

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 29-30 May 66 30-31 0345-50	2. LOCATION Columbus, & Hilliard, Ohio
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astro (Meteor) ✓ <i>gsta</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	→ If time correct, then more likely a burst balloon at
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 - 2 minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS In both sightings description of meteor is apparent. The time factor is in excess of a normal meteor sighting; however, in both cases the time was just a guess. There was a reported meteor on these two nights.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	
7. COURSE NE (downward)	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

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1. When did you see the object?

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Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 2250

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?

[REDACTED]
Nearest Postal Address

WILLARD
City or Town

OHIO
State or County

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration)

Hours

Minutes 2

Seconds

a. Certain

b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined? GLUES

5.2 Was object in sight continuously?

Yes X

No _____

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. 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

10. The object appeared: (Circle One):

- a. Solid
- b. Transparent
- c. Vapor
- ☒ d. As a light
- e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? (Circle One):

- ☒ a. Brighter
- b. Dimmer
- c. About the same
- d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

150 WATT BULB

12. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One):
- ☒ a. Fuzzy or blurred
 - b. Like a bright star
 - c. Sharply outlined
 - d. Don't remember

c. Other _____

13. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- a. Appear to stand still at any time?
- b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?
- c. Break up into parts or explode?
- d. Give off smoke?
- e. Change brightness?
- f. Change shape?
- g. Flash or flicker?
- h. Disappear and reappear?

Yes

☒ No

Don't know

Yes

☒ No

Don't know

Yes

☒ No

Don't know

☒ Yes

No

Don't know

☒ Yes

No

Don't know

Yes

No

☒ Don't know

☒ Yes

No

Don't know

Yes

☒ No

Don't know

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

DOWN AND OUT

15. 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: _____

16. 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: _____

17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

a. Sound

NONE

b. Color

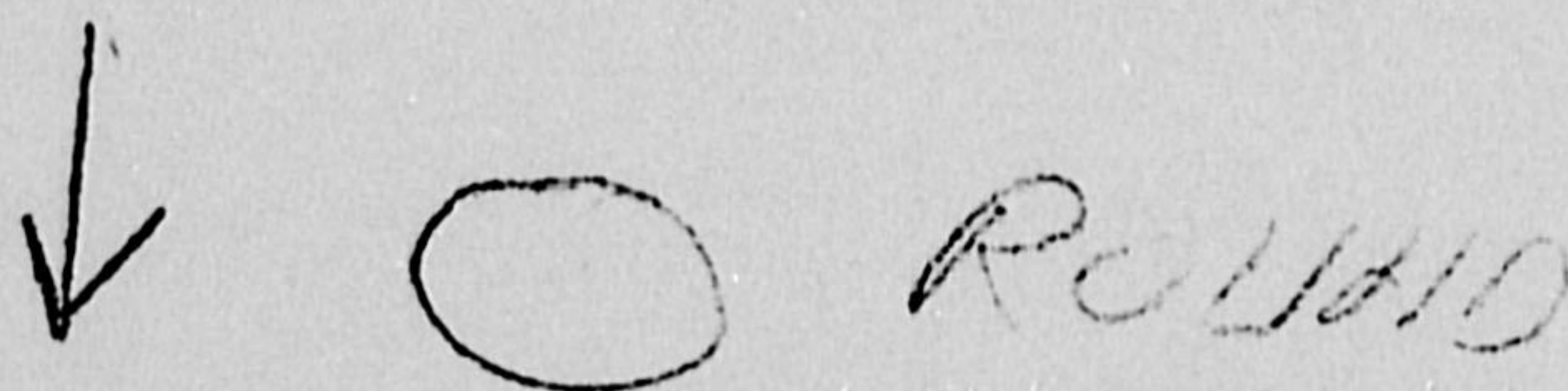
YELLOW

18. 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?

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19. 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.



