PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE	2. LOCATION	12. CONCLUSIONS
16 November 1956	Fox River Grove, Illinois	☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 1835 GMT 17/0035Z	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	☐ Was Aircraft ☒ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	**6. SOURCE** School Boy (14 years old)	☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 7½ minutes	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** one	**9. COURSE** SSE to NNE
		☐ Other ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Object like a bright dot observed. Appeared to be dull red. First round in shape, then changed into cigar shape. Three objects, much smaller and round. Appeared and seemed to converge on it.

11. COMMENTS

UFO sighting location is adjacent to one of the heaviest air traffics in US and under NW approach to Chicago which is approx 25 miles away. Certain inconsistencies in source's rpt. States size of dot; later discusses instruments, engines & smaller craft attached to it. Undoubtedly observed some obj, but over-active imagination. Probable a/c sighting.

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35 14 years old Boy (4) Consistent statements (2) Has done a true investigative

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?

Sixteen (Day) November (Month) 1956 (Year)

2. Time of day: 6 (Hour) 35 (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)

approx 30+ miles from Chicago - Right under the NW approach to Chicago - Very heavy air traffic.

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

[redacted] (Nearest Postal Address) of Fox River Grove (City or Town) Illinois (State or Country)

Additional remarks: _____

5. Estimate how long you saw the object. _____ (Hours) 1 (Minutes) 35 (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

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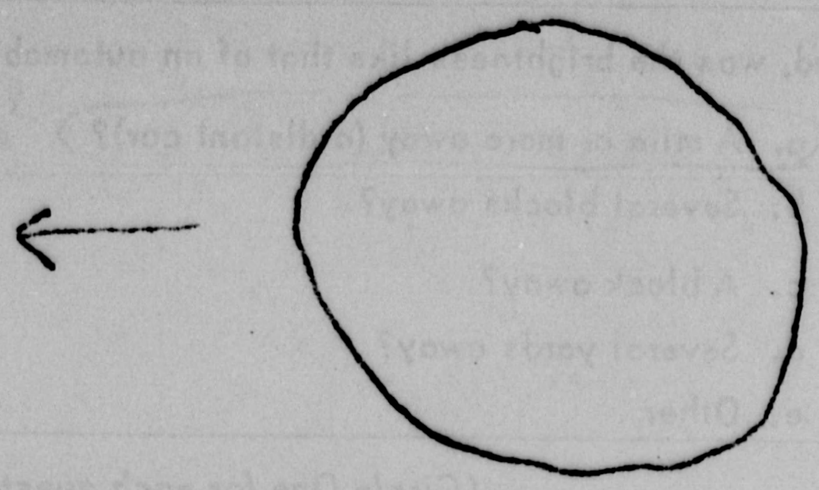
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16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

a. Sound There was no sound I could hear

b. Color Dull red, when it speeded up it change to bright red

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.



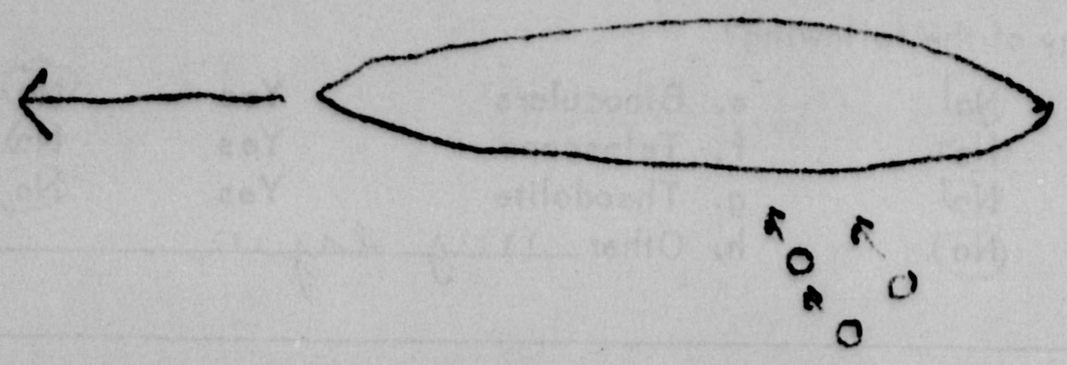
18. The edges of the object were:

(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? 4.

Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

Note: Before it dissapeared it turned into a cigar shape and 3 objects (small and round) converged into it



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)?) like a bright dot
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, than 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 My eyes		

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?

Just walking along and as I was looking for airplane navigation lights of airplanes, I saw it. (I am sure it wasn't navigation lights of an airplane).

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
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
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
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast 158°
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

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

a. North 20°
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
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).

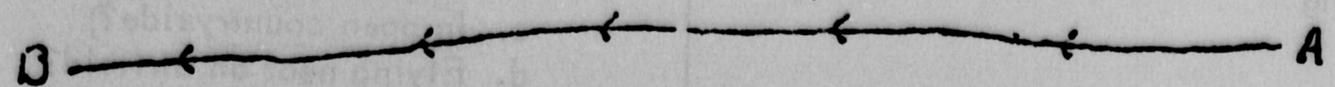
31.1 When it first appeared:

a. From true North ~~20~~ 158 degrees.
b. From horizon 45 degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

a. From true North 20 degrees.
b. From horizon 70 degrees.

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. it must have been pretty large but can't tell size in 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 _____

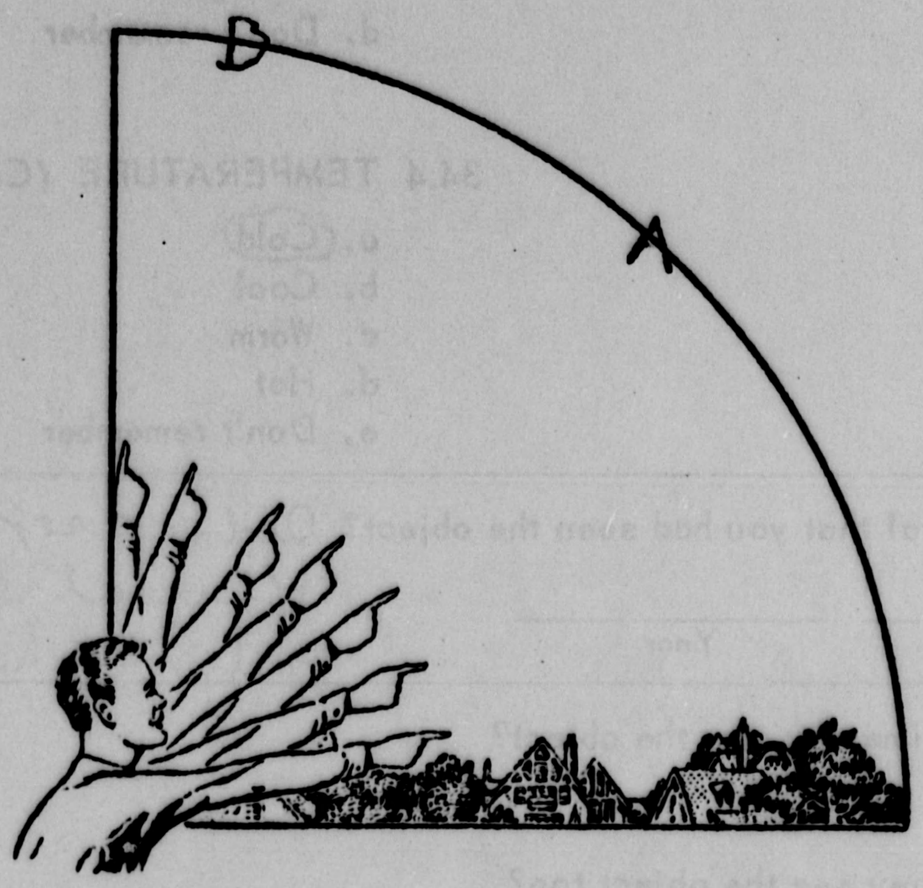
22.1 *(Circle One* of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 22.

