

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 9 Jul 59	2. LOCATION Nitro, W.Va.	12. CONCLUSIONS		
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2130 GMT 10/0230Z	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	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input checked="" 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 <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown		
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION two mins	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE NW to West	11. COMMENTS	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Obj which appeared to be made of aluminum giving off a yellowish color near the edge. Had several blinking lights. About the size of a straw hat. Seemed to disappear into a clump of trees without sound.		Obj w/blingking lights in sight for 2 mins. Ata seems to indicate that this was an a/c. No additional witnesses however nothing is in conflict w/analyzi as an a/c & case is carried as a/c sighting rather than insufficient data.		

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

UFO October 4, 1959
Cleveland 2, Ohio

Department of The Air Force
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

ATIC
for analysis
and evaluation

Dear Sir:

On July 10th or several days before or after while I was visiting my father at Nitro, West Virginia, I observed something which I should have reported before but failed to do so. At this time I observed which appeared to me to be two flying saucers; they appeared as two circular discs which gave off a luminescent glow and perhaps had a blinking light. I am not familiar with the mechanics or equipment operated by the Air Force but it could have been flares or some other device since a plane came over shortly afterwards. It was late at night and I would have considered it strictly my imagination but the following morning as I was leaving my home an Air Force staff car passed by which could have ^{been a} coincidence although I would like a reply whether anything was reported in that vicinity. The address is Mr. [REDACTED]

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

*forward
to ATIC*

9 October 1959

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]:

This is to acknowledge your letter of 4 October regarding a sighting of an Unidentified Flying Object.

Your letter contains insufficient information for a valid conclusion. Therefore request you complete the attached Air Force Questionnaire in regard to the sighting and forward the completed paper to the Aerospace Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, for analysis and evaluation.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Tacker
LAWRENCE J. TACKER
Major, USAF
Public Information Division
Office of Information

Inclosure

Mr. [REDACTED]
c/o [REDACTED]

Cleveland 2, Ohio

Regret the delay but have been thoroughly occupied with nothing to do.

[REDACTED] Nitro, West Virginia.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]
C/L
[REDACTED]

Cleveland 2, Ohio

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?

9 July 1959
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 2 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?

C/1 _____

Nearest Postal Address

City or Town

State or Country

Additional remarks: _____

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. 2 0 0
Hours Minutes Seconds

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

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a. Certain	c. Not very sure
<input type="checkbox"/> b. Fairly certain	<input type="checkbox"/> d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One): a. Bright daylight	d. Just a trace of daylight
b. Dull daylight	e. No trace of daylight
c. Bright twilight	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	d. To your left
b. In back of you	e. Overhead
c. To your right	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?

720.

(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:

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

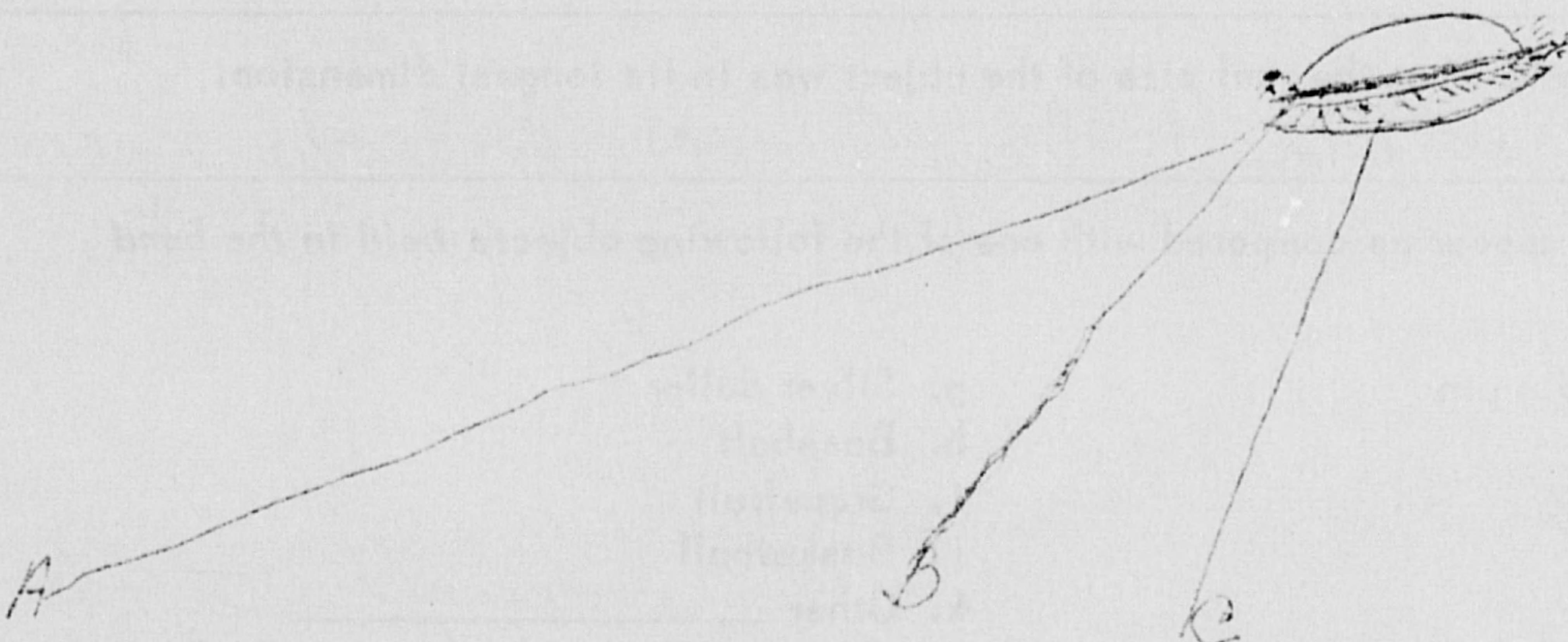
h. Other

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

a. Sound No apparent sound

b. Color Looked like aluminum and gave off a yellowish color near the edges.

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.



A Came in and landed at this angle

B Several blinks lightly visible
to yellowish color around nose.

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? An airplane followed shortly.
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling. Behind

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.



Came directly in on an angle comparable to this.

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

feet. Circular about half a circle to the eye.

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 Comparable to the size of an old fashioned straw hat.

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?

It seemed to disappear into a clump of trees without any apparent sound.

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.

a. Aluminum

b.

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 burn

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

I couldn't sleep and was looking out the window
and the object appeared.

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

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. 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:

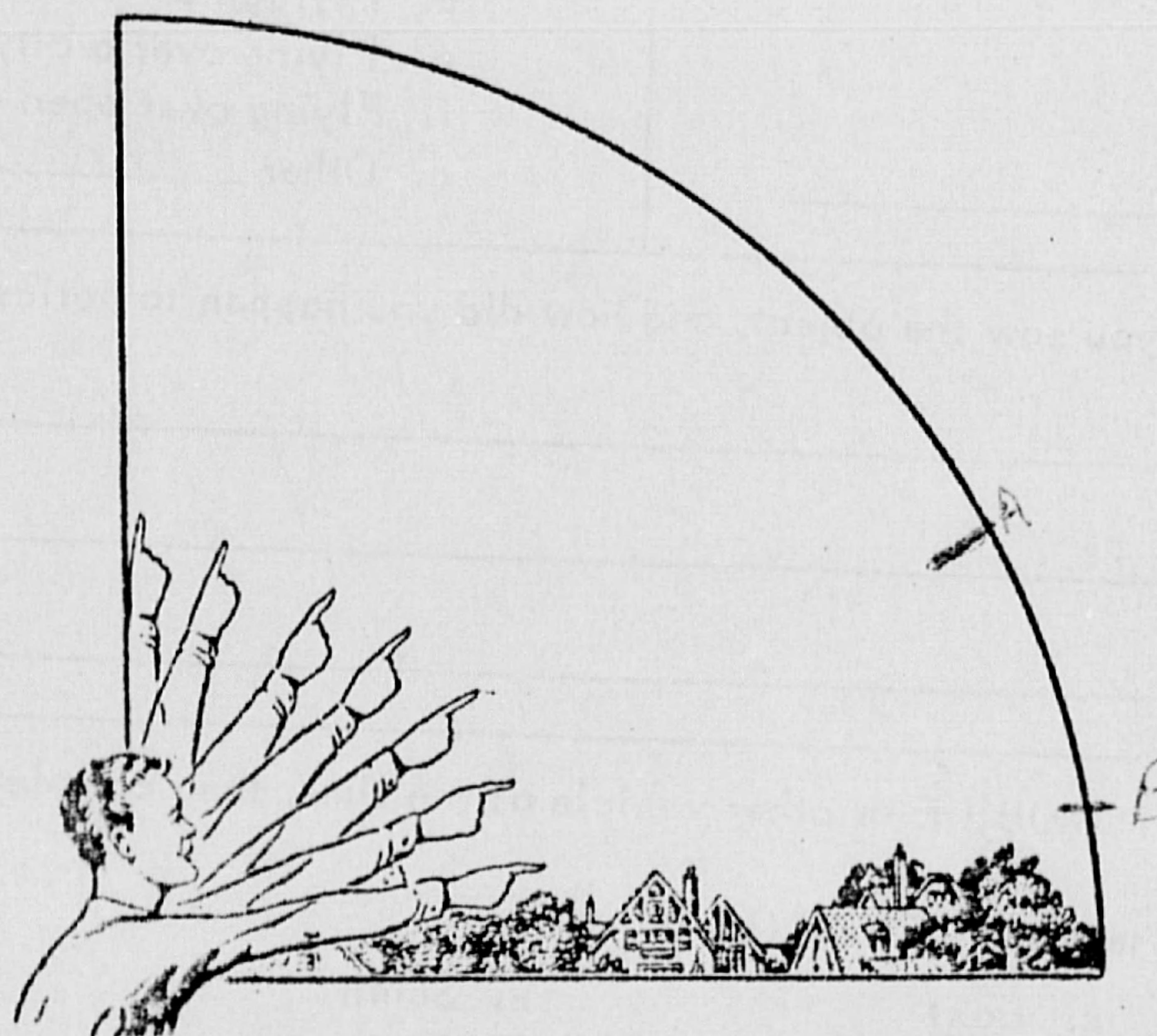
- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.



