

# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

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| 1. DATE<br>16-19-30 July 1956                                                                                                                                                                                   |  | 2. LOCATION<br>Van Nuys, California                                                                                                                                                                   |  | 12. CONCLUSIONS<br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical<br><input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical<br><input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical<br><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Hoax |  |
| 3. DATE-TIME GROUP<br>Local 0400 (N)<br>GMT 17/1200Z                                                                                                                                                            |  | 4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar<br><input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |
| 5. PHOTOS<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No                                                                                                                             |  | 6. SOURCE<br>Civilian (Rpt by phone to                                                                                                                                                                |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |
| 7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION<br>several minutes                                                                                                                                                                     |  | 8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS<br>one                                                                                                                                                                           |  | 9. COURSE ATIC OD<br>N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |
| 10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING<br>Spherical object landed in observers grounds. Three creatures came out, stated they were fm Venus. Later observer was given ride in object.<br><br>( <del>REDACTED</del> Case) |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  | 11. COMMENTS<br>Because D.O. erroneously contacted Col Mitchell to investigate - and observer was found to be CBS member or employee, AFOIN-4X recommended investigation to show AF action taken in event bad publicity later arises. Correspondence fm Western Office ATIC indicates this to be a publicity case. Confirmed hoax.                                                                                                                                                                    |  |



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AREA REPORTED ON

VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA, USA

FROM (Agency)

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DATE OF REPORT

17 August 1956

DATE OF INFORMATION

16, 19 &amp; 30 July 1956

EVALUATION

PREPARED BY (Officer)

LOUIS C SAUTER, 1st Lt., USAF

SOURCE

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)

TT AISOC 0702, 10 August 1956

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.)

## I. CONTENTS:

PART ONE: Source's description of sightings and events.

PART TWO: Supplementary Investigative Efforts.

PART THREE: Comments of Preparing Officer.

II. SUMMARY: On the evening of 31 July 1956, the Air Technical Intelligence Center, WPAFB, Ohio, received a long distance telephone call from MR. [REDACTED], VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA ([REDACTED]). The purpose of this call was to report that on 16, 19 and 30 July 1956, he had observed a spherical, gold colored ball in the yard of and over his home. On two (2) of these occasions (16 & 30 July) he had conversed with the occupants of subject sphere and on the third occasion, 30 July 1956, he had been taken for a ride in the sphere to a larger craft located at a point 700 miles above Earth's surface. The information contained in this report is the result of an interview with Mr. [REDACTED] and an investigation conducted to obtain all available information related to and concerning these events.

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I. SOURCE: MR. [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED], Van Nuys, California ([REDACTED])

Age: 25

Occupation: Property and Scenery Technician (television)  
Columbia Broadcasting System, Part Time Actor  
Free LanceEducation: 1½ years college (liberal arts) Syracuse University,  
N. Y.

Qualifications: None

II. RELIABILITY: SOURCE appears to be a sincere young man with above average intelligence. He gave thought to each question, seemingly searching his memory for exactness, before answering. During the first part of the interview SOURCE was hesitant to talk about his experience as he felt he would be considered a "crackpot" regardless of what he said. However, when he did begin to tell of his experience, he seemed engrossed in what he was saying. It is the opinion of the interviewers that SOURCE either honestly believes he lived the experience or is an excellent actor.

## III. SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTINGS AND EVENTS:

1. On the morning of 16 July 1956, SOURCE was awakened by a sound he thought to be a "sonic boom." Immediately after SOURCE heard the sound, his two (2) dogs began barking loudly. Due to previous complaints by neighbors to the police about SOURCE'S dogs barking at night, SOURCE got out of bed to quiet the dogs. When SOURCE went into the front yard he discovered the dogs were barking at a gold colored sphere made of a solid metallic substance over a telephone pole near SOURCE'S front yard. When first observed by SOURCE the object was approximately 150 feet away from him to the north west, about 60 feet in the sky and was descending slowly. As the object descended it moved in the direction of SOURCE and settled downward over a double trunk, California Elm, tree. (See Incl #1) in SOURCE'S yard. Although the object did not seem to touch the tree, one of the trunks split and broke away from the tree and crashed to the ground. The object descended into the yard and hovered eight (8) to ten (10) inches off the front lawn. SOURCE observed three (3) men emerge from the object without the use of an opening. The men walked through the wall of the object. The men had shoulder length blonde hair, clear, deep blue eyes, sharp German-like features and were about six (6) feet seven (7) inches tall. They were dressed in green one piece suits that had built-in shoes. One of the men, who seemed to be the leader spoke to SOURCE in English with a monotone voice that sounded like a tape recording. The man's words were, "We are from what you call Venus; we are your friends." SOURCE stepped forward to shake hands with the man. As SOURCE shook hands with him he noticed that the hand was very soft like that of a person employed in a job that required very little use of the hands. When SOURCE shook hands with the man, his dog snapped at the man's wrists, and this seemed to frighten him. The men then backed through the wall of the object and the object just seemed to disappear. SOURCE felt a rush of warm air but heard no sound. SOURCE then went into his house and noticed the time was 0415 (161115Z Jul 56). SOURCE'S first thoughts were that he was losing his mind and tried very hard to keep from thinking about the incident. However, when SOURCE looked at the broken tree he could not keep

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from thinking about the incident. By 19 July 1956, SOURCE had almost convinced himself that his imagination was playing tricks on him, but at approximately 1430 (192130Z July 56), while relaxing in his back yard, he glanced northward toward his house and observed what he believed to be the same object hovering about 12 inches over the roof of his house. SOURCE immediately shouted his neighbor's name: "██████". The object then disappeared suddenly. SOURCE was now in a state of complete frustration, but was now convinced that the incident on 16 July 56 was a reality. SOURCE then went inside his house and called the police to find out if there had been other witnesses to the sighting. The policeman on duty laughed at SOURCE and told SOURCE that he "should either take another drink or go to bed." SOURCE then called the office of the Hollywood Citizen's News. The reporter with whom SOURCE spoke stated that two (2) other calls had been received from persons observing sphere-shaped golden objects and would like to interview SOURCE. SOURCE agreed to the interview on the basis that no mention of his name would be made in any article resulting from the interview. During subsequent interview, SOURCE also related the incident of 16 July 56. The reporter told SOURCE that the other persons reporting the objects had refused to be interviewed and gave no address. The article published the next day (20 July 56) irritated SOURCE because of the "mocking" manner in which it was written; however, the article did mention the other two (2) observations and referred to SOURCE only as "VALLEYITE". (Resident of the San Fernando Valley). SOURCE was now determined not to mention the incident to anyone because of the fear of being labeled a "crackpot". SOURCE's attitude toward this was due to change for a brief period after the incident that followed on 30 July 1956.

At approximately 1800 hours (310100Z July 56) the evening of 30 July 56, SOURCE went into his back yard to feed his dogs and discovered what appeared to SOURCE to be the same object hovering 8 to 10 inches off the lawn. There were two (2) men, exactly as observed on 16 July 56, standing beside the object motioning by waving their arms for SOURCE to come toward them. SOURCE moved near the two (2) men. In the same tape-recorded-type voice, one of them, whom SOURCE believed to be the same man that had spoken to him on 16 July 56, said: "Would you care to go for a short ride to the Guide Craft?" SOURCE asked if they would bring him back and the man said: "It will take only a short time." SOURCE then consented to go. The two (2) men placed SOURCE in the middle and they all walked through the wall of the object in single file. SOURCE asked how it was possible to walk through the wall of the object and was told: "By reversing the polarity of the atoms". The object seemed to SOURCE to be made of a solid metallic substance from the outside, but, from inside the object, it appeared to be made of a slightly tinted glass or plastic substance and was like being inside "nothing." SOURCE could see the ground for only about two (2) seconds during the ascent which took approximately thirty (30) seconds. During the ascent SOURCE experienced an extreme hunger sensation which caused his mouth to fill with saliva; also, he perspired profusely. From inside the object SOURCE looked above and saw the "Guide Craft." (See Incl #2). The Guide Craft had three (3) other golden colored, sphere-shaped objects attached to what SOURCE believed to be the bottom of the "Guide Craft." The "Guide Craft" appeared to SOURCE to be suspended by its side. The object in which SOURCE was riding entered the "Guide Craft" through an airlock. The two men again placed SOURCE between them and they walked out of the sphere in the same manner they entered. SOURCE then reports that they entered a ramp area apparently constructed of glass, passed through this, and entered a room which SOURCE refers to as the Master Control Room. (See Incl #3). Inside this Master Control Room, SOURCE states that he noticed various types of maps on the walls and what appeared to be television screens. The room contained a group of men similar to SOURCE's guide, but they were all engaged in various activities and ignored SOURCE completely. SOURCE stated that all these creatures

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communicated with each other telephatically by placing their hand on another's shoulder and merely looking at him. Following is a series of questions asked by SOURCE while in this room and the answers he received:

Q: "How high is the Guide Craft?"

A: "700 miles."

Q: "How could we have travelled 700 miles in a matter of seconds?"

A: "We have made our own opposition to gravity."

Q: "What does this Guide Craft use for power?"

A: "Do you know about the Challonary Line?"

SOURCE: "No."

A: "Inde Veende Vic a dee vic  
dell dole dominick  
round and round the ravels pin  
two shiek, two shin-  
puzzle find out  
0.593 divided by 2 to the 500th power"

Q: "How old are you?"

A: "500 years old; we have conquered disease."

Q: "How much more advanced are you compared to earth?"

A: "5000 years ahead of earth."

Q: "Do you know of Einstein?"

A: "Yes; his only wrong theory is that space is recurved."

Q: "Do you have wars?"

A: "Venus has only one government, there has been no war for 15,000 years."

Q: "Am I the only one that has been taken for a ride by you people?"

A: "No, over 300 earth people have experienced this."

Q: "Any from Russia?"

A: "No, Russia has an evil government, your country has an evil government  
also, but it is the best government to date on the earth."

SOURCE noticed that one of the view screens on the wall had a constant picture of a large strange looking craft, SOURCE asked about this and was told that it was a Venusian Giganta-Liner (See Incl #5) and that it had taken one hundred and ten (110) earth years to construct, it was fifteen and one half ((15½) miles in length. SOURCE was also told that the Guide Craft was 450 feet in diameter and that the sphere in which he rode was 8 feet in diameter. The reason given to SOURCE for bringing him to the Guide Craft was that they wished to apologize for breaking his tree and wished to make it up to him. SOURCE was then asked if he might be returned to his home. He was then escorted by the same two men to same sphere in which he had arrived, again placed in the middle and was returned to his back yard, SOURCE was escorted through the wall of the object in the same manner as before, the men returned inside the sphere, the sphere glowed and then disappeared. SOURCE returned to his house, noticed that the time was then about 1825 (310125Z JUL 56). SOURCE now felt that he had had an experience which he should tell the world about. Shortly after this, SOURCE noticed that portion of his lawn under which the sphere had hovered was depressed and burned and had a very strong odor resembling acetic acid. SOURCE stated that this physical evidence and the broken tree convinced him that these incidents actually took place.