20. 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? _____

21. 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? _____

22. 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 _____

23. 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 _____

24. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

a. North

c. East

e. South

g. West

b. Northeast

d. Southeast

f. Southwest

h. Northwest

24.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

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

(Circle One)

Yes

☒ No

25. 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

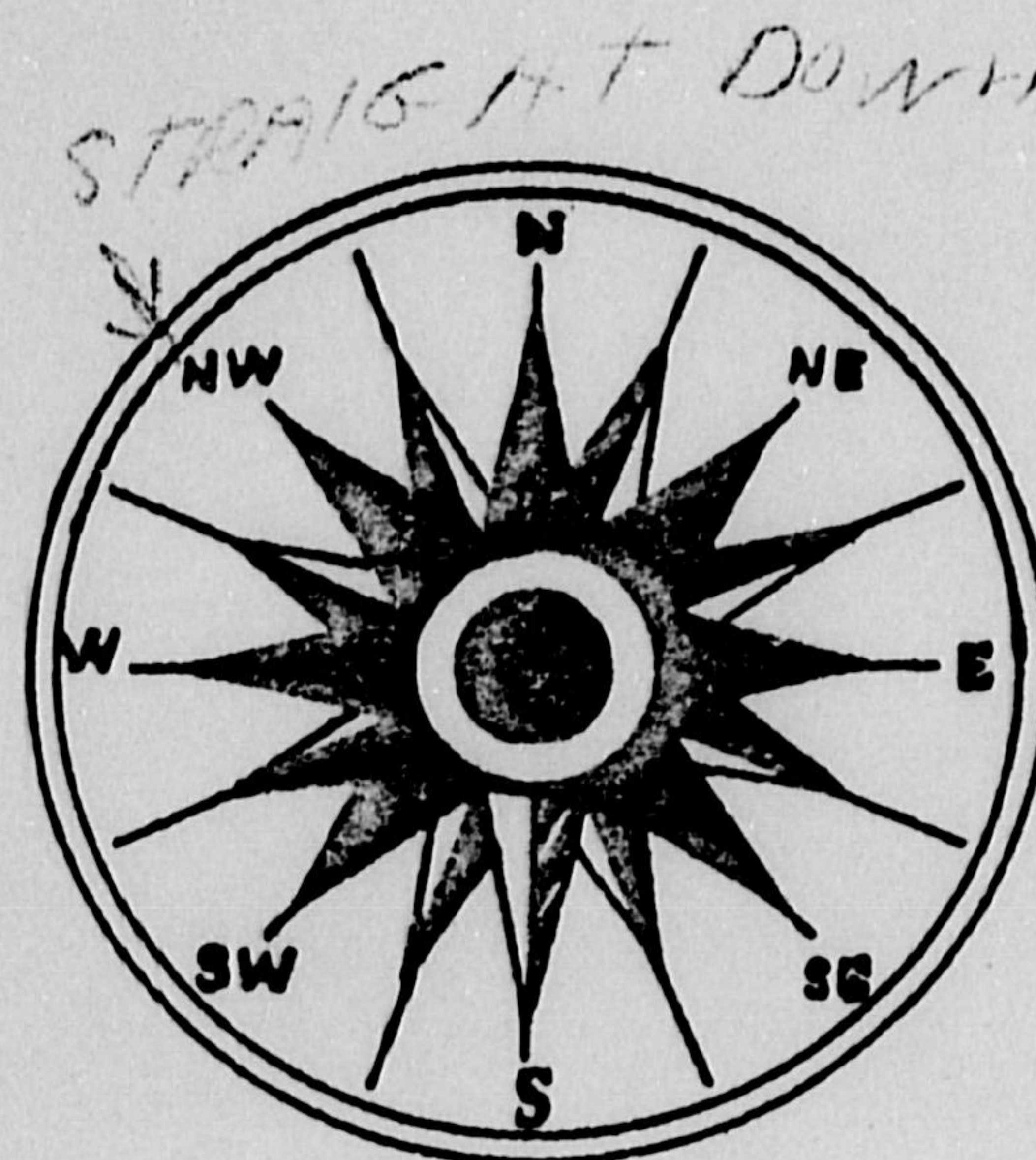
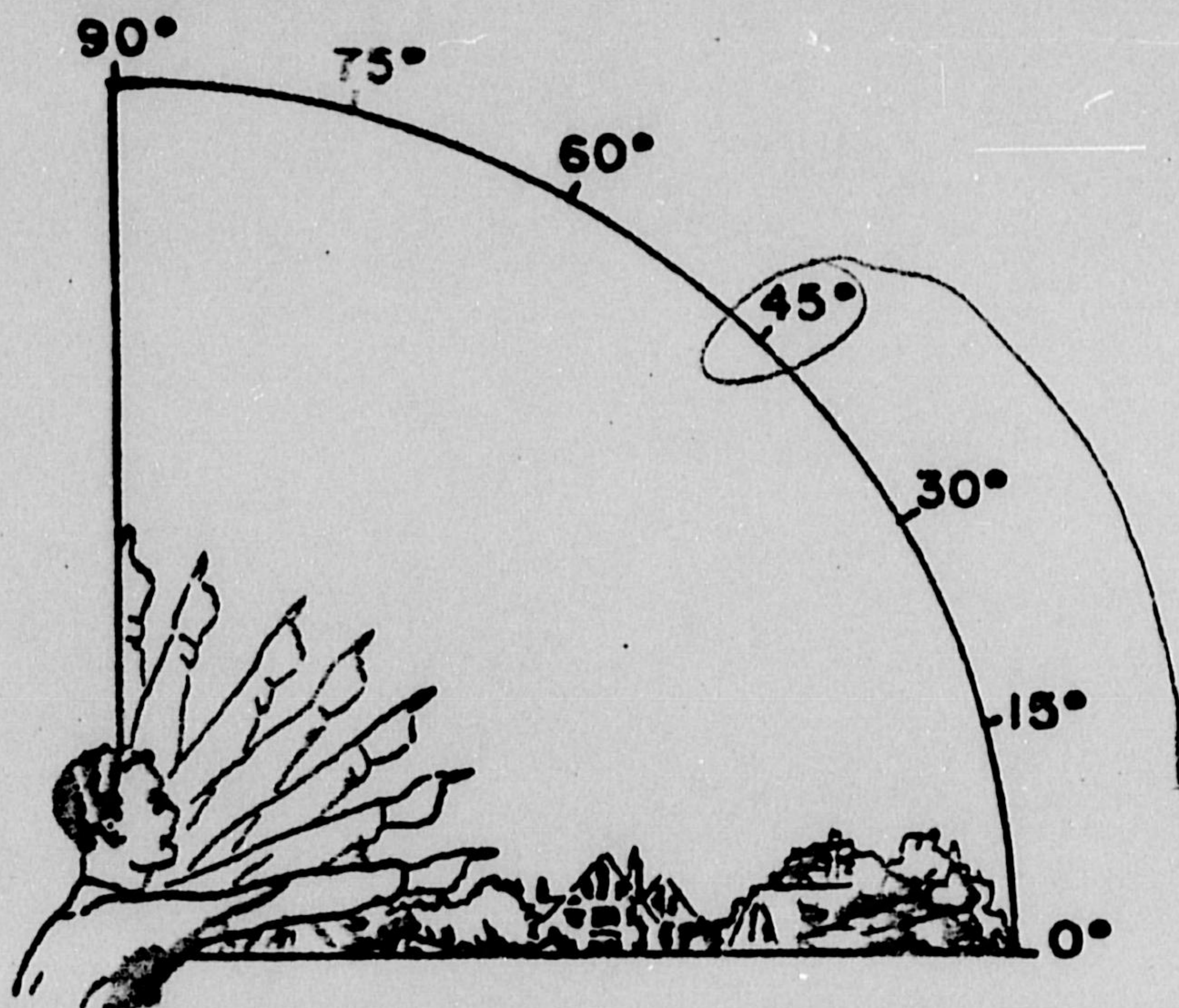
No

