

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 2 September 1956		2. LOCATION Dayton, Ohio		12. CONCLUSIONS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other XXXXXXXXXX <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <i>Balloon</i>	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 0430AM (N) GMT 02/0930Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		6. SOURCE one civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 39-40 minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE unknown	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One object oval. About size of basket ball & yellow-green in color. Object 15-20 ft around & 8-10 ft thick. Obj moved slowly & seemed to hover 5 to 6 ft above ground. Moved toward observer until 150ft away, at which time observer shined flashlight on obj. Obj disappeared instantly. Brightness of obj lit area for diameter of 5 to 6 feet.				11. COMMENTS Checked with WX station & a balloon was launched about same time as sighting & had radiosonde malfunction and was lost completely by WX station. Positional data not included. Star Regulus setting in West. Venus in W about 15 dgr elevation. No mention of how estimate on distance determined. Evaluated as UNIDENTIFIED.	

1 Witness

OTTERBEIN COLLEGE
WESTERVILLE, OHIO

OCT 8 1956

Sony I have held it up, but was
advised not to send it in. However,
I changed my mind and did it any-
way as you can see. If you can
explain this or have and answer
for it, please let me know by my
school address which is on the
form. Thank you,

1 OCT 22 1956

~~[REDACTED]~~

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7 SEP 1956

Mr. [REDACTED]
Eta Phi Mu Fraternity
159 West Park Street
Westerville, Ohio

Dear Mr. Adams:

Inclosed please find the standard USAF questionnaire for reporting unidentified flying objects. It is submitted in accordance with telephone conversation between you and Captain Gregory on 7 September 1956.

We would appreciate your completing this form in as much detail as possible and return to the Air Technical Intelligence Center, Attention: AFOIN-4E4.

We appreciate also the prompt reporting of this sighting.

Sincerely,

1 Incl
USAF Tech Info Sheet

ROBERT E. O'CONNOR
Captain, USAF
Assistant Adjutant

sent back

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*Probably
Ballon
(See adj. let
Horne)*

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 *not much light*
- c. No moonlight — pitch dark
- d. Don't remember

9. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One):

☒ a. Yes *most certainly*

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?
- 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. Flicker, throb, or pulsate?

☒ Yes

No

Don't Know

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know

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: *True*

14. Did the object appear: (Circle One):

a. Solid?

b. Transparent? *at first but as it got closer it became solid*

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 _____

I saw it without my glasses. They are reading glasses.

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?

June 2nd Sept 1956
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

4 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?

Danton County Club Danton Ohio
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country

Additional remarks: Lives in Club House

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

Hours 30-40 Seconds
Minutes

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

early morning
darkness before
dawn

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

Incl #1

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

a. Sound no sound

b. Color yellow-green, sort of a dirty color

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.



marks are
for the darker
spots on object



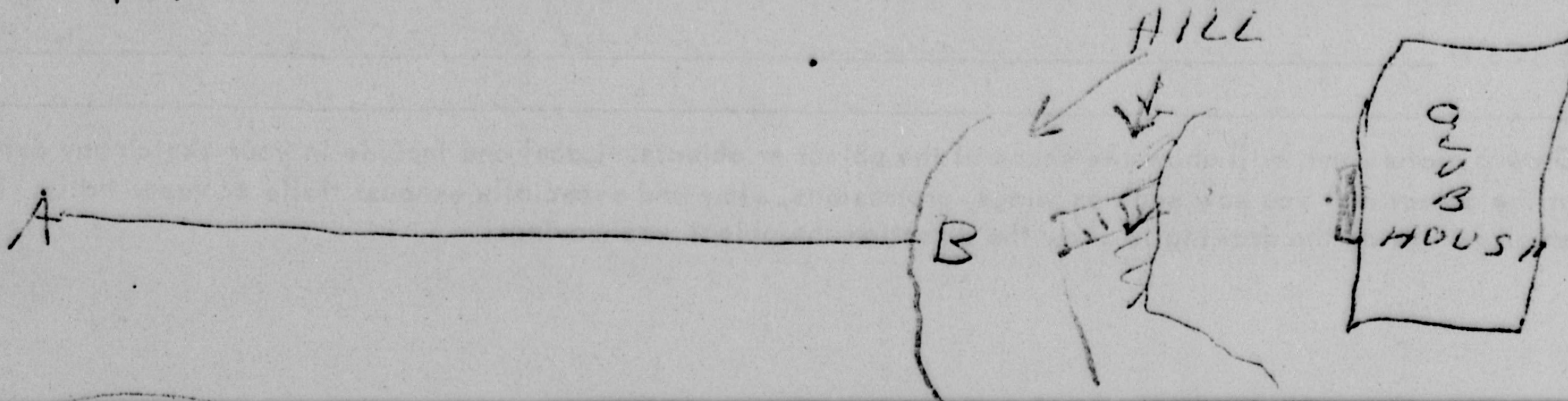
18. The edges of the object were:

