

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>09/12/52</u>	2. LOCATION St. Paul, Minn.	12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
3. TIME 09/1215 CST 09/1815	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Based <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Based <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE civilian men	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10 - 15 seconds	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE NW
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Object resembling a jet aircraft without wings was seen by man in St. Paul. Object moved at high speed.	11. COMMENTS	

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

Subject FLYOVERPT

Area Reported On St. Paul From (Agency) No. 31st ADIV

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References (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

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.)

On 9 August at 1815Z, [REDACTED] of St. Paul, observed an unidentified elliptical object, flying at a high speed from southeast to northwest. This object vanished abruptly after being observed for 10 or 15 seconds.

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Diagram drawn by [REDACTED] Chief, ATIC)

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

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- Description: Object resembled a jet aircraft except for no evidence of wings. It appeared to be elliptical with its length being 10 to 12 time its width. Object appeared to be silver or aluminum in coloring. After being observed for 10 or 15 seconds, by Mr. [REDACTED], the object vanished "in much the same way as a light would vanish when extinguished." The disappearance occurred when the object was approximately in line with the north magnetic pole.
- Time of Sighting: 1815Z, 9 August 1952. Length of observation was 10 to 15 seconds.
- Manner of Observation: Visual
- Location: Observer was ostensibly outside his home at [REDACTED], St. Paul. Object appeared to be 15 or 20 degrees above the horizon and traveled in a straight line through an arc, judged to be about 30 degrees. Object traveled from southeast to northwest. 315
- Weather: Sky was clear except for a few small clouds.

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[REDACTED]
(Classification)
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Saturday Aug. 9, 1952
Approx time 12:15 PM

Geographical N.

White cloud

This great

White cloud

Magnetic N.

Magnetic North Pole
(also line of disappearance)

Object. Silver or
aluminum color.
Length 10-12 times the
width. Absolutely
Noiseless in flight.

Clear blue sky

Wind Direction



Approximate line of disappearance

Ground Line

First sighting of object

Ground Line

Time 30°
10-15 sec.

Observer [redacted] St. Paul, Minn.

East

Time to travel 30° - 10-15 seconds
(estimated)

Saturday Aug. 9, 1952
Approximate time 12:15 PM.
(plus or minus a few minutes)
Wind Direction NW to SE

[redacted]

Folkton, N. C.,
Nov. 5. 1954.

Department of Defense,
Washington, D. C.

I am writing this letter to make a delayed report---delayed because I did not know where to send it--of a "Flying Saucer", or some other strange object seen by me on August 9, 1952. 9:35 p. m., checked by my watch, which was near correct.

Preleminary to trying to give you a word picture of this object and the circumstances and conditions that existed or prevailed at this time will state that about sunset we had a moderate thunderstorm with which lasted with the accompanying rain for about an hour, after which which the cloud passed on to the East, but leaving the sky dark and overcast for till about 10:00 o'clock, with an occasional flash of lightning to the East and Southeast. My house fronts ~~the~~ is small town of about 400 population with all the buildings pretty well scattered. Across the street in front of my house a grove of trees covering about a block, with a cleared opening all the way through, a hundred feet wide and narrowing to about 60 feet on the opposite street, past which ther is a decline or reaching several hundred yards, then bottom land on a creek for half a mile, then upgrade for half a mile to about the level of my house. The depression between the hill on which I live and ones on the other is probably not more than 50 feet, and there is a clear view from my house to the horizon when I look down th cleared or open lane.

On the August night mentioned I was at home alone reading in a front room. About a quarter past (:00 I went on the porch and sat down in a porch chair to smoke and cool off a little. The thermometer on the porch registered 85 degrees. I was looking straight down this cleared lane in front of me and in the dark toward the dark clouds. On the left of the lane the trees were tall all the way across, but on the right side there were no tall trees except one or two at the end of the lane.

Suddenly through the foliage of the tall trees on the right I saw a light moving, and I was looking directly at it when it crossed the end of the lane and disappeared behind the nearby tall trees that further obstructed my view. I had a clear and perfect view of the object for five or six seconds. This object was perfect round. The center of it was perfectly round and bright rose colored red, eighteen inches or so in diameter, and around this red was very bright bluish of more than a foot broad and perfectly round, and around this there was a white, steamish looking circle a foot or more broad and perfectly round.--apparently dimmer at the edges. A plainer, brighter picture could not be painted. The colors were plainer than any rainbow, and it was lower than the clouds with a black cloud for a background, and was traveling apparently from the Southwest to Northeast, and seemed to be slightly on the rise..

My eyes were probably six feet above level ground, and where it came into clear view was probably fifty feet above level ground.