h. Other _____

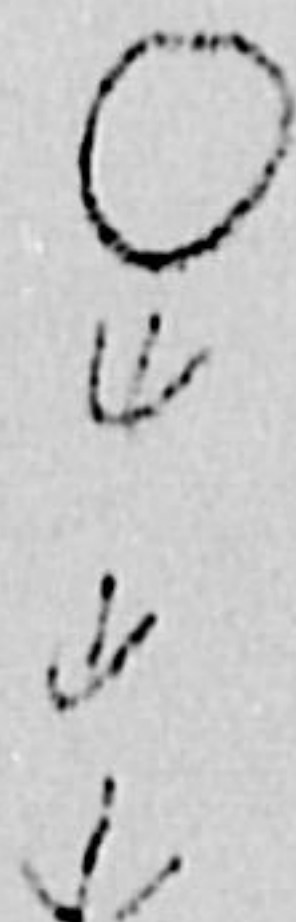
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LIKE A SKY ROCKET

27. 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. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you *last* saw the object.



28. 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.



29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? ONE
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.

NO

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? (Circle One)

Yes

No

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? (Circle One)

Yes

No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

[REDACTED]

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

AGE

SEX

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

NONE

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

Day

Month

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35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

1. WEATHER : CMH 2100E 70①15 0704
 2200E 80①15 0000
 2300E 80①15 0000
 0000E 80①15 0000

2. WINDS : 30/1900 EST

5M	3415
10M	3030
15M	2835
20M	2945
30M	2760
40M	2845
50M	2630

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Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 1245

Hour Minutes

(Circle One): A.M. or P.M.