- (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? only 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.



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

15-20 feet. say about 8 to 10 feet thick

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
i. Basketball
k. Other much larger than

however, I am
not sure.

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

- a. Certain
b. Fairly certain

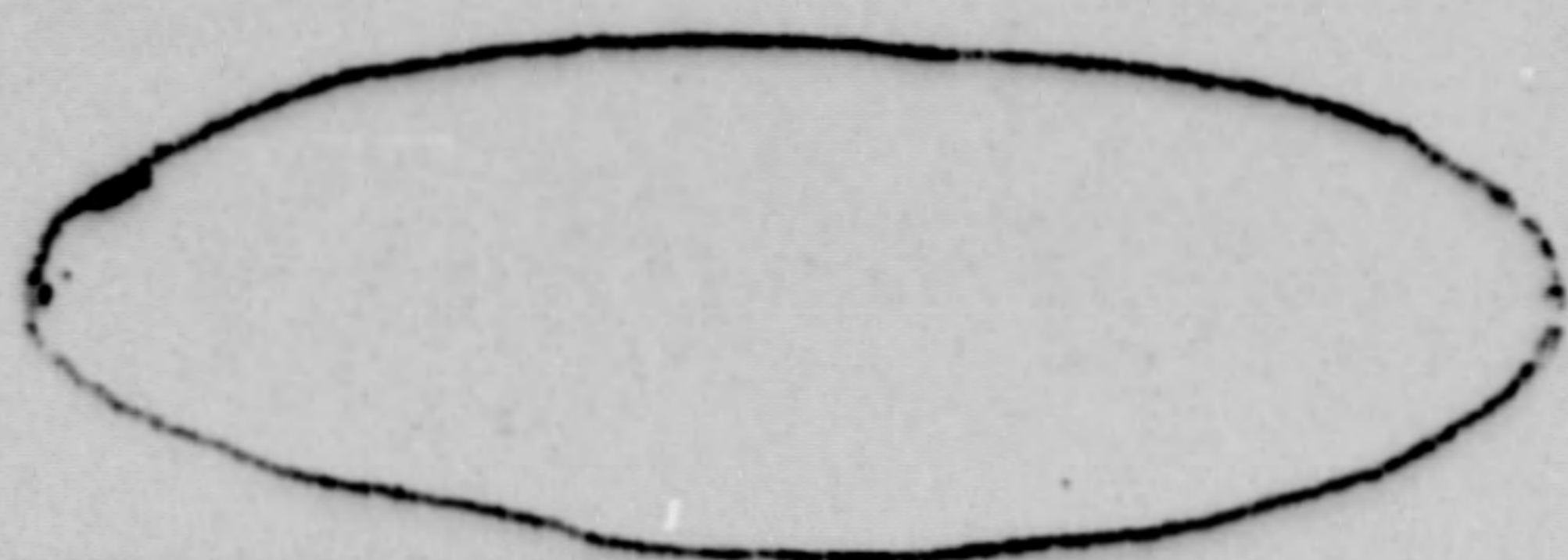
- c. Not very sure
d. Uncertain

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

I flash my light (5 cells)
(flashlight) on it and it disappeared in front of
me. First it was there, then it wasn't.

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 would be made out of some strong type
of metal. It looked as though it were two
saucers put together. It was about 15' or
more wide and 8' through its center.



