

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 6 Aug 61	2. LOCATION Suffolk, Virginia		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other <u>Reflection/Birds</u> ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local <u>2235</u> GMT <u>070235Z</u>	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar		
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Civilian		
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION few min	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 5-7	9. COURSE Varied	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING 5-7 objts size of turkey buzzards, orange, circling formation at night. Floating in air, wavering.		11. COMMENTS Observers saw reflection of light on 5-7 objts. Appeared in formation and flight pattern indicates birds looking for lake or place to land. Presence of lights in area and slowness of movement coupled with description of objts with wings like birds point to this conclusion.	

See Summary on last page

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

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, and will be regarded as confidential material. 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?

____ Day ____ Month ____ Year

2. Time of day: ____ Hour ____ 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?

____ Nearest Postal Address

____ City or Town

____ State or Country

Additional remarks: _____

5. How long was object in sight?

____ Hours

17 Minutes

____ Seconds

5.1 How was time in sight determined?

a. Certain
b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure
☒ d. Just a guess

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY

a. Bright
b. Cloudy

NIGHT

a. Bright
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
c. To your right

d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

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(SUMMARY DATA)

In order that your information may be filed and coded as accurately as possible, please use the following space to write out a short description of the event that you observed. You may repeat information that you have already given in the questionnaire, and add any further comments, statements, or sketches that you believe are important. Try to present the details of the observation in the order in which they occurred. Additional pages of the same size paper may be attached if they are needed.

NAME

ML [REDACTED]

(Please Print)

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SIGNATURE

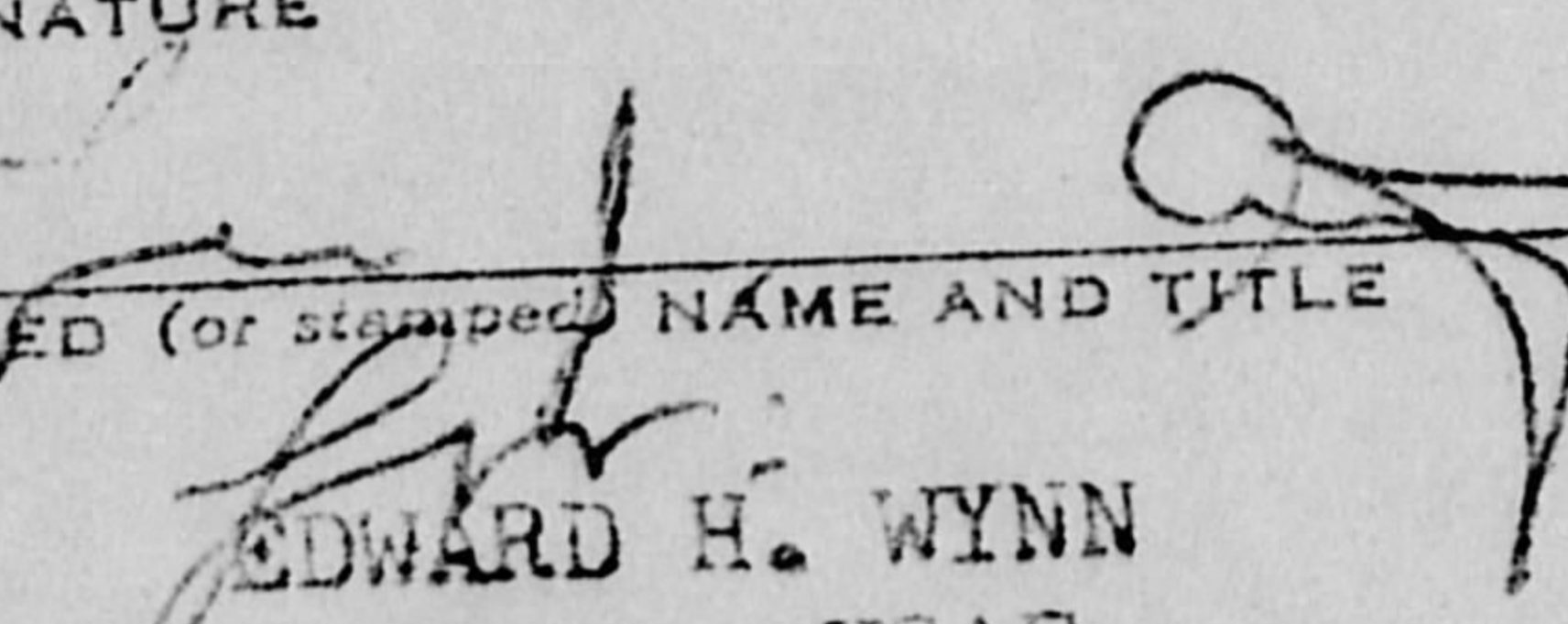
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DATE

