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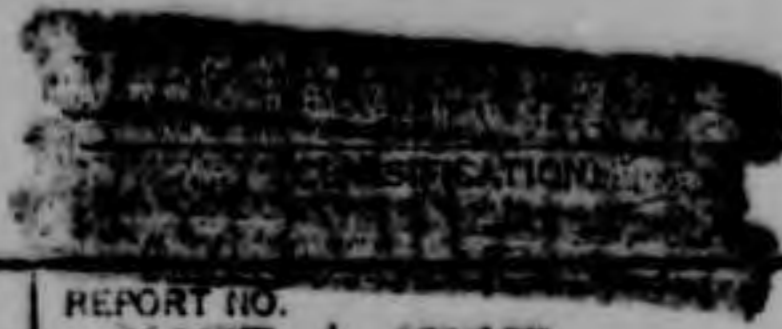




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COUNTRY United States	REPORT NO. MAFB-4-HEHR	(LEAVE BLANK)
<b>AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT</b>		
SUBJECT Unidentified Flying Objects Reporting		
AREA REPORTED ON Southern California	FROM (Agency) 807th Air Base Group, March Air Force Base	
DATE OF REPORT 9 September 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 30 August 1952	EVALUATION
PREPARED BY (Officer) E. D. H. Maddox, Lt Colonel, USAF	SOURCE Civilian	

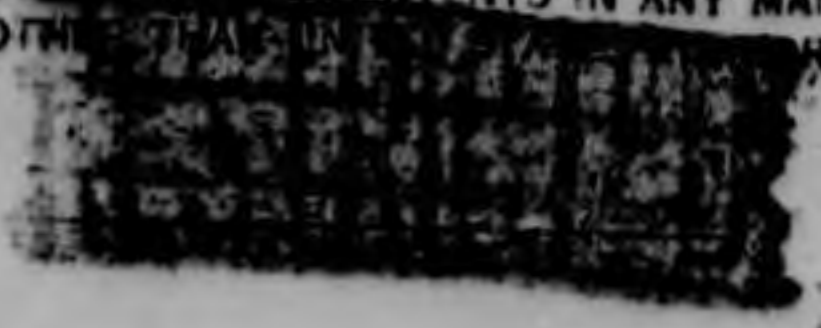
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)  
AF Ltr 200-5 dated 29 April 1952

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.)

1. This is a report of alleged flying saucers in the vicinity of Los Angeles, California, which was reported by a resident of Santa Monica, California, on 30 August 1952.
2. A summary of the description follows:
  - a. The objects were saucer shaped (six (6) objects given; no maneuvers were noted, however, the objects apparently could stop and go at will. They appeared and reappeared among the sun's rays approximately fifteen (15) minutes before sunset. No estimate was made on the velocity.
  - b. The time was fixed at approximately 1915 hours (PDST), 30 August 1952.
  - c. The sighting was made by a civilian living in Santa Monica, California.
  - d. No observing instruments were available. One (1) observer was present at the sighting. Reliability of the observation is unknown.
  - e. Sky conditions were clear and unlimited with some cirrus in the area.

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[REDACTED]  
30 August 1952

[REDACTED],  
Santa Monica, Calif.  
Telephone: [REDACTED]

F.S. Investigation  
March Field, Calif.

Sir:

I wish to report two sightings, this date, of the so-called "flying saucer" objects. The first as follows:

"Watching the sun setting behind clouds from the park at Ocean Parkway I noticed first one then up to six bright objects in one group in a location surrounded mostly by clouds. The appeared and disappeared and first one then two such objects appeared about a mile to the left, of which one remained very visible for awhile then took off rapidly in a direction almost straight away. Diminishing in size and brilliance. After about 2-3 minutes this object came back, leaving a slight vapor trail. Then somewhat to the right and below the first group a wide vapor trail formed and a group of 7 or 8 such objects formed into a squadron formation and remained stationary for several minutes. Then some of the objects disappeared and others appeared in group No. 2. Then these bright objects simply disappeared whilst the clouds around the locations remained just as brightly lit. This ended about 12 - 15 minutes before sunset.

The second sighting was at 11:30 whilst walking home from Santa Monica Blvd. Directly beneath the moon, about 3 diameters, I noted an elongated bright object of about 1/4 moon diameter long and 1/16th thickness, stationary for several minutes. It took less than 30 seconds to open my door, drop the load and grab 6-35 Goerz glasses and look for the object. It was gone but left a vapor trail which went up left at about 40°. This object also was quite brilliant of a minus 2 rating. General search failed to show any trace of it. The sky around the moon was quite clear with just a few traces of wisps of cirrus."

