

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 29 Jan 53 29/1455Z	LOCATION Houlton, Maine
3. SOURCE Aircraft Members	10. CONCLUSION Astro (VENUS)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Venus at 100° az., 10° elev. Possible visual target. Aircraft could not close on object.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 4 Min.	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Air-Visual	Saucer shaped dark grey object was observed by Aircraft members of F-94B a/c flying at an alt of 23,000' at 325 knots. Object was observed at same alt as a/c.
7. COURSE Stationary	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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Saucer shaped gray colored object approximately the size of a dime was visually observed from an F-94 a/c at 1000 EST traveling at an indicated air speed of 325 MPH at 23,000'. Position of a/c at the time of sighting was 46 deg 30 min N, 67 deg 23 min W. Object was observed at a 12 o'clock position at an estimated 10,000' above a/c. An attempt was made to intercept object but due to shortage on fuel the interception was discontinued.

ATIC Comments:

Balloon possibility checked and object's course did not coincide with winds aloft. No known a/c in the area.

Conclusion

Unknown

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JEPNB/CG EADF STEWART AFB NEWBURGH NY

INFO ZEN/CG 4711TH DEF WG PRESQUE ISLE AFB MAINE

/R [REDACTED] FIS 74 65A ATTN: ATIAA-2C WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB

OHIO FLYOBRPT 1. DARK GRAY SAUCER SHAPED OBJECT CMA SIZE OF DIME CMA NO
PROTUBERENCES CMA NO MANEUVERS. 2. TIME RTTZ DMA PERIOD 4 MIN. 3.

VISUAL SIGHTING FROM ACFT F-94B CMA RADAR INOPERATIVE CMA ALT 23000

CMA SPEED 325 KNOTS IAS CMA LOCATION 4 MIN OUT OF HOULTON MAINE ON

MAG HEADING OF 070. 4. OBJECT ON SAME HEADING SAME ALTITUDE GOING AWAY.

5. OBSERVERS PILOT AND R. O. CMA RELIABILITY GOOD. 6. CAVU. 7. 3-29

IN AREA BUT NOT PAINTED ON GCI SCOPE PD END

29/2041Z JAN JEPSN

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JEPNB/CG EADF STEWART AFB NEWBURGH NY

JEPSN/CG 32D AIR DIV /DEF/HANCOCK FLD EASTWOOD STA / SYRACUSE NY

/R [REDACTED] YACUOIN 130 PD ATTN DIR OF INTEL PD FLYOBRPT PD

IAW AFL 200-5 PAR 7. C. CMA THE FOL RPT IS SUB CLN (1) SAUCER SHAPE CMA

SIZE OF A DIME CMA GRAY COLOR CMA ONE IN NUMBER PD (2) 29/1500Z JAN 53.

(3) VIS OBS FR AIR IN FOX DASH 94 A/C SPEED THREE TWO FIVE IAS AT TWO

THREE ANGLES PD (4) 46 DEGREES 30 MIN 00 SEC N AND 67 DEGREES 23 MIN 00

SEC W AT 12 O'CLOCK HIGH 10 ANGELS ABOVE A/C PD (5) FOX DASH THREE PD

(6) 3 ANGELS SCTD CLDS CMA 20 ANGELS SCTD CLDS CMA 20 MI VIS CMA WIND

12 KNOTS CMA 22 TO 24 ANGELS CLN HAZE PD (7) NEG PD (8) NEG PD (9)

ATTEMPT MADE TO INTERCEPT OBJECT AT THREE TWO FIVE IAS ON MACH POINT

ZERO EIGHT PD NO GAIN MADE ON OBJECT PD CHASE BROKE OFF DASH LOW FUEL PD

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Balloon poss. checked - Negative

1500Z

325 IAS = Mach .08

325 IAS
650 speed of
sound

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(10) AIR FORCE JETS NUMBER 341 AND 338 PD AIR FORCE BOMBER 2146 PD
FLYOBRPT PD END
30/1555Z JAN JEPSN

