

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 13 via Oct 61		2. LOCATION Los Angeles, California		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☒ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2120 GMT 14/0520Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 8-10 min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE Erratic	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Light brighter than star with erratic movement. Appearance of being solid fm Hughes a/c or nearby a/c industries and breaking into additional lights. Blurred ob- at international airport. Objt has character- long shape. Darting, hovering, rotating; seraph- istics of balloon launch and observation. lights fm a/c compaines in area following objt. Jets took off fm Hughes a/c to follow objt.			11. COMMENTS		

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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMANDER AFSC
FOR AEROSPACE SYSTEMS
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
Air Force Unit Post Office, Los Angeles 45, California

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: DCAAA/J G Proctor/2510

16 Oct 1961

SUBJECT : Extract from Staff Duty Officer's Report

TO: DCF

The following is extracted from the DCAS Staff Duty Officer's Report for the period 1600 13 Oct 1961 to 0830 14 Oct 1961:

Person Reporting: Mrs. [REDACTED] age 34, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Telephone [REDACTED]

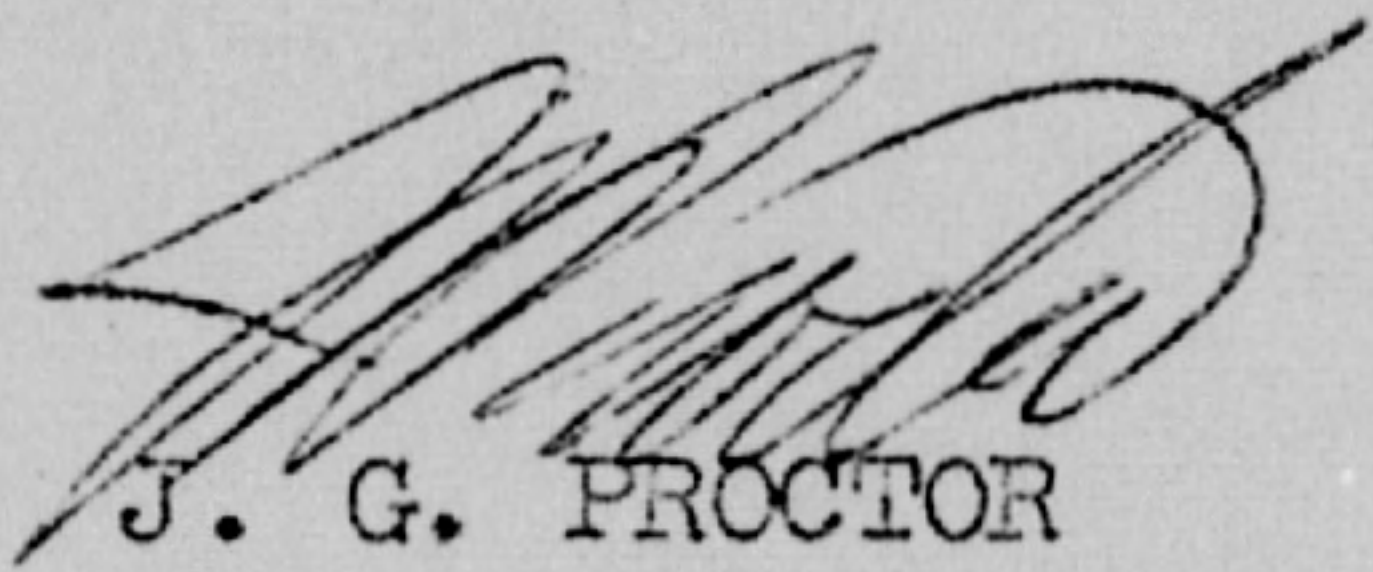
Mrs. [REDACTED] and a companion, [REDACTED], age 39, telephone number [REDACTED], observed an oblong object hovering at a low altitude. It had a brilliant light like a spotlight. It hovered for a short period, then moved very fast in an East Northeast direction and hovered again. A string of brilliant lights lit up along the sides and then went out.