I would be interested whether you have had any other reports on these objects.

Sincerely

/s/ [REDACTED]

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WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE  
OHIO

15 September 1952

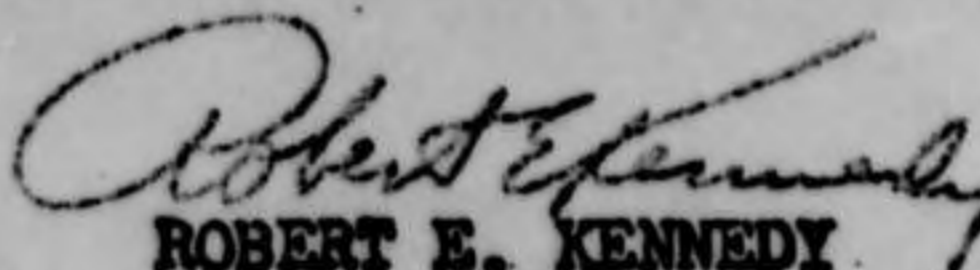
*Miss*  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Sacramento, California

Dear Miss Struss:

Your recent report of unidentified aerial phenomena has been received by the Air Technical Intelligence Center. Inclosed is a questionnaire, which, when completed by you and returned in the inclosed, self-addressed envelope, will aid in standardizing the data and will provide a complete record of the occurrence.

Your interest in reporting the matter and your public spirited desire to be of service are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

  
ROBERT E. KENNEDY  
Major, USAF  
Air Adjutant General

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TENTATIVE  
OBSERVERS QUESTIONNAIRE

SECTION A

1. When did you see the object:

1.1 Date: 30 AUGUST 1952  
Day Month Year

1.2 Time of Day: APP. 17 00 A.M. or P.M. (Circle One)  
Hrs. Min.

1.3 Time Zone: (Circle One):

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

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

2. Where were you when you saw the object:

1116 CAL STATE LIFE Bldg SACRAMENTO CALIF USA  
Postal Address City or Town State Country

Additional Remarks: ON TOP OF 16 STORY Bldg

3. 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 TOP OF TAIL Bldg

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 \_\_\_\_\_



4. How did you happen to notice the object? OBSERVING AS GROUND OBSERVER  
OPERATION "SKYWATCH" FOR PLANES AND OTHER  
OBJECTS IN AIR.
5. When did you report to some official that you had seen the object?  
30 AUGUST 1952  
 Day Month Year

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SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object? OBSERVING  
AIRCRAFT
- 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.  
ON OPERATION "SKYWATCH" LOOKING FOR  
PLANES AND OTHER ACTIVITY IN SKY
7. Were you moving at any time while you saw the object? (Circle One):  
 Yes or  No WALKING ON POST LOOKING S.E.
- 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? WALKING ON POST 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 looking when you first saw the object?  
 (Circle One): a. North e. South  
 b. Northeast f. Southwest  
 c. East g. West  
 d. Southeast h. Northwest



8.1 What direction were you looking when the object disappeared?

- (Circle One):
- |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|
| a. North     | e. South     |
| b. Northeast | 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).

- |                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| 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   | g. Through open space       |
| d. Through telescope    | h. Other <u>EYE GLASSES</u> |

11. What do you remember about the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

11.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds
- e. Don't remember

11.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- 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
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. Don't remember

11.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold
- b. Cool
- c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

PROBABLY LITTLE WIND IF ANY

SECTION C

12. Estimate how long you saw the object?

\_\_\_\_\_ Hours    7 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?               | <u>Yes</u> | No        | Don't know |
| 14.2 | Change speed?                   | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| 14.3 | Change size?                    | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| 14.4 | Change color?                   | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| 14.5 | Break up into parts or explode? | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| 14.6 | Give off smoke?                 | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| 14.7 | Change brightness?              | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| 14.8 | Flicker, throb, or pulsate?     | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| 14.9 | Remain motionless?              | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Don't know |

FROM SIDE GOING NW

15. Did the object give off a light? (Circle One): Yes 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 GRAY

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.

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.

