

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION
October 1968 00/1600	Riverdale, New York
3. SOURCE	10. CONCLUSION
Civilian	INSUFFICIENT DATA
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
One	No date given for observation.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	See Case
90 Minutes	
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION	Ground-Visual
7. COURSE	
8. PHOTOS	Stationary in NW
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

FORM
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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: TDPT (UFO)

6 JA 1968

SUBJECT: UFO Observation, 24 October 1968

TO: Miss [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Riverdale, New York 10471

Reference your recent unidentified flying object sighting which you reported to the Air Force. The information which we have received is not sufficient for a scientific investigation. Request you complete the attached AF Form 117 and return it in the self-addressed envelope. Thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

Hector Quintanilla Jr.
HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Lt Colonel, USAF
Chief, Aerial Phenomena Office
Aerospace Technologies Division
Production Directorate

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AF Form 117 w/envelope

SIGHTING OF UNIDENTIFIED PHENOMENA QUESTIONNAIRE

BUDGET BUREAU APPROVAL
NUMBER 21-R258

THIS QUESTIONNAIRE HAS BEEN PREPARED SO THAT YOU CAN GIVE THE U.S. AIR FORCE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE CONCERNING THE UNIDENTIFIED PHENOMENON THAT YOU HAVE OBSERVED. PLEASE TRY TO ANSWER ALL OF THE QUESTIONS. THE INFORMATION YOU GIVE WILL BE USED FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES. YOUR NAME WILL NOT BE USED IN CONNECTION WITH ANY OF YOUR STATEMENTS OR CONCLUSIONS WITHOUT YOUR PERMISSION. RETURN TO AIR FORCE BASE INVESTIGATOR FOR FORWARDING TO FTD (TDETR), WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB, OHIO 45433, IAW AFR 80-17. (IF ADDITIONAL SHEETS ARE NEEDED FOR NARRATIVE OR SKETCHES ATTACH SECURELY TO THIS FORM OR ANNOTATE WITH YOUR NAME FOR IDENTIFICATION.)

1. WHEN DID YOU SEE THE PHENOMENON?

DAY _____ MONTH Oct YEAR 1968

2. WHAT TIME DID YOU FIRST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON?

HOUR 4:00 MINUTES _____ A.M. P.M.