The object was observed for 8 to 10 minutes and disappeared suddenly.

The sky was clear, no clouds or fog.

Report was received at approximately 2145.

s/ RAYMOND V. HOOD, JR.
SDO

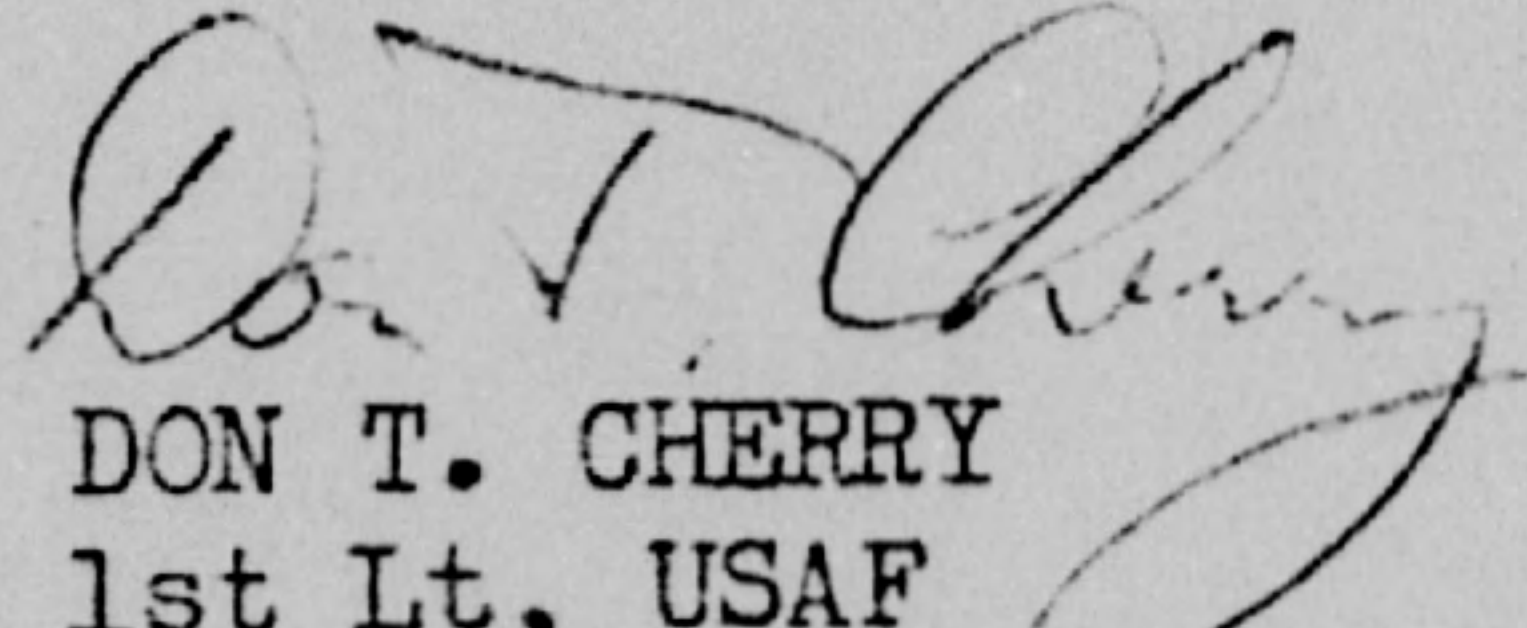

J. G. PROCTOR
Chief, Administrative Branch
Office of Administrative Services

1st Ind (DCF) DCAS

18 October 1961

To: Wright-Patterson AFB
ATTN: FTD-U.F.O.B.

1. For your information and action.


DON T. CHERRY
1st Lt, USAF
Project Officer
Assistant for Foreign Technology

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WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TD-E/Major Friend
SUBJECT: UFO Sighting

26 OCT 1961

TO: Hq USAF (SAFOI-3c - Major Coleman)

1. Attached is a copy of a letter reporting the sighting of a UFO by two individuals.
2. The letter does not contain sufficient data for a valid conclusion. Therefore, request your office forward a questionnaire to each of the witnesses indicated in the letter.

