

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 7 July 1954	2. LOCATION Cleveland Heights, Ohio		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>2150</u> GMT <u>08/0150Z</u>	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		☐ Was Aircraft ☒ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Civilian		☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 15 minutes	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE Circled then South	☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Smokey white color-hovered and then sped away. Sighting at dusk, almost dark. Changed to red as it disappeared. Far away. Circled for 15 min and then sped away. Assumed about 5 miles away.		11. COMMENTS Nothing conflicting with a/c Analysis	

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?:

It cannot be compared to the light of an automobile headlight. It had a brightness that seemed to be a smokey-white, almost like a smoke-ring, as seen from on end.

- (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 |
| e. Change brightness? | ☒ 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, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved behind:

Only when it suddenly moved across the horizon, and disappeared behind buildings which made it impossible to see it afterwards.

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?

- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|----|---------------|-----|----|
| 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 | | |

Witness

07/26/50
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS
OHIO

Form 1

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?

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2. Time of day: 9 50
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 City or Town State or Country

Additional remarks: I was driving in my 1951 Ford, returning home from an evening interview with an insurance prospect.

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 c. Not very sure
b. Fairly certain d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

It was dusk, almost dark, and a very clear sky with practically no evidence of clouds at all

(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

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7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, where was the SUN located as you looked the object? The sun had disappeared over the horizon long before this sighting.

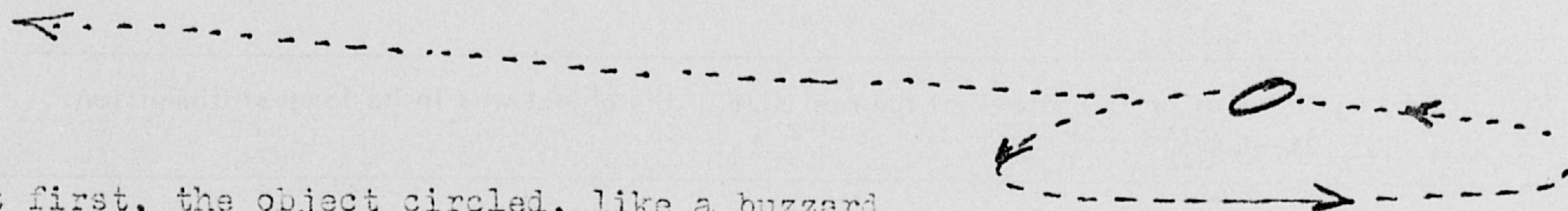
(Circle One): a. In front of you
b. In back of you
c. To your right

d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

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

- a. Sound it was too far away for there to be any sound
- b. Color for the most part it was a smokey-white color, until it sped away very fast, changing to a bright reddish hue when it did so.

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.



At first, the object circled, like a buzzard might circle over its prey. This continued for almost fully fifteen minutes. Then it suddenly sped off to the south, changing color to a reddish hue, and moving at a tremendous rate of speed --- enough so that it was across the entire horizon and out of sight in a matter of about five seconds.

18. The edges of the object were:

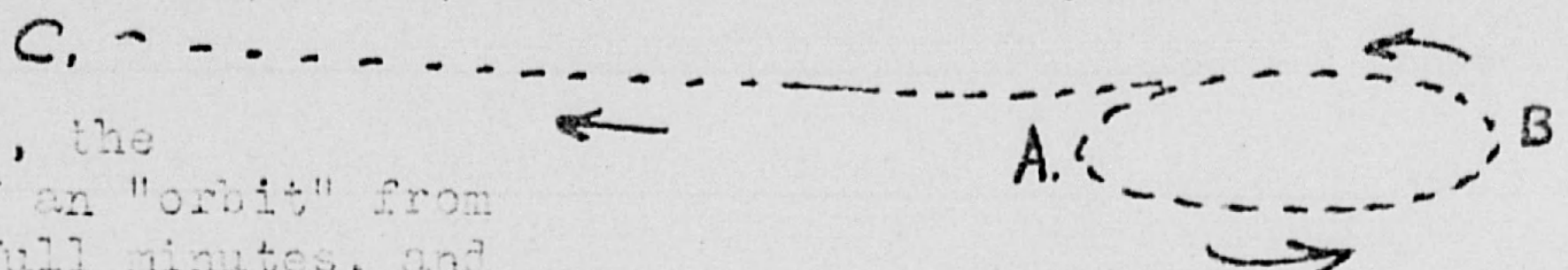
- (Circle One): a. Fuzzy or blurred
 b. Like a bright star
 c. Sharply outlined
 d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

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

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.



