PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP March - April 66	2. LOCATION Ely, Nevada
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Aircraft Very prob.
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Varied	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 - 5† minutes each	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Many objects in immediate area during this period. Some objects sighted at high altitudes, some under cloud cover. Objects reported to appear to hover and travel rapidly in various directions. Various colors of lights were reported. There are several low altitude high speed Training A/C routes over the area. From the description of the objects conventional A/C appear to be responsible for the observations.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	
7. COURSE Varied	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

FORM
FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

ELY, NEV - MAR-APR 66 ~~MAR~~ 23 JUN
(Poss A/C)

FTD (TDEW)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
23 June 1966

[redacted]
Ely, Nevada 89301

Dear Mrs. [redacted],

Reference your unidentified observation of March and April 1966 which you reported to Hill AFB, Utah. The information which we have received is not sufficient for evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD Forms 164 and return them in the envelope provided.

We wish to thank you for reporting your observation s to the Air Force.

Sincerely,

HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF
Chief, Project Blue Book

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

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. 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?

April 25 (Day) ____ (Month) 1966 (Year)

2. Time of day: 8 (Hour) 35 (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?

[redacted] (Nearest Postal Address) Ely (City or Town) Nevada (State or County)

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration) ____ (Hours) 20 (Minutes) ____ (Seconds)

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

5.1 How was time in sight determined? by a watch

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes X No ____

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY	NIGHT
a. Bright	a. ~~Bright~~
b. Cloudy	(b. Cloudy)

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, 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

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8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, 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. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS *(Circle One)*:

a. Clear sky
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER *(Circle One)*:

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

10. The object appeared: *(Circle One)*:

a. Solid
b. Transparent
c. Vapor
d. As a light
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11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? *(Circle One)*:

a. Brighter
b. Dimmer
c. About the same
d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object: [redacted] As bright as a light bulb turned on [redacted]

12. 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 You could see some shape that last the objects so bright you couldn't tell what.

13. 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. Flash or flicker?	Yes	No	Don't know
h. Disappear and reappear?	Yes	No	Don't know

14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?

After watching them about 20 minutes they suddenly started traveling at a fast rate of speed and disappeared behind a cloud.

15. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): (Yes) No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: a cloud

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): (Yes) No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what in front of: a cloud

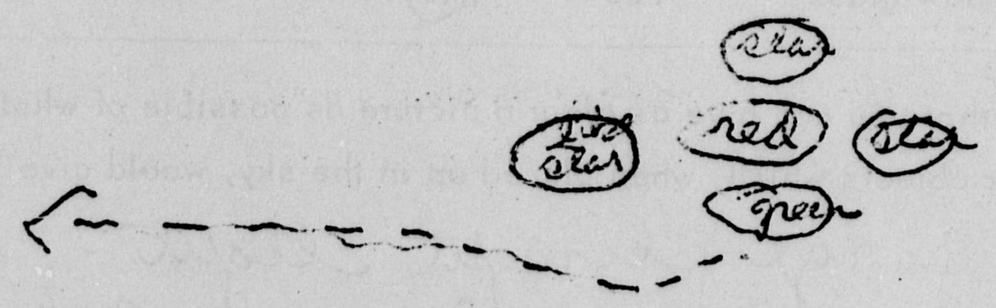
17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

a. Sound no sound

b. Color 1 red, 1 green, 3 just like a very bright star.

18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head? I would guess about half.

19. 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.



The objects besides the red one kept flying in a cluster in, out, and around the red one. Blinking like a morse code.

20. 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? _____

21. 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? Maybe 5 or 10 miles

22. 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 (type)
e. At sea
f. Other _____

23. 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. Near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other _____

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

24.1 What direction were you moving? *(Circle One)*

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

24.2 How fast were you moving? _____miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

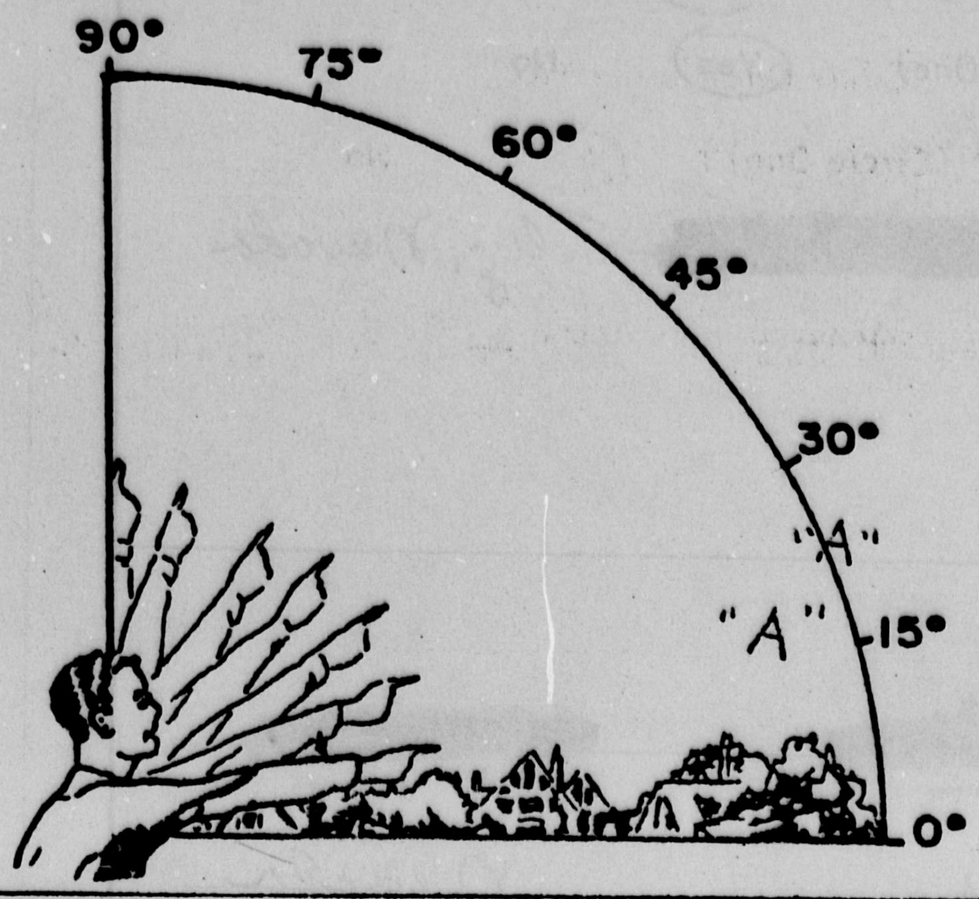
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

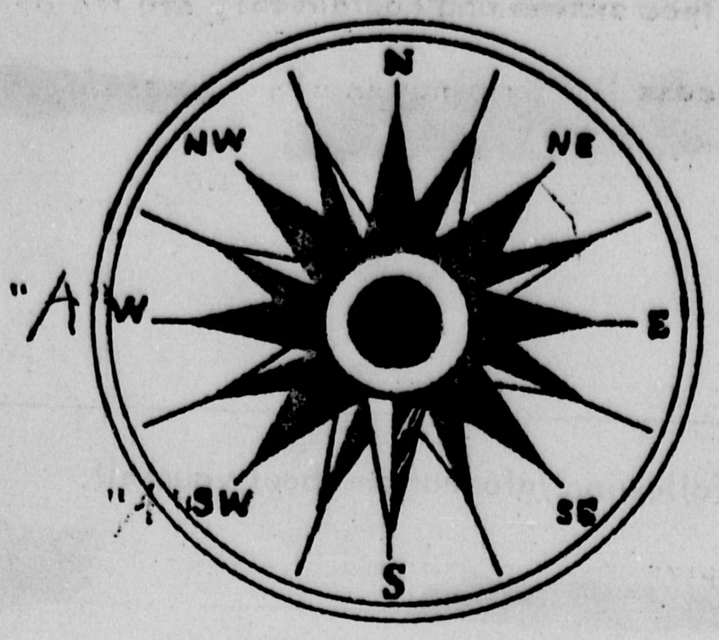
a. Eyeglasses	Yes	(No)	e. Binoculars	Yes	(No)
b. Sun glasses	Yes	(No)	f. Telescope	Yes	(No)
c. Windshield	Yes	(No)	g. Theodolite	Yes	(No)
d. Window glass	Yes	(No)	h. Other _____		

26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, 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 large bright light maybe like a headlight on a car only larger and brighter blinking out a morse code.

27. 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. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you *last* saw the object.





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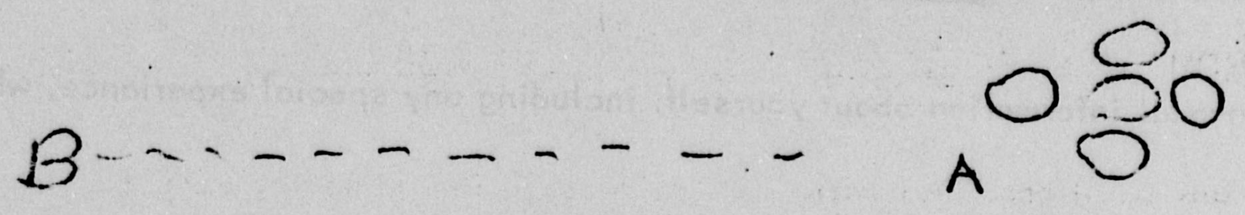

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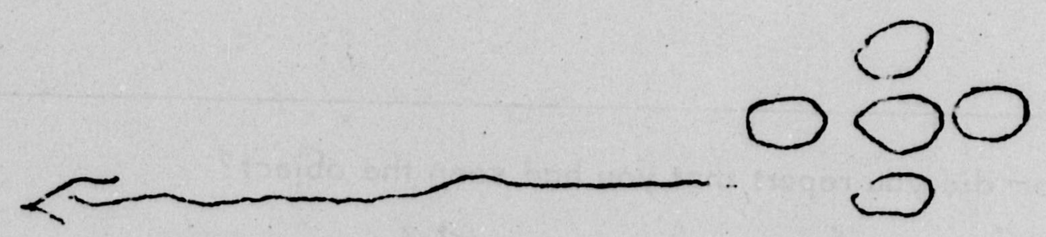

30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.
Yes a few days before this one but never before that.

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? *(Circle One)* (Yes) No

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? *(Circle One)* (Yes) No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Mrs [redacted] Ely, Nevada

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] (Last Name) [redacted] (First Name) [redacted] (Middle Name)

ADDRESS [redacted] (Street) Ely (City) (Zone) Nevada (State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] AGE 29 SEX female

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any special experience, which might be pertinent.

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object?

don't remember (Day) April (Month) 1966 (Year)

Hill Air Force Base, Utah.

34. Date you completed this questionnaire: June 28 (Day) (Month) 1946 (Year)

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

Dear Sir.
I had a time explaining this object or sometimes objects to you because ~~ok~~ saw them for 2 weeks as explained this one particular time to you as this was the most interesting night I saw them. I never saw these objects alone and always called someone to watch them with me so I'd know I wasn't seeing things. I had never seen them before nor have I since although several times I have lived by an air field where planes are coming and going all the time. I decided to keep a record of these sightings and will write them all down here as accurately as I can although there was one night I forgot to put down in which I saw 2 of them. I haven't the date or time on this but remember the directions. There was one large one like a star going from West to S. West when suddenly it stopped and stood completely still about 10 minutes. Then came a smaller red one from S. East to S. West. It met with the large one like a star and seemed to disappear completely inside of it for about 5 minutes then it came out again and headed back in the direction it came from. The big one started traveling toward the S. West and finally went out of sight. Another lady that saw this was Mrs Nat Collins 37 Keystone Ave. Ruth, Nevada. Then one night it went over our home.

(over)

My husband and I went out to watch it with my daughters aged 9 and 11 years. It stopped dead still right over us and you could hear a humming sound which was the only time we ever heard it. Then it continued on toward the N. West. Here are the times, dates, and directions that I have recorded in the 2 weeks we saw them.

April 4

8:00 P.M. to 8:05 P.M [redacted] Traveling from West to North East

April 5 (like a light star) Seen at 8:00 P.M. Traveling from West to North West

April 6 Seen at 8:30 P.M. traveling from S. West to N. East

April 7 8:20 P.M. S. West to S. East

April 8 10:30 P.M. N. West to S. East at 9:30 P.M. from SE. to West

April 9 Nothing

April 10 9:00 P.M. N.W. to S.W.

April 11 Nothing

April 12 8:20 P.M. S.W. to E.

April 13 8:30 P.M. S.E. towards W. then back again towards N.E.
8:00 P.M. from S.W. to S.E.

April 14 10:00 P.M. E. towards W. then back towards S.

April 15, 16, 17, 18, Nothing

April 19 7:55 P.M. S. towards N. back towards S.E.
8:10 P.M. N.W. to N.E.

April 20 8:15 P.M. W. towards S.E.

April 25 at 9:00 P.M. from N West again at 8:35 P.M. S.W. to W.

June 4 at 10:00 S.W. to N.W. (N.E.)
at 11:00 P.M. N to S again at 11:30 P.M. from N.W. to N.E.

(April 21, 22, 23, 24 Nothing)

[redacted]

at 10:30 P.M. from S.E. to S.W
at 10:15 P.M. from E. to N.
at 11:30 P.M. from N.W. to NE at went out like someone turning out a light

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(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving
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4. Where were you when you saw the object?

[redacted] (Nearest Postal Address) — Ely (City or Town) — Nevada (State or County)

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration) _____ Hours 20 Minutes _____ Seconds

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

5.1 How was time in sight determined? by a watch

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? (Yes) _____ No _____

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY	NIGHT
a. Bright	a. Bright
b. Cloudy	(b.) Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you
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a. Bright moonlight
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9. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

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e. Other You could see some shape but the objects were so bright you couldn't tell exactly what.

13. Did the object:

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f. Change shape?	Yes	No	Don't know
g. Flash or flicker?	Yes	No	Don't know
h. Disappear and reappear?	Yes	No	Don't know

14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?
After watching them about 20 minutes they suddenly started traveling at a high rate of speed and disappeared behind a cloud.

15. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?
(Circle One): (Yes) No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: a cloud

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?
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17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:
a. Sound none
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18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head? I would guess about half.

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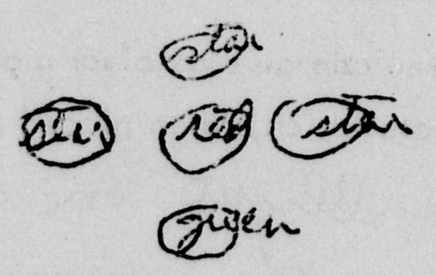

The objects besides the red one kept flying in a cluster in, out, and around the red one, like a mosquito cloud.