\_\_\_\_\_



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           | f. Automobile  |
| b. Baseball      | g. Small airplane                                    |
| c. Basketball    | h. Large airplane                                    |
| d. Bicycle wheel | i. Dirigible   |
| e. Office desk   | j. Other <u>BOARD SHAPED WITH LENGTH + THICKNESS</u> |

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

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

20. Try to tell the following things about the object:  
*DIFFICULT TO DESCRIBE*

- 20.1 How high above the earth was it? APP. 7500 feet.  
 20.2 How far was it from you? \_\_\_\_\_ feet or 1-2 miles.  
 20.3 How fast was it going? 20 MPH miles per hour.  
 20.4 Circle one of the following to indicate how certain you are of your answer to the above questions:

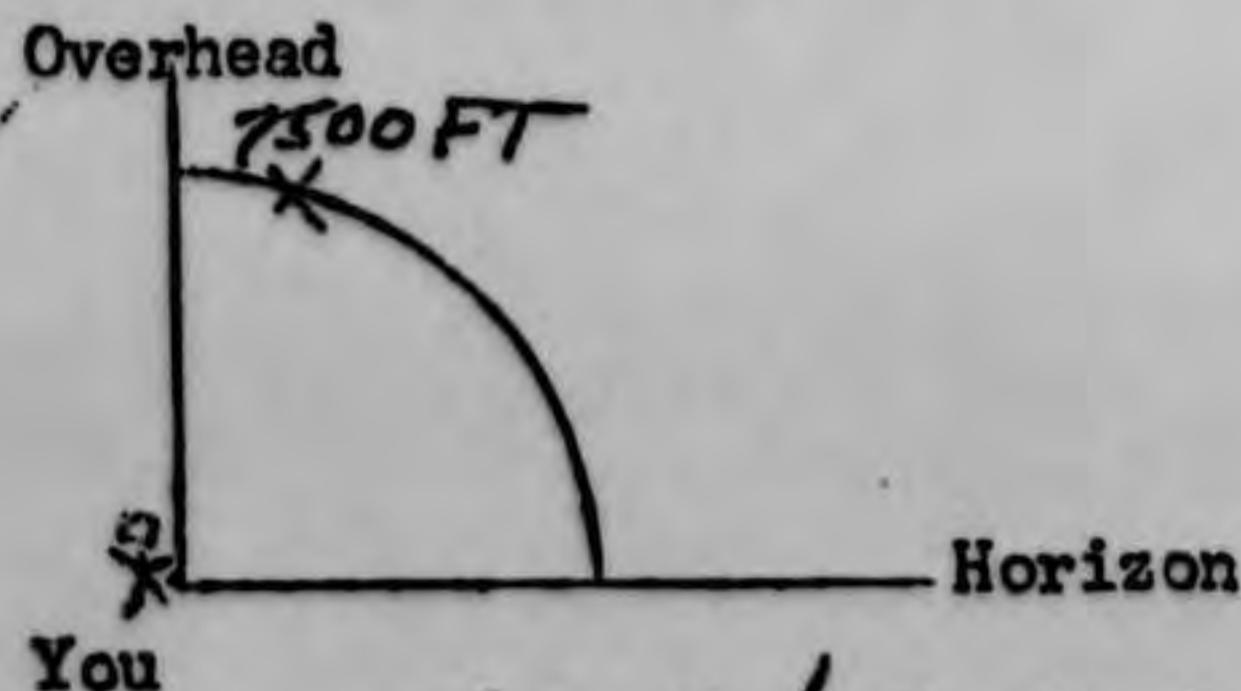
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|--------------------------|------------------|
| a. Certain               | c. Not very sure |
| b. <u>Fairly certain</u> | d. Just a guess  |

21. How did the object disappear from view?

- (Circle One): a. Suddenly UPWARDS 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.



NO CHANGE IN HEIGHT



TENTATIVE  
OBSERVERS QUESTIONNAIRE

7 sightings reports  
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SECTION A

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1. When did you see the object:

1.1 Date: 30 9 52  
Day Month Year

1.2 Time of Day: 7 51 30 A.M. or P.M. (Circle One)  
Hrs. Min.

First sightings took place about  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour before sunset. The 2. at 11.30 PM

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:

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

2. Where were you when you saw the object:

~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ Calif USA  
Postal Address City or Town State Country

Additional Remarks: The first sightings were witnessed sitting in the park at the ocean front. The second whilst walking home one long block.