25. Where were you located when you saw the object?
(Circle One):

- 1st ☒ a. Inside a building *there*
☐ b. In a car
 2nd ☒ 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? *surrounded by trees*
 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 night watchman and was making a round when I looked out the window.

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

I wasn't.

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)

don't know

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

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

don't know

- a. North c. East e. South g. West
 b. Northeast d. Southeast 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).

Don't know

31.1 When it first appeared:

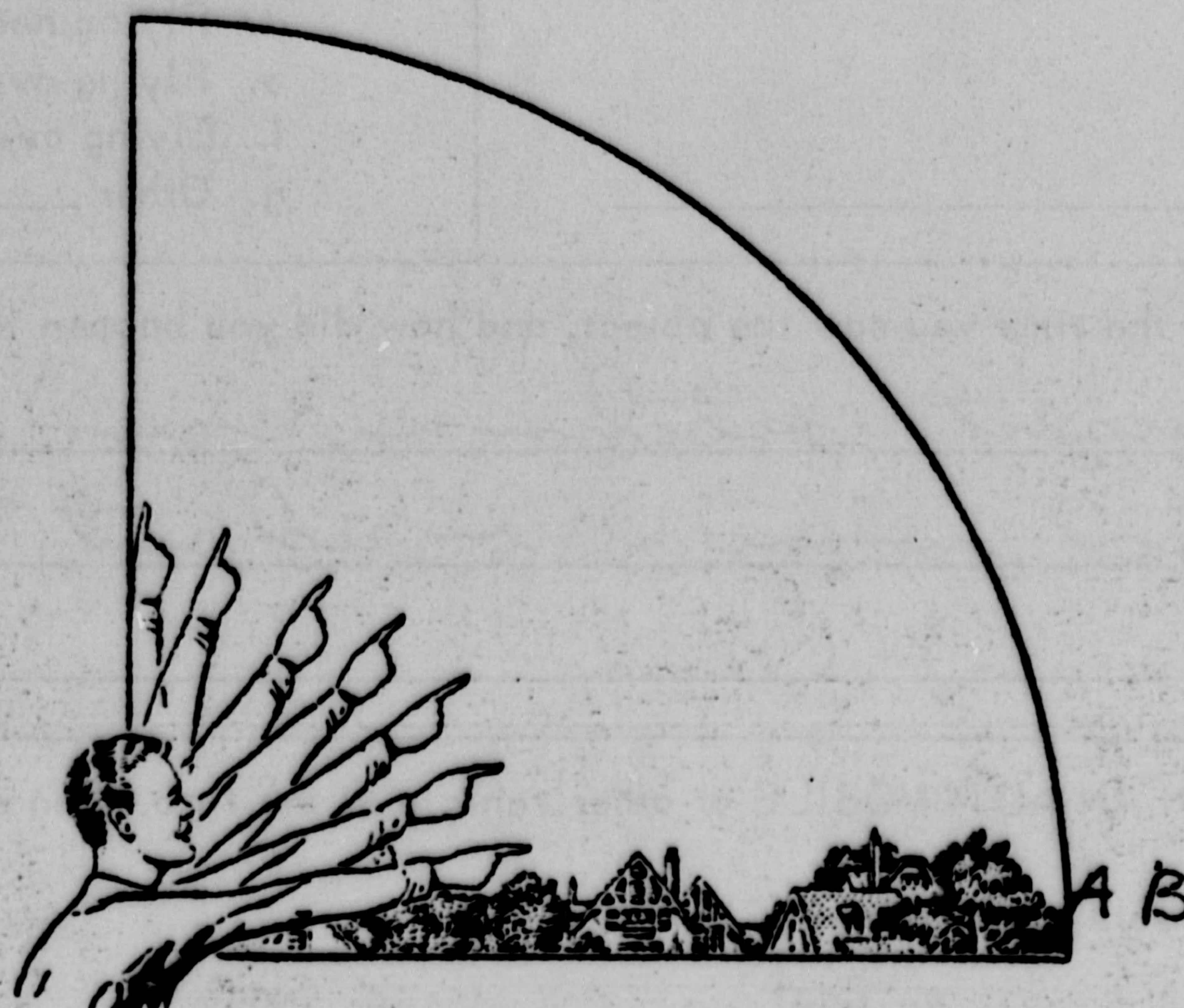
- a. From true North _____ degrees.
 b. From horizon _____ degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