As I mentioned in question 17, the object circled in somewhat of an "orbit" from A. to B. for almost fifteen full minutes, and then sped off towards C., until it was out of sight, my vision of it being obscured by trees and buildings close by.

21. IF POSSIBLE, try to guess or estimate what the real size of the object was in its longest dimension.
 100 feet. This is merely a guess, but inasmuch as it seemed to be so very large in spite of the distance away that it was, I would say:

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):

about half this size, as I held a dime in my hand and tried to compare it for size.

- 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? After circling for almost fifteen minutes, it suddenly sped across the horizon in a southward direction and out of my vision by moving behind my sight of trees and buildings nearby. Its speed must have been tremendous.

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.

It looked much like a smoke-ring would look if viewed from the side. Almost like a football, squashed in the middle from the top and bottom. The color of it was sort of a smokey-white, until it changed to a reddish color as it sped away.

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 _____

At first in a car.
Then I parked the
car, and viewed it
from the curbstone.

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?
I was driving my automobile in a western direction. It appeared out of the right windshield of my automobile. I watched it as I drove along for a few seconds, but when buildings and trees moved into view, obscuring it, I turned right at the nearest main street, pulled over to the curb and parked my automobile. I got out and stood on the curb, where I could watch it quite clearly in the sky, just above the distant tree-tops.

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

28.2 How fast were you moving? _____ 20 _____ 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. <u>Northwest</u> |

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

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

Am not familiar with bearing terms.

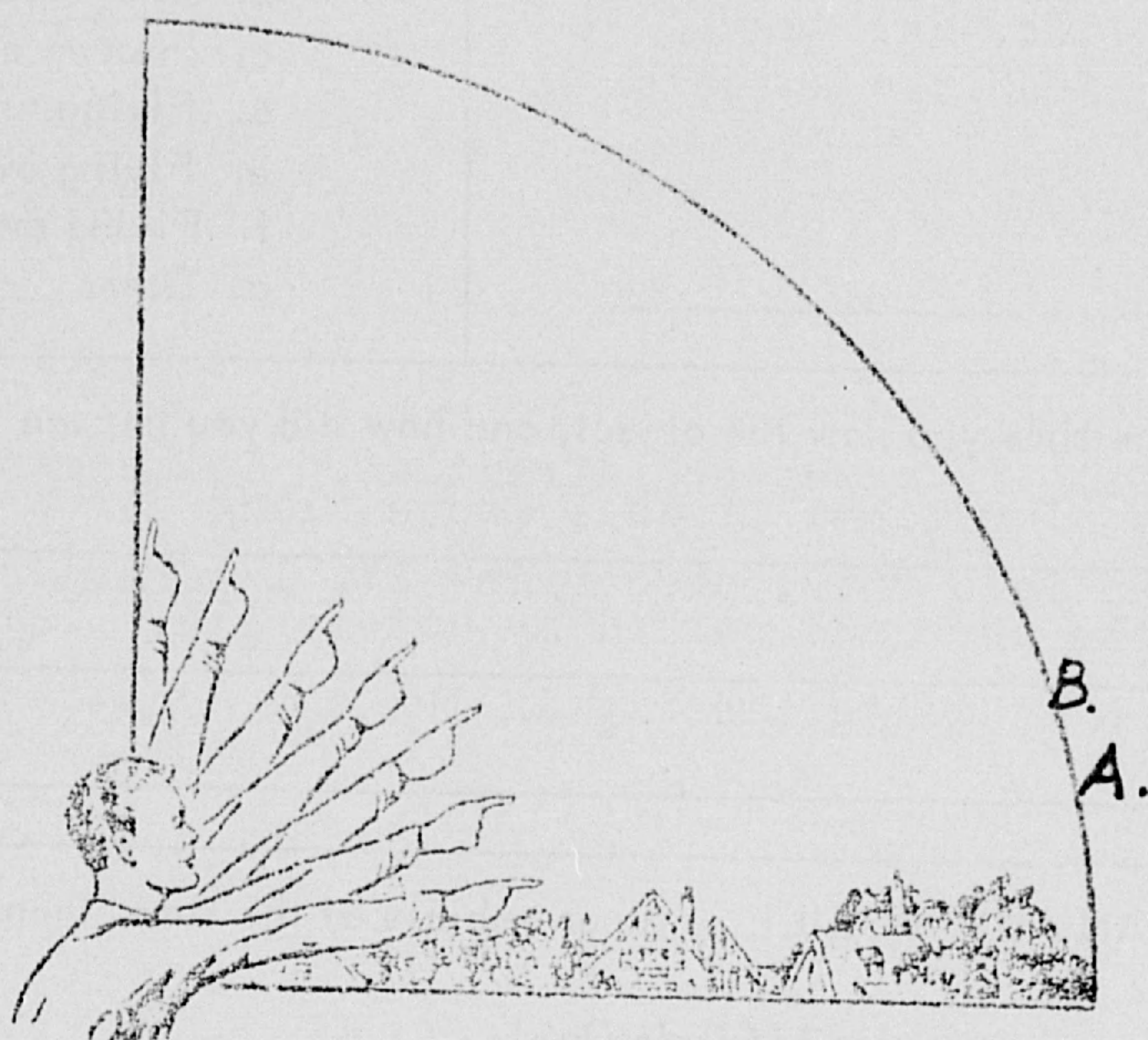
31.1 When it first appeared:

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

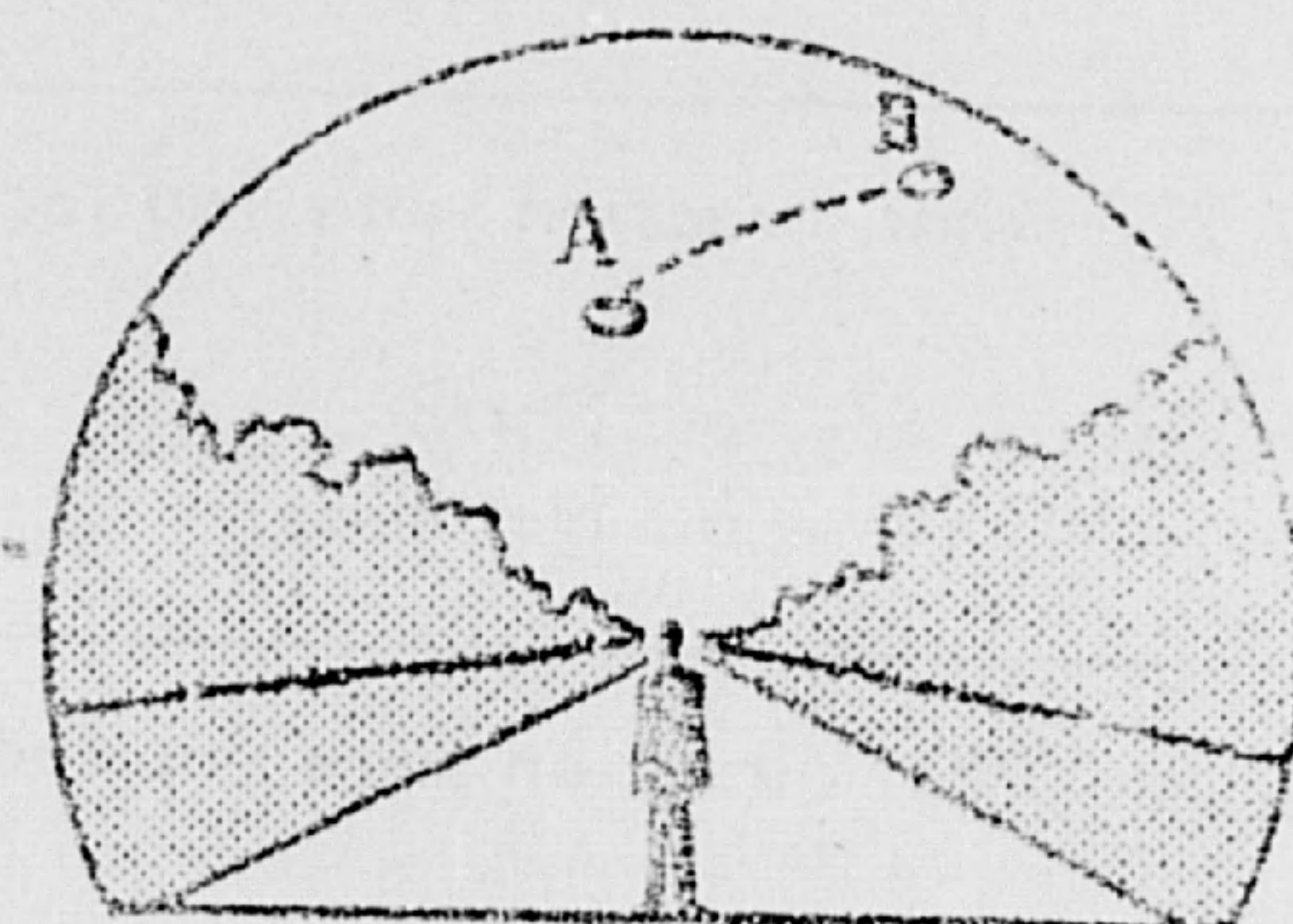
