

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 7 May 53 08/0255Z	2. LOCATION San Antonio, Texas
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION AIRCRAFT
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Considered a/c by observer.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 20 - 30 Seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Large round, dark gray colored object with a faint vapor trail was estimated to be traveling at a high rate of speed on a straight course. Observed at 45 deg elevation in SW heading toward the observer. Estimated altitude at 10,000 ft and speed at 300 mph. Speed and altitude are inconsistent with the reported duration. As object passed overhead witness gained vague outline of circular object about 50 ft across with wisps of smoke or contrail trailing.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE Northeast	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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

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

- (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)

- 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 3

12. Estimate how long you saw the object? 30
 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	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Don't know
14.2	Change shape?	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Don't know
14.3	Change size?	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Don't know
14.4	Change color?	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Don't know
14.5	Break up into parts or explode?	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Don't know
14.6	Give off smoke?	Yes	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Don't know
14.7	Change brightness?	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Don't know
14.8	Flicker, blur, or pulsate?	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Don't know
14.9	Remain motionless?	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Don't know

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? Dull yellow.

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

16.1 Sound No sound. Absolutely silent.

16.2 Color Could distinguish no color. Possibly dark 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.

CONTD.

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 object's 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

A Small house. It looked to be at least 40' to 50' in dia.

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? 10,000 feet or _____ miles.

20.3 How fast was it going? 300 miles per hour.

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

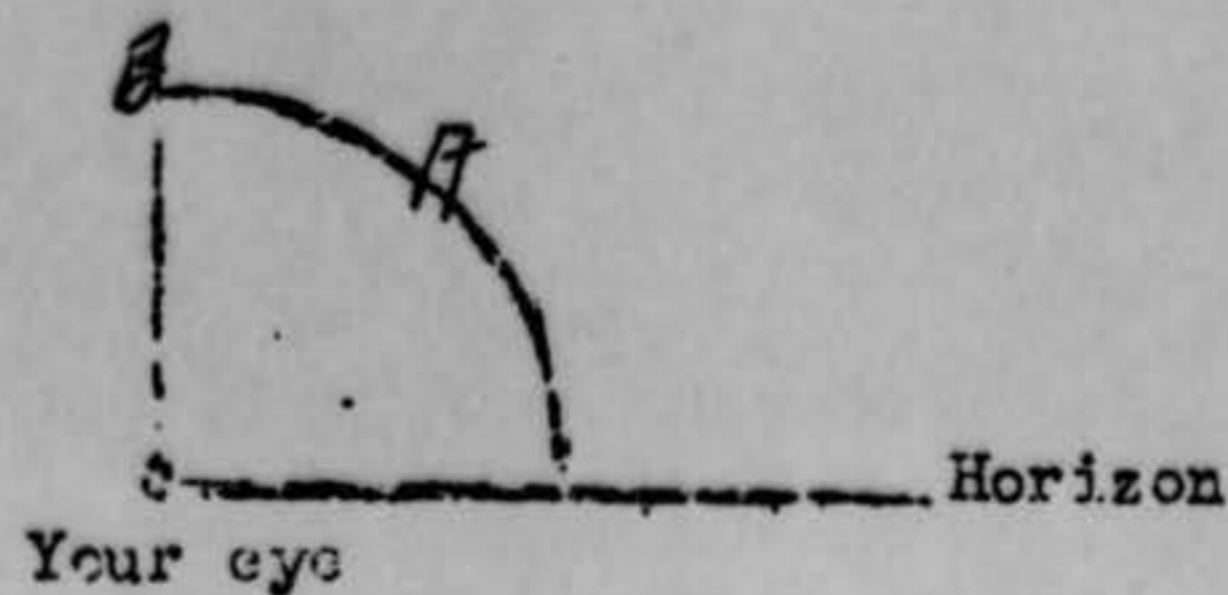
21. How did the object disappear from view?

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

SECTION D

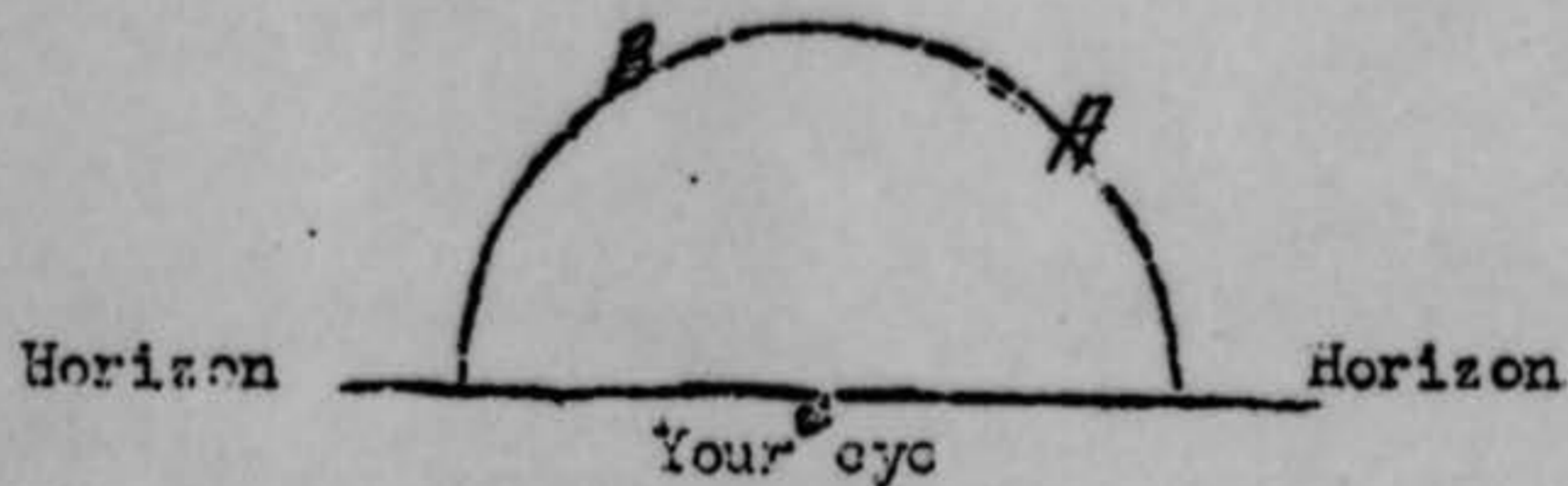
22. In the following sketch, imagine your eye at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon when you first saw it. Place a "B" to show where it was when you last saw it.

Overhead



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.

Overhead



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.

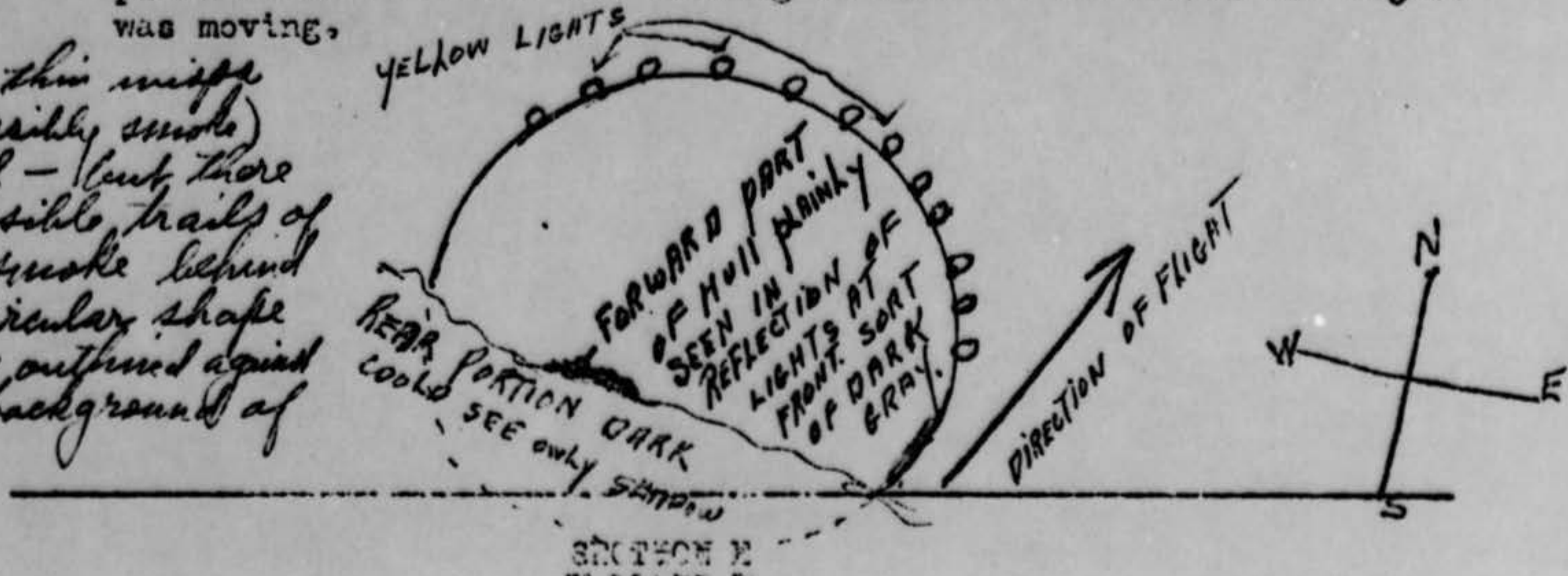


I could detect no motion except forward movement. It seemed to sail, like a gull.

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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.

I could see thin wisps of vapor (possibly smoke) beneath hull - but there were no visible trails of vapor or smoke behind it. The circular shape was plainly outlined against the lighter background of the sky.



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?

It was definitely an aircraft of some sort - but of a size and shape that I have not seen before.

28. Give the following information about yourself:

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

ADDRESS [REDACTED] SAN ANTONIO R TEXAS
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

What is your present job? CIVIL SERVICE, DEPT. OF ARMY, Post ENG.
FT. SAM HOUSTON

Age 40

Sex MALE

Last School Attended MAIN AVE HI, SAN ANTONIO, TEX

Year of last attendance at this school 1930

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

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.1 If you suggested Yes, did they see the object too?