Eval - Possible meteorite

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I have no Idea the distance it was away from me. It could have been a mile or many miles, but it did not come out of a cloud, and was underneath the cloud

This was not imagination, neither did it come from any reflection. Nor was it caused by any defect of my eyes. Though I was 73 years old, and require strong glasses for reading I only use them when I read and did not have them on at the time I saw this object. It did not excite me at all. I checked my watch for the time, went a short distance to a neighbors house and related to him what I had seen, and next day wrote a description of it as I have written it here, and also wrote a short letter to the Charlotte Daily Observer, which they published. I told all the people whom I met about it afterwards. I have found out since that others had seen unusual things in the air in the day time and at night, but since people are inclined to take such accounts as a joke or a delusion they do not care to tell about them.

I have seen many meteors in my life time--and one large one that exploded in the air, also Northern Lights, total eclipse of the sun, balloons, airplanes, etc., but I have never seen anything except perfectly bright lights of o

ne color like a star or meteor, and was until I saw this object, as skeptical as any one could be about flying saucers. Now I believe what I read about most of them. Several unusual things have been seen in the last few years in North Carolina and also in South Carolina that probably have never been reported.

Respectfully,

P.S. - I am not much used to typewriter, so some grammatical and spelling errors. Probably you can get from what I have tried to write.

4. How did you happen to notice the object? A. It's brief speed
straight line of motion and absolute absence of sound.
B. It's brightness, gradual darkening and disappearance

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

A 12:20-9 any 1953
 B 12:30-10 any 1953
 Day Month Year

SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object? Conversing with
my wife and neighbors

6.1 What had you been doing for the 30 minutes before you saw the object?
 Try to list the activity or activities and the approximate amount
 of time spent on each.

A. We were in the back yard Saturday
 B. On Sunday my wife and myself
had just returned for Church service

7. Were you moving at any time while you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes or No A + B

IF you answered YES, then complete the following questions:

7.1 What direction were you moving?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | e. South |
| b. Northeast | f. Southwest |
| c. East | g. West |
| d. Southeast | h. Northwest |

7.2 How fast were you moving? No miles per hour.

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

(Circle One): Yes all the time or No

8. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| a. North | e. South |
| b. Northeast <u>A</u> | f. Southwest |
| c. East | g. West |
| d. Southeast | h. Northwest |

B vertically.

8.1 What direction were you looking when the object disappeared?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| a. North | e. South |
| b. Northeast <i>A</i> | f. Southwest |
| c. East | g. West |
| d. Southeast | h. Northwest |

8.2 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above question and preceding question (8 and 8.1).

- | | |
|---|------------------|
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> a. Certain | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Just a guess |

9. Were you wearing eye glasses when you saw the object? (Circle One):

Yes or No

10. How was the object seen?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|-------------------------|--|
| a. Through window glass | e. Through theodolite |
| b. Through windshield | f. Through sunglasses |
| c. Through binoculars | <input checked="" type="radio"/> g. Through open space |
| d. Through telescope | h. Other _____ |

11. What do you remember about the weather conditions at the time you saw the object? *ideal summer day not too warm*

11.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- | | |
|-----------|--|
| <i>A</i> | a. Clear sky |
| <i>+B</i> | b. Hazy |
| | <input checked="" type="radio"/> c. Scattered clouds |
| | d. Thick or heavy clouds |
| | e. Don't remember |

11.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- | |
|---|
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> a. Dry |
| b. Fog, Mist, or light rain |
| c. Moderate or heavy rain |
| d. Snow |
| e. Don't remember |

11.2 WIND (Circle One)

- | |
|---|
| a. No wind |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> b. Slight breeze |
| c. Strong wind |
| d. Don't remember |

11.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- | |
|--|
| a. Cold |
| b. Cool |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> c. Warm |
| d. Hot |
| e. Don't remember |

SECTION C

12. Estimate how long you saw the object?

A-10-15

_____	<i>B1 min</i>	_____
Hours	Minutes	Seconds

12.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 12:

- a. Certain
- b. Fairly sure
- c. Not very sure
- d. Just a guess

13. Did the object look: (Circle One) Solid or Transparent

14. Did the object at any time:

(Circle One for each question)

- | | | | | |
|------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| 14.1 | Change direction? | Yes | ^{A+B} <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.2 | Change speed? | Yes | ^{A+B} <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.3 | Change size? | Yes | ^{A+B} <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.4 | Change color? | ^B <u>Yes</u> | ^A <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.5 | Break up into parts or explode? | Yes | ^{A+B} <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.6 | Give off smoke? | Yes | ^{A+B} <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.7 | Change brightness? | ^B <u>Yes</u> | ^A <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.8 | Flicker, throb, or pulsate? | Yes | ^{A+B} <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.9 | Remain motionless? | ^B <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>Don't know</u> |

15. Did the object give off a light? (Circle One): Yes ^{A+B} No Don't know

15.1 IF you answered YES, what was the color of the light? _____

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

16.1 Sound None

16.2 Color Light reflected off Aluminum.

17. 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 they were traveling.

