

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. LOCATION (Atlantic) (Azores) 41°N - 37°W		12. CONCLUSIONS
2. TYPE OF OBSERVATION		☐ Was Balloon
☐ Ground-Visual		☐ Probably Balloon
☒ Air-Visual		☐ Possibly Balloon
☐ Ground-Radar		☐ Was Aircraft
☐ Air-Intercept Radar		☐ Probably Aircraft
3. SOURCE		☐ Possibly Aircraft
C-124 crew		☐ Was Astronomical
4. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION		☐ Probably Astronomical
over hour		☐ Possibly Astronomical
5. NUMBER OF OBJECTS		☐ Other
2		☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
6. COURSE		☒ Unknown
7. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING		8. COMMENTS
Green to white in color. Lights Blinked irregularly.		

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26 September 1952

Azores Islands

Description of Incident

At approximately 0116Z (2316 local time), a C-124 enroute from Harmon AFB, Newfoundland, to the Azores on a MH of 135°, TAS of 200 mph, and altitude of 9000', observed two distinct green lights 15° forward of the right wing and slightly above. The C-124 was at 41°00'N-35°00'W at the time. The lights were observed by the pilot, co-pilot, engineer, and aircraft commander. The lights remained off the right wing and appeared to alternate leading each other. At one time, the lights appeared to turn toward the C-124. The lights were visible until the aircraft sighted the Azores.

All other known aircraft in the area were checked with the tower and asked to blink their lights. Each aircraft was either located or it was established that they were too far away to be seen. Surface vessels were also checked but none were in the area.

The weather was CAVU.

Comments

The only possible explanation is another aircraft or some light phenomenon. The possibility of other aircraft is slight because no aircraft came in to land behind the C-124 and very few aircraft overfly the Azores. In addition, all aircraft flying in that area keep their position known to the Air Force so they can be aided in an emergency. The only other possible aircraft would be unfriendly and again this is doubtful.

Light phenomenon is possible since the right wing carries a green light, the "reflection off a vertical inversion" could have been the cause. However, since there are no data on this proposed phenomenon the sighting cannot be attributed to this.

Conclusion

Unknown

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a later period six additional objects were noted. No vapor trails, exhaust, or sound was noted. This case is carried in the FTD files as being due to balloons, but aircraft seems a much more likely solution in view of the reported speed and maneuvers.

7. At Patrick AFB, Florida, on 18 July 1952, six separate observations of five different series of objects, described as lights, were reported. The initial object which set off the series of observations was a rawinsonde balloon released from a point two miles south of the observer. Following this report were others describing various lights which were observed for short periods of time, usually about 10 seconds, traveling at tremendous speeds in horizontal flights without maneuvers. These lights appeared in varying numbers. These lights are unidentified, but it is probable that they were mirages.

8. There is no case in the FTD files from any AG & W site in Michigan during the month of July 1952.

9. At Goose Bay, Labrador, on 15 December 1952, pilots of a E-23 and a F-94-B attempted, without success, to close on a bright object. The object was identified as an astronomical body.

10. There is no case in the FTD files from northern Michigan on 24 November 1951.

11. There were three cases from Japan on 29 December 1952:

a. At Chitose at 1830-2000 hours a pilot attempted to close on Jupiter.

b. At Misawa a pilot reported a UFO which was determined to have been due to the misidentification of an astronomical body.

c. At 1948-2005 there was an aerial observation of an unidentified flying object which was determined to be Venus.

12. There is no case in the FTD files from Japan on 19 April 1952.

13. On 26 September 1952 in the Azores members of an aircrew observed two lights for over an hour. These lights fluctuated in color and brightness. They were about 20° apart in azimuth and maintained their relationship to each other throughout the sighting. This case is carried as unidentified, but in all probability the sighting was due to the misidentification of distant lights on surface vessels.

14. UFO reported from Eniw Atoll and identified as a B-47.

15. There is no case in the FTD files from Korea on 7 February 1953.

AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE
OHIO

10 October 1952

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Mrs. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Mapleton, Minn.

Dear Mrs. [REDACTED]

Your recent report of unidentified aerial phenomena has been received by the Air Technical Intelligence Center. Inclosed is a questionnaire, which, when completed by you and returned in the inclosed, self-addressed envelope, will aid in standardizing the data and will provide a complete record of the occurrence.