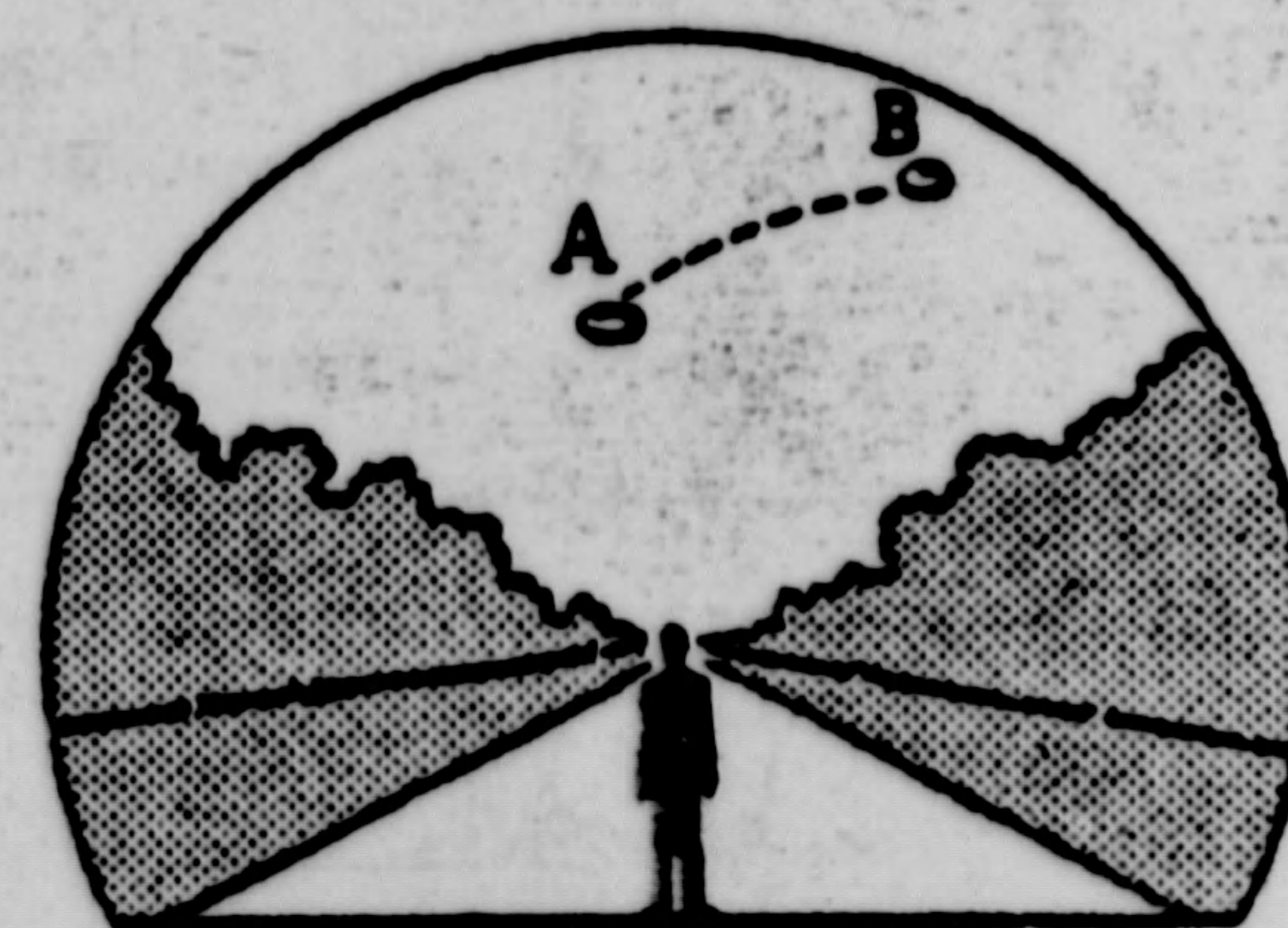
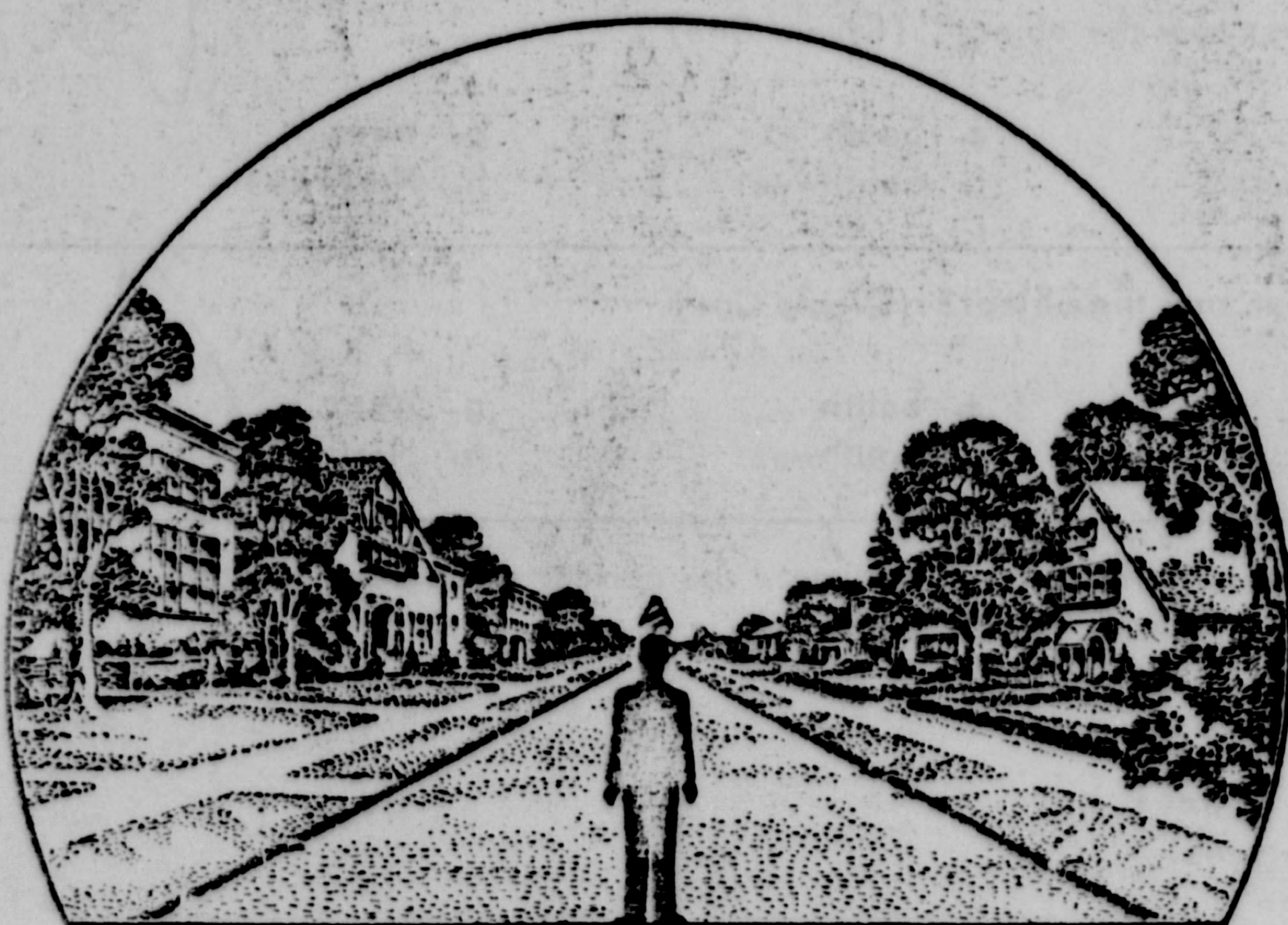
- a. From true North _____ degrees.
 b. From horizon _____ degrees.