## 5 Incls:

1. Sketch of Split Tree
2. Guide Craft
3. Sketch of Master Control Room
4. Sketch of Gigant-Liner
5. SOURCE'S Statement

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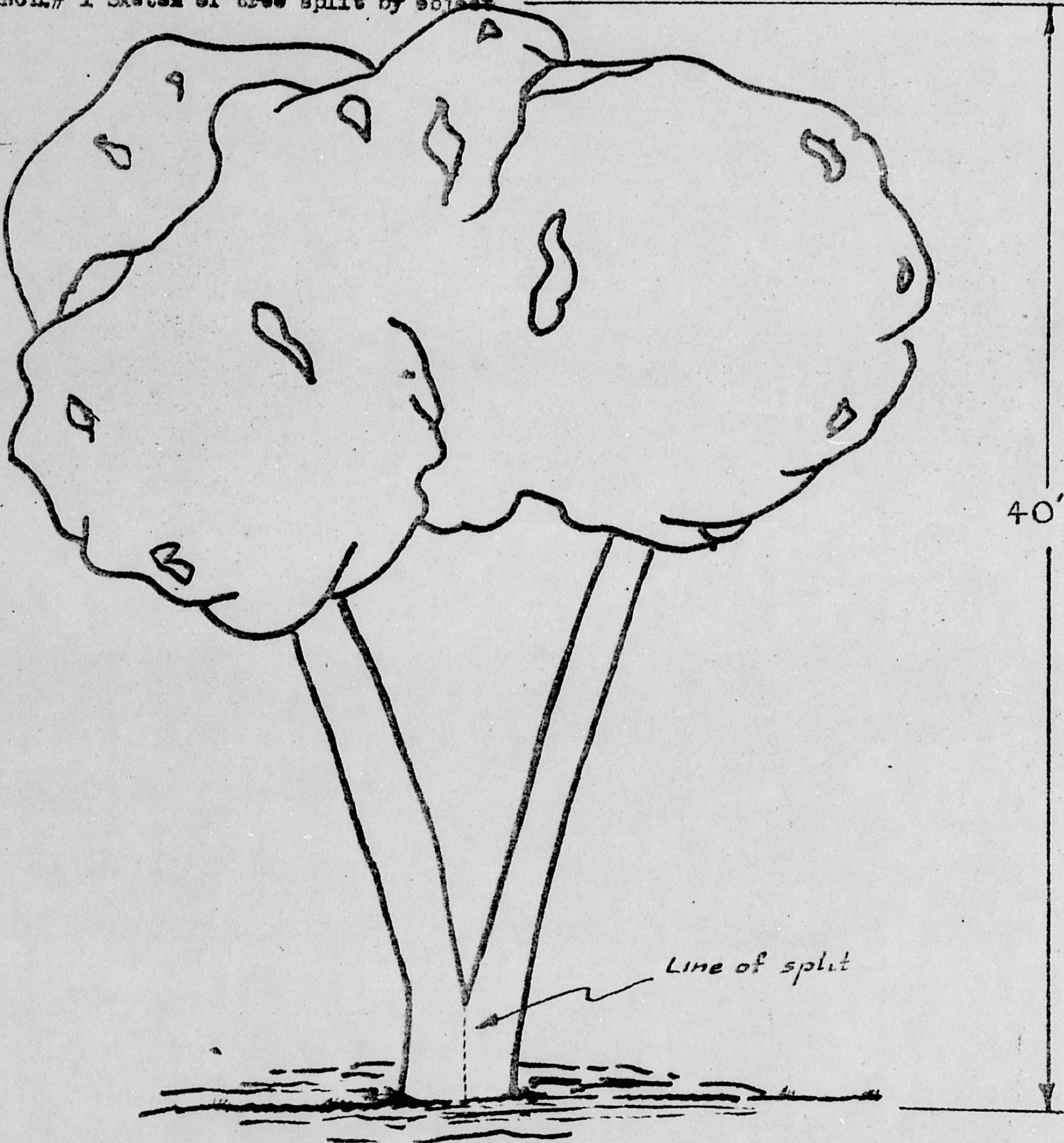
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INCL. # 1 Sketch of tree split by object



The object could not have easily  
descended between the trees, and  
in the space described by this  
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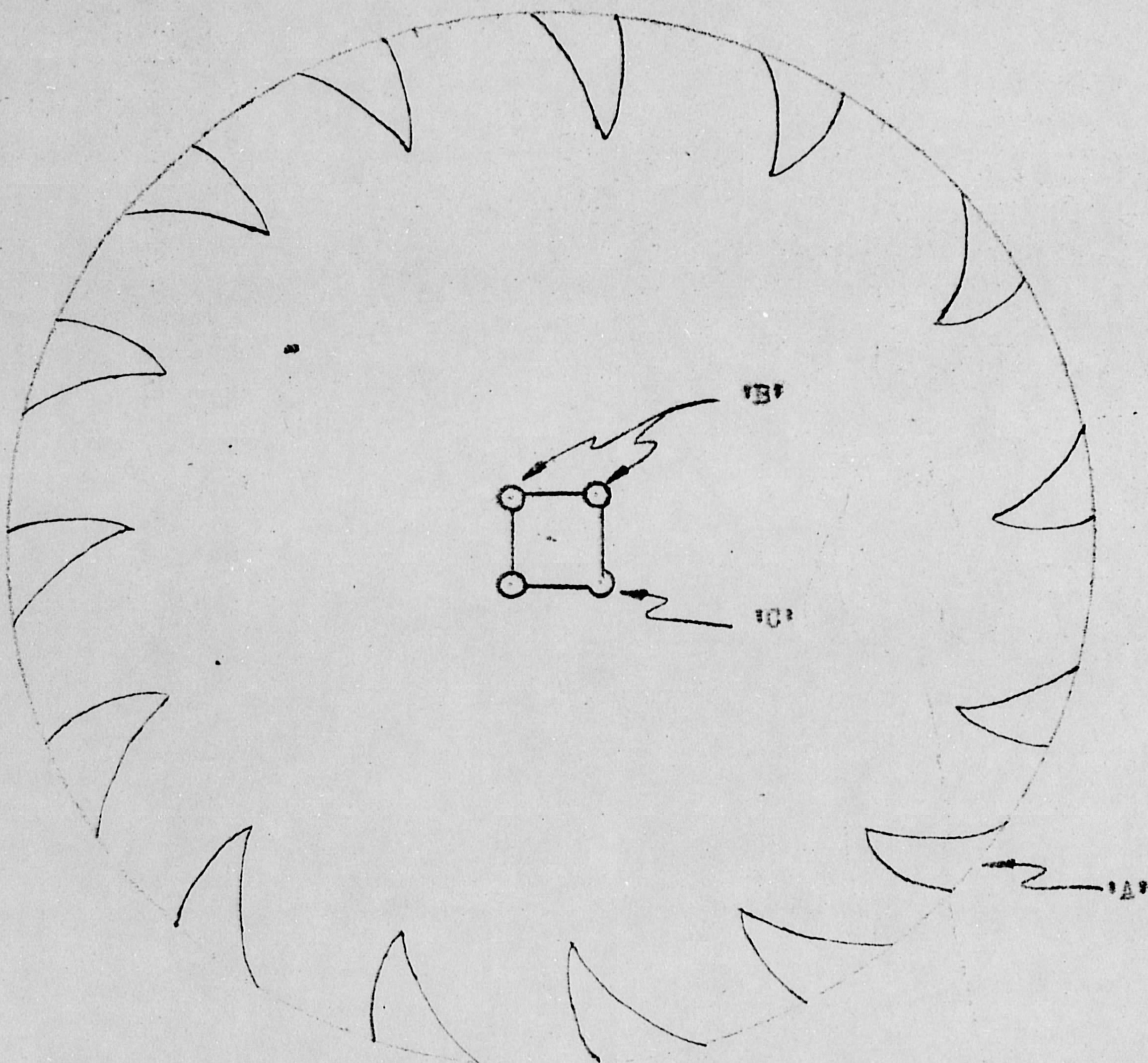
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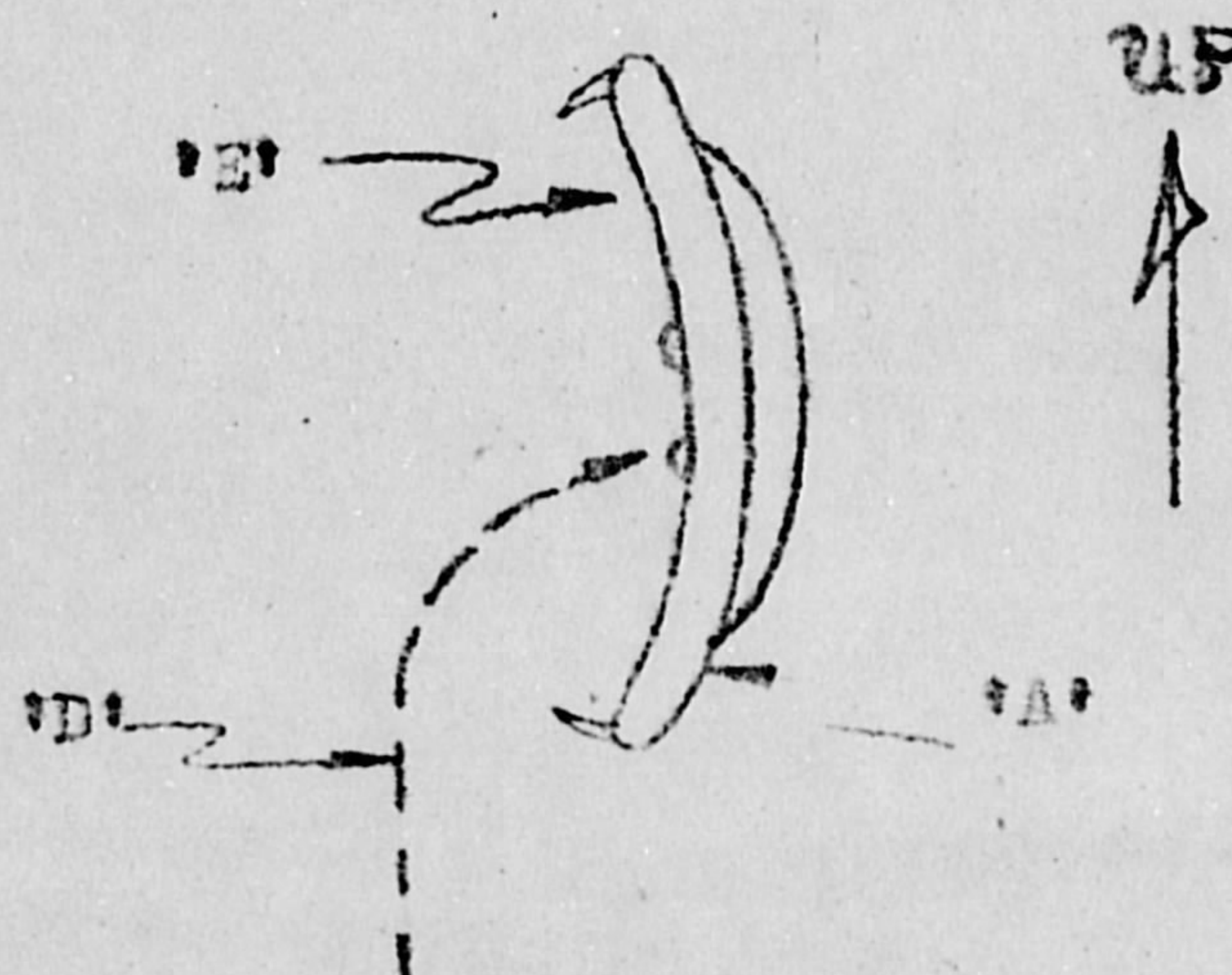
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INCL. # 2 Guide Craft, SOURCE'S memory sketch



- A - Guide Craft
- B - Position of 'Spheres' on Guide Craft
- C - Landing Position of SOURCE's Sphere
- D - Landing Pattern of SOURCE's Sphere
- E - Position of Guide Craft when observed by SOURCE



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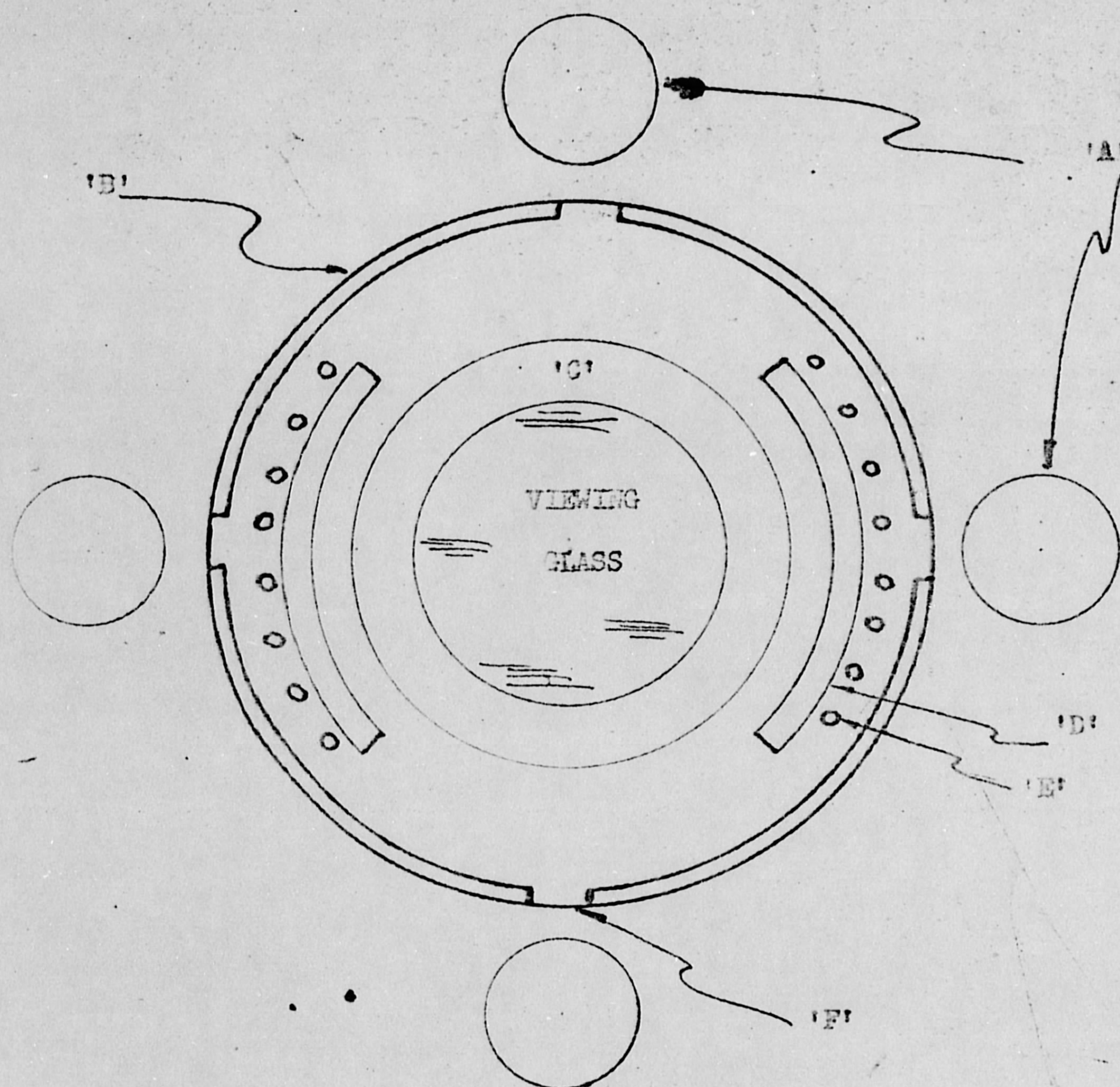
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ENCL. 73 SOURCE'S MEMORY SKETCH OF MASTER CONTROL ROOM