D.

18. Did the object at any time: ~~Yes~~

^A
^B No

18.1 Move behind something? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind.

18.2 Move in front of something? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know

IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved in front of.

18.3 Blend with the background? (Circle One) Yes No Don't know *see note*

19. Which of the following objects is about the same actual size as the object you saw? (Circle One):

- | | |
|---|---|
| a. Pea | f. Automobile |
| b. Baseball | g. Small airplane |
| <i>B</i> <input checked="" type="radio"/> c. Basketball | <i>A</i> <input checked="" type="radio"/> h. Large airplane |
| d. Bicycle wheel | i. Dirigible |
| e. Office desk | j. Other _____ |

19.1 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to Question 19.

- | | |
|---|------------------|
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> a. Certain | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Uncertain |

20. Try to tell the following things about the object:

20.1 How high above the earth was it? *B* Don't know feet.

20.2 How far was it from you? _____ feet or _____ miles. *A* Don't know

20.3 How fast was it going? Don't know miles per hour. *Very fast*

20.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above questions:

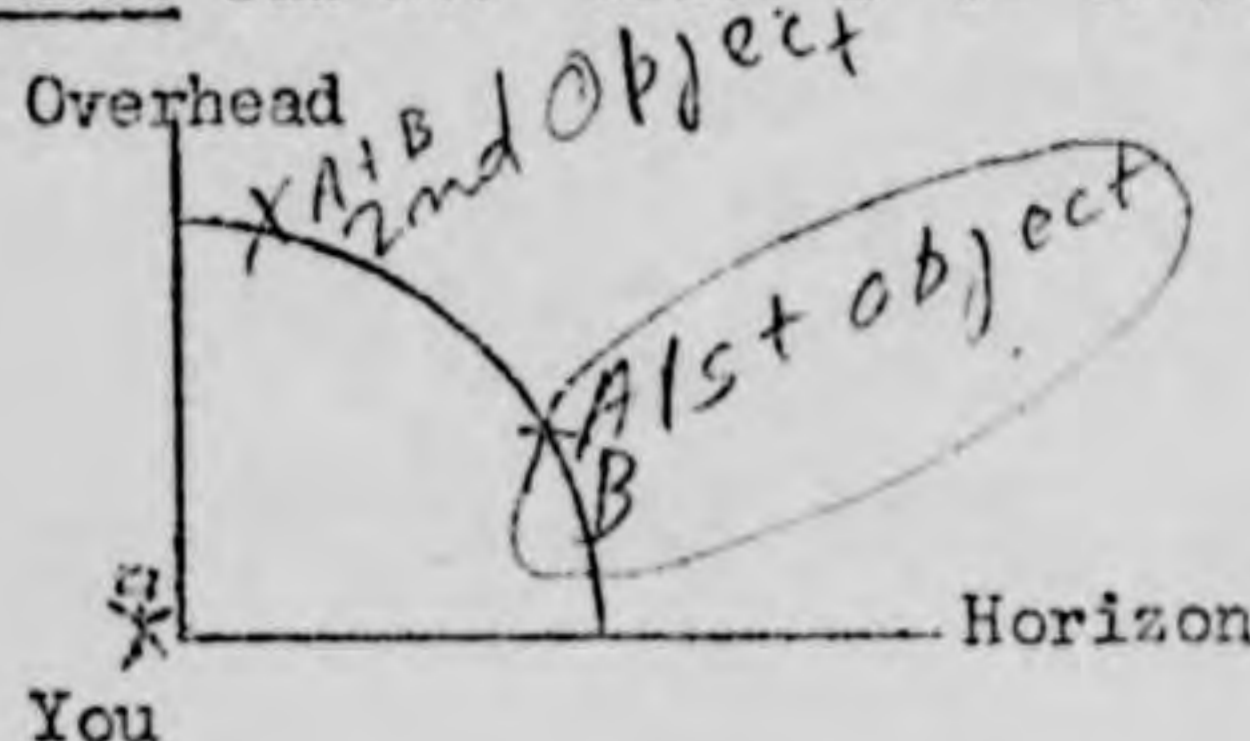
- | | |
|--|------------------|
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> a. Certain <i>I am sure I don't know.</i> | c. Not very sure |
| b. Fairly certain | d. Just a guess |

