PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 14 March 1966 14/1030Z	**2. LOCATION** Trenton, Michigan 1 witness
3. SOURCE Civilian	**10. CONCLUSION** Other (CONFLICTING DATA)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 10 Minutes	**11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS** Observer noted bright whitish blue light in the sky approaching from the W. As object approached radio tower, object made abrupt movements around the station. When object speeded up its color faded, when object slowed down the color became brighter. Observer saw same object 6 weeks earlier. Conflecting data noted when observer states in one place object did not disappear and in another it did. similar
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE E to W	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes XX No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes XX No	

FORM
FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

TDET/UFO

13 December 1966

Request for UFO Evaluation, [redacted]

Hq USAF (SAFOICC)

Reference the attached letter from [redacted] requesting the evaluation on his sighting of 14 March 1966. A detailed study on the sighting has been completed. His case is being placed in the "Other" category, specifically, Conflicting Data. In one place he mentions that the object disappeared after approximately ten minutes. In another place he mentions that the object did not disappear while he was watching it. The description, color-wise, is similar to that of a satellite observation. An aircraft in the distance could have been observed and at such a distance, turns would have appeared much steeper than usual. The turns could account for the color fading at times.

FOR THE COMMANDER

LOUIS De GOES, Colonel, USAF
Director of Technology and Subsystems

1 Atch
Ltr, [redacted]
postmarked 31 Oct 66

1 DET/ltr/ Applied Sciences

[redacted]
Toledo, Ohio 4/5/93

Dear Sir,

My name is [redacted] M. On March 14-66, I made a sighting of a UFO which later reported on April 9-66. You sent me a form in May to fill out about my sighting. I would appreciate it if you would explain one of your conclusion on it. I have read that your files are not secret so you might answer my request. Thank you.

Yours Truly

[redacted]

Trenton, Mich. 4/8/93

TRENTON, MICH 14 MARCH 1966 1030 Z

Conflicting Data

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes. Your name will *not* be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

14 (Day) MARCH (Month) 1966 (Year)

2. Time of day: 5:05-5:30 (Hour) 30 (Minutes)

(Circle One): (A.M.) or P.M.

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One): (a.) Eastern
b. Central
c. Mountain
d. Pacific
e. Other _____

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

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

[redacted] (Nearest Postal Address) TRENTON (City or Town) MICHIGAN (State or County)

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration) _____ (Hours) 10 (Minutes) _____ (Seconds)

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

5.1 How was time in sight determined? By A WATCH

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes X No ____

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY	NIGHT
a. Bright	(a.) Bright
b. Cloudy	b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you
b. In back of you
NO (c.) To your right
d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

FORM FTD OCT 62 164 This form supersedes FTD 164, Jul 61, which is obsolete.

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS *(Circle One)*:

(a.) None
(b.) A few
c. Many
d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON *(Circle One)*:

a. Bright moonlight
b. Dull moonlight
(c.) No moonlight – pitch dark
d. Don't remember

9. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS *(Circle One)*:

(a.) Clear sky
b. Hazy
c. Scattered clouds
d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER *(Circle One)*:

(a.) Dry
b. Fog, mist, or light rain
c. Moderate or heavy rain
d. Snow
e. Don't remember

10. The object appeared: *(Circle One)*:

(a.) Solid
b. Transparent
c. Vapor
d. As a light
e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? *(Circle One)*:

(a.) Brighter
b. Dimmer
c. About the same
d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

Brighter than a street light or the lights on the radio tower

12. The edges of the object were:

(Circle One): (a.) Fuzzy or blurred
b. Like a bright star
c. Sharply outlined
d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

13. Did the object: *(Circle One for each question)*

a. Appear to stand still at any time?	(Yes)	No	Don't know
b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?	(Yes)	No	Don't know
c. Break up into parts or explode?	Yes	(No)	Don't know
d. Give off smoke?	Yes	(No)	Don't know
e. Change brightness?	(Yes)	No	Don't know
f. Change shape?	Yes	(No)	Don't know
g. Flash or flicker?	(Yes)	~~No~~	Don't know
h. Disappear and reappear?	Yes	(No)	Don't know

14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?