## GUIDE-CRAFT MASTER CONTROL ROOM



- 'A' - Relative Position to Master-Control-Room of 'Golden Spheres.'
- 'B' - Master Control Room
- 'C' - Walkway
- 'D' - Desk (two)
- 'E' - Seats (sixteen)
- 'F' - Entrance Ramp (four)

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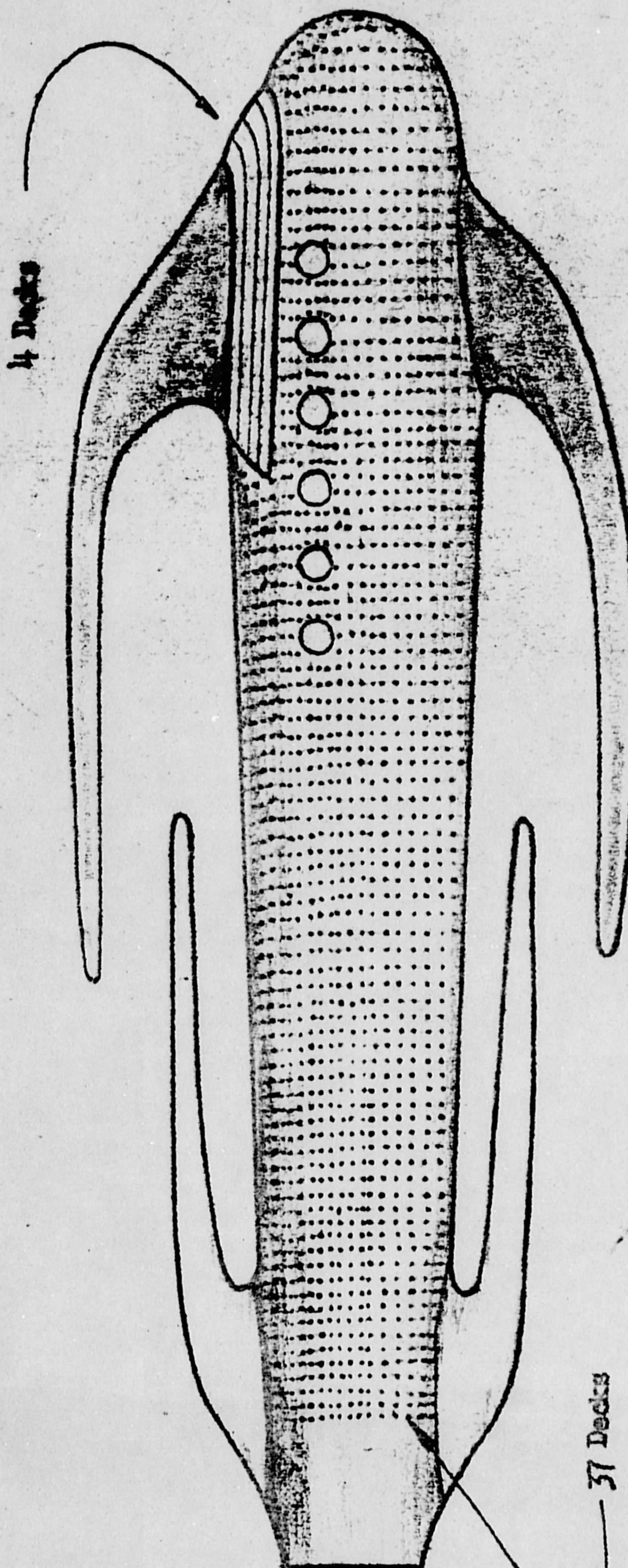
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INCL. #4 SOURCE'S MEMORY SKETCH OF GIGANTA-LINER

VENUSIAN "GIGANTA - LINER"

(as Seen by SOURCE from Guide-Craft viewfinder)



(overall length of the 'Liner' - 15.5 miles)

Something of this faceted size certainly would have

been seen by observers (American or Russian) as well as other witnesses. Also may be picked up by long-range radar of North.

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## INCL #5, SOURCE'S STATEMENT

# S T A T E M E N T

Monday AM, 16 Jul 56:

I was awakened at 4 AM by the barking of my two collie dogs. I tried to go back to sleep but the dogs continued to bark - I began to worry that neighbors would call police so I got up to investigate. I went to the door and turned on a house and porch light by means of a wall switch. On my lawn there were both dogs looking upward toward the phone pole across the street. About thirty feet above said pole was what appeared to be a round sphere of gold metallic substance - this sphere drifted slowly and silently toward my front (street side) yard or lawn. The first sound above or other than the dogs barking was that of the rustling of the leaves of the California Elm Tree in the center of my yard, as the object began to settle earthward in what appeared to be the center of the tree. Then slowly a slow crashing of the tree as the ball began to near the ground. From what appeared to be the weight of the object or some sort of electrical field the tree was split off so that only one of the double trunks remained standing.

The ball seemed to settle about 8 to 10 inches from the ground, never completely coming to rest.

Now to my utter amazement, 3 men emerged from the ball and one spoke in what sounded to be a tape recorded voice. "We are from what you call Venus." "We are your friends." I stepped forward and automatically shook the man's hand and then my 6 year old collie female began to bite or nip at the man's arm near the wrist. With this, all three backed into the vehicle which had no apparent door or portal. The ball glowed gold and then took off at a tremendous speed, leaving behind a thoroughly amazed witness - I noticed a warm blast of similar to the opening of an oven door when the craft disappeared.

Thursday, 19 Jul 56:

It was noon when I arrived home from work - Of course I had convinced myself by this time that I had had a hallucination on the previous Monday and that the tree had fallen from natural causes. Not that I have had any such thing happen before but the incredibility of the preceeding experience seemed more than I could relate to even my closest friends or relatives. However, it was this particular Thursday afternoon that I was to change my mind.

I had relaxed on a yard couch to get a suntan when I glanced at my roof in the back yard where I had been working "gardenwise" up until a very few minutes before. There on the roof again never quite touching was the same ball. For a moment I thought that I had looked at the sun and had become temporarily blind, however, from the moment I jumped off the seat I knew that this was not the case. Here on my roof was the same sphere, the only difference was that it looked slightly smaller than it had previously.

I ran to the middle of the lawn and yelled "[REDACTED]", my next door neighbor's name, at the top of my lungs. The object once again glowed gold and took off, and there I was left with nothing but what could have been another mirage.

I then went inside the house and telephoned the police to see if there had been any other sightings and received the reply "How much have you had to drink?" Receiving no satisfaction there I called my local newspaper, the Citizen News, and was put on to a reporter who had had several reports on the same day and the exact object I had described. The reporter came over and told me what he had heard and I gave him my full story including the episode of sixteen July. He promised not to mention my name in any article that he would publish.

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S T A T E M E N T

Manday, 30 Jul 56:

I came home at approximately 5:45, fixed my dog's dinner and went into the back yard to feed them. I had no sooner stepped into the yard than I saw it again. This time there were two men and they motioned for me to come over, my better judgement told me not to but I nevertheless went over to the thing. The warmth and friendliness of the people from this craft are the only things which can explain my having enough confidence to go on the ride which I shall describe below.

This is the incredible part of my story which I'm sure will make it hard for anyone who has not experienced any such thing to believe, But being of I hope, sound mind, I relate the following and maybe someday in the not too distant future my experience will be proven without a doubt.

In the same quality of tape recorded voice, I was asked to go for a short trip to the "Guide Craft." With legs trembling and much eye twitching, I entered the ball with my heart in my mouth and sweat actually pouring from under my arms.

The inside was unlike the outside (Gold Color), it was translucent and appeared to be made of a plexiglass type material. There was no glare and light seemed to be refracted and subdued but no dark coloration was noticeable such as one might expect if they looked through sun glasses. There were no doors and the answer that was given to me when I asked how we go into the thing was: "By reversing the polarity of the atoms." For a few seconds I would judge for we were able to see the earth receding beneath us, then swirling mist - Having vision from all four sides and having only glass beneath me and above me I had constant feeling of the possibility of falling through the thing as it was so clean. I kept slightly hopping from one foot to the other. The ball traveled from my back lawn to the guide craft located in a position some 700 miles above earth and L. A., California in a matter of 60 seconds - rapid flight about 15 to 25 seconds, the rest of the time taken in the intake of the sphere or globe into the "Master Guide Craft."

I was then escorted from some sort of air lock up a ramp and into the ship or Master Control and Flotting Room, a circular room about the size of a high school gymnasium. There were about a dozen men in the room working on charts and various instruments along the walls of the room. The ship seemed to have no motion and I had no feeling of being aloft. I sat down at one of the seats near the desk and huge view plate and began to feel faint. I guess they sensed this and a man appeared with a glass of water, clear, with a sugar taste to it. About 30 seconds to a minute and a half later I began to feel completely relaxed. The water apparently contained some sort of sedative that had an almost tranquilizing effect. My legs stopped shaking and the twitching of my eyelids and muscles ceased.

I tried to gather as much information as I could but I was so held in awe with my surroundings that I just was held in a sort of "Limbo trance."

When I asked why I was taken aloft ("why me") the one who spoke said that they wanted to repay me for the "unnecessary damaging of my lovely yard tree" and that this was one of only seven accidents they had had in the last 10 years. There are no controls in the Globe and all control takes place in the Master Guide Craft. Their landing was a mistake and they kept profusely apologizing for the damage done to my tree and the inconvenience of my having to move the tree and pay for cartage of many limbs to the dump.

When I inquired of the man's age I was told that he was over 500 years old. To look at them one would say they were approximately 25 to 30, 35 tops. I have no idea what secret they have for this the only thing I can say is what they told me and that is that their war against disease is over.

The answer to my question of their communications was obvious without the necessity of even asking it, they speak through their minds or Telepathically.

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STATEMENT (Cont.)

When I asked them what motive of power their various craft used, I was asked if I knew anything about the "Challenary Line". I shook my head and he smiled as one might in a sort of pleasant pity at the sight of a spastic or mentally crippled person and gave me the following word grouping which I put down as phonetically as possible:

Inde Veende Vio a dee Vio -  
Dell dele dominick Round and Round the Ravels pin -  
Two Sheik two Shin -  
Puzzel Find Out -  
0.593 +2 x by the 500th power

On the various scopes or round similar TV screens, most of which were blacked out, I saw the Mother Ship or "Giganta Liner" which was on two screens at once. They both appeared to be the same view of said ship.

I was told that it took 110 earth years to build this monster whose dimensions are 15.5 miles in length and it has 37 decks. I was told that it has a hangar or landing station on their planet and did not remain aloft at all times as a satellite. They have only 7 of these ships.

I give you all these statistics with the hope that you may have or receive duplicate information.

I was soon escorted back to the ball and back in the yard of my home here in San Fernando Valley.

Observing the clock at the time of my return, I noticed the time to be 6:25 PM. The exact time of my departure I am not sure of. I only know that I left the office at 5 or somewhere there about and my ride home at rush hour takes all of a half hour.

I have little more to add to this. I only pray God that the officials of our Government will accept this as a fact and not some wild dream of some frustrated person. Being a person who had no prior belief in such, what I considered nonsense, this has all been quite a shock. It seems almost like a dream rather than reality, however, I am convinced in my own mind that it happened.

The fact that two other people in this area have described exactly what I saw without hearing my story first.

The fact that my tree was clearly split at 4 AM, 16 July. This corroborated by next door neighbor for you officers at my home today (slow cracking of tree).