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 \_\_\_\_\_

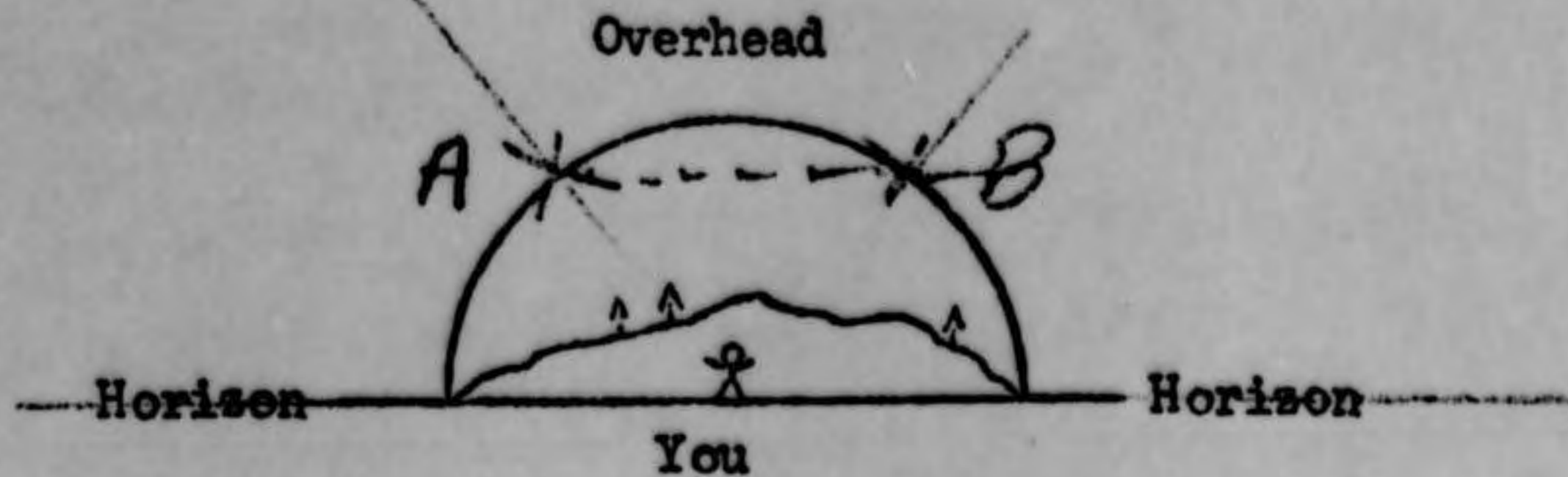
3.1 Were you:

- (Circle One): a. In the business section of a city?  
2  b. In the residential section of a city?  
1  c. In open countryside?  
d. Flying near an airfield?  
e. Flying over a city?  
f. Flying over open country?  
g. Other \_\_\_\_\_

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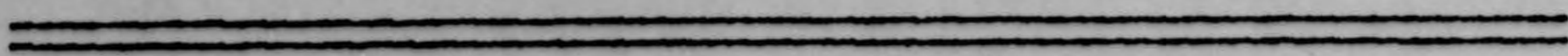
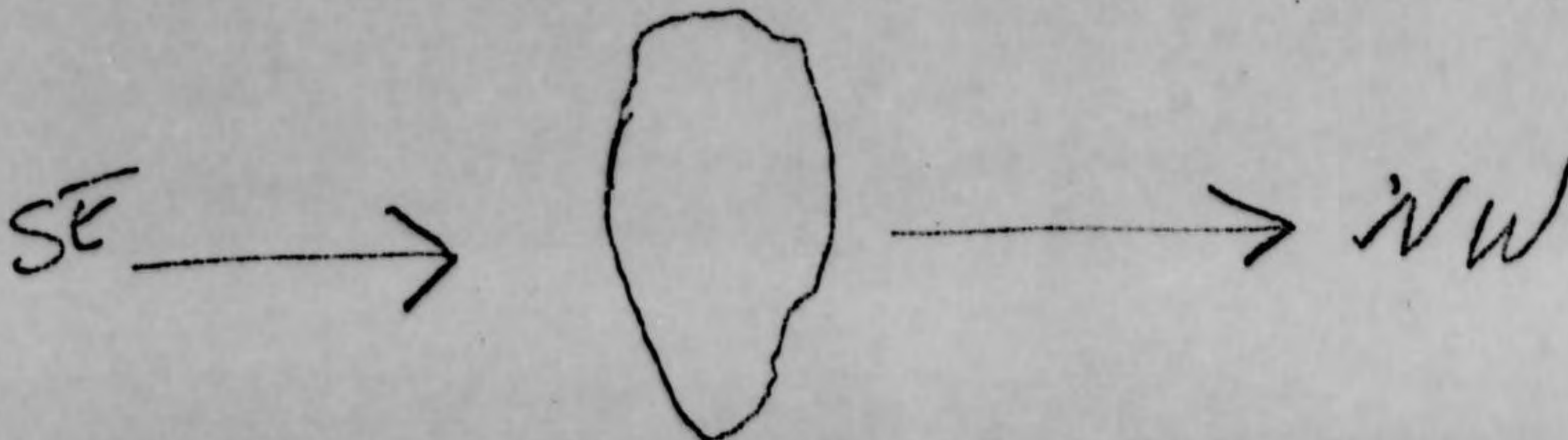
23. In the following sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you first saw it, and a "B" at its position when you last saw it.



