

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 9 Mar 67	2. LOCATION Ottawa, Iowa
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION UNIDENTIFIED (UNIDENTIFIED) ✓
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 45-60 seconds <u>2 MIN.</u>	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Object was a curved half very bright back half of object could not be seen. Observers stated it was almost saucer shaped and as large as a commercial jet Aircraft. Bright white. One observer stated he saw a large spot light effect in front and perhaps a small white light in the rear. Object had a straight flight path at a high rate of speed. Object disappeared into the East instantaneously.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	
7. COURSE West - East	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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

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STAFF MESSAGE BRANCH
INCOMING MESSAGE

AFIN: 64995 (10 Mar67) B/feb

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ACTION: RDC-4 INFO: XOPX-2, XOP-1, SAFOS-3, NIN-7, DIA-1 (19)

SMB A290CZC BVD650

PTTU JAW RUC ISK A8869 0691714-UUUU--RUEDHQA

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FM 3D AIR DIV SIOUX CITY MAP IA

TO RUWMMFAW ADC

RUWTEMA/10AF RICHARDS GEBEUR AFB MO

RUEDF IF/F TD WPAFB OHIO

RUEDHQ/CSAF

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FOR ADOIN AT ADC; 100IN AT 10AF; TDETR AT F TD WPAFB;

AFRDC AT CSAF; SAF-80 AT OSAF, UFO REPORT. REFERENCE

PARA 11, AF 80-17.

A. DESCRIPTION (1) CURVED HALF CIRCLE VERY BRIGHT,
BACK HALF OF OBJECT COULD NOT BE SEEN. OBSERVER'S
STATED IT WAS ALMOST SAUCER SHAPED (2) AS LARGE AS A
COMMERCIAL JET AIRCRAFT (3) BRIGHT WHITE (4) ONE
(5) NONE (6) ONE OBSERVER STATED HE SAW LARGE SPOT-

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LIGHT EFFECT IN FRONT AND PERHAPS A TINY WHITE
LIGHT IN REAR (7) NONE (8) NONE (9) SPEED MUCH FASTER THAN ANYTHING
THEY HAVE EVER SEEN. OBSERVERS ALSO SAW AN AIRCRAFT HIGHER AND
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TO THE LEFT OF THE OBJECT. B. WEST TO EAST (1) 17 YR OLD SON WAS
LOOKING OUT HIS BEDROOM WINDOW. SAW OBJECT AND IMMEDIATELY
CALLED HIS MOTHER AND FATHER. (2) 75 DEGREES-90 DEGREES OFF
HORIZON. (3) 75 DEGREES-90 DEGREES OF HORIZON (4) STRAIGHT FLIGHT
PATH AT VERY FAST SPEED. (5) OBJECT DISAPPEARED INTO THE EAST
INSTANTANEOUSLY. (6) 45SEC-60 SEC. C. NAKED EYE. D. (1)

9 MARCH 1967 2105Z (2) NIGHT TIME STARS VERY BRIGHT E. 620 4TH ST,
OMAWA, IOWA WEST OF LARK GRAD SCHOOL F. MRS. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] 37 HOUSEWIFE; MR. [REDACTED] 32, WAREHOUSEMAN;

[REDACTED] 17 STUDENT. [REDACTED] OMAWA, IOWA OBSERVERS'

RELIABILITY UNKNOWN. G. (1) VERY CLEAR. (2) SFC 120/08; 6M 240/20;
10M 270/25; 20M 250/35; 30M 250/40; 50M 270/75; 80M 330/20 (3) NO
CEILING (4) 15T (5) NONE (6) NONE (7) SFC-37,000'--2-1 DEGREES C/
1000 FT. H. TRAPOPAUSE AT 37,000 FT 5 DEGREES C INVERSION BETWEEN
37000' AND 45000' 2 DEGREES C INVERSION BETWEEN 3,600' AND 4,900'
I. NONE J. UNABLE TO DETERMINE K. NEVILLE C. HERBERT, CAPT USAF,

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DIVISION INTELLIGENCE OFFICER. NO COMMENTS AS TO SUBJECT SIGHTING.