Richard P. Wynn
/ EDWARD H. WYNN
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Science
And Components

1 Atch
Ltr w/1st Ind fm DCAS (DFC).

27 October 1961

Dear Mrs. [REDACTED]

We appreciate your reporting an unidentified flying object to the Aerospace Systems Division of the Air Force Systems Command, Los Angeles.

We would appreciate your completing the enclosed questionnaire and mailing it in the pre-addressed envelope, which requires no postage. I have enclosed another questionnaire which we would like Mr. [REDACTED] to complete.

Your interest in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM T. COLEMAN, JR.
Major, USAF
UFO Project Officer
Public Information Division
Office of Information

Mrs. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Los Angeles 44, California

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?

Middle of 13 OCT 1961
Day Month Year
Can't remember exact date. Was Saturday night

2. Time of day: 9:20 10
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?

Nearest Postal Address: [REDACTED] City or Town: Los Angeles State or Country: California

Additional remarks: By back porch. Moved to front of building

5. How long was object in sight?

8-10 minutes
Hours Minutes Seconds

5.1 How was time in sight determined? Left house to accompany friend to car. It was between 9:15 P.M. and 9:20 P.M. Looked at clock.

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

NIGHT
a. Bright
b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, 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, 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. The object appeared:

(Circle One): ☒ a. As a light b. Shiny c. Dark d. Don't remember

10. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars?

Definitely

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? | <i>from one light to first position?</i> ☒ Yes | No | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape? | <i>revealing many lights.</i> ☒ Yes | ☒ No | Don't Know |
| g. Flash or flicker? | ☒ Yes | No | Don't Know |
| h. Disappear and reappear? | Yes | ☒ No | Don't Know |

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

(Circle One): Yes ☒ No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what in front of: _____

14. Did the object appear: (Circle One): ☒ a. Solid b. Transparent c. Vapor d. Don't Know

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

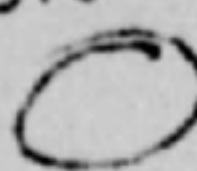
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|-----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| a. Eyeglasses | Yes | ☒ No | e. Binoculars | Yes | ☒ No |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | ☒ No | f. Telescope | Yes | ☒ No |
| c. 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 Heard None

b. Color looked like phosphorus beam

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.

BRIGHT light


Bright BEAM light

smaller bright light

18. The edges of the object were:

(Circle One): ☒ a. Fuzzy or blurred

b. Like a bright star

c. Sharply outlined

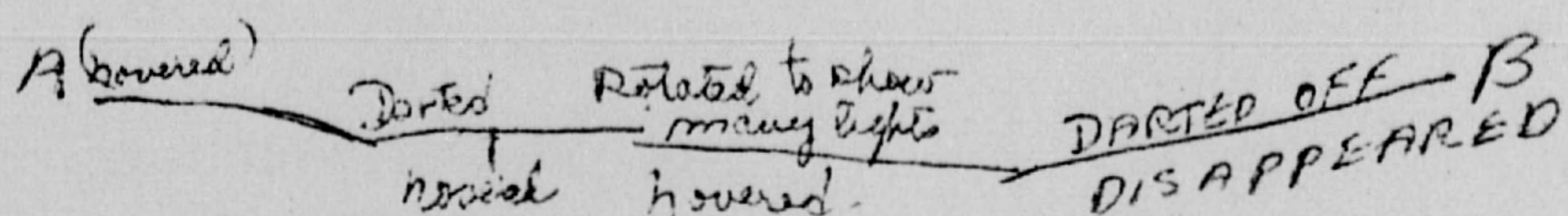
d. Don't remember

e. Other gave off particles of light
reappearing blurred

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.

