

24 August 1956

Mr. [REDACTED]

Newburgh, New York

Near Mr. [REDACTED]

This organization is responsible for analysis and preliminary investigation of unidentified flying object sightings within the boundaries of the United States. We appreciate your cooperation in reporting your sighting; however, additional information is needed for analysis of this sighting.

The inclosed ATIC Form No. 164 (U.S. Air Force Technical Information Sheet) is forwarded for your convenience in supplying this squadron with the needed information. Again our thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

2 Incls

1. ATIC Form 164
2. Rtn Envelope

JOHN D. TAYLOR, JR.
Major, USAF
Adjutant

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FM COMDR EADF STEWART AFB NEWBURGH NY

TO RJEDEN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO

RJEDWP/COMDR AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER WRIGHT PATT AFB OHIO

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/UNCLASSIFIED/ CIC-EAEOI 0001 PD SUBJ: UFOB

I. A. ROUND

B. SEE PHOTOS

C. WHITE

D. TWO

E. SIDE BY SIDE

F. NONE

G. NEG

H. NEG

I. NEG

II. A. DURING PHOTOGRAPHY

B. UNKNOWN

C. UNKNOWN

D. NEG

E. NEG

F. FORTY MINUTES

III. A. WITH CAMERA

B. THREE FILTERS: 1. HALF STEP 2. K2 3. POLARIZER

C. N/A

IV. A. 22/1550Z

B. DAY

V. A. NEWBURGH, NEW YORK

B. N/A

VI. A. [REDACTED] 15 1/2 YEARS [REDACTED] NEWBURGH, NY.

B. N/A

VII. A. N/A

B. N/A

C. CAVU

D. CAVU

E. ONE TO TWO TENTHS

F. NEG

VIII. A. NEG

B. NEG

C. NEG

IX. NONE

X. NONE

XI. NONE

XII. NONE

XIII. NONE

REMARKS: OBJECTS COULD PROBABLY BE THE RESULT OF INTERNAL REFLECTION OCCURRING FROM USING THREE FILTERS.

BT

23/1405Z AUG RJEPNB

4602D AISS UFOB REPT

DATE-TIME GROUP

295
22/1550Z Aug 52
NEWBURGH, N.Y.

Sent 164 27 Aug 52

DISPOSITION FORM

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION (if any)

UFOB FILE

FILE NO.

SUBJECT

Photos of UFOB sighting 22 Aug 56

TO Commander
4602d AISSFROM OIC, Det 3
4602d AISSDATE COMMENT NO. 1
5 Oct 56 QUINN/jaq/435

1. As requested, four (4) photographs of a UFOB sighting made by Mr. [REDACTED] of Newburgh, New York, are inclosed herewith. These photos were obtained from Major Wortham, Intelligence Requirements, D/I, EADF.
2. A receipt for these photos has been forwarded to the Source, with a statement that they are being forwarded for evaluation and that they will be returned to him upon completion.
3. Lt. O'Day stated that the photos had not been forwarded since preliminary evaluation indicated that the alleged UFOB was obviously due to lens refraction and reduplication of the basic image.
4. Request this unit be notified of further action required in this matter.

1 Incl
4 photosWILLIAM J SALWOCKI
Lt Colonel, USAF
Officer in Charge

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AISOP

Location of photos from Newburgh, N. Y.,
UFOB Sighting 22 Aug 56

OIC Det 3, 4602d AISS

Commander, 4602d AISS

21 Sep 56

Lt. Machyowsky/npb/4542

1. Reference UFOB report from Commander, EADF, Stewart AFB, Newburgh, N.Y., dated 22 Aug 56. A copy of the report is inclosed.

2. This Headquarters forwarded ATIC Form 164 to Source on 24 Aug 56. Source returned Form 164 and indicated the following concerning the photos he had taken of the sighting:

a. The photos of the sighting were turned over to Lt. O'Day "of the Intelligence Department" who took them back to Stewart AFB.

b. Lt. O'Day stated that he would send a receipt to source for the photos.

c. As of 9 Sep 56, Source had not received a receipt.

3. Request you contact Lt. O'Day and determine location of the photos. If photos are still at Stewart AFB, request you forward them as soon as possible to the Headquarters.

4. Also, request you send source a receipt for the photos if this has not been done. If photos have been lost, or can't be located, disregard the receipt.