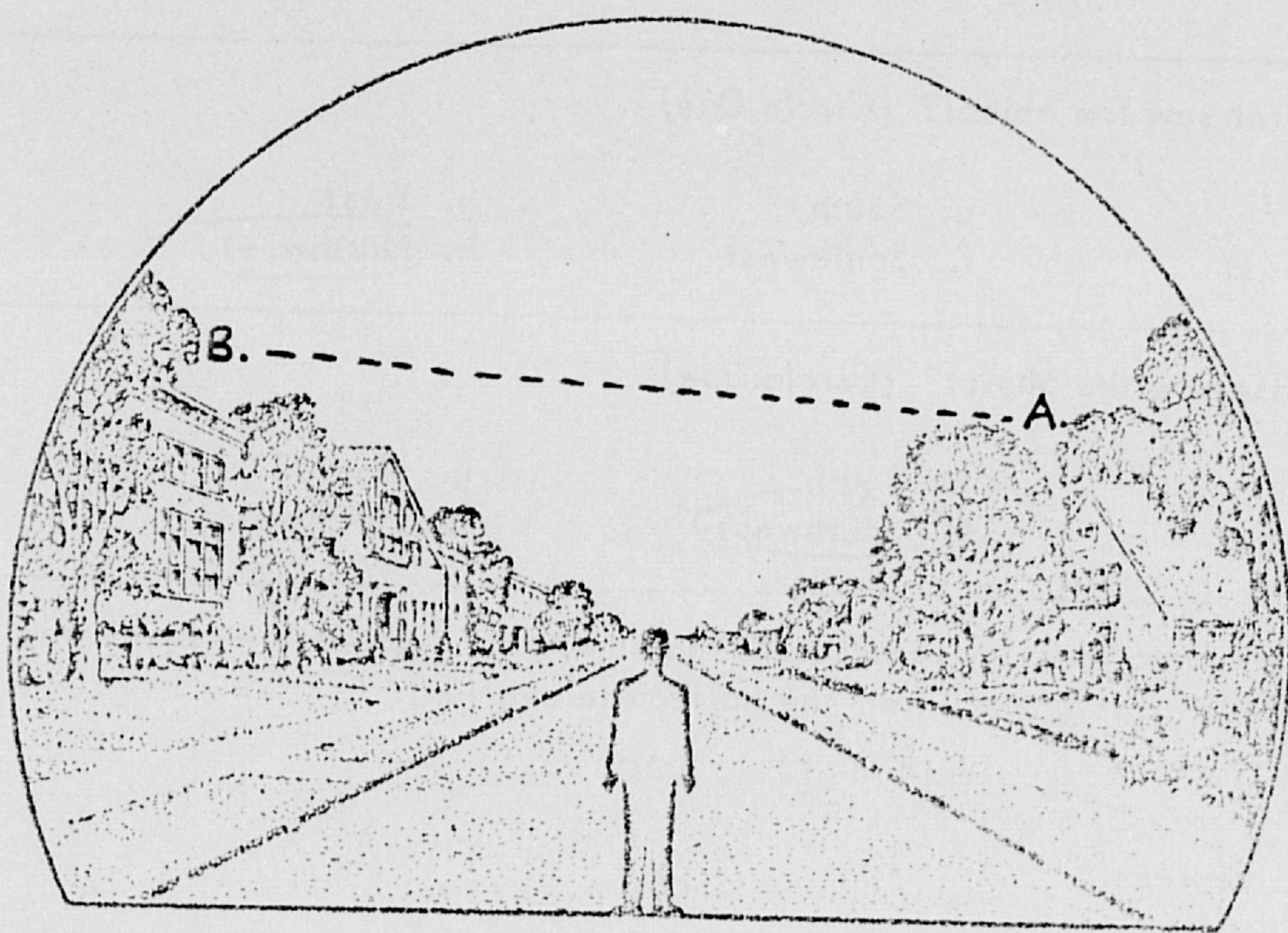
31.2 When it disappeared:

