

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>11 Aug 52</u>		LOCATION <u>Hampton, Virginia</u>		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>11/2130 EST</u> GMT _____		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft	
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		6. SOURCE <u>AF officer and wife</u>		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <u>30 minutes</u>		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>7</u>	9. COURSE <u>SW</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING <u>AF Captain and wife observed seven objects in series of two, four, and one, flying at 400 mph over Hampton. Sightings took place within 30 minutes.</u>			11. COMMENTS <u>7 objects could be sky train balloons. Objects travelling in same direction as wind. Source seems reliable.</u>		

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COUNTRY UNITED STATES	REPORT NO TAC IR-23-52	(LEAVE BLANK) 9494328
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
SUBJECT FLYOBREP		
AREA REPORTED ON Hampton, Virginia	FROM (Agency) 4430th Air Base Wing Langley Air Force Base, Virginia	
DATE OF REPORT 13 August 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 11 August 1952	REVELATION
PREPARED BY (Office) 2d Lt Alfonso R. Russo, AC-2218344	SOURCE Captain [REDACTED]	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFL 200-5		
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.)		

Seven yellowish-orange flying objects were sighted 11 August 1952 in the Hampton, Virginia area. Objects were sighted visually from the ground by Captain [REDACTED] and Mrs. [REDACTED]; the first sighting being at approximately 2130 EST. The other sightings were made at approximately 2134 EST and 2200 EST. Captain [REDACTED] is an instructor with the 4400th School Squadron, Langley Air Force Base, Virginia

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Norfolk (NS-9) Sectional Aeronautical Chart

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

FROM (Agency) Langley Air Force Base, Va.	REPORT NO. TAC IR-23-52	PAGE 1 OF 1 PAGES
<p>1. Seven yellowish-orange flying objects were sighted visually from the ground by Captain and Mrs. [REDACTED] (AOB) on 11 August. Subject officer is an instructor with the 4400th School Squadron, Langley Air Force Base, Va.</p> <p>2. The first two objects were sighted by Captain and Mrs. [REDACTED] as they were riding in their vehicle from their home at [REDACTED] Pine Chapel, Hampton, Va., along Route 134 to Hampton proper. Source's immediate reaction after seeing the two objects, was to interpret them as reflections of his headlights on TV antennas. The time of sighting was approximately 2130 EST. Captain [REDACTED] estimated the altitude to be 500 feet and the speed 400 mph. Stopping at the intersection of Freeman Drive and Route 134, source saw four additional objects, three flying at 3-4000 feet and one at 7000 feet. Like the previous two objects, these were pea-size and heading SW from Fort Monroe, Va., to Franklin, Va. The time of this sighting was approximately 2134 EST.</p> <p>3. All objects flew with a steady motion. Source observed that the two original objects pulled up in a chandelle, reversed heading on top of chandelle and headed SW from Fort Monroe, Va., to Franklin, Va. No deceleration was noticeable in climbing. The intensity of the yellowish-orange light emitted by the objects was constant. The total length of observation was 5 minutes.</p> <p>4. At approximately 2200 EST source returned along the same route and sighted a seventh object of the same description as the previous six. However, this object was flying extremely low, appearing to skim the treetops in its flight. Captain [REDACTED] determined its heading to be SW from Fort Monroe to Franklin, Va. During this and other sightings, no moon was out.</p> <p>5. Hampton weather: 2130 EST; 25000 feet scattered; visibility 6 miles haze; pressure 1015 millibars; temperature 81 degrees; DP 74; winds SW 5 knots; altimeter 29.97; isothermal layer 5-6000 feet.</p> <p>6. Langley Control Tower Operator dispatched one B-26 to identify and intercept flying objects. Negative results were reported. An additional 24 B-26 type aircraft were over the local area at time of sighting. Captain [REDACTED] claimed that he was able to differentiate between the flying objects and local aircraft.</p>		

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PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

1. DATE <i>11 Aug 52</i>	2. LOCATION <i>Hampton Va.</i>	3. TIME Local: <i>7:30</i> Zebra: _____
4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Naked Eye <input type="checkbox"/> Binoculars <input type="checkbox"/> Telescope <input type="checkbox"/> Theodolite
5. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED BY GROUND RADAR?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		<input type="checkbox"/> By One Set <input type="checkbox"/> By Two Sets <input type="checkbox"/> By Three Sets
6. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE AIR?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
		<input type="checkbox"/> A/C Observed Object <input type="checkbox"/> Interception Attempted <input type="checkbox"/> No Intercept Attempted
7. WERE AIRCRAFT SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A/C Scrambled <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Contact Made <input type="checkbox"/> A/I Contact Made <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Contact Made
8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Violent
9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT:		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Blinking <input type="checkbox"/> Steady
10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT:		<input type="checkbox"/> 1-15 Seconds <input type="checkbox"/> 1-5 Minutes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Over 10 Minutes
11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address)		
<i>[Redacted] Langley AFB, Va.</i>		