3. WHAT TIME DID YOU LAST SIGHT THE PHENOMENON?

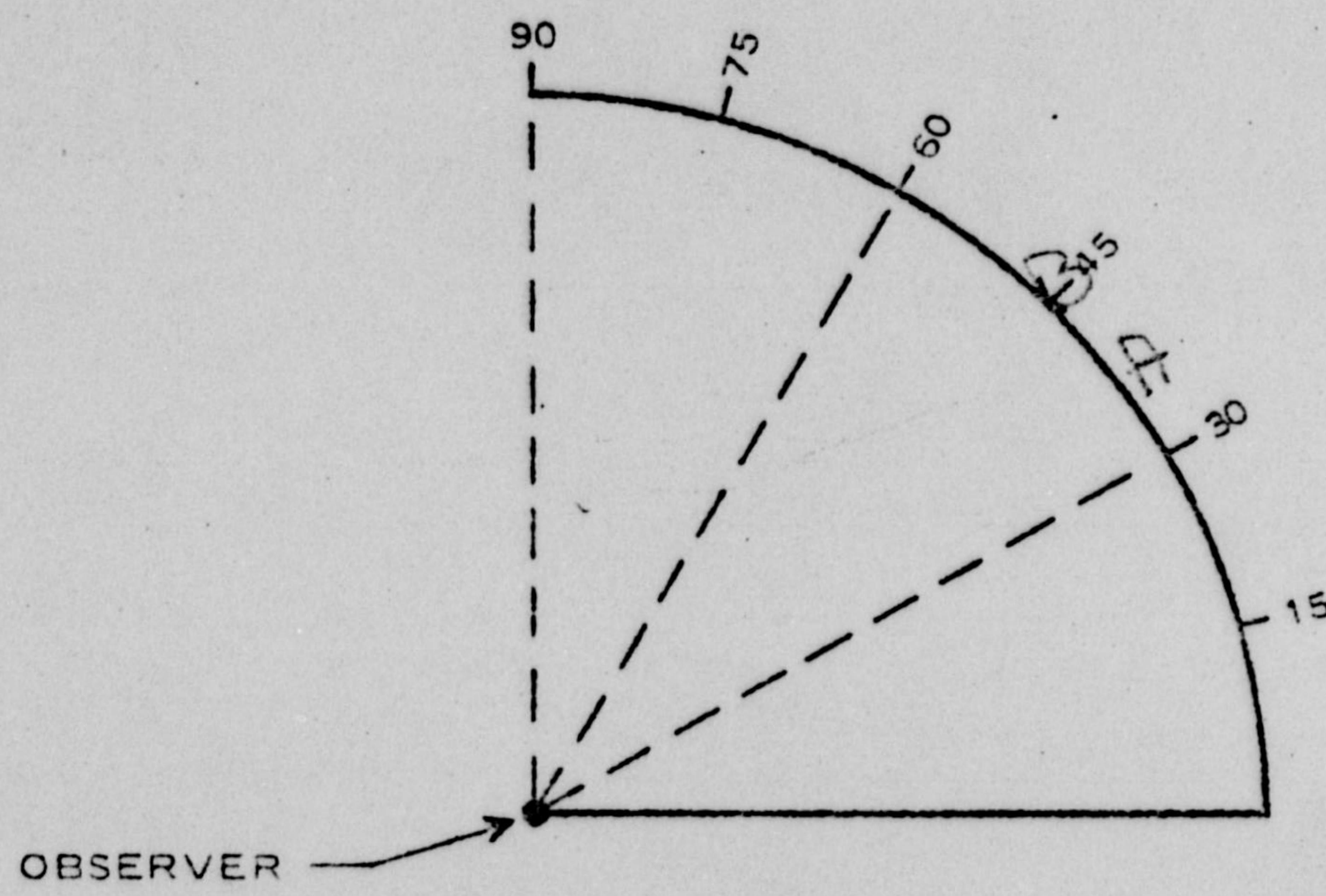
HOUR 5:30 MINUTES _____ A.M. P.M.

4. TIME ZONE

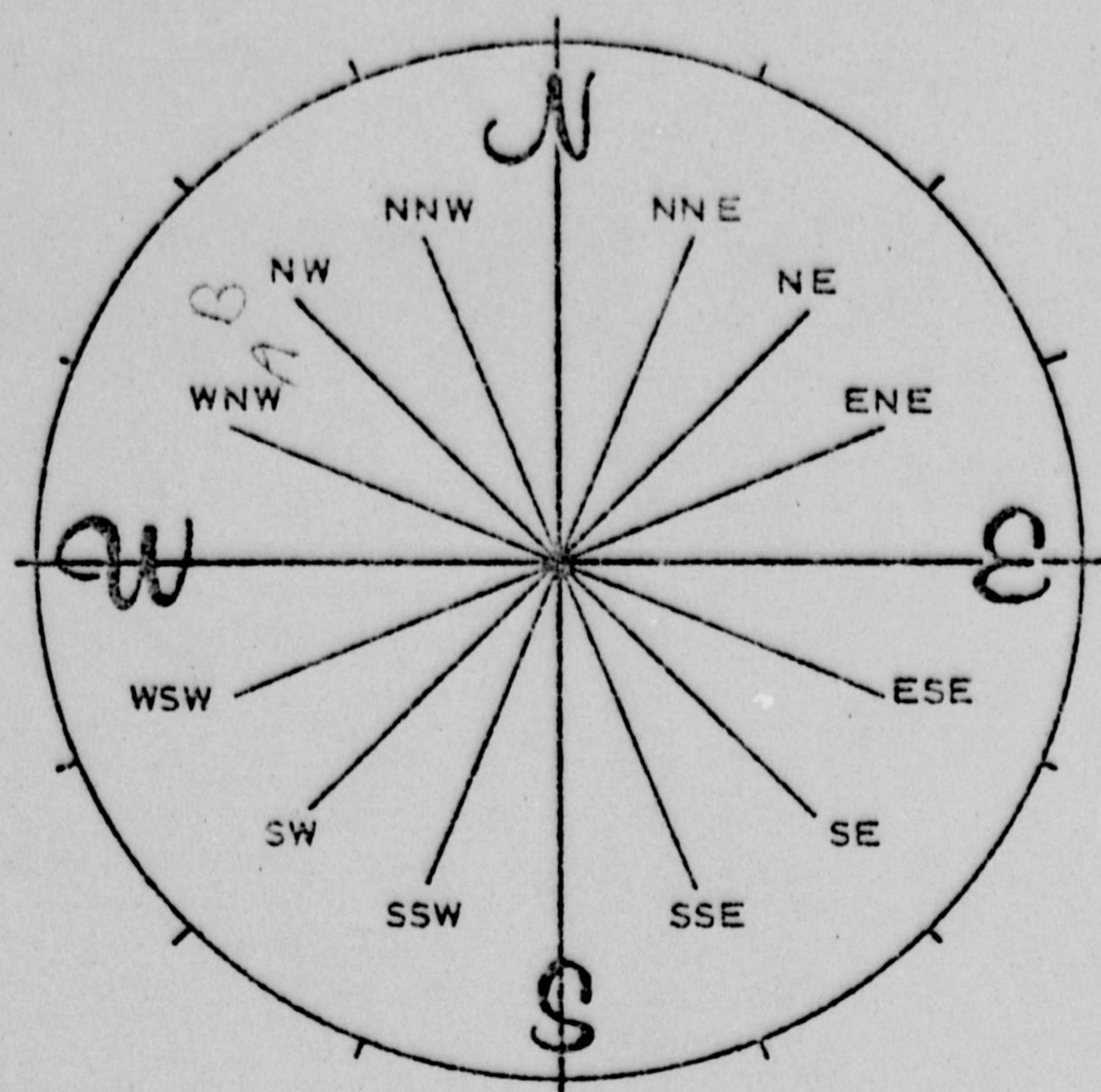
 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS STANDARD EASTERN CENTRAL MOUNTAIN PACIFIC OTHER

5. WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? IF IN CITY, GIVE THE NEAREST STREET ADDRESS AND INDICATE ON A HAND DRAWN MAP WHERE YOU WERE STANDING WITH REFERENCE TO THE ADDRESS. IF IN THE COUNTRY, IDENTIFY THE HIGHWAY YOU WERE ON OR NEAR AND TRY TO FIX A DISTANCE AND DIRECTION FROM SOME RECOGNIZABLE LANDMARK.

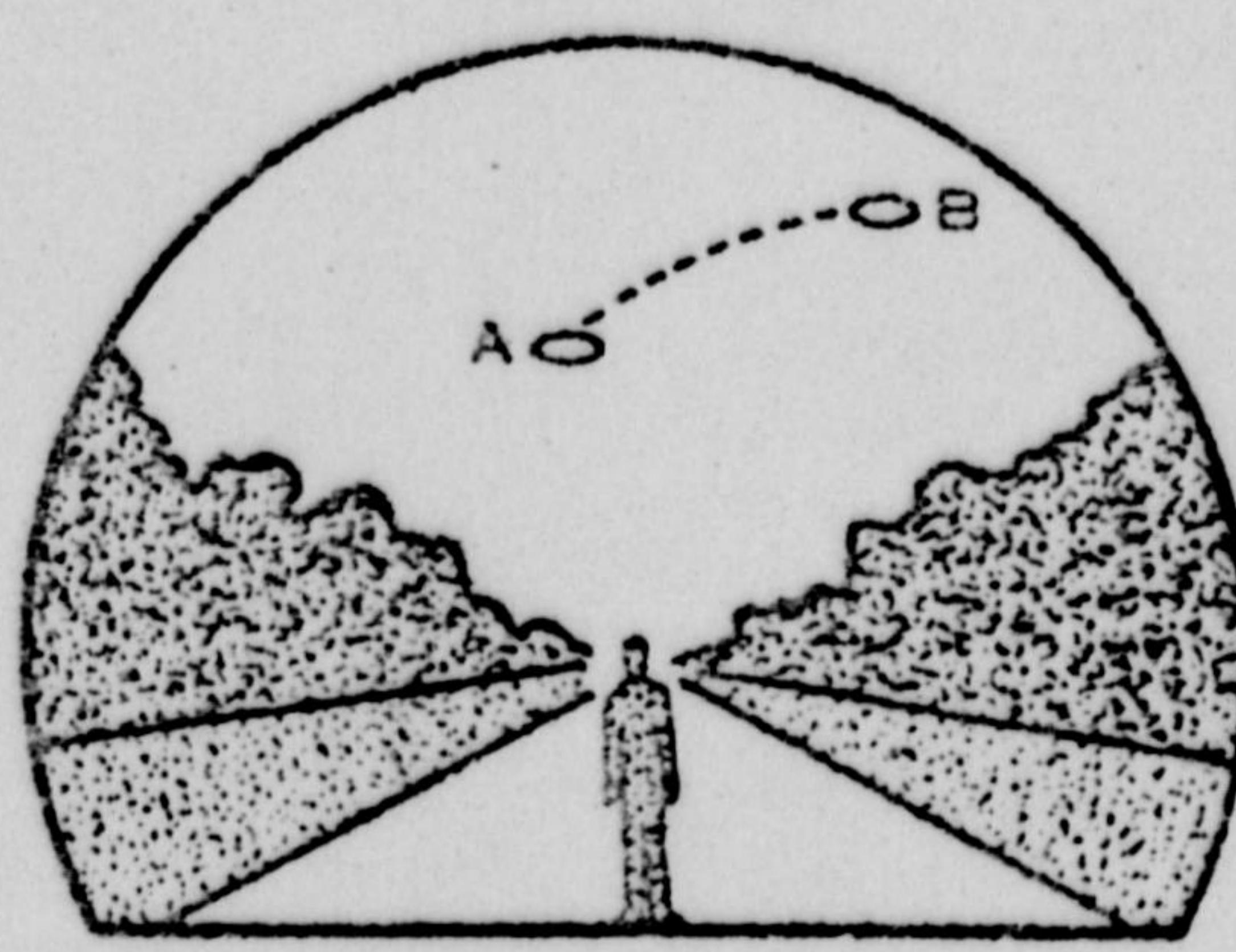