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

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



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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I telephoned the Cleveland newspapers and gave the information to the reporters who were on duty at the time.

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:

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?

I have seen similar such objects when at a drive-in-type movie, but they never stayed in sight for more than a matter of a half-minute, if that long. They were always a bright light that moved very very fast, either across the horizon, or else straight up or else straight down, and then changing direction to one horizontal. But they never were as clear in shape as this sighting --- only lights. This sighting was most clear in shape.

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

I feel certain that it might be what is commonly termed as an "UFO" or unidentified flying object. Having read descriptions of such objects in various magazine articles and newspaper reports, it almost perfectly fits those descriptions given.

39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

When it took off, it moved much too fast for a layman such as I to be able to even guess as to how fast it moved. It really moved at a tremendous rate of speed.

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

As merely a GUESS, I would say about five miles or less.

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

_____ Cleveland Heights City

18 Zone

Ohio State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

What is your present job? insurance salesman and underwriter

Age 25

Sex male

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school _____

b. High school

Glenville

c. College _____

d. Post graduate _____

e. e. Technical school _____

(Type) _____

f. Other special training _____

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

0 Day

July Month

1954 Year

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)

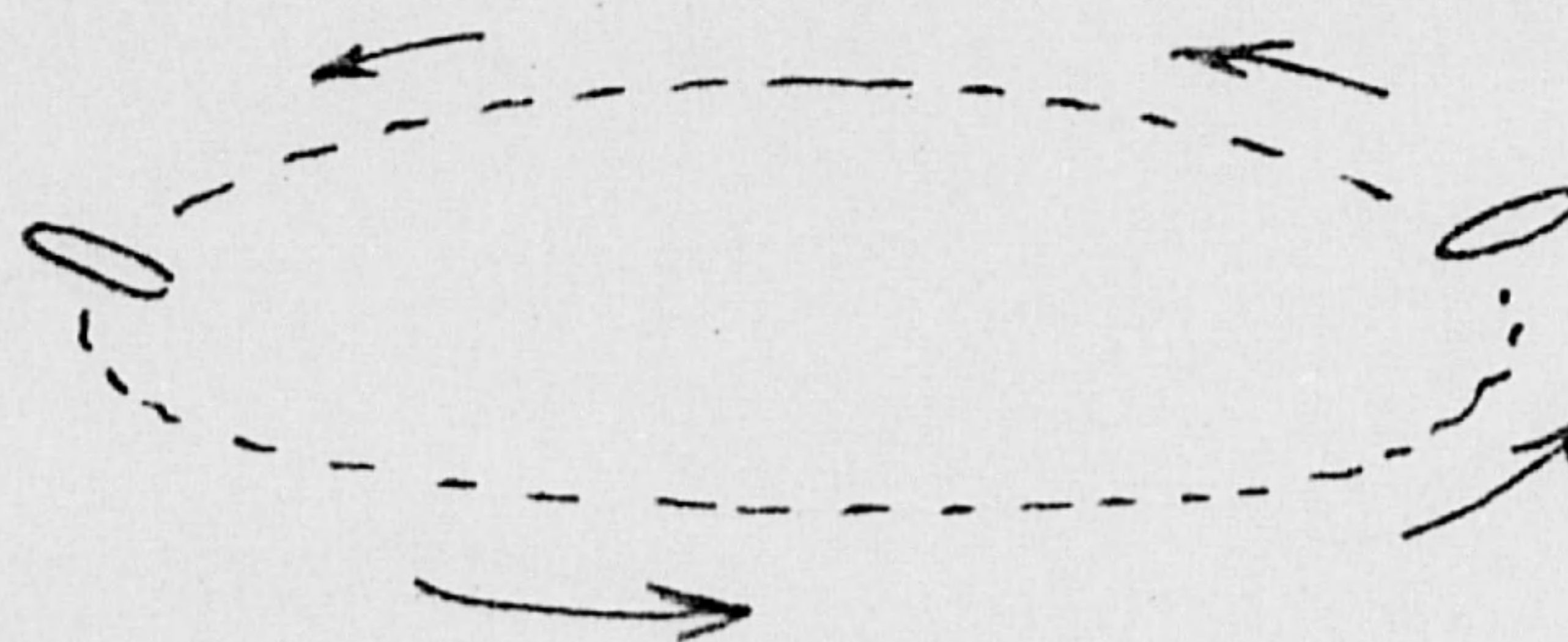
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SIGNATURE [REDACTED]

