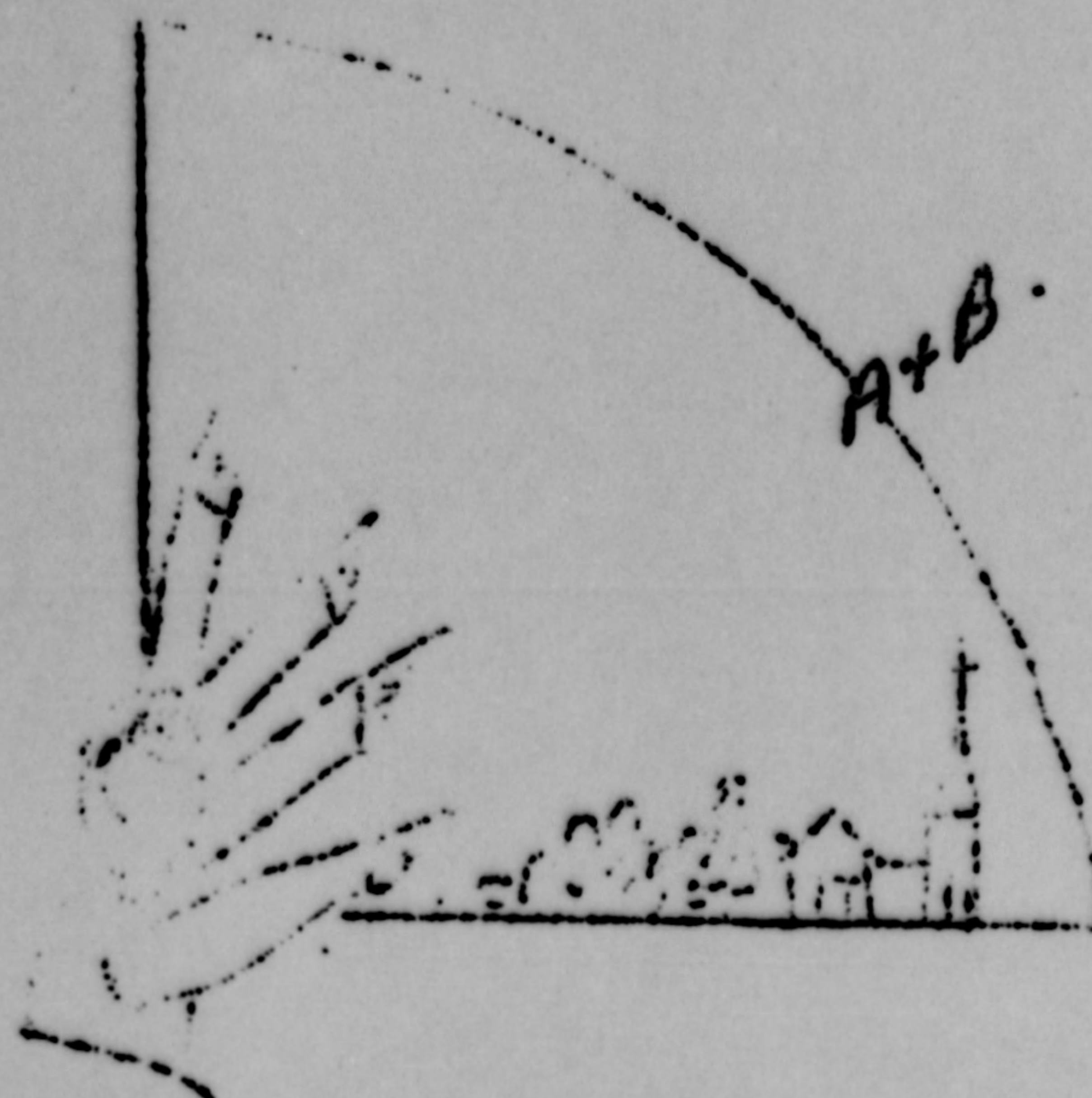
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