The fact that there is a depression of 3½ inches in my back lawn and that burned material was taken from the soil that same night of 30th July leaves me with the only conclusion that this is a Stark Clear Reality.

STATEMENT

TRUE COPY:

*Louis C. Sauter*  
LOUIS C. SAUTER  
1st Lt. USAF  
CIC, Flt 1-6, 4602d AISS

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## SUPPLEMENTARY INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS

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he contacted *was seeking*  
an interview. *publicly, and*  
he present for *Did not want*  
and was advised *Western office*  
investigators *adversely*  
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# AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

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of flying objects adorned the wall and a bookshelf contained approximately fifty books and publications on UFOB's, space travel and astronomy. Mr. [REDACTED] stated that he was authoring two books on saucers himself, and that they would probably be published in the Fall. Titles: "SAUCERS AND YOU", and "SPACEMEN, WITCHES OR WHAT". SOURCE arrived at approximately 1930 hrs and after a short conversation, related his story. In the course of SOURCE's story, Mr. [REDACTED] produced two drawings which he had reproduced from sketches made by SOURCE. These were the Control Craft and the Giganta-Liner (See Incl #4)\*. SOURCE agreed that they were copies of what he had drawn for Mr. [REDACTED] but that there were a few discrepancies. The investigators noticed the date (7-28) on the drawing of the Giganta-Liner. This could be a mistake on [REDACTED]'s part but the incident allegedly took place on 30 July. After relating his story, SOURCE was asked to write a statement. He replied that he would do so on the following day at 10 AM and invited the investigators to be there at that time.

7. [REDACTED] was contacted on the morning of 14 August at approximately 1015 hrs. As stated previously, the investigators had an appointment with SOURCE at 10 AM; however, upon arriving at his home, no one would answer the doorbell. It was rung for approximately five minutes with no results. Knocking was tried with also no results. At this time, [REDACTED] was contacted and [REDACTED] stated that to the best of [REDACTED] knowledge SOURCE was home but that he was a very sound sleeper and very difficult to wake up. When asked if [REDACTED] had witnessed any of these events, [REDACTED] stated that the noise of the tree in SOURCE's front yard had awakened [REDACTED] at the same time reported by SOURCE but that [REDACTED] had witnessed nothing. At this point [REDACTED] seemed very reluctant to pursue the matter further and became rather nervous. During this entire period, SOURCE's dog was barking continuously. At 1030 AM, SOURCE woke up and the investigators were admitted.

8. The burnt and depressed area pointed out by SOURCE in his back yard revealed nothing of striking significance other than the burnt sod. This was the area where the sphere allegedly landed on 30 July. No area such as this was found in the front yard where the object supposedly landed on 16 July, and there were no markings of any kind on the roof of his home where the second object was seen. The splitting of the tree in SOURCE's front yard might best be explained by a bolt of lightning. This would also explain the "Sonic Boom" reported by SOURCE to have occurred just prior to the splitting of the tree. No sign of lightning damage was found on the tree. A check with Norton Air Force Base Weather Office revealed that no weather condition existed in that area at that time which could create a bolt of lightning. The split was not made by an instrument such as an axe or a saw, but rather it appeared to have been made by something pushing or pulling the trunks apart. The wood was definitely not rotten.

## 9 Incls:

1. Photo of End of Broken Portion of Tree
2. Photo of Broken End of Tree
3. Photo of Tree
4. Photo of Tree
- 5, 6 & 8. Photos of Depressed & Burned Area
7. Photo of Landing Area of Sphere, 30 July 56
9. Turf Samples of Burned & Unburned Area (Under separate cover)
- \*4. Sketch of Giganta Liner (See Part One, pg 8)

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COMMENTS OF PREPARING OFFICER:

1. It is the conclusion of the preparing officer that this is a case of hallucinations, a series of very vivid dreams or possibly a hoax.

a. SOURCE is a very congenial and sincere young man but he does appear to be very high strung and emotional.

b. SOURCE stated in all sincerity that immediately following his "ride" he felt that he should let the whole world know about his experience but, after suffering public ridicule, he wanted to avoid further publicity of any kind even though he, in his own mind, is firmly convinced that these incidents actually took place.

c. SOURCE is a very sound sleeper and extremely difficult to wake up.

d. No striking physical evidence could be found.

e. There is a possibility of collaboration with ~~████~~ to publicize his forthcoming books.

f. Two similar reports were received by the local newspaper at the same time as SOURCE's sighting on 19 July. Both reports were that a spherical, gold colored ball landed and that men emerged from them without the use of doors. However, the callers had refused to give their names. This could possibly lend credence to the fact that it was a preplanned hoax.

*Louis C. Sauter*  
LOUIS C. SAUTER  
1/Lt. USAF  
Officer in Charge

COMMENTS OF APPROVING OFFICER:

It is the conclusion of the Approving Officer that this sighting was a hoax. The physical evidence has been sent to Air Technical Intelligence Center under separate cover for further analysis.

5 Incls  
1-5 (Part One) n/c  
1-9 (Part Two) w/d

*John W. Meador*  
JOHN W. MEADOR  
Colonel, USAF  
Commander

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## JOINT MESSAGEFORM

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ALL INTERNAL REFERENCES BY DATE-TIME GROUP  
PRIOR TO DECLASSIFICATION

SPACE ABOVE FOR COMMUNICATIONS CENTER ONLY

FROM: (Originator)

COMDR ATIC

PRECEDENCE FOR: ACTION PRIORITY INFORMATION

☐ BOOK MESSAGE☒ ORIGINAL MESSAGE☐ MULTIPLE ADDRESS

CRYPTOPRECAUTION

☐ YES☐ NO

REFERS TO MESSAGE:

IDENTIFICATION

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TO: COMDR,  
4602nd AISS  
HNT AFB  
COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO

INFO: LOS ANGELES AIR PROCUREMENT DISTRICT,  
SBAMA, 1206 S MAPLE AVE.,  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

FOR: LT COL M O MITCHELL  
CHIEF DETACHMENT 2

(UNCLASSIFIED) FROM: AFOIN-4E4

UFO sighting and incident in Van Nuys, California is subject. Message in three parts.

Part One: IAW 200-2 request interview and/or preliminary investigation of unusual sighting by Mr. [REDACTED], Van Nuys, California. Sighting reported to ATIC via long distance phone late night 31 July. Received by duty officer, who in turn, erroneously contacted Col Mitchell, Chief, ATIC Western Office, Pasadena, California, for informal check. Sighting is without doubt a hoax, but certain events have made it necessary that additional information be obtained on this case because of the adverse publicity that may arise to the detriment of the Air Force.

Part Two: Brief summary of sighting. According to [REDACTED] spherical vehicle landed from sky into his residence grounds on 16 July, splitting a tree during descent. Three six-foot creatures emerged from vehicle, and conversed with him by telepathic means with voices that sounded like wire recordings, then departed. Space vehicle returned again on night of 30 July, at which time [REDACTED] entered into vehicle, where

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ROUTING

## JOINT MESSAGEFORM

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FOR:

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INFORMATION

TO:

☐ BOOK MESSAGE☐ ORIGINAL MESSAGE☐ MULTIPLE ADDRESS

CRYPTOPRECAUTION

☐ YES☐ NO

REFERS TO MESSAGE:

IDENTIFICATION

CLASSIFICATION

INFO:

he took a short flight into space at high speeds.

Part Three: Background information. Col Mitchell made telephone contact with Mr. [REDACTED] merely to effect an informal interview and obtain some impression of source. [REDACTED], who was found to be a member of CBS, insisted that newspaper reporters and TV be present. Obviously a planned publicity stunt. Consequently, Col Mitchell called ATIC explaining situation. Was advised not to pursue matter further. However, opinion of this Center is that [REDACTED] will undoubtedly give story to newspapers that Air Force is concerned and contacted him on sighting. Recommend that Col Mitchell or T/Sgt Garner be contacted by your nearest AISS unit for particulars before any contact be made with [REDACTED]. Request results of action taken be submitted to ATIC as soon as possible in order that they be passed on to HQS D/I and USAF PIO as material to counter any adverse publicity that may arise regarding this matter.

COORDINATION:

AFOIN-4X1

Mr. A.F. Arcier

DATE 7 Aug

AFOIN-4E4

Dr. H.A. Miley

DATE 7/8/56

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DRAFTER'S NAME (and signature, when required)

Capt G. T. Gregory

SYMBOL

AFOIN-4E4

TELEPHONE

70226  
69216 or

OFFICIAL TITLE

1st Lt, USAF  
Assistant Adjutant

7 AUG 1956

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negatives with ONE (1)  $4" \times 5\frac{1}{2}"$

print of EACH negative plus

Eight (8) additional prints

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sample.



Subject: Analysis of Turf Samples

TO: AFOIN-4E4

FROM: AFOIN-4E2c

DATE: 11 Feb 57

COMMENT NR 3

AFOIN-4E2c/Mr. Naugle *nmj*

50193/bldg. 263D *Can*

1. In compliance with your request, an examination of the turf sample submitted has been made by White Stork.

2. A White Stork report is attached hereto, along with the other inclosures submitted in Comment Nr. 1, except for the turf samples which are returned in part in event further examination is deemed necessary.

3 Incls

1 - White Stork Report dtd

7 Feb 57

2 - Remainder of Turf Sample  
in envelope

3 - DF dtd 18 Jan 57 w/2 Incls

*H. E. Martin*  
HOMER E. MARTIN  
Chief, AFOIN-4E2



Subject: Request for Analysis - Turf Allegedly Burnt by "Flying Saucer"  
(Continued)

TO: AFOIN-4E2c  
(C. A. Naugle)

FROM: AFOIN-4X4c  
(Howard C. Cross)

DATE: 7 Feb 57

COMMENT NR 3

Through: L. G. Witcher *lgw (ll) 2/1/57*

A careful examination was made of the two samples of turf submitted.

The sample of normal turf from the surrounding area consisting of a small amount of sandy soil on which was growing the creeping herb, Dichondra repens Forst. var. carolinense (Michx.) Choisy. This species grows on wet pinelands, low grounds, and as a weed in lawns from Florida to Texas and north to southeast Virginia and Arkansas. It is not known whether it is also found in lawns in California. The plant specimen consisted of a mass of creeping stems with attached leaves and mature fruit. The mature fruit indicated that the specimen must have been collected in midsummer or later.

The other sample or the burned turf from the depression also consisted of sandy soil on which Dichondra was growing, but the leaves and many of the fruits of the specimen were carbonized although still recognizable, indicating that the flame or heat source that had burned the leaves was superficial and not intense. In this specimen were also fragments, both charred and uncharred, of leaves from another but unidentified species of plant, presumably a tree or shrub. Such leaf fragments are not present in the uncharred specimen.

The samples were checked for radioactivity. There was no difference between the two samples, and both show normal background radioactivity.

Samples of both the normal and burned <sup>turf</sup> were examined spectrographically. As preparation, the samples were dried at 110 C, ground to a fine mesh, and quartered. One-quarter of each sample has been reserved for future use if necessary. One-half of the remaining three quarters was ignited at 500 degrees, and both the dried and ignited portions were subjected to spectrographic analysis.

There were approximately 21 elements found in the two samples, and 20 of these appeared to be present in the two samples in similar amounts. The two samples appeared to be different with respect to lead and cobalt contents. The normal or unburned sample showed less than .001 per cent cobalt and less than .005 per cent lead. The burned sample showed .05 to 0.2 per cent of both cobalt and lead, both higher than would be expected in soils.

Various possible explanations for the observed differences in cobalt and lead contents have been considered, but there is no apparent method of confirming any of these suppositions.

In the case of cobalt, this element is known to be found in soils, but the amount of .05 to 0.2 per cent is in excess of the maximum ever observed. It certainly would not be expected that the cobalt content would vary so much in two samples taken in adjacent areas. Cobalt does not act as either a fungicide or insecticide, so probably was not present as a result of spraying of the area



Subject: Request for Analysis - Turf Allegedly Burnt by "Flying Saucer"  
(Continued)

TO: AF0IN-4E2c  
(C. A. Naugle)

FROM: AF0IN-4X4c  
(Howard C. Cross)

DATE: 7 Feb 57

COMMENT NR 3  
(Continued)

Through: L. G. Whitcher

sampled. The metal contents of various crude oils does not seem to explain the presence of cobalt in the charred sample as a possible residual from burning of a cobalt-containing fuel. The metals vanadium, nickel, and copper are normally present in most crude oils in an order of magnitude greater than for cobalt, and these metals were not observed either to differ in the two samples or be present in so large an amount as was indicated for cobalt in the charred sample.

If the charred sample were taken in an area where trash containing some cobalt glass had been burned, cobalt in the amount found might be possible.