20. 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? _____

21. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) (Yes) No

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

a. Inside a building
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d. In an airplane (type)
e. At sea
f. Other _____

23. 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. Near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other _____

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

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

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

24.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) Yes No

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

a. Eyeglasses	Yes	(No)	e. Binoculars	Yes	(No)
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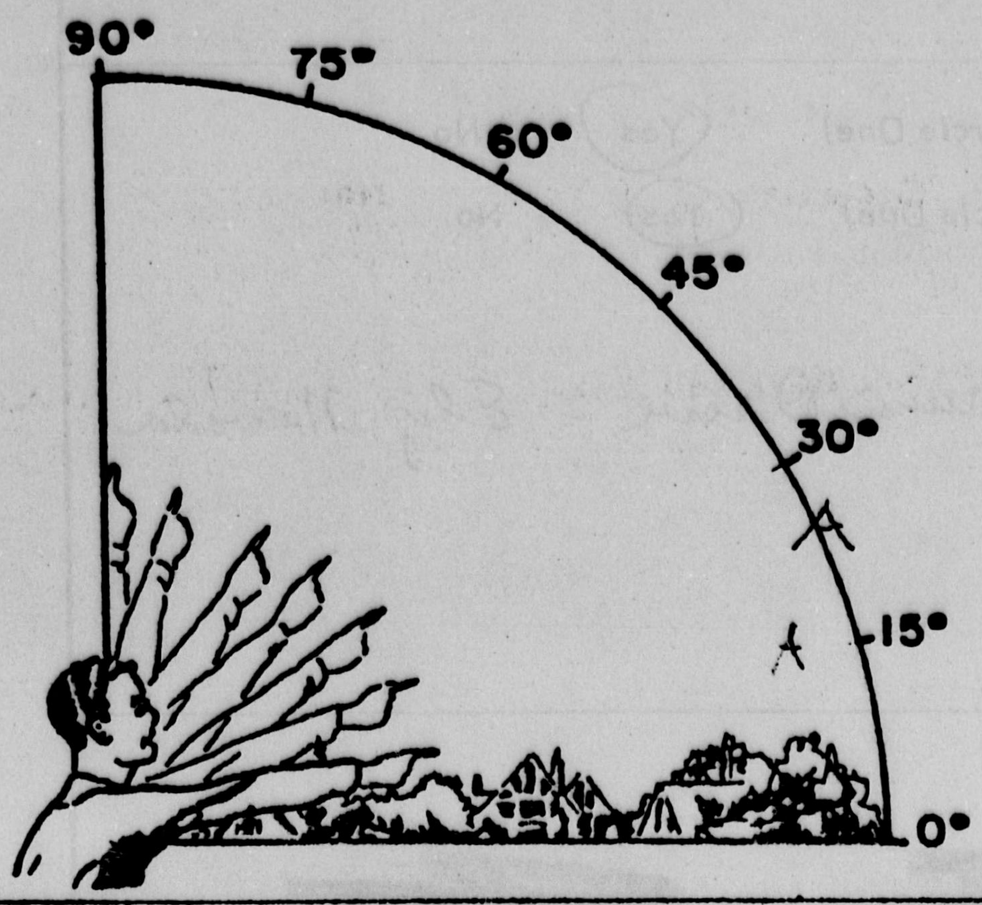

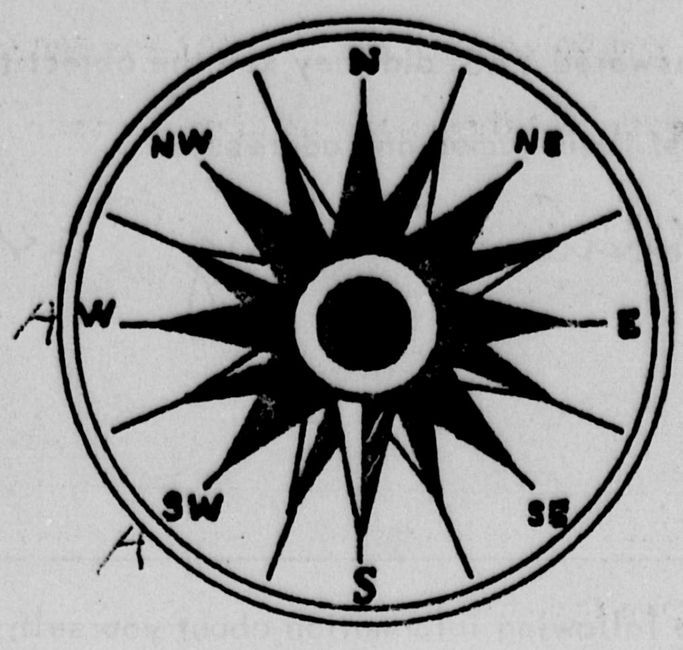

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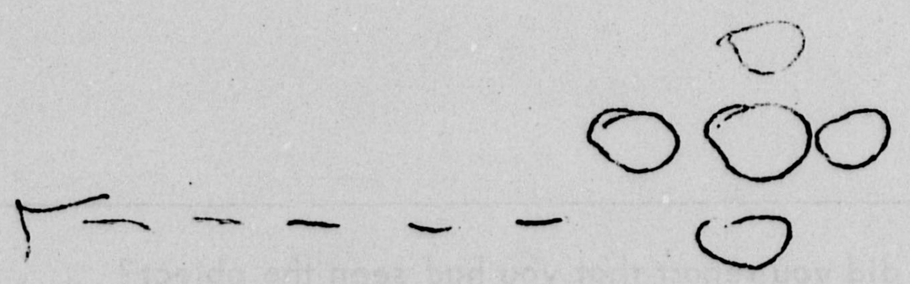
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.



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Yes. a few days before this one particular time but never before that.

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? *(Circle One)* (Yes) No

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? *(Circle One)* (Yes) No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Mrs Edna Gerung 14 Elysium Drive - Ely, Nevada

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] (Last Name) [redacted] (First Name) [redacted] (Middle Name)

ADDRESS [redacted] (Street) Ely (City) ____ (Zone) Nevada (State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER 289-3258 AGE 29 SEX female

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any special experience, which might be pertinent.

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object?

Don't remember (Day) April (Month) 1966 (Year)

Hill Air Force Base, Utah

34. Date you completed this questionnaire: 28 (Day) June (Month) 1966 (Year)

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

Other names of people that have seen these that I know of are. Mrs [redacted] e. Ely, Nevada

Mrs [redacted] e. Reno, Nevada

(Was here visiting)

Mrs [redacted]

[redacted] ue. Ely, Nevada

Mrs [redacted]

[redacted] e. Ruth, Nevada

Mae [redacted]

2[redacted] Ely, Nevada

Mrs [redacted]

[redacted] Ely, Nevada

Mr. and [redacted]

[redacted] Ely, Nevada

Mrs [redacted]

[redacted] e. Ely, Nevada

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I will write this information again as it's kinda mixed up on the other sheet!

april 4	8:00 P.M. to 8:05 P.M.	traveling from W. to N.E.
april 5	8:00 P.M.	traveling from W. to N.W.
april 6	8:30 P.M.	" " S.W. to N.E.
april 7	8:20 P.M.	" " S.W. to S.E.
april 8	9:30 P.M.	" " S.E. to W. again at 10:30 P.M. from NW to S.W.
april 9	Nothing	
april 10	9:00 P.M.	" " N.W. to S.W.
april 11	nothing	
april 12	8:20 P.M.	S.W. to E.
april 13	8:00 P.M.	S.W. to S.E. again at 8:30 P.M. S.E. to W. then back to N.E.
april 14	10:00 P.M.	E. to W. then back towards S.
april 15, 16, 17, 18	nothing	
april 19	7:55 P.M.	S. to N Then back towards S.E.
	8:10 P.M.	N.W to N.E;
april 20	8:15 P.M.	N to S.E.
april 25	8:35 P.M.	S.W. to W. again at 9:P.M. from N.W. to N.E.
June 4	10:00 P.M.	S W to N W
	10:15 P.M.	E. to N.
	10:30 P.M.	S. to S.W.
	11:00 P.M.	N to S
	11:30 P.M.	N.W to N.E. Finally just went out like someone Turning a light out.

Almost all of these nights it was Clear weather.

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INFORMATION RECEIVED TELEPHONICALLY 1900Z 4 APRIL 1966 BY HAFB, UTAH. SOURCE CLN MRS [redacted] ELY, NEVADA.

REPORTED DURING LAST TEN NIGHTS SIGHTING TWO OBJECTS MANEUVERING OVER ELY AND RUTH, NEVADA. LARGE OBJECT HOVERED UP TO FIVE MINUTES AND JOINED BY SMALLER OBJECT. TWELVE TO FOURTEEN PEOPLE OBSERVED OBJECTS, INCLUDING TWO WEATHER OBSERVERS. 14A(1) UNABLE TO DETERMINE DUE TO BRIGHTNESS; 14A(2) SAME AS 14A(1); 14A (3) BRIGHT LIGHT COLOR OF GLITTERING STAR; 14A(4) TWO; 14A(5) ONE STATIONARY, JOINED BY

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SMALLER OBJECT; ?14A(6) NONE; 14A(7) NONE; 14A(8) HUMMING SOUND LIKE HELICOPTER WITHOUT CLATTER OF ROTORS; 14A(9) NONE; 14B(1) OTHER PERSONS; 14B(2) OVERHEAD, SOMETIMES ONE MILE HIGH, OTHER TIMES LOW UNDER CLOUD COVER; 14B(3) LOW OVER HORIZON IN VARIOUS DIRECTIONS; 14B(4) OBJECTS HOVERED OVER ELY AND RUTH; 14B(5) RAPIDLY IN VARIOUS DIRECTIONS; 14B(6) THREE TO FIVE MINUTES EACH TIME; 14C(1) GROUND VISUAL; 14C(2) TELESCOPE (WEATHER OBSERVERS); 14C(3) N/A; 14D(1) 0300Z- 0630Z, 25 MARCH 1966 THROUGH 0300Z - 0630Z, 3 APRIL 1966, VARIED; 14D(2) NIGHT; 14E CENTER OF ELY, NEVADA; 14F MRS [redacted] 89301 [redacted]29, [redacted] ELY, NEVADA, HOUSEWIFE, RELIABILITY CANNOT BE JUDGED. TWO UNIDENTIFIED WEATHER OBSERVERS 14G(1) VARIED CLEAR TO HIGH CLOUD COVER; 14G(2) UNKNOWN; 14G(3) SAME AS 14G(1); 14G(4) SAME AS 14G(1); 14G(5) SAME AS 14G(1); 14G(6) NONE; 14G(7) UNKNOWN; 14H NONE; 14I NONE; 14J UNKNOWN; 14K SUPERVISORY SECURITY SPECIALIST, NO PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS AS NO INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED; 14L NONE.

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(Insuff. info to late to investigate)

[redacted]t
Indianapolis 22, Ind
March 31, 1966

Sir

I would like to inquire of you the following information, if possible. I have on several occasions had the experience of watching an unusual action. I had not mentioned it to anyone because, I didn't want to be ridiculed. However, last night my husband witnessed the same sight.

The time was about 11:30 P.M. Wednesday, March 30, 1966. I noticed as he raised the shade, 3 very bright 'stars' in a perfectly straight line. I said nothing. I knew what was about to begin. My husband said, That is something I've never seen - look at

those 'stars'. A perfect line."
I continued to watch after we had
gotten into bed. Our bed is placed so,
that we can look out into the sky.
He watched, too. But I had said
nothing. Slowly the first stars started.
Sort of gliding, as in rowing a boat.
— — — motion. It disappeared
behind the roof of the house across the
street. My husband said "They are
moving!" Then the second, then
the third. It took about 10-12 minutes.
All the while their lights first very,
very bright — then almost gone.
Now to the right of the house was
a fourth 'star'. I say star for want of
something better. It began its descent.

that took about 10 minutes. It simply slowly disappeared into horizion. The last, & brighest was directly above the house roof. It began very very slowly to descend. About 1/2 hour it was gone, too.

I am sending a sketch prephas it can explain more clearly. This is always in the West, when I have seen it. The roof of the house across the street is a good marker. You can judge the movement by the 'stars' passing behind it.

We are very intirested in this. At first last year I thought the first time it was a space missile. It does not occur every night. I don't feel that they are really stars, because their movements are complete in 10-15 minutes. The first 3 the other 2 take longer.

Can you supply any information?

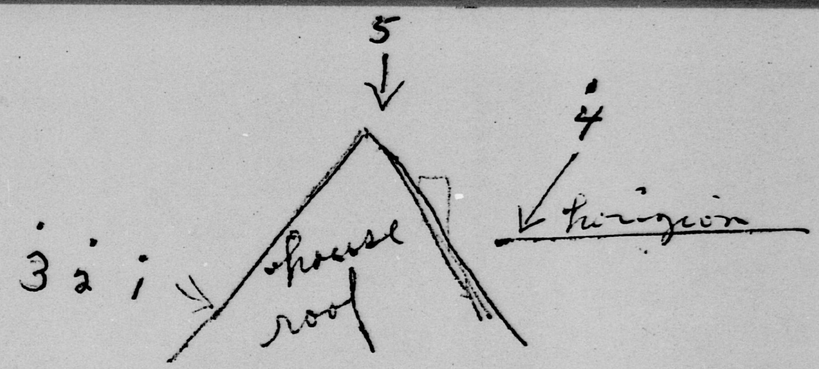
Please dont laugh. I am sincerely interested, and not given to seeing things. Now that my husband has witnessed this I feel I can ask publecicly about, what it could be.

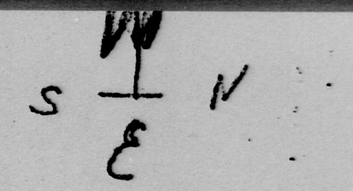
Thank you.

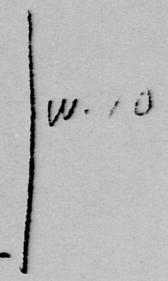
Mr & Mrs [redacted]

Now it is oct 27, 1966

and we see one very very large bright object. That hangs suspended in the West over the point of rox about 35-40 minutes. then slowly moves in about 5-10 minutes has disappeared. Just now have remembered to mail this. Dont want to be called a fool







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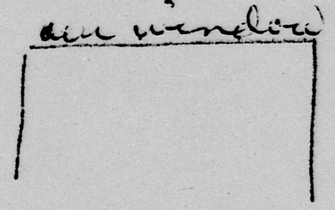

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UFO Observation, 27 October 1966

Mr. and Mrs. [redacted]t
Indianapolis, Indiana 46222

Reference your letter, dated 31 March 1966 and postmarked 29 October 1966, concerning your observation of an unusual phenomena in March 1966. We will file your case for information purposes. Because of the late date in submitting your report, meaningful evaluation is not possible.

In your letter you also mention a sighting of 27 October 1966. Request you complete the attached FTD Form 164 and return it in the envelope provided. Upon receipt of this additional information we will attempt to make an evaluation on this particular sighting.

Thank you for reporting your observations to the Air Force.

Sincerely,

HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF
Chief, Project Blue Book

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FTD Form 164 w/envelope

Russell described the light as follows: "A bright light of the intensity of an auto headlight 200-300 feet away. The light was at first dim white; and as it moved in a left to right direction, it (in sequence) brightened, dimmed, and seemingly went out. After its brightening, and as it dimmed, it seemingly was replaced (?) on the left by a dim red light that followed the same sequence, in turn replaced by green, blue and again White, each following the same pattern and intensity.

As Russell watched this overhead activity, the circles circumscribed by the object's flight became larger as he walked the length of his driveway in a general easterly direction (about 85 ft.) still observing the lighted object. At this time, approximately 9:15 PM, the lights were slowly drifting eastward. Russell ran into his home and asked his mother to come outside to observe the phenomenon. Mrs. Conway came out and watched the lighted object with him for about 10 minutes. At this time the lights were apparently near motionless and after hovering for about 3 minutes they suddenly gained speed and darted away in a WSW direction disappearing over the distant treeline. Russell estimated the interval from hovering to disappearing over the horizon at 3 seconds. (My compass bearings of the directions indicated an azimuth angle of 110°)

Both Russell and his mother stated separately that the object/light left a short BLUISH HAZE OR VAPOR TRAIL behind it as it gained speed and left their sight. The vapor trail was of short duration.

Shortly after this, a nephew of Mrs. Conway, Joel Pollard of Newburyport, Mass., who had left the Conway house and was on his way home, is reported to have sighted a similar lighted object and returned to the Conways. Mr. Paul Conway, who up to this time had not taken part in the sighting, Mr. Pollard and Russell got into Mr. Conways auto and drove along Route 110 where they again sighted the object and observed it through 5X binoculars. It was in the distant SW. Upon their return they called the Haverhill Police station about their sighting at about 10:30 PM.

WEATHER CONDITIONS:

Clear, cool evening, stars clear and sparkling. Quarter Moon in SW. No wind.