(Circle One): Yes or No

29.2 Please list their names and addresses:

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

The object appeared to be very high — but it appeared too large to be so high. It had 10 or 12 lights around the forward edge in a semi-circular pattern. They were small and a very dull yellow, giving off a hazy reflection that made the forward half of hull visible. There appeared to be wisps of smoke or vapor beneath the hull — but nothing trailing it. It was moving very rapidly in a slightly northeasterly direction and passed directly overhead. There was positively no sound even when it passed directly overhead. There were no other aircraft in the sky visible to me. — I could not have failed to hear any sound it made. I would guess it to have been at least 50 ft. in diameter and traveling at better than 300 miles per hour. It had no wings. I had a good view of it as it passed right overhead coming from slightly southwest to northeast. I could see it for at least 30 seconds.

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SPACE ABOVE FOR COMMUNICATIONS CENTER ONLY

FROM: (Originator)

CG, ATIC

DATE-TIME GROUP
221300Z MAY 53

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INFORMATION

BOOK MESSAGE

ORIGINAL MESSAGE

MULTIPLE ADDRESS

CRYPTOPRECAUTION
 YES NO

REFERS TO MESSAGE:

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TO: ~~CG ATIC~~

INFO:

FROM: ~~AFOEL-ATIAE-5-10-2~~ FOR WEATHER OFFICER

ATIC requests the following information for its Project Blue Books 1) Did your weather station release any type of balloon on 8 May 1953 near 0300Z. 2) If so, what was the speed and direction of the winds aloft, and the exact time of the launch. There is a possibility that this information can solve an unidentified aerial object report.

In reply cite Project Blue Book.

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RELEASING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE

ROBERT C. BROWN, Major, USAF
Air Adjutant General

SYMBOL

ATIAE-5

TELEPHONE

OFFICIAL TITLE

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29 MAY 1953

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SAN ANTONIO
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*1. Attn
2. Atty.
3. C. files*

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FOR INFOR.

8:30

FM CO DET 9 CMA 9TH WEA GP BROOKS AFB TEX
TO CG ATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO
DET 9 2041 PD URMSG AFOIN-ATIAE-5-10-ECITE PROJECT BLUE BOOK PD NO
BALLONS OF ANY TYPE RELSD AT THIS STA ON 7 OR 8 MAY 53
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FROM: (Originator)

CG ATIC

TO: CG SANTA RITA AB BASE TEXAS

INFO:

FROM: AFOTM-ATIAE-5-1-8

DATE-TIME GROUP 121745Z MAY 53		CLASSIFICATION [REDACTED]
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ATIAE-5

Reurmsg SAIP-5-17-8 regarding the visual observation of an unidentified flying object by Mr. H. C. Reischling at 2055 CST 7 May 1953 over San Antonio, Texas. Request you forward Air Force Form 112 as prescribed in Air Force Letter 200-5 with special attention to the following items: 1) Was there a check made with surrounding Flight Operations for the possibility of the object being an aircraft? 2) What were the weather conditions, with special attention to winds aloft? 3) Were there any checks made for balloon launches in the vicinity? 4) Suggest you make a preliminary investigation of the source.

In reply cite Project Blue Book.

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OFFICIAL TITLE Air Adjutant General	

DRAFTER'S NAME (and signature, when required)
/IC Max G. Futch/jos

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REPLACES NME FORM 173, 1 MAY 48 WHICH MAY BE USED.

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TO CG AMC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

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[REDACTED] IP-5-7-E BLUE BOOK ATTN ATIA

REFERENCE YOUR MESSAGE AFOIN-ATIAE-5-4-E DATED 132159Z REGARDING
VISUAL OBSERVATION OF AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT ONE KNOWN C-54
ON LOCAL FLIGHT LANDED AT 2123 HOURS WEATHER CLEAR 79 DEGREES SURFACE
WIND FROM SOUTHEAST AT 7 KNOTS 5 THOUSAND FT WIND FROM SOUTHWEST AT
15 KNOTS 10 THOUSAND FT WIND FROM NORTHWEST AT 20 KNOTS 13 THOUSAND
FT WIND FROM WEST AT 30 KNOTS 24 THOUSAND FT WIND FROM WEST AT
55 KNOTS WEATHER BALLOONS LAUNCHED SAN ANTONIO 0900 AND 2100 HOURS
DAILY AF FORM 112 FORWARDED YOUR HEADQUARTERS 11 MAY 53 OBSERVERS
QUESTIONNAIRE FORWARDED 12 MAY 53 AIR PROVOST MARSHAL
15/1748Z MAY JWFMB

2055 CST
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Winds aloft, generally
of the same direction
with direction
of the unknown object.

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TO JEPHQ/DIR OF INTELLIGENCE HQS USAF WASHDC

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/ ~~RESTRICTED~~ SAIP-5-17-E FLYOBRPT INFO ATIAA-2C AND

INTELLIGENCE DIVN AMC ONE ROUND UNIDENTIFIED LIGHTED OBJECT THAT WAS ESTIMATED TO BE BETWEEN FORTY AND FIFTY FEET IN DIAMETER WAS OBSERVED FLYING OVER SAN ANTONIO TEXAS 2055 HOURS CST 7 MAY 1953 BY MR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. AN ESTIMATED EIGHT OR TEN EVENLY SPACED LIGHTS APPEARED TO BE AFFIXED TO THE FORWARD PART OF THE CIRCULAR OBJECT, MAKING A PERFECT ARC. REFLECTION OF THESE LIGHTS ON THE OBJECT REVEALED A DARK GRAY COLOR. NO PROPULSION SYSTEM OR AERODYNAMIC FEATURES NOTED. A FAINT VAPOR TRAIL APPEARED TO FROM DIRECTLY UNDER THE OBJECT. THERE WAS NO SOUND AND THE SPEED ESTIMATED TO

HAVE BEEN IN EXCESS OF THREE HUNDRED MILES PER HOUR. OBSERVER LOST SIGHT OF OBJECT BY MOVING THROUGH HIS HOME TO THE BACK YARD IN ORDER TO GET A BETTER LOOK AT THE OBJECT.

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3. C. Files*

McMillin Observatory
22 June 1953

1st Lt. Robert Olsson
ATIC - Wright-Patterson AFB

Dear Lt. Olsson;

Here are the comments on the recent batch of material. A few cases are certainly of considerable interest. Over all, in this batch, Venus counts for only one: 28 January, Stuttgart. Fireballs most probably account for 4 cases; balloons for four and aircraft for three.

Coming to the interesting cases: the Korean 20 April should certainly be followed up. This comes very close to being a security-Intelligence matter. I'd certainly like to get more information on this. How about sending a few Form A's to Korea. Actually, this should have been investigated on the spot by Intelligence officers.

Pepperell AFB 2 May: This has some similarities to the old Gorman case. Much fuller report needed and Form A filled out on this.

San Antonio 7 May: This has many similarities to the Lubbock Lights and Form A should certainly be sent if this has not already been done.

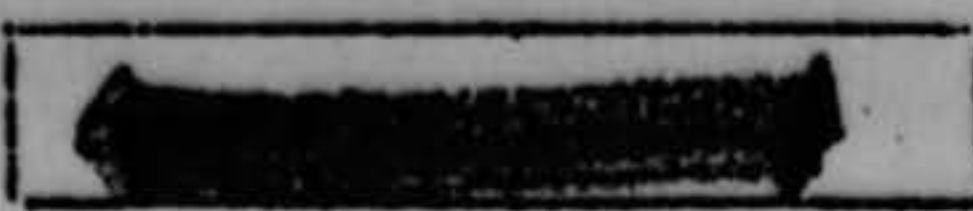
Finally, a Form A for the 29 April Syracuse stationary-disc sighting would help.

The Miami 20 May green light sighting might have been jets but with the green light sighting, jets should have been traveling north instead of south in order for observer to see green navigation light. 2 second time interval also seems too fast. I hope that you can eventually send me more information on these: 20 April Korea; 2 May Pepperell; 7 May San Antonio.

I am enclosing my version of a report on our recent trip with which I hope you will concur.

And keep 'em coming. It's easier to handle a few at a time and frequently than a larger batch at longer intervals.

Jennie send her regards.



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Date: 7 May 53
 L.C.T.: 8:55 pm
 Location: _____
San Antonio

Q: H.C. Reischling	
F: Follow Up!	
H ² :	N:

REMARKS:

Lubbock Lights?
 What was the weather?
 Send Form A
 Need to check further into this one.

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PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

1. DATE <i>7 May 53</i>	2. LOCATION <i>San Antonio, Texas</i>	3. TIME Local: <i>2055</i> Zebra: <i>2055</i>
4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND?		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input 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 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 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 type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> A/C Scrambled <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Contact Made <input type="checkbox"/> A/I Contact Made <input type="checkbox"/> No Contact Made
8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME?		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Violent
9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT:		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Blinking <input type="checkbox"/> Steady
10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT:		
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1-15 Seconds <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1-5 Minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Over 10 Minutes
11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address)		
<i>SAAMA Kelly AFB, Texas</i>		

II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED?		
<i>none</i>		
13. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO ARCH DOWNWARD?		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
14. DID OBJECT HAVE A TAIL?		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
15. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO DISINTEGRATE?		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
16. TIME OF SIGHTING RELATIVE TO SUNRISE OR SUNSET (Data From Air Almanac)		
		<input 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 type="checkbox"/> No
19. WERE THERE INDICATIONS OF HIGH BACKGROUND NOISE?		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
20. WAS THE OBJECT VIEWED ABOVE 45° ELEVATION?		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA? Yes No

22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE: 5 Minutes *before scheduled time*

23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:

	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted?		Describe Lighting
				Yes	No	
a.						
b.						
c.						
d.						