The lead content in the charred sample might have occurred as a result of spraying of the sampled area using an insecticide such as arsenate of lead or by the burning of a lead-containing fuel such as ethyl gasoline. No indications have been found of normal lead contents in soils in the amounts observed in this charred sample examined.

This comment is considered to have fulfilled the request of Comment Nr 1 dated January 18, 1957. The portions of the samples remaining are enclosed herewith.

[REDACTED]

HCC:jeb  
In Duplicate  
Enclosures



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## DISPOSITION FORM

FILE NO.

SUBJECT

Analysis of Turf Sample

TO

AFOIN-4X4

FROM

AFOIN-4E2

DATE 29 Jan 57 COMMENT NO. 1

ATTN: Mr. Whitcher

AFOIN-4E2c/Mr. Nangle/mj  
50193/Bldg. 263

Pursuant to agreement reached in conference between Mr. [REDACTED] of White Stork and Mr. [REDACTED] of ATIC, it is requested that White Stork examine the turf sample submitted 23 January 1957. An extensive examination is not to be conducted, as it is only desired to show that the turf submitted is not from some unknown source.

*H. E. Martin*  
HOMER E. MARTIN  
Acting Chief  
AFOIN-4E2

TO: AFOIN-4X4c

FROM: AFOIN-4X4

DATE: 5 Feb 57 COMMENT NR 2

AFOIN-4X4b/Mrs. Bright  
53114/Bldg 263/2d Floor

Forwarded for necessary action. An immediate reply is requested.

*John S. Honaker*  
JOHN S. HONAKER  
AFOIN-4X4



# DISPOSITION FORM

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SUBJECT Request for Analysis - Turf Allegedly Burnt  
by "Flying Saucer"TO AFOIN-4E2c  
ATTN: Mr. Naugle

FROM AFOIN-4E4

DATE 18 Jan 57

COMMENT NO. 1

4E4/Capt G.T. Gregory/wm  
69216

1. In accordance with established policies for the study and analysis of unidentified objects, and/or material therefrom, request subject specimen be subjected to a general analysis to determine whether any unusual element or matter is involved.
2. To provide you with some background and information, applicable material taken from the case file is attached. Very extensive investigations were made on this case because of its recognized potential for trouble. Headquarters USAF concurs in this respect.
3. The sighting was evaluated as a "hoax" immediately upon receipt of all preliminary data from the initial investigation. It is unfortunate that an analysis should be made when the nature of the case is already known. However, the publicity it has received in the Los Angeles area, the near involvement of ATIC's Western Office, and that the matter may be reopened at some future date by request of higher authority, dictated this action. Headquarters USAF concurs in this respect.
4. A report of general analysis showing, for example, that "the turf supposedly burnt by some unknown propulsive force indicates nothing other than....." if that be the case, will be sufficient.

3 Incls

1. Box, sample turf
2. Env containing 7 photos
3. 3 drafts from UFO files

*Henry A. Miley*  
HENRY A. MILEY  
AFOIN-4E4





HEADQUARTERS  
4602D AIR INTELLIGENCE SERVICE SQUADRON (ADC)  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
ENT AIR FORCE BASE, COLORADO

AISOC

31 December 1956

SUBJECT: UFOB Sighting Physical Evidence

TO: Commander  
Air Technical Intelligence Center  
ATTN: AFOIN 4EL  
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base  
Ohio

1. Attached are nine (9) inclosures listed in the AIIR 1C-UFOB-2-56 (Van Nuys, California, sighting) forwarded to your organization for analysis.

2. The report is being reproduced and will be forwarded via normal channels.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

CHARLES W. GODSEY  
Captain, USAF  
Assistant Adjutant

9 Incls

1. Photo of End of Broken Portion of Tree
2. Photo of Broken End of Tree
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7. Photo of Landing Area of Sphere, 30 Jul 56
8. Photo of Depressed & Burned Area
9. Turf Samples of Burned & Unburned Area



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TO COMDR ATIC WPAFB OHIO

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UNCLAS/ATISOC 1753 PD REF YOUR TT MSG IC 4745 PD IAW 20-2 CMM AND  
AS PER CMM THIS HQ HAS DIRECTED FLT 10 CMM 46 2D AISS CMM TO CONDUCT  
COMPLETE FOLLOW UP INVESTIGATION OF SUBJECT BY PERSONAL INTERVIEW  
PD IN ADDITION CMM FLT 10 WAS INSTRUCTED TO CONSULT COL MITCHELL AND  
MORTON ATIC CIS BEFORE INITIATION ANY INVESTIGATIVE ACTION PD A COPY  
OF YOUR ORIGINAL TT MSG HAS BEEN FORWARDED UNDER CONFIDENTIAL  
CLASSIFICATION TO FLT 10 FOR BACKGROUND INFO AND TO INSURE SITUATION  
WILL BE HANDLED JUDICIOUSLY PD EFB

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TO: AFOIN-4X2a

FROM: Western Office

Subj: UFO

6 Aug 56

4. The Chief of the Western Office desiring to avoid undue publicity for the Air Force, telephoned Captain George T. Gregory informing him of the turn of events and requested that the Western Office be relieved from the responsibility for investigation. Such was granted. This office did not investigate further and the matter has apparently "dropped". No further action will be taken by the Western Office regarding this reported incident. This office recommends that none be taken by any organization in view of the fantastic story relayed by telephone by Mr. [REDACTED], and his apparent desire to gain publicity.

*Max O. Mitchell*  
MAX O. MITCHELL  
Lt Colonel, USAF  
Chief, Western Office



# DISPOSITION FORM

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION (If any)

*16 July 1956  
Van Nuys Cal.*

FILE NO.

SUBJECT

UFO

TO AFOIN-4X2a

FROM Western Office

DATE 6 Aug 56 COMMENT NO. 1

LtCol Mitchell/mlb

1. Reference is made to telephone call from Captain Kalmus, Duty Officer, ATIC, on Tuesday, 31 July 1956, regarding a report of UFO by Mr. [REDACTED], Van Nuys, California

2. At the request of Captain Kalmus, this office attempted on 1 August 1956, to make preliminary investigation regarding the reported object. Telephone inquiry to Mr. [REDACTED] revealed essentially the following:

"On the night of 16 July, I went to bed about 10:30 p.m. and was awakened at 0400 by dogs barking. I was afraid the dogs would disturb the neighbors, and got up to quiet them. I looked up to the sky and saw a golden ball drifting very slowly. It appeared to be completely noiseless, until it landed in the top of a tree in my back yard. It wedged into the tree and split it open. Two or three guys got out of the ball and talked to me on a tape recorded sounding voice "we are your friends -- we are from what you call Venus". They were there only a few minutes until one of my dogs began to chew into the wrist of one of the men. The men backed into the ball and instantly disappeared. The golden light went out of sight completely. There was a tremendous sensation of hot air when the ball disappeared. During the afternoon of 30 July, I was home in the back yard sunbathing and about 3:30 I opened my eyes and again I saw the golden glow. At first I thought I was seeing something as a result of looking up into the sun for a long time but discovered that there was actually this golden ball landed on my roof top. It was 8 to 10 ft in diameter. Two guys got out of the ball and called me over to them. They said "we are sorry that we landed and broke your tree and we are controlled by electro magnetic frequencies from our guide craft. There are no controls in this ball; they watch us on a screen and this is the first time in seven years it has made a mis-landing. The men were about 6' 6" tall. They took me for a ride. We went 700 miles up above Los Angeles and met with the guide craft. While I was in the hugh saucer, no one paid any attention to me; they were all very busy with graphs, charts, etc. We were gone a total of 25 minutes. And by looking down one could see a triangle of Los Angeles, San Francisco and Las Vegas. Since the incident, I have been flooded with calls by people who refuse to identify themselves, except as scientists, reporters, or something. The only names I have are: Marlyn Boone, a reporter, and Mr. Harry May from Rocketdyne."

3. Immediately following the the telephone inquiry from this office, Mr. [REDACTED] apparently called certain press personnel at the CBS Television Network in the Los Angeles area, reporting that the Air Force was to investigate the incident.

*Registered  
[Signature]**TSC-18277*



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SUBJECT UFO - Extract from SDO Report

TO AFOIN-LE4

FROM AFOIN-LX2a

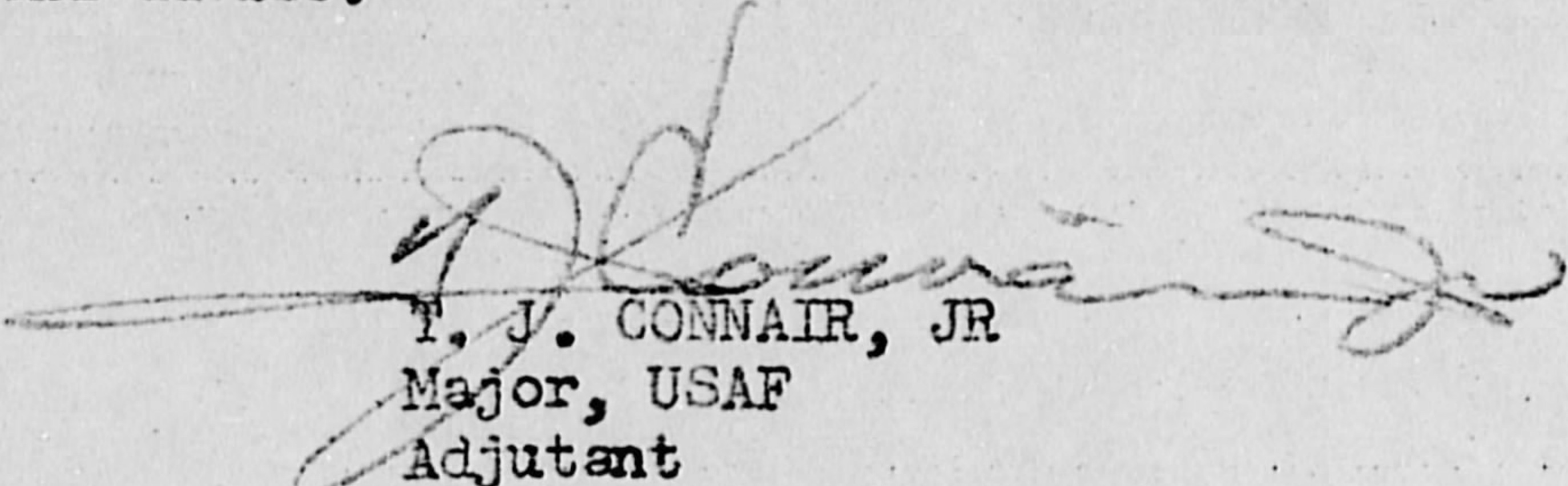
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Following is an extract from SDO Capt 'almus' report 31 Jul-1 Aug 56 for your information and necessary action. The ATIC Form 164 is attached.

"1800 hrs Received a long distance call from Mr [REDACTED] St, Van Nuys, Calif, Phone Nr [REDACTED] with a UFO report as follows: 'On 16 Jul 56, 0400, I was awoken by my dogs in the backyard. I looked out just in time to see a round object with a golden glow heading toward a large tree in my yard. It kept coming as I watched, finally hitting the tree and coming to rest. Three people (?) got out of the ball and announced they were from Venus. When they talked to me (it sounded like a recording), my dogs started to bark and my female bit one of them. They entered the ball (it was about 8 ft dia) closed the door and went straight up. I was shaking like a leaf and was sure I was completely out of my mind. (SDO comment--"me, too") The following night I went out and got drunk and was determined to put this thing completely out of my thoughts. I did a pretty good job too, until last night, 30 Jul 56, when they came back.' (SDO comment--This does not finish the information received, however, it goes from the ridiculous to the sublime, including a ride in the 8 ft dia ball up to the mother ship 700-800 miles above Los Angeles in about 15 seconds. He sounded very sincere and extremely concerned that he could find nobody interested enough in his story to investigate and at least examine his broken tree and the burned indentation in his lawn where the ball had landed.) I diplomatically thanked Mr. [REDACTED] for the information, and assured him we would investigate.

"1830 hrs. Unable to contact Capt Gregory. As the report came from the LA area, I called Lt Col Max Mitchell and gave the address and phone number. He will make a preliminary investigation and advise."

