

PROJECT PHOTO RECORD CARD

25 Jul 52

CINCINNATI OHIO

CONCLUSIONS

25/1730 EST

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Civilian man

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Circular object, blue-silver reflection,
about 50 feet in diameter, seen at 20,000' and
moving at approx 200 mph, was observed by
civilian men in Cincinnati.

How bright was I -

as sun

by as moon

dull glow

(Very Brilliant -

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dull glow

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August 21, 1952

Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson A. F. B.
Dayton, Ohio

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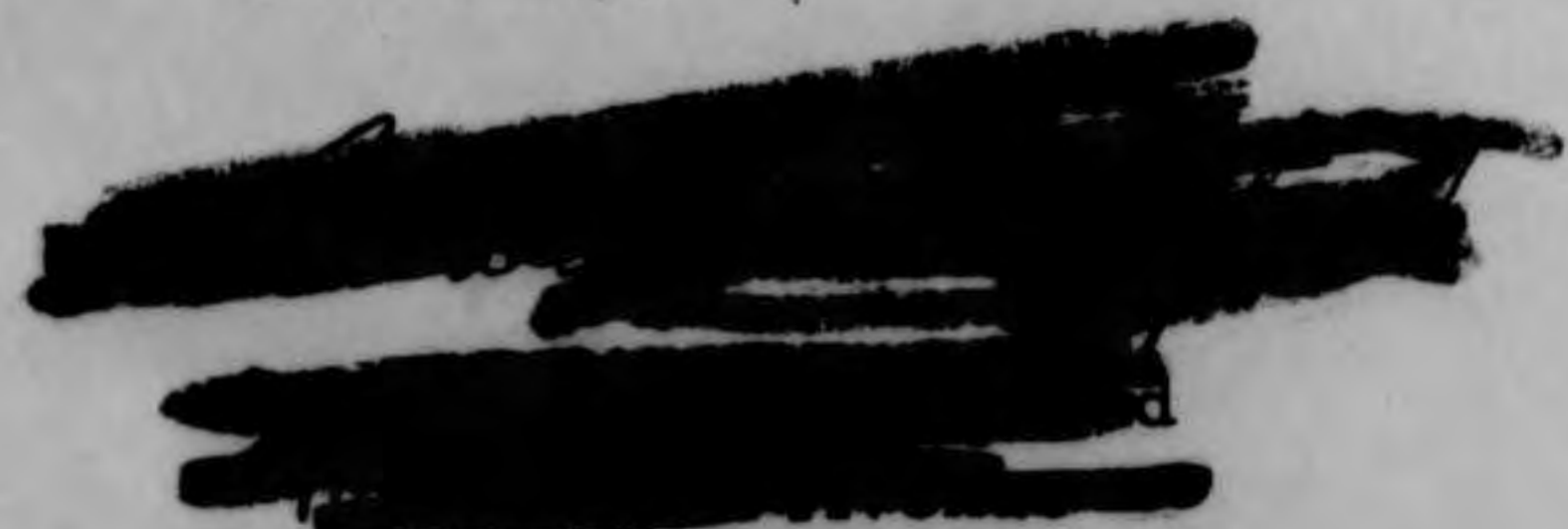
Enclosed is questionnaire, relative to my sighting of July 25, filled out to the best of my knowledge.

Attached are two additional reports of objects sighted by this writer since that date, both of which, I believe, merit further examination. Both are analogous to the meteor, but evidenced several anomalies strikingly peculiar to meteor phenomena. I have not made public the latter two summaries for personal reasons.

For many years I have studied the skies, and, have in the last eight months taken an avid interest in "Saucer" phenomena. It has become a part of my daily regimen to watch for these "freaks" --- a vigilance that has accounted for my three unusual sightings.

Although I have attempted to evaluate these sightings, I can only surmise as to their true identity. From the history of sightings made known to us I have personally concluded, the objects are controlled, artificial devices. If not a part of U.S. research, then surely they must be of extra-terrestrial origin.