EVALUATION:

A. PERSONAL ATTITUDES -

1) During my visit to the police station, the two officers were reluctant to divulge any information untill I fully identified myself and stated that I had an appointment to interview the Conway family and was in possession of their address and phone number. The officers evidenced somewhat of an interest in UFOs and NICAP and I was able to distribute the last few copies of NICAP information brochures to them. The police stated that Mr. Paul Conway and his family were good citizens of reputable status and were well-known in the area.

2) Russell Conway impressed me with his clear concise story and answers to repeated questioning. I was somewhat surprised that he would at no time or in any way state or imply that he could define a shape or outline of the object carrying the rotating lights. This is in opposition to the report and sketch provided by his mother.

3) Mrs. Paul Conway's account, although basically supporting her son's, is interesting in that she stated repeatedly her belief that she discerned an outline and shape. She drew a sketch of it just after the sighting. It looked like a child's top.

4) Mr. Paul Conway's attitude was respectful and openminded. He did not feel that his observation, even though through binoculars, was of much help and I agreed with his reluctance to fill out a report form.

B. SIGHTING EVALUATION -

1) Weather doe not seem to be a factor in this sighting.

2) Astronomical objects can be dismissed as inapplicable due to the directions of sighting, motions of the object and the allowance in all accounts of the moon and stars.

3) The family is reasonably familiar with aircraft, both civilian and commercial. They stated that they can easily distinguish the sounds of small craft, helicopters, large piston aircraft and jets.

4) Russell Conway's story agreed in general and in detail with his report, and, since the total interview time, both inside and during outside "walk-through" totalled nearly 3 hours, many occasions for disparity were provided.

5) It would seem that Mrs. Conway's sketch and more detailed description are without credible basis, since -

a. Her observation of the object was at a greater distance than her son's.

b. Her son (Russell) could not substantiate her statement of shape and appearance.

c. The issue of Life Magazine containing the sketch and "quilted" description of the "Ann Arbor, Michigan" sighting was similar to the sketch she had drawn and it was in the home and had been seen by the whole family.

Taking into account all the above testimony and reports, I believe the observed object to have been in the unidentified category.

John J. O'Neill
NICAP (ASI) Investigator

CHAIRMAN'S NOTE

The object described entails many characteristics of the true UFO. Re: Rotating colored lights, ability to hover and dart away and the "bluish haze". Description very similar to 3/20,21/66 Exeter, N.H. sighting submitted to NICAP on 3/30/66. (Not to be confused with Classic 9/3/65 Exeter, NLH. sighting)

UFOs Sighted In Haverhill, Merrimac

Unidentified flying objects, which have been visiting other sections of the country in recent days apparently paid a call on Greater Haverhill last night, complete with blinking and rotating multi-colored lights, with reported sightings in this city and Merrimac.

Just after 9:15 p.m. 17-year-old Russell Conway, son of District Deputy Fire Chief and Mrs. Paul S. Conway Jr., rushed into his 51 Whittier Road home shouting "Mother! Come out here!" Mrs. Conway, noting Russell's excitement, hurried outside where she observed "an object in the sky."

"It was hovering about 1,000 feet up, and it didn't act like an airplane. Underneath we could see four distinct colors, and I wrote them down. I'm pretty good with colors. They were white, red, green and blue," Mrs. Conway told The Gazette.

"The object traveled in a bi circle for a time and then took off like a comet toward Lawrence, leaving a trail of blue light."

Mrs Conway's nephew, Joe Pollard of 15 Dove St., Newburyport, who had been visiting he home at the time, but did not g outside during the sighting, wa en route home around 10 p.r when he spotted lights, simila to those described by Mrs. Conway. Pollard was driving o Route 110 at the time. He turne his car around and headed bac to the Conway's home where h reported what he had seen.

Followed the Object

Deputy Chief Conway accompanied Pollard in his car alon Route 110 and they reportedly followed the object with binoculars, but, Mrs. Conway later stated, "It was much further away than when we first saw it. It then disappeared."

Mrs. Conway, a substitute school teacher, said the air was "quite clear" last night when she made the observation. "I saw the colors and others did, also. We had never thought seriously about these things until last night, but we did see something."

Somewhat earlier last night Merrimac residents crowded the Church St. area after Wilfred Lavalley, 71 Church St., first spotted a flying light, described as blue, red and white, with the white in the background and the other colors moving around in the middle.

Several persons in addition to Lavalley saw the object, according to Police Officer Frank J. Mathews, who had been called to the scene from the police station at 8:05 p.m. Mathews also reported seeing the object. Mathews, Lavalley and the latter's son observed the lights through binoculars. Later they notified Officer Wallace P. Spencer, 8 Winter St., Merrimac, who is an amateur astronomist.

Spencer, however, had sold his high powered telescope recently and the UFO was not observed with anything more powerful than binoculars.

A large group of people went to Bear Hill, Merrimac, for a better look but were unable to spot anything unusual from that location.

UFO 'Invasion'

Meanwhile the UFO "invasion" was reported in other New England locations. Police in New Haven, Conn., said they were "swamped" with telephone calls from residents who spotted a stationary object with "red and green blinking lights."

In Castleton, Vt., a family of four watched three round objects hover over their dairy farm before speeding off making "zinging sounds."

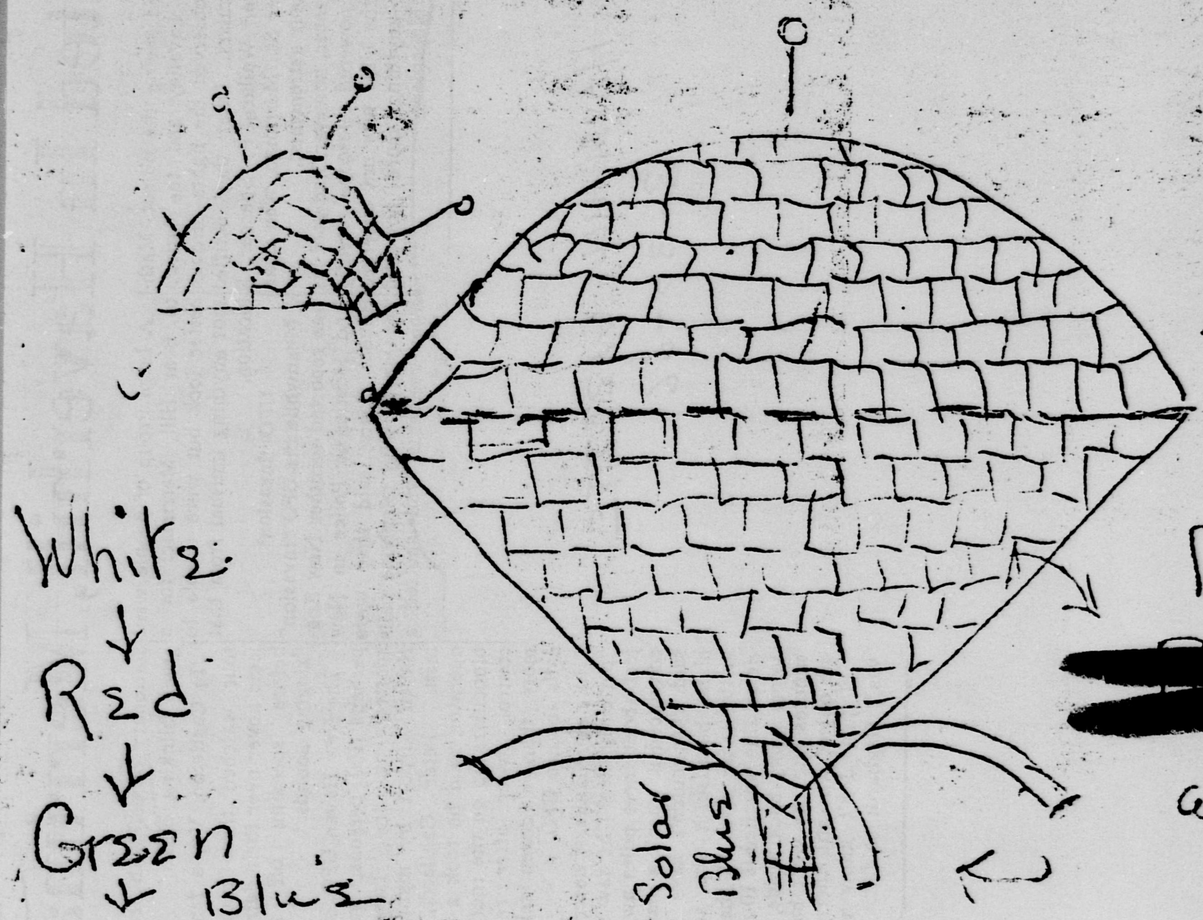
The New Haven UFO, seen by perhaps 100 persons, was also spotted at the Tweed-New Haven Airport by night crewmen. Peter Gagliardi, radio operator, said he took a pair of binoculars up on the roof of the control tower after receiving more than a dozen telephone calls about a UFO.

In a sky Gagliardi described as "perfectly clear" he saw the object about three miles away. I'm convinced it wasn't a plane," he said, "It couldn't have been a plane, because it was standing in the same place all the time." He said he watched it 10 minutes before going back inside, but 10 minutes later he went back and the object was still there.

"I just don't know what it was," Gagliardi said.

HAVERHILL GAZETTE
3-30-66

Looks a large Childs Top



U.F.O.

Blue

Noticed by [redacted]

at 9:25 1966

(over)

White
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↓ Blue

over our house [redacted] flying
in circles over Amesbury Road
1000 ft. up. flashing lights – Grace,
and I saw it – as well as Mark –
Then on their way home – they returned
home (to our our house) where they
saw U.F.O. – [redacted] also – observed
object – Elsie, on phone – said [redacted]
[redacted] saw same thing over Round Pond
one evening at 9:30. I also saw one morning at dawn in East.

NICAP

U F O DATA SHEET

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give as much information as possible concerning the "Unidentified Flying Object" 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. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. Thank you very much for your cooperation in this matter.

Investigator: National Investigation Committee on Aerial Phenomena
~~Raymond E. Fowler~~
~~13 Friend Court~~
~~Wenham, Massachusetts~~
John J. O'Neill
34 Maple Street
W. Roxbury MASS. 02132

1. When did you see the object?
March (DAY) 29 (MONTH) 1966 (YEAR)

2. Time of day: 9 (HOUR) 10 - 9:25 (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 Time (b. Standard Time)

4. Where were you when you saw the object?
51 Whittier Road (Nearest Postal Address) Haverhill (City or Town) Massachusetts (State or Country)

Additional remarks: _____

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. _____ (HOURS) 15 (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?
(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?
a. In front of you c. To your right e. Overhead
b. In back of you d. To your left 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- 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 appearing to be? (CIRCLE ONE BELOW):

a. A mile or more away? (a distant car)
b. Several blocks away?
c. A block away?
d. Several yards away?
e. Other? about 3000 FT. IN my estimation

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 any time, 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 any time, particularly a cloud?
YES (NO) DON'T KNOW (Circle One)

If you answered yes, then tell what it moved in front of: _____

_____

_____

14. Did the object appear (Circle One): SOLID? TRANSPARENT? (DON'T KNOW)

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

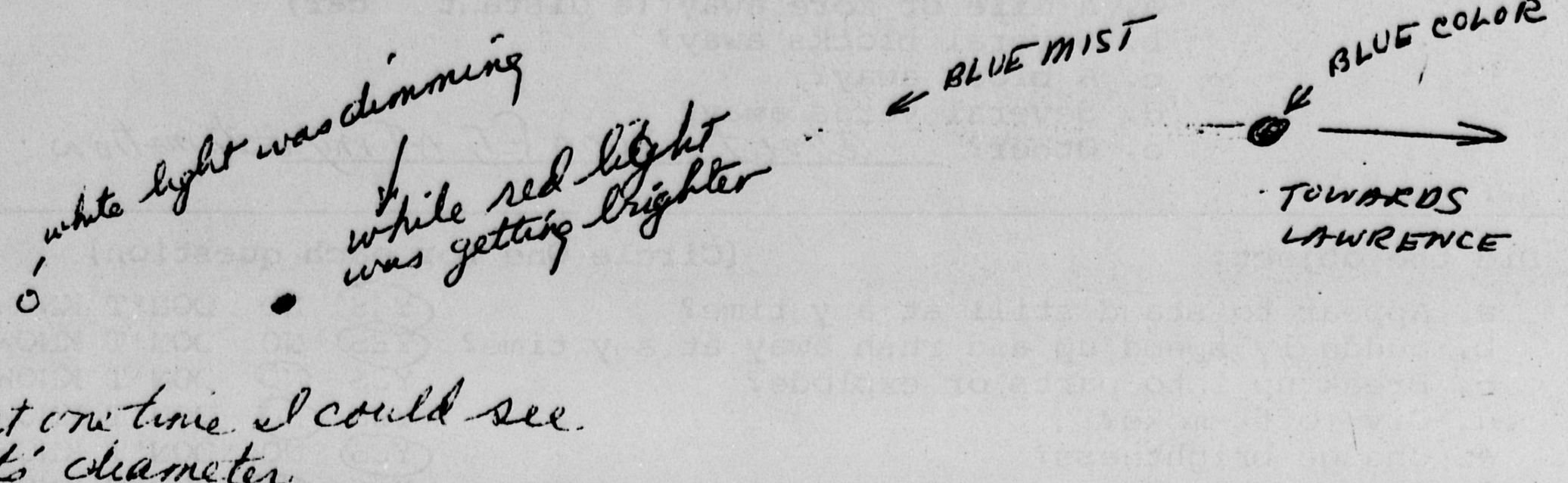
a. Eyeglasses	YES	NO	d. Window glass	YES	NO	g. Other	_____
b. Sun glasses	YES	NO	e. Binoculars	(YES)	NO		_____
c. Windshield	YES	NO	f. Telescope	YES	NO		_____

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

a. SOUND NO SOUND

b. COLOR was as follows: white to red to green to blue. at about 30 second intervals.

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 vapour trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving. all I can say is that there was an exhaust trail left by the object. it left the sky towards Lawrence with a blue vapor trail.



at one time I could see it's diameter

18. The edges of the object were:

(Circle One): a. Fuzzy or blurred e. Other _____

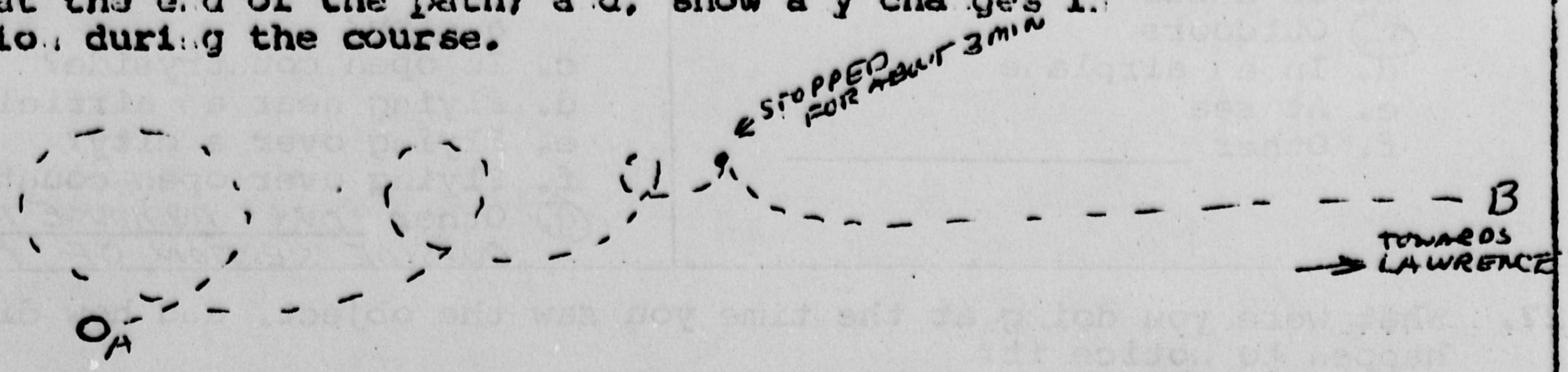
(b.) Like a bright star _____

c. Sharply outlined

* Brighter than any star + much bigger

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 travelling.