No - the object didn't disappear

15. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): (Yes) No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: a radio tower for a few seconds

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): (Yes) No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what in front of: in front of a radio Tower for a few seconds

17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

a. Sound none

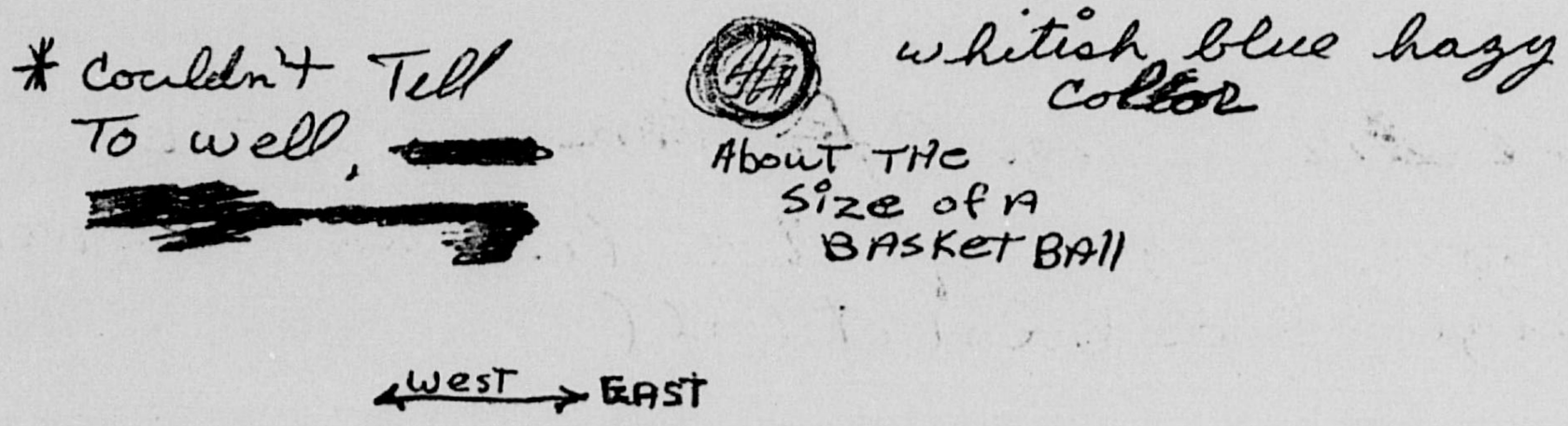
b. Color a whitish blue

18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head?

about 50% to 60% would have been covered

19. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails.

Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



20. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) Yes (No) going quiet fast

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? _____

21. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) (Yes) No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? about A mile

22. 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 (type)
e. At sea
f. Other _____

23. 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. Near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other _____

24. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

24.1 What direction were you moving? *(Circle One)*

a. North
b. Northeast
c. East
d. Southeast
e. South
f. Southwest
g. West
h. Northwest