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.





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?

NO IDEA WHATSOEVER

28. Give the following information about yourself:

NAME [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [REDACTED] Sacramento 17 California  
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

What is your present job? HOUSEWIFE

Age 47

Sex FE

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?

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.2 Please list their names and addresses:

MISS [REDACTED]

SACRAMENTO CALIF



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

I WAS NOT ALARMED AT WHAT I SAW.  
IN MY OPINION, IT DEFINITELY WAS NOT  
A PLANE, BALOON, BLIMP. I REPORTED  
TO FILTER CENTER, BECAUSE I FELT  
IT WAS AN OBJECT OF UNUSUAL NATURE



4. How did you happen to notice the object? Its bright whiteness and sharp outlines made it stand out against the sky. The 2. looked like a big double star beneath the Moon, where there should be no stars.

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

31st August 1952  
Day Month Year

SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object? Sitting in the park facing the sea, 1st sighting. 2. walking home on street.

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.

Resting in the park and talking to my neighbor on the bench.

Later, reading and going to the store for a bottle of wine and a magazin

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

2 Yes or 1 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 looking when you first saw the object?

(Circle One): a. North e. South  
b. Northeast 2 c. Southwest  
c. East 1 b. West  
d. Southeast h. Northwest



8.1 What direction were you looking when the object disappeared?

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

11.1 CLOUDS (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds
- e. Don't remember

11.3 WEATHER (Circle One)

- 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
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. Don't remember

11.4 TEMPERATURE (Circle One)

- a. Cold
- b. Cool
- c. Warm
- d. Hot
- e. Don't remember

SECTION C

12. Estimate how long you saw the object?

1 \_\_\_\_\_ Hours      10 + \_\_\_\_\_ Minutes      \_\_\_\_\_ Seconds

2 \_\_\_\_\_ Hours      2 + \_\_\_\_\_ 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?               | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | <input type="radio"/> No            | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.2 Change speed?                   | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.3 Change size?                    | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.4 Change color?                   | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.5 Break up into parts or explode? | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.6 Give off smoke?                 | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.7 Change brightness?              | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.8 Flicker, throb, or pulsate?     | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | <u>Don't know</u> |
| 14.9 Remain motionless?              | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | <input type="radio"/> No            | <u>Don't know</u> |

15. Did the object give off a light? (Circle One):  Yes  No Don't know

15.1 IF you answered YES, what was the color of the light? purest white like a very polished bar of Tantung or Stellite.

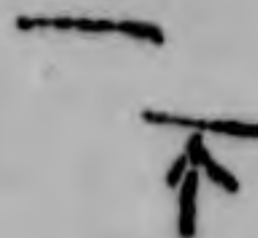
16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object?

16.1 Sound \_\_\_\_\_

16.2 Color White, as Venus or Jupiter in clearest dark desert night.

17. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? 1-10-12

Draw a picture of how they were arranged and put an arrow to show the direction they were traveling.



The one marked with the arrow took off in line of sight and returned same way to same position.

Those at right formed perfect diamond formation

18. Did the object at any time: Disappeared and reappeared-elsewhere or appeared and disappeared. 18.1 Move behind something? (Circle One)  Yes  No  Don't know

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

Clouds? Hills?



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  Don't know

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                                  |
| c. Basketball    | <input checked="" type="radio"/> h. Large airplane |
| d. Bicycle wheel | i. Dirigible                                       |
| e. Office desk   | j. Other <u>          </u>                         |

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? 15-2000 feet.
- 20.2 How far was it from you?            feet or 15-20 miles.
- 20.3 How fast was it going? 7000+ miles per hour.
- 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        | c. Not very sure |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> b. Fairly certain | d. Just a guess  |