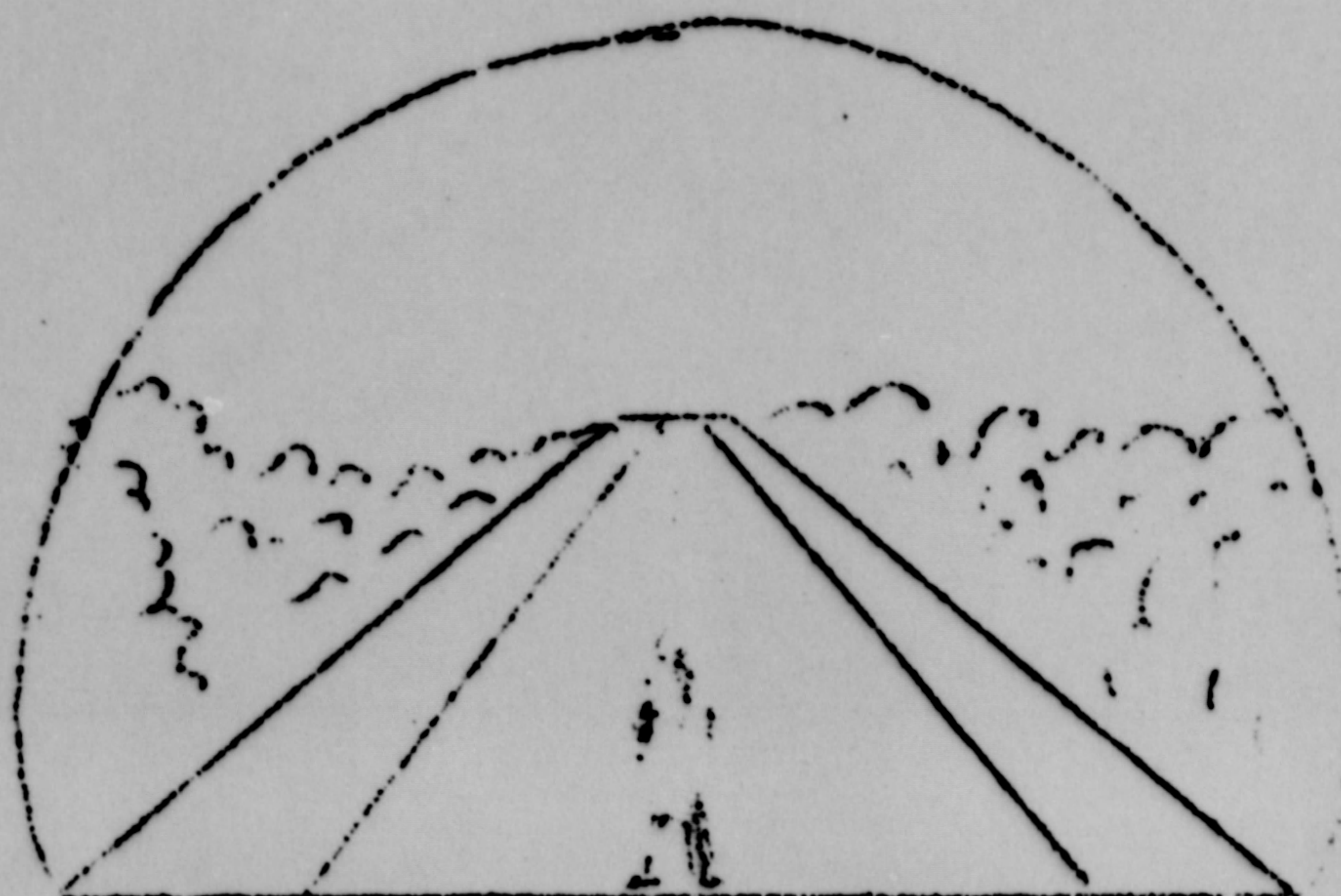
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees

32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place and "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) whe 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 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. *NA*



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?

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DAY MONTH 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? Yes No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Sgt Johnson C.12 + O.D. Driver.

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this? Yes No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

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

Possibly a weather balloon.

39. 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? _____ 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? 2 miles feet

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS _____
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

What is your present job? Asst. Adj. St. 12th FIS -

Age 25 Sex Male

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade School _____ e.e. Technical school _____
b. High School _____ (Type) _____
c. College B.A. _____ f. Other special training _____
d. Post graduate _____

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

10 Dec. 1953
Day Month Year

#3

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 not 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?

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Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 22 15

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?

BASE OPERATIONS

MINN - ST PAUL INTER AIRPORT

MINN

MINN

Nearest Postal Address

City or Town

State or Country

Additional remarks:

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

5 min.

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

N/A.
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

N/A
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. Many
☒ b. A few c. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle one)

- a. Bright moonlight
 b. Dull moonlight
☒ c. No moonlight -- pitch black
 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? AVERAGE STAR BRIGHTNESS.

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time? | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | 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? | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No | Don't know |
| f. Change shape? | Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate? | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No | Don't know |

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particular a cloud? (Circle one) Yes ☒ No Don't know IF YOU answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: N/A

13. Did the object appear: (Circle one) a. Solid? b. Transparent? ☒ c. Don't know

14. 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: IN RELATION TO SMOKE & HAZE

IT APPEARED TO BE DIRECTLY OVER CITY

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

- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| 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. Windowglass? | 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 RED TO GREEN TO BLUE TO AMBER LIGHT

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. LIGHT ONLY.

18. The edges of the object were:

(Circle one) a. Fuzzy or blurred

b. Like a bright star

c. Other _____

c. Sharply outlined

d. Don't remember

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.

