

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

COPY FOR HANDBOOK

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 12 Feb 67 12/0840Z	2. LOCATION Grand Rapids, Michigan (1 Witness)
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION UNIDENTIFIED
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Four	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 4 - 10 Seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Objects resembled fluorescent foot-balls. They were a perfect oval shape and all were same size. If ruler was held out at arms length they would have measured about 1/4 to 1/2 inch long. Observer did not notice any protrusions of any kind. Perfectly shaped foot ball like ovals. Objects had a low, then high pitched chirping noise, at fast intervals. Pale white and dull, almost grey luminous.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE SW - NE	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

FORM

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

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
Intra-University
CORRESPONDENCE



11 JUN 1967

TO Proj. Blackbook

FROM J. H. H.

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RE: Grand Rapids, Mich

Case: 12/ Feb/67

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given insufficient to establish whether
it was more likely that birds (pass.
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J. H. H.

TYPED COMMENTS MADE BY DR. J. ALLEN HYNEK ON ¹¹JUNE 1968

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

12 FEBRUARY 1967

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(Original signed by J. Allen Hynek)

12 Feb 67
4 June 1966

it occurred at a small airport and the duration was one or two half minutes. Followup should have been made to determine whether there were other potential witnesses. Since it occurred at mid-night on December 28, it is possible that there were no other witnesses available. Must be carried as unidentified, single witness.

15. 12 August 1965, Ramona, California.

One witness, duration of sighting only 15 seconds. Witness was a 67 year old lady. Sighting occurred at 9p.m. daylight saving time in the middle of August, and thus the sky should still have been reasonably bright. Witness said sighting occurred at night and sky very blue. Perhaps she thinks that anything after 6 p.m. is night. Must be listed as unknown (meager data, single witness, very short duration).

16. 26 February 1966, Bartlett, New Hampshire

I have in my files for 26 February 1966, Manchester, New Hampshire. I do not seem to find a Bartlett, New Hampshire case. See attached supplemental sheet A.

17. 17 July 1966, Centerville, Ohio.

Temporarily not in file. Will study this case when I visit Dayton.

18. 9 February 1967, Odessa, Delaware.

Since by an admitted breakdown in communications the Dover Air Force Base delayed some five months in investigating this case, all I have is the NICAP report. Evaluation pending my getting a copy of the Air Force investigation of same. Based on NICAP report, the sighting is obviously unidentified.

19. 12 February 1967, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

I have only the card on this case, but judging from it there seems to be a possibility that this one-witness case was caused by low-flying birds reflecting light. The sighting lasted 4 to 10 seconds, and witness mentions a high-pitched chirping noise.

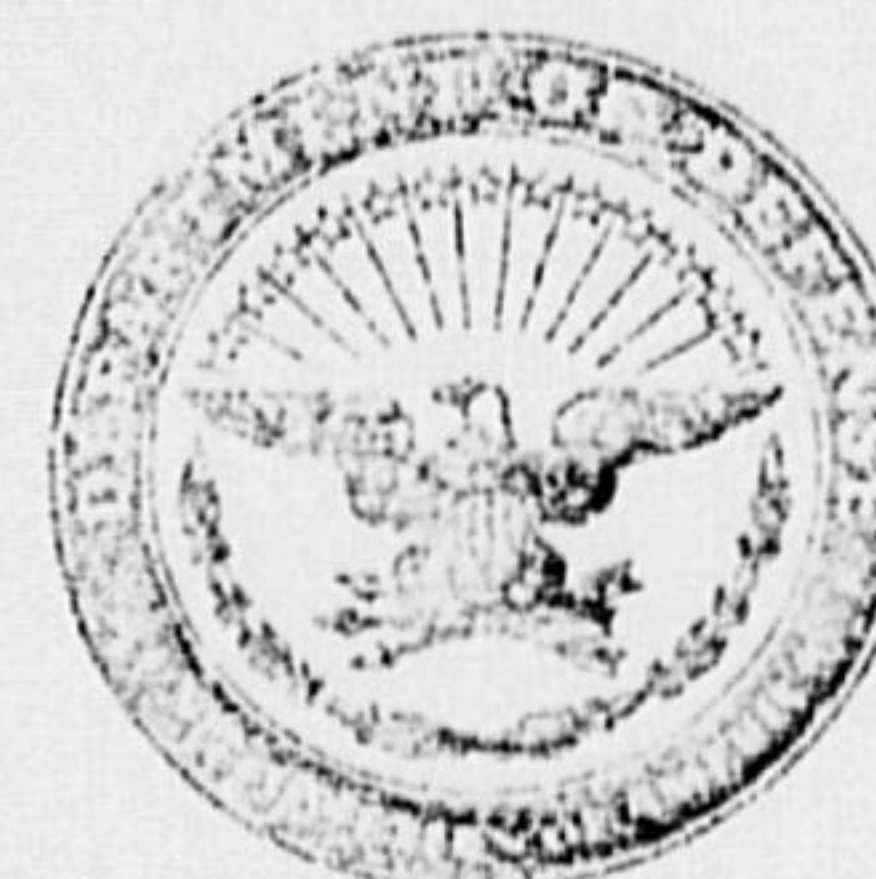
20. 1 April 1967, Wellington or Loco, Texas.