24.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

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

(Circle One) Yes No

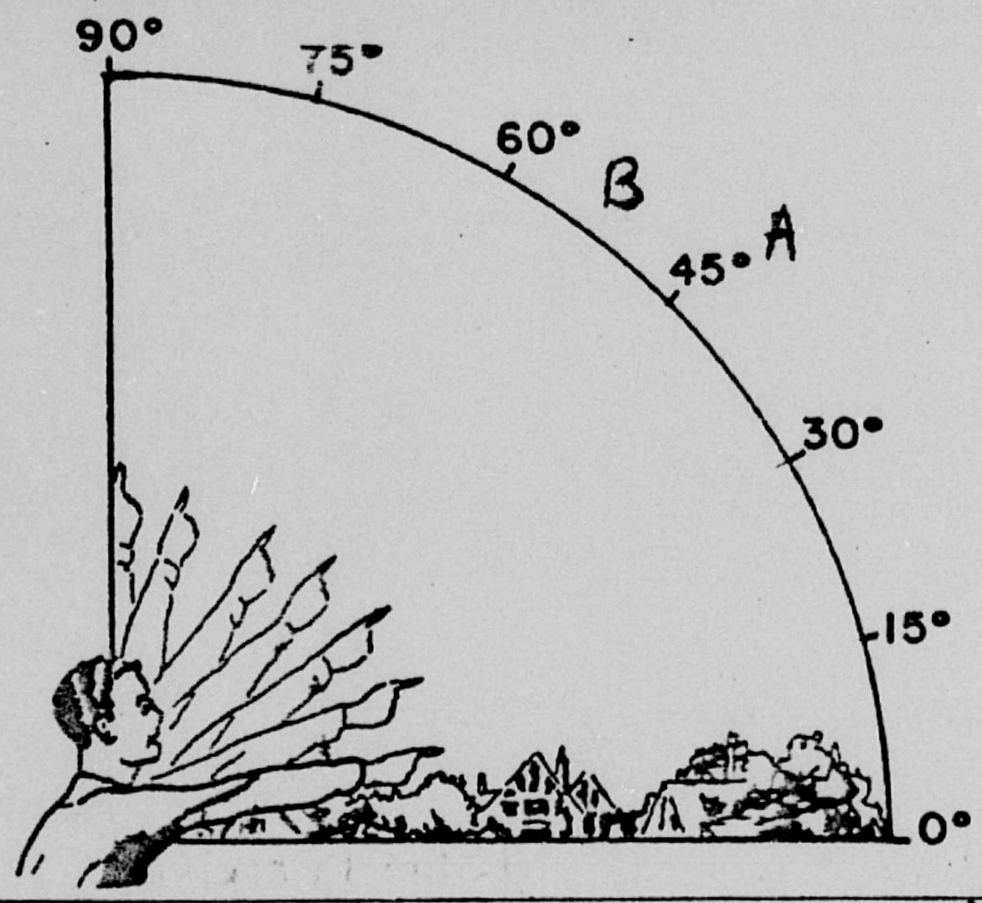
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

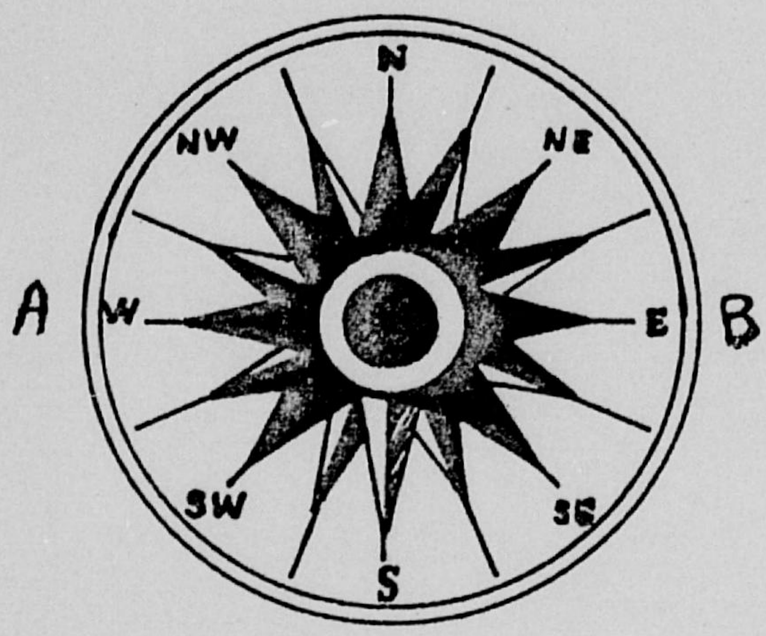
(a.) Eyeglasses	Yes	No	e. Binoculars	Yes	No
b. Sun glasses	Yes	No	f. Telescope	Yes	No
c. Windshield	Yes	No	g. Theodolite	Yes	No
d. Window glass	Yes	No	h. Other _____		

26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

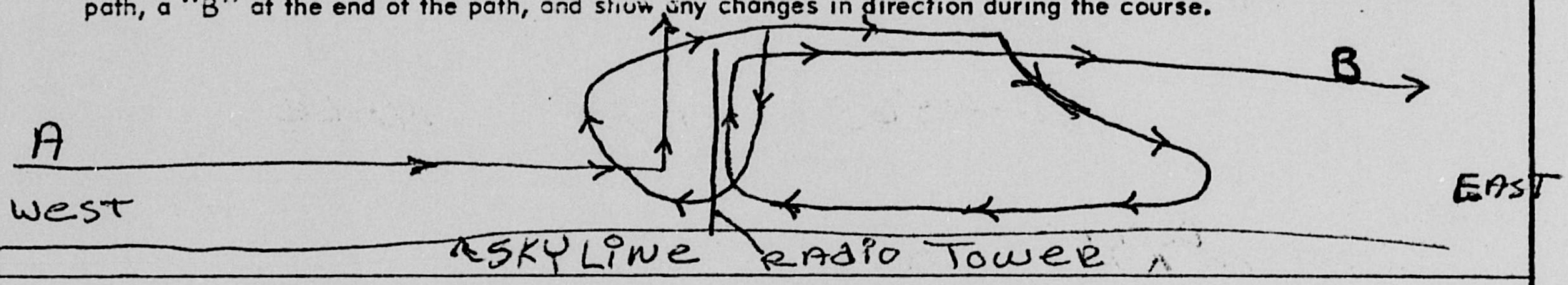
a medium sized ~~Balloon~~ weather balloon might if at a distance looked the size of a basket ball