N/A

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.

DRIFTING WITH WIND FROM SE TO NW.

21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension. NO ANSWER.
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 g. Silver dollar
b. Pea h. Baseball
c. Dime i. Grapefruit
d. Nickel j. Basketball
e. Quarter k. Other _____
f. Half dollar

22. 1 (Circle One) of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

a. Certain c. Not very sure
b. Fairly certain d. Uncertain

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? UNKNOWN

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.

PYROTECHNIC MATERIAL HUNG FROM BALLOON.

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?
- b. In the residential section?
- c. In open countryside?
- d. Flying near an airfield?
- e. Flying over open country?
- f. Flying over a city?
- g. Other AT AN AIRFIELD.

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it? REPORTED TO AIRBASE BY CIVILIAN. I WAS

ON DUTY AS A/O - WENT OUTSIDE AND VIEWED OBJECT AFTER REPORT.

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions: N/A

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle one)

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

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

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

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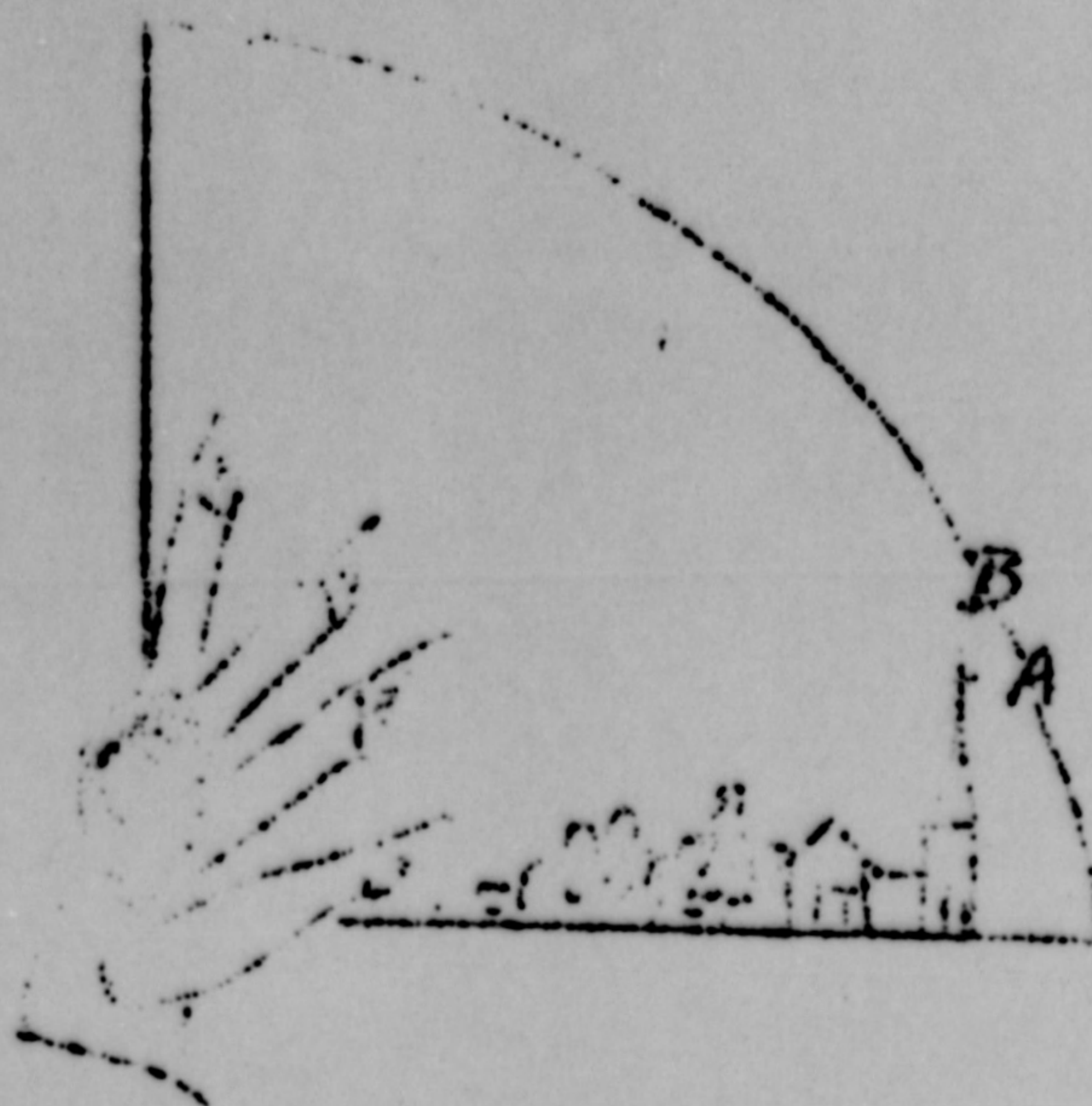
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North 280° degrees.
- b. From horizon 15° degrees.