Your interest in reporting the matter and your public spirited desire to be of service are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Kennedy
ROBERT E. KENNEDY
Major, USAF
Air Adjutant General

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TENTATIVE
OBSERVERS QUESTIONNAIRE - 4795.00

SECTION A

1. When did you see the object:

1.1 Date: 27 Sept 1952
Day Month Year

1.2 Time of day: 10 15 A.M. or P.M. (Circle One)
Hrs. Min.

1.3 Time Zone: (Circle One):

- | | |
|-------------------|----------------|
| a. Eastern | d. Pacific |
| <u>b.</u> Central | e. Other _____ |
| c. Mountain | |

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

1.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above question 1.2:

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| <u>a.</u> Certain | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Just a guess |

2. Where did you see the object?

[Redacted] 1 mi north Winn Nebraska
Postal Address City or Town State Country

3. Where were you located when you saw the object:

(Circle One): a. Inside a building d. In an airplane
b. In a car e. At sea
c. Outdoors f. Other _____

3.1 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 _____

8. What direction were you facing when you first saw the object?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|--------------|--|
| a. North | ☒ e. South ⁽²⁾ |
| b. Northeast | ☒ f. Southwest ⁽¹⁾ |
| c. East | g. West |
| d. Southeast | h. Northwest |

8.1 What direction were you facing when the object disappeared?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|--------------|--|
| a. North | e. South |
| b. Northeast | f. Southwest |
| c. East | ☒ g. West <i>or</i> |
| d. Southeast | ☒ h. Northwest |

8.2 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above two questions. (8 and 8.1).

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

9. Were you wearing eye glasses when you saw the object? (Circle One):

☒ Yes or No

10. How was the object seen?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|--|------------------------|
| a. Through window glass | e. Through theodolite |
| ☒ b. Through windshield | f. Through sun glasses |
| c. Through binoculars | g. Through open space |
| d. Through telescope | h. Other _____ |

11. What do you remember about the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

11.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- ☒ a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds
- e. Don't remember

11.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

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

11.2 WIND (Circle One)

- ☒ a. No wind
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. Don't remember

11.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold
- b. Cool
- ☒ c. Warm to *Cool*
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

4. How did you happen to notice the object? As we turned the corner it was in front of us traveling from SE to NW. The lighted tail attracted my attention.
5. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?
1st Oct 1952
 Day Month Year

SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object? riding in a car with husband Chas Burnes.

6.1 What had you been doing for the 30 minutes before you saw the object? Try to list the activity or activities, and the approximate amount of time spent on each.

I got off a Bus from Chicago at Haasda Min at 9:20 or 9:30 with my husband's sister. My husband met us at Haasda. My husband met me at their home farm 4 mi NE of Haasda.

7. Were you moving at any time while you saw the object? (Circle One):
☒ Yes ^{or} ☐ No.

If you answered YES, then complete the following questions.

7.1 What direction were you moving?

(Circle One):

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

7.2 How fast were you moving? 20 miles per hour.

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

(Circle One): Yes or ☒ No

SECTION C

12. Estimate how long you saw the object? 45 or more
Hours Minutes Seconds

12.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 12:

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

13. Did the object look: (Circle One) Solid or Transparent?

14. Did the object at any time:

(Circle One for each question)

14.1	Change direction?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.2	Change speed?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.3	Change size?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.4	Change color?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.5	Break up into parts or explode?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.6	Give off smoke?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.7	Change brightness?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.8	Flicker, throb, or pulsate?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.9	Remain motionless?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>

15. Did the object give off a light? (Circle One): Yes No Don't know

15.1 IF you answered YES, what was the color of the light? red

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

16.1 Sound No Sound

16.2 Color object dark gray - tail red.

17. 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 they were traveling.

18. Did the object at any time:

18.1 Move behind something? (Circle One) Yes ^{tail did} No Don't know

If you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind.

35 ft from corner tail went behind trees.

18.2 Move in front of something? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

If you answered YES, then tell what it moved in front of.