(attach overlay)

V. EVALUATION

<p>21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Excellent</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Good</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Fair</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Poor</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Unreliable</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Extremely Doubtful</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hoax</p>	<p>22. DETAILS OF REPORT:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Good</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Fair</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Poor</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient to Evaluate</p>		
<p>23. FINAL EVALUATION:</p> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <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 </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <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 </td> </tr> </table>		<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
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<p>24. COMMENTS:</p> <p><i>subject was observed 5 minutes before scheduled time, but no launch balloons a few minutes early.</i></p>			

PROJECT 10073 WEATHER DATA SHEET

1. DATE OF OBSERVATION	2. TIME OF OBSERVATION	3. STATION OBSERVING
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4a WINDS ALOFT:					
ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)	ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)
0			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? (If yes, at what altitude? _____)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
6. WERE ANY THUNDERSTORMS NOTED IN AREA? (If yes, at what quadrant? _____)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

7. CLOUD COVER: _____ tenths at _____ feet. _____ tenths at _____ feet. _____ tenths at _____ feet. _____ tenths at _____ feet.	8. VISIBILITY WAS _____ MILES.
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9. COMMENTS:

FP

IDENTIFICATION OF FOREIGN DOCUMENTS

FOREIGN TITLE No Foreign Title		ATIC NO 160770 A-D	
TRANSLATED TITLE (Descriptive Title) Pictures and Diagrams of French Flying Saucers		DATE OF DOC 6 May 53 & others undated	
AUTHOR [REDACTED]	LANGUAGE French	COUNTRY FRANCE	
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<p>Pictures, diagrams, and a short newspaper notice with picture are presented referring to the so called French Flying Saucers, invented by [REDACTED]. The letter of transmittal offers an informatory statement (approximately 700 words), written in English and covering the following points: Connection with the Canadian Avro flying saucers, Historical background of inventor, Present status of invention, Description of Model, Method of Operation, Control System, Cockpit design, Relationship to A. V. Rose Design, and Comments of the preparing officer.</p> <p><i>Incl 1'</i> 54 WC 30303</p>			

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TO COMDR ATIC WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO

[REDACTED] FROM AFOIN 50780 REF THREE PAREN 3 PAREN PHOTOGRAPHS

SUBMITTED AFOIN BY SYDNEY BARUCH FORWARDED TO ATIC ON 24 DEC 53

FOR EVALUATION. THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM

AIRA CMA PARIS CLN "CONTACT HAS NOT BEEN POSSIBLE WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CMA INVENTOR OF FLYING SAUCER DEVICE CMA DUE TO HIS

CHRISTMAS VACATION AT THE LUMMUS COMPANY. THE FOL INFO HAS BEEN OB-

TAINED FROM MR. MAYO REGARDING PRESENT PLANS CLN THE SCHEDULED FLT

ON 19 DEC 53 HAS BEEN DELAYED UNTIL 16 JAN 54. MODEL SIZE IS APPROX

1 METER IN DIAMETER AND IS REPUTED TO BE CONTROLLABLE DURING FLT.

SOURCE STATED THAT SPEEDS OF APPROX CMA 1,000 KM PER HOUR HAVE BEEN

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OBTAINED. HOWEVER CMA ABOVE STATEMENTS HAVE NOT BEEN VERIFIED.
ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR THIS OFFICE TO WITNESS FLT TESTS
AND INSPECT THE MODELS ON 16 JAN 54. FURTHER INFO WILL BE FWDD ASAP."
ALL REFERENCES TO THIS CASE SHOULD REFER TO CONTROL NUMBER A-1444.

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COUNTRY FRANCE	REPORT NO. IR-224-54	(LEAVE BLANK) AF 610039
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
SUBJECT RESEARCH - French Flying Saucer Device		
AREA REPORTED ON France	FROM (Agency) Air Attache, Paris, France	
DATE OF REPORT 26 January 1954	DATE OF INFORMATION 22 January 1954	EVALUATION B-2
PREPARED BY (Officer) Joel T. Wareing, Captain, USAF (ATO)	SOURCE Mr. [redacted] Company and Mr. [redacted] Inventor	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) BAIR 1R and Msg AFOIN Cite A-1444		

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.)

This report provides information on a French flying saucer device invented by Mr. [redacted] and encompasses: historical background of inventor, historical background of invention, present status of invention, description of model, method of operation, control system, cockpit design, and relationship to A. V. Roe design of Canada.

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1. In reply to cable AFOIN Cite A-1444 concerning a device that has the shape of the Canadian Avro flying saucer, the following information is submitted as additional to that given in cable AFC 653-53 from USAirA Paris, France. This information is also of high importance to General Partridge.

2. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND ON INVENTOR: The inventor, [REDACTED], is of Franco-Italian ancestry although he is now of French naturalization. He is presently employed by the [REDACTED] Company of Paris as a draftsman and designer. According to Mr. [REDACTED] he is not a stable worker and is inclined to be "scatterbrained."

3. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND OF INVENTION: The inventor claims to have designed and patented two devices along the lines of a flying saucer when he lived in Italy before World War II. Sketches of these devices are shown in Inclosures 1 and 2. The inventor claims and says he is able to furnish patent numbers and place of filing for the devices in Italy. Prior to World War II the inventor made models of his devices and demonstrated them in Italy, and it is at this time that he claims that the plans for the devices were stolen from him. He made little further use of his designs until after the War when pictures of the plans he claims were stolen appeared in several foreign aeronautical journals. At this time he pressed claims for recognition as the inventor of the devices and searched the patent files in Italy to support his claims. Inclosure 1 is a photograph of what was left after a fire in the patent office, of his original drawings that he made and filed in 1938, and Inclosure 2a and 2b are photographs of the other device patented in 1937.

4. PRESENT STATUS OF INVENTION: Since World War II the inventor has built one model of his flying saucer along the lines of the device indicated in Inclosure 2a and 2b. The inventor presented this device to the French National Defense Ministry, who now possess the flying model, and was guaranteed the sum of 2,000,000 francs for his device. However, to the present time the French government has not given anything to the inventor. Prior to the turning over to the French government of the device, a series of flight tests were conducted to prove the feasibility of the invention. During these tests the model was officially clocked by French officials at about 1200 km/h although the inventor claims his own independent timers realized a speed of about 1700 km/h. No further flight tests have been conducted due to the reluctance of the French officials to release the model, although on two occasions tests have been planned and then cancelled. However, inventor claims that if the French government does not give him the money due him soon, he is going to demand the release of his model and patent rights assigned to the French government and declare himself a free agent to deal with anyone interested in his device.

5. DESCRIPTION OF MODEL: The present model in the hands of the French government is shown in design details in Inclosures 2a and 2b, and is shown in flight in Inclosures 3a, and 3b and 3c. The basic design is a saucer shaped hull surrounding a gyro-stabilized inner body. The cockpit is located on the top center and is mounted independently of the outer hull. The entire device is one meter in diameter and approximately 20 centimeters in thickness. It is powered by four small reaction engines mounted symmetrically about the center axis and located on a line of centers at about mid-periphery.

6. METHOD OF OPERATION: The model rests on the ground in a freely rotating cradle. As the engines are started, the outer hull begins to rotate. When sufficient rotational speed has been attained, the model rises vertically into the air. At this point the ground controller has no control over the model, but when the model, due to its high rotational speed, assumes a tangential direction, the ground command system operates. From this time, throughout the flight time of about six minutes, the ground operator has full control of the model.

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7. CONTROL SYSTEM; The control system is centered in the gyro-stabilized platform that forms the inner hull of the device. In this section is a large gyro with its central axis mounted vertically in the body. The lower end of the gyro axis is fixed and the upper end is movable. Therefore, by moving the upper end of the gyro axis, it is possible to put the model into any flight attitude desired. Banks up to a 45° angle may be accomplished without tumbling the gyro. The control system for the movement of the gyro is at the present time a low frequency radio transmitter and receiver arrangement. Three controls are provided, namely: fuel metering, climb and dive, turn and bank.

8. COCKPIT DESIGN; The cockpit is centered on the top of the body directly over the central axis. In its present design it houses the radio receiver for the control system. However, for full scale use, the cockpit will house all necessary flight controls. The cockpit is swivel mounted so that it does not rotate with the outer hull, and contains a device, similar to a weather-vane, which keeps the cockpit always facing into the relative wind.

9. RELATIONSHIP TO A. V. ROE DESIGN; The inventor claims that the designs that he patented in Italy in 1937-38 are very similar, both in general shape and method of stabilization, to those presented by AVRO of Canada. He claims that his design shown in Inclosure 1 is like the present aircraft that is flying, and that the design depicted in Inclosure 4 is similar to the model he has built and is now in the possession of the French Government.

10. COMMENTS OF THE PREPARING OFFICER; The inventor has promised this office that when he is able to obtain his model from the French government for further flight tests, an invitation will be extended. However, he has requested that the identity of the officer be kept secret from the other invitees. The material presented in this report should be forwarded with one (1) set of inclosures to General Partridge, as he has expressed interest in this device.

Joel T. Warbing

JOEL T. WARBING
Captain, USAF
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SUBJECT: (Unclassified) FLYOBRPT

THRU: Commanding General
ATTN: Intelligence Division
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

TO: Director of Intelligence
Headquarters, USAF
Washington 25, D. C.