A (hovered)  B
Darted Rotated to show many lights
hovered DARTED OFF
DISAPPEARED

21. How large did the object appear to you as compared to an object with which you are familiar?

Like an unusually large light - then realized it must have been a huge affair

22. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head?

It covered a full fingernail (size 6 gloves) and was extremely high

23. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?

Yes - Hovered, made short darts, Travelling N.E. - Then zoomed out of sight into north at exceedingly high speed.

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, 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.

Like Nothing I've ever seen. Appeared first as extremely large, hovering bright light. Rotated twice to display many smaller bright lights along lower edge. Appeared cigar-shaped, judging by very dim silhouette.

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 (type) _____
- 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. 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?

Was standing by porch, saying goodnight to friend with my young son (age 4 1/2) looked up and observed peculiar light in sky. Continued to observe as it hovered, darted, & hovered a few times, then darted off in high burst of speed.

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 |
| | | | i. Overhead |

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 |
| | | | i. Overhead |

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

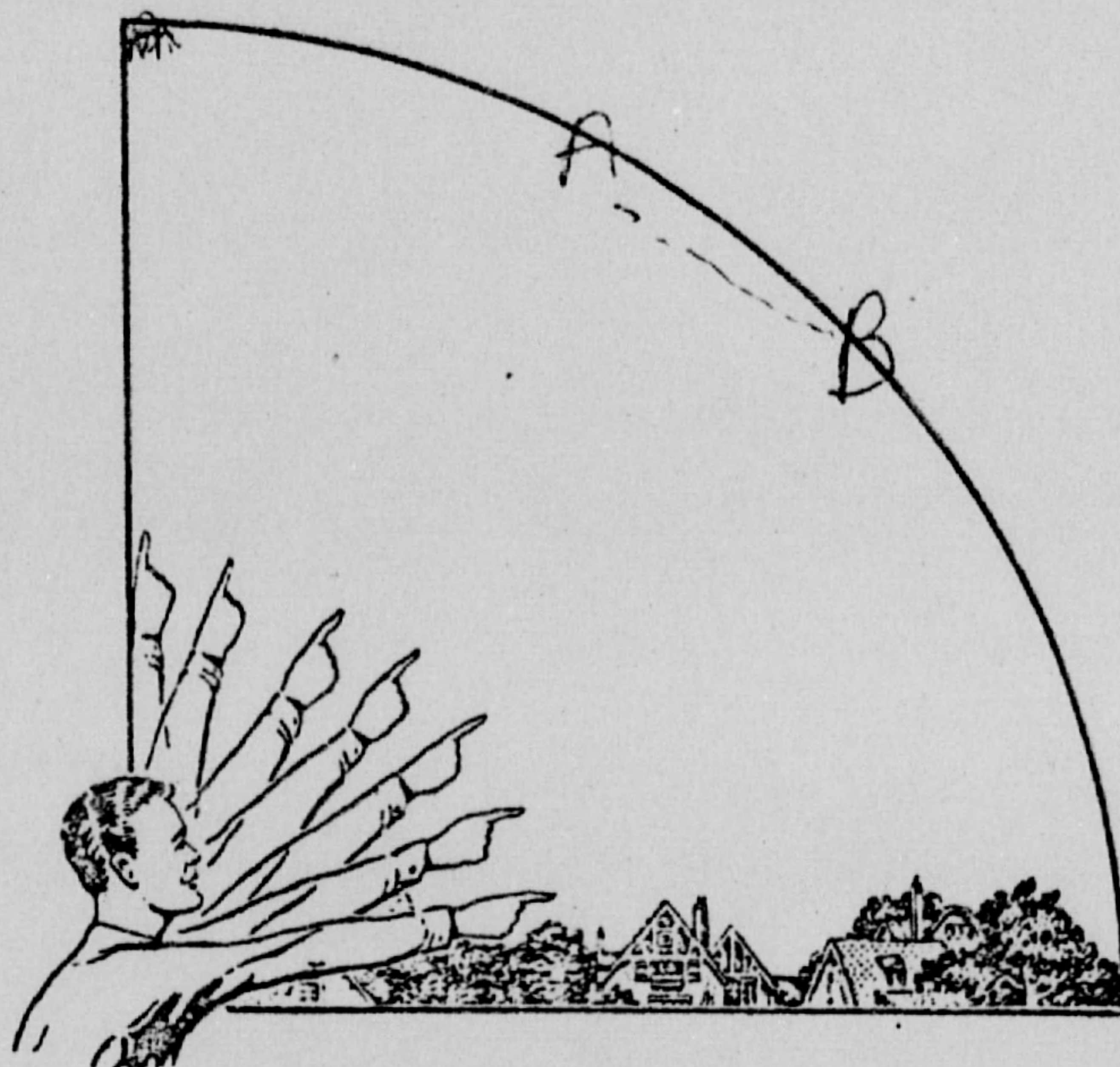
31.1 When it first appeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ degrees.