20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place a "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. _____ Feet.

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

(Circle One):
a. Head of a pin
b. Pea
c. Dime
d. Nickel
e. Quarter
f. Half-dollar
g. Silver dollar
h. Baseball
I. Grapefruit
j. Basketball
k. Other _____

22.1 CIRCLE ONE of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

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

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? OVER the WOODS IN THE WESTHEADED TOWARDS LAWRENCE

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 objects 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.

MAYBE SOME TYPE ALUMINUM THAT MIGHT reflect light

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 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 over my house in an outside section of town

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

I was walking down my street and noticed it over my home. I noticed it because it was so bright.

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 observing 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 the number of degreees it was upward from the horizon (elevation)

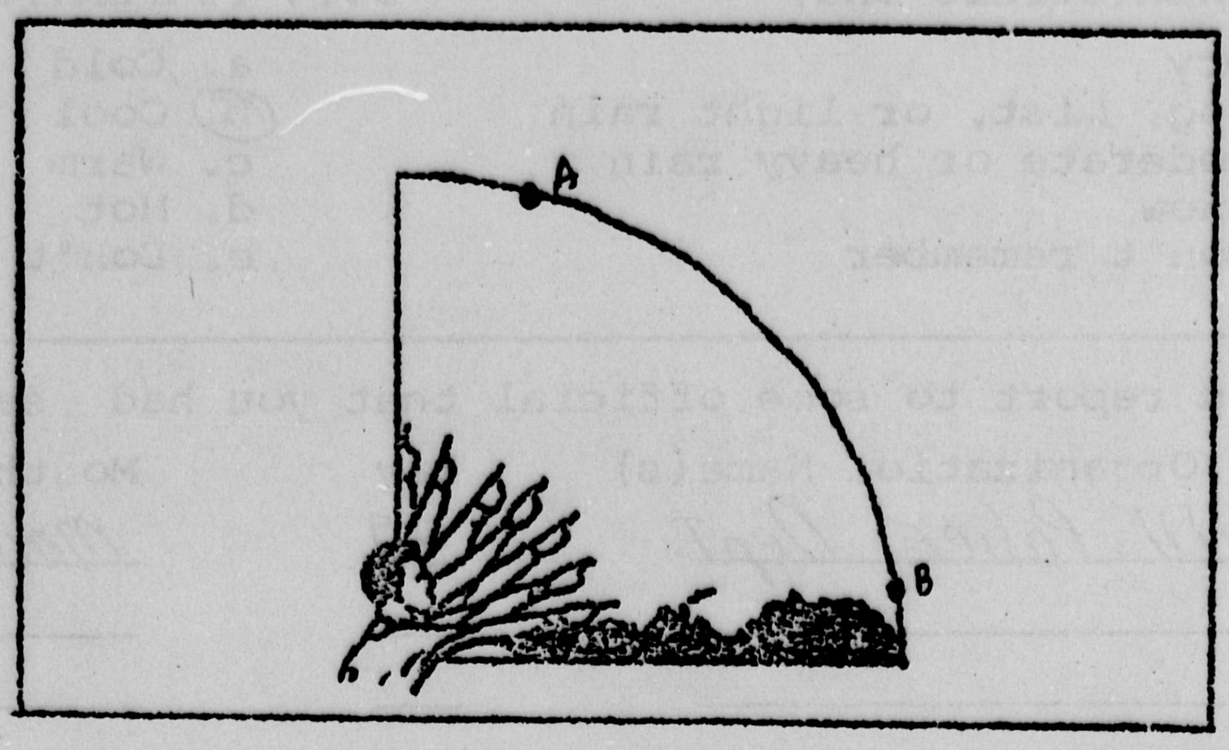
31.1 When it first appeared:

a. From true North _____degrees
b. From horizon 25 degrees

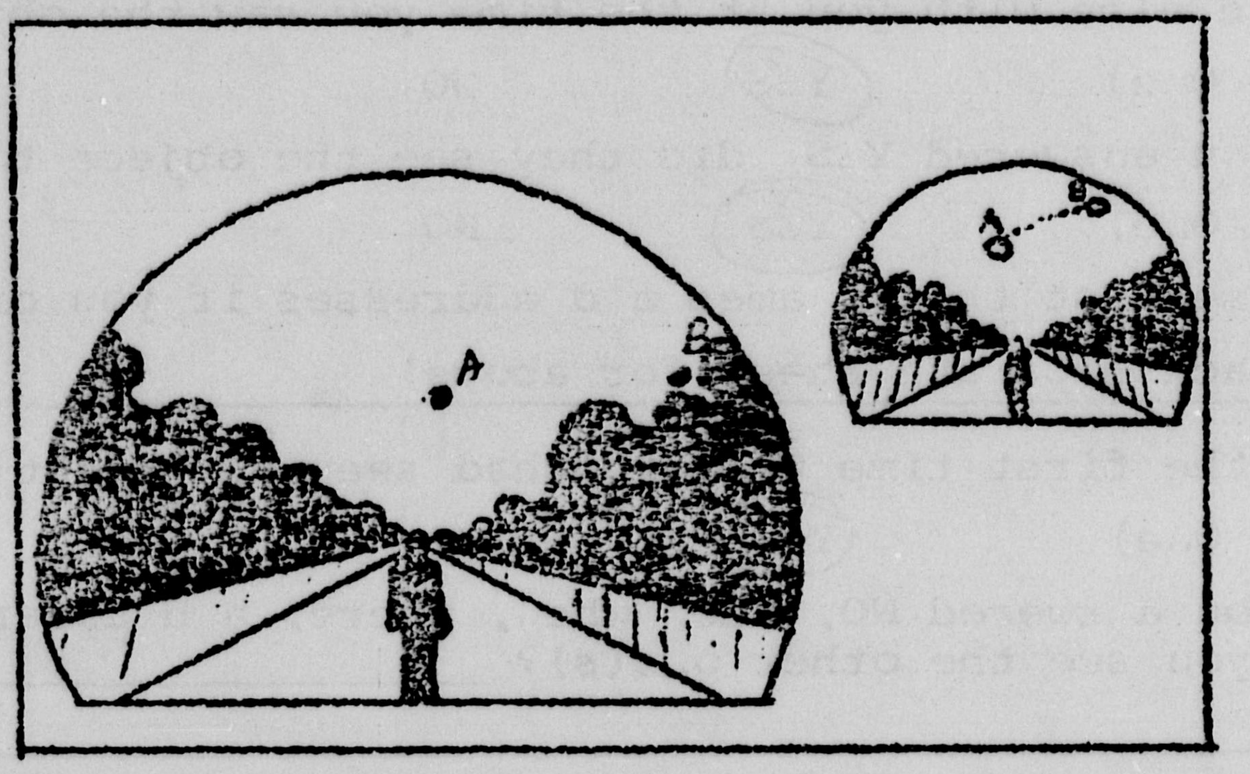
31.2 When it disappeared:

a. From true North _____degrees
b. From horizon 35 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 <u>same</u> 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.)



33.1 Were there any KNOWN aircraft in the sky during your sighting?

(Circle One): YES (NO)

If you answered YES, was it following or attempting to intercept the Unidentified Flying Object? (Circle One): YES NO

If you answered YES, please circle TYPE of aircraft:

MILITARY? COMMERCIAL PRIVATE? JET? PROPELLER?

How many engines did the aircraft have? _____

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?

Official or Organization Name(s)	Day	Month	Year
Haverhill Police Dept.	29	March	1966

36. Have you read literature pertaining to Unidentified Flying Objects?
(Circle One) (YES) NO If YES, how much? (Circle One) (A LITTLE? MODERATELY? EXTENSIVELY?

37. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?
(Circle One) (YES) NO

37.1 If you answered YES, did they see the object too?
(Circle One) (YES) NO

37.2 Please list their names and addresses if you circled YES:
(Attach separate sheet for above)

38. Was this the first time that you had seen an object(s) like this?
(Circle One) (YES) NO

38.1 If you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see the other one(s)? _____

39. In your opinion, what do YOU think the object(s) was and what might have caused it?

I DON'T KNOW.

40. 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? _____ MPH

41. 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 3,000 FEET

42. Did the Object(s) cause any interference with the operation of:
(Circle where applicable) RADIO? TV? LIGHTS? OTHER? NO
If you underlined any of above, explain the interference below:

43. Was a photo taken of the Object(s)? (Circle One) YES (NO)
Would you be willing to submit a copy? (Circle One) YES NO
If you circled YES, please send copy indicating monetary reimbursement:

44. Do you belong to any Organization which investigates Unidentified Flying Objects? (Circle One) YES (NO) If YES, list them below:

45. May we publish your report if your name is kept confidential? (YES) NO
May we publish your report and use your name? YES (NO)
(Circle One)

47. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME Conway Russell George
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS 51 Whittier Haverhill MASS.
Street City State

TELEPHONE NUMBER 3733589

What is your present job? in school but I am a NEWSPAPER COLUMNIST

AGE 17 SEX M

Please indicate any educational training you have had: (Number of years)

a. Grade school 8
b. High school 3
c. College _____
d. Post graduate _____
e. Technical school _____
(Type of) _____
f. Other special training? _____

48. Signature: Russell Conway Date: 5/12/66

NATIONAL INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE ON AERIAL PHENOMENA
1536 Connecticut Avenue N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.

NOrth 7-9434

REPORT ON UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT(S)

This form includes questions asked by the United States Air Force and by other Armed Forces' investigating agencies, and additional questions to which answers are needed for full evaluation by NICAP.

After all the information has been fully studied, the conclusion of our Evaluation Panel will be published by NICAP in its regularly issued magazine or in another publication. Please try to answer as many questions as possible. Should you need additional room, please use another sheet of paper. Please print or typewrite. Your assistance is of great value and is genuinely appreciated. Thank you.

1. Name Mrs. Paul S. Conway, Jr
Address 51 Whittier Road
Haverhill, Mass 01830)
Telephone 373-3589
Place of Employment Haverhill School Department
Occupation Substitute Teacher
Education High School, College for years +
Special Training Comp. Lit. Literature - English
Military Service "Army Brat"

2. Date of Observation March 29, 1966. Time 9:15 ~~AM~~ 9:30 PM E.S.T. Time Zone

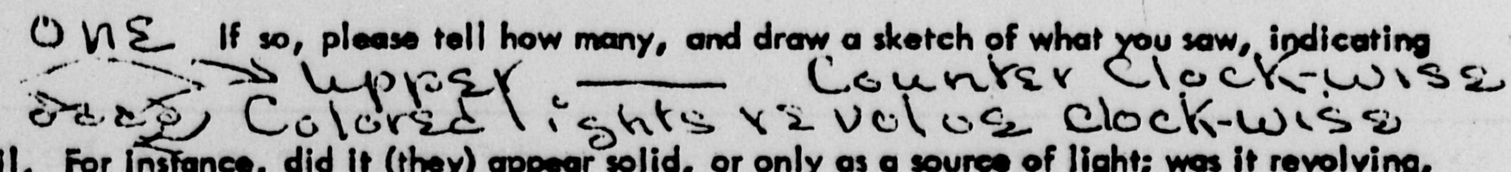
3. Locality of Observation Haverhill, Massachusetts.

4. How long did you see the object? Hours 10 Minutes Seconds

5. Please describe weather conditions and the type of sky; i.e., bright daylight, nighttime, dusk, etc. "Clear Air" No Clouds

6. Position of the ~~Sun~~ Moon in relation to the object and to you. South East

7. If seen at night, twilight, or dawn, were the stars or moon visible? Yes

8. Were there more than one object? ONE If so, please tell how many, and draw a sketch of what you saw, indicating direction of movement, if any.


9. Please describe the object(s) in detail. For instance, did it (they) appear solid, or only as a source of light; was it revolving, etc? Please use additional sheets of paper, if necessary. Revolving Colored lights -

10. Was the object(s) brighter than the background of the sky? Yes

11. If so, compare the brightness with the Sun, Moon, headlights, etc. Bright Colored lights, I'll never forget.

12. Did the object(s) — (Please elaborate, if you can give details.)

a. Appear to stand still at any time? Hovering - but not still.
b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? After hovering, started in big
c. Break up into parts or explode? No! Circles -
d. Give off smoke? No, but as it took off over horizon a Comet like
e. Leave any visible trail? blue trailing stream
f. Drop anything? — No
g. Change brightness?
h. Change shape? No - only "it" grew smaller as "it" flew off.
i. Change color? The revolving lights under whatever was holding them up

13. Did the object(s) at any time pass in front of, or behind of, anything? If so, please elaborate giving distance, size, etc, if possible.

14. Was there any wind? No If so, please give direction and speed.

15. Did you observe the object(s) through an optical instrument or other aid, windshield, windowpane, storm window, screening, etc? No ~~What?~~ not when first observed

16. Did the object(s) have any sound? No What kind? — How loud? —

17. Please tell if the object(s) was (were) —

a. Fuzzy or blurred.
b. Like a bright star.
c. Sharply outlined.

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U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

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. 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?

29 (Day) MARCH (Month) 1966 (Year)

2. Time of day: 5 (Hours) 10 (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?

[redacted] (Nearest Postal Address) BEACON (City or Town) NEW YORK (State or County)

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration) _____ (Hours) 1 (Minutes) _____ (Seconds)

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

5.1 How was time in sight determined? _____

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? (Yes) No

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

NIGHT
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, 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

FORM FTD OCT 62 164 This form supersedes FTD 164, jul 61, which is obsolete.

18. Was the object —

a. Self-luminous ?
b. Dull finish? looked dull about— reflecting lights
c. Reflecting?
d. Transparent?

19. Did the object(s) rise or fall while in motion? Yes

20. Tell the apparent size of the object(s) when compared with the following held at arm's length:

a.	Pinhead	d.	Nickel	g.	Orange
b.	Pea	e.	Half dollar	h.	Grapefruit
c.	Dime	f.	Silver dollar	i.	(Larger)

Or, if easier, give apparent size in inches on a ruler held at arm's length.

21. How did you happen to notice the object(s)? My Son rushed in telling me.

22. Where were you and what were you doing at the time? In my home.

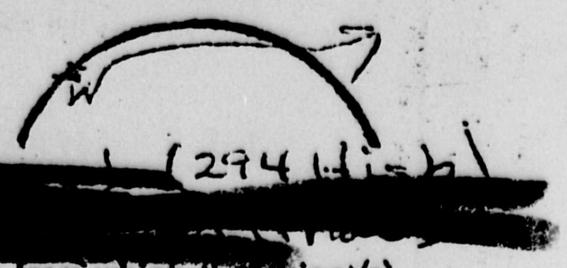
23. How did the object(s) disappear from view? Over across the sky from where I first observed it and out of sight.