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One): ☒ a. Eastern
 ☐ b. Central
 ☐ c. Mountain
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(Circle One): ☐ a. Daylight Saving
 ☐ b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

Home
Nearest Postal Address

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State or County

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration)

Hours 1-2 Seconds
Minutes

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c. Not very sure
d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined? _____

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes _____ No _____

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NIGHT
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Yes	☒ No	Don't know
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14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?

Went down behind house

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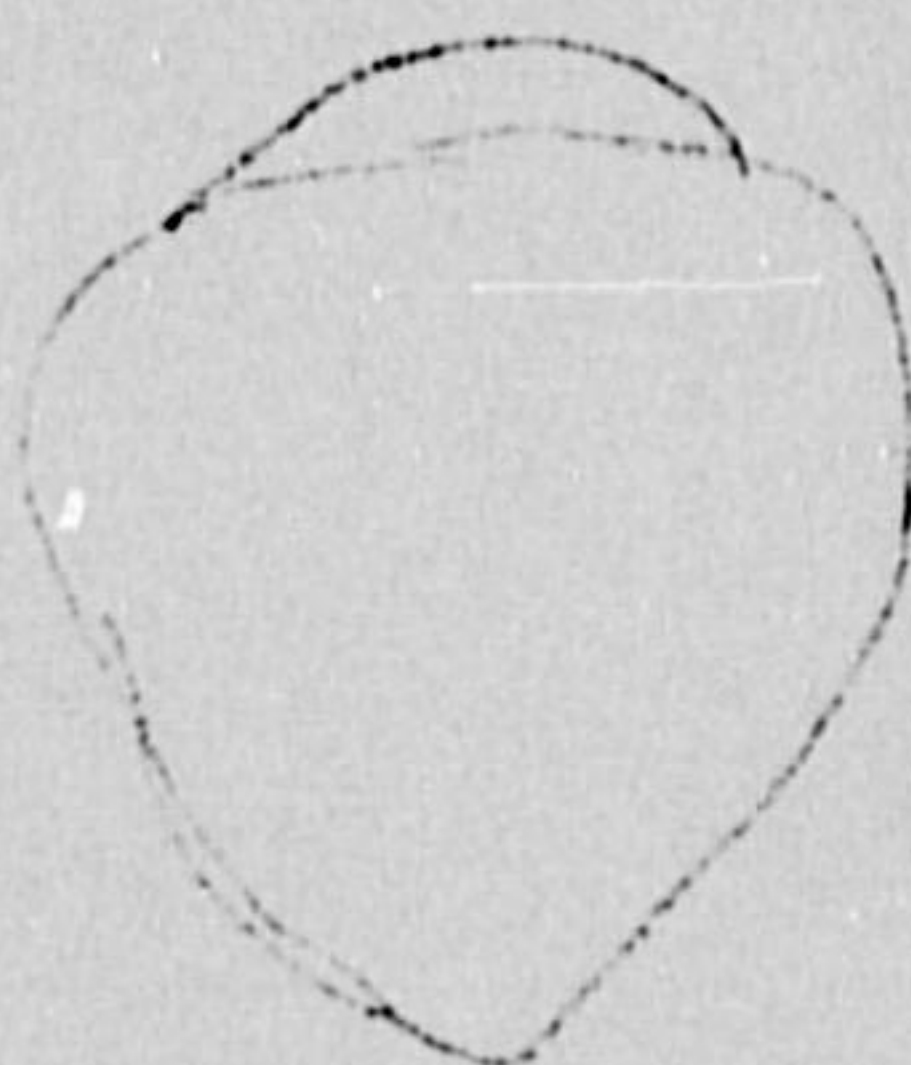
b. Color _____

white

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(Circle One) Yes No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? Slowly