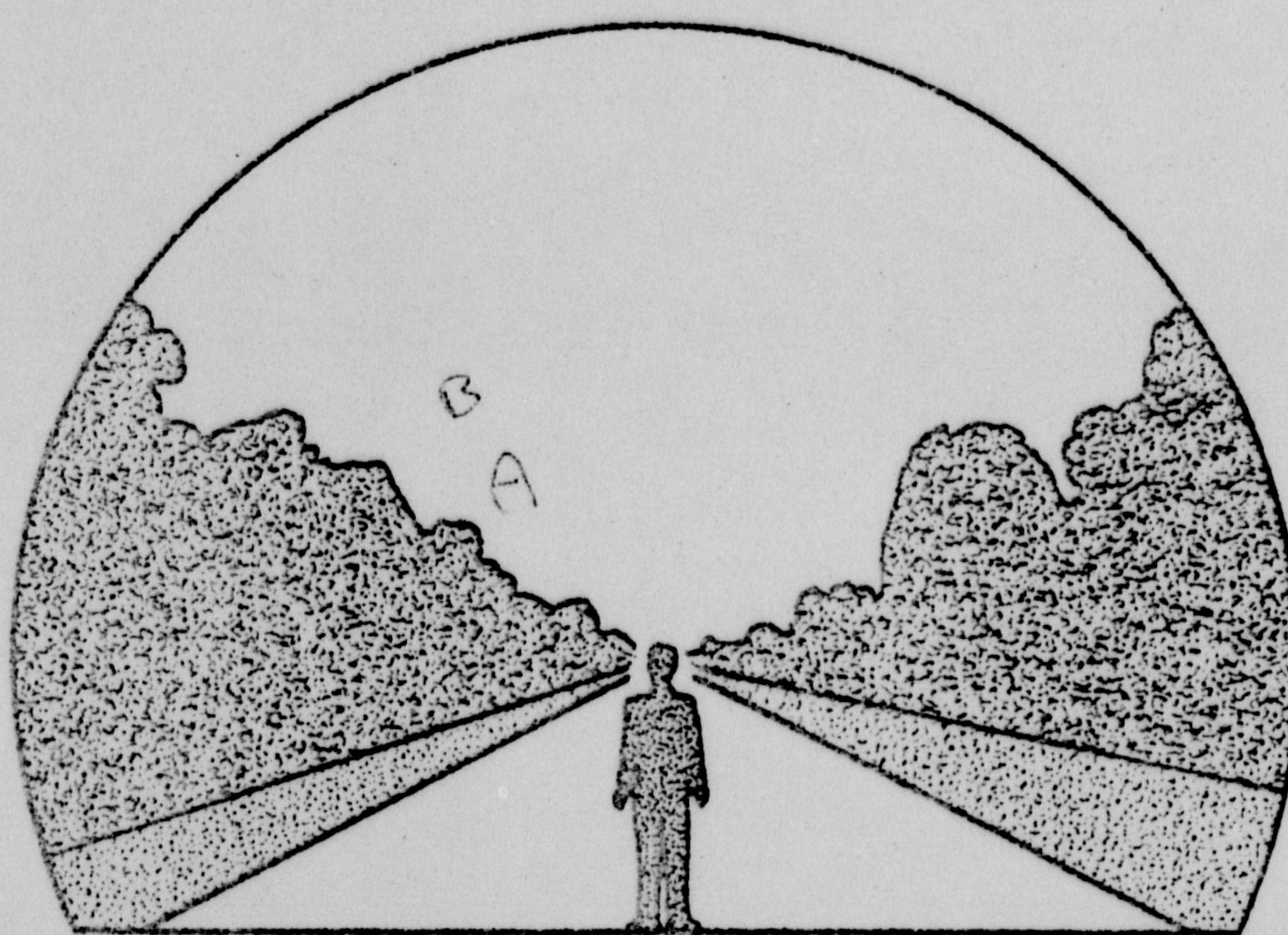
6. IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE POINT SHOWN IN THE SKETCH, PLACE AN "A" ON THE CURVED LINE TO SHOW HOW HIGH THE PHENOMENON WAS ABOVE THE HORIZON, OR SKYLINE, WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A "B" ON THE SAME CURVED LINE TO SHOW HOW HIGH ABOVE THE HORIZON THE PHENOMENON WAS WHEN LAST SEEN.