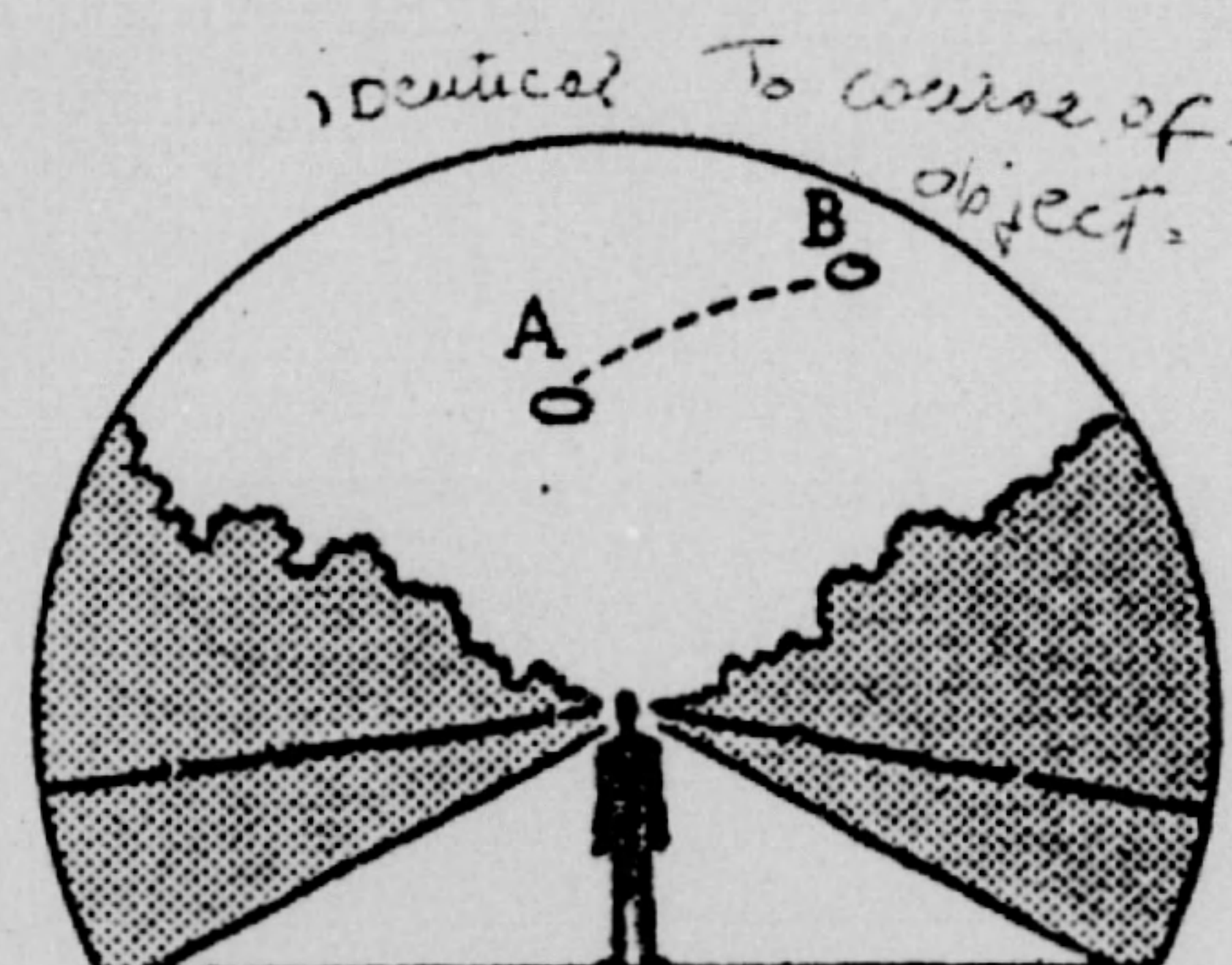