If these don't know - could determine whether a balloon launched among a few miles at that time. See attached memo.

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 *very few clouds*
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?

5th or 6th September 1956
Day Month Year

Does not have exact date!

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?

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

*I have no idea to either part of the question
but it could have been a flying saucer.*

Could be Billson - very slow or
hanging near top

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?

1.6 Very slow
I could have out
walked it - 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?

about 1 1/2 football fields away
150 yds

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

Home
ADDRESS

SCHOOL

Home
TELEPHONE NUMBER
SCHOOL

What is your present job?

Age

Sex

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

- a. Grade school ☒
b. High school ☒
c. College ☒ 2 years
d. Post graduate ☐

- e. e. Technical school ☐
(Type) ☐
f. Other special training ☐

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

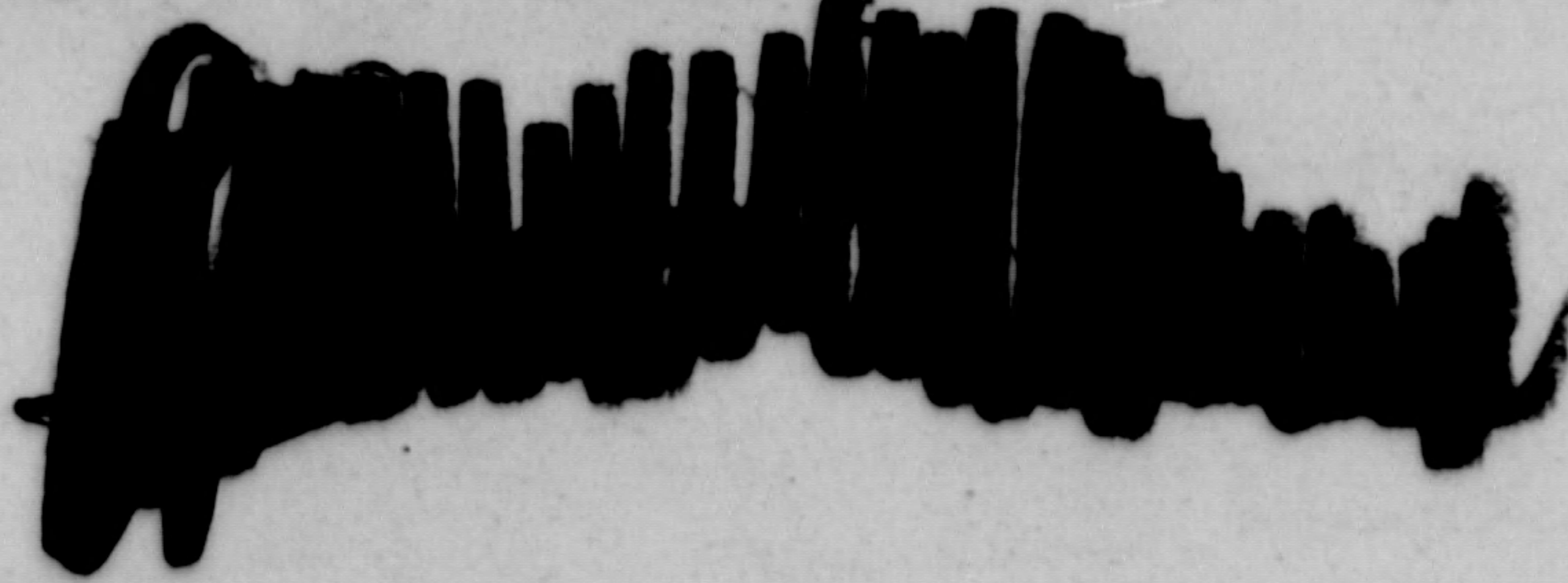
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flashed my light on it again. It disappeared
 from my sight in an instance with out
 moving any. We have a dog in the stable
 just to the right of where I spotted this object
 that was howling something terrible. Normally
 this dog is well behaved and doesn't
 even bark much. I might say after
 the thing was as close to me as it gets, I
 was very frightened. I would like an explanation
 of this if possible. I might add the object
 lighted everything around it and was about
 5 to 6 feet above the ground.