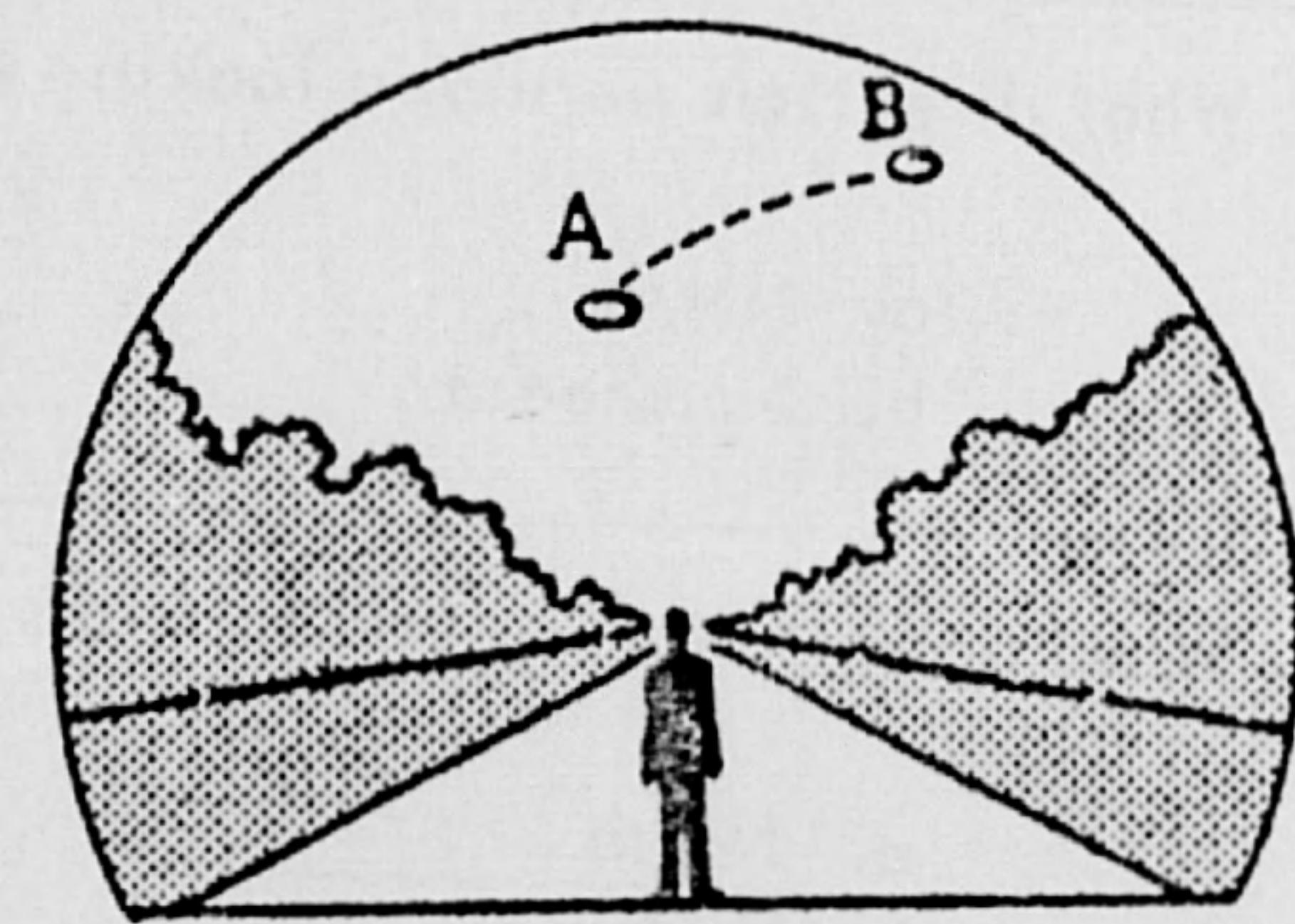
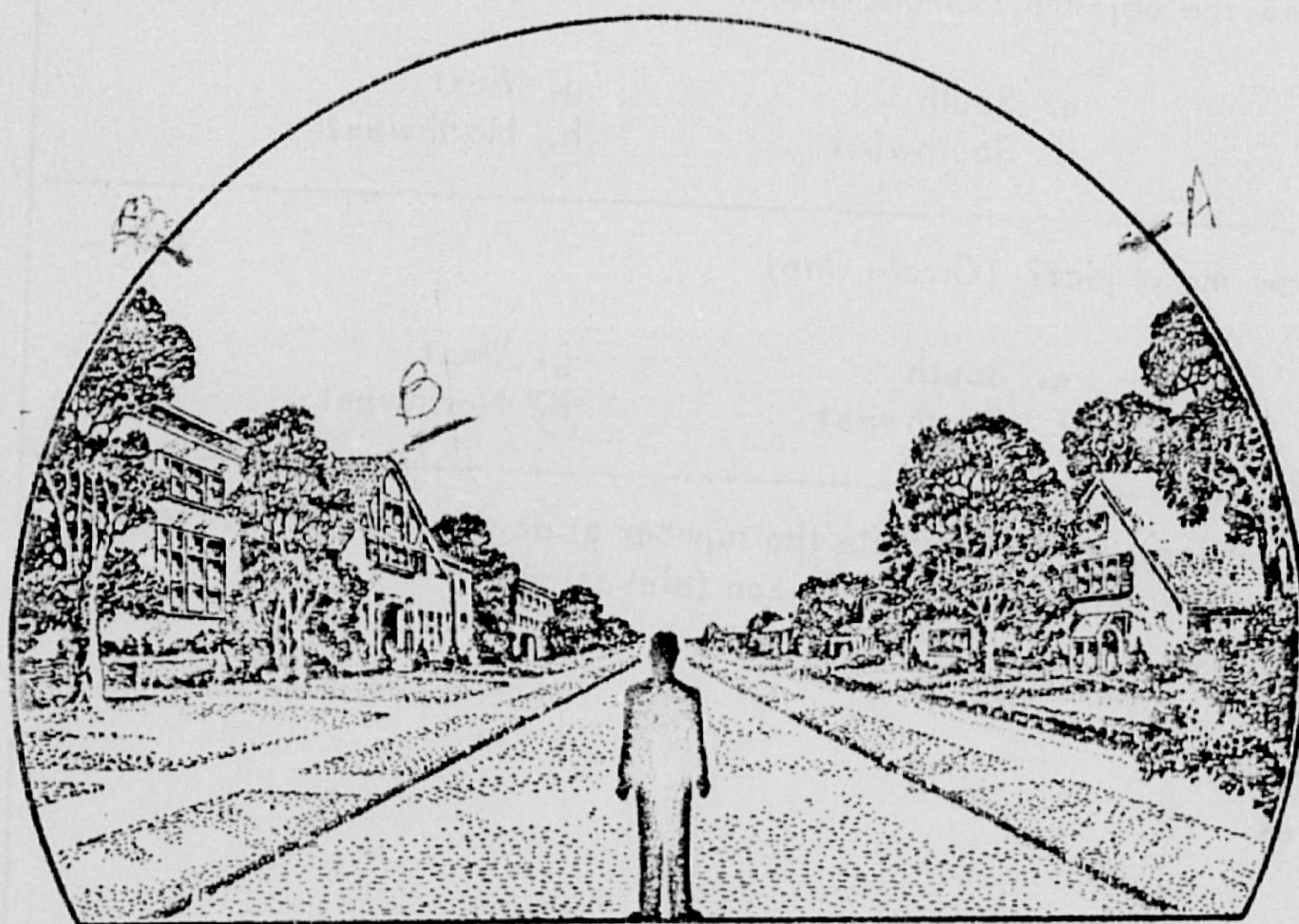
31.2 When it disappeared:

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

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? _____ 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? 1 mile 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? None _____

Age 31 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 U.P.I. _____

f. Other special training _____

d. Post graduate U.P.I. _____

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

Feb.
Day

11
Month

10/27/1960
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?

1

Oct

59

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?

(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 thought it was a flying saucer but thinking more about it after an airplane followed directly behind after the object had disappeared I thought it ~~was~~ could have been something thrown from the plane.

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 _____ <small>(Please Print)</small>	(Do Not Write in This Space) CODE: _____
SIGNATURE _____	
DATE <u>Feb. 4, 1968</u>	

Approximately two a.m. 9 July 1959, I being unable to sleep looked out my window and observed coming in at what I believe to be a 90° angle a circular object which reminded me of what I had read and heard to be a flying saucer. It seemed to be oval on top ^{the} complete from a half circle indented ^{larger} by a ~~smaller~~ ring near the edge of the landing surface. It gave off an illuminous glow where the larger ring circled the oval object. There could have been two red glowing lights, but I am not positive. I only saw the object for approximately two

seconds from the moment I saw it until it disappeared into a clump of trees.

Shortly after an Airplane at a much higher altitude came over - it was a matter of seconds. The following day I saw an Air Force Staff car pass along route 35 which is unfamiliar to that area.