I had a great personal involvement in this case, much of it

Unidentified

12 Feb 67

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION (AFSC)
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO 45433



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TDET/UFO

17 March 1967

SUBJECT: UFO Observation, 12 Feb 67

12 Feb 67

TO:

[REDACTED]

Grand Rapids, Mich.

Grand Rapids, Michigan 49505

Reference your unidentified observation. The information which we have received is not sufficient for a scientific evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD Form 164 and return it in the envelope provided. Thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

JAMES C. MANATT, Colonel, USAF
Director of Technology and Subsystems

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FTD Form 164 w/envelope

FTD/UFO Official File Copy

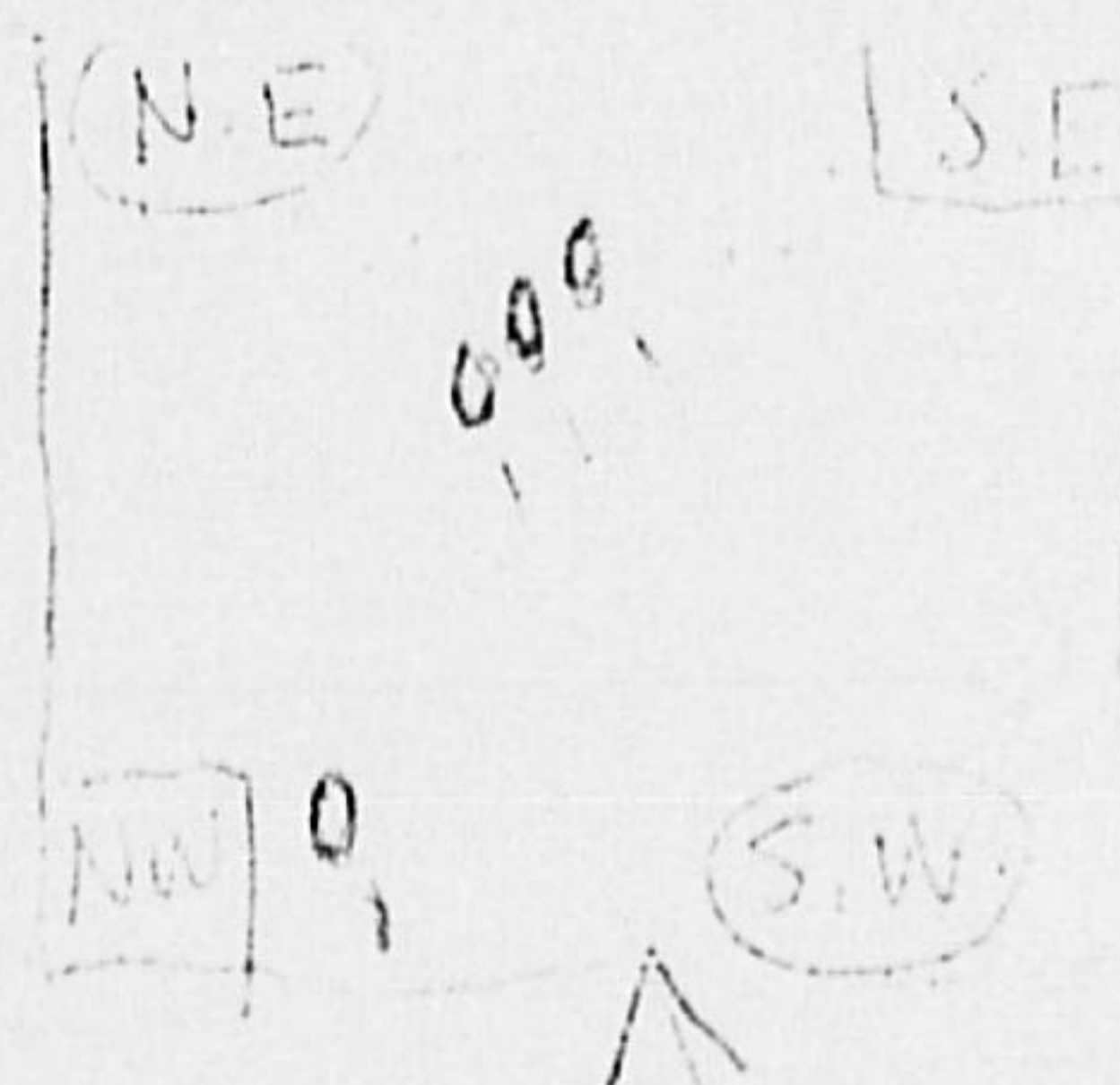
"UFO" Reporting Data:

a. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT(S):

- (1) Shape OVAL OR FOOTBALL SHAPE -
- (2) Size compared to a known object (use one of the following terms: Head of a pin, pea, dime, nickel, quarter, half dollar, silver dollar, baseball, grapefruit, or basketball) held in the hand at about arm's length.
Size SIMILAR TO TINY FOOTBALLS - (1/4" APPROX. IN LGT.)
- (3) Color PALE WHITE - LIKE A DULL FLUORESCENT LIGHT
- (4) Number FOUR
- (5) Formation, if more than one 3 IN A RIGID PATTERN - AND 1 TO FAR LEFT AND BEHIND -
- (6) Any discernible features or details SHARP OUTLINE
- (7) Tail, trail, or exhaust, including size of same compared to size of object(s) NO TRAILING EXHAUST OF ANY KIND -
- (8) Sound; if heard, describe sound HIGH AND LOW CHIRP-LIKE WHISTLE AT FAST INTERVALS -
- (9) Other pertinent or unusual features NONE - EXCEPT A VERY SHARP OUTLINE - (NO FUZZINESS BLURRED ETC ETC)

b. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT(S):

- (1) What first called the attention of observer(s) to the object(s)?
THE SOUNDS ABOVE ME - OR I MIGHT NEVER HAD NOTICED THEM -
- (2) Angle or elevation and azimuth of object(s) when first observed.
APPROX. 90° DIRECTLY OVERHEAD -
- (3) Angle or elevation and azimuth of object(s) upon disappearance.
APPROX. 45° - NO IDEA OF HEIGHT-OF OBJECTS -
- (4) Description of flight path and maneuvers of object(s).
HEADING S.W. TO N.E. - (VERY RIGID PATTERN)
- (5) How did the object(s) disappear? Instantaneously to the North, etc.)?
VIEW WAS OBSTRUCTED BY A GARAGE BACK OF HOUSE
- (6) How long were the objects(s) visible? (Be specific, 5 minutes, 1 Hour, etc.) SEVEN SECONDS WOULD BE NEARLY ACCURATE - (THEY WEREN'T WASTING ANYTIME)



COULD HAVE BEEN SMALL AND LOW OR VERY HIGH, LARGE ALTHO SOUNDS WERE CLOSE WOULD ASSUME THEY WERE SMALL

SEEN 164

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"UFO" Reporting Data (continued)

c. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(1) Use one or any combination of the following items: Ground-visual, air-visual, ground-electronic, air-electronic. (If electronic, specify type of radar.)

Ground-Visual

(2) Statement as to optical aids (telescopes, binoculars, etc.) used and description thereof.

NONE - (DO NOT WEAR GLASSES)

(3) If the sighting occurred while air-borne, give type of aircraft, identification number, altitude, heading, speed, and home station.

d. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

(1) Zulu time-date group of sighting 3:40 A.M. - SUN, FEB 12 1967

(2) Light conditions. (Use one of the following terms: night, day, dawn, dusk.)

AT NIGHT - (VERY COLD AND VERY CLEAR)

e. LOCATION OF OBSERVER(s). Give exact latitude and longitude of each observer, and/or geographical position.

OUTDOORS - SIGHTING WAS DIRECTLY OVER GRAND RAPIDS (NW SECTION)

f. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER(s):

(1) Civilian -- Name, age, mailing address, occupation, and estimate of reliability.

CIVILIAN - [REDACTED] (AGE 34) [REDACTED]

(RECEIVING CLERK - AND NIGHT CLUB ENTERTAINER)

- ONLY PEOPLE THAT KNOW ME CAN VERIFY RELIABILITY

(2) Military -- Name, grade, organization, duty and estimate of reliability.

NO SERVICE RECORD - (MILITARY)

49505 (IF NEEDED)

ADC-1 Cmbt Spt Gp-CDC
Selfridge AFB, Mich.