Hoping I have given all that you
 wanted. and adding I will be glad to give
 you any additional information you need. I
 remain

Sincerely,



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(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]

(Do Not Write in This Space)

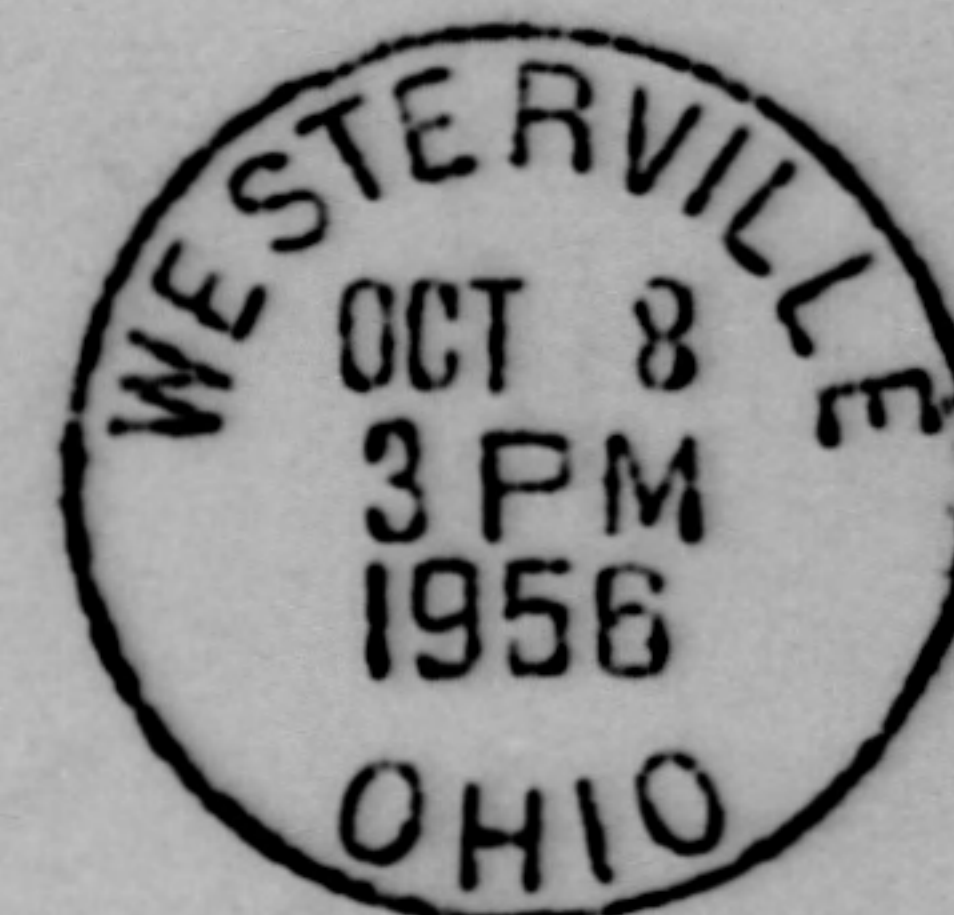
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CODE:

DATE October 8, 1956

I first saw this queer object while making my last round, 4:30 a.m., as night watchman at the Dayton Country Club. It seemed to be hovering above the ground moving slowly towards the club house where I was standing. I flashed my 5 cell flashlight on the object when it was on the far end of the ground by nothing happened. Later I went out on the grounds to see what was happening. I heard or smelled nothing as the wind was blowing towards the object. It was moving towards the house in a very slow speed. I think I could have out walked it. It was about 15 to 30 feet wide and 8 to 10 feet thick and was a oval shape. Look as: . The object came to 150 feet or less of me when I

DAYTON 10, OHIO



Department of the Air Force
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Fairborn, Ohio

Attention: AFOIN-4E4

OCT 8 1956

Westerville, Ohio

11 Oct 1956
1620 hrs

Memo for Record

Subject: UFO Report for Mr. John H. Adams
Dayton Country Club

1. Telephoned Mr. Campana, Dayton Weather Bureau. Was informed that a balloon was launched at about the same time of Mr. Adams observation.
2. Further and most significant, Mr. Campana stated that they had trouble with this particular balloon. It behaved erratic they tracked it only to a mere 11,000 feet, and the radio sonde did not function. They lost it completely, something which seldom happens right after release.
3. Mr. Campana added that it could have come down ^{or passed over,} anywhere in the Dayton vicinity.

George F. Gregory
Capt USAF