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

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TDET/UFO

6 March 1967

SUBJECT: UFO Observation, 9 March 1967

9 Mar 67

TO: Mrs. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Onawa, Iowa 51040

Onawa, Iowa

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

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1. When did you see the object?

9 MARCH 1967
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 9 05-20
Hour Minutes

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

3. Time Zone:

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

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

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

██████████

Nearest Postal Address

ONAWA

City or Town

Iowa

State or County

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

45-60

Hours Minutes

Seconds

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time-in-sight determined? Estimated

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

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 objects:

Actual measurements or reputable lightnings

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

c. Other front half bright
outlined, back red
blurred and indistinct

13. Did the object:

- a. Appear to stand still at any time?
- b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?
- c. Break up into parts or explode?
- d. Give off smoke?
- e. Change brightness?
- f. Change shape?
- g. Flash or flicker?
- h. Disappear and reappear?

(Circle One for each question)

14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how? Yes - faded away out of sight at terrific speed.

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:

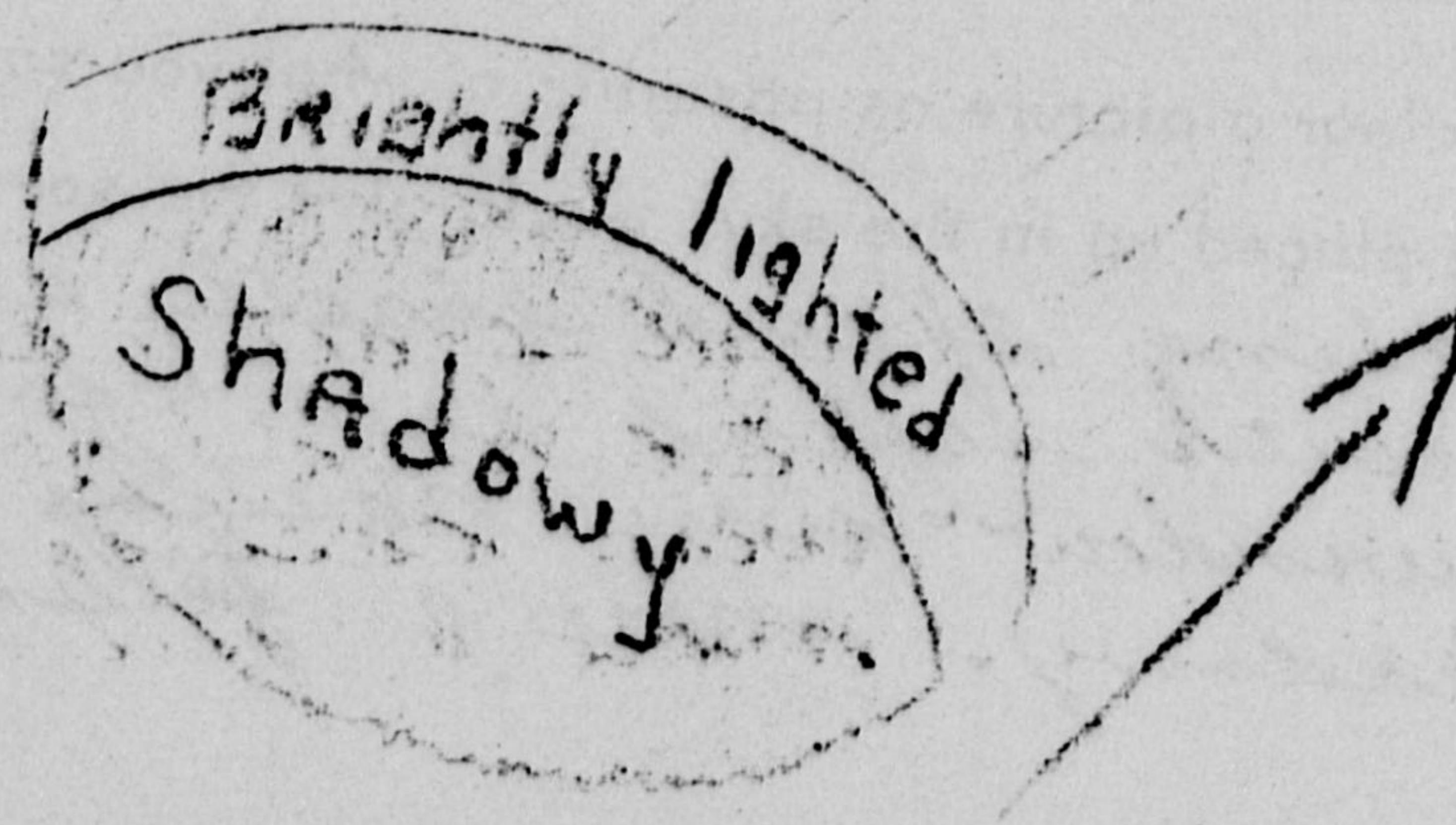
a. Sound no sound

b. Color intense white light forward, shadowy behind

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? very little,

possibly 1/10 or less

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.



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? _____

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 Residential AREA of small town-
OPEN COUNTRYSIDE to the EAST

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

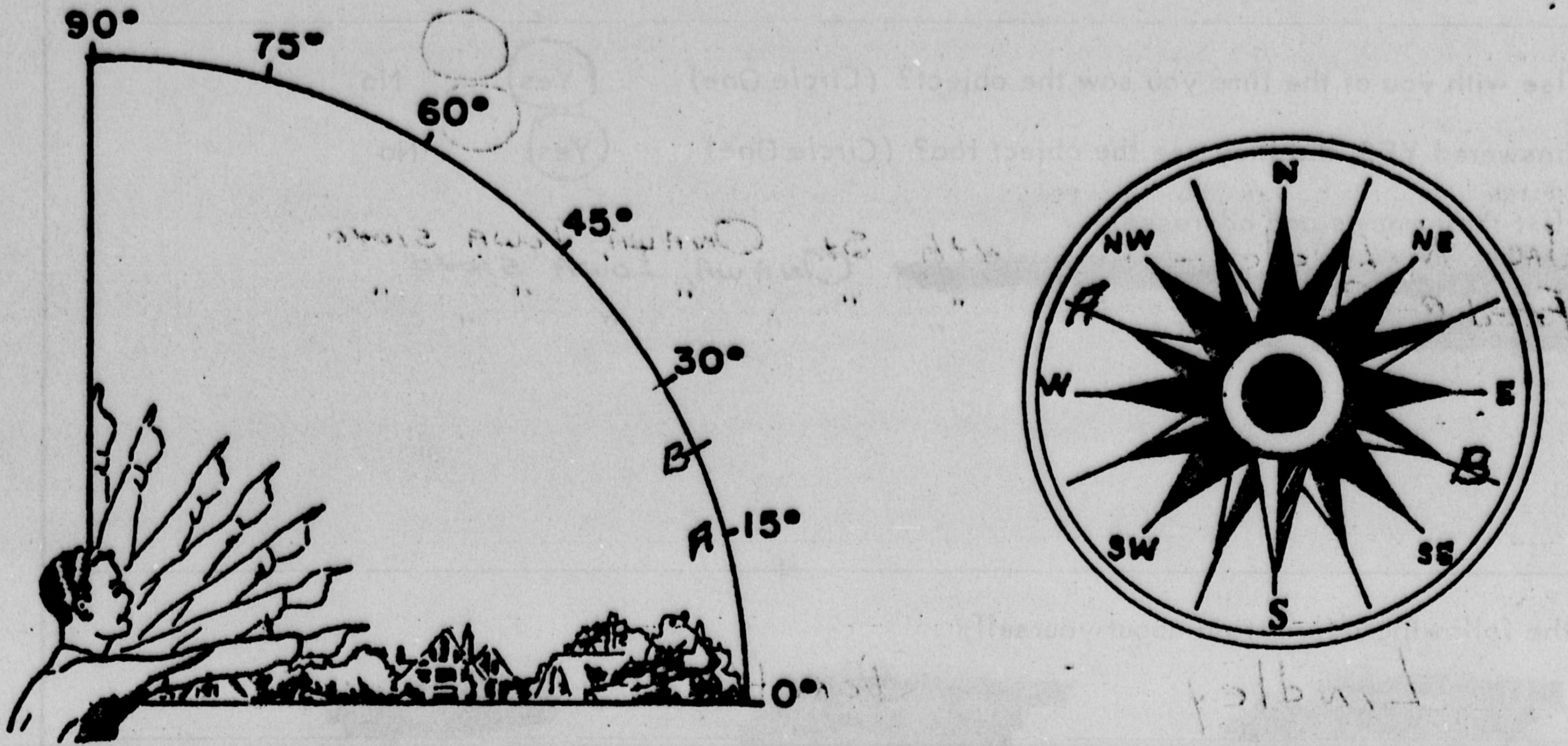
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

a. Eyeglasses	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 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.