18.3 Blend with the background? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

19. Which of the following objects is about the same actual size as the object you saw? (Circle One):

- | | |
|------------------|---------------------------------|
| a. Pea | f. Automobile |
| b. Baseball | g. Small airplane |
| c. Basketball | h. Large airplane |
| d. Bicycle wheel | i. Dirigible |
| e. Office desk | j. Other <u>Bottle gas tank</u> |
| | <u>45 in long 15 in dia.</u> |

19.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 19.

- | | |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| a. Certain | c. Not very sure |
| <u>b.</u> Fairly certain | d. Uncertain |

20. Try to tell the following things about the object:

20.1 How high above the earth was it? 50 to 60 feet.

20.2 How far was it from you? 300 feet or _____ miles

20.3 How fast was it going? 45 miles per hour.

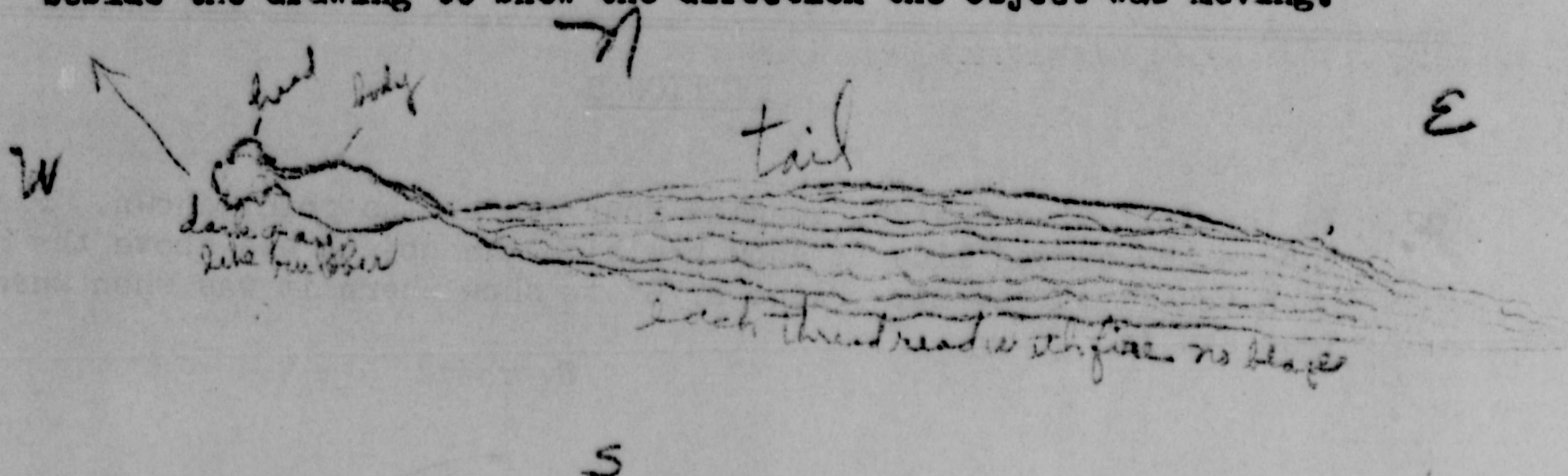
20.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above questions:

- | | |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| a. Certain | c. Not very sure |
| <u>b.</u> Fairly certain | d. Just a guess |

21. How did the object disappear from view?

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| (Circle One): <u>a.</u> Suddenly | c. Other _____ |
| b. Gradually | d. Don't remember |

25. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw, and place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



SECTION E

26. Was this the first time that you have seen an object like this?
(Circle One): Yes No

26.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what conditions did you see other ones? _____

27. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?
My first impression was a guided missile from Russia. Second, a jet plane. But on thinking it over, it did not answer either description. It was too slow too low and moving on a level plane.

28. Give the following information about yourself:

NAME

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

What is your present job?