Called at 0235Z 7 Aug

*5 illuminated objects observed by
5 people ^{near radio station}. Objects about size of turkey
hazards. Circled marker, no sound.
The disappearance is a U.C. disaster.
Miss J. J. Howell, as witness is
reported to be very reliable.*

*Call received by AFSC Command
Post at 0253Z.*

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TO: LANGLEY AFB VA									
UNCLASSIFIED TD-E									
4505 AREFWG/YOUR UNCL MSG ARWOI 8/042 DTD 8 AUG 61 CONCERNING A UFO SIGHTING AT SUFFOLK, VA.. WAS THE SIZE OF THE OBJECT THAT OF A TURKEY BUZZARD AT ARMS LENGTH? PLEASE CLARIFY. WHAT IS MEANT BY THE STATEMENT IN PART A6, YOUR MSG? WAS THE ELEVATION OF THE OBJECTS, IN RELATION TO OVERHEAD AND THE HORIZON, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, ETC OF THE WAY UP FROM HORIZON? REF PART B6, HOW LONG IS A FEW MINUTES? IT WAS ORIGINALLY NOTED THAT THERE WERE OTHER WITNESSES INVOLVED. REQUEST THEY BE CONTACTED AND THEIR IMPRESSIONS OF THE SIGHTING BE INCLUDED IN YOUR REPORT. IT IS DESIRABLE THAT AN AIR 112 BE UTILIZED TO INCLUDE DRAWINGS OF THE OBJECTS, THEIR RELATIVE POSITIONS TO THAT OF THE WITNESSES DURING THE SIGHTING PERIOD, AND ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT WILL AID IN DETERMINING THE NATURE OF THE OBJECTS. THIS SIGHTING HAS ALREADY RECEIVED SOME PUBLICITY, THEREFORE REQUEST AS DETAILED AN INVESTIGATION AS POSSIBLE.									
SYMBOL TD-E		TYPED NAME AND TITLE (Signature, if required) MAJOR ROBERT J. FRIEND				DATE 10 MONTH AUG		TIME 0930 YEAR 1961	
PHONE 69216		PAGE NR. 1		NR. OF PAGES 1		SIGNATURE  TYPED (or stamped) NAME AND TITLE EDWARD H. WYNN Colonel, USAF Dep. for Science & Components			
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HEIGHT OF HELICOPTER IN FLIGHT. EL RT DEGREES; EWEVATION UNKNOWN. (3) 45

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PART K. MAJOR A.F. HOUGHTON, USAF, WING INTELLIGENCE OFFICER.

PART L. NONE.

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HEADQUARTERS
4505TH AIR REFUELING WING (TAC)
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
Langley Air Force Base, Virginia



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: ARWOI

15 AUG 1961

SUBJECT: Investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects

TO: FTD WPAFB

Reference your message TD-E 10-8-236, subject, Investigation of UFO sighting at Suffolk, Virginia. The attached AF Form 112 is forwarded for your information and possible action. Weather information was contained in our message 8-042.

FOR THE COMMANDER

Gilbert K. St. Clair
GILBERT K. ST. CLAIR
1st Lt. USAF
ASST DIR. OF ADMINISTRATION

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a/s

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
STAFF MESSAGE BRANCH
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INCOMING

AF IN : 18110 (8 Aug 61) M/apc

ACTION: CIN-17

INFO : OOP-2, OOP-CP-1, SAFS-3 (24)

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PART L. NONE.