21. How did the object disappear from view?

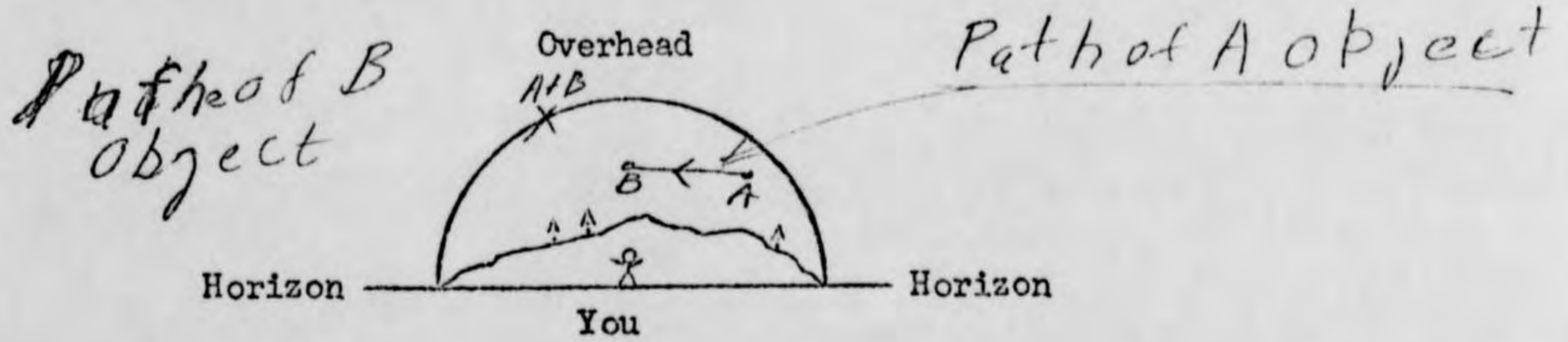
- (Circle One): a. Suddenly c. Other _____
- b. Gradually d. Don't remember

SECTION D

22. In the following sketch, imagine your eye 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" to show where it was when you last saw it.



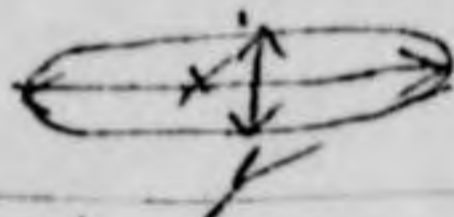
23. In the following sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you first saw it, and a "B" at its position when you last saw it.

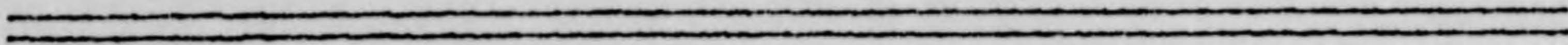


24. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object made. Place an "A" at the beginning of its path and a "B" at the end of its path.

A object illustrated 23
 B object did not move

25. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw and place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

A object  x dimension approx -
 12 x Y
 B object spherical



SECTION E

26. Was this the first time that you have seen an object like this?

(Circle One): Yes or No

26.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what conditions did you see other ones? _____

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

I believe without any doubt in my mind whatsoever that these objects were mechanical devices

28. Give the following information about yourself:

NAME

[REDACTED]

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

ADDRESS

[REDACTED] St Paul 6 Minh

Street

City

Zone

State

TELEPHONE NUMBER

[REDACTED]

What is your present job?

Abasive Research Engineer

Age

43

Sex

Male

29. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

A - No
B - Yes

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.2 Please list their names and addresses:

My wife

[REDACTED] neighbor Magnolia Edgewater Bl

30. Please add here any further comments which you believe are important.
Use additional sheets of the same size paper, if necessary.

To the best of my ability I have answered your questionnaire without exaggeration. The object A seen on Saturday could be mistaken for a jet plane but for the complete silence and disappearance. The speed could be estimated by the following arithmetic. If jet were far enough away to be soundless it would have to be at least six miles away. A cubic foot in diameter would $5280 \times 12 \times \pi \times 63,360 \pi$ in cu. I saw the object travel about 35° or $\frac{1}{2}$ of the circle = or $5280 \pi \times 4$ or 6π miles per min
 $18 \text{ miles} \times 60 = 1080 \text{ miles per hour}$

The object I saw Sunday was like a great silver ball in the blue sky. As we watched a shadow seemed to gradually circle the object and completely envelope it. This was not due to a cloud. It disappeared completely from eyesight in the clear sky. The sun was very bright at this moment. I went in the house got my 7x50 Bausch & Lomb Binoculars but I could not find it again nor could my uncle. I later contacted General Mills Research Laboratory and they told me there were no balloons in that area Sunday. I believe to be a mechanical device, something that I have never seen before or since. It was highly