Housewife

Age

66

Sex

Female

Last School Attended

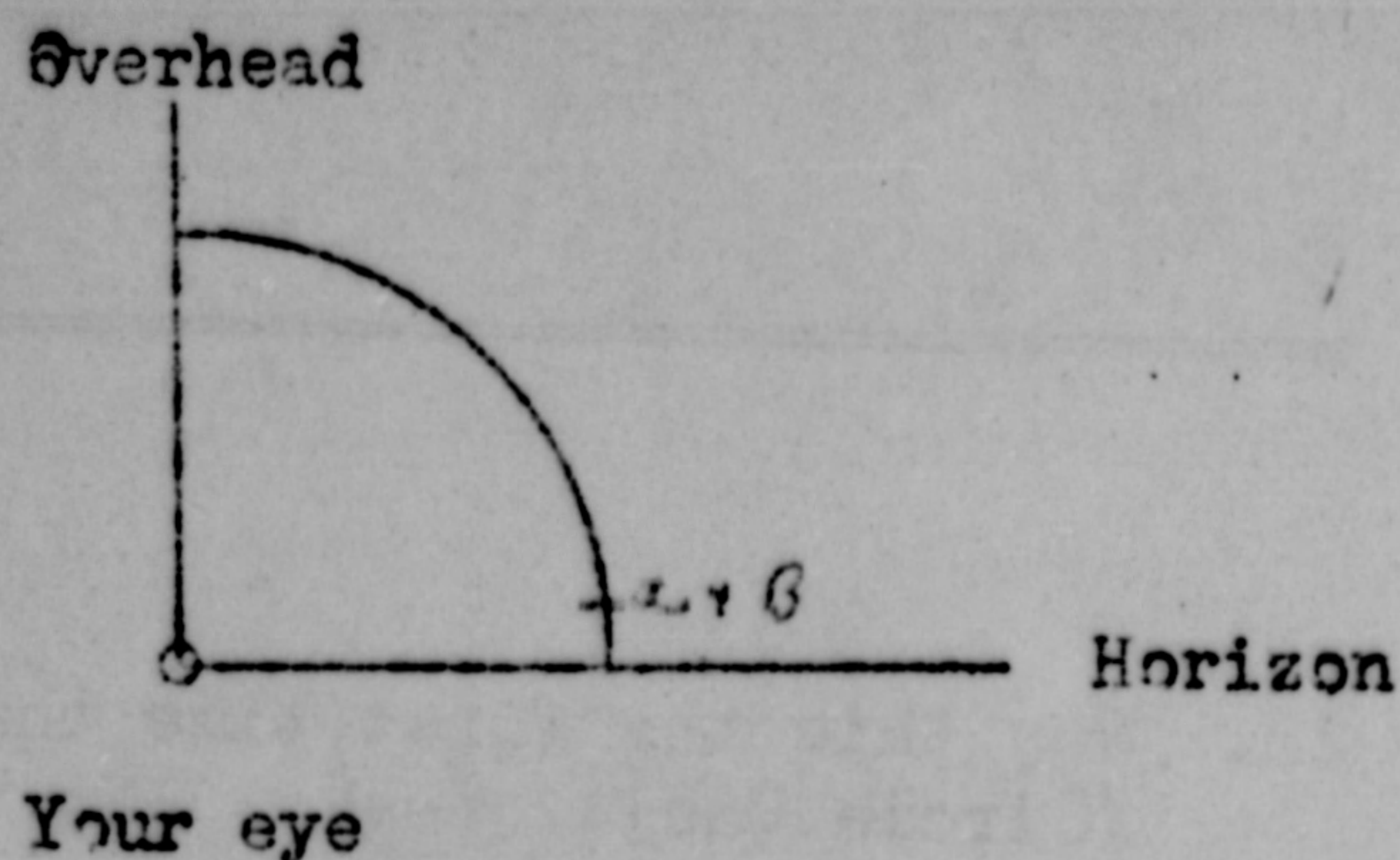
Marquette Teachers College Summer Term