II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED?		<i>No</i>
13. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO ARCH DOWNWARD?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
14. DID OBJECT HAVE A TAIL?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
15. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO DISINTEGRATE?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
16. TIME OF SIGHTING RELATIVE TO SUNRISE OR SUNSET (Data from Air Almanac)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Night <input type="checkbox"/> Day <input type="checkbox"/> Sunrise <input type="checkbox"/> Sunset

III. AIRCRAFT DATA

17. WERE AIRCRAFT NOTED IN AREA?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
	<input type="checkbox"/> One Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> More Than One Aircraft	
18. WAS ANY SOUND HEARD?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
19. WERE THERE INDICATIONS OF HIGH BACKGROUND NOISE?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
20. WAS THE OBJECT VIEWED ABOVE 45° ELEVATION?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<i>Subject - 1 observed over trees type</i>

IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA? Yes No

22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE: 5 hrs. Minutes

23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:

	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted?		Describe Lighting
				Yes	No	
a.	Norfolk Va.	Piball	USDA Weath. Res.			
b.	" "	Hydrogen Piball	U.S. N.			
c.						
d.						

(attach overlay)

V. EVALUATION

21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE:

Excellent
 Good
 Fair
 Poor
 Unreliable
 Extremely Doubtful
 Hoax

22. DETAILS OF REPORT:

Good
 Fair
 Poor
 Insufficient to Evaluate

23. FINAL EVALUATION:

Was Balloon
 Probably Balloon
 Possibly Balloon

Was Aircraft
 Probably Aircraft
 Possibly Aircraft

Was Astronomical
 Probably Astronomical
 Possibly Astronomical

Other: _____

Insufficient Data For Evaluation

Unknown

24. COMMENTS:

Time between sighting and last balloon release too long for object to be a balloon from Norfolk. Wind SW - could be launched from Dahlgren Va - irregular

PROJECT 10073 WEATHER DATA SHEET

1. DATE OF OBSERVATION <i>14 Aug '52</i>	2. TIME OF OBSERVATION <i>2130 EST</i>	3. STATION OBSERVING <i>Langley AFB</i>
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4. WINDS ALOFT:

ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)	ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)
0	<i>5</i>		25,000		
1,000			30,000		
2,000			35,000		
3,000			40,000		
4,000			45,000		
5,000			50,000		
6,000			55,000		
7,000			60,000		
8,000			65,000		
9,000			70,000		
10,000			75,000		
12,000			80,000		
14,000			85,000		
16,000			90,000		
18,000			95,000		
20,000			100,000		

5. WAS AN INVERSION LAYER NOTED? Yes No
 (If yes, at what altitude? *5-6000'*)

6. WERE ANY THUNDERSTORMS NOTED IN AREA? Yes No
 (If yes, at what quadrant? _____)

7. CLOUD COVER: <i>3</i> tenths at <i>15,000</i> feet. _____ tenths at _____ feet. _____ tenths at _____ feet. _____ tenths at _____ feet.	8. VISIBILITY WAS _____ MILES.
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9. COMMENTS:

13 Aug 52 09 11z

1952 AUG 12

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WPE212

YDB194

TYA259

TDB222

ACTION

[Handwritten signatures and initials]

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1952 AUG 12 18:21

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PP JEPHQ JEDVP JEDEN 333

DE JEPLG 27A

P 121930(" ZMJ

FM 4433 AB WG LANGLEY AFB VA

TO JEPHQ/DIR INTELLIGENCE HQ USAF WASH 25 DC

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JEN/CG TAC AIR COMMAND LANGLEY AFB VA