6A. NOW IMAGINE YOU ARE AT THE CENTER OF THE COMPASS ROSE. PLACE AN "A" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN. PLACE A "B" ON THE COMPASS TO INDICATE THE DIRECTION TO THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN.



7. IN THE SKETCH BELOW, PLACE AN "A" AT THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON WHEN FIRST SEEN, AND A "B" AT THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON WHEN LAST SEEN. CONNECT THE "A" AND "B" WITH A LINE TO APPROXIMATE THE MOVEMENT OF THE PHENOMENON BETWEEN "A" AND "B". THAT IS, SCHEMATICALLY SHOW WHETHER THE MOVEMENT APPEARED TO BE STRAIGHT, CURVED OR ZIG-ZAG. REFER TO SMALLER SKETCH AS AN EXAMPLE OF HOW TO COMPLETE THE LARGER SKETCH.



8. WHERE WERE YOU WHEN YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? (Check appropriate blocks.)					
OUTDOORS			IN BUSINESS SECTION OF CITY		
IN BUILDING			IN RESIDENTIAL SECTION OF CITY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
IN CAR	<input type="checkbox"/> AS DRIVER	<input type="checkbox"/> AS PASSENGER	IN OPEN COUNTRYSIDE		
IN BOAT			NEAR AIRFIELD		
IN AIRPLANE	<input type="checkbox"/> AS PILOT	<input type="checkbox"/> AS PASSENGER	FLYING OVER CITY		
OTHER			FLYING OVER OPEN COUNTRY		
Terrace in building 16 th floor			OTHER		
A. IF YOU WERE IN A VEHICLE, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:					
WHAT DIRECTION WERE YOU MOVING?			HOW FAST WERE YOU MOVING?		
NORTH		EAST			
SOUTH		WEST	DID YOU STOP ANYTIME WHILE OBSERVING THE PHENOMENON?		
NORTHEAST		SOUTHEAST	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
NORTHWEST		SOUTHWEST			
EXPLAIN WHETHER SUCH MOVEMENT AFFECTS YOUR SKETCHES IN ITEMS 5 AND 6.					
DESCRIBE TYPE OF VEHICLE YOU WERE IN AND TYPE OF ROAD, TERRAIN OR BODY OF WATER YOU TRAVESED DURING THE SIGHTING. STATE WHETHER WINDOWS OR CONVERTIBLE TOP WERE UP OR DOWN.					
HOW MUCH OTHER TRAFFIC WAS THERE?					
DID YOU NOTICE ANY AIRPLANES? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE WHEN THEY WERE IN SIGHT RELATIVE TO THE TIME OF SIGHTING THE PHENOMENON AND WHERE THEY WERE IN THE SKY RELATIVE TO THE POSITION OF THE PHENOMENON.					
9. HOW LONG WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT?					
LENGTH OF TIME			CERTAIN OF TIME	NOT VERY SURE	
about an hour and a half	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		FAIRLY CERTAIN	JUST A GUESS	
HOW WAS TIME DETERMINED?					
by clock					
WAS THE PHENOMENON IN SIGHT CONTINUOUSLY? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO. IF "NO," INDICATE WHETHER THIS IS DUE TO YOUR MOVEMENT OR THE BEHAVIOR OF THE PHENOMENON, AND DESCRIBE SUCH MOVEMENT OR BEHAVIOR. INDICATE DISAPPEARANCES ON PREVIOUS SKETCHES.					
<p>clt moved slowly back and forth a few feet and also stood still.</p> <p>And once went behind a cloud</p>					