In compliance with AF Letter 200-5, dated 29 April 1952, the
attached AF Form 112 is forwarded.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

2 Incls:

1. AF Form 112
2. Statement - [redacted]

Robert W. Fox
ROBERT W. FOX
Major, USAF
Asst Air Provost Marshal

cc: Chief, ATIC
ATTN: ATIAA-2c
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

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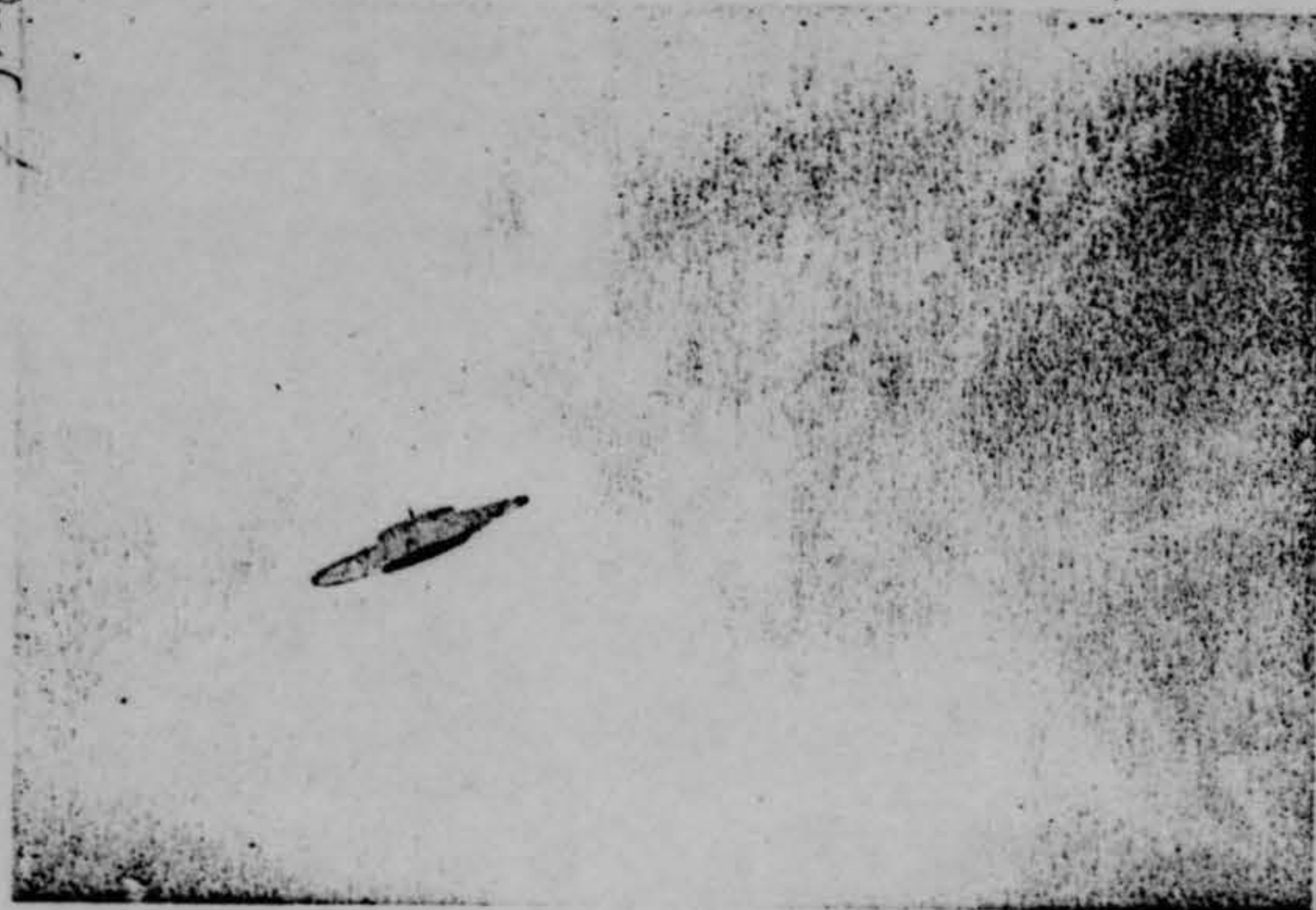
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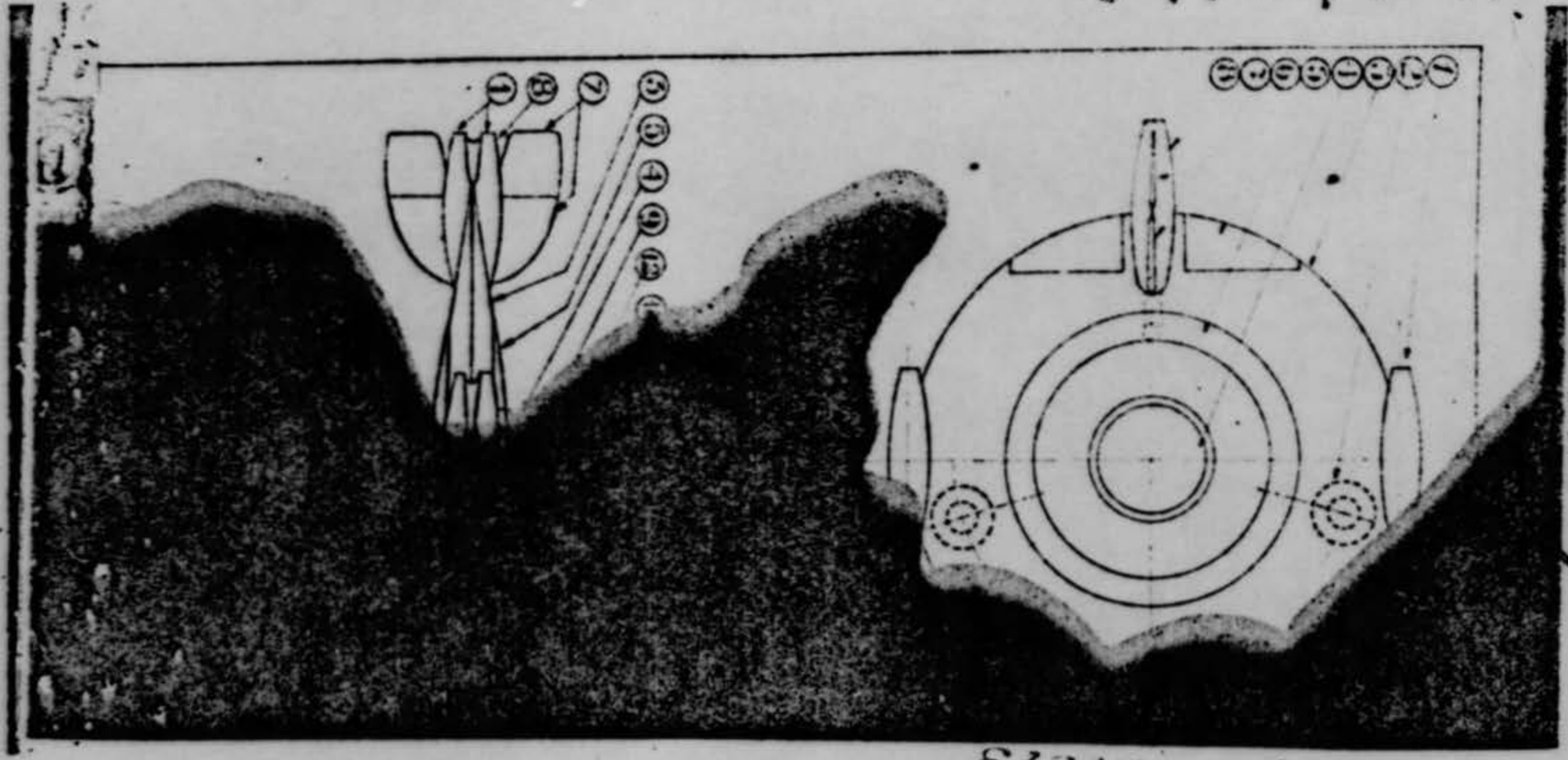
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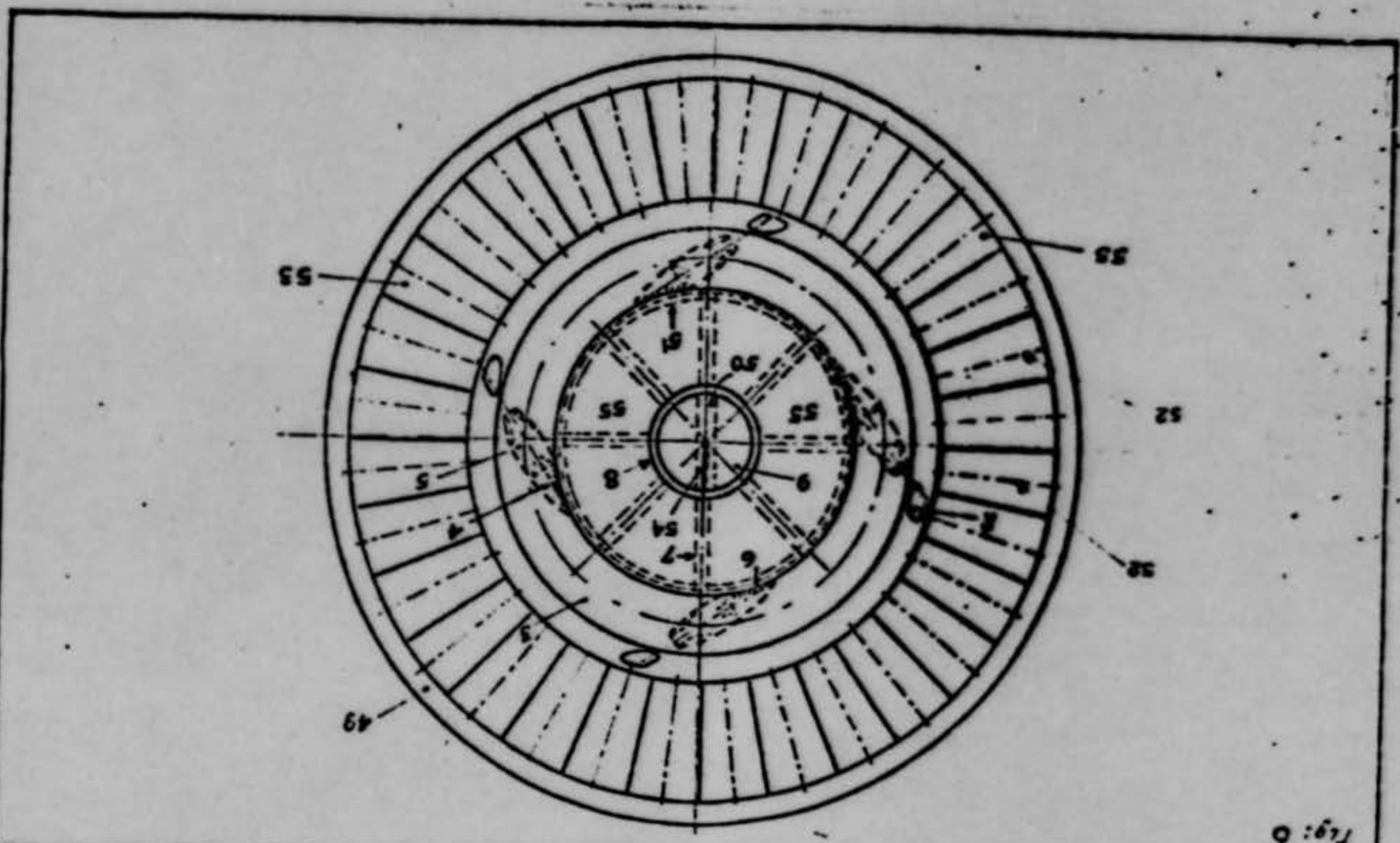
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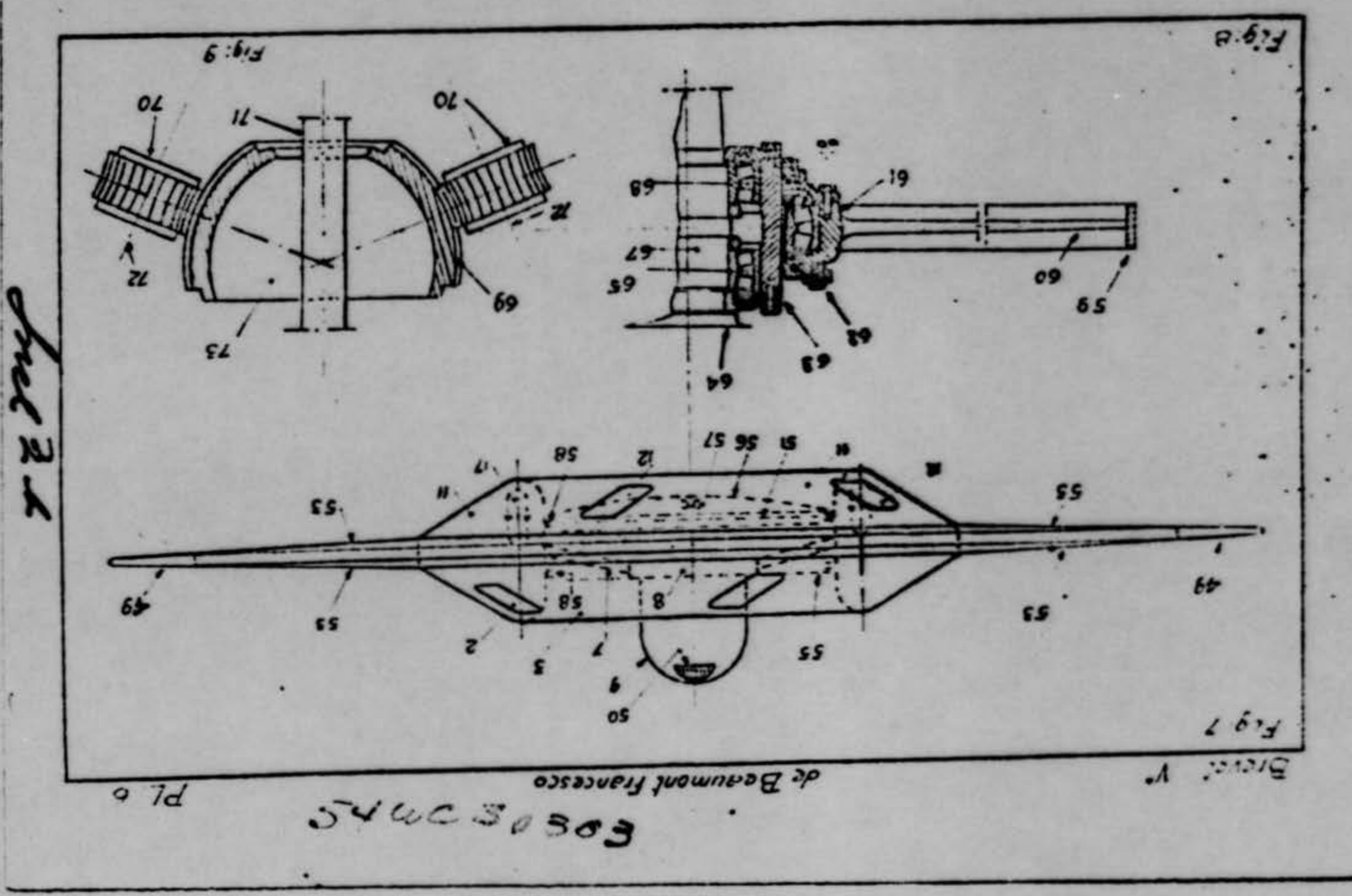