a. Certain
b. (Fairly certain)
c. Not very sure
d. Uncertain

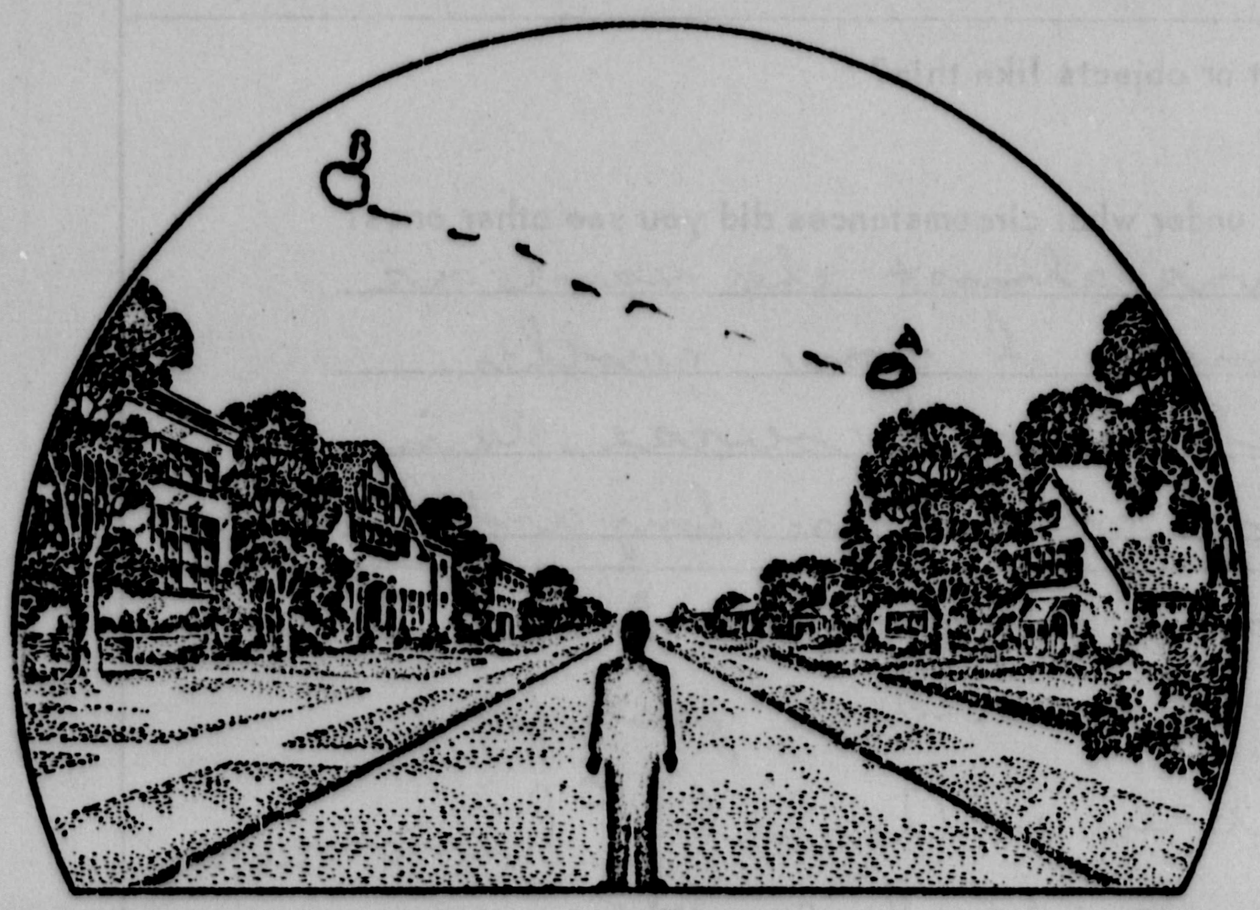
23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? As the object flew along it changed from a ball to a cigar shape. When it changed 3 objects emerged into it. Then it simply disappeared