~~REDACTED~~ OI 8-336 PD ATTN AT1AA-2C FLYOBJRPT PD SEVEN
 YELLOWISH ORANGE FLYING OBJECTS SIGHTED VISUAKLLY FROM GROUND BY
 CAPTAIN AND MRS ~~REDACTED~~ CMA ~~REDACTED~~ AOB CMA AT INTERSECTION
 FREEMAN DRIVE AND ROUTE 134 CMA HAMPTON CMA VA CMA 11 AUGUST PD OBJECTS
 SIGHTED AT INTERVALS PD AT APPROXIMATELY 2130 EST TWO OBJECTS SIGHTED
 HEADING SW TO VICINITY FRANKLIN CMA VA CMA BY OBSERVERS FROM MOVING
 VEHICLE PD ALTITUDE CLN 500 FT CLN SPEED CLN 400 MPH CLN AIZE CLN
 PEA-SHAPED PD NO EXHAUST TRAIL CMA NO SOUND CMA NO FRAGMENTS PD FOUR
 ADDITIONAL OBJECTS SIGHTED 2134 EST FROM PARKED VEHICLE PD SAME HEADING
 AND DESCRIPTION CLN ALTITUDES CLN THREE OBJECTS 3-4000 FT CLN ONE
 OBJECT 7000 FT PD SEVENTH OBJECT SIGHTED APPROXIMATELY

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2000 EST HEADING SAME DIRECTION FLYING LOW CMA SKIMMING TREETOPS PD
TWO ORIGINAL OBJECTS PULLED UP IN A CHANDELLE CMA REKVERSED HEADING ON
TOP OF CHANDELLE 180 DEGREES AND HEADED SW TO FRANKLIN CMA VA PD NO
DECCELERATION NOTICKEABLE IN CLIMBS PD OBJECTS FLEW WITH STEADY MOTION PD
OBSERVERS ESTIMATED DISTANCE TO OBJECTS 5-9 MILES PD HAMPTON WEATHER ✓
2100 EST CLN 25000 FEET SCATTERED CMA VISIBILITY 6 MILES HAZE CMA
PRESSURE 1015 MILLIBARS CMA TEMPERATURE 81 DEGREES CMA DP 74 CMA WINDS SW
5 KNOTS CMA ALTIMETER 29 PNT 97 CMA ISOTHERMAL LAYER 5-6000 FT PD ONE
B-26 A/C DISPATCHED TO INTERCEPT OBJECTS CLN 24 KLANCLÉY B-26 A/C OVER
LOCAL AREA AT TIME OF SIGHTING PD ALL A/C REPORTED NEGATIVE RESULTS
PD REPORT TO FOLLOW PD

12/2100Z AUG JEPLC

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OBSERVERS QUESTIONNAIRE - 4702.00

SECTION A

1. When did you see the object:

1.1 Date: 13 AUG 1952
Day Month Year

1.2 Time of day: 2:40 A.M. or P.M. (Circle One) → I am
Hrs. Min. sure of this?

1.3 Time Zone: (Circle One):

- a. Eastern d. Pacific
 b. Central e. Other _____
 c. Mountain

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving
 b. Standard

1.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above question 1.2:

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

2. Where did you see the object?

~~_____~~
Postal Address

Hilton Village, Va. Warwick
City or Town State Country

3. Where were you located when you saw the object:

- (Circle One): a. Inside a building d. In an airplane
 b. In a car e. At sea
 c. Outdoors f. Other _____

3.1 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 _____

I am not sure it was the
13th but it was around that
time - but they must have
the date at Langley field.

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4. How did you happen to notice the object? My wife
called my attention to it.

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

12 Aug. 1957
Day Month Year

Not sure of the exact day.

SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object? _____
Standing in my yard.

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.

Cleaning up table and
washing dishes

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

Yes or No.

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? _____ miles per hour.

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

(Circle One): Yes or No

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

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|--|--------------|
| a. North | e. South |
| b. Northeast | f. Southwest |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> c. East | g. West |
| d. Southeast | h. Northwest |

8.1 What direction were you facing when the object disappeared?

- (Circle One):
- | | |
|--|--------------|
| a. North | e. South |
| b. Northeast | f. Southwest |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> 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 two questions. (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 sun glasses |
| 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?