5. A copy of the Source's comments ^{is} ~~are~~ inclosed for further reference.

2 Incls:
a/s

CHARLES W. GODSEY, Captain, USAF
Assistant Adjutant

Incl # 3

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HEADQUARTERS
4602D AIR INTELLIGENCE SERVICE SQUADRON (ADC)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
ENT AIR FORCE BASE, COLORADO

AISCR

15 October 1956

SUBJECT: UFOB Sighting

TO: Commander
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Attn: AFOIN 4EH
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Ohio

1. The following are inclosed for your information and necessary action:
 - a. Four (4) photographs of UFOB Sighting in Newburgh, New York.
 - b. Source's comments (copy) concerning his sighting.
 - c. Copy of Disposition Form from OIC, Detachment 3, concerning these photographs.
 - d. AISOP Form 5 giving the analysis of the sighting by this headquarters.
2. When analysis of inclosed photographs is completed, request they be returned to Source at the following address:

Mr. [REDACTED]
Newburg, New York
3. Since a copy of the AISOP Form 5 is being forwarded via usual channels, request inclosed copy be destroyed upon completion of analysis of photographs.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

- 4 Incls
1. 4-photographs
 2. Source's comments
 3. Disposition Form
 4. AISOP Form 5

CHARLES W. GODSEY
Captain, USAF
Assistant Adjutant

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U. S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes, and will be regarded as confidential material. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that, if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

22 Aug 1956
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 11 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

Newburgh
City or Town

New York
State or Country

Additional remarks: _____

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. 1 50 10
Hours Minutes Seconds

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

a. Certain
(b.) Fairly certain

c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

(Circle One): (a.) Bright daylight
b. Dull daylight
c. Bright twilight

d. Just a trace of daylight
e. No trace of daylight
f. Don't remember

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

(Circle One): a. In front of you
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, TWILIGHT, or DAWN, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None
- b. A few
- c. Many
- d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight
- b. Dull moonlight
- c. No moonlight — pitch dark
- d. Don't remember

9. Was the object brighter than the background of the sky?

(Circle One):

a. ☒ Yes

b. No

c. Don't remember

10. IF it was BRIGHTER THAN the sky background, was the brightness like that of an automobile headlight?:

(Circle One) ☒ a. A mile or more away (a distant car)?

b. Several blocks away?

c. A block away?

d. Several yards away?

e. Other _____

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time? | ☒ Yes | ☐ No | ☐ Don't Know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No | ☐ Don't Know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No | ☐ Don't Know |
| d. Give off smoke? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No | ☐ Don't Know |
| e. Change brightness? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No | ☐ Don't Know |
| f. Change shape? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No | ☐ Don't Know |
| g. Flicker, throb, or pulsate? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No | ☒ Don't Know? |

12. Did the object move behind something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

☒ No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved behind: _____

13. Did the object move in front of something at anytime, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

☒ Yes

No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved in front of: _____

The Sun

14. Did the object appear:

(Circle One):

☒ a. Solid?

b. Transparent?

c. Don't Know.

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

- | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|--|---------------|--------------------------------|--|
| a. Eyeglasses | Yes | No ☒ | e. Binoculars | Yes | No ☒ |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | No ☒ | f. Telescope | Yes | No ☒ |
| c. Windshield | Yes | No ☒ | g. Theodolite | Yes | No ☒ |
| d. Window glass | Yes | No ☒ | h. Other | <u>Filter lens of a camera</u> | |
- Lenses - 1. F² 2. Half Stop 3. Polarizing