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?

12 2 1967
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

3 40
Hour Minutes

(Circle One): (A.M.) or P.M.

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One): a. (Eastern)
b. Central
c. Mountain
d. Pacific
e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving
b. (Standard)

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

[REDACTED]
Nearest Postal Address

GRAND RAPIDS
City or Town

MICHIGAN
State or County

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration)

Hours Minutes 4-10 Seconds

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

5.1 How was time in sight determined? BY APPROX. COUNT TO 10 IN SECONDS, SLOWLY.

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? X

(Circle One): a. In front of you d. To your left
b. In back of you e. Overhead
c. To your right f. Don't remember

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, 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 — VERY, VERY COLD AND CLEAR.
IN FACT, SUB-ZERO
THAT NIGHT.
- 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:

THEY GAVE OFF A PALE GLOW - SUCH AS A DULL FLUORESCENT LIGHT.

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 | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| d. Give off smoke? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| e. Change brightness? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| f. Change shape? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| g. Flash or flicker? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| h. Disappear and reappear? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |

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

MY VIEW BECAME BLOCKED BY A GARAGE IN REAR OF HOUSE,
OR I MIGHT HAVE HAD ANOTHER 5-10 SECONDS SIGHTING
BEFORE THEY DISAPPEARED ON OTHER SIDE OF HILL.

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: BEING SO MUCH BIGGER AND NOT AS BRIGHT, THE
ONLY OBJECTS I NOTICED BEING PASSED IN FRONT OF, WERE
THE MANY STARS OUT THAT NIGHT.

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

a. Sound A LOW, THEN HIGH PITCHED CHIRPING NOISE, AT FAST INTERVALS.

b. Color PALE WHITE AND DULL, ALMOST GREY LUMINOUS.

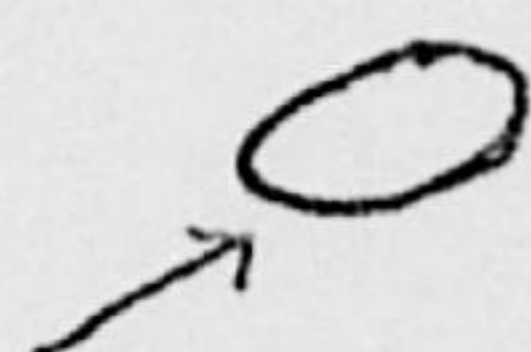
18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head?

I WOULD ESTIMATE THAT ABOUT HALF TO THREE-QUARTERS
OF OBJECTS WOULD HAVE BEEN COVERED. (EACH OBJECT AT A)
TIME.

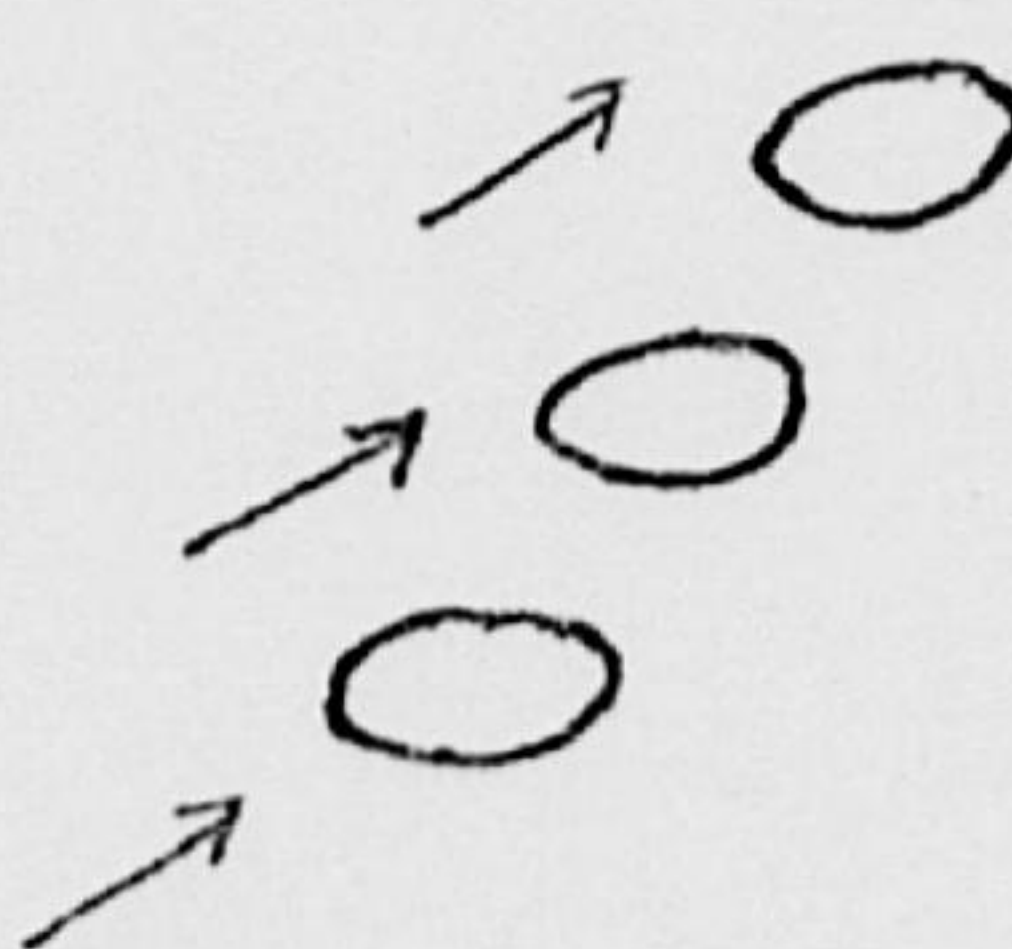
19. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails.

Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

N.W.



N.E.



(Please Note)

I DID NOT NOTICE
AND PROTRUSIONS OF
ANY KIND. PERFECTLY
SHAPED FOOT BALL LIKE
OVALS.

S.W.

S.E.

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? _____

THEY WEREN'T TRAVELING
EXCEPTIONALLY FAST - BUT
THEY WERE CLIPPING RIGHT
ALONG.

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? _____

COULD HAVE BEEN HIGH AND LARGE
OR LOW AND SMALL - ☒ (NOT SURE)

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 _____

CONSIDERED
BOTH IN
THIS
LOCATION

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) ☒ X

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

24.2 How fast were you moving? ☒ X miles per hour.

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

(Circle One)

Yes

No

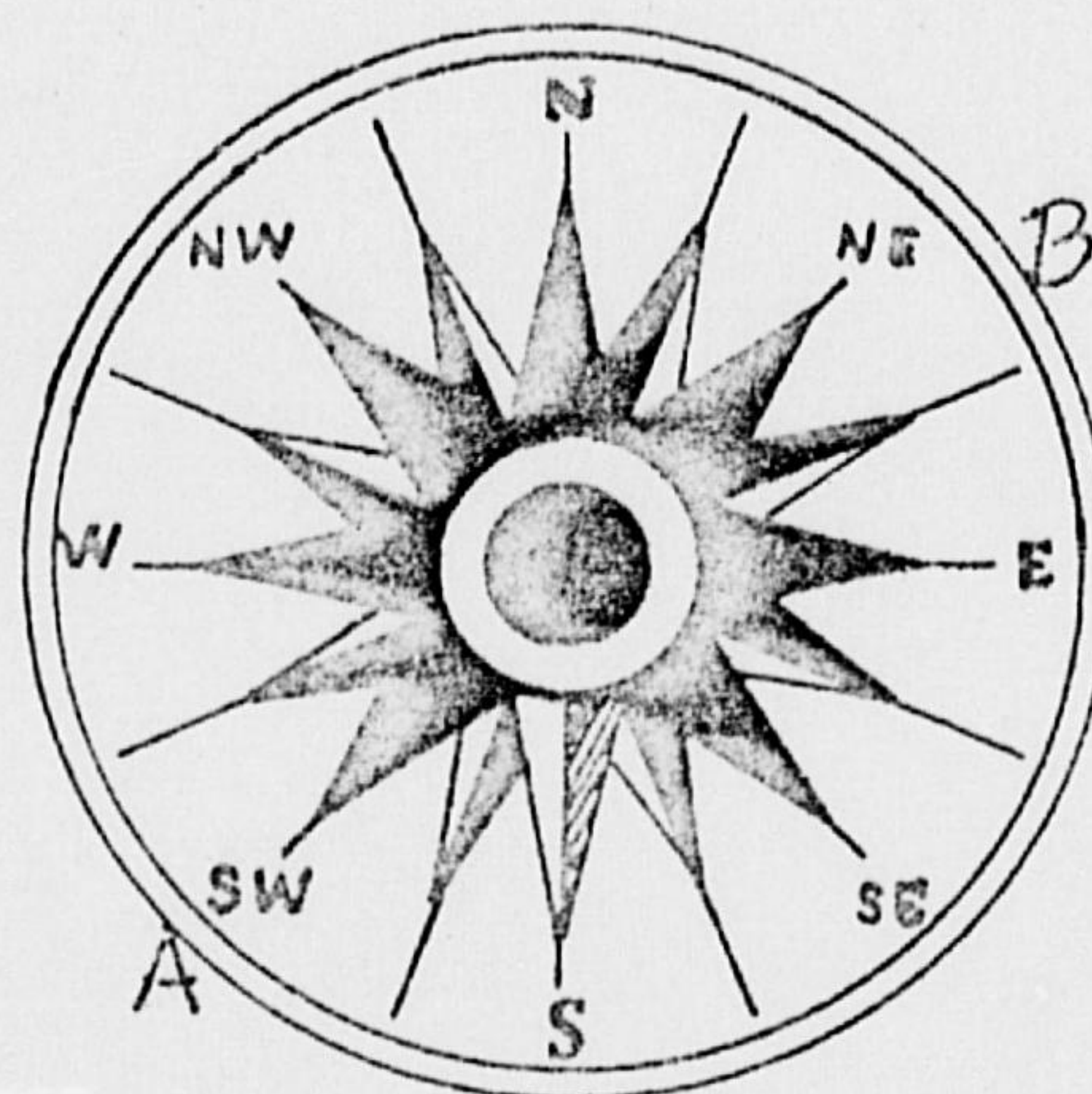
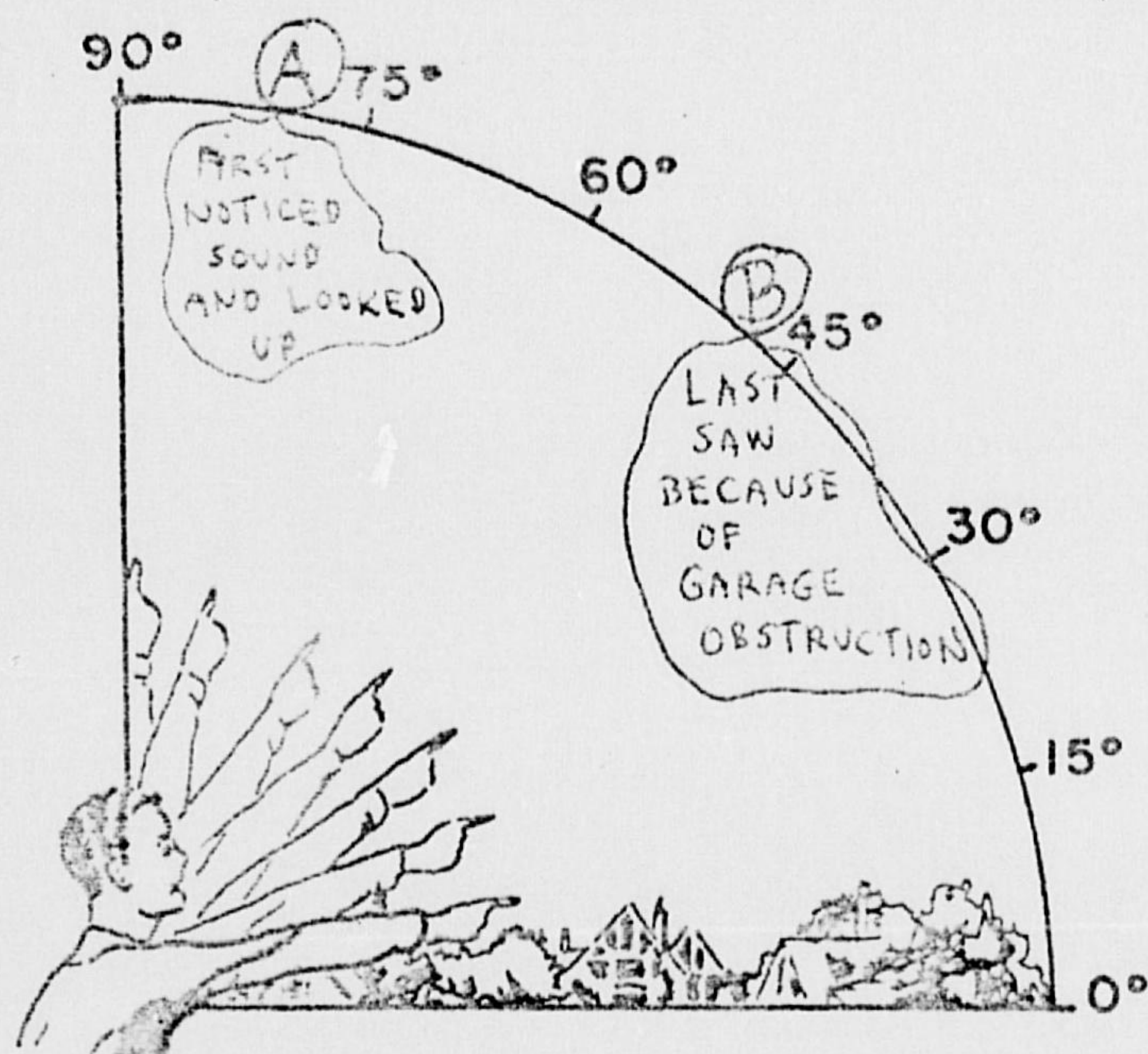
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| 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 _____ | | |