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
SUBJECT Report of Unidentified Object		
AREA REPORTED ON Presque Isle, Maine	FROM (Agency) 74th Ftr-Intcpt Sq. Presque Isle AFB, Me.	
DATE OF REPORT 31 January 1953	DATE OF INFORMATION 29 January 1953	EVALUATION A-2
PREPARED BY (Officer) 2d Lt D. John MacDonald, Intell Off	SOURCE 2d Lt. F. T. Goetting 2d Lt. H.C. Kelly	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) TWX, W1374-65A 29/20302/Jan 53		
SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)		

The information contained in the inclosures was reported by TWX in accordance with AFL 200-5, Dated 29 April 1952. The object was also sighted by at least two fighter aircraft from other squadrons. The conversation among the pilots and R O's was heard by A/IC Ferdinand who was on duty at the ADEC. Not knowing which of the pilots and R O's were talking the conversations went as follows:

Pilot said, "Do you see that thing above us?"
Answer, "No"
Reply, "It sticks out like a sore thumb."

Then someone said, "If I were going to catch it I would drop the wing tanks first."

Another said that he would never admit what he saw.

The TWX sent earlier by this organization reported that the ADEC was not painting the B-29 which was orbiting in the area. This portion of the TWX was in error, as a subsequent report from ADEC revealed that both the B-29 and our F-94B were being painted, and, further, that there were no "Unknowns" being painted in the area.

D. John MacDonald
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2d Lt USAF
Intelligence Officer

INCLS.

1. Statement of Lt. Goetting
2. Statement of Lt. Kelly

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Statement Of F-94B Radar Observer

On the morning of 29 Jan 52 I was flying as radar observer in the rear seat of an F-94B. After a few interceptions on another F-94B I turned the set off for the remainder of the mission. This was because of generator difficulties.

We then flew down to the Millinocket, Me area to try to intercept a B-29, "Nicholson Able-6". We circled Millinocket for a while and then headed toward Houlton, Me but never spotted the B-29 which was supposedly flying over Houlton at Approximately 1000 EST on a magnetic heading of 070 degrees. When over the St. John River the pilot spotted an object straight ahead of us. I finally saw the object after he had pointed it out repeatedly. We turned right so as to displace object to the left. We then resumed our 070 degrees heading and chased the object for several minutes at a speed of .8 Mach at 23,000 feet (approx 470 K TAS). We did not close on the object and soon broke off because of low fuel supply.

The object was gray and in shape was thin and oval. It was at a small angle (5 degrees at most) above us. It stayed stationary in the sky during the chase. It was well-defined and dull-colored, that is, it was not shiny or luminous. There was no visible means of propulsion nor was there any exhaust smoke or contrails. The object appeared unbroken in outline and there were no portholes or windows visible.

After we had landed and studied the problem I decided we had been about 40 miles NE of the St. John River when we broke off. After comparison with a dime held at arms length I believe the object was about 1/2 to 3/4 the size of a dime.

We landed about 10 or 15 minutes after breaking-off.

Howard C. Kelley
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Statement of F-94B Pilot

On 29 Jan 53 I was flying as pilot in a F-94B aircraft on a routine training flight. After making a few intercepts on another F-94, the GCI station vectored us to the Millinocket area to intercept B-29 Nicholson Able-6. We stayed in the Millinocket area for approximately fifteen (15) minutes with no contact with the B-29.

Deciding that the B-29 had passed Millinocket I took up a heading of 070° magnetic, this course took us directly over Houlton. Just after passing Houlton and approximately over the St John river I spotted an oval and thin shaped object about 10° above and approximately on the same course as my own (070° magnetic). After repeatedly pointing out the object to the Radar Observer, he finally spotted it too.

The object was a dark gray color with a very definite, and clearly defined shape. It did not shine, or give off light, nor was there any visible exhaust or contrail.

We were at an altitude of 23000 feet and chased the object at .8 MACH. This chase was continued for approximately 8 minutes with no visible change in the range of the object. According to the maps and dead reckoning, we had chased the object forty (40) miles northeast of the St John River. At this time we broke off and returned to base to land.

FRED T. GOETTING JR.
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2d Lt, USAF
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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?

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Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 09 55
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?