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SUPPLEMENT TO AF FORM 112

ORIGINATING AGENCY

4505 Air Refueling Wing
Langley AFB, Va.

REPORT NO.

ARWOI 61-0001

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III. SUMMARY:

On 12 August 1961 the preparing officer visited the residence of Mr. [REDACTED] Suffolk, Va, to further investigate the alleged sighting of Unidentified Flying Objects. Mrs [REDACTED] stated that the objects appeared to be like a two bladed propellor (See Incl 1), however the ends seemed to move up and down like the wings of a bird. Mrs [REDACTED] stated that she could not see any body. However, Mr [REDACTED] said that the body and wings were visible to him (See Incl 2). Both agreed that the size approximated that of a small watermelon, about a foot across when held at arms length, only flat. Both agreed that the color was similar to that of a fire-fly or like the moon when it first rises. Mr [REDACTED] said that he counted five objects and Mrs [REDACTED] agreed that there were at least five and possibly more. There were no exhausts, sound or trails, however the wings appeared to be wavering some.

Mrs [REDACTED] stated that her nephew Mr [REDACTED] East Orange, New Jersey, and his wife were preparing to leave when they developed car trouble. While standing by the car, Mrs [REDACTED] stated she looked to the North and noticed these objects appearing in a "V" formation, and brought the matter to the attention of her husband. As they watched, the objects went into trail formation and circled in a clockwise manner. After three or four revolutions and about two or three minutes later, the objects disappeared to the North-east. Asimuth while circling was 360 degrees with an elevation of 75 degrees, finally disappearing to the North-east at an elevation of approximately 15 degrees.

Other witnesses included an eight year old girl and her mother, Mrs [REDACTED], Suffolk Va, Mrs [REDACTED] stated that her daughter came in the house and told her about the objects, however, she was only able to observe the objects as they were disappearing.

Mrs [REDACTED] Stated she did not have the street address of Mr [REDACTED] however, this could be obtained from his mother, Mrs [REDACTED] St, Bloomfield, New Jersey.