Year of last attendance at this school

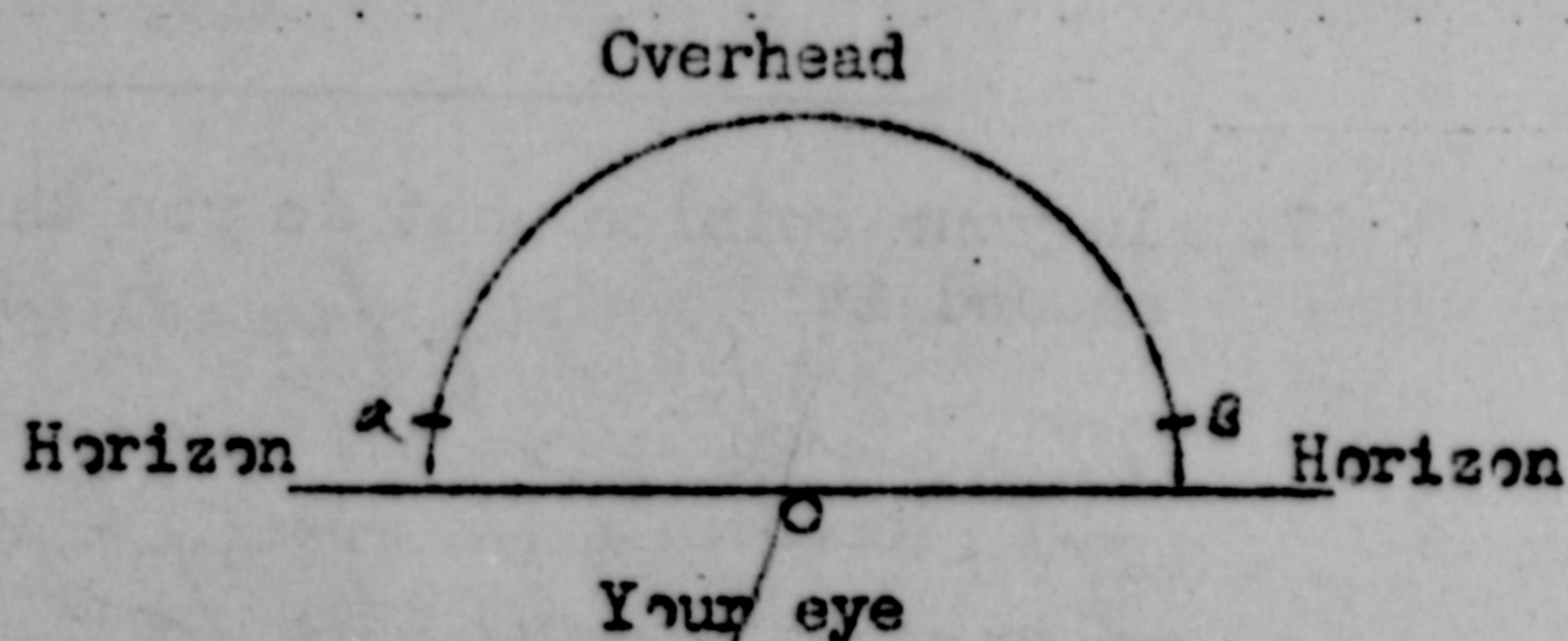
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SECTION D

