

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 17 Mar 62		2. LOCATION Wadena AFS, Minn Osage, Minn		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other <u>Refraction</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>2345</u> GMT <u>18/0545</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Military and Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 hr 20 min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE W	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Star shaped objt size of head of a pin was observed by military and civilian witnesses at Wadena AFS and Osage Minnesota. Objt was white with a reddish tint and was observed low on horizon to W. Motion attributed to objt was straight down to horizon and a few degrees right and left. Sighting was reported to have lasted more than and hour.				11. COMMENTS This sighting was reported to have lasted more than an hour and therefore could hardly be due to observation of same star. That portion of same sky in W at time of sighting is particularly rich in bright stars. Aldebaran, Sirius, Betelgeuse and Rigel being brightest. It is concluded that sighting was caused by misidentification on Western horizon due to their being distorted by Atmospheric refraction.	

739TH RADAR SQUADRON (SAGE)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
Wadena Air Force Station, Minnesota

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: 739C&E

SUBJECT: Report of Unidentified Flying Object

TO: Air Technical Intelligence Center

MAR 22 1962

1. Attached are reports of UFO by civilian and military personnel.
2. Report by military personnel is submitted by this means in lieu of procedures outlined in AFR 200-2 due to lack of AF Form 112.

FOR THE COMMANDER

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1/Lt, USAF
Admin Officer

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The following is a report of Unidentified Flying Object reported by [REDACTED] of near Park Rapids, Minnesota (Tel. [REDACTED]) on 17 March 1962 at 2345L time. Visual sightings were made at this station by MSGT Reuter, SSGT Swalley, A/1C Humphrey, A/1C Broyles, A/2C Hricko, A/2C Fowkes and A/2C Crandall.

a. Description:

- (1) Shape: Star shaped.
- (2) Size: Head of a pin.
- (3) Color: White with a reddish tint.
- (4) Number: One
- (5) Formation: N/A.
- (6) Details: None.
- (7) Tail, Trail, exhaust etc. None
- (8) Sound: None.
- (9) Other unusual features: None

b. Description of Course:

- (1) N/A.
- (2) Low on horizon 280 degrees from this station.
- (3) Low on horizon approximately 275 degrees from this station.
- (4) Northerly direction to 285 degrees from this station, then Southerly to about 260 degrees then Northerly again till fade out about 275 degrees.
- (5) Fade away.
- (6) One hour twenty minutes.

c. Manner of Observation:

- (1) Ground-visual.
- (2) None used at this station.
- (3) N/A.

d. Time and Date of Sighting:

- (1) 17/0555Z.
- (2) Night.

e. Location of Observers:

- (1) Air Force observers located at Wadena AFSTA, Minnesota.

f. N/A.

g. Weather & Winds:

- (1) Clear.
- (2) N/A.
- (3) Clear.
- (4) Unlimited.

h thru l. N/A.

attn #11

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?

17 MARCH 1962
Day Month Year

2. Time of day:

9 2345 HRS
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?

05265 MINNEAPOLIS DECAIR COUNTY
 Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or County

Additional Remarks: ACTUAL LOCATION: SECTION 23 CARSONVILLE
TOWNSHIP

5. Estimate how long you saw the object.

X 30 X
 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 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

N/A

at 12

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 ea 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 _____ | | |

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

a. Sound NONE HEARD

b. Color ORANGE, GREEN & RED FLASHING, CHANGING
COLORS

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.

JUST SAW CHANGING LIGHTS, NO
OUTLINE OF OBJECT.

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, than how many were there? ONE ONLY
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 ————— B

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
<u>d. Nickel</u>	i. 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.

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

23. How did the object or objects disappear from view? WENT BELOW
HORIZON LIKE SUN SETTING.

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 in the sky would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

LOOKED LIKE STAR WITH NAKED EYE.
WITH BINOCULARS COLOR CHANGE WAS DISTINCTIVE

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?

*GLANCED OUT WINDOW, AND SAW LIGHT, CALLED
YOUR HUSBAND, MY DAUGHTER & ALL GIRL FRIEND, AND THEY
ALL SAW THIS UFO.*

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).