21. 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? 3 blocks

22. Where were you located when you saw the object?
(Circle One):

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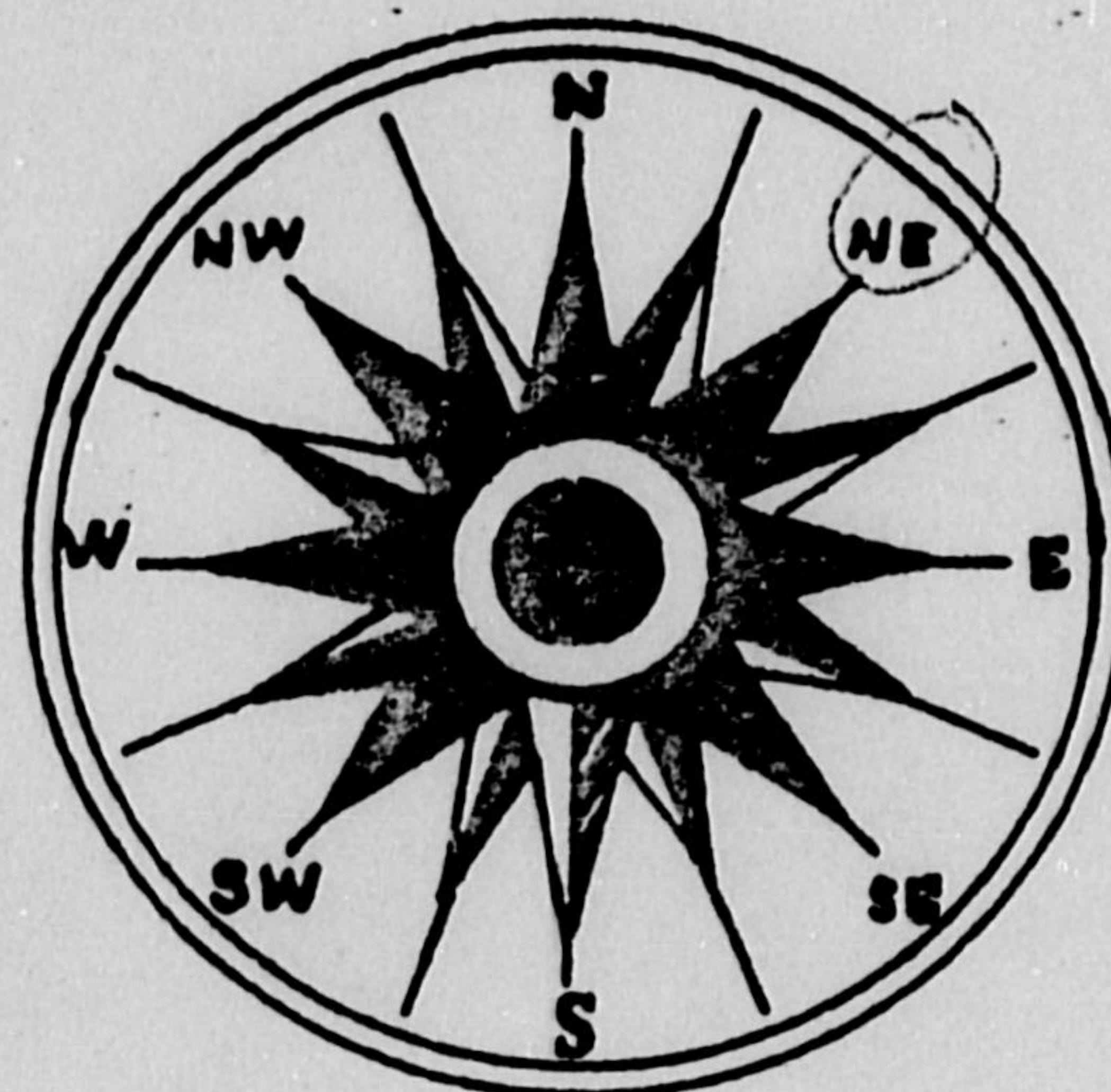
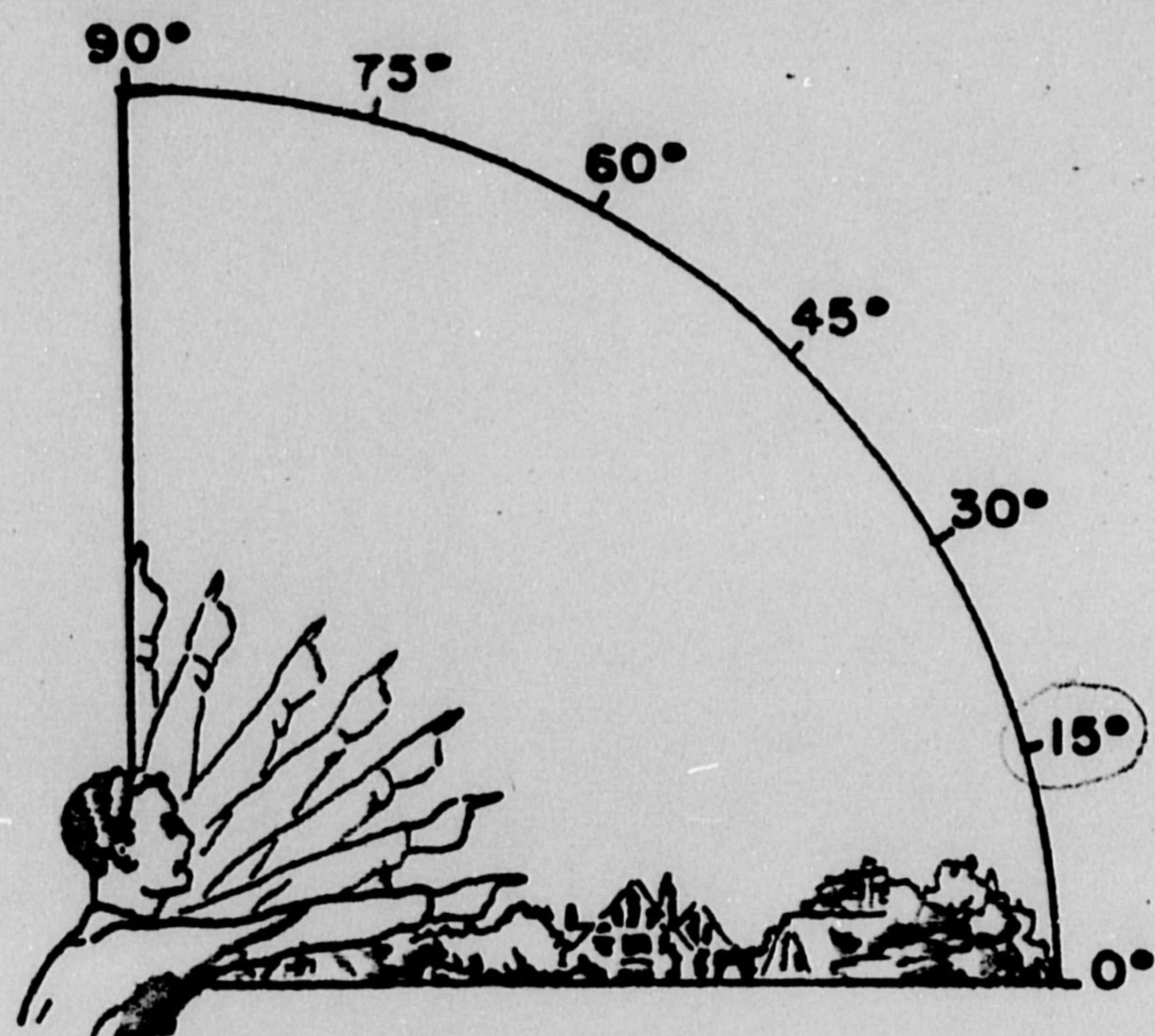
(Circle One) Yes No