Sincerely,

A large, dark, irregular redacted area covering the signature of the sender.

Cincinnati 27, Ohio

Unidentified aerial object sighted in western sky, from eastern portion of Cincinnati, at 9:48 PM, Wednesday, August 13, 1952.

SITUATION: Sitting on porch, alone, adjusting lounge chair. Looking up suddenly, sighted object soaring from huge treetop in the Northwest.

WEATHER: Generally clear directly above point of vision. A slight vaporous haze in the South and extreme western portions. Humid.

DESCRIPTION:

size... Strikingly large! An estimate: quarter size of a full moon.
shape... Globular. Of clearly defined outline: posterior, the same, completely lacking in tapering effect, without luminescent, gaseous or scintillating trail. These were positive, clearly observed characteristics!
color... Brilliant luminous white like "burning magnesium", but not emitting a haze or scintilla. Near center of object was an inconstant dark or shaded portion with an observed tendency to flicker.
altitude... Object approximately less than 5000 feet.
course... Flying South in positive, direct course without traceable arc or trajectory.
speed... Faster than jet plane, but appreciably slower than any previously observed meteor. Estimated, 1000 mph. Time lapse from point of vision to disappearance behind neighboring rooftop - 3 seconds.

OTHER

CHARACTERISTICS: No sound whatever. Object had an apparent spinning or whirling motion, but its course remained constant and stabilized, free of drag or wobble.

EVALUATION:

I am aware of, and, familiar with the popular Perseid meteor shower. I have observed countless meteors of this shower in years past (especially 1946), and, have observed numerous meteors this summer. None of these compares to the object cited in this report. During the same evening (Aug. 13) I sighted no other meteors from my point of vision. The clearly observed abnormal features of the object would not indicate a Perseid meteor.

Unidentified aerial object sighted in Eastern sky, from eastern portion of Cincinnati (Madison Place) at approximately 10:30 Saturday, August 16, 1952.

SITUATION: Sitting on porch, scanning skies. Sighted object cannonballing from apex of neighbor's roof.

WEATHER: Mostly clear with intermittent cloud masses. Humid.

DESCRIPTION:

size...	Large. An estimate: quarter size of a full moon.
shape...	Globular. Of clearly defined outline; posterior, the same, without luminescent, gaseous or scintillating trail.
color...	Brilliant luminous white; without aura, haze or scintilla. No shaded portion in center noted, as in August 13th sighting.
altitude...	Object approximately less than 5000 feet.
course...	Flying due <u>North</u> in positive direct course with a lifting tendency of approximately 20 degrees. At no time did the object fall in arc or trajectory.
speed...	Faster than any known jet plane, slower perceptably than the usual meteor. Time lapse from initial point of vision to sudden extinction: 3 seconds.

OTHER

CHARACTERISTICS: No sound whatever. No spinning motion perceptable. Object maintained steady course without diminishing in size or brilliance; then as controlled by switch, the light cut out instantaneously.

EVALUATION: First impression: a large meteor. Still not discounting the meteor theory in later evaluation, however there remain certain anomalous features, viz:

- (1) Its steady uplift in flight without trajectory
- (2) No luminescent trail
- (3) Low altitude
- (4) Its phenomenally sudden extinction!

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TENTATIVE
OBSERVERS QUESTIONNAIRE

SECTION A

1. When did you see the object:

1.1 Date: 25 JULY 1952
Day Month Year

1.2 Time of day: 11 05 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 did you see the object?

CORNER, BRITTON & PLAINVILLE
Postal Address

CINCINNATI
City or Town

OHIO
State

HAMILTON
Country

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 _____

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? ATTRACTED BY THE
OBJECT'S SOARING BRILLIANCE.

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

29 JULY 1952
 Day Month Year

SECTION B

6. What were you doing at the time you saw the object? STROLLING WITH
WIFE.

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.

WALKED TO HOME OF FRIENDS WHO WERE NOT HOME.
DECIDED ON SLOW WALK AROUND NEIGHBORHOOD.