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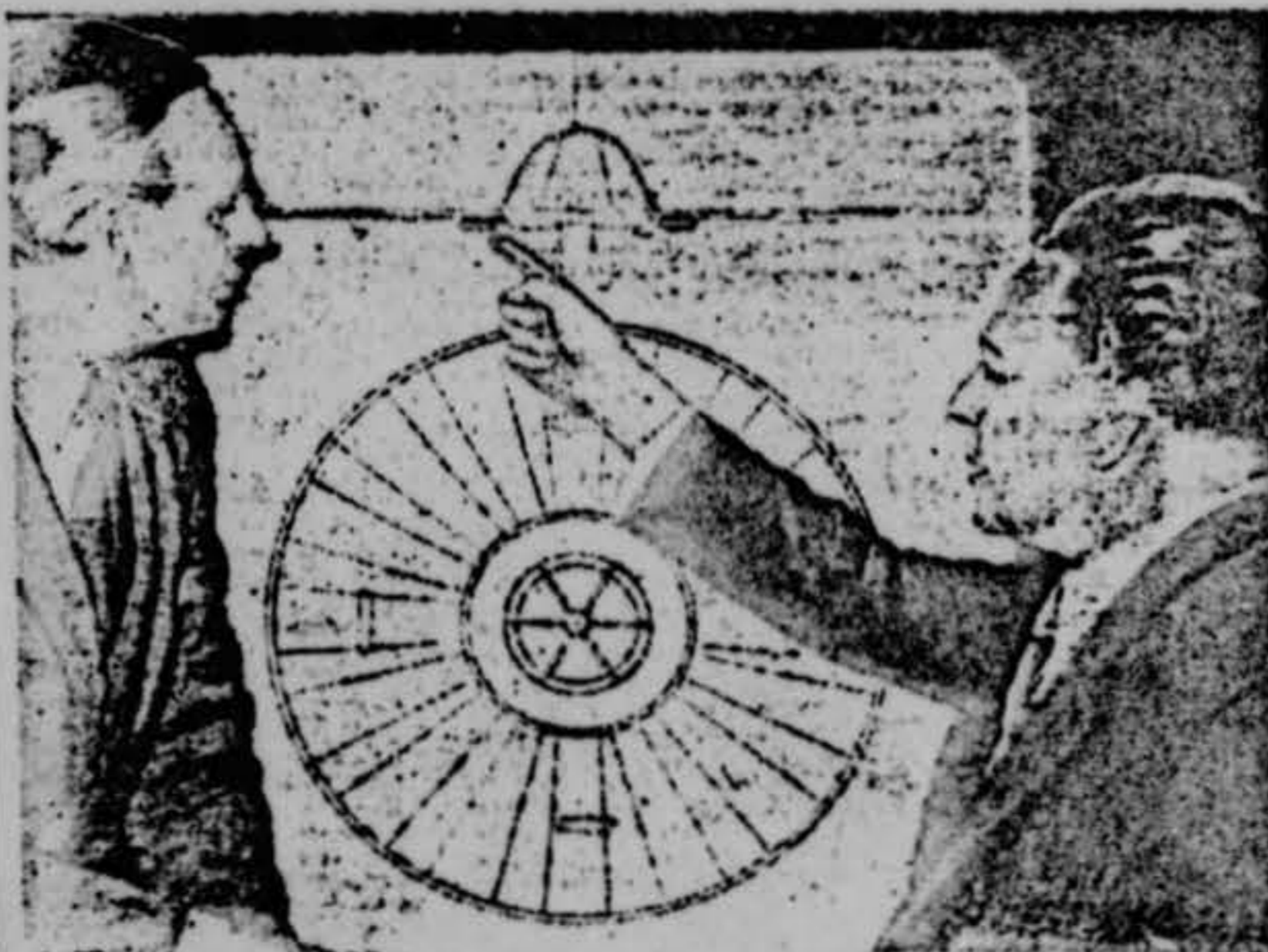
UNE information datée de Toronto nous a appris, voici quelques jours, que des ingénieurs canadiens construisaient actuellement une soucoupe volante, susceptible de dépasser le plus puissant appareil aérien de l'avenir.

Cette soucoupe volante est actuellement mise au point dans les ateliers de la société Auroc, dans le plus

grand secret. Le maréchal Montgomery a récemment visité cette usine, et une personne de sa suite déclara à cette occasion que le maréchal avait confié qu'il avait peine à croire à ce qu'il y avait vu. D'un autre côté le vice-amiral de l'Air, R. N. Smith, a annoncé que ses services de l'air ont un avion d'un type nouveau, capable d'atteindre la vitesse de 2.400 km.-h.

Ces informations semblent montrer que les soucoupes

volantes pourraient bientôt passer du stade de mythe à celui des réalisations pratiques. Mais peut-être n'est-ce là que la continuation de traverses déjà commencées voici des années. L'article que l'on va lire (page 4) et qu'un journal allemand vient de publier à Hambourg, présente les déclarations d'un spécialiste des soucoupes volantes, l'ingénieur Georg Klein, ancien chargé de mission du ministre d'Etat Speer.



L'ingénieur Georges Klein (à droite) commentant les plans de la soucoupe.

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1. DATE - TIME GROUP 27 May 53 23/0230Z	2. LOCATION San Antonio, Texas
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION UNIDENTIFIED
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS Nine	Original report didn't give information on a/c in area. Randomly was queried. Results were 1 USAF B-25 and 1 USN SBH were in the
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <small>(ALL OBSERVATIONS)</small> 15 Minutes (period of	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	Orange-white lights traveled in a NNE direction. Shape and size were undetermined. Observed for 15 min. 9 objects. No sound, trail or exhaust. Estimated speeds at 2,000 to 3,000 mph. None of the objects observed for over 30 seconds. All sightings occurred within a 15 minute period. Three of the
7. COURSE NNE	nine objects flew in a straight line and zig-zagged then went straight again. Observations were at 45 deg elevation, none near the horizon. Speed much faster than a jet. Eight of the
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	objects were in chain formation, evenly spaced. One object returned over the path of the objects previously taken. 9th
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	object turned aside to avoid hitting the returning. Direction of flight to NE. Objects were star-like except for yellow cast to color.