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

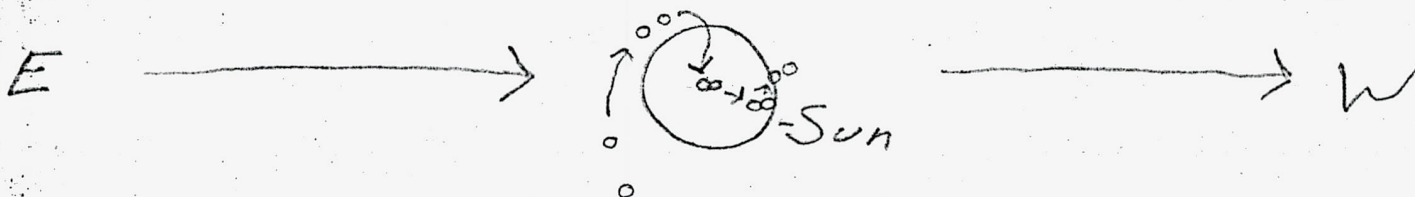
a. Sound

None

b. Color

Brilliant illuminous white

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

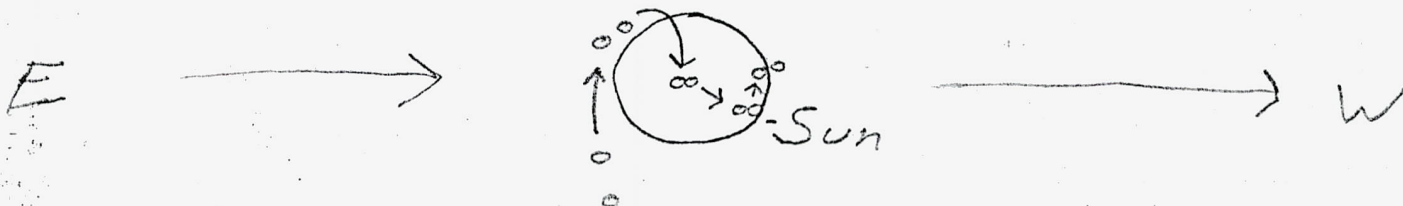


18. The edges of the object were:

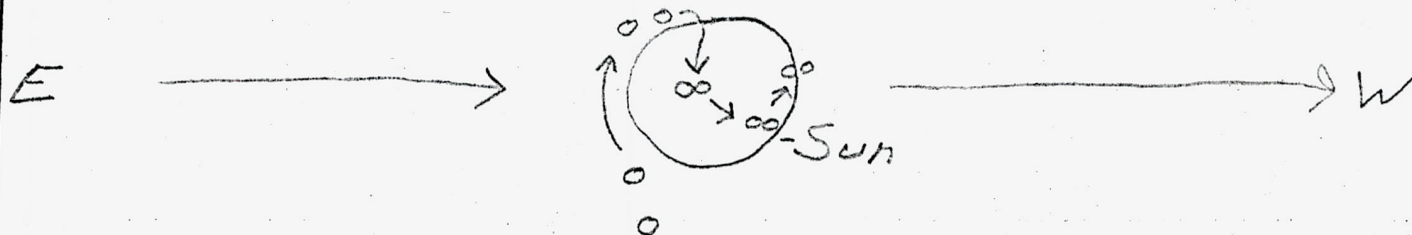
- (Circle One): a. Fuzzy or blurred
b. Like a bright star
☒ c. Sharply outlined
d. Don't remember

e. Other

19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? (2) Two
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.



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



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

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

(Circle One):

- a. Head of a pin
☒ b. Pea
 c. Dime
 d. Nickel
 e. Quarter
 f. Half dollar

- g. Silver dollar
 h. Baseball
 i. Grapefruit
 j. Basketball
 k. Other _____

- 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? By moving directly in front of the Sun

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

*I would make it of aluminum or very shiny magnesium. It would be about 200' in diameter and would be perfectly round in shape.
 A white weather balloon very high up would make the same appearance.*

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

- a. Inside a building
- b. In a car
- ☒ c. Outdoors
- d. In an airplane
- e. At sea
- f. Other _____

26. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
- ☒ b. In the residential section of a city?
- c. In open countryside?
- d. Flying near an airfield?
- e. Flying over a city?
- f. Flying over open country?
- g. Other _____

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

I was taking pictures of the sun with my polaroid camera through filter lens. I happen to notice the objects when I looked at the pictures.

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

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

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

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

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

(Circle One) Yes No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? (Circle One)

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

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

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

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

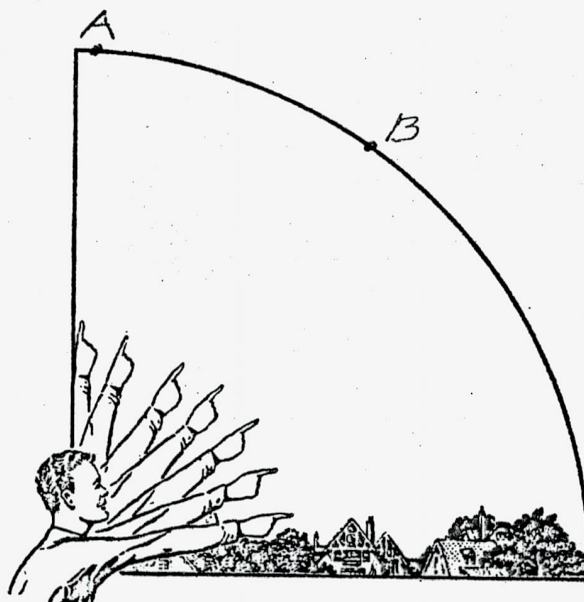
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North 135 degrees.
- b. From horizon 90 degrees.