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. WALKING SLOWLY

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 |
| 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 |
| 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).

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|---|------------------|
| ☒ 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 | ☒ 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

11.2 WIND (Circle One)

- ☒ a. No wind
- b. Slight breeze
- c. Strong wind
- d. 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

11.4 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: 3 or
Hours Minutes Seconds

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

- a. Certain c. Not very sure
b. Fairly 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>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.2	Change speed?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.3	Change size?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.4	Change color?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.5	Break up into parts or explode?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.6	Give off smoke?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.7	Change brightness?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.8	Flicker, throb, or pulsate?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
14.9	Remain motionless?	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<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? INCANDESCENT ORANGE

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

16.1 Sound N/O SOUND WHATEVER

16.2 Color BRILLIANT ORANGE

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
- b. Baseball
- c. Basketball
- d. Bicycle wheel
- e. Office desk

- f. Automobile
- g. Small airplane
- h. Large airplane
- i. Dirigible
- j. Other SIZE OF DIME HELD AT ARMS LENGTH.

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? 3000-5000 feet.

20.2 How far was it from you? _____ feet or 3 to 5 miles

20.3 How fast was it going? 1000 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

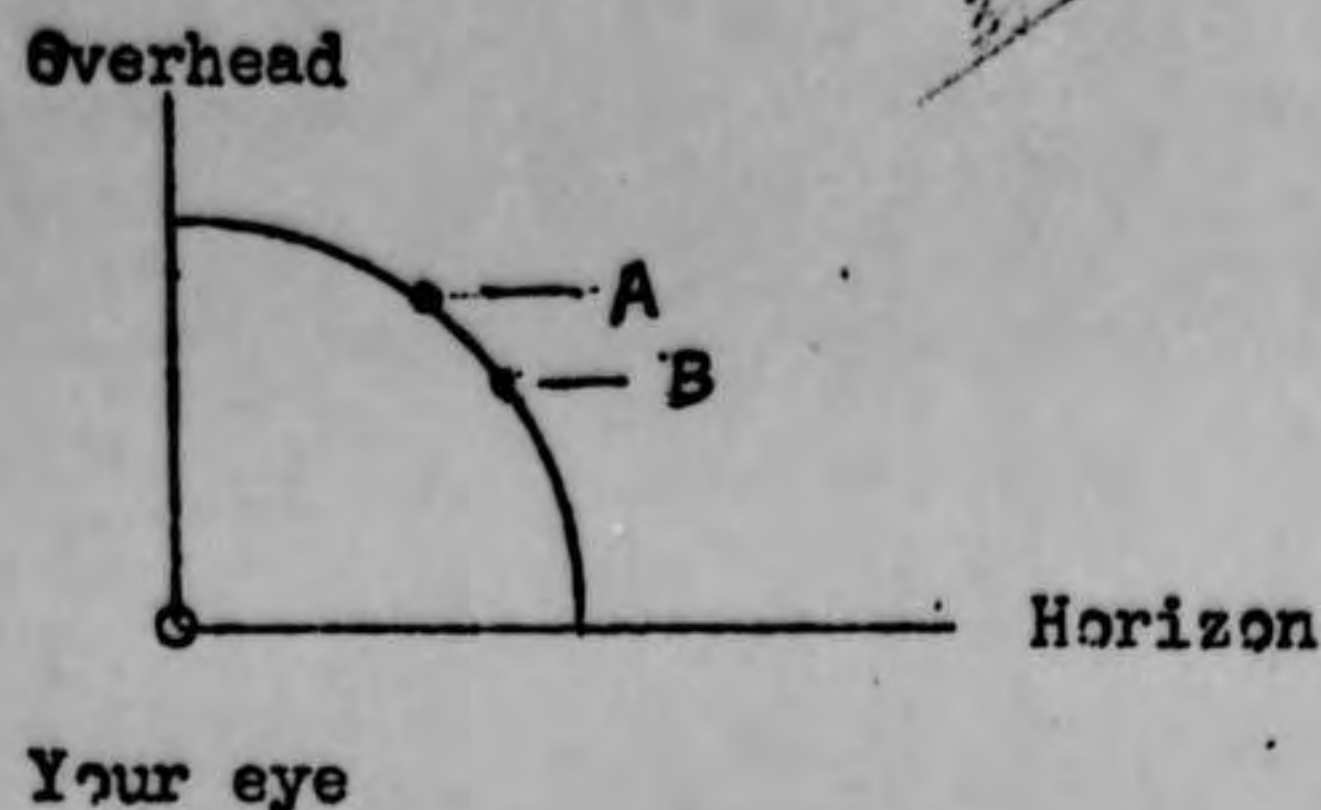
21. How did the object disappear from view?