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ATIC Form 164

  
T. J. CONNAIR, JR  
Major, USAF  
Adjutant



*File 12*

Headquarters  
4602d Air Intelligence Service Squadron (ADC)  
United States Air Force  
Ent Air Force Base, Colorado

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*Photos of alleged scene taken by  
AF Investigators — (7 photos)*

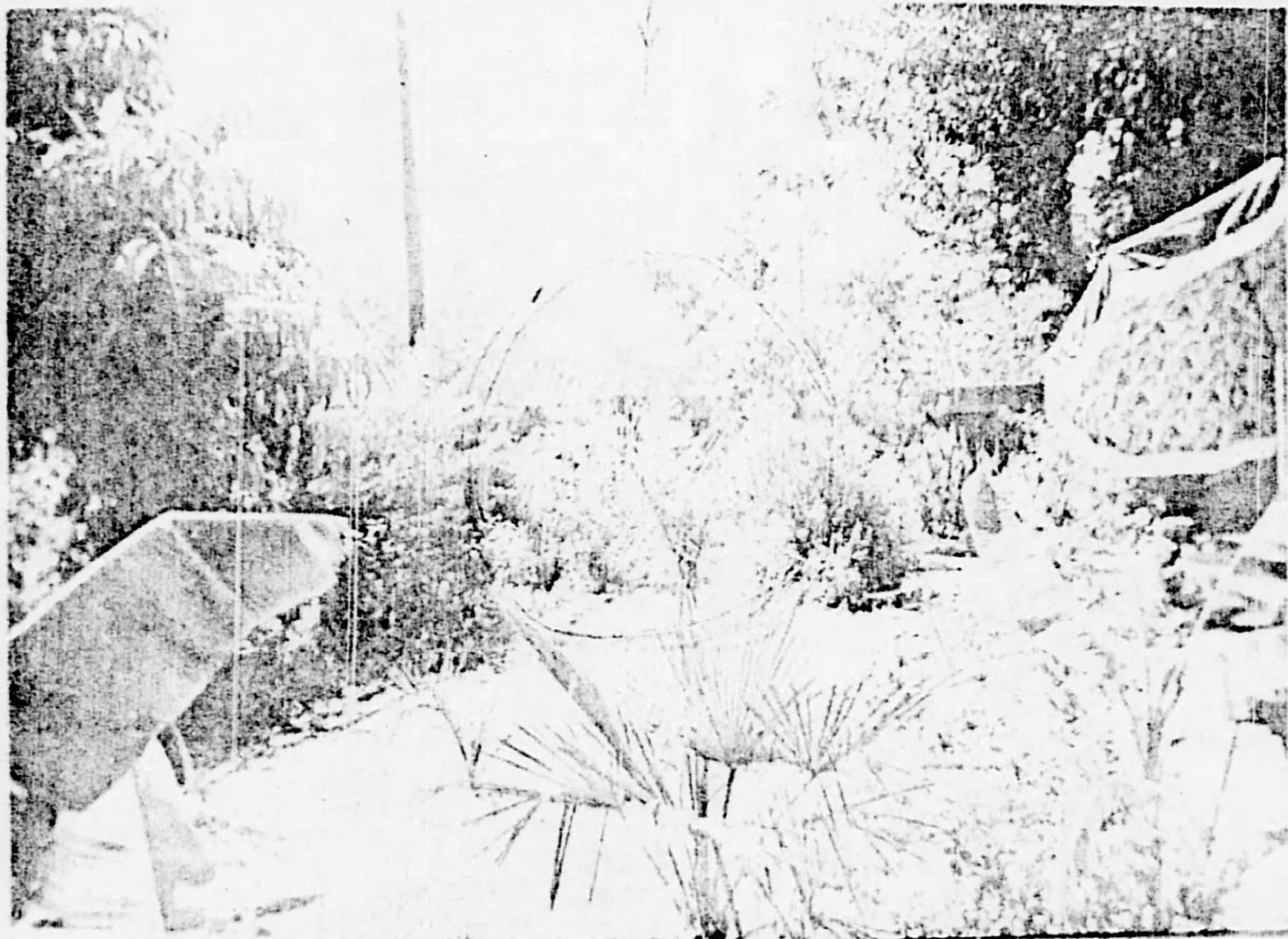


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Called Col. Mitchell Long - distance  
last night - and told him to "get  
out" of the case immediately - as  
the Western Office and ATIC would  
undoubtedly be adversely involved -  
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especially now that the W.O. is getting  
started. Incident is obviously a well  
planned, cleverly designed publicity stunt +  
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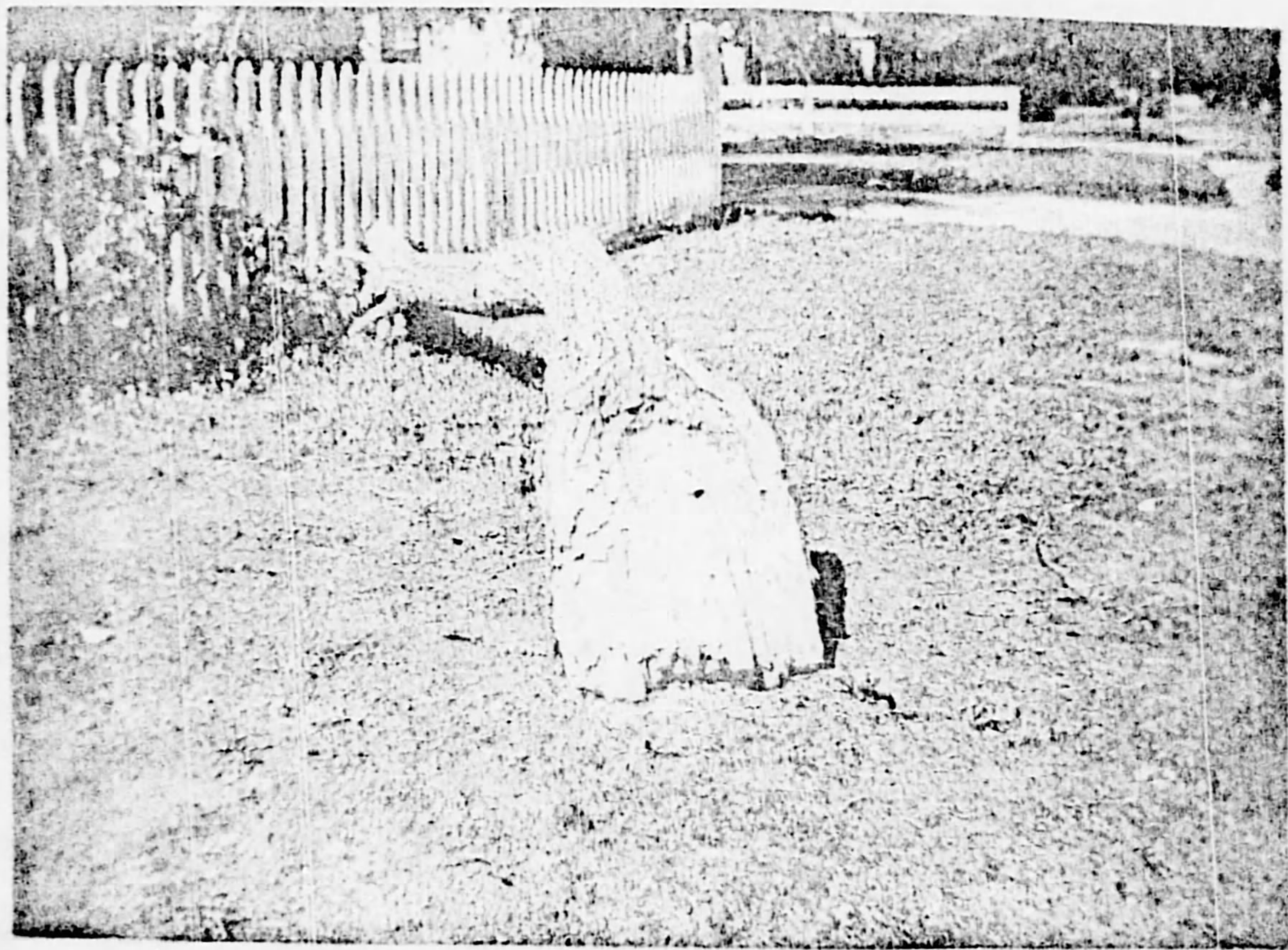