10. IF THERE WERE MORE THAN ONE PHENOMENON, HOW MANY WERE THERE? DRAW A PICTURE TO SHOW HOW THEY WERE ARRANGED. DID THIS ARRANGEMENT CHANGE DURING THE SIGHTING?

11.

CONDITIONS (Check appropriate blocks.)

A. SKY	B.	WEATHER
DAY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CUMULUS CLOUDS (Low fluffy)	FOG OR MIST
TWILIGHT	CIRRUS CLOUDS (High fleecy or Herring-bone)	HEAVY RAIN
NIGHT	NIMBUS CLOUDS (Rain)	LIGHT RAIN OR DRIZZLE
CLEAR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CUMULONIMBUS CLOUDS (Thunderstorms)	HAIL
PARTLY CLOUDY		SNOW OR SLEET
COMPLETELY OVERCAST	HAZE OR SMOG <i>(Medium)</i>	UNKNOWN
		NONE OF THE ABOVE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

C. IF THE SIGHTING WAS AT TWILIGHT OR NIGHT, WHAT DID YOU NOTICE ABOUT THE STARS AND MOON?

(1) STARS	(2)	MOON
NONE	BRIGHT MOONLIGHT	NO MOONLIGHT
A FEW	MOON WITH HALO	UNKNOWN
MANY	MOON HIDDEN BY CLOUDS	
UNKNOWN	PARTIAL (New or quarter)	

D. IF SIGHTING WAS IN DAYLIGHT, WAS THE SUN VISIBLE? YES NO. IF "YES," WHERE WAS THE SUN AS YOU FACED THE PHENOMENON?

IN FRONT OF YOU	TO YOUR RIGHT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OVERHEAD (Near noon)
IN BACK OF YOU	TO YOUR LEFT	UNKNOWN

E. SPECIFY THE MAJOR SOURCE OF ILLUMINATION PRESENT DURING THE SIGHTING, SUCH AS THE SUN, HEADLIGHTS OR STREET LAMP, ETC. FOR TERRESTRIAL ILLUMINATION, SPECIFY DISTANCE TO LIGHT SOURCE.

Sun

12. GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PHENOMENON, INDICATING WHETHER IT APPEARED DARK OR LIGHT, WHETHER IT REFLECTED LIGHT OR WAS SELF-LUMINOUS AND WHAT COLORS YOU NOTICED. DESCRIBE YOUR IMPRESSION OF WHETHER IT WAS SOLID OR TRANSPARENT, WHETHER EDGES WERE SHARP OR FUZZY. DESCRIBE THE SHAPE OR INDICATE IF IT APPEARED AS A POINT OF LIGHT. INDICATE COMPARISONS WITH OTHER OBSERVED OBJECTS, LIKE STARS, A LIGHT OR OTHER OBJECT IN YOUR FIELD OF VIEW.

It started out ~~as~~ white and later on turned orange and pink tones. Combination round and oval. It looked solid as far as we could see.