IV. PREPARING OFFICERS COMMENTS: (See Incl 3)

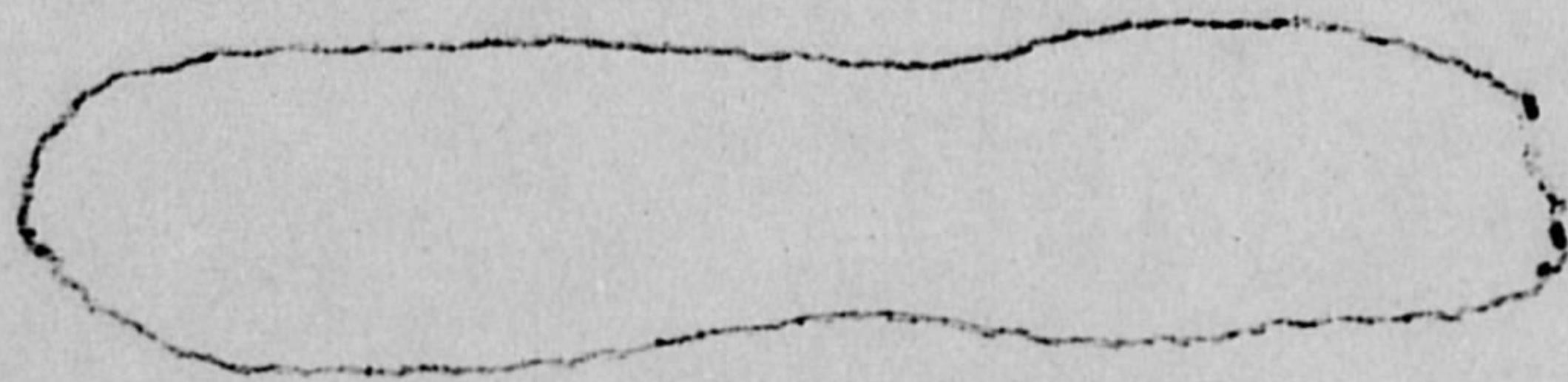
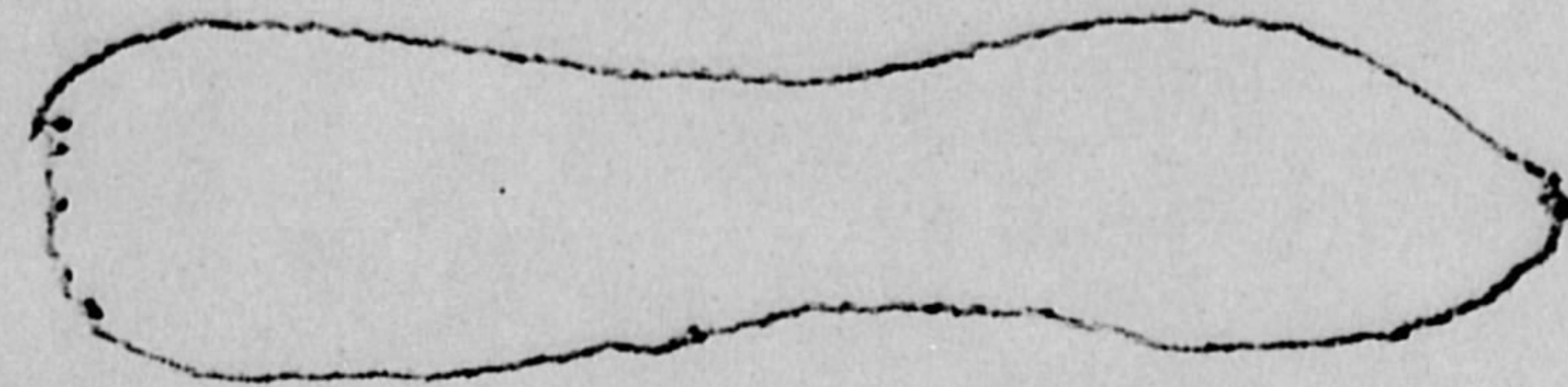
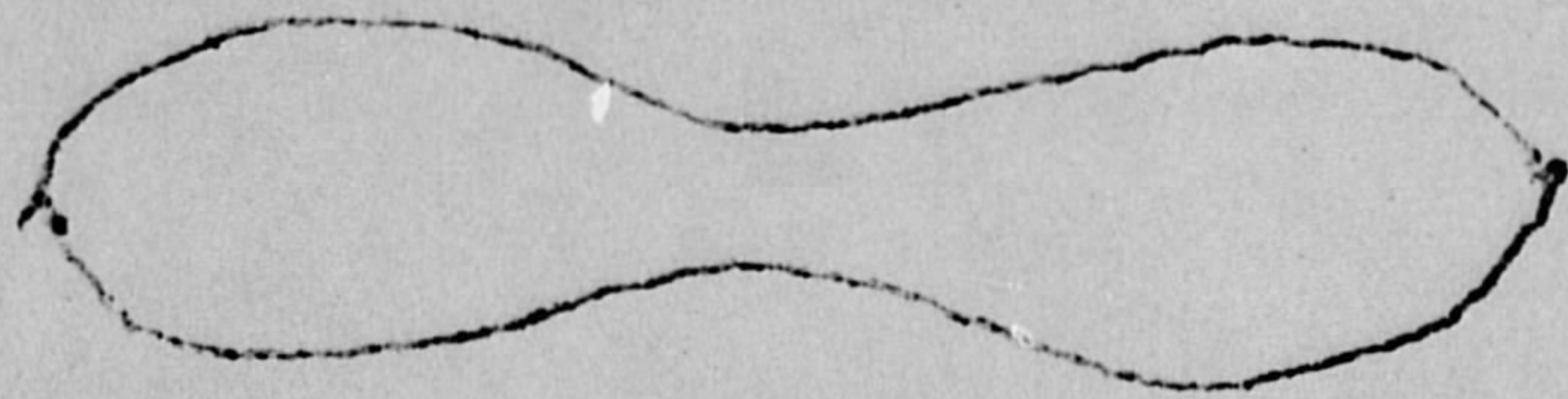