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 AFL 200-5. ITEM ONE: DESCRIPTION: VISUAL: ORANGE WHITE LIGHT SEEN
 AT TIME AND IN DIRECTION INDICATED BY ITEM TWO AND THREE, UNDETERMINED
 SHAPE OR SOLIDITY. ITEM TWO: OBJ OBSRVD AT 2030 HRS CST, 27 MAY 53;
 LGTH OF OBSRVN: VISUAL: OBSRVD FOR PD OF FIFTEEN MINUTES. ITEM THREE:
 OBJ OBSRVD FROM GROUND, HEADING IN NORTH-NORTHEAST DIRECTION AT 30 TO
 40,000 FT. ITEM FOUR: IDENTIFYING INFO OF OBSVRS: SIGHTED BY SEVEN
 CIVILIANS LIVING IN SAN ANTONIO TEX: MR AND MRS [REDACTED], MR AND
 MRS [REDACTED], MR [REDACTED], MR AND MRS [REDACTED]: ITEM FIVE: NO WIND,

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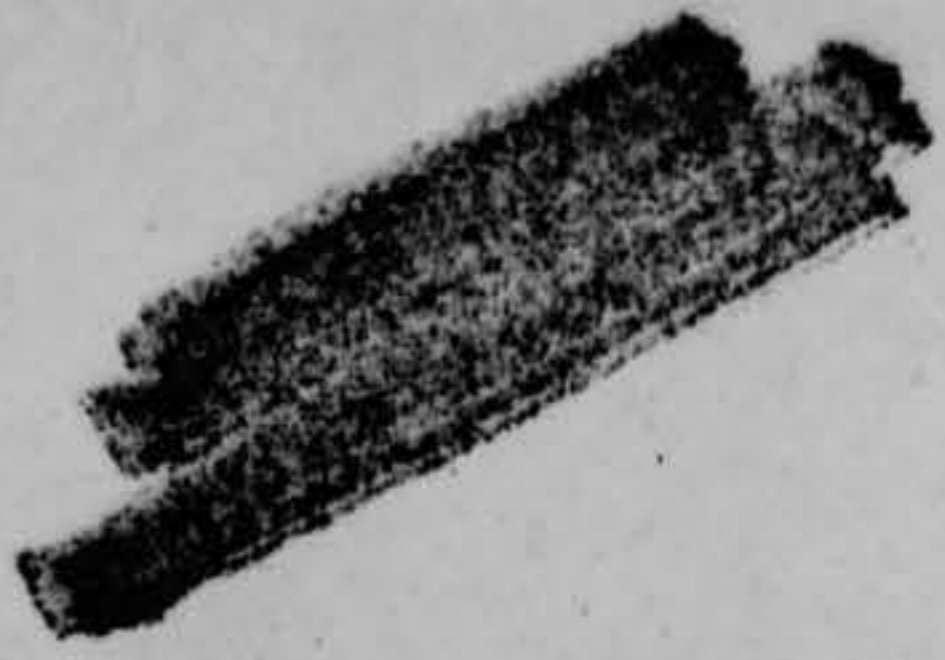
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Reurmsg MCI 198E reporting unidentified object over San Antonio 27 May 53. ATIC requests that the following information be forwarded as soon as possible: 1) Were there any aircraft in the area at the time of sighting? 2) Can you obtain the addresses of the seven civilians that observed the object? 3) What airfields in the San Antonio area release weather balloons? 4) What were the winds aloft for the San Antonio area on 28 May 53 at 0230Z?

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SUBJECT FLYOB RPT

AREA REPORTED ON San Antonio, Texas	FROM (Agency) SAAMA
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DATE OF REPORT 11 May 1953	DATE OF INFORMATION 8 May 1953	EVALUATION Unknown
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PREPARED BY (Officer) Major Robert W. Fox	SOURCE Eye Witness
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REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AF Letter 200-5, dated 29 April 1952
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One round, unidentified, lighted object, estimated to be between forty and fifty feet in diameter, was observed 2055 hours, 7 May 1953, flying over San Antonio, Texas.

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SUBJECT FLYOBREP			
AREA REPORTED ON San Antonio, Texas		FROM (Agency) Wing Intelligence Office, Randolph AFB, Tex.	
DATE OF REPORT 1 June 1953	DATE OF INFORMATION 27 May 1953	EVALUATION Reliable	
PREPARED BY (Officer) 2/Lt Reed		SOURCE Mr. [REDACTED]	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) Air Force Letter 200-5			

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Flyobrpt is reported on sighting of unidentified aerial object. Description: Visual: Orange white light seen at time and in direction indicated by following items. Undetermined shape or solidity. Object observed at 2030 HRS CST, 27 May 53; Length of Observation: Visual: Observed for period of fifteen minutes. Objects observed from ground, heading in North-Northeast direction at 30 to 40,000 FT. Identifying information of observers: Sighted by six civilians living in San Antonio, Texas: Mr. & Mrs. [REDACTED], Mr. & Mrs. [REDACTED], Mr. [REDACTED], Mr. & Mrs. [REDACTED]. No wind, clear, dry, ceiling and visibility unlimited. No known meteorite or other conditions would account for report. No fragments or photos exist. No interception of identification action taken by this headquarters. Location of traffic in area undetermined.

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1. Arng and crse taken by object
2. Sketch showing pos of object
3. Sketch showing first and last sighting of object
4. Sketch of object
5. Sketch showing motion of object in flight
6. Sketch showing unusual behavior of two objects

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6-3-E. ATTN: PROJECT BLUE BOOK. ITEM ONE. NAVY SMB OVER SAN ANTONIO AT
0233Z ON 28 MAY 53 AT 10,000 FT FLY AT (NW) CRSE. ALSO A B-25 ENROUTE FR
LUKE AFB, ARIZ WAS IN SAN ANTONIO AREA AT APRX 0240Z ON 28 MAY 53.
ITEM TWO. ADDRESSES OF CIV ARE: MR & MRS [REDACTED], [REDACTED] DR,
SAN ANTONIO TEX; MR & MRS [REDACTED] G, [REDACTED] DR, SAN
ANTONIC TEX; MR & MRS [REDACTED], [REDACTED], SAN ANTONIO TEX;
MR [REDACTED], [REDACTED] R, SAN ANTONIO TEX. ITEM THREE. THE SAN
ANTONIO MUNI APRT RELEASES WEA BALLONS AT 1500Z & 0200Z DAILY. RANDOLPH
AFB, BROOKS AFB, KELLY AFB, & LACKLAND AFB, DO NOT USE THIS METHOD OF
WEA RECORDING. ITEM FOUR. THE WINDS ALOFT AT 0230Z, 28 MAY 53 WERE:
30,000 FT - 180 DEGREE/10 K: 40,000 FT - 200 DEGREE/ ESTD 15 K: 50,000
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Unidentified objects sighted by Mr. [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
San Antonio, Texas from 2030 to 2045 hours on the 27th May 1953.

These objects were round and appeared the size of a large star; one appeared a bit larger and seemed to be nearer the ground. There were nine (9) objects sighted and were orange-white in color. Objects appeared as a steady light leaving no trail or exhaust and no sound was heard. They moved very fast; much faster than a jet. I figured they were moving about two to three thousand miles per hour. I did not have one object in sight over thirty (30) seconds. About three of the nine objects sighted flew in a straight line, zig-zagged four or five times, then went straight again. One neighbor is known to have noticed this zig-zagging.

unreliable - should not have been estimated without knowing size and distance of object.

DISAPPEARANCE: The objects had a very brilliant light until just before they disappeared.

ALTITUDE AND DIRECTION TRAVELED: Altitude from 30 to 40,000 feet. Objects traveling from southwest to northeast. Observer was in back yard facing east as objects traveled by to the east of me. They were never near the horizon but were sighted at about a 45 degree angle above horizon and disappeared about the same degree on the opposite side.

WEATHER: Clear, slight wind from southeast.

Observer flew in B-26's during WW II.

UNUSUAL: Eight objects passed over in a chain formation evenly spaced. There were sometimes two or three in sight at once. These eight objects disappeared. About three minutes later one returned at a terrific speed over the route previously taken. A ninth object was now coming over the route and turned aside to avoid hitting the returning object which made a large circle and followed the ninth object out of sight. This returning object traveled at a much faster speed while making the turn, probably circling San Antonio. It appeared lower than the other objects and much brighter.

Sounds like flight of jets - training mission

[REDACTED]
San Antonio, Texas

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Unidentified objects sighted by Mr. M. [REDACTED] Drive, San Antonio, Texas, on 27 May 1953 from 2030 to 2045 hours.

MR. GOODWIN'S STATEMENT:

On Wednesday night, May 27, 1953, at approximately 8:30 p.m., I was called by my neighbor to come outside. He pointed at some lights which were moving in the sky as being very unusual. When I observed the first light I was standing in my front yard and the light was moving from southwest to northeast. It resembled a star except for the fact that it was not quite as white as a star; this object had more of an orange or yellow glow. It crossed the sky steadily and seemed to maintain the same size all during the time I saw it. It made no sound and there was no sound to be heard in the surrounding area. The object seemed to be very high; that is, it looked nearly as high as the stars over head. It was traveling at what I would consider a very fast rate of speed due to its height. It was moving in a straight line and had no vapor trails, no tails or anything noticeable as to its shape. A few seconds later my wife noticed another bright light coming in the same direction following the same pattern. We looked toward the south and picked up this object and followed it as it crossed the sky toward the northeast. It did not seem to fade away but seemed to just disappear as the light did not seem to grow dimmer as it got further away.

I went back in the house and approximately 20 minutes later I was called outside again. At this time I again stood in the front yard and saw a light moving in a northeasterly direction at about the same height as the other two objects I had seen earlier. This light disappeared shortly after I noticed it and then my neighbor pointed out another light which he said had come back and was circling. This light when I noticed it was due west of my house and was much larger than the first 3 lights I had seen. It was considerably lower and moved slower than the previous lights, and seemed to be making a circle and heading back in a northeasterly direction toward Randolph Field. This light like the other 3 showed no vapor trails or tails such as a comet would have and moved at a steady speed as did the other light.