Have seen nothing shaped exactly as object - somewhat plate shaped, with lighted area forward - as if a semi-circular bay window were casting a light - back half of object shadowy - more a feeling of density than an actual shape.

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.



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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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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:

[REDACTED] - [REDACTED] - [REDACTED] - " " " " " " " " Onawa, Iowa 51040

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

Onawa

51040

Iowa

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

AGE 37

SEX F

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?

Onawa Police - then Sioux City AFB

[REDACTED]

10

MARCH

1967

Day

Month

Year

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

8 APRIL 1967
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. Object first sighted by my 17 yr. old son, Fred Coots from his upstairs bedroom window. Husband, Jack, son, and I rushed outside. The object was above the treeline in the west - slightly north, passing over house at terrific speed. Time was somewhere between 9:05 p.m. and 9:20 p.m. Object moved in straight path, did ~~so~~ not waver. Made no noise. After it had passed overhead, but before it had disappeared, we could hear a jet, but could also see it, above and to the left of object. Object passed fairly low over our house, low enough that if object had been a plane, there should have been a great deal of noise. Lighted area was forward - not like a spotlight, but as if it were a fairly large, curved, lighted area. Rear area shadowed and indistinct, but definitely some density there. Lighted area was intensely lit - almost blue white light. Total time of sighting 45-60 seconds, estimated. I honestly don't know what I saw. I only know that I have never seen anything in the sky shaped quite like it, nor have I ever seen any plane which moved at such great speed.

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b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

[REDACTED]
Nearest Postal Address

Onawa,
City or Town

Iowa
State or County

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

2
Hours Minutes Seconds

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain
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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?

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11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

much brighter than illuminated window area of home

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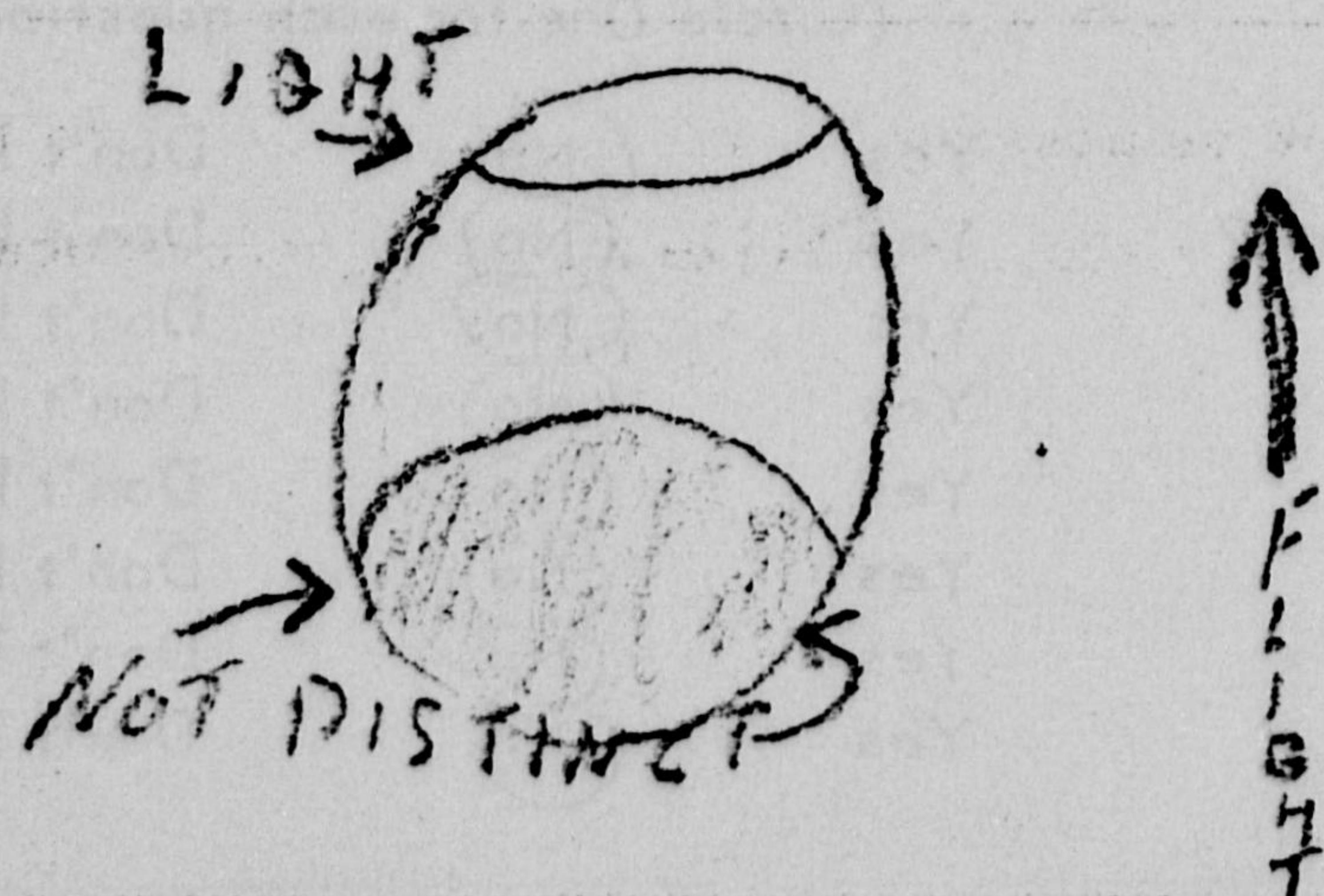
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less than 1/20th