(Circle One): a. Suddenly
b. Gradually

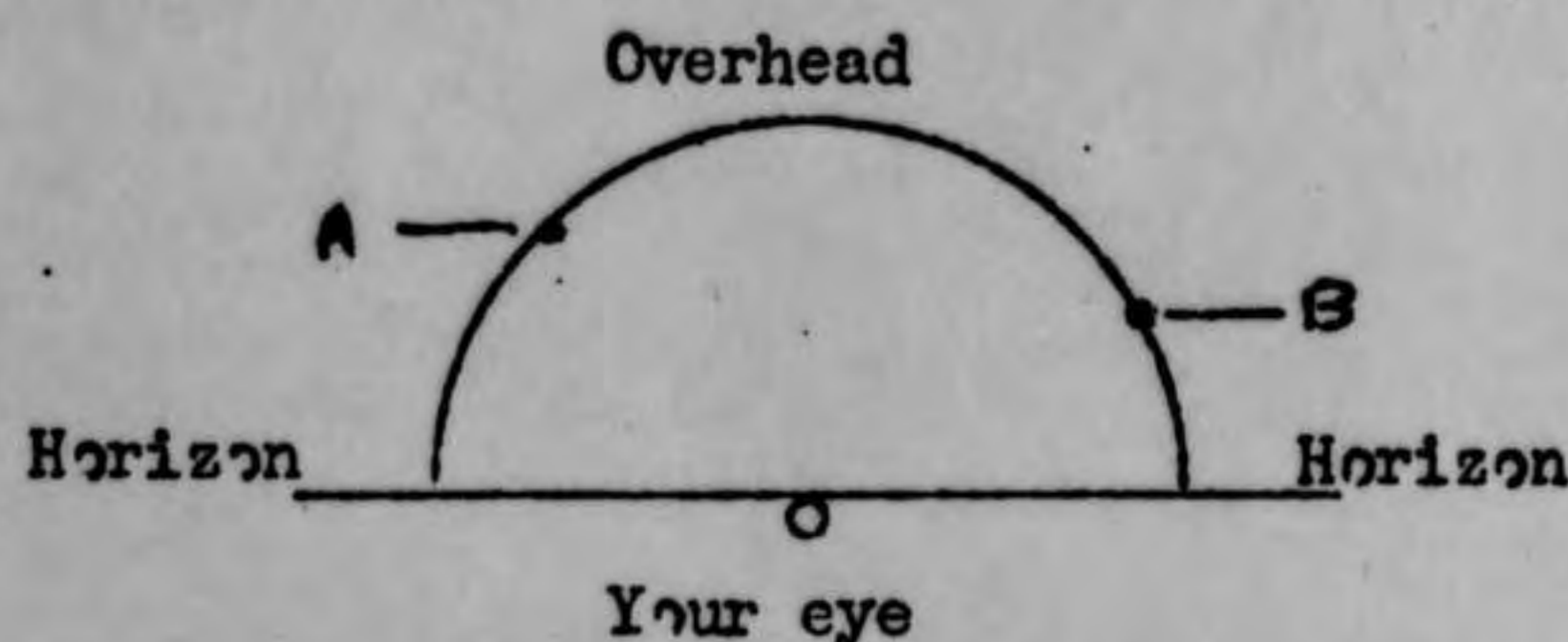
c. Other _____
d. Don't remember

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.