CODE:

DATE July 9, 1954

I was driving home from an appointment with an insurance prospect. I was driving on Mayfield Road, in a westerly direction, approaching Lee Road. A bright object out of my right wind-shield caught my attention. It was an object shaped somewhat like a smoke-ring, as viewed from the side, or a football that might have been squashed in the middle from the top and bottom. It was sort of a smokey-white in color, and as I watched it, driving very slow (I had originally been driving at a speed of about 20 miles per hour, and had now slowed down to about 5 miles per hour, and was staying, more or less, alongside the curb), it sort of wobbled from side to side as it just hovered there, as a feather might if it were falling. As I drove along, trees and buildings came between me and my sight of the object. I was approaching Lee Road, so when I reached Lee, I turned to the right, pulled over to the curb, shut off the motor of my car, and got out. I stepped around the car and up to the curb, and I could clearly see the object, still hovering just over the tree-tops, about five or fewer miles away. As I pulled my car over to the curb, I remember looking at my wrist-watch. It read 9:50 P. M. The night was very clear and bright, with almost no clouds anywhere. It was dusk, and almost totally dark by this time. As I watched the object, fascinated by it, it slowly began to move into an "orbit" or circle motion, somewhat like a buzzard does when it stalks its prey. As it did this, it "banked" first to one side, and then to the other, like the drawing below:



I continued to watch the object carry on in this manner. Suddenly, it stopped in its motion, hovered for awhile, and then took off at a phenomenal rate of speed in a southerly direction, and as it did so, its color turned to a reddish hue. I glanced at my wrist-watch. It said 10:04. The object moved VERY FAST, and in a matter of about five seconds, by my watch, it had completely moved across the horizon, and was out of sight, obscured by trees and buildings close-by. I have never seen any object move at such a terrific rate of speed, and on such an even level of direction. I jumped back into my automobile, and drove home, which is just a short distance from Lee Road. I called the Cleveland newspapers, reporting what I had seen to the reporters who were on duty at the time.

I had these reporting forms in my desk at my office for some time, as I had sent for them earlier in the year when I thought I had seen strange-behaving lights at a drive-in-type movie. After the forms arrived, I decided not to report them, for they were nothing definite, merely oddly-behaving lights and nothing more.

The thing that has prompted me to report this is the fact that I could see so very clearly the shape of the object, and the fact that I was able to actually watch it for such a long period of time. I don't know why, but the object made me feel somewhat afraid as I watched it. It was almost as if it were ominous in its action, as it circled over the city for such a long period of time.

Please let me know what you think this object really is, and whether or not it might be hostile in nature. Is it extra-terrestrial, and do you know anything concrete about these things? Your answer will be most deeply appreciated.

Most sincerely yours,