24. Compare the speed of the object(s) with a piston or jet aircraft at the same apparent altitude. Much lower.

25. Were there any conventional aircraft in the location at the time or immediately afterwards? If so, please elaborate.
No —

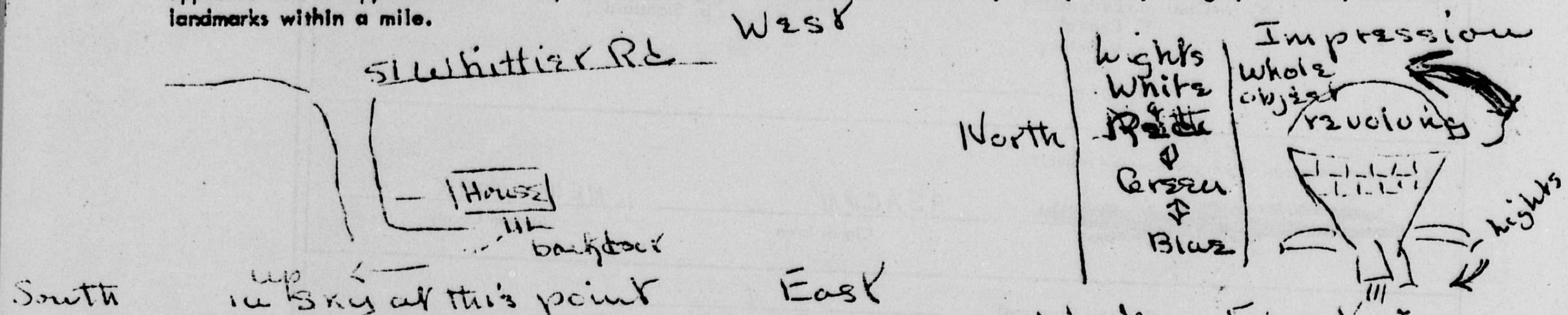
26. Please estimate the distance of the object(s).
1000 feet - as it hovered up and down.

27. What was the elevation of the object(s) in the sky? Please mark on this hemisphere sketch:



28. Names and addresses of other witnesses, if any. Mr. and Mrs. [redacted] is [redacted]

29. Please draw a map of the locality of the observation showing North; your position; the direction from which the object(s) appeared and disappeared from view; the direction of its course over the area; roads, towns, villages, railroads, and other landmarks within a mile.



30. Is there an airport, military, governmental, or research installation in the area?

31. Have you seen other objects of an unidentified nature? If so, please describe these observations, using a separate sheet of paper.
No - Not Anything like this - EVER!

32. Please enclose photographs, motion pictures, news clippings, notes of radio or television programs (include time, station and date, if possible) regarding this or similar observations, or any other background material. We will return the material to you.
Haverhill Gazette. March 30th/66. WEEI - Spoke with Man - not on Air.

33. Were you interrogated by Air Force investigators? By any other federal, state, county, or local officials? If so, please state the name and rank or title of the agent, his office, and details as to where and when the questioning took place.
No

Were you asked or told not to reveal or discuss the incident? If so, were any reasons or official orders mentioned? Please elaborate carefully.
No

34. We should like permission to quote your name in connection with this report. This action will encourage other responsible citizens to report similar observations to NICAP. However, if you prefer, we will keep your name confidential. Please note your choice by checking the proper statement below. In any case, please fill in all parts of the form, for our own confidential files. Thank you for your cooperation.

You may use my name. ([redacted])

Please keep my name confidential. ( )

35. Date of filling out this report:
April 2, 1966

Signature:
Mrs. [redacted]

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8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, 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. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS *(Circle One)*:

(a) Clear sky
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER *(Circle One)*:

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

10. The object appeared: *(Circle One)*:

(a) Solid
b. Transparent
c. Vapor
d. As a light
e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? *(Circle One)*:

a. Brighter
b. Dimmer
c. About the same
d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

_____

12. 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_____

13. 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. Flash or flicker?	(Yes)	No	Don't know
h. Disappear and reappear?	Yes	(No)	Don't know

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14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how? No

15. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: _____

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes (No) Don't know. IF you answered YES, then tell what in front of: _____

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

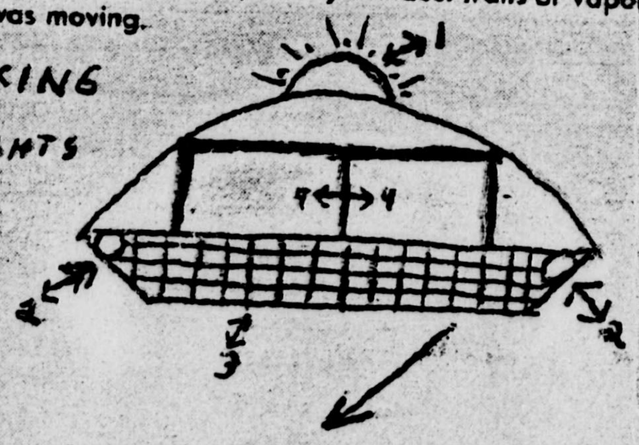
a. Sound IT GAVE LIKE A MUMMING SOUND.

b. Color IT WAS LIKE A WHITEISH COLOR

18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head? It was much bigger than the match.

19. 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.

1. A RED LIGHT-BLINKING
2. TWO SMALL WHITE-LIGHTS
3. A GRILLE
4. TWO WINDOWS



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20. 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? 10 times greater then a jet.

21. 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? 25 feet

22. 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 (type)
e. At sea
f. Other _____

23. 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. Near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other _____

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

24.1 What direction were you moving? *(Circle One)*

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

24.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

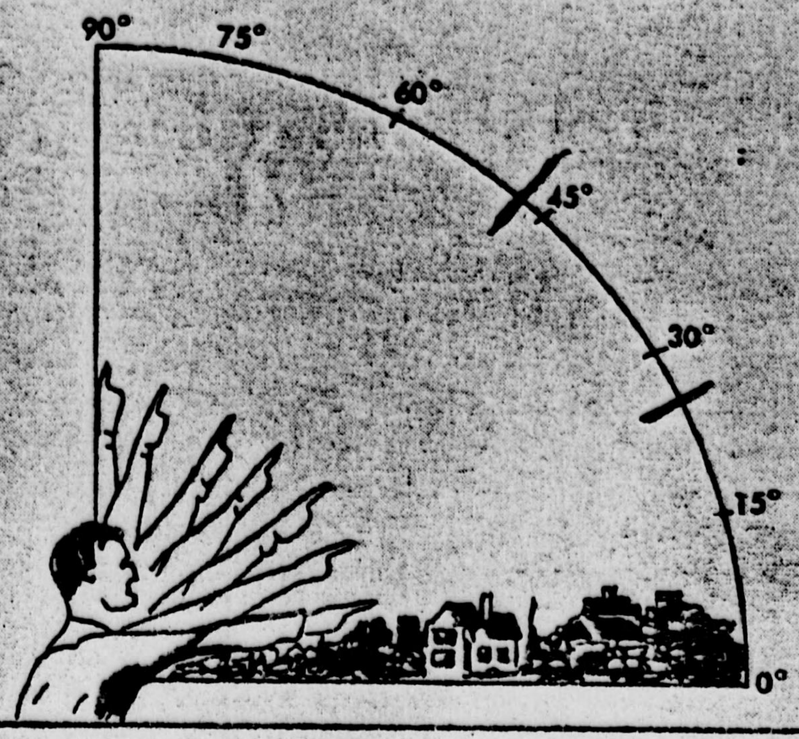
(Circle One) (Yes) No

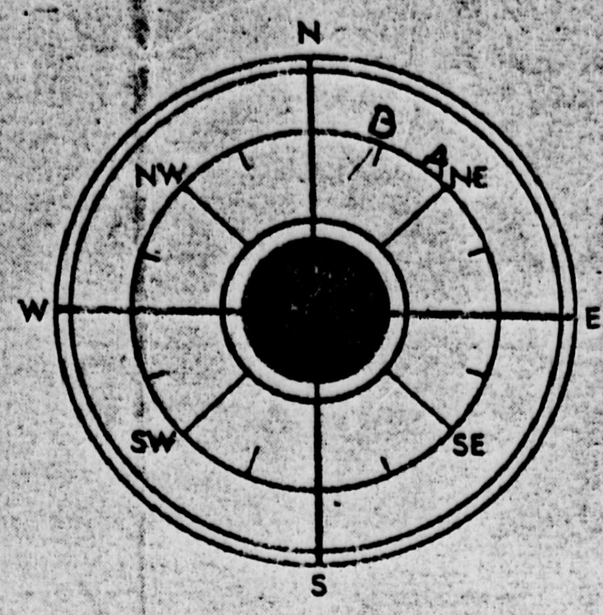
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

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 _____		

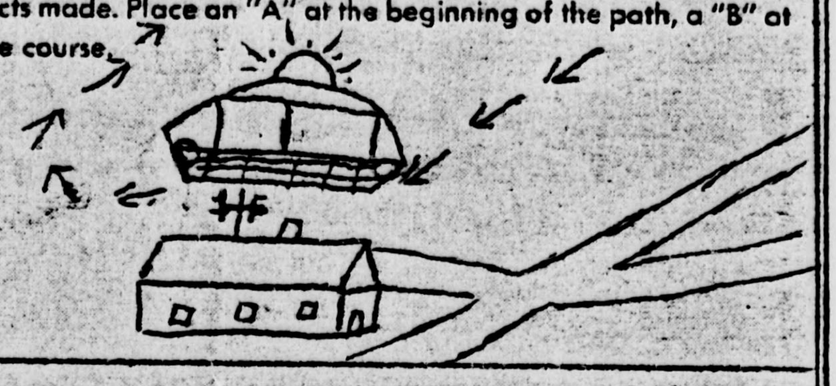
26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

27. 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. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass when you *last* saw the object.





28. 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.



29. 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.

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30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location. NO

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? *(Circle One)* Yes (No)

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? *(Circle One)* Yes No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] (Last Name) [redacted] (First Name) [redacted] (Middle Name)

ADDRESS 13 [redacted] (Street) BEACON (City) ____ (Zone) NEW YORK (State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] AGE 16 SEX BOY

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any special experience, which might be pertinent.

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object? To my Mother and Father, and the Police!

29 (Day) MARCH (Month) 1966 (Year)

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34. Date you completed this questionnaire: ____ Day ____ Month ____ Year

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting. I delivered the Daily News in the morning, about quarter to five. When I was coming down Spring Valley I heard a mumming noise, and it was just begaining to come daylight, and I turn around and Looked up, and there came this thing coming down toward me, and hovered over the house. It was Like a whiteish color, and two white Light's on both sides, two big windows and on top was a red Light blinking on and off. It stay over top of the house, and then started to move toward me and gave a very sharp turn and went straight up in the sky so fast, and went out of sight. when I got home I told my Mother and Father and ~~my~~ ~~Mother~~ ~~reported~~ to the police. reported

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Wednesday Apr 3rd 1966

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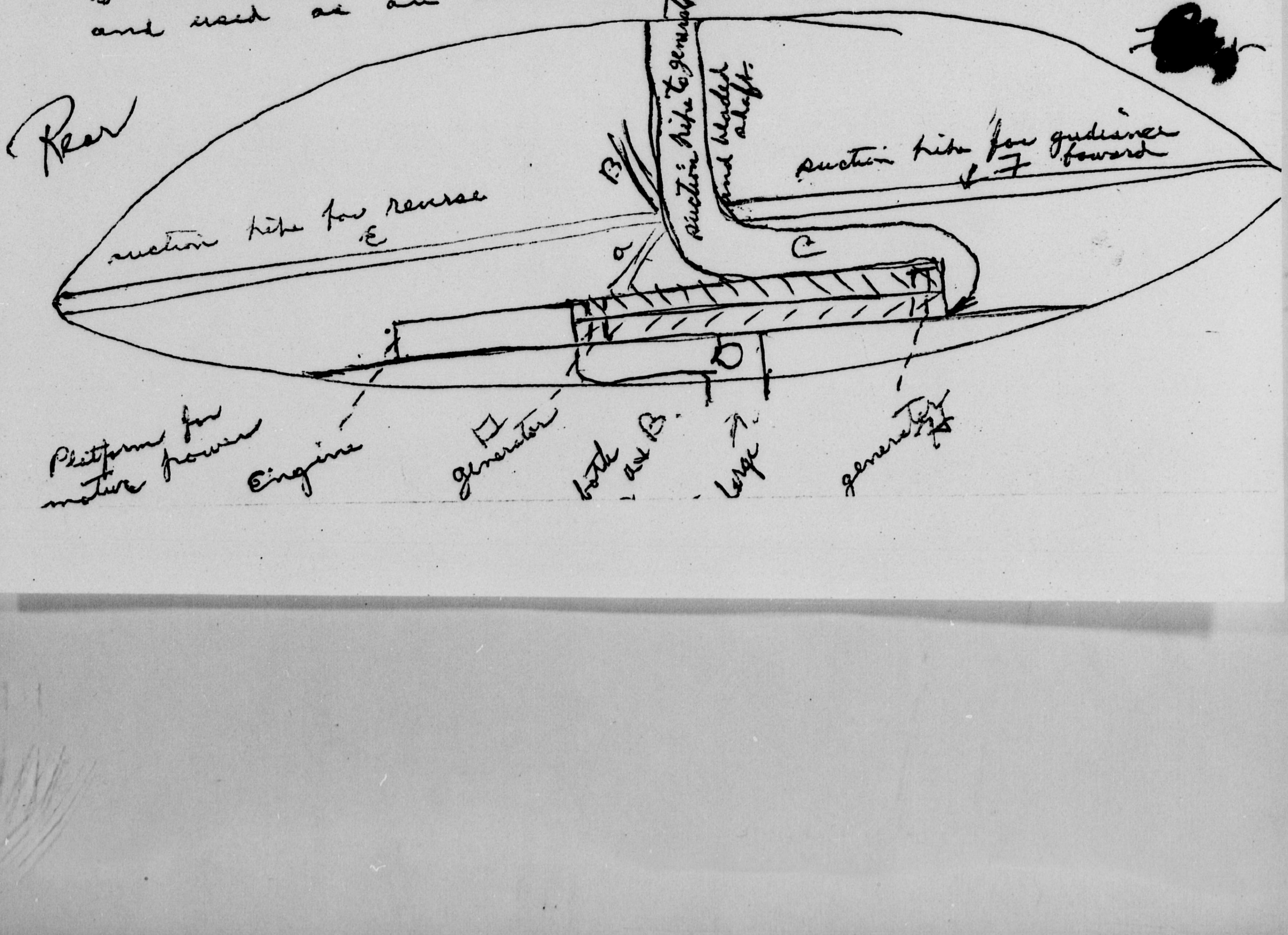
OFFICE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

Secretary of War,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir!—

I have had an idea for the last fifteen years of how a U.F.O. can be constructed and how to make such an object workable. I revealed my idea to a man a few days ago, who seems to be handing over to others such things. His remark was "I get the idea!" I never revealed the idea to any one else, as I did not think U.F.O's had substance. To reveal the idea clearly may be beyond my ability. The Germans used in their jet planes, a finny bladed shaft to suck in and compress the air for use of their jet engines, I saw a display plane showing a vast number of blades attached to a shaft for the purpose of sucking in and compressing the air using the "law" that nature abhors a vacuum, giving the plane great power both by the vacuum created ahead + thru exhaust. I suppose this principle is employed in all jet engines. It also is probably employed in the mysterious U.F.O.s but in a different manner. Since the U.F.O.s have been described as egg shaped or much like a football, these shapes will do. My effort to draw will give some idea, I have a U.F.O. may be constructed and used as an observation vehicle and agile in movement.



Each guidance suction pipe must open or close to permit
Craft to move in one direction, the craft moving in the direction
of the open suction pipe. The generators to be fixed on each
end of bended shaft, rotating with the shaft, ther is the core of
each generater. The suction pipe C to end in the center bottom D
of the Craft. The discharge pipe in the center of bottom. Center
the guidance suction pipes would be small + lead in the
the sides of the craft + center of both ends. These pipes are
designated a, b, c, d, e, f. the life would be provided by
by pipe C + discharge pipe D.

It might be possible to arrange the engine & many bladed shafts in the perpendicular. The number of revolutions per minute would be great, for the bladed shafts but could be regulated as desired. At half or three quarters speed the craft would hover seemingly in one spot, on opening any one of the guidance tubes, the craft would move in the direction of the suction of that pipe. In moving up or down all guidance pipes would be closed but the craft could move in any desired angle up or down. By opening one of the four guidance pipes. Vacuum would operate the craft & in landing the vast air discharge from pipe D would cushion the landing perfectly. The source of power would have to be positive in operation. Instead of batteries C, a vacuum box or tank could be placed in center of craft & the guidance pipes attached to this.