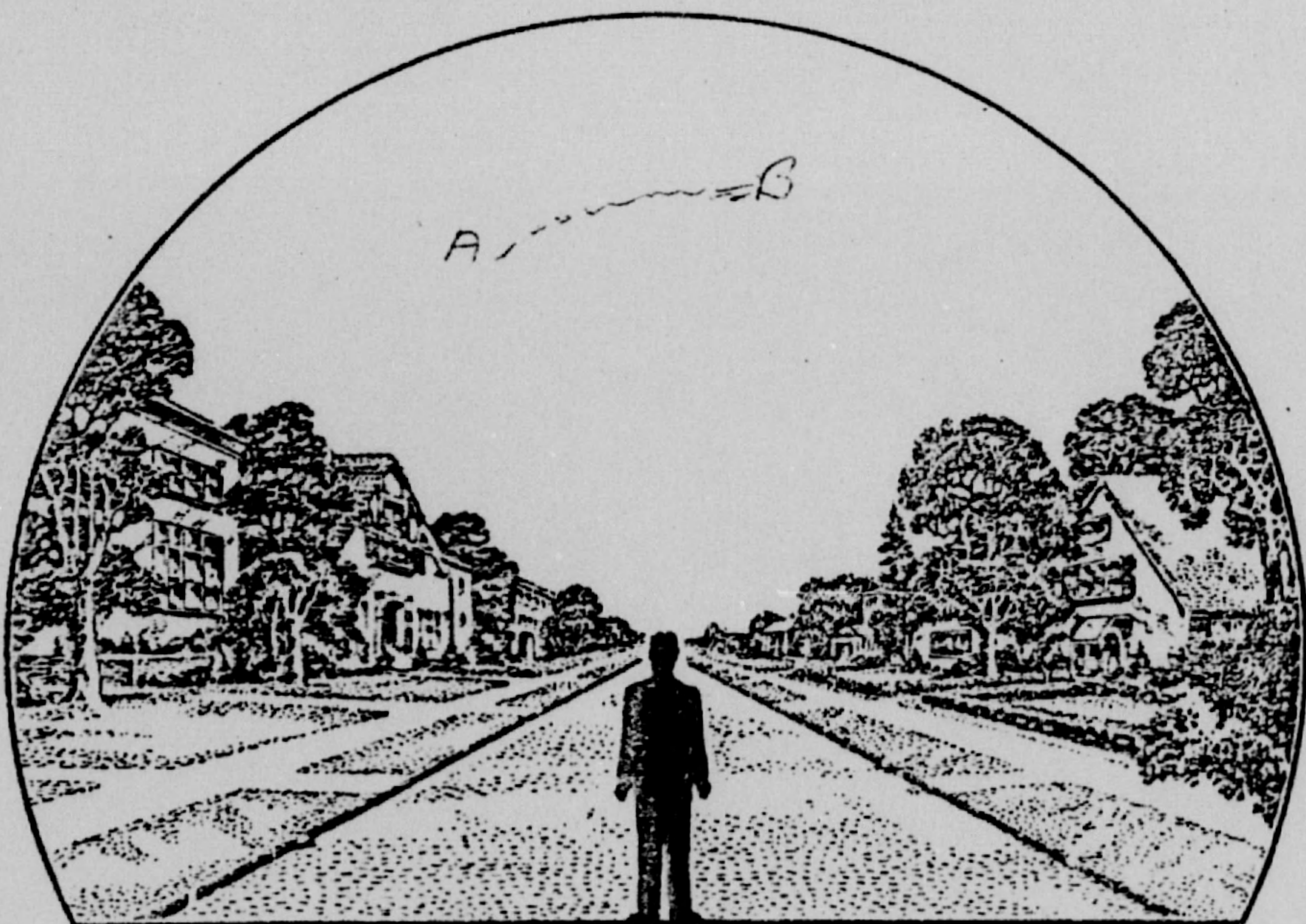
31.2 When it disappeared:

- a. From true North _____ degrees.
- b. From horizon _____ 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?

CLOUDS (Circle One)

- ☒ a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER (Circle One)

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

35. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object?

2nd Saturday October 1961
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] (Age 7 1/2) L. A. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (is sending in some report)

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?

I have no idea. Nothing caused it. IT WAS.
(not a condition of optical illusion) And frankly, I think
either were being buffeted by our Govt, who declare there
'Things' don't really exist, or, are results of over-intake of
alcoholic beverages; or, were antiquated and ought to catch
up to our solar visitors' rate of progress, and try to
do the same. Looks like it might be fun & quite informative
to go flying through space like this.

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? _____

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? _____

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

Age 34

Sex Female

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any education, which might be pertinent.

Am Exec. Director, my own organization, (redacted) light drinker, heavy smoker, not given to hallucinations; by profession, am a medical writer, and work in medical liaison work & public relations. 9 years' college - (2 1/2 yrs. pre-med; 2 1/2 yrs. Journalism; 4 years' psychology seminars & short-story writing courses) Generally regarded as stable.

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

7
Day

11
Month

61
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

Nov 7, 1961

On a Saturday evening between the hours of approximately 9:15 and 9:25 P.M., a friend, Mr. [REDACTED], my 1 1/2 yr. old son and myself left my back porch, stopping to talk for a moment, prior to Mr. [REDACTED] leaving my home. As we were talking, we noticed a strange light in the north sky. The light hovered several times, and we speculated as to whether it was a helicopter or dirigible, realizing it could be neither of these, due to its large size, its lack of proper identification, and its mode of travel. Then, it circled, and as it pivoted, a whole row of many smaller, bright white lights were revealed, showing the object to be oblong in shape. It made short dashes at great rates of speed, alternately revealing the very large and brilliant bright light, and pivoting and showing the many smaller lights. We watched for possibly

8 to 10 minutes, when suddenly, at a tremendous speed, it darted off and disappeared into the north east within a matter of perhaps less than 2 seconds. Nothing we know of has the ability to hover in this fashion; per se, this shape (which was never clearly revealed, except by dim silhouette) or can go this fast or travel as high. There was no vapor trail that I recall. Mr. [REDACTED] left after we waited maybe 10 minutes, hoping to see the thing reappear. Many large searchlights picked the thing up and continued to scan the area after it was gone. The sky, as a matter of fact, was alive with searchlights while it was in view. There are several new stores opening in the area, which could account for some of these. However, 2 very brilliant and far-reaching lights, possibly from Hughes Aircraft or International Airport (both nearby) were centered on this object and continued to probe the sky for a good hour afterward. I stayed out until 12:30 A.M., but there were no other objects noted.

Also, ~~many~~ many pursuit jets did take off during the thing's appearance and were travelling in the direction in which the object disappeared for about an hour after it was out of view. At this time, I called the A.T.C., informing of this occurrence, and giving Mr. [REDACTED]' name as a co-observer, as well as my young son.

[REDACTED]