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

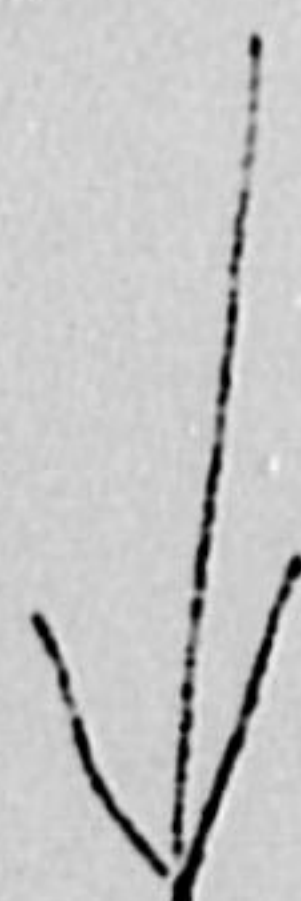
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|-----------------|-----|----|---------------|-------|----|
| a. Eyeglasses | Yes | No | e. Binoculars | Yes | No |
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Wife

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Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS _____
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____ AGE _____ SEX _____

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Day Month Year

Cols Police

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 2200E /-11 0000
 2300E CLEAR 11 0000
 30/000E CLEAR 11 0000

2. WINDS: 29/1900 EST

5 M	3310
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15 M	2855
20 M	2865
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