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Unidentified objects sighted by Mrs. [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] San Antonio, Texas, on 27 May 1953 from 2030 to 2045 hours.

MRS. [REDACTED] STATEMENT:

On Wednesday night May 27, 1953, I saw a bright light moving in the sky. It was as brilliant as a star, but had a yellow cast to it. It was very high and seemed to be moving at a great rate of speed. It did not look like an airplane or Jet. The light was much brighter and didn't seem to grow smaller or dimmer as it moved away. The light never disappeared behind anything. It had no vapor trails. It was just a light. We saw three (3) of these lights going in the same direction, north and one later on the west side which seemed to be circling.

[REDACTED]

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San Antonio, Texas

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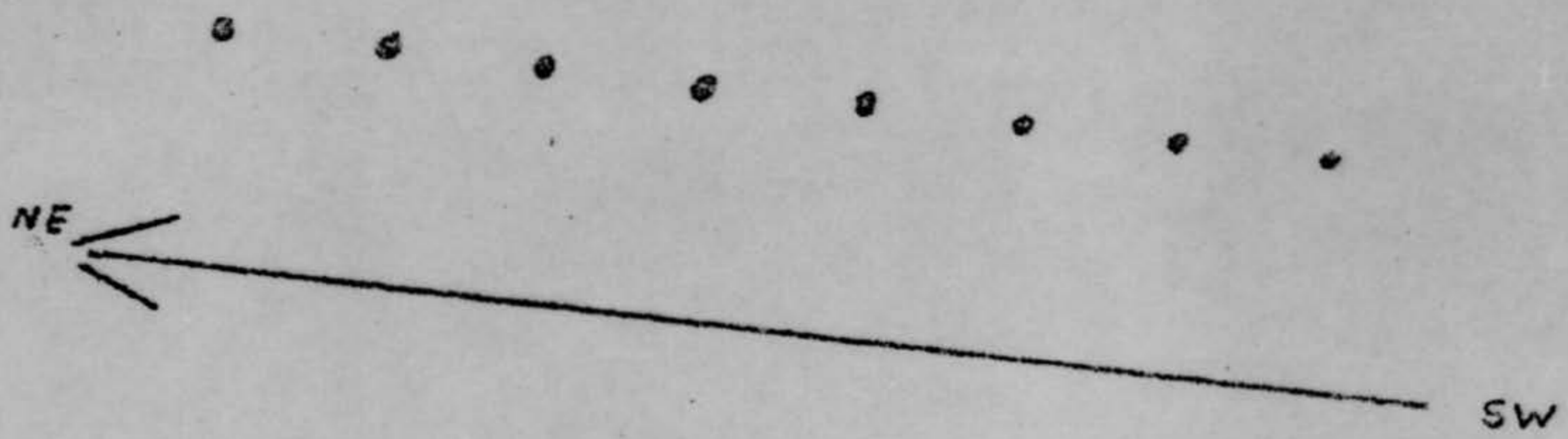
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IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there 9
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the
direction they were traveling.



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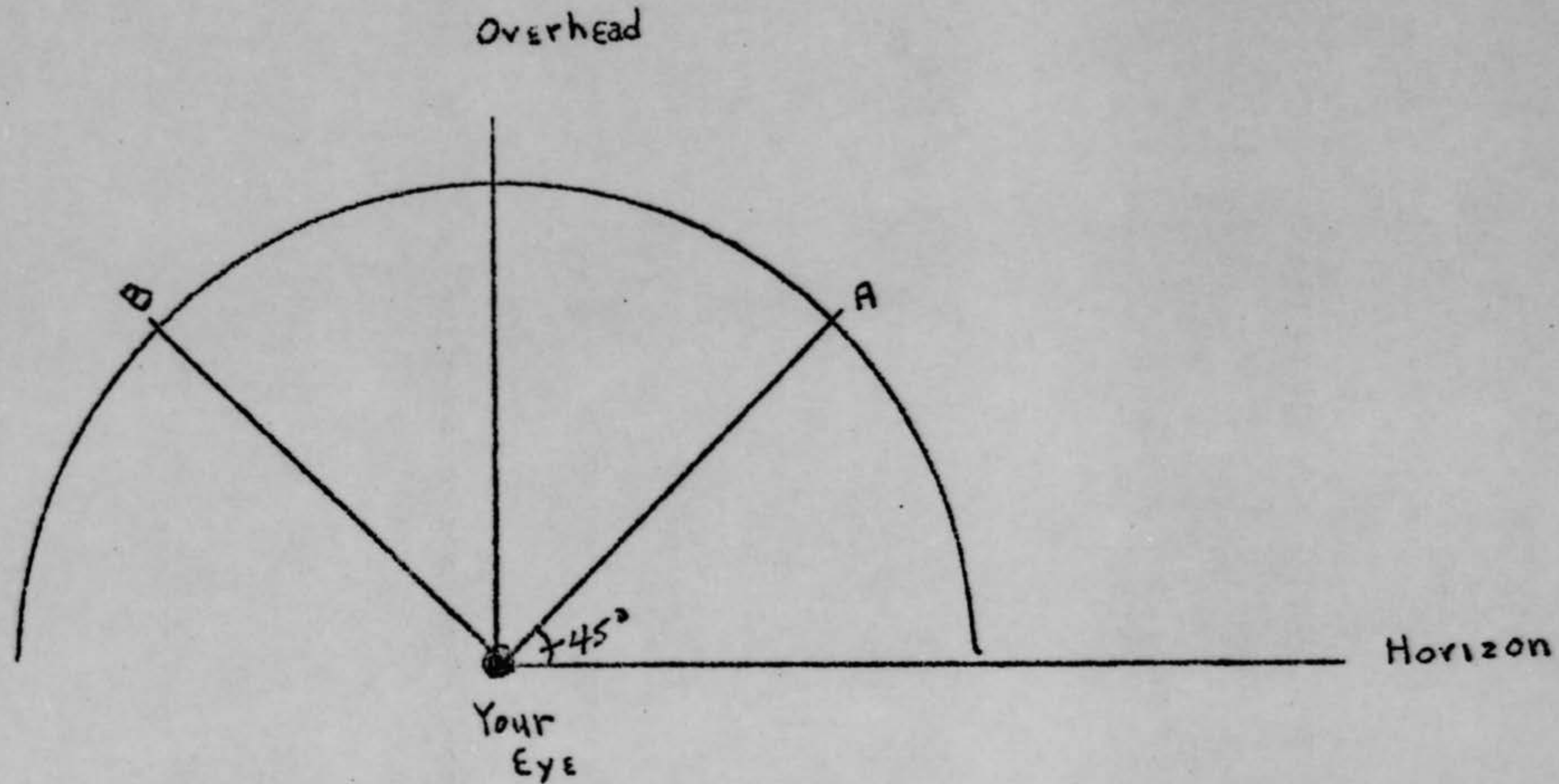
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In the following sketch, imagine your eye at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon when you first saw it. Place a "B" to show where it was when you last saw it.



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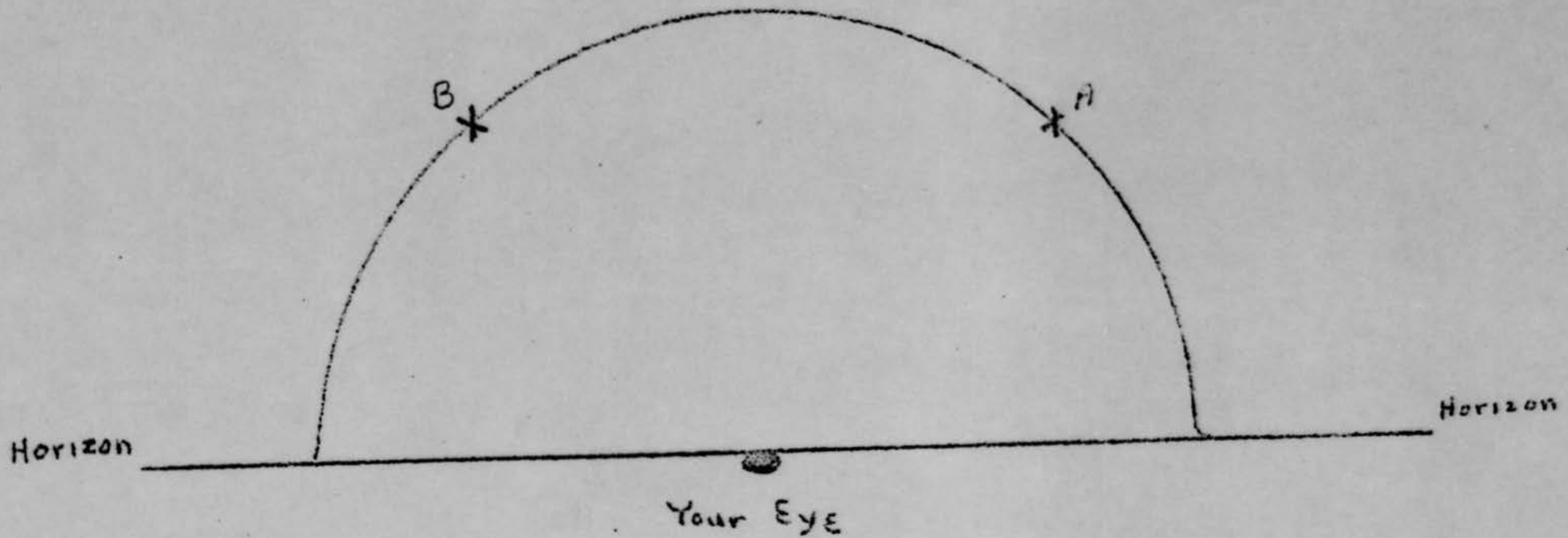
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In the following sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you first saw it, and a "B" at its position when you last saw it.