27. In the following sketch, imagine that you are 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" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you *last* saw the object.





28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



29. 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 that they were traveling.

30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.

I saw one about 6 wks. prior to this in about the same general location

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? *(Circle One)* Yes (No)

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? *(Circle One)* Yes No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] / [redacted] / [redacted]
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [redacted] Trenton [redacted] Mich.
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBE[redacted] AGE 13 SEX MALE

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any special experience, which might be pertinent.

I'm a Detroit Free Press Newspaper Carrier.

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object? My Mother

14 Mar. 1966
Day Month Year

34. Date you completed this questionnaire: 12 (Day) MAY (Month) 1966 (Year)

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

when the object speeded up its' color faded when it slowed down the color became brighter.

the weather was cold and the week before that had ~~been~~ cold so I saw these things before I read about them in the paper

14 Mar 66
Trenton, Mich

FTD (TDEW)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
10 May 1966

[redacted]
Trenton, Michigan 48183

Dear [redacted]

Reference your recent unidentified observation of 14 March 1966. The information which we received was not sufficient for evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD Form 164 and return it in the envelope provided.

We wishtto thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

Sincerely,

HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF
Chief, Project Blue Book

April 4, 1966

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Project Blue Book,
Imformation Office,
SAFOl, Washington, D. C.,
20330.

Dear Sirs;

My name is [redacted] and I am thirteen years old. I am a alaround space enthusiast. I've been reading up on these UFO's or extraterrestrial vehicles as you call them. I understand that the greatest percentage of these sightings can be explained but, I think I have one that might fall into the unidentified catagory.

I'm a Detroit Free Press carrier in Trenton, Michigan and I get up quit early in the morning to deliver the newspaper. On the morning of March 14,1966 at about 5:30 in the morning I was just starting my route when I happened to look towards the W.J.R. radio tower. I usually look for the constilation Gemini. Well, as I was looking at the tower I saw a whitish blue object about the size of a basketball (evidently they were much bigger because I was looking at it from a distance) and flying at terrific speed. At first I thought it was a meter or a falling star or some other explainable thing-- but hten my thoughts changed. It began dodging around the radio station (tower) (drawing included). It came from the west out of the blue as they say and progressed steadily. It slowed down ~~to~~ and then made almost a 90 degree turn going straight ~~up~~ up and climbed to about 1200 feet and then went into a dive heading straight down and going fast. It pulled out and flew west again and then all of a sudden it turned and went east and into another dive, turned around and went west again . Just before it was coming to the tower it made another almost 90 degree turn and went up until it turned to the east and flew away.

I watched for about ten minutes from the time it first came into view until it flew out of sight.

The morning that I saw it was a clear and cold morning meaning that the sky was cloudless without a moon. A few stars were visible but it was cold. The day before was cold also and, as a matter of fact the whole week before was cold also.

There weren't any visible burning lights like the other UFO's have had on them but, I noticed something unusual everytime it speeded up. The whitish blue began to fade. I didn't think much of it until I read in the paper about sending any imformation of these sightings into the nearest Air Force Base or Project Blue Book. I never used to believe in them but I sure do now. I'd like to know

who or what they are and were they come from thats all.

Yours Truly,

[redacted],
Trenton, Michigan.
48183.

If [redacted] were the kind of boy who imagined things I would say this was so in this case. In the contrary he is a very sensitive boy who relates such instances with reality and accuracy.