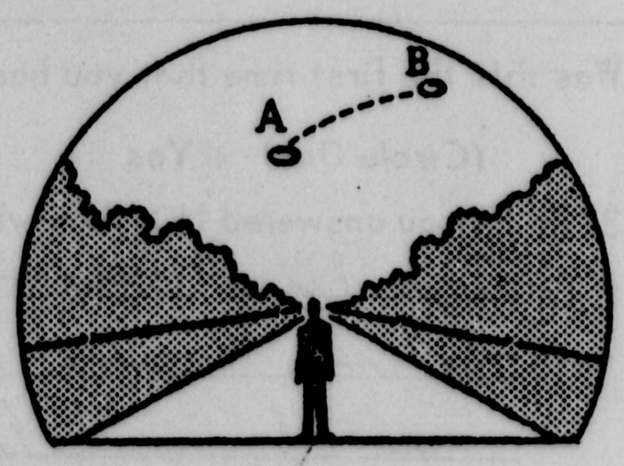
24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, we would like for you to imagine that you could construct the object that you saw. Of what type material would you make it? How large would it be, and what shape would it have? Describe in your own words a common object or objects which when placed up in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw. Very light but very strong metal. Big enough to hold engines, instruments and a few people. (Round) shape but able to become streamlined like a cigar. And it must be capable of taking into or have other smaller machines attached onto it.

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? Didn't report to any official except Mother and Father

_____ 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:

[redacted] Fox River Grove, Illinois

[redacted] Fox River Grove, Illinois

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?

The first one I saw was almost the same as the one I am describing. I saw another one of a different shape, and course. As in the other 2 it hovered for a while then along and disapeared.

38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it? It could have been a weather balloon, but it moved to fast for a balloon. It might have been an Aerial Phenomena, but I doubt it. It wasn't an airplane because an airplane can't hover over a certain spot, (unless you have a new one)

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? 1000 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 [redacted] (Last Name) [redacted] (First Name) [redacted] (Middle Name)

ADDRESS [redacted] (Street) FOX RIVER GROVE (City) _____ (Zone) ILLINOIS (State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted]

What is your present job? None

Age 14 years 11 months Sex Boy

Please indicate any special educational training that you have had.

a. Grade school _____
b. (High school) Freshman
c. College _____
d. Post graduate _____
e. e. Technical school _____
(Type) _____
f. Other special training _____
_____

42. Date you completed this questionnaire: 31 (Day) January (Month) 1957 (Year)

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(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.