If an electric motor could be used & storage batteries charged while on the ground, these would cause the bladed shaft to gain top speed and the generators G+H supposedly would keep the batteries charged & the craft lighted. The generators could be quite large & whether such generators could do more than furnish illumination I do not know.

Two engines one at each end of the multi bladed shaft should make the craft perfectly safe, as one engine could support the craft in emergency. Since the U.F.O's have been described as moving noiselessly, this would indicate electrical power being used.

The platform carrying the engines multi bladed shafts, would carry the load, the balance of the craft could be of light construction. Such a craft should move swiftly in any direction & be almost immune to destruction, as it could change direction instantly. Such a craft would need no other guidance, no tail fins, bro wings, relying on the law, nature abhors a vacuum

[redacted] adjustment of engine
— lined. bladed shafts could be made to impro

auction . . . .

performance. The fifty-eight huge planes the Government is
building, in my opinion, are being built wrong.
Yours truly.

[redacted]

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[redacted] St.
St. Catharines
Ont., Canada.

Project Blue Book
Information Office,
Code, 20330
Washington D.C.

Dear Sirs,

I have been interested in project Blue Book for a long time and I admire your work very much.

I am not ready to swear to a sighting but it was on my mind for a long time so I thought I should let you know.

The time was shortly after noon, March 30, 1966. When in the sky I saw a round or oval object, definitely an aircraft. It was hovering about one hundred or less feet above the ground. It was approaching from a westerly dir-

Possible Balloon

NO CASE INFORMATION ONLY, 30 MARCH 1966, ontario

FTD (TDEW)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
29 June 1966

[redacted]
St. Catharines, Ontario

Dear Miss [redacted]

Reference your recent unidentified observation of 30 March 1966. The United States Air Force appreciated receiving your report of an unidentified flying object. Your sighting will be filed for information purposes unless you would like to resubmit your sighting to the Canadian Police for them to investigate and evaluate. This office limits its investigation of UFO sightings to the territorial borders of the United States.

Your interest in Project Blue Book is appreciated.

Sincerely,

HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF
Chief, Project Blue Book

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ection towards downtown, then seemed to come to a stop. It then began to move in a southerly direction. The length of the observation was about five minutes for the object disappeared behind a building. It made no noise. There was another witness who wishes to remain anonymous to the sighting.

I hope this is of some help to you.

I believe they are extraterrestrial vehicles for I do not see how they could possibly be constructed here on Earth.

Thank you and I hope you continue your splendid work.

Yours Truly

[redacted]

UFO SIGHTING

Date: March 30, 1966
Place: Lemon Grove and La Mesa, California
Time: 8:45 P. M.
Observers:

Donald R. Carr
1613 Woodrow Avenue
Lemon Grove, California

Mariano Salcedo
1607 Woodrow Avenue,
Lemon Grove, California

Merlin D. Gindlesperger
5985 Cowles Mountain
La Mesa, California
(Independent sighting)

Background

Neighbors Carr and Salcedo had been conducting their own private skywatch since the first of August, 1965. Almost every night, except totally overcast or rainy nights, they were to be found at their appointed task. Many long hours had been devoted to this thankless, but to them, necessary and sometimes interesting, pursuit. Sometimes the search was conducted while viewing the heavens through Mr. Carr's 6 inch reflecting telescope. Learning the names of the brighter stars helped to while away the hours, as did looking for satellites and meteors, and watching innumerable aircraft. Well did they know the appearance of these familiar objects!

Mr. Gindlesperger was not known to the other observers. He made his sighting of the object totally independently of the other observers. All are willing to attest to this fact by affidavit, if necessary. A co-worker of Mr. Carr's verified him of Mr. Gindlesperger's sighting.

On the evening of the sighting, visibility was unlimited, the sky being perfectly clear. Echo I satellite had been observed at approximately 8:00 P. M. (the exact time was not recorded), travelling from Northwest to South-southeast, about 50 degrees above the Southwest horizon. It was observed to disappear into the Earth's shadow at about 40 degrees above the South-southeast horizon.

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The Sighting

At about 8:45 P. M. (time checked by both observers' watches), Mr. Salcedo saw a bright light rising almost due West from the viewing position. He, at first, thought it was Echo I again, but, he said, he thought to himself that it was too soon for another passage by Echo I, and it wouldn't rise in the same place again, anyway. So he said, or rather, shouted, "Look, look, look!", and pointed to the object. Gary looked and saw the object when it was about at an elevation of 15 degrees above the western horizon. It was rising at an angle of approximately 70 degrees to the horizon, toward the Southeast. Its rate of angular travel was about 5 degrees per second. As it rose, it rapidly increased in size, indicating that it was approaching the observers. It rose to an elevation of about 40 degrees, before disappearing, at which time it was about 25 or 30 degrees from the moon, which was about 4 degrees Southeast of the star Pollux, in the constellation Gemini. The moon was in its half-moon phase, in the so-called "dry" position. Direct comparison was possible between the apparent size of the moon and the apparent size of the object. The object, that is, the elliptical part of it, was about three-quarters the size of the moon, at the time it faded out.

The object was a golden-white color, and was very beautiful and majestic. It was awe-inspiring, to say the least! The object itself appeared as a VERY SHARPLY DEFINED ellipse at an angle of perhaps 30 degrees to our line of sight. It looked like a coin on edge, although no appreciable thickness could be discerned. Streaming back from the upper and lower edges of the ellipse was a very odd shaped double tail, which was curving, short, about three times the major diameter of the ellipse, and filled in behind the object about halfway back the length of the tail. The color was more intense around the edge of the ellipse and along the outer edges of the tail. A very definite impression of rapidly streaming particles of a glittery nature was received by the viewers. These particles seemed to emanate from all over the surface of the ellipse and stream back into the tail.

There was no variation in color between the ellipse and the tail, except that the ellipse was somewhat brighter than the tail. The ellipse was not as bright as the moon, by direct comparison. To repeat, the ellipse was VERY SHARPLY OUTLINED; there was absolutely no fuzziness about its periphery.

Its disappearance took place over a definite period oftime, between one and two seconds. Even as it faded, the impression of streaming particles was still present. It took on a ghostly appearance; the outline of the ellipse and tail being the last to fade away.

Both observers, while rather experienced in seeing many more or less spectacular meteors, innumerable satellite passages, and several other unidentified objects in the past, were quite shaken by the weird, eerie appearance of the object. As Carr ran into the house to record his impressions of the object, his wife asked, "What's the matter with you, you're as white as a ghost!"

Unfortunately, Carr did not have his 16 X 50 binoculars with him at the time of the sighting. Through the binoculars, the object would certainly have been a fantastic sight, and its true nature determined.

The independent sighting of this "other-worldly" appearing object by Mr. Gindlesperger was, indeed, a fortunate happenstance, as it afforded the opportunity to triangulate it.

Careful and repeated measurements of the elevation and azimuth angles as seen from both viewing locations were made. The tall television antennas of the San Diego area proved most useful in this respect, as they provided fixed reference points to which the position of the object could be related. Results of the triangulation were incredible, even after varying the azimuth angles, upon which the actual distance and size of the object were based.

An angle of 3 degrees was established between the lines of sight from the two sighting positions. Ground distance between the two positions was established as 5.08 miles. The other two angles of the basic triangle were established by direct layout on a map of the area. Solution of this triangle gave a distance of 91.77 miles to the point on the ground over which the object was when it disappeared. Using this as the base of a vertical triangle, and using a conservative elevation angle of 38 degrees to establish the object's true distance from the observers in Lemon Grove, a distance of 116.5 miles was obtained. Using this figure in a proportion to obtain the actual diameter of the ellipse from its apparent diameter, we arrive at a true diameter of 4,800 feet! This is a tremendous size, not only for a material object, but also for the glow from a rocket exhaust! (Remember, a sharply defined ellipse!).

The object did not have any appearance of being a rocket exhaust. There was no variation in its brightness, no flickering, no extremely brilliant spot of light, such as would be expected from a rocket exhaust. There was no smoke or vapor trail. The double tail which was observed to be pouring off the outer periphery, top and bottom, of the large elliptical shape cannot be reconciled with the typical rocket exhaust pattern.

The Sighting (cont'd)

A study of telephoto pictures of various rocket launchings revealed nothing to compare with the appearance of the object seen.

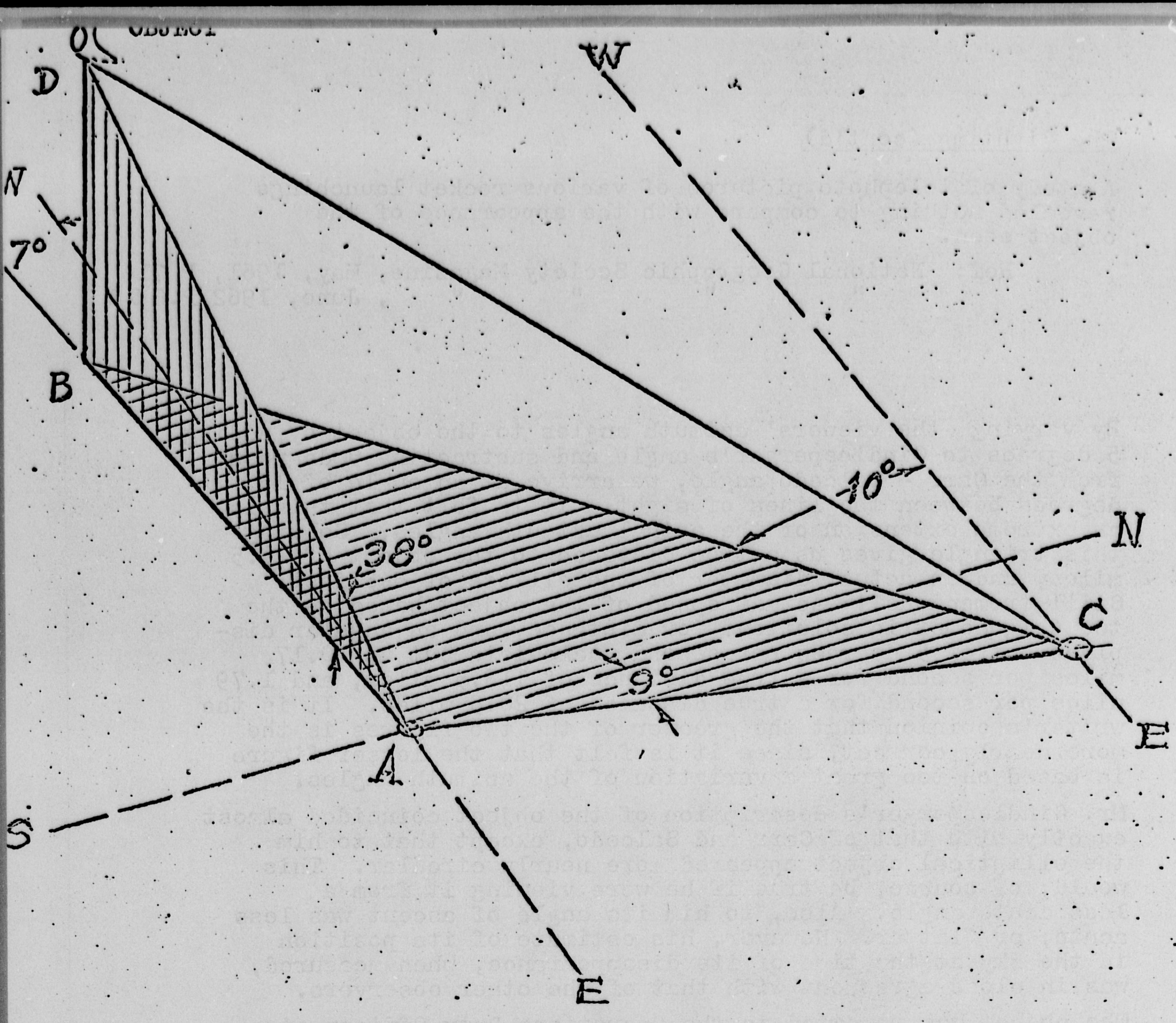
Ref: National Geographic Society Magazine, May, 1961, P 714
" " " " , June, 1962 P.800

By varying the viewers' azimuth angles to the object by adding 5 degrees to Gindlesperger's angle and subtracting 5 degrees from the Carr - Salcedo angle, we arrive at an angle of 15 degrees between the lines of sight. It is felt that this is an extreme extension of the actual azimuth angles. Solving this triangle gives us a true distance to the object of 20.5 miles, and an actual diameter of the ellipse of 846 feet. Still tremendous!! Actual speed of the object based on the two trigonometric solutions for distance, and an angular displacement of 5 degrees per second, calculate out at 10.17 miles per second for a true distance of 116.5 miles, and 1.79 miles per second for a true distance of 20.5 miles. It is the writer's opinion that the greater of the two figures is the more nearly correct, since it is felt that the lesser figure is based on too great a variation of the azimuth angles.

Mr. Gindlesperger's description of the object coincided almost exactly with that of Carr and Salcedo, except that to him the elliptical object appeared more nearly circular. This would, of course, be true if he were viewing it from a less acute angle. Also, to him its angle of ascent was less acute, or flatter. However, his estimate of its position in the sky at the time of its disappearance, when measured, was in close agreement with that of the other observers.

The object was reported to the Operations Duty Officer at Miramar Naval Air Station, a Lt. McCleary, and to the San Diego Union newspaper. The newspaper was requested to publish the report, so that any other observers of the object could be contacted for purposes of triangulating the object, but the report was not published. It is difficult to understand the newspaper's apathy, since they occasionally publish reports of UFOs off the news wires. In a telephone conversation with Lt. McCleary, on the following Monday, he stated that a satellite had been launched at Vandenberg at the time of the sighting, but Mrs. Gindlesperger said that she had seen an announcement in the next day's paper of the satellite launching, and the time was quite different. This could be checked by someone with sufficient authority.

Attached hereto is Mr. Gindlesperger's statement on an official NICAP report form, and the trigonometric solutions to the object's Distance, Size, and Speed.



Illustrated here is the geometry of the sighting.