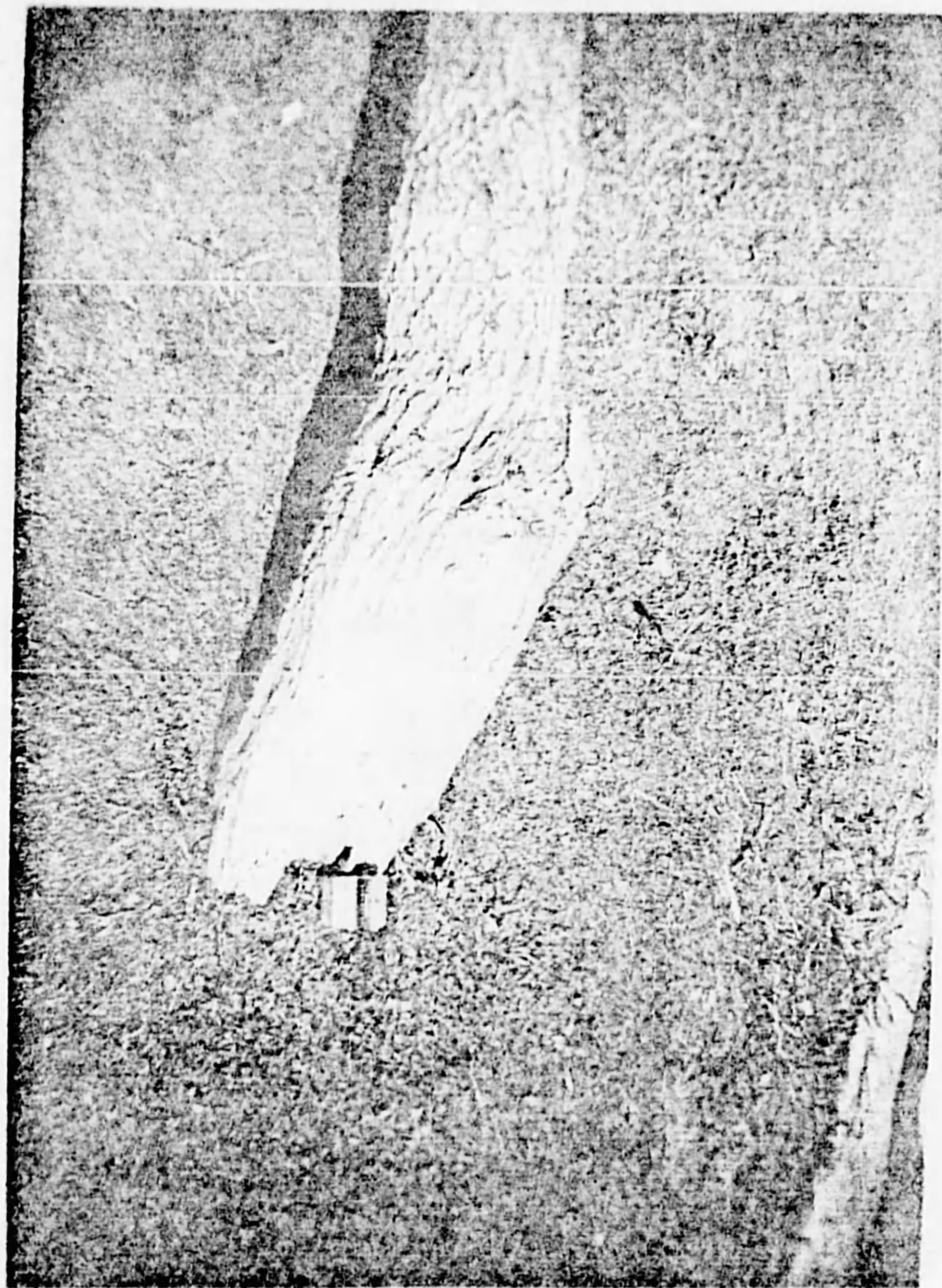




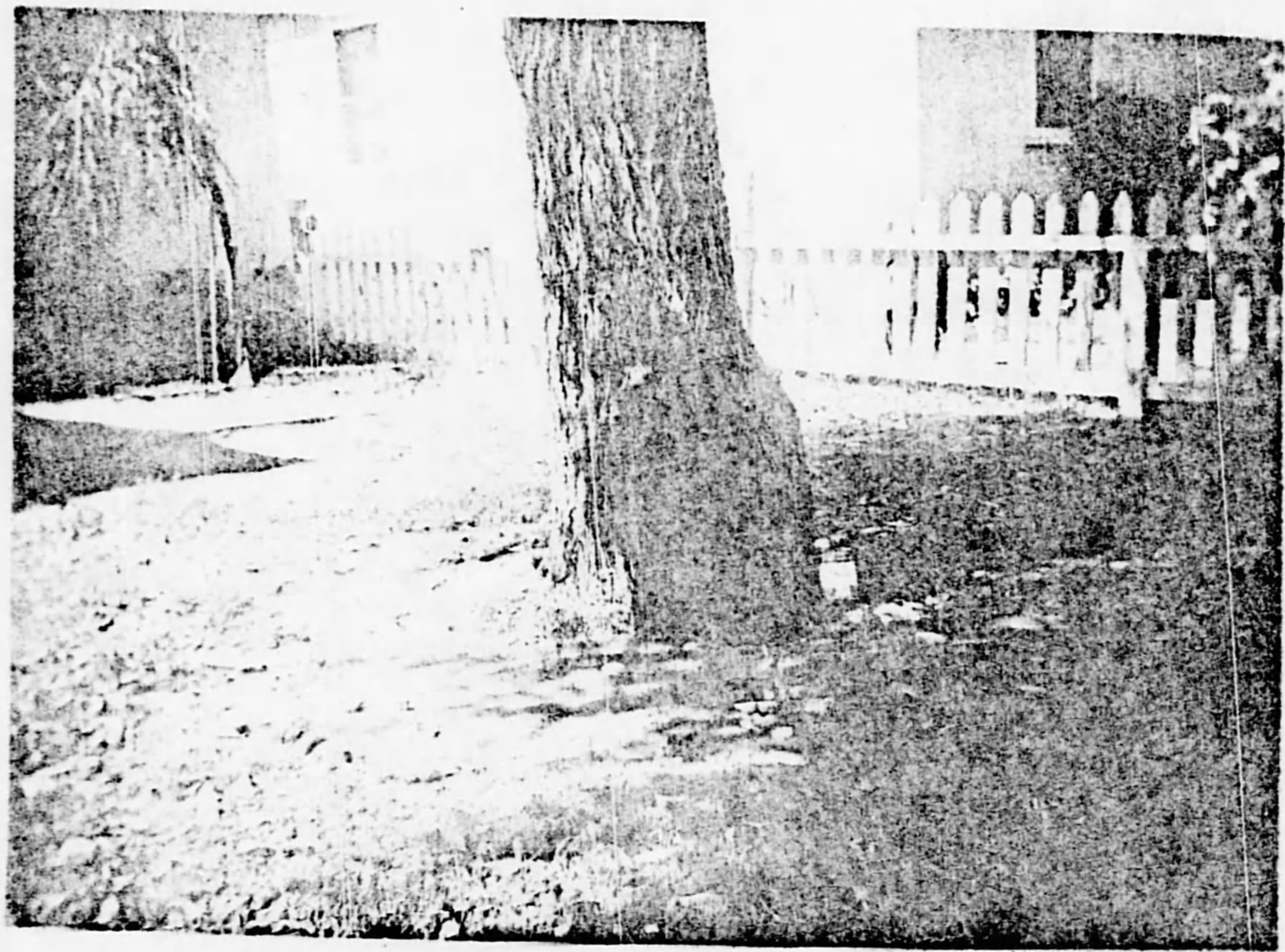












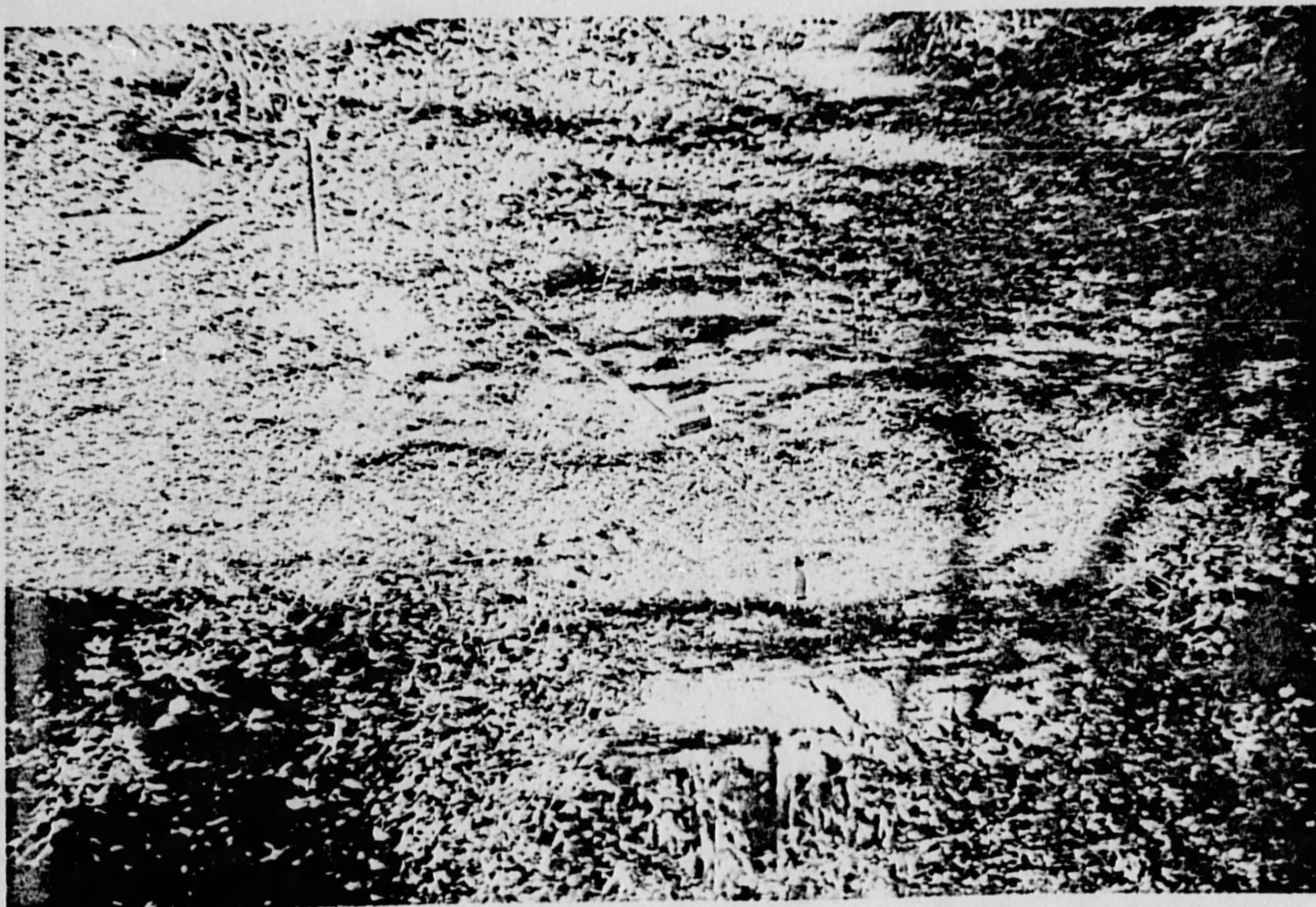












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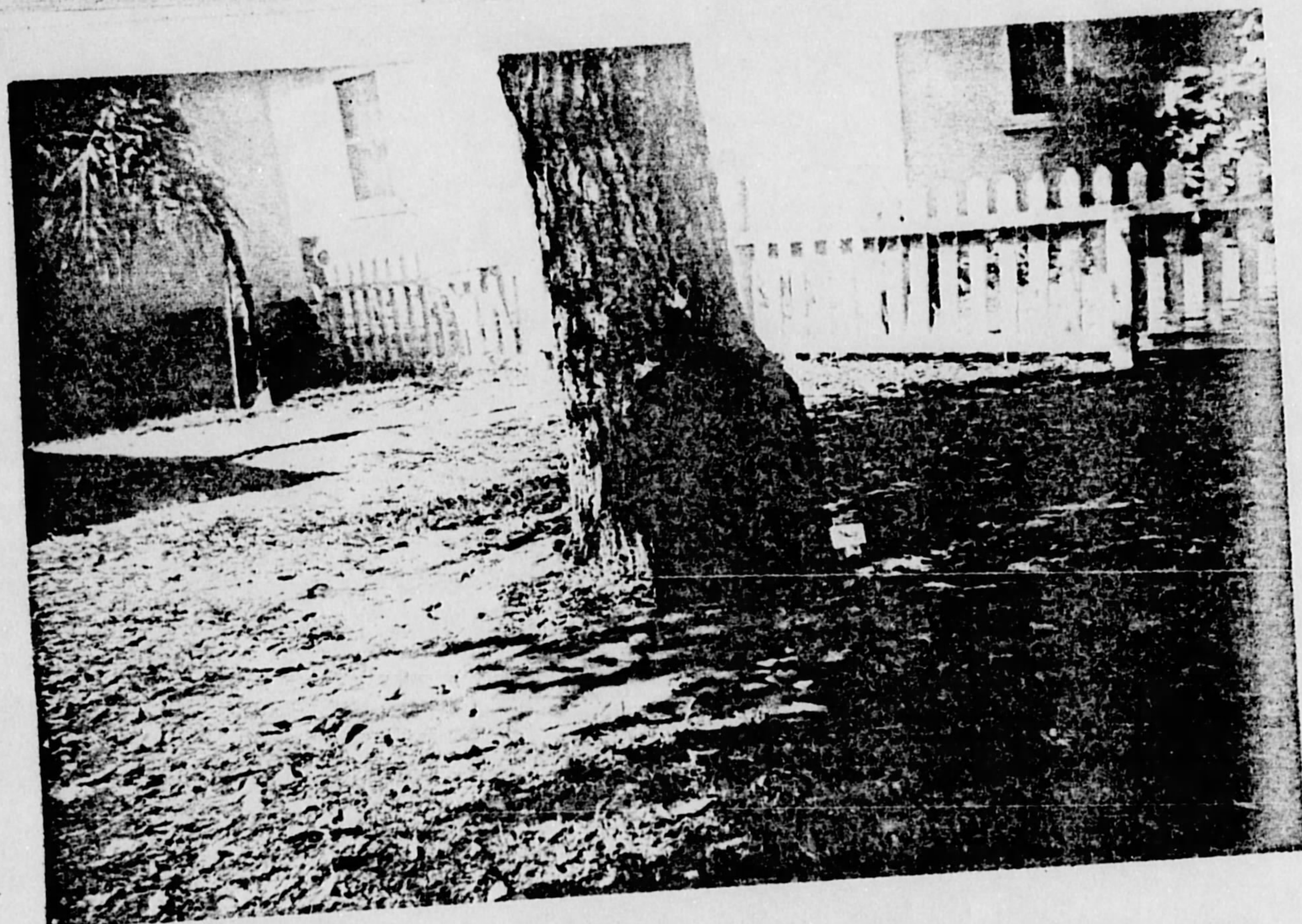
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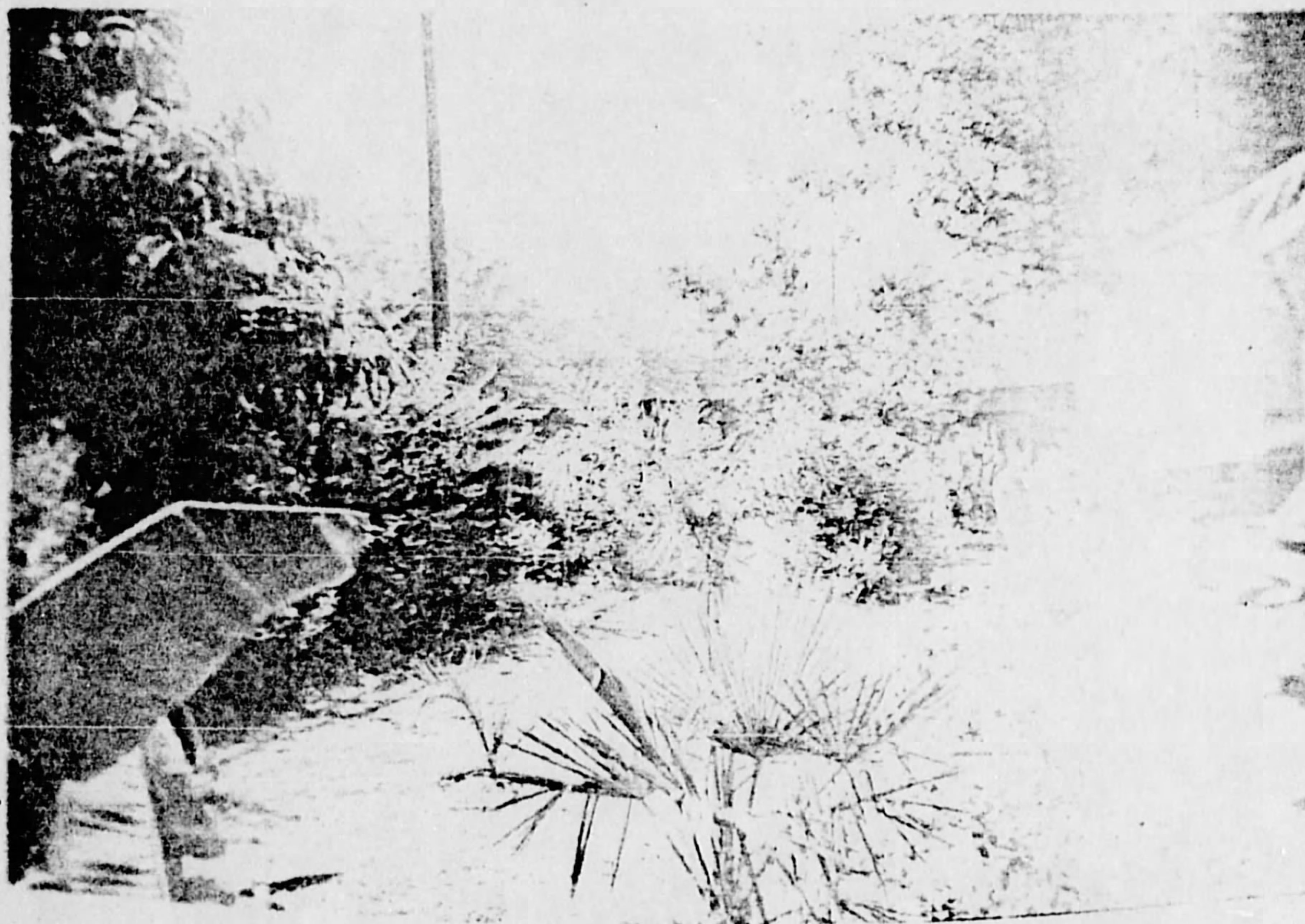