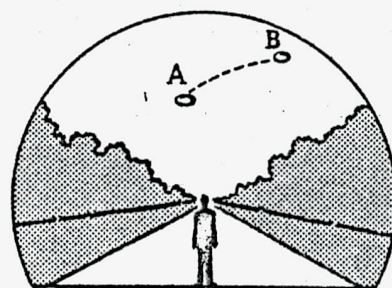
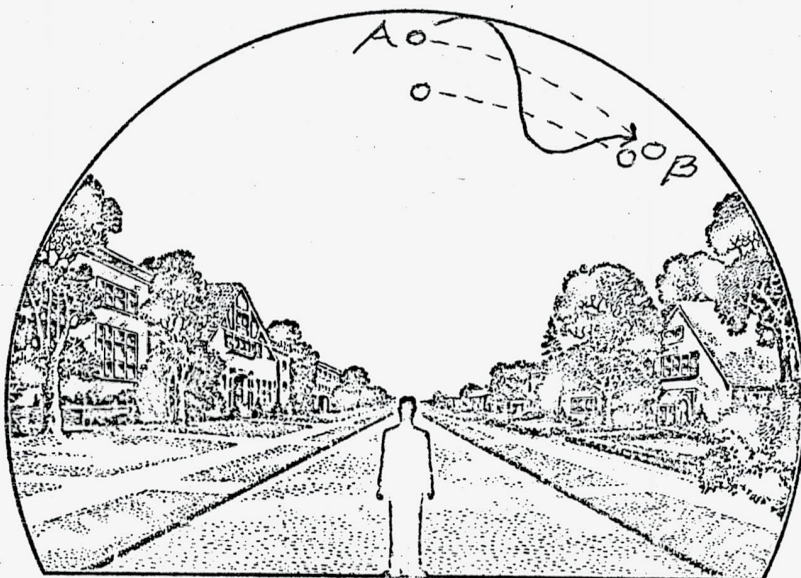
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 225 degrees.
- b. From horizon 60 degrees.

32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it.



33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.



It moved with the sun

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 *fracto cumulus*
- 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 *82°*
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

35. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?

22 Aug. 1956
Day Month Year

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) ☒ Yes No

36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One) ☒ Yes No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

My mother: 

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) ☒ Yes No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

It might have been a stray weather balloon that nobody knew about or it might have been a U.F.O. It moved with the sun (Flying Saucer)

39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One)

☒ Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate?

100 m.p.h. or less

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

(Circle One)

☒ Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was?

30-40,000 feet.

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

[Redacted] Last Name

[Redacted] First Name

[Redacted] Middle Name

ADDRESS

[Redacted] Street

Newburgh City

Zone

N.Y. State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

[Redacted]

What is your present job?

Senior High School Student

Age

16

Sex

Male

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

☒ a. Grade school

e. e. Technical school

☒ b. High school

(Type)

c. College

f. Other special training

d. Post graduate

Civil Air Patrol
Ground Observer Corps

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

9 Day

Sept. Month

1956 Year

U. S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

(SUMMARY DATA)

In order that your information may be filed and coded as accurately as possible, please use the following space to write out a short description of the event that you observed. You may repeat information that you have already given in the questionnaire, and add any further comments, statements, or sketches that you believe are important. Try to present the details of the observation in the order in which they occurred. Additional pages of the same size paper may be attached if they are needed.

NAME

(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

SIGNATURE

DATE

9/27/56

at 11:40 A.M., I walked out into my back yard to take pictures of the sun. It was a warm, clear, bright day. In order to take the pictures, I attached three filters to my camera. - (Polaroid). A Half Step, a K² and a Polarizing Filter. I set the shutter at 9.

after the picture developed, I found two big white round dots next to the sun. The background of the picture was dark and the sun white. The disks had the

same magnitude as the sun. I showed the picture to my mother and then checked with Stewart Field A.F.B. if they had sent up any weather balloons. They didn't.

Then at 12:00 P.M. I took a second picture. It showed that the objects had changed position and came closer together.

I then called and told my story to a Lt. O'Leary of the Intelligence Dept. At 12:45 P.M. he came over to my house. Also, I took a third picture. He got all of the information and took the pictures. He said that he would send me a receipt for them; and which I have not yet recieved. Also, at 1:30 P.M. I took a fourth and last picture for him. If you have not yet recieved the pictures, they are at Stewart Field A.F.B. Also, I checked and found that there was no dirt on the camera ^{lens}, which might have caused it.