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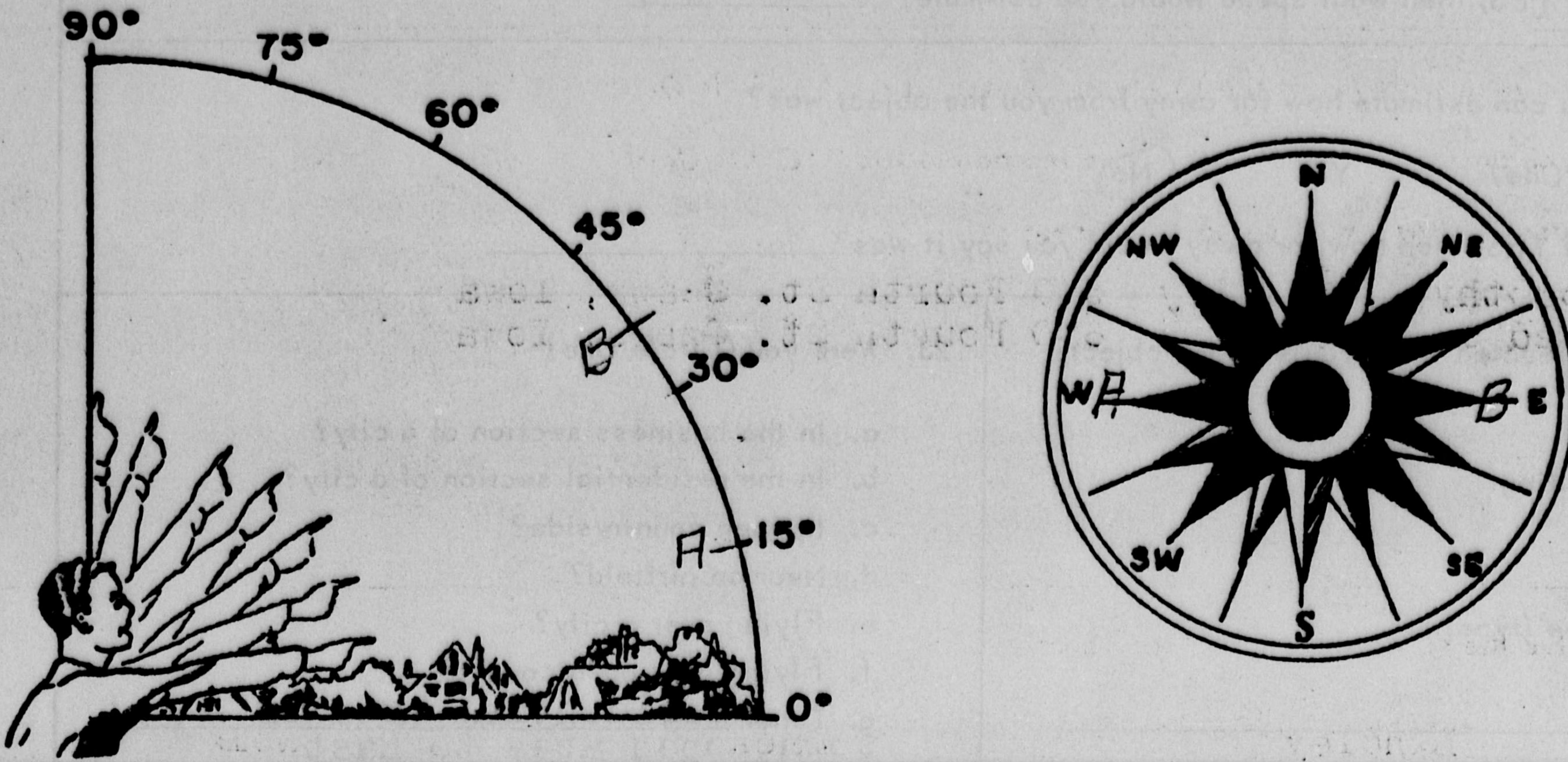
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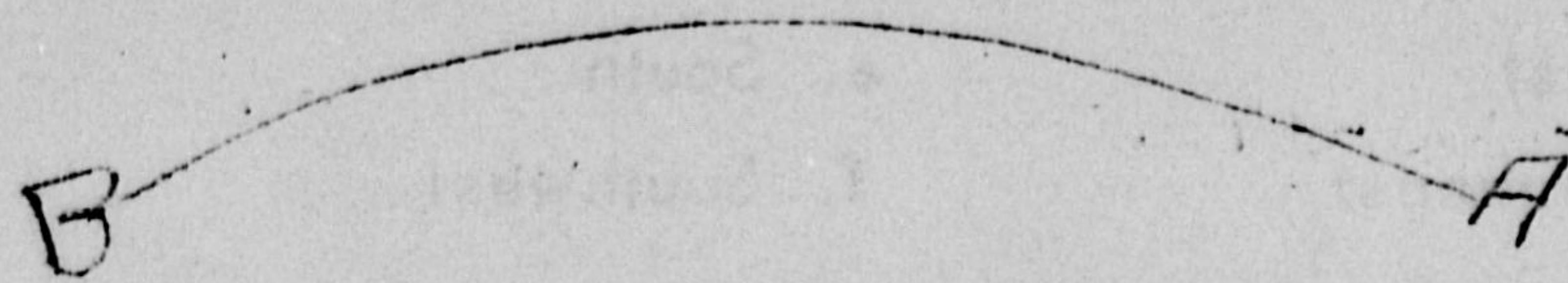
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X

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:

[REDACTED] Onawa, Iowa
[REDACTED] Onawa, Iowa

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME _____
Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle Name _____
ADDRESS _____ Onawa _____ 51040 Iowa _____
Street _____ City _____ Zone _____ State _____
TELEPHONE NUMBER _____ AGE 32 SEX M

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? Wife reported it, I did not.

01/01/68
Day _____ Month _____ Year _____

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

9 April 1967
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.

This object was moving faster than any aircraft I have ever seen before. I was most impressed by the lighted area. It seemed to come from a convex window or windows and was intensely ~~xxxxx~~ bright. Light did not actually shine as a beam, but gave the feeling of coming from a window. At one point, when the object was straight overhead, it was distinctly outlined, except for the rear 1/3 of area, which could or could not have been concave. Before the object disappeared, could hear and see jet plane, higher and to the left of the object. At no time did I see any familiar type of aircraft lighting.