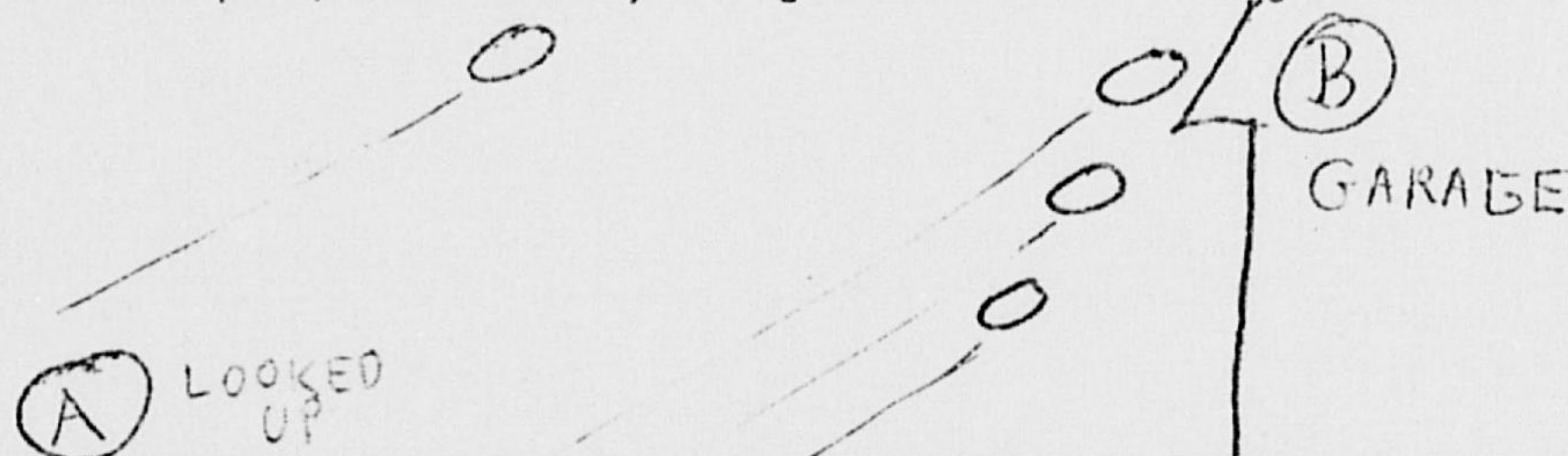
26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

THE OBJECTS RESEMBLED FLUORESCENT FOOT-BALLS.
THEY WERE A PERFECT OVAL SHAPE AND ALL
WERE SAME SIZE. IF A RULER WAS HELD OUT AT ARMS
LENGTH THEY WOULD HAVE MEASURED - ABOUT $\frac{1}{4}$ TO $\frac{1}{2}$ INCH LONG.

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.