Planes were passing by and it did not look like ~~as~~ any normal flying object

13. DID THE PHENOMENON	YES	NO	UNKNOWN
MOVE IN A STRAIGHT LINE?			
STAND STILL AT ANYTIME?	✓		
SUDDENLY SPEED UP AND RUN AWAY?			
BREAK UP IN PARTS AND EXPLODE?			
CHANGE COLOR?	✓		
GIVE OFF SMOKE?			
CHANGE BRIGHTNESS?	✓		
CHANGE SHAPE?			
FLASH OR FLICKER?			
DISAPPEAR AND REAPPEAR?			
SPIN LIKE A TOP?			
MAKE A NOISE?			
FLUTTER OR WOBBLE?			

14. WHAT DREW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE PHENOMENON?

We were looking at George Washington Bridge and we saw some unusual thing over it. We did not think much of it until it moved slowly back and forth. We took pictures. We also saw it changing colors.

A. HOW DID IT FINALLY DISAPPEAR?

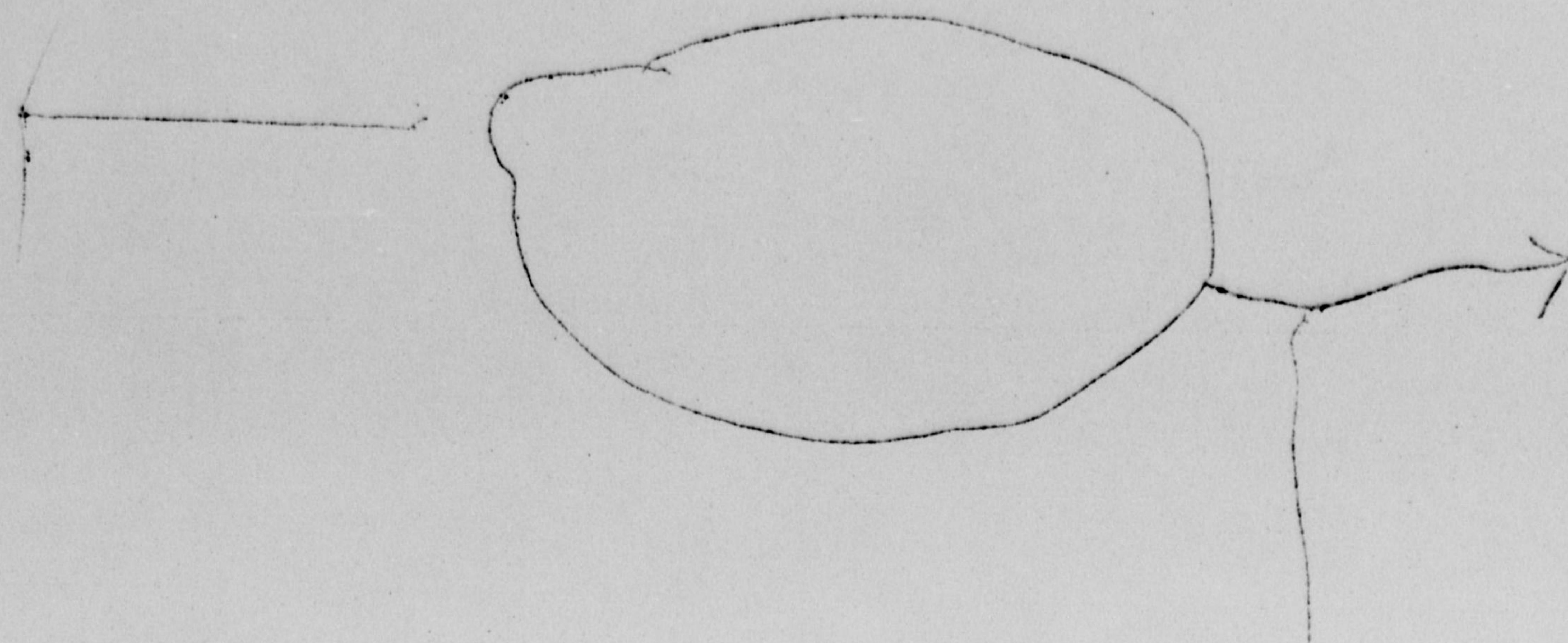
The clouds covered it and it started disappearing and then it disappeared.

B. DID THE PHENOMENON MOVE BEHIND OR IN FRONT OF SOMETHING, LIKE A CLOUD, TREE, OR BUILDING AT ANY TIME?

YES NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

When it was going away it went behind a cloud for awhile.