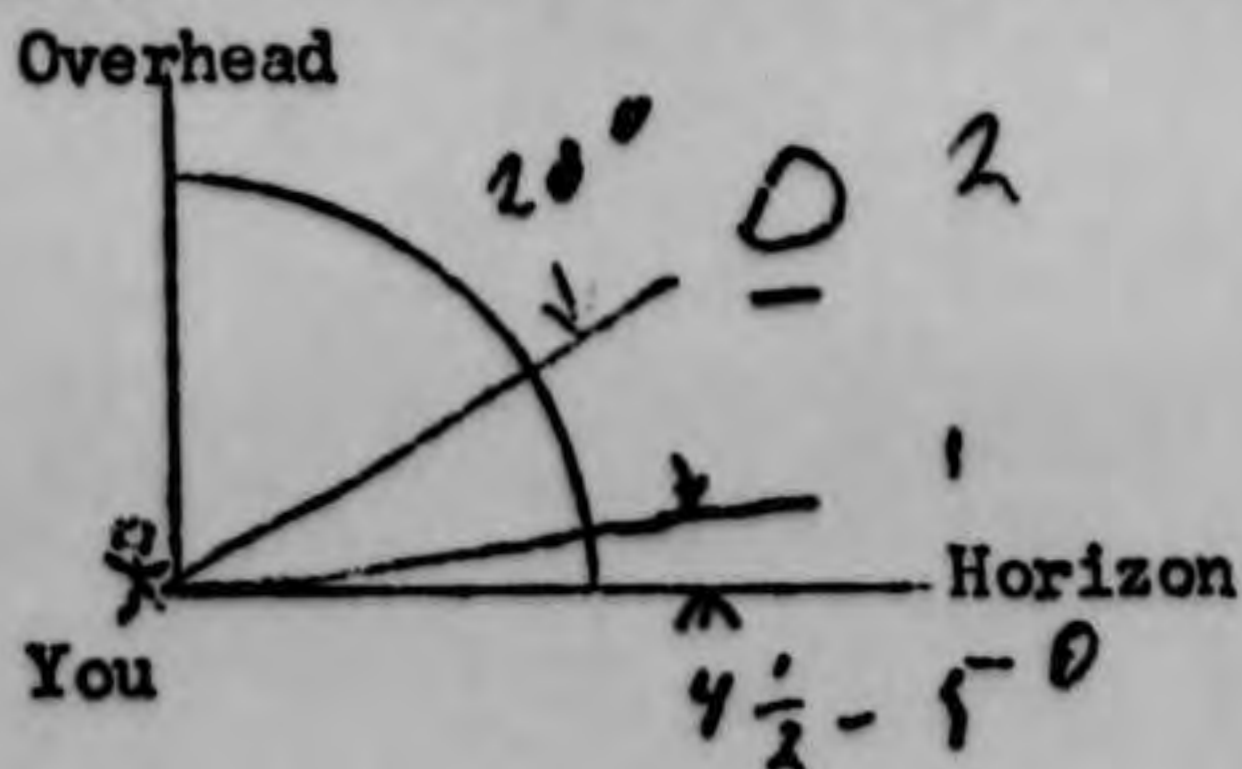
21. How did the object disappear from view?