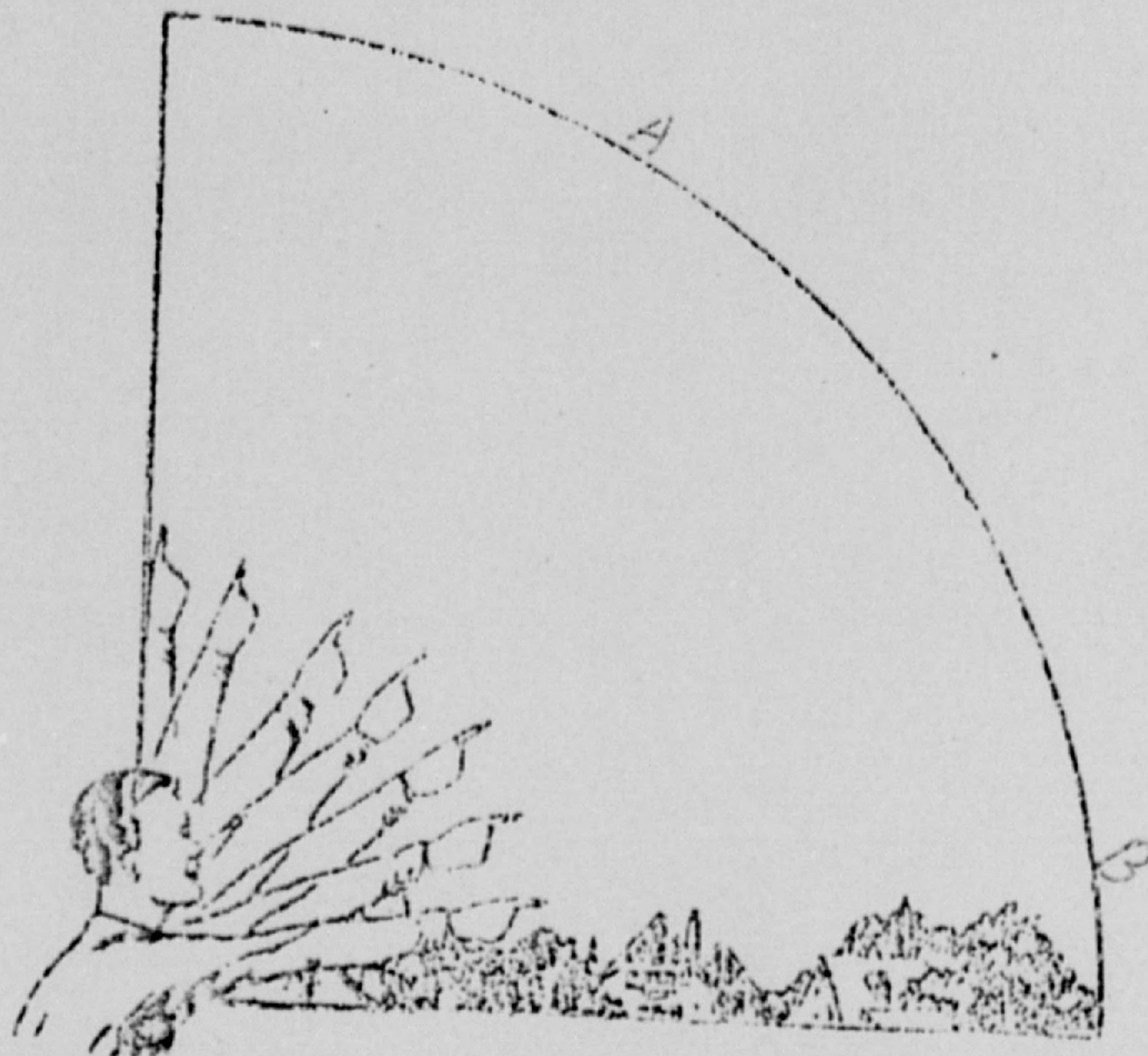
- 31.1 When it first appeared:

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

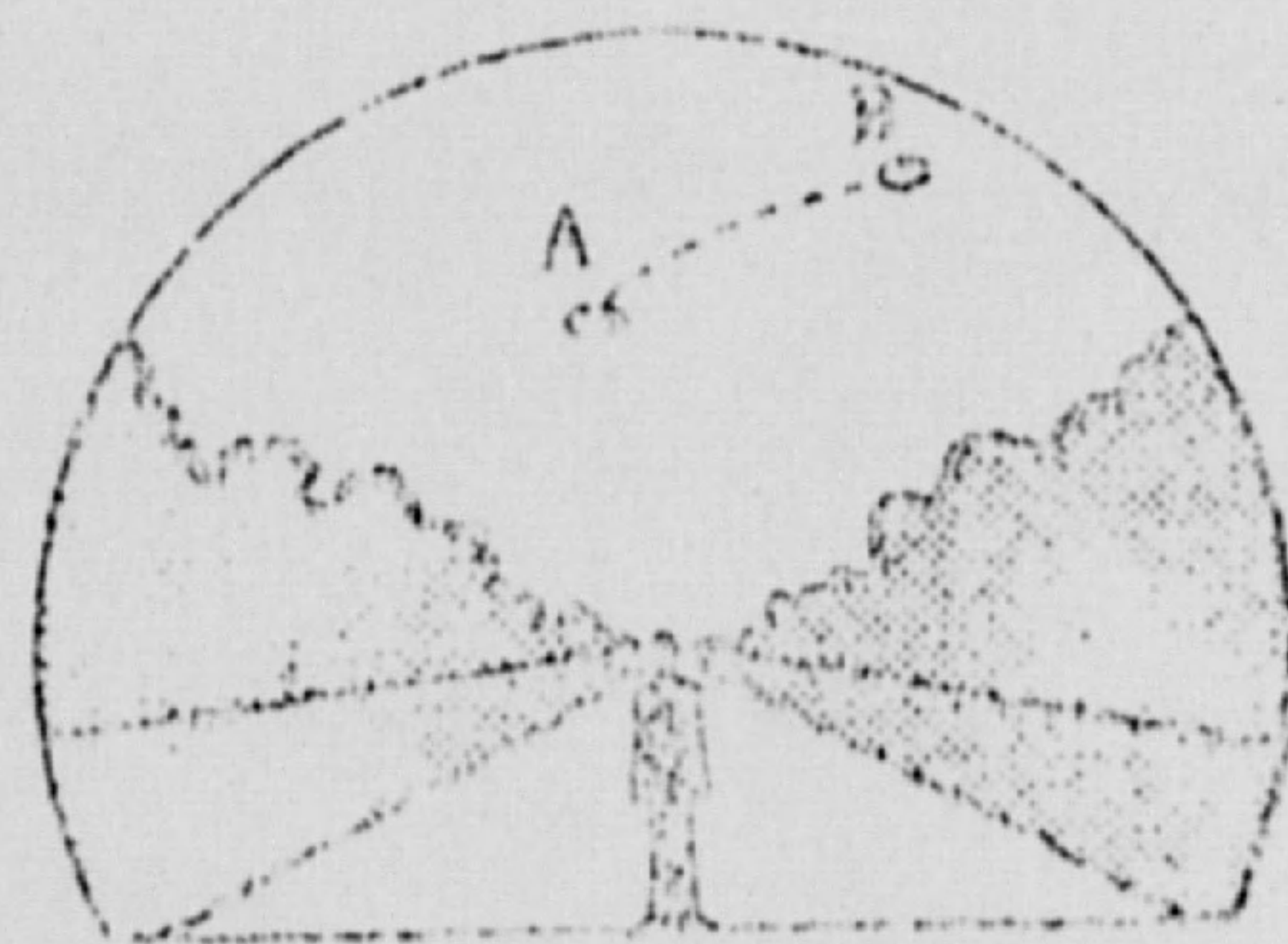
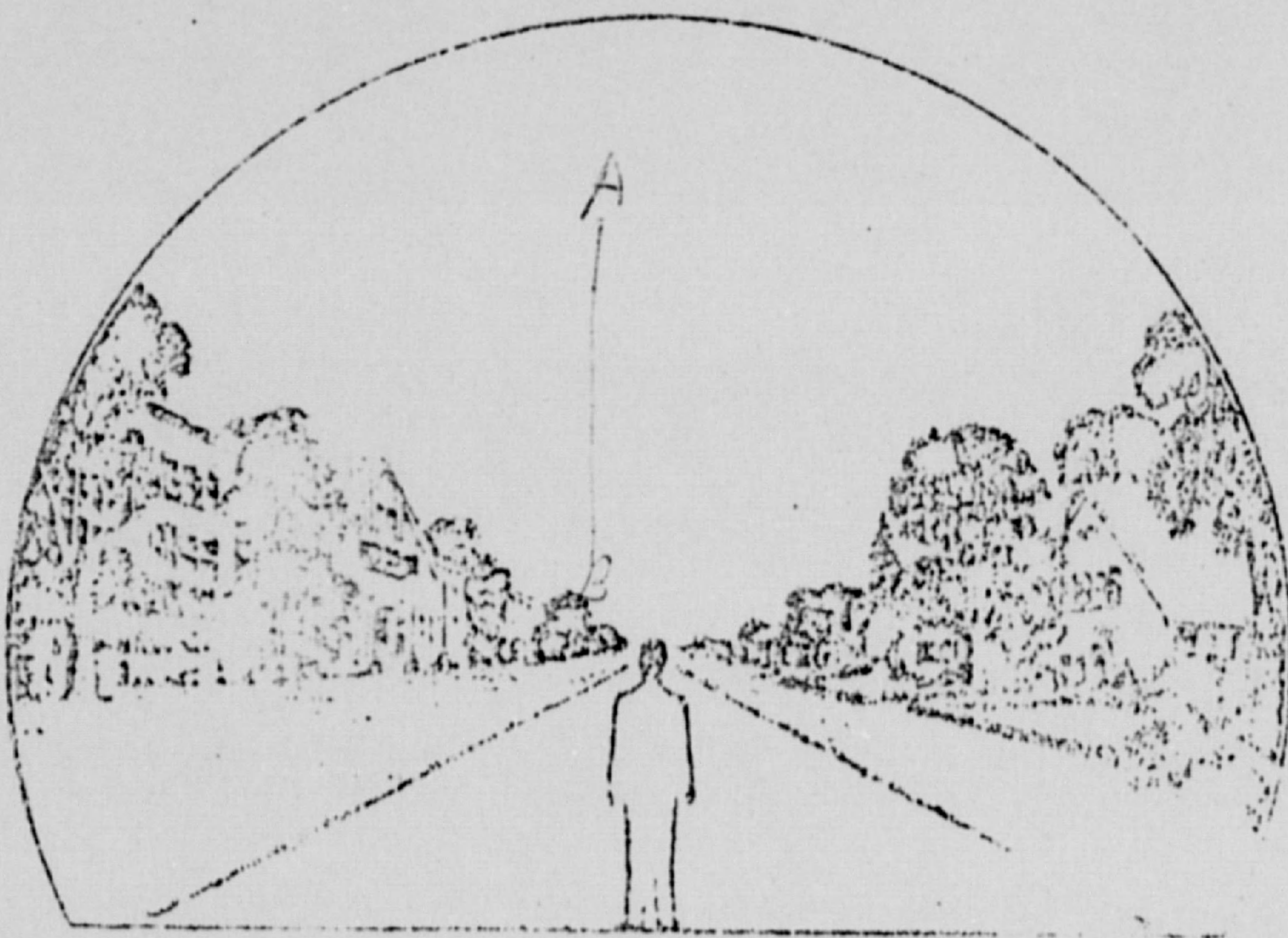
- 31.2 When it disappeared

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?

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 30°
- c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't Remember

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

17
Day

MARCH
Month

1967
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:



OSAGE MINNESOTA
RFD #1

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?

NA

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

flying object, not a star

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

[REDACTED]
Last Name

[REDACTED]
First Name

[REDACTED]
Middle Name

ADDRESS

[REDACTED]
Street

OSAGE
City

[REDACTED]
Zone

MINN.
State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

What is your present job?

HOUSE WIFE

Age

57

Sex

FEMALE

Please indicate any special educational training you have had.

a. Grade School _____

e. Technical school _____

b. High School _____

(Type) _____

c. College _____

f. Other special training _____

d. Post graduate _____

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

17
Day

MARCH
Month

1969
Year