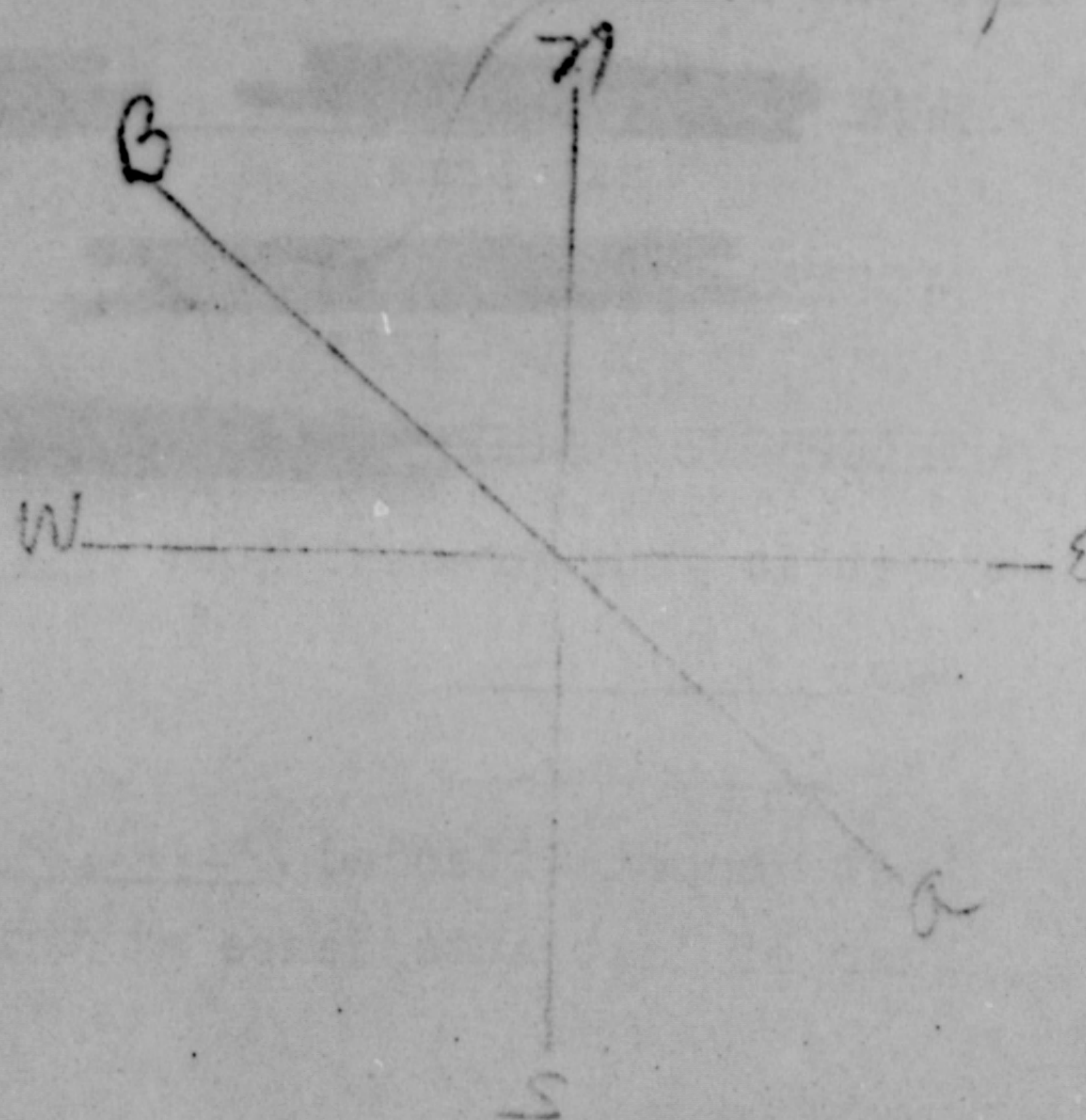
22. In the following sketch, imagine your eye at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon when you first saw it. Place a "B" to show where it was when you last saw it.



23. In the following 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.



24. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object made. Place an "A" at the beginning of its path and a "B" at the end of its path.



Section C.

15. Object itself remained dark gray with clear (like cellophane knobs) knobs. Tail spread out made up of many threads of fine without a blaze. Tail very long.

18.1 As we came to the grove of trees on the right side (west) of the road the tail went behind the trees but we could see it there & after it left the trees, otherwise it was in clear sight.

19. $\frac{1}{2}$ size of body but the tail was about ten times as long as the body.

20.1 As ^{it} passed behind the tree tops it could not have been more than 50 or 60 ft high.

It did not seem to go higher or lower or increase the speed.

21. I was looking right at it and it was gone in less time than a wink.

28 I taught rural schools in Jackson Co. Tenn. before marriage in 1927.

29.1 My husband ~~was~~ was driving the car. As we turned the corner I pointed & yelled "look! look!" He kept his eyes on the road - then he thought I saw something in the road. He finally looked up and saw the tail and watched then the trees partly hid it. When it passed the trees it had moved N. W. I watched it but he watched the road. He said "It's a comet!"

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

(Circle One): Yes or No

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

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.2 Please list their names and addresses:

[REDACTED], Mapleton Minn.

30. Please add here any further comments which you believe are important.
Use additional sheets of the same size paper if necessary.

Section A

We were traveling west and saw the object just as we turned a corner to go south.

5. I reported it to the local newspaper Blue Earth County Enterprise. I waited until Oct 1st when our Public Library opened (twice a week) found Life Magazine for Apr 7-52 and got your address.

Section B

6.1 - I do not drink nor smoke. I'm not interested in fantasies of any kind so my imagination had nothing to do with it. The only comic strip I read is Segments.

7.2 We slowed down to turn the corner and did not pick up speed until the object disappeared.

10. First thru windshield then right hand window as I followed it travel N.W. (Car, a Buick Special 1951) 8 speeds.
Good open view from car.