- (Circle One):  a. Suddenly
 c. Other |

b. Gradually
 d. Don't remember |

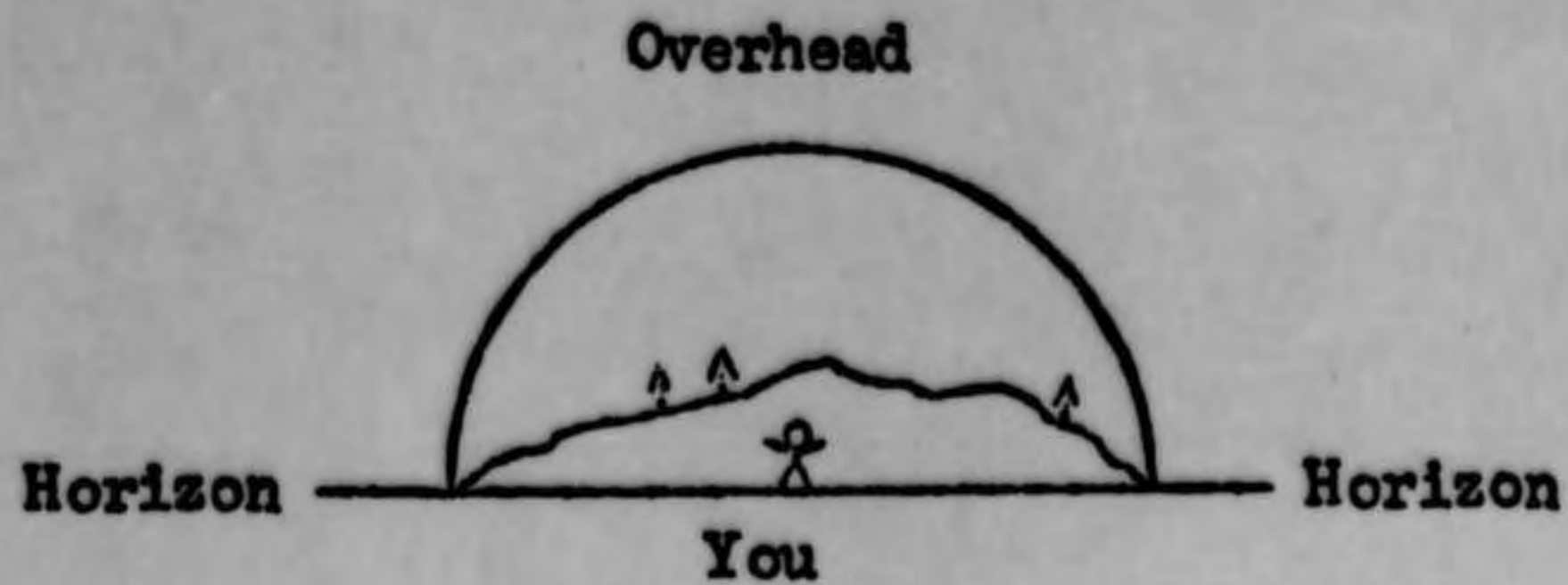
#### SECTION D

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.