Between Houlton & CHATHAM Maine
Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country

Additional remarks: _____

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. _____
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: _____

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 _____ | | |

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

a. Sound None

b. Color Dark Grey

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? _____
 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.
_____ 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 | g. Silver dollar |
| b. Pea | h. Baseball |
| ☒ c. Dime | i. Grapefruit |
| d. Nickel | j. Basketball |
| e. Quarter | k. Other _____ |
| f. Half dollar | |

- 22.1 (Circle One of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

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

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? _____
- _____
- _____

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.

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?

Flying in same direction as object (ie) straight toward it.

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? 325 Kts. I.A.S. 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).

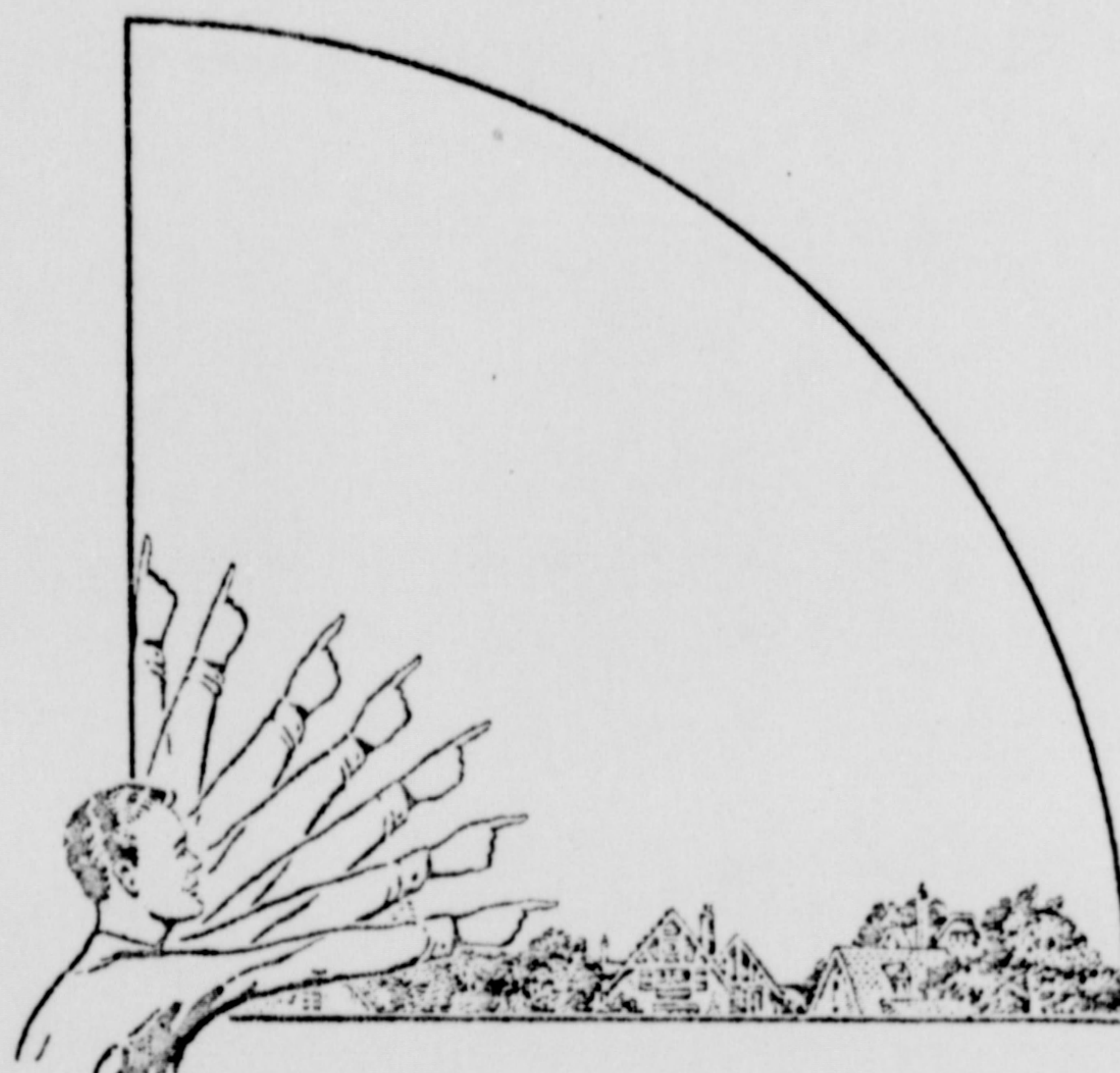
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North 070 degrees.
- b. From horizon 10° degrees.