UFO OBSERVERS INSTRUCTION SHEET (Sky Diagram)

1. GENERAL:

a. The diagram represents all of the sky normally visible to the observer, who is pictured standing under the center of the "dome" of the sky. It is designed to show a three-dimensional view of the area centered around the observer at the time of the UFO sighting.

b. The position of any object in the sky can be described by giving its elevation, or angle upward from the horizon, and its bearing or angle along the horizon, eastward from north.

(1) Illustrations:

- (a) Elevation is 0 degrees for an object on the horizon, and 90 degrees for the point directly over the observer (zenith). Thus, an object half-way up from the horizon to the zenith has an elevation of 45 degrees.
- (b) Bearing (or "azimuth") is the angle along the horizon, starting from north and moving clockwise eastward. Thus, an object directly toward the east, no matter what its elevation is above the horizon, has a bearing of 90 degrees, an object in the south has a bearing of 180 degrees; toward the west, 270 degrees and so on. North is, of course, zero.

EXAMPLE: An object is seen in the northeast and one-third way up from horizon to overhead. Thus, the object has a bearing of 45 degrees, and elevation of 30 degrees. Similarly, an object having a bearing of 180 degrees and an elevation of 60 degrees would be seen directly south and two-thirds of the way up from the horizon.

2. PLOTTING THE COURSE OF AN OBJECT ON THE SKY DIAGRAM:

a. The path of an object across the sky can be shown completely on this diagram simply by connecting with a curved or straight line the various positions the object successively occupies (see example sheet). To aid visualization, the path on the western side of the sky is represented by broken lines; the eastern side in solid lines. Direction of the object is indicated by arrows. The duration of the sighting can be shown by indicating the time at the position, where the object was first and last observed. Where possible, the time at various intermediate positions occupied by the object should also be shown.

b. The diagram can be made a more effective investigative and analytical tool by making the lines (showing the path of the object) thicker or thinner to indicate any varying brightness of the object observed. This is especially valuable when the object appeared only as a moving light at night. Thus, if a light becomes brighter and then gradually fades, it can be represented by a line becoming increasingly thicker and then gradually thinning out to nothing.

c. Use of colored pencils is especially recommended if the object changes color or hue during the sighting.

3. EXAMPLE OF DIAGRAM USE:

a. Verbal Description of Example Sighting: Object was first sighted in the southeast, about half-way up from the horizon to overhead, at 10:45 PM local time. Its shape or outline was hazy, but appeared round and about the size of a pea (at arm's length) from where observed. It was dim at first but brightened considerably as it got higher in the sky. Its color at this point was bluish white. After about two minutes it crossed to the western part of the sky a little to the north of overhead (zenith) and continued its flight toward the west. At this point its color appeared yellowish white. The light went dim when it got two-thirds of the way to the horizon. It then stopped and hovered for about one minute and then climbed rapidly, going toward the southwest and getting brighter. In less than thirty seconds, it had climbed to an elevation of approximately 60 degrees, and then the light went out abruptly.