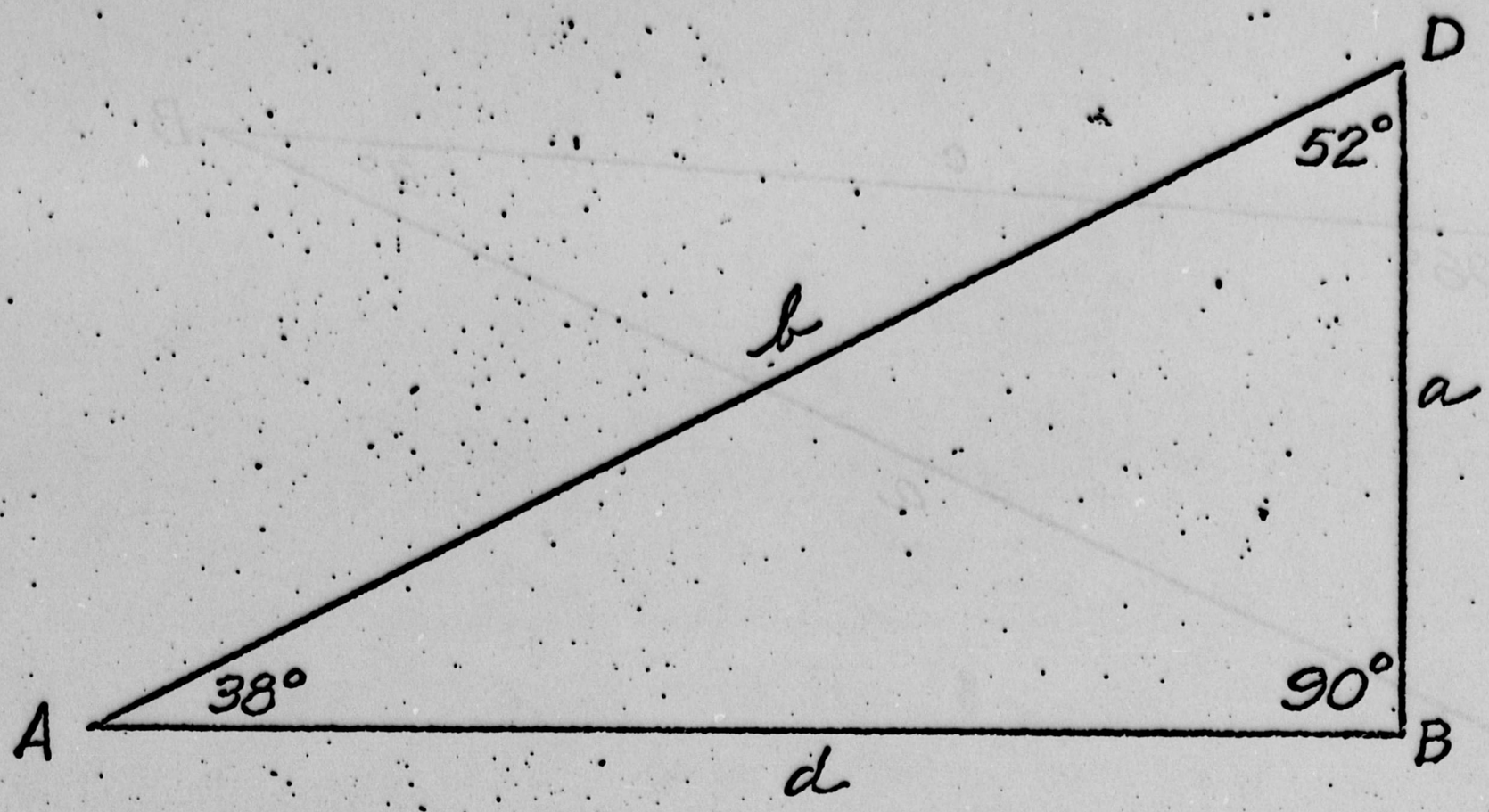
Point "A" is the location from which Carr and Salcedo saw the object.

Point "B" is "ground zero" under the object at its disappearance.

Point "C" is the location from which Gindlesperger saw the object.

Point "D" is the point in the sky at which the object disappeared.

The curvature of the earth is neglected in this trigonometric solution.



Given: side "a" = 91.8355 miles

Find: side "b" and side "a"

Solution:

$$\frac{b}{d} = \sec A$$

$$b = d \sec A$$

$$b = 91.8355 \ (\ 1.269)$$

$$b = 116.54 \text{ miles}$$

$$\sec A = \sec 38^\circ = 1.269$$

$$\sin A = \sin 38^\circ = .6157$$

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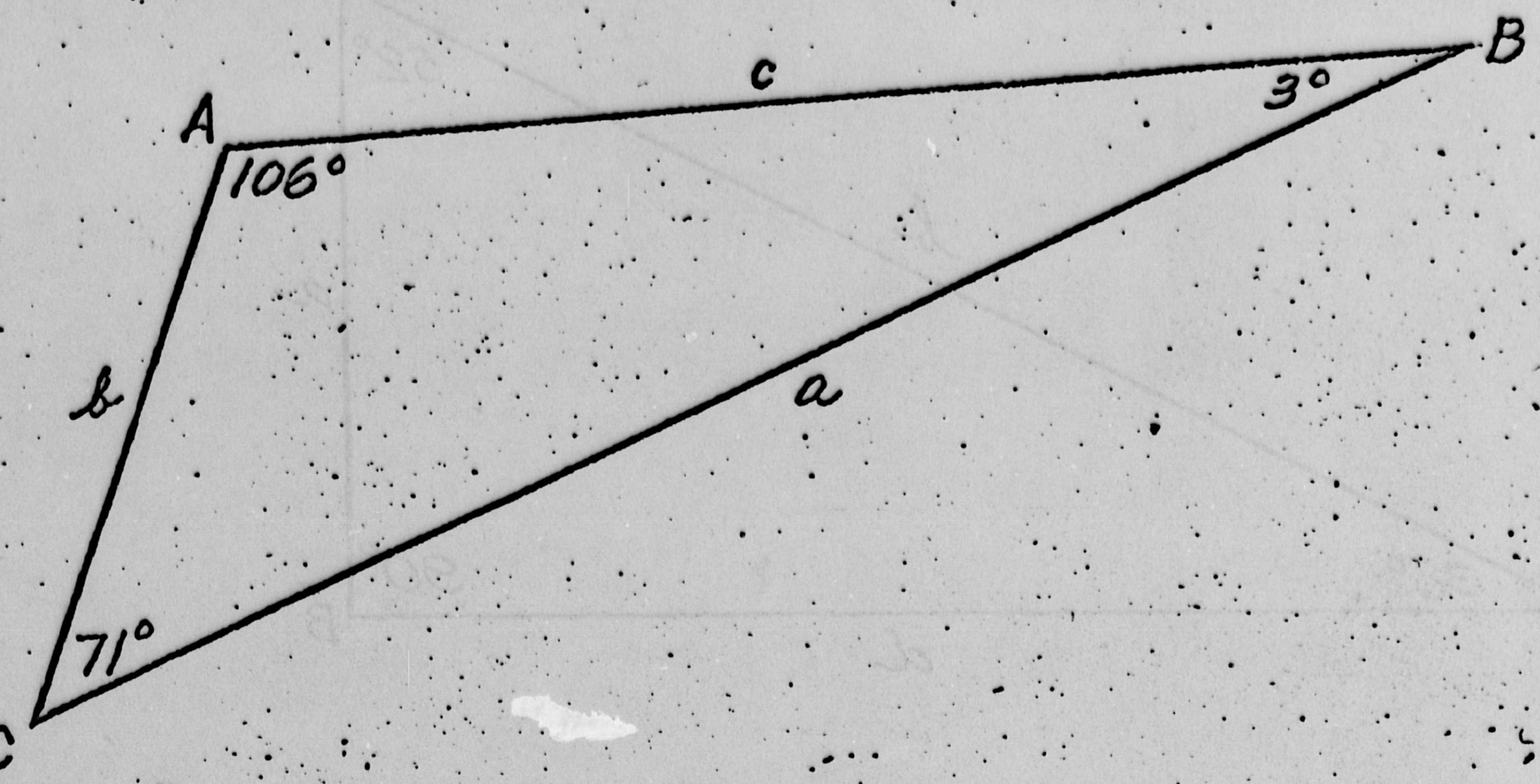


Given: side "b" = 5.08 miles

Find: side "c"

Solution:

$$c = \frac{b \sin C}{\sin B}$$

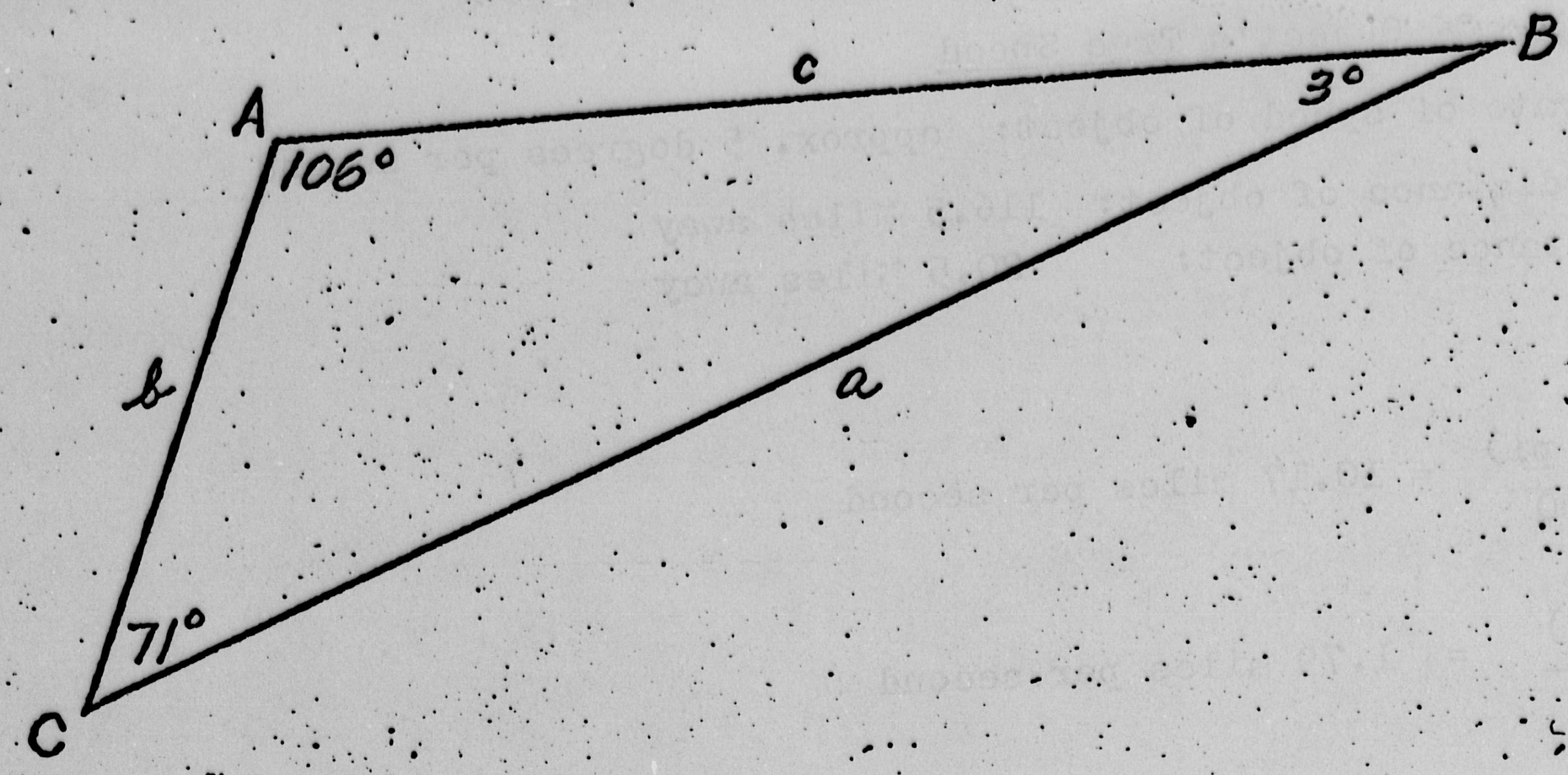
$$c = \frac{5.08\ (.9455)}{.0523}$$

$$= \frac{4.803}{.0523}$$

$$= 91.8355 \text{ miles}$$

$\sin C = \sin 71°$
$= .9455$

$\sin B = \sin 3°$
$= .0523$



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Computation Of Object's True Speed

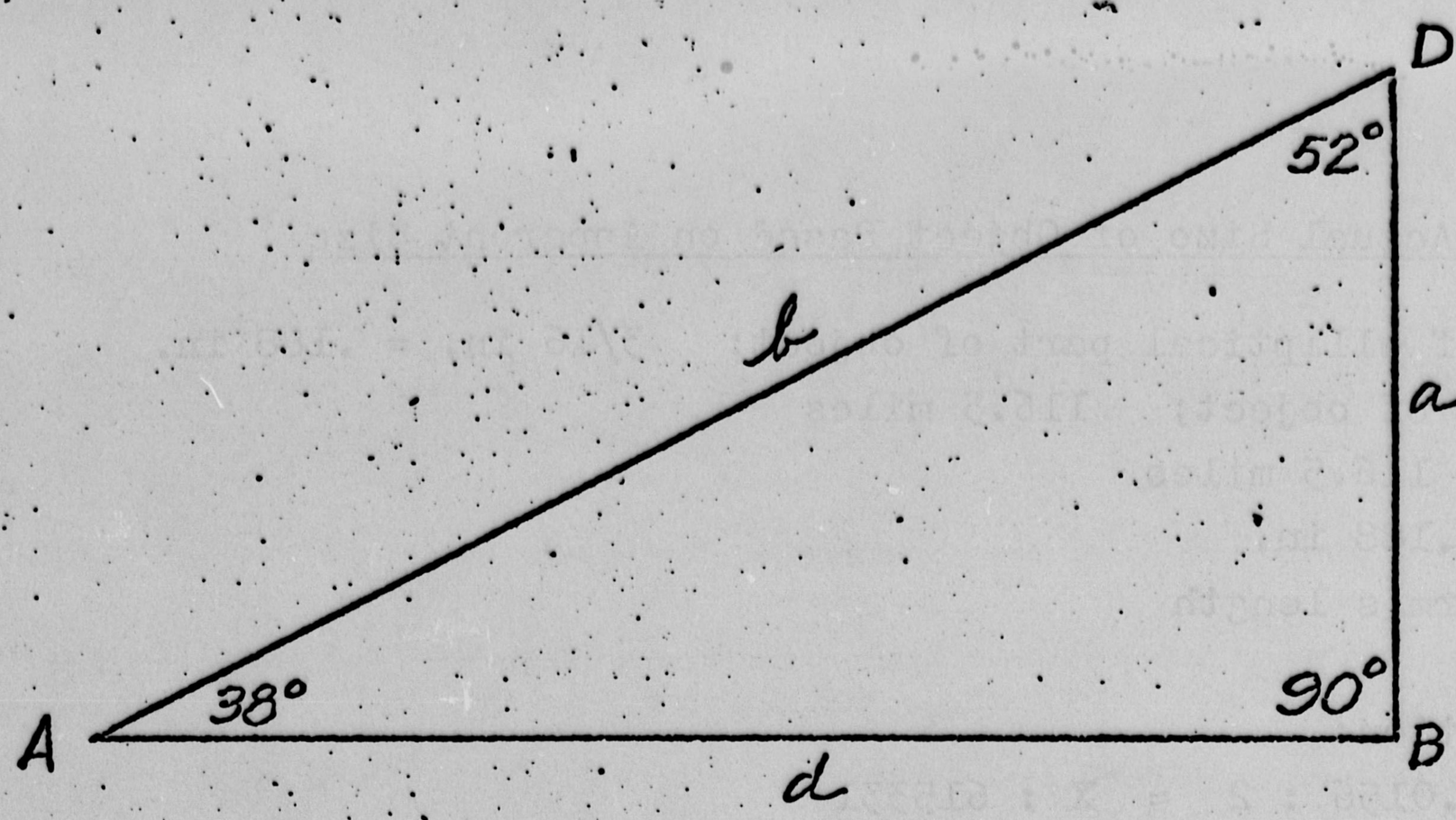
Angular rate of speed of object: approx. 5 degrees per second

Greatest distance of object: 116.5 Miles away

Least distance of object: 20.5 Miles away

$$\frac{(116.5)(5\ pi)}{180} = 10.17 \text{ miles per second}$$

$$\frac{(20.5)(5pi)}{180} = 1.79 \text{ miles per second}$$



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Computation of Actual Size of Object Based on Apparent Size

Apparent size of elliptical part of object: 3/16 in. = .188 in.
Actual distance of object; 116.5 miles
615331 feet = 116.5 miles
.0156 feet = .188 in.
2.0 feet = arm's length

By proportion:

.0156 : 2 = X : 615331
2X = 9599
X = 4799.5 feet diameter

By varying observers' angles:

Actual distance = 20.5 miles = 108451 feet
All other factors remain constant

By proportion:

.0156 : 2 = X : 108451
2X = 1692
X = 846 feet diameter

ALLIED GARDENS
DEL CERRO
FREEWAY
Lake Murray
COLLEGE HTS.
EL CAJON
LA MESA
LEMON GROVE
LAKE PARK
FLETCHER PARKWAY
EL CAJON BL
PALM AVE
SPRING VALLEY
CAMPO ROAD
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REPORT ON UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT(S)

This form includes questions asked by the United States Air Force and by other Armed Forces' investigating agencies, and additional questions to which answers are needed for full evaluation by NICAP.