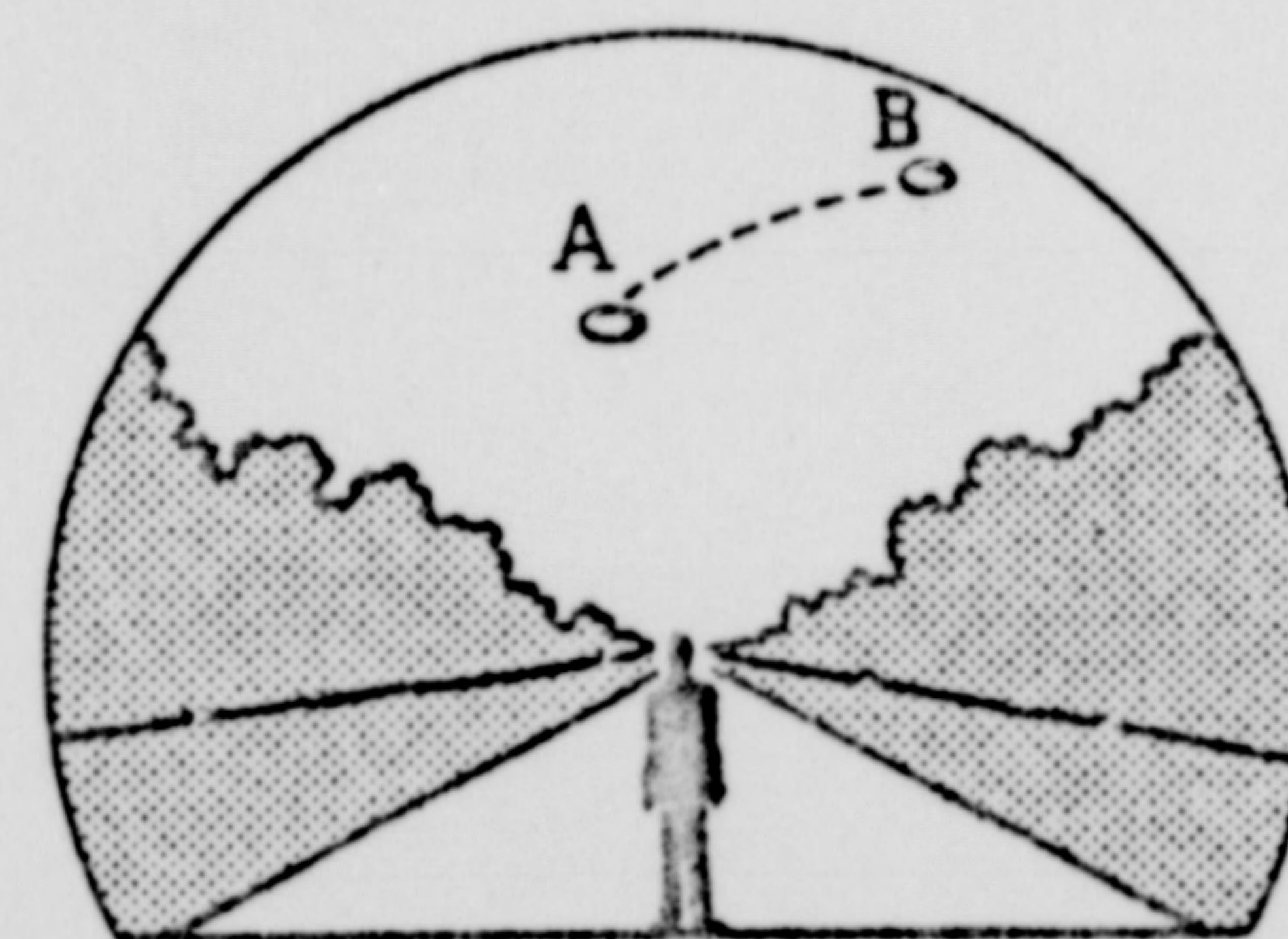
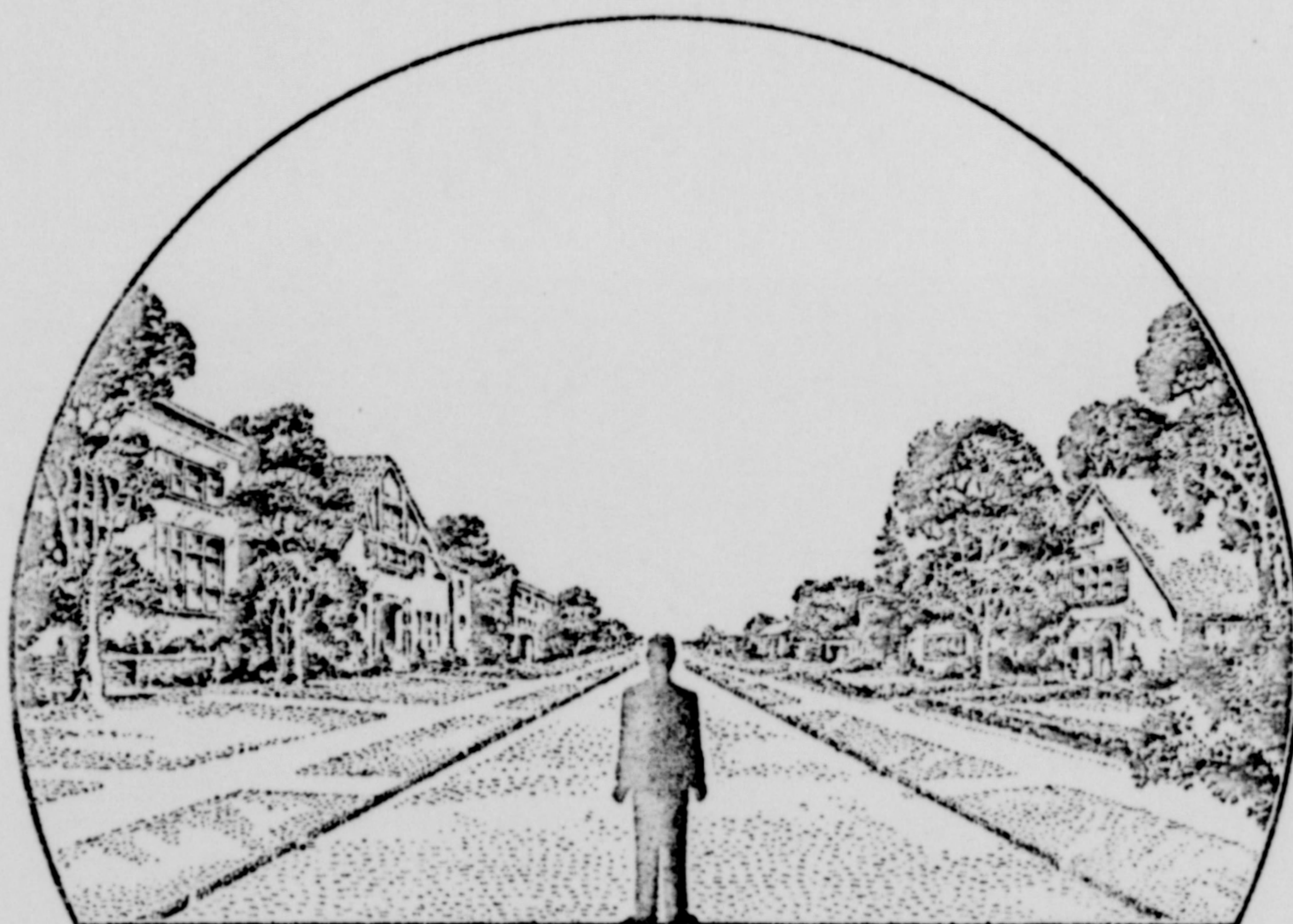
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North 070 degrees.
- b. From horizon 10° 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.



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
- 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
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

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

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Day Month Year

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:

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?

?

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? _____ m.p.h.

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? _____ feet.

41. Please 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? Pilot

Age 23 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 _____ | _____ |

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

29 July 63
Day Month Year