11.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- Cloudy*
- | |
|---|
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> a. Clear sky |
| b. Hazy |
| 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)

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

11.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

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

18. Did the object at any time:

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

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

Dropped down below the horizon

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

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

- a. Pea
- b. Baseball
- c. Basketball
- d. Bicycle wheel
- e. Office desk
- f. Automobile
- g. Small airplane
- h. Large airplane
- i. Dirigible
- j. Other _____

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

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

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

20.1 How high above the earth was it? 10,000 feet.

20.2 How far was it from you? _____ feet or 10 miles

20.3 How fast was it going? _____ miles per hour. *About like an B-29 or similar plane*

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

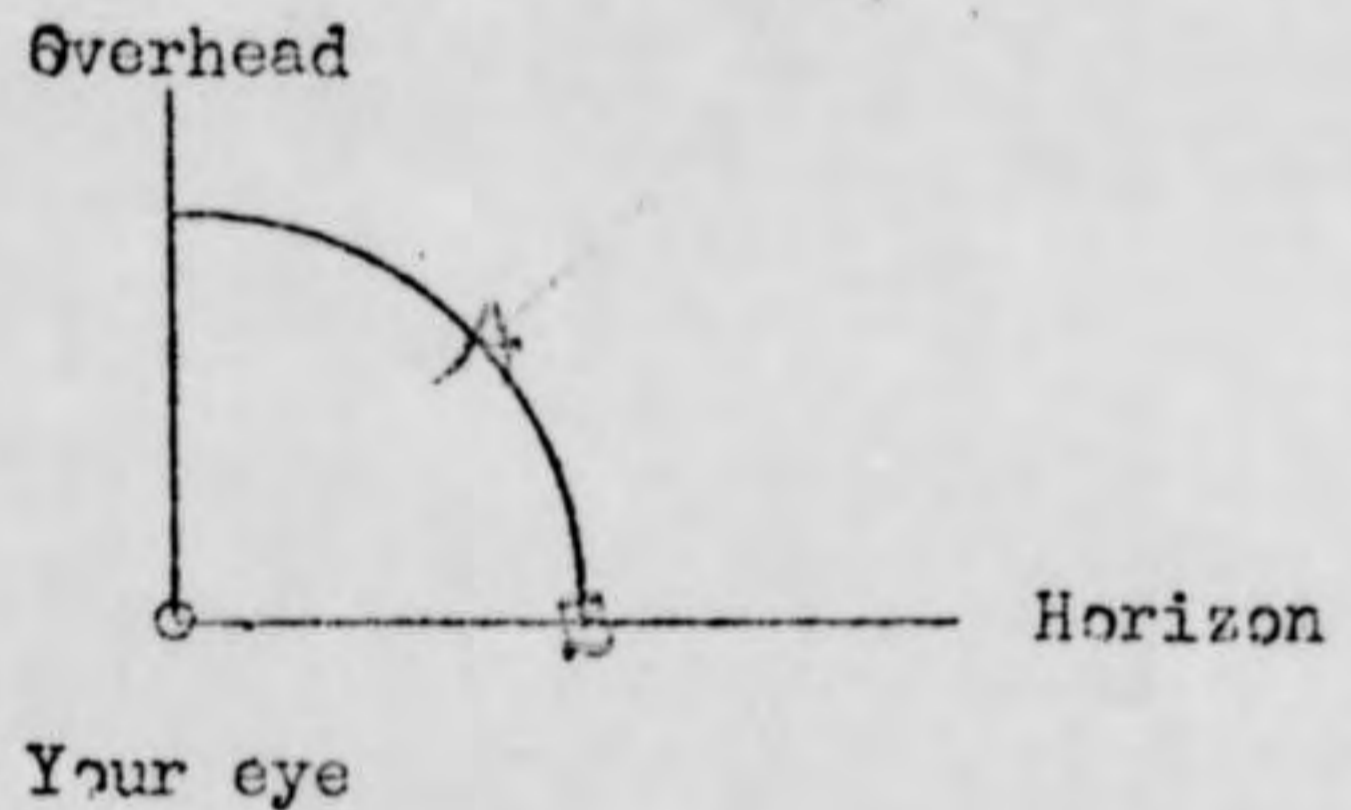
- a. Certain
- b. Fairly certain
- c. Not very sure
- d. Just a guess

21. How did the object disappear from view?

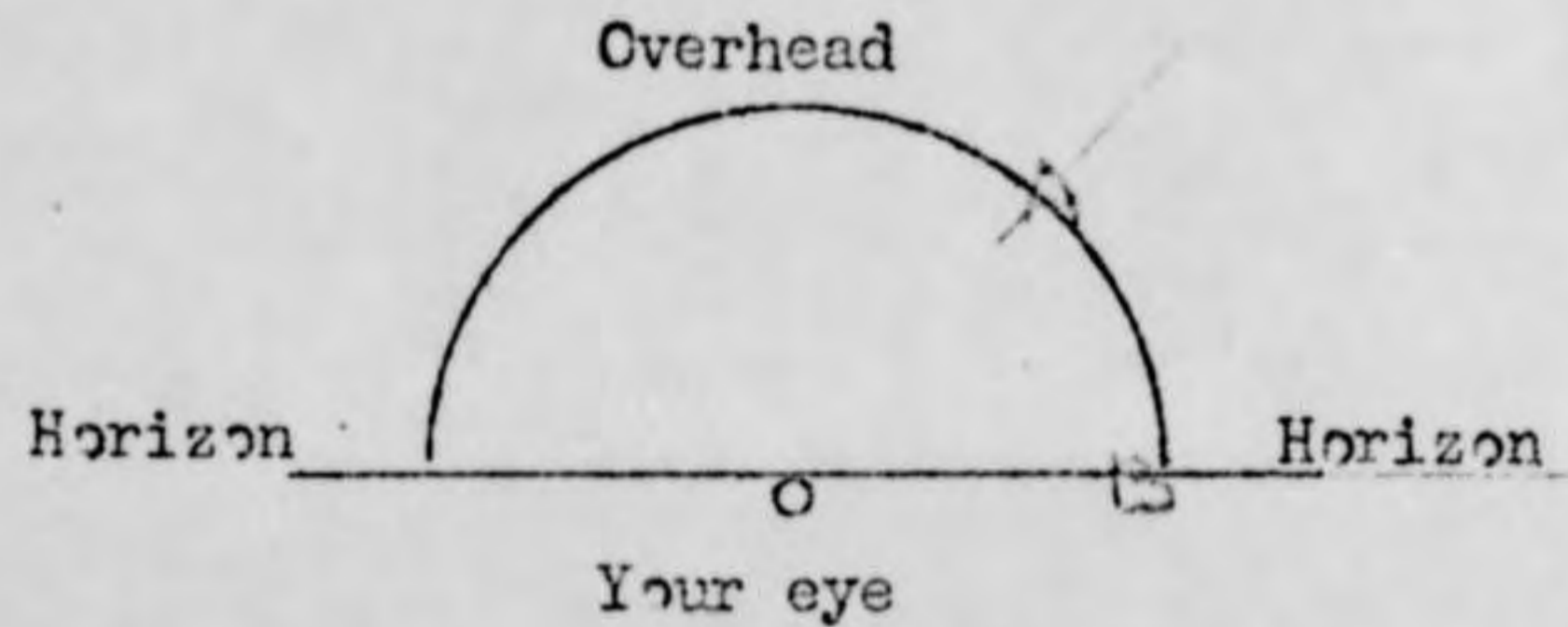
- (Circle One):
- a. Suddenly
 - b. Gradually
 - c. Other _____
 - d. Don't remember

SECTION D

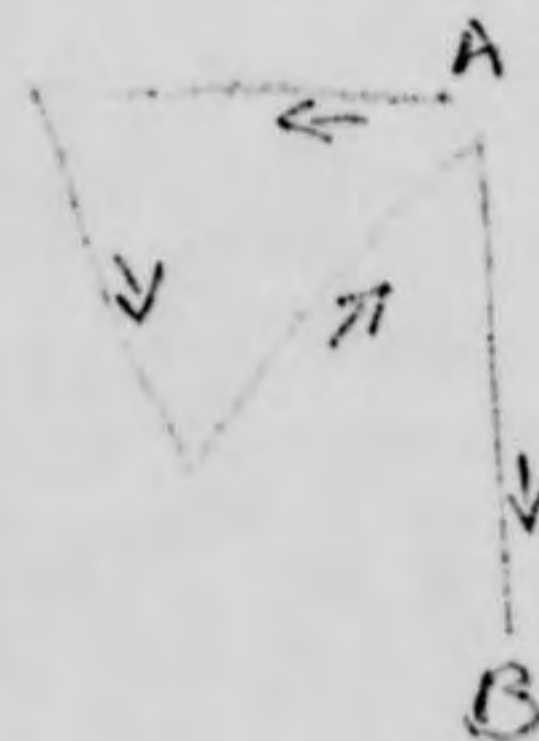
22. In the following sketch, imagine your eye at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon when you first saw it. Place a "B" to show where it was when you last saw it.



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.



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.

It looked exactly like a plane light would look at that distance except the course it took and the change of the color.

SECTION E

26. Was this the first time that you have seen an object like this?
(Circle One): Yes 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 have no idea.

28. Give the following information about yourself:

NAME: _____
 Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS: _____
 Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____
 Newport News

What is your present job? Nurse

Age 34

Sex Female

Last School Attended College of Hampton Roads

Year of last attendance at this school 1951