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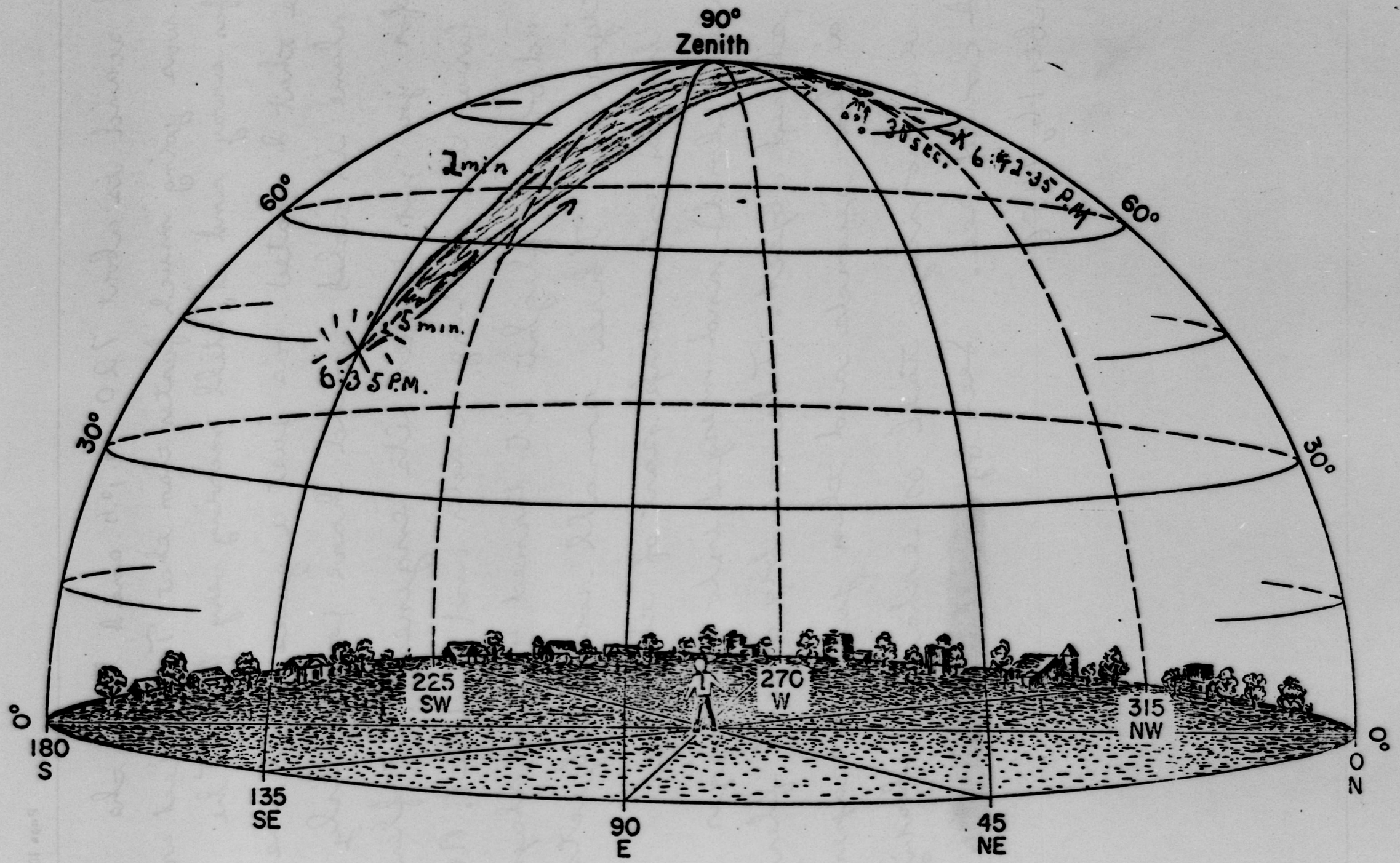
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When I first saw it, it looked fairley far away. It was hovering in one position. The color was a dull red. It hovered for five minutes. Then it sped up quickley in a southeast to North course (158° to 20°). As it built up speed the color turned to a bright red. The speed was at least 1000 m.p.h. (I figured out its speed by this method, about a week before I saw this thing, I saw a jet plane, F-86, break the sound barrier. There was a great thunder clap. And a short time later there was another one. The

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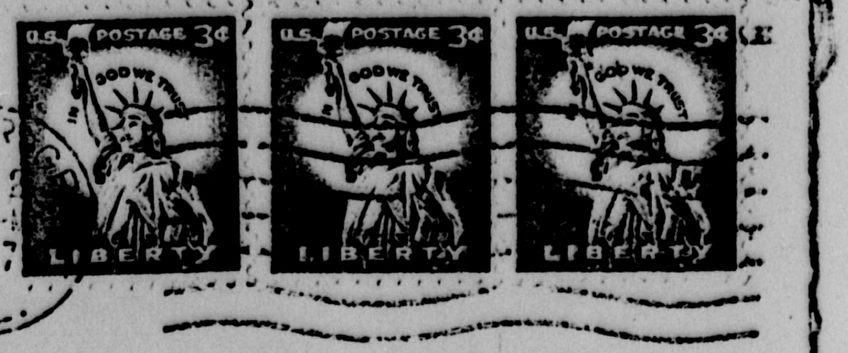

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speed of sound is about 720 m.p.h. and I know the object was going much faster than that. The object was pretty far away and it was still moving very fast. The altitude that I stated was just a guess. If it was an air plane it ~~could~~ would have to be fairly high for you not to hear its engines). It flew along for a time getting redder and redder. At the end of its flight it turned into a shape of a cigar (P.3). Three small round objects came from an extra dark part of the sky (probably a cloud) and merged into the bigger cigar shaped object. The one big object flew on for a few seconds and then just dissapered. There were no wings tail or exhausts showing that I could see. Seen by [redacted]

November 16, 1956.

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