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.

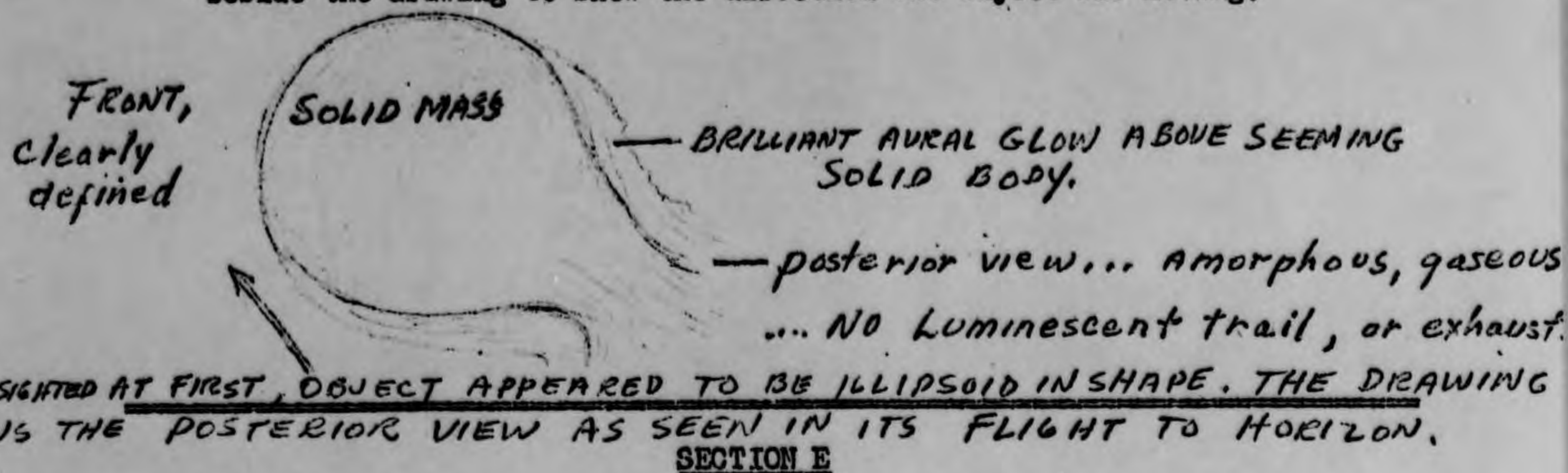


24. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object made. Place an "A" at the beginning of its path and a "B" at the end of its path.



Object Did not travel in trajectory. From my point of vision object made rapid descent.

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.



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?

WAS NOT A METEOR, BOLIDE OR FIREBALL.

Same evening witnessed 5 meteors in vicinity... very distinguishable from object described. Too fast for any known jet craft; too fast for balloon. Apparently artificial and controlled; especially in light of behaviorism observed by two others.

28. Give the following information about yourself:

NAME [REDACTED]
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [REDACTED] CINCINNATI 27 OHIO
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

What is your present job? [REDACTED] - DUBOIS CO. INC

Age 31

Sex MALE

Last School Attended UN. of Cinti (NIGHT)

Year of last attendance at this school 1941

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:

Wife: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~, SAME ADDRESS.

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

OTHER WITNESSES: MRS. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ CINCINNATI
and (unnamed) nurse companion.

OBJECT SIGHTED FROM GROUNDS OF
BETHESDA HOSPITAL, SUBURB OF CLIFTON,
CINCINNATI, OHIO. MRS. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ DESCRIBED
OBJECT TO ME BY TELEPHONE.

TIME: 10:45 PM to 11:00 PM.

"BRIGHT GOLDEN, iridescent light; roundish,
oblong in shape. Flew in steady northerly
course slower than plane, seemed
stationary for a minute, then flew quickly
out of sight. Momentarily it seemed to
flare up in brilliance. Judged to be
roughly 2000 to 5000 ft. altitude."