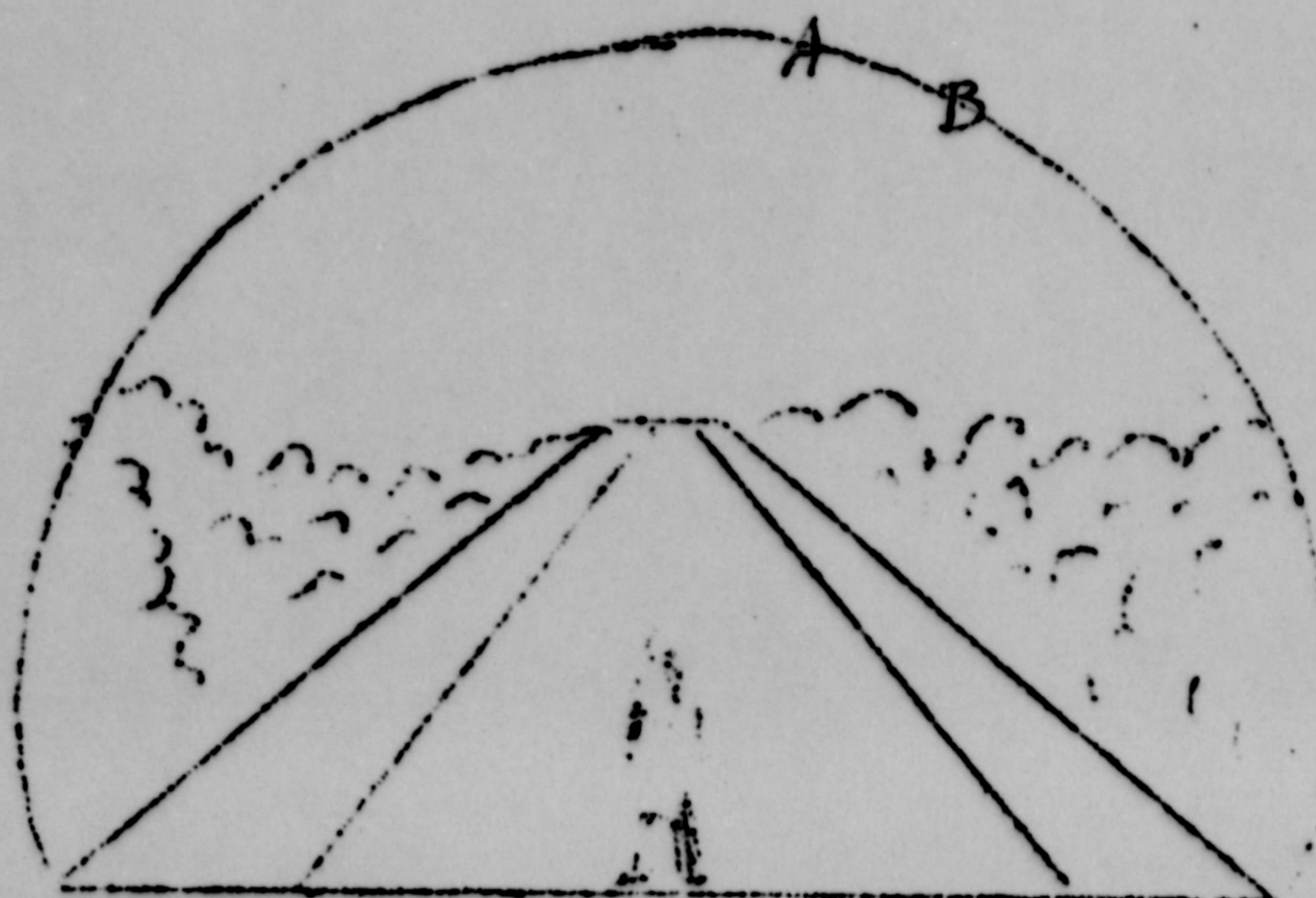
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 290° degrees.
- b. From horizon 20° degrees

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DAY MONTH YEAR

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36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

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38. In your opinio what do you thinkthe object was and what might have caused it?

LOOKED LIKE WEATHER BALLOON.

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? _____ 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? 3 mi feet.

EST. ALTITUDE 3000 TO 4000'

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS _____
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

What is your present job? GROUP OPERATIONS & TRN OFFICER

Age 30 Sex M

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade School ☒ e.e. Technical school USAF
b. High School ☒ (Type) _____
c. College ☒ f. Other special training _____
d. Post graduate _____ PILOT TRAINING

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

11 Dec 1953
Day Month Year