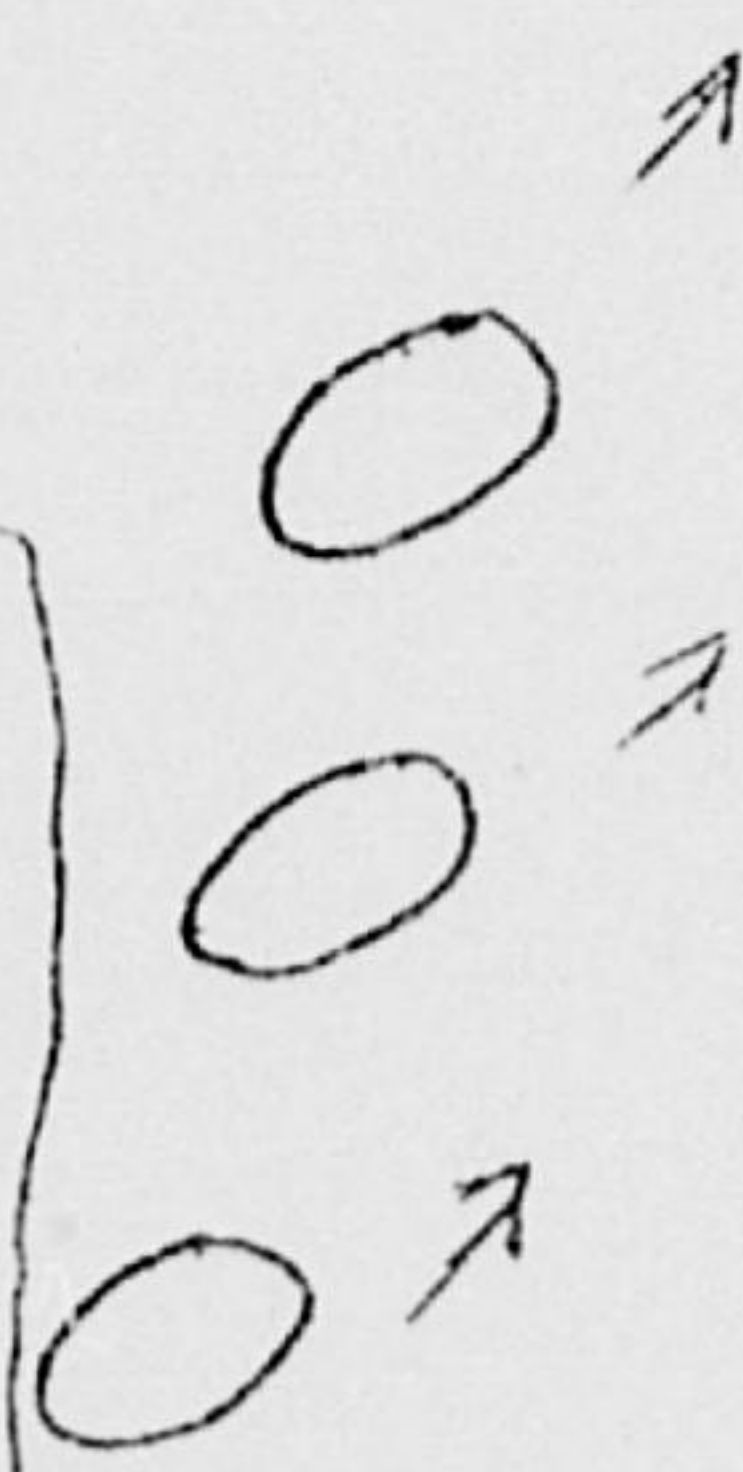
28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? 4
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

N.E.

THEY WERE HEADING IN A NORTH-EASTERLY DIRECTION - IN A VERY RIGID PATTERN - NONE WERE GAINING OR LOSING ON THE OTHER. THREE TOGETHER AND THE FOURTH OFF IN THE NORTHWEST PART OF SKY TO THE LEFT.



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

(To MY SORROW)

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

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

AGE

34

SEX

MALE

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

*NOTHING IMPORTANT THAT WOULD HAVE ANY
BEARING ON THE SIGHTING.*

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

12

Day

FEB,

Month

1967

Year

*MY FIRST REPORT WAS TO
THE G.R. POLICE DEPT.,
THEN THE ROCKFORD
STATE POLICE POST.*

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

22

Day

MARCH

Month

1967

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.

BEING A RATIONAL PERSON, AND NOT GIVING IN TO HALLUCINATIONS, AT FIRST I HAD THOUGHT THAT THE NOISE ABOVE ME COULD POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN ELECTRICAL WIRES OVERHEAD GOING INTO THE GARAGE.

I'VE HEARD THAT WIRES WILL SING OR MAKE A NOISE IN VERY COLD AND CRISP WEATHER.

THE ONLY THING IS, THAT AS THE OBJECTS PASSED OVER AND DISAPPEARED BEHIND THE GARAGE, THE CHIRPING NOISE ALSO FADED AWAY, TOO. /

THE SKY WAS VERY BLACK AND EACH STAR SEEMED LIKE VERY BRIGHT LIGHTS. THERE WERE NO CLOUDS AND I NOTICED THE ABSENCE OF THE MOON, AT MY LOCATION OF THE SIGHTING.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT I SAW, BUT I'LL SURELY REMEMBER THAT NIGHT THE REST OF MY LIFE. THEY WERE QUITE UNIQUE.

THANK YOU,

[REDACTED]