15. DRAW A PICTURE THAT WILL SHOW THE SHAPE OF THE PHENOMENON. INCLUDE AND LABEL ANY DETAILS THAT MIGHT HAVE APPEARED AS WINGS OR PROTRUSIONS, AND INDICATE EXHAUST OR VAPOR TRAILS. INDICATE BY AN ARROW THE DIRECTION THE PHENOMENON WAS MOVING.



and sometimes that direction

16. WHAT WAS THE ANGULAR SIZE? HOLD A MATCH AT ARM'S LENGTH IN FRONT OF A KNOWN OBJECT, SUCH AS A STREET LAMP OR THE MOON. NOTE HOW MUCH OF THE OBJECT IS COVERED BY THE HEAD OF THE MATCH. NOW IF YOU HAD BEEN ABLE TO PERFORM THIS EXPERIMENT AT THE TIME OF THE SIGHTING, ESTIMATE WHAT FRACTION OF THE PHENOMENON WOULD HAVE BEEN COVERED BY THE MATCH HEAD.

17. DID YOU OBSERVE THE PHENOMENON THROUGH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING? INCLUDE INFORMATION ON MODEL, TYPE, FILTER, LENS PRESCRIPTION OR OTHER APPLICABLE DATA. *Not too strong*

EYEGLASSES	CAMERA VIEWER
SUNGLASSES	BINOCULARS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
WINDSHIELD	TELESCOPE
SIDE WINDOW OF VEHICLE	THEODOLITE
WINDOWPANE	OTHER

A. DO YOU ORDINARILY WEAR GLASSES? YES NO B. DO YOU USE READING GLASSES? YES NO

18. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE SPEED OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF SPEED *Very slow*

19. WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE DISTANCE OF THE PHENOMENON? GIVE ESTIMATE OF DISTANCE *4 mi.*

20. IN ORDER THAT WE MAY OBTAIN AS CLEAR A PICTURE AS POSSIBLE OF WHAT YOU SAW, DESCRIBE IN YOUR OWN WORDS A COMMON OBJECT OR OBJECTS WHICH, WHEN PLACED IN THE SKY, SIMILAR TO WHERE YOU NOTED THE PHENOMENON, WOULD BEAR SOME RESEMBLANCE TO WHAT YOU SAW. DESCRIBE SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE COMMON OBJECT AND WHAT YOU SAW.

Clouds, Planes, sun

It was just about the color of the ~~cloud~~ clouds but did not look like one.

It didn't look like planes or sun at all.

21. DID YOU NOTICE ANY ODOR, NOISE, OR HEAT EMANATING FROM THE PHENOMENON OR ANY EFFECT ON YOURSELF, ANIMALS OR MACHINERY IN THE VICINITY? YES NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

A. DID THE PHENOMENON DISTURB THE GROUND OR LEAVE ANY PHYSICAL EVIDENCE. YES NO. IF "YES," DESCRIBE.

22. HAVE YOU EVER SEEN THIS OR A SIMILAR PHENOMENON BEFORE? YES NO. IF "YES," GIVE DATE AND LOCATION.

23. WAS ANYONE WITH YOU AT THE TIME YOU SAW THE PHENOMENON? YES NO. IF "YES," DID THEY SEE IT TOO?

A. LIST THEIR NAMES AND ADDRESSES

Rivendale N.Y. 10471

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24. GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT YOURSELF
LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME

ADDRESS (Street, City, State and Zip Code)

TELEPHONE (Area code and number)

AGE

MALE

FEMALE

INDICATE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION INCLUDING OCCUPATION AND ANY EXPERIENCE WHICH MAY BE PERTINENT.

none

25. WHEN AND TO WHOM DID YOU REPORT THAT YOU HAD SIGHTED THIS PHENOMENON?

NAME Capt. Shoemaker

DAY

MONTH

Oct.

YEAR 1968

26. DATE YOU COMPLETED THIS QUESTIONNAIRE.

DAY 10

MONTH Sept

YEAR 1969

27. INFORMATION WHICH YOU FEEL IS PERTINENT BUT WHICH IS NOT ADEQUATELY COVERED IN THIS QUESTIONNAIRE,
ALTERNATIVELY PROVIDE A NARRATIVE EXPLANATION OF THE SIGHTING.

It mostly stayed over the bridge
or a few feet away.

It was about 15 ft. over ^{the} bridge.