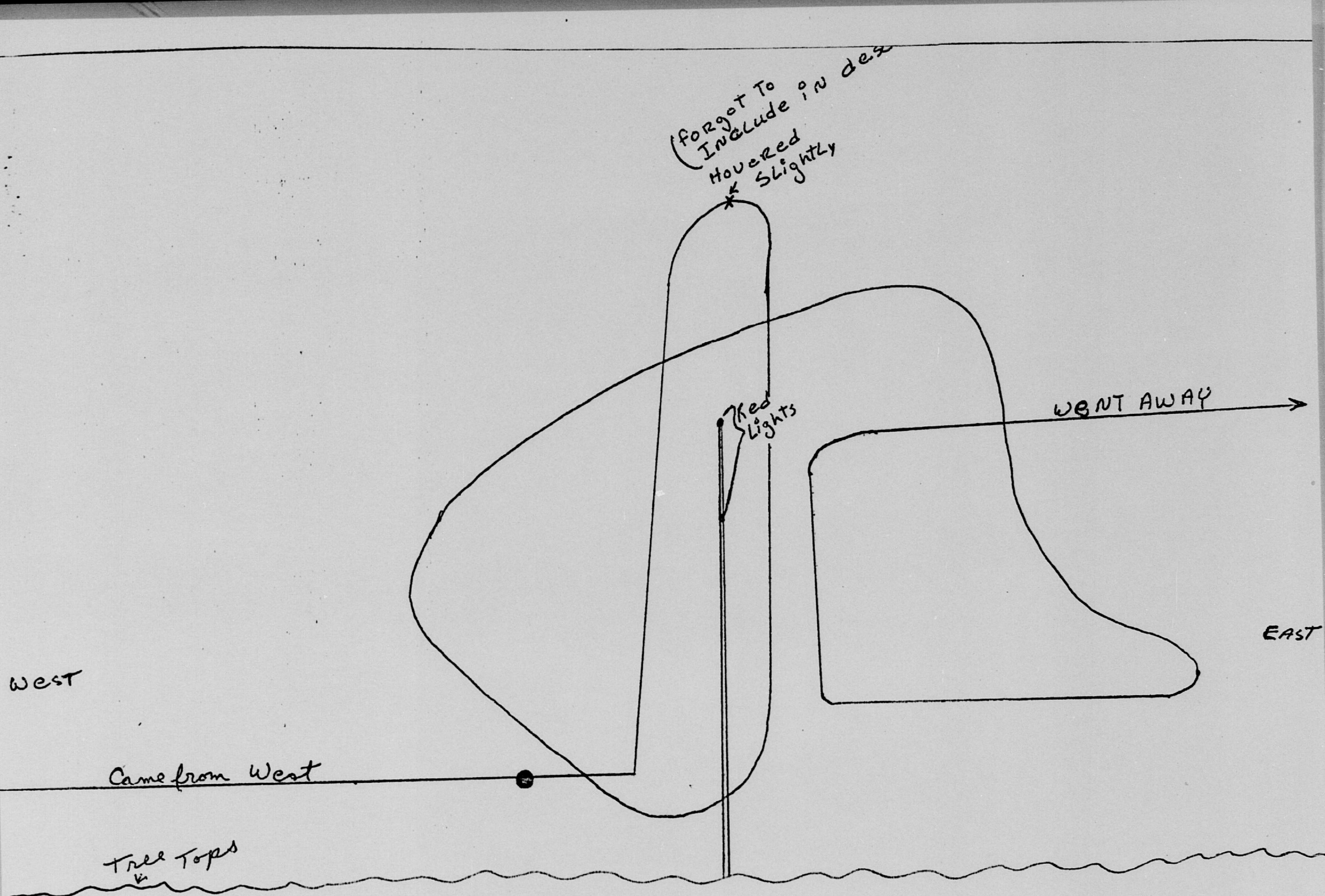
He had witnessed these so-called things six weeks prior to this sighting but, was unaware as to what they were. On the second sighting he did know they were not simply lights and was not only shook up but very scared. He now hesitates to look skyward and hurries home from his newspaper route as quickly as possible.

I certainly hope he never sees these things again as I too have seen them a year previous to his sightings and I was scared.

He composed the letter and the drawing himself. He also hopes his imformation will help some.

Should you want to question him further on this feel free to do so as he does wonder as to the answer to this mystery. Is there one?

Mrs. [redacted]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