After all the information has been fully studied, the conclusion of our Evaluation Panel will be published by NICAP in its regularly issued magazine or in another publication. Please try to answer as many questions as possible. Should you need additional room, please use another sheet of paper. Please print or typewrite. Your assistance is of great value and is genuinely appreciated. Thank you.

1. Name Merlin D Shmidlapper — Place of Employment

   Address 5485 Cowles Mt Blvd La Mesa Calif. — Occupation PLUMBER

   Education

   Special Training

   Telephone 465-5618 — Military Service

2. Date of Observation MARCH 30 - 1960 — Time 8:47 AM (PM) — Time Zone

3. Locality of Observation SAN DIEGO

4. How long did you see the object? Hours — Minutes — Seconds 5 - 8

5. Please describe weather conditions and the type of sky; i.e., bright daylight, nighttime, dusk, etc. NIGHT - CLEAR

6. Position of the Sun or Moon in relation to the object and to you.

7. If seen at night, twilight, or dawn, were the stars or moon visible? YES

8. Were there more than one object? NO If so, please tell how many, and draw a sketch of what you saw, indicating direction of movement, if any.

9. Please describe the object(s) in detail. For instance, did it (they) appear solid, or only as a source of light; was it revolving, etc? Please use additional sheets of paper, if necessary.

10. Was the object(s) brighter than the background of the sky? YES

11. If so, compare the brightness with the Sun, Moon, headlights, etc.

12. Did the object(s) — (Please elaborate, if you can give details.)

    a. Appear to stand still at any time? No
    b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? NO
    c. Break up into parts or explode? NO
    d. Give off smoke? NO
    e. Leave any visible trail? YES
    f. Drop anything? NO
    g. Change brightness? YES
    h. Change shape? NO
    i. Change color? YES

13. Did the object(s) at any time pass in front of, or behind of, anything? If so, please elaborate giving distance, size, etc, if possible.

14. Was there any wind? If so, please give direction and speed.
    NOT MORE THAN LIGHT WIND

15. Did you observe the object(s) through an optical instrument or other aid, windshield, windowpane, storm window, screening, etc? No What?

16. Did the object(s) have any sound? No What kind? — How loud? —

17. Please tell if the object(s) was (were) —

18. Was the object —

a. Self-luminous? YES
b. Dull finish?
c. Reflecting?
d. Transparent?

19. Did the object(s) rise or fall while in motion? RISING FROM A POSITION FIRST OBSERVED of NORTH WEST TO TRAVEL SOUTH EAST

20. Tell the apparent size of the object(s) when compared with the following held at arm's length:

a.	Pinhead	d.	Nickel	g.	Orange
b.	Pea	e.	Half dollar	h.	Grapefruit
c.	Dime	f.	Silver dollar	i.	Larger

Or, if easier, give apparent size in inches on a ruler held at arm's length.

21. How did you happen to notice the object(s)? - FACING THE DIRECTION - IT WAS THE LIGHT FROM THE OBJECT THAT DREW ATTENTION TO OBJECT

22. Where were you and what were you doing at the time? I WAS AT THE CHURCH YARD ATTENDING COFFEE HOUR AFTER LENTEN SERVICES

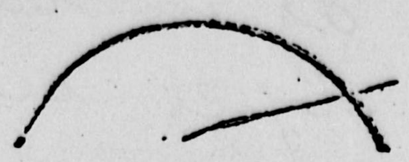
23. How did the object(s) disappear from view? QUICKLY

24. Compare the speed of the object(s) with a piston or jet aircraft at the same apparent altitude. SLOWER

25. Were there any conventional aircraft in the location at the time or immediately afterwards? If so, please elaborate.

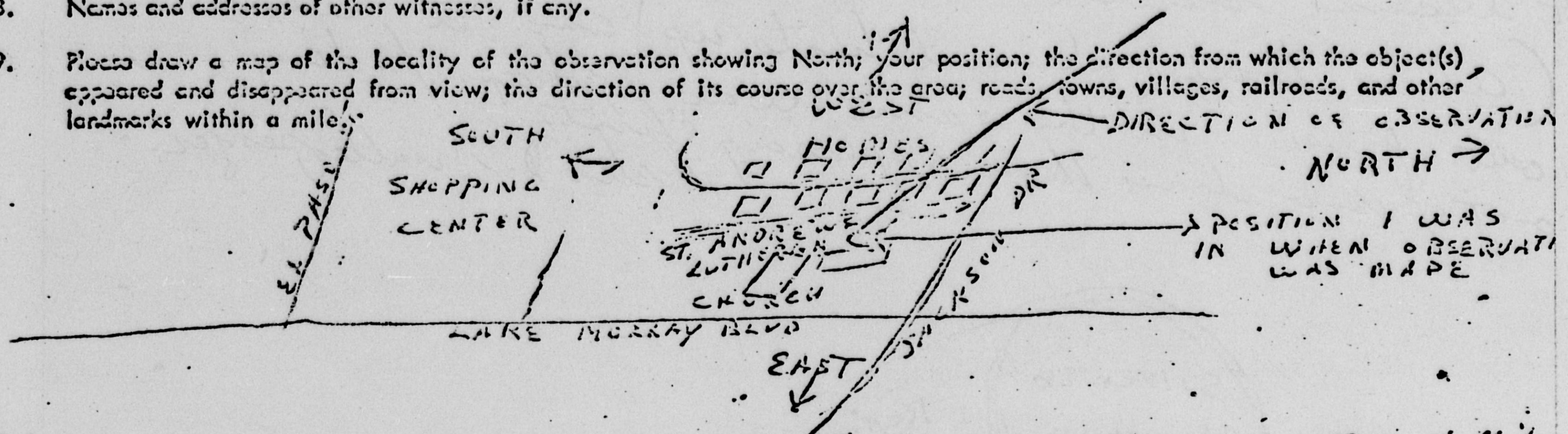
26. Please estimate the distance of the object(s).

27. What was the elevation of the object(s) in the sky? Please mark on this hemisphere sketch:



28. Names and addresses of other witnesses, if any.

29. Please draw a map of the locality of the observation showing North; your position; the direction from which the object(s) appeared and disappeared from view; the direction of its course over the area; roads, towns, villages, railroads, and other landmarks within a mile.



30. Is there an airport, military, governmental, or research installation in the area? Gillespie Field - APPROX 4 Mile

31. Have you seen other objects of an unidentified nature? If so, please describe these observations, using a separate sheet of paper.

32. Please enclose photographs, motion pictures, news clippings, notes of radio or television programs (include time, station and date, if possible) regarding this or similar observations, or any other background material. We will return the material to you.

33. Were you interrogated by Air Force investigators? By any other federal, state, county, or local officials? If so, please state the name and rank or title of the agent, his office, and details as to where and when the questioning took place.

Were you asked or told not to reveal or discuss the incident? If so, were any reasons or official orders mentioned? Please elaborate carefully.

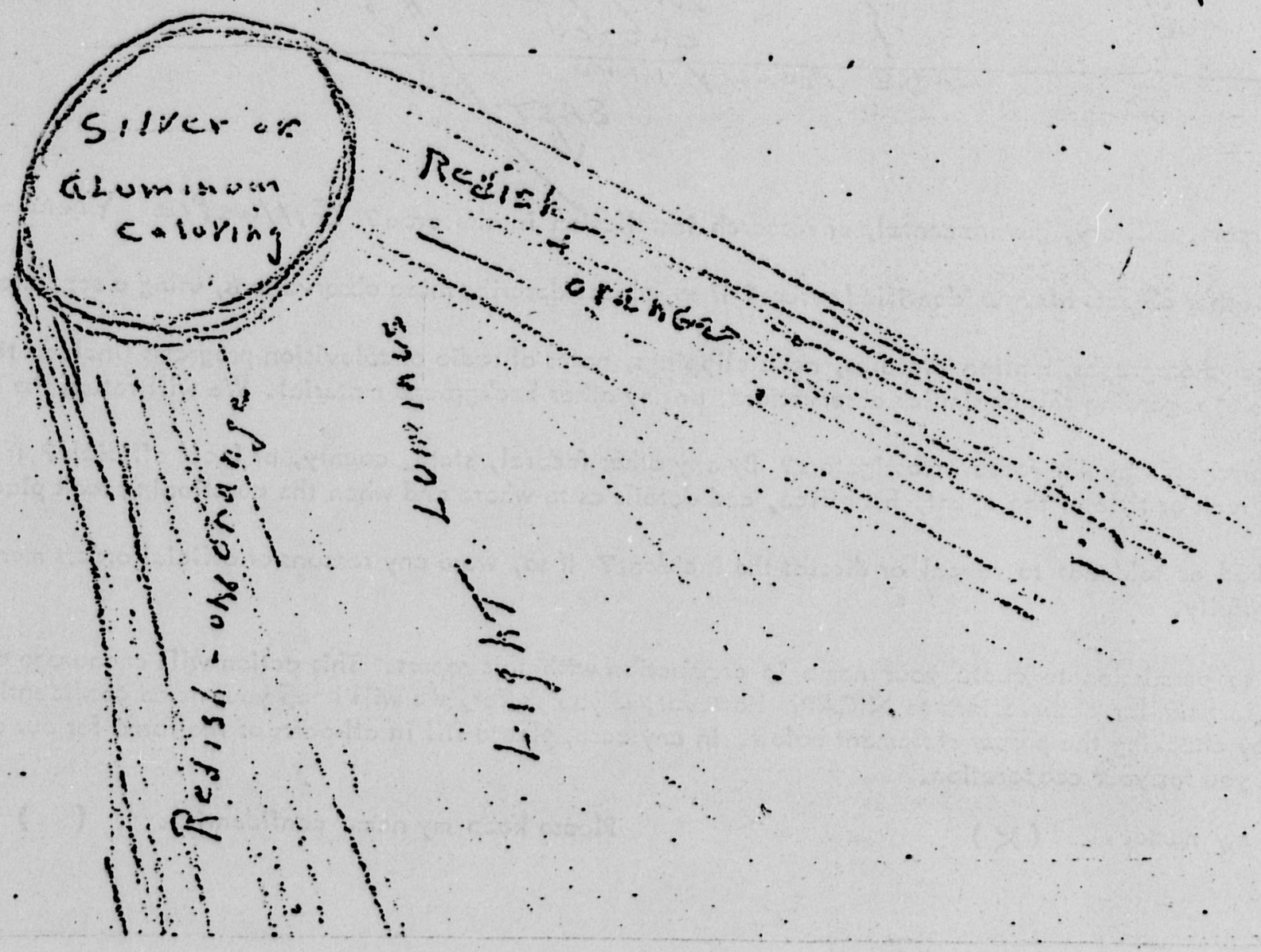
34. We should like permission to quote your name in connection with this report. This action will encourage other responsible citizens to report similar observations to NICAP. However, if you prefer, we will keep your name confidential. Please note your choice by checking the proper statement below. In any case, please fill in all parts of the form, for our own confidential files. Thank you for your cooperation.

You may use my name. (X) Please keep my name confidential. ( )

The object I saw was clearly outlined in the evening sky. The part that drew attention was what seemed to appear as a vapor trail behind a jet aircraft, differing in that the trail was not any longer than it appeared wide. It was of very appealing coloring starting very brightly on the outer edges of the trail & getting dimmer & of less coloring in the center.

The front of the object as I remember impressed me as being round & with an extra black ring around the front & circular part.

As in relation of speeds of jet aircraft this object seemed to be moving rather slowly. It became visible and to use an example, (as a toaster element heats up) and it went out of view in the same way. Perhaps fading out of view slower than appearing (Heated). Indiscernable



The description of the object, contained herein; the measurements of its elevation and azimuth angles, and the statements of the observers, are as accurate and truthful as is humanly possible, lacking precision measuring instruments, and not having had elaborate photographic equipment at hand at the time of the sighting.

However, it is felt that it has been established that a very large object, of extremely unusual appearance, was seen by the three observers.

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DATE	LOCATION	OBSERVER	EVALUATION
Spring	Raleigh, North Carolina	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
April	Vandalia, Ohio	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
1	Moorestown, New Jersey	[redacted]	Aircraft
1	Bristol, Vermont	Multiple	Astro (MOON)
1	Falmouth, Massachusetts	[redacted]	Balloon
1	Shreveport, Louisiana	Multiple	Insufficient Data
1	Salem, Arkansas	[redacted] (Physical Spec)*	Other (CHAFF)
1	Houston, Texas	[redacted]	Satellite
1	LaGrange, Georgia	Multiple	Astro (STARS/PLANETS)
1	Tangier, Oklahoma	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
1	Riverton, Illinois	[redacted]	Aircraft
2	Pacific	Multiple	Astro (METEOR)
2	Houston, Texas	[redacted]	Aircraft
2	Truth or Consequences, New Mexico	[redacted]	Aircraft
2	Nigeria, West Africa	[redacted]	Aircraft
2	Gainesville, Florida	Multiple	Insufficient Data
2	Brooklyn, New York	[redacted]	Other (PSYCHOLOGICAL)
3	Union, New Jersey	Multiple	Other (UNRELIABIE REP
3	Madison, Wisconsin	Civilian/Military (PHOTOS)	1. Aircraft 2. Photo: Electric Li
3	Madison, Wisconsin	Multiple	Aircraft
3	Coney Island, New York	[redacted]	Satellite
3	Waukesha, Wisconsin	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
3	Harrisville, Michigan	[redacted]	Aircraft
4	Tacoma, Washington	[redacted]	Aircraft
4	East of Haga, Florida	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
4	Corpus Christi, Texas	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
4	Cincinnati, Ohio	Multiple	Insufficient Data
5	Alto, Tennessee	[redacted] (ILLUSTRATED PHOTO)	UNIDENTIFIED
5	Lycoming, New York	[redacted]	UNIDENTIFIED
5	Brooklyn, New York	[redacted]	Astro (ANTARES)
5	Cincinnati, Ohio	[redacted]	Aircraft
5	Loveland, Ohio	[redacted]	Astro (MOON)
5	Kittery, Maine	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
5	Houston, Texas	[redacted]	Aircraft
5	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	[redacted]	Aircraft
5	SanAngelo, Texas	Multiple	Aircraft
5	Orlando AFB, Florida	[redacted]	Astro (JUPITER)
5	Iowa City, Iowa	Multiple	Astro (STARS/PLANETS)
6	Wauwatosa, Wisconsin	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
6	Houston, Texas	[redacted]	Aircraft
6	Enid, Oklahoma	[redacted]	Astro (METEOR)
7	Bradford, Rhode Island	[redacted]	Aircraft
7	Long Beach, California	[redacted]	Insufficient Data
7	Adamsville, Michigan	[redacted]	Astro (ARCTURUS)
7	Shreveport, Louisiana	Multiple	Other (REFLECTING GRO LIGHT)

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ADDITIONAL REPORTED SIGHTINGS (NOT CASES)

DATE	LOCATION	SOURCE	EVALUATION
April	Decatur, Illinois	[redacted] (Form 164)	
April	Topeka, Kansas	[redacted]	
April	Elwood, New Jersey	[redacted]	
3	Kalamasu, Michigan	Ltr [redacted]	
4	Corvallis, Oregon	[redacted]	
6	Aberdeen, Maryland	[redacted] (Phone)	
6	North Attleboro, Massachusetts	[redacted] (Ltr) [redacted]	
6-7	Assonet, Massachusetts	Ltr ([redacted]	
7	Daniels Park, Denver, Colorado	(Phone) [redacted]	
8	Uruguay	[redacted]	
9	Griffiss AFB, New York	Civilian	IR (C-124)