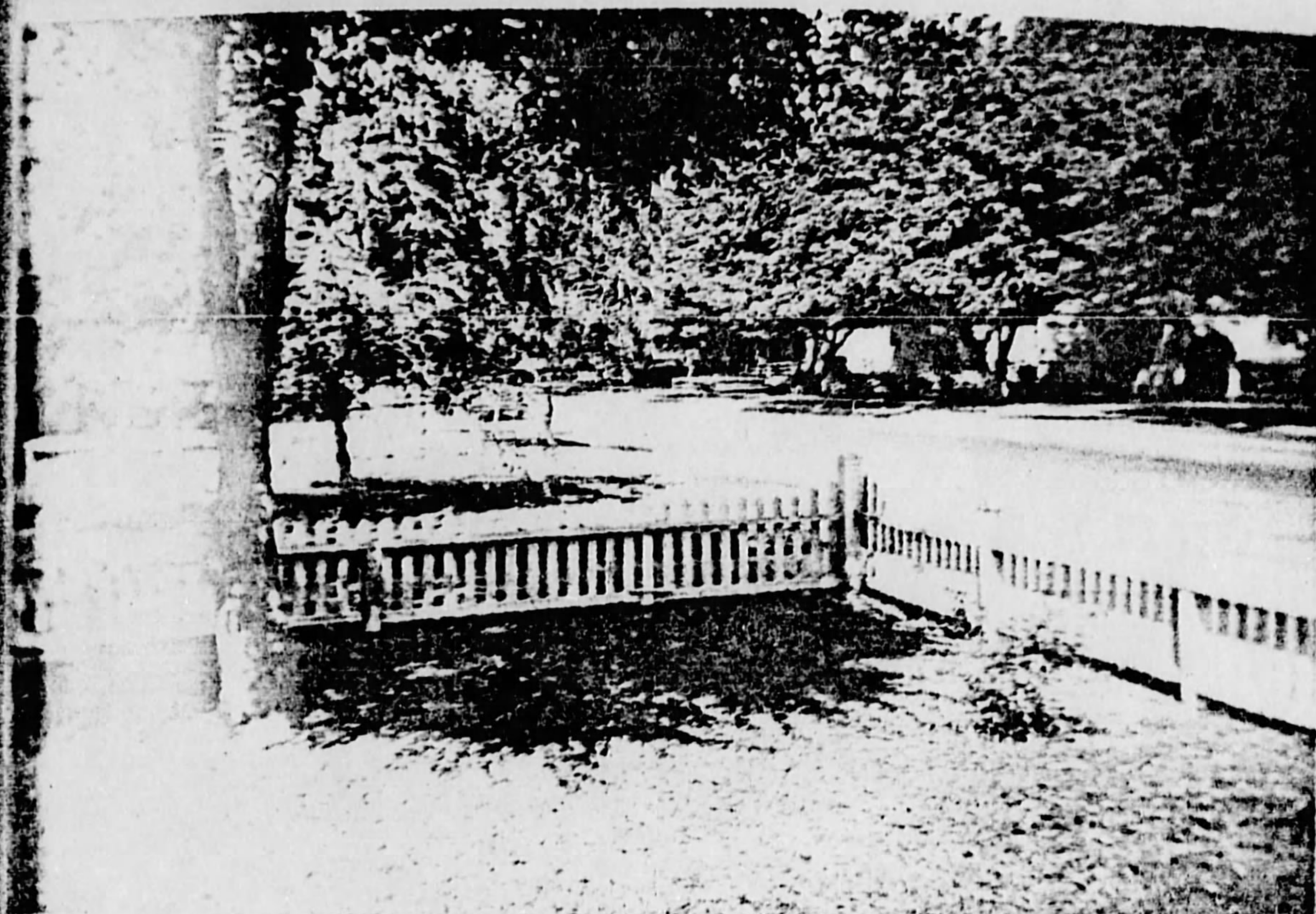
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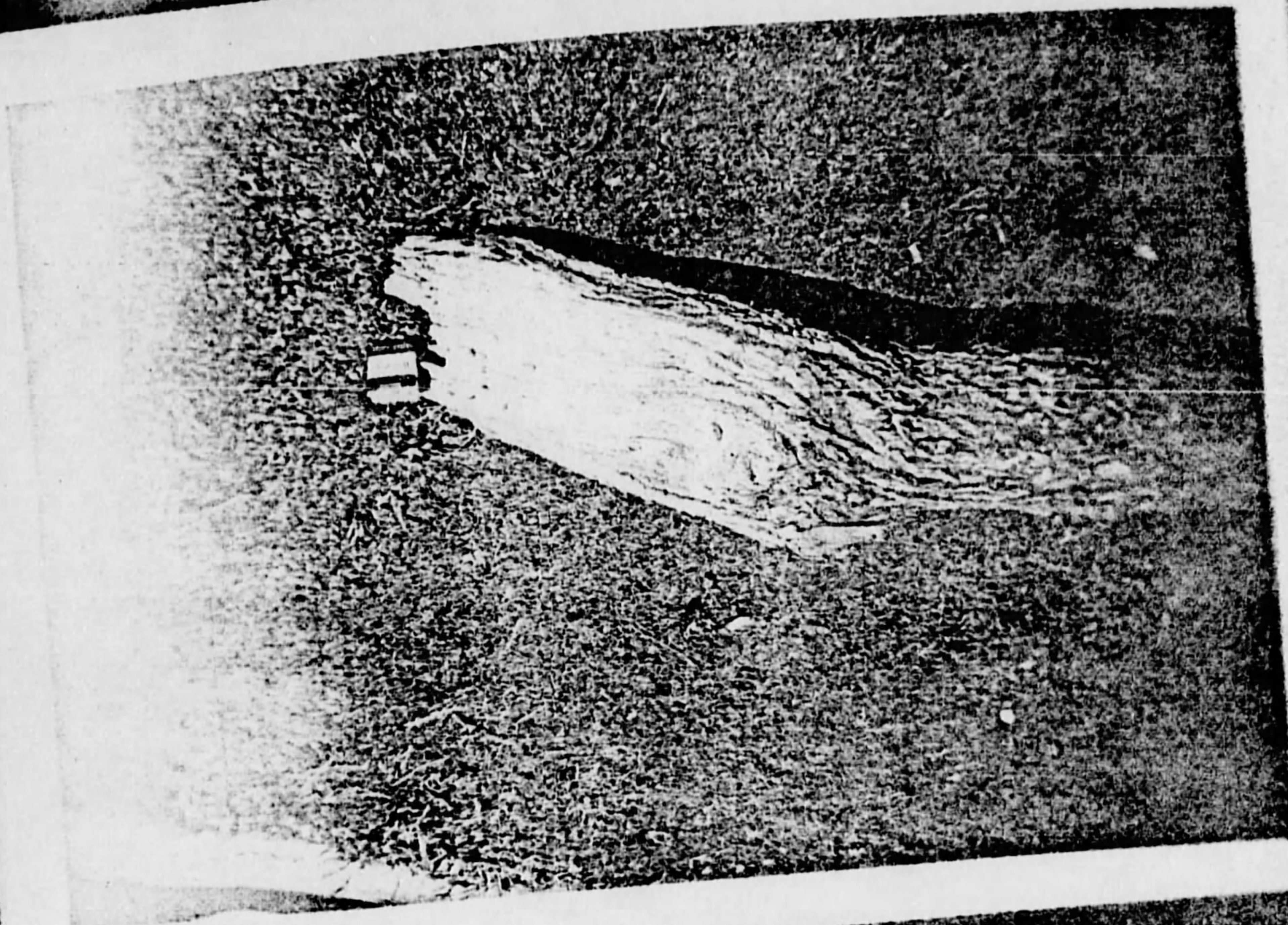


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ENCLOSURE NO. FOUR, PART TWO  
PHOTO OF TREE AND ALLEGED LANDING AREA OF 16 JULY 56

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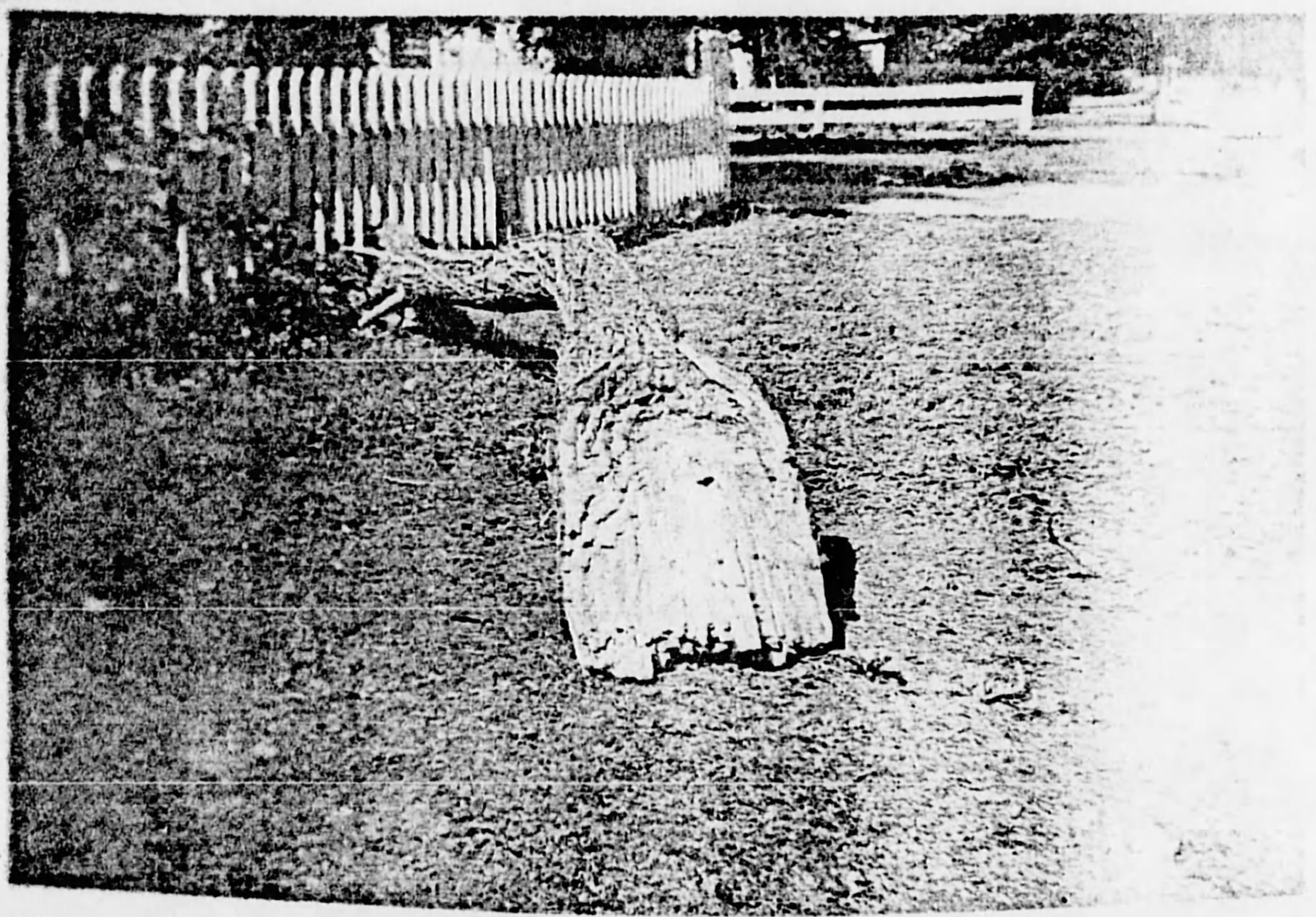


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