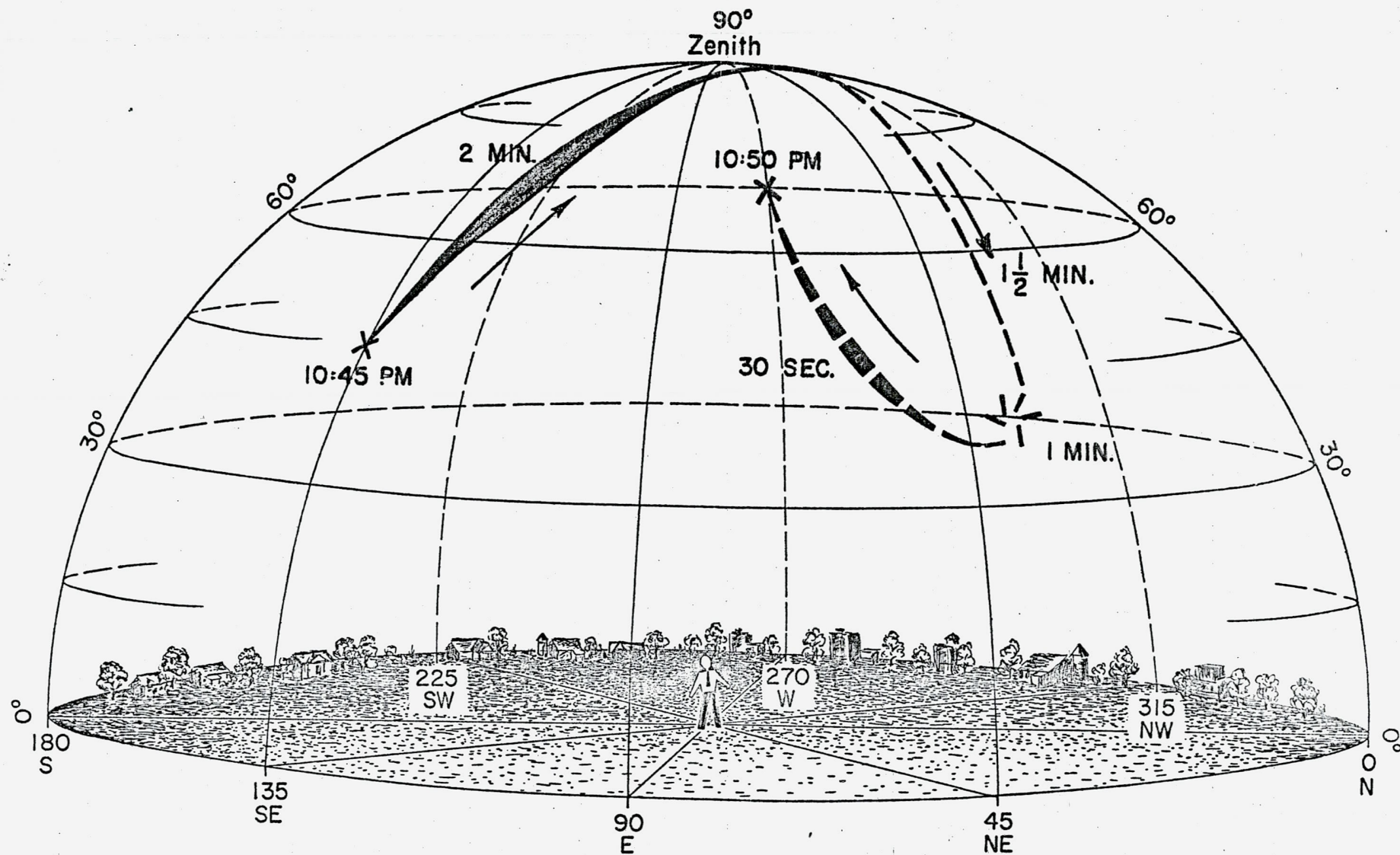
b. Pictorial Description of the Sighting: By referring to the example sheet, notice how simply the above sighting can be portrayed and described, without words, on the example diagram attached here. Note the starting point at bearing 135 degrees (southeast) and elevation 45 degrees (half-way up from the horizon) at 10:45 PM (military time, 2245), and the arrow marking direction of flight. Note also the varying thickness of the line to denote changes in brightness, and the use of the dotted line to indicate its path in the western part of the sky. The "time indications" along the path - 2 minutes to get to the meridian (the north-south overhead line), the hovering for 1 minute, and the ascent in 30 seconds to its complete disappearance, are all shown with a few lines. Thus, the entire sighting can be represented easily on one diagram.

4. FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION:

a. Relatively complex trajectories can easily be shown on a diagram of this type. A number of objects sighted can also be indicated, as can any changing formation. The apparent size and shape of the object should be drawn in, preferably by the observer. In the case of an object changing shape or color, this likewise can be drawn in. As previously pointed out, the use of colored pencils to indicate change of color is very desirable.

b. The landscaping in the sky diagram is placed there to help visualization. If any prominent landmarks such as known mountains, buildings, water towers, or specific installations, trees, etc., are part of the sighting area, they should be incorporated into the drawing. These landmarks may later prove to be invaluable as location, plotting or reference points.

c. If you are familiar with the constellations or other heavenly bodies, indicate if possible, the relationship (and movements) of the object with respect to these bodies. This can be sketched on either page 6, item 33 or pages 9-10 of "Summary Data" sheet. Typical examples that can be easily illustrated: "...The object seemed to pass very slowly between the two bottom stars on the handle of the Big Dipper, which was in a vertical position, with the handle pointing down," or "...Object was about the size of a tennis ball -- and remained slightly below and about 15 degrees to the left of the moon."



(EXAMPLE SHEET)