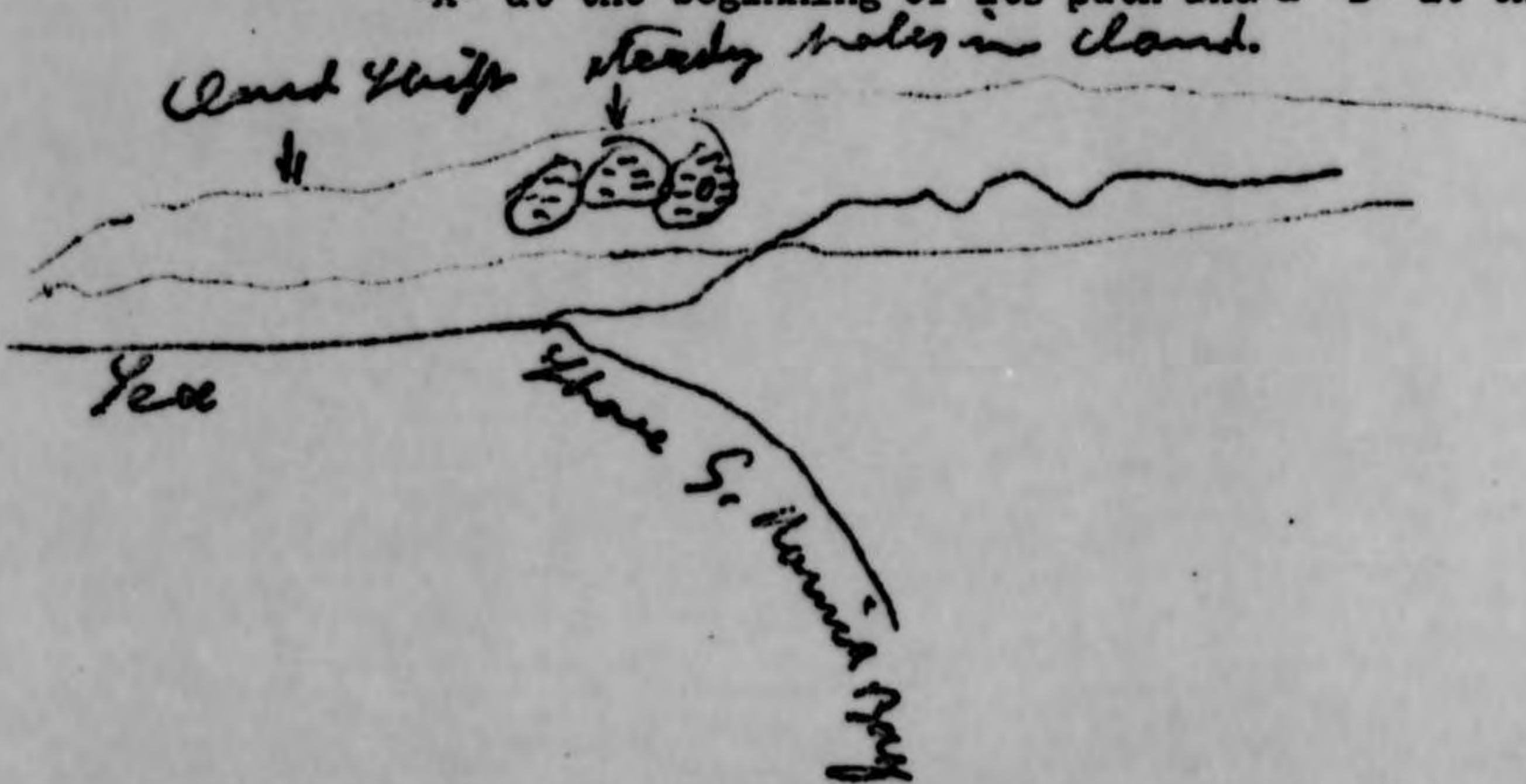




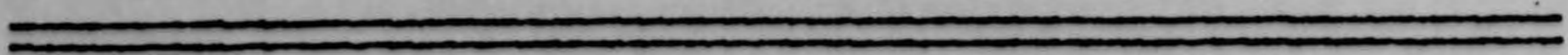
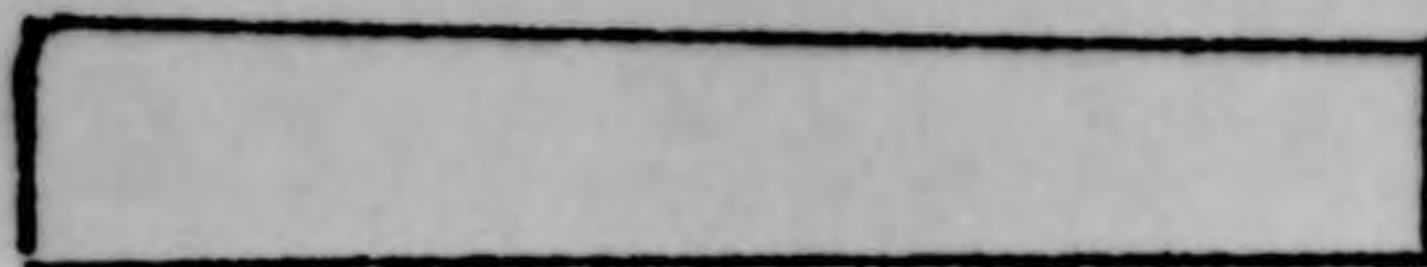
23. In the following sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you first saw it, and a "B" at its position when you last saw it.



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.



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.









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

Had been in the park for a couple of hours, taking some cloud pictures with a Agfa Karat f 2.8 and green filter. Having used up the film in the camera I sat chatting with Miss [redacted] when I noticed a white sharply defined bar in a hole in the clouds which generally go over Point Dume via on-shore winds. I pointed it out to Miss A when a second bar appeared close to the first. Then others appeared and the second took off in line of sight and dwindled to nothing in under 3 seconds. Within 10 seconds it came back on same course and position. Taking off and stopping without acce- and deceleration. Sketch on Page 6 shows cloud and interconnected holes in same. Others appeared by simply appearing. Some disappeared and appeared in other locations at the same instant. Evidently shifting position laterally at such speed that they became invisible whilst in transit. Evidently having no inertia whatsoever. The one taking off in line of sight gave a clue to their speed as used then: 7 - 7 500 MPH. A speed attained without any time lag and lost the same. At one time they formed a perfect diamond formation in vertical echelon around an object which appeared larger, round and not clearly defined. All this time some were winking out one place and winking on in another place. Finally they just, first a few, then one after another, winked off and were gone.

The second sighting was 11.30 PM. Walking home a long block I noted a bright object 3 diameters beneath the moon. Watched it until I entered my door. When I came out again, a few seconds later, with field glasses, it was gone. But there was a faint vapor track going up at about 40° to the left.

A neighbor tells me she watched one a couple of months ago from her cottage in Topanga Canyon. Time: 2-4AM. It was evidently a closer sighting as her description only differs in that she claims that the corners were rounded. When hanging still it had a slight pendulous motion. But moved to other locations at slower speed but without acce- or deceleration. Disappeared at times but came back within minutes. Total time about 2 hours.

Whilst my observation indicates simple maneuvers of group tactics and movements, hers indicate a survey of a limited location. My second sighting also could have been holding a position for observation.

At no time did any of the objects observed show any deviation from a perfectly horizontal position. Never the slightest banking or slant.

I append a picture of clouds taken earlier that afternoon which, I believe, shows one of the objects. (circled in pencil.) Object evidently is partly hidden by cloud.

Their light was generated by them as they were between me and the sun. Showed no reflection. The one at night had a luminosity of -2-3 Their brightness was greater than that of the thin, sunlit, clouds.

Most remarkable, their sharp, rectangular definition. Like a ground metal bar.

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