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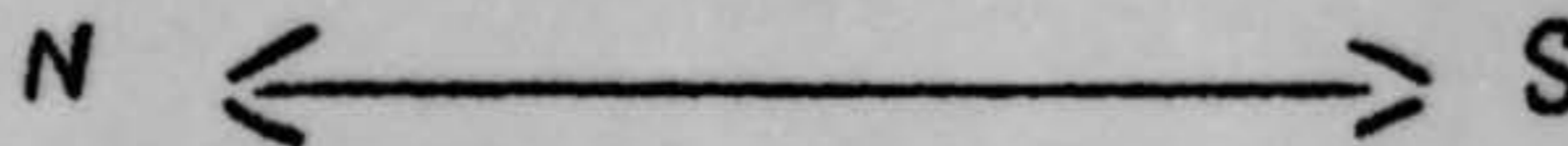
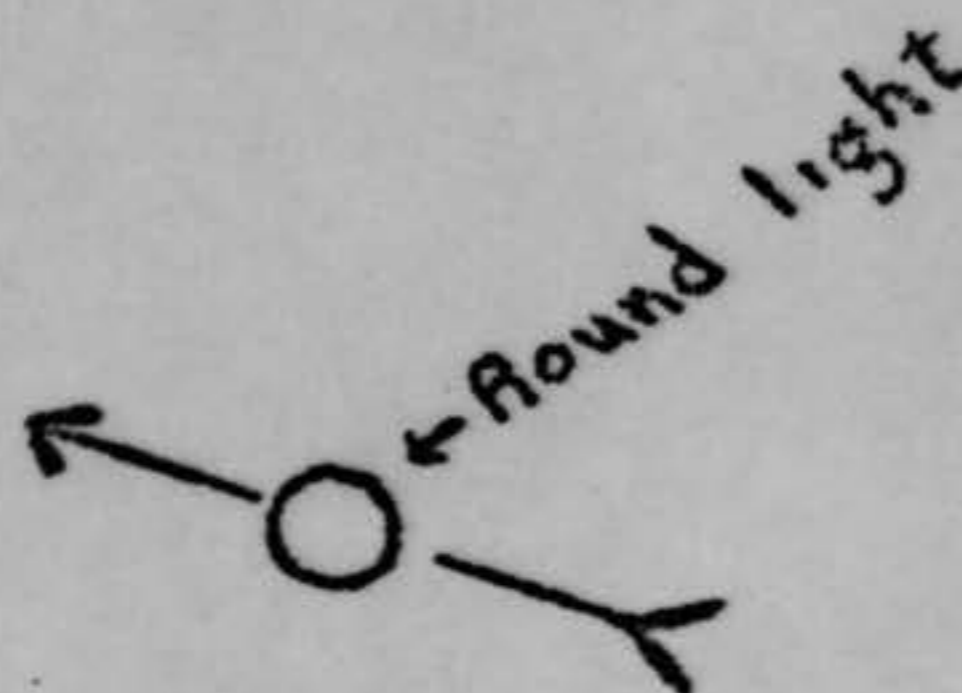
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Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw, and place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



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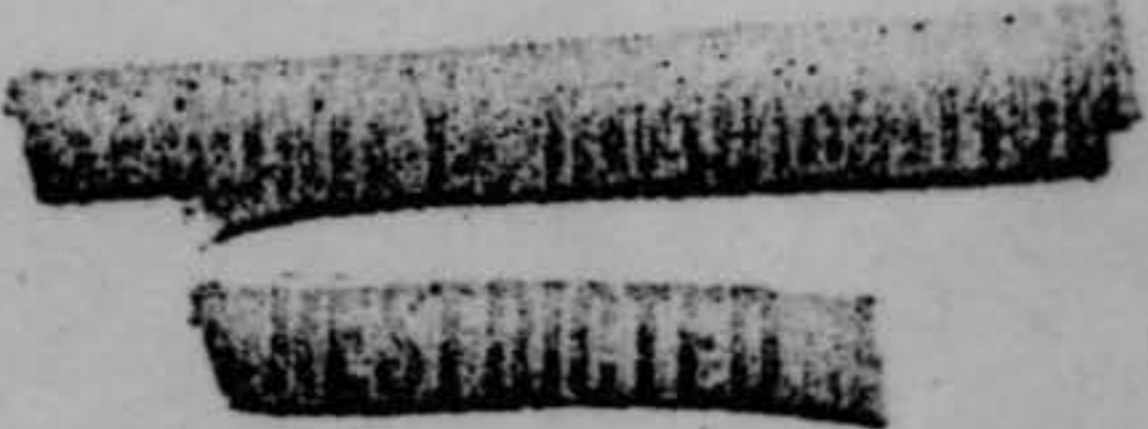
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Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object made. Place an "A" at the beginning of its path and a "B" at the end of its path.



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In compliance with AF Letter 200-5, dated 29 April 1952, the following information is submitted:

(1) Object was round, estimated to be between forty and fifty feet in diameter, dark gray color, and singular in number. No propulsion nor aerodynamic features noted. Faint vapor trail observed. Speed estimated to be in excess of three hundred miles per hour. No sound was heard. Object was observed flying in a straight, level course. Observer lost sight of object by moving through his home to the back yard to get a better view.

(2) Time of sighting was 2055 hours, CST, 7 May 1953 and was observed between twenty or thirty seconds.

2055 = balloon time - should check full pass

(3) A visual ground observation without optical or electronic equipment was made.

(4) Observer was at his residence, 615 Dallas Street, San Antonio, Texas, at the time of the sighting. Object observed in the southwest sky bearing north-east. Distance and altitude unestimated but observer stated that it gave the appearance of being very high.

(5) Object was observed by Mr. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~, a civil service employee at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Mr. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ is employed as a cost accountant by the Post Engineers. He formerly was employed by the Department of the Air Force as a Civilian Property Officer at Randolph and Kelly AF Bases. Reliability of observer unknown.

(6) Fair weather prevailed at the time of the sighting. There was no over-cast and the wind was five miles per hour from the southeast.

(7) No activity or condition, meteorological or otherwise, is known to have existed, which might have accounted for the sighting.

(8) No physical evidence of the sighting.

(9) No interception or identification action taken.

(10) No reported air traffic in the general area at the time of the sighting.

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Diagram of one object that returned to observer's view, circled a ninth object that was going over the route, then followed it out.



- Returning Object
- Ninth object



Observer

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Diagram of one object that returned to observer's view, circled a ninth object that was going over the route, then followed it out.



- Returning Object
- Ninth object

Observer

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S T A T E M E N T

At about 8:55, May 7, 1953, I was at my residence at [REDACTED], San Antonio, Texas. I had just walked out on the front porch and was going to sit on the steps and drink a cup of coffee. I started to take a sip of coffee and as I lifted my eyes I saw a semi-circle of small yellow lights in the southwest sky at about a forty-five degree angle from my vision. These lights were very tiny, like stars and were dull yellow. I got two or three impressions in a split second. At first I thought it was a star constellation but then I noticed the lights moving in unison which made me believe that it was an airplane. I then became convinced that it was not an airplane because there were too many lights and the object appeared to be too big. I walked out on the sidewalk about ten or fifteen feet to get a better look at it and as I got out there it approached almost overhead. No other aircraft was in the sky, at least within my range of sight or hearing. I got a very good look at the object as it passed overhead. There were eight or ten of these lights spaced at regular intervals towards the front of the object and these lights formed a perfect semi-circle. As it passed overhead, I could see the outline of the object. It was very definitely circular. I could see the underneath shadow of the hull. I would say that the object was as large as a house; at least forty or fifty feet across. It seemed to be very high and yet it was very plainly visible. It was absolutely silent, no sound at all. In fact, that was one of the first things that struck me as being so peculiar, that an aircraft that size could be so clearly seen and yet not make a sound. It was moving in a straight line on a definite course in a north easterly direction. I would estimate the speed to be at least three hundred miles per hour, very much faster than a conventional plane of this size could travel. I had it in view all together at least twenty or thirty seconds. Then I ran through the house and called my wife in hopes that she could see it from the back yard but there is a big pecan tree in the back yard by the door and by the time we could get a clear view, it had disappeared. Another thing I noticed was that a thin vapor, almost like a cloud, appeared to form under the object. I couldn't see the color of the object itself, it looked dark. However, the forward part of the object was illuminated by the reflection of the lights and if any color could describe it, I would say that it was dark gray.

I certify that this statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge:

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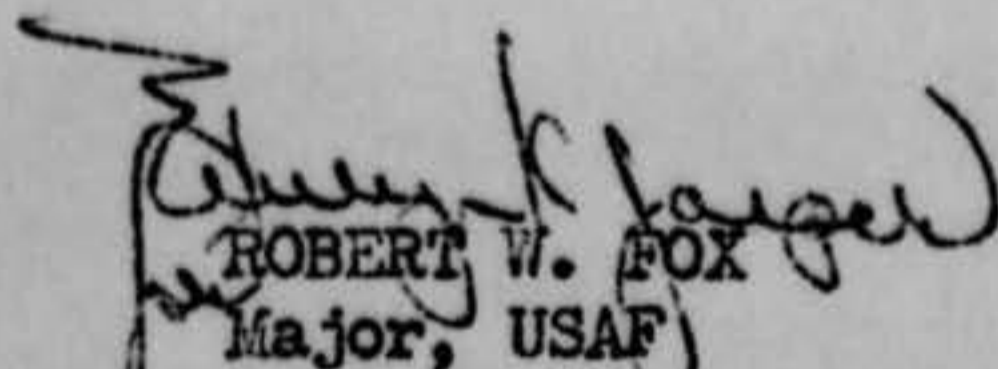
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TO: Commanding General
Air Technical Intelligence Center
ATTN: ATIAA-2C
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

1. Reference is made to letter this headquarters dated 11 May 1953,
subject as above. Inclosed is Observers Questionnaire.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

1 Incl
Observers Questionnaire


ROBERT W. FOX
Major, USAF
Asst Air Provost Marshal

4. How did you happen to notice the object? While sitting on front steps, I glanced up and saw a semi-circle of small lights in the sky moving toward me.

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

7 Day MBY Month 1953 Year

SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object? I was sitting on front steps drinking coffee.

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.

I had been watching a T.V. program that ended at 8:30 P.M. I went to my children's bedroom and told them goodnight. Made a pot of coffee and looked at newspaper for about 15 minutes, while wife was talking on telephone. I went out and sat on front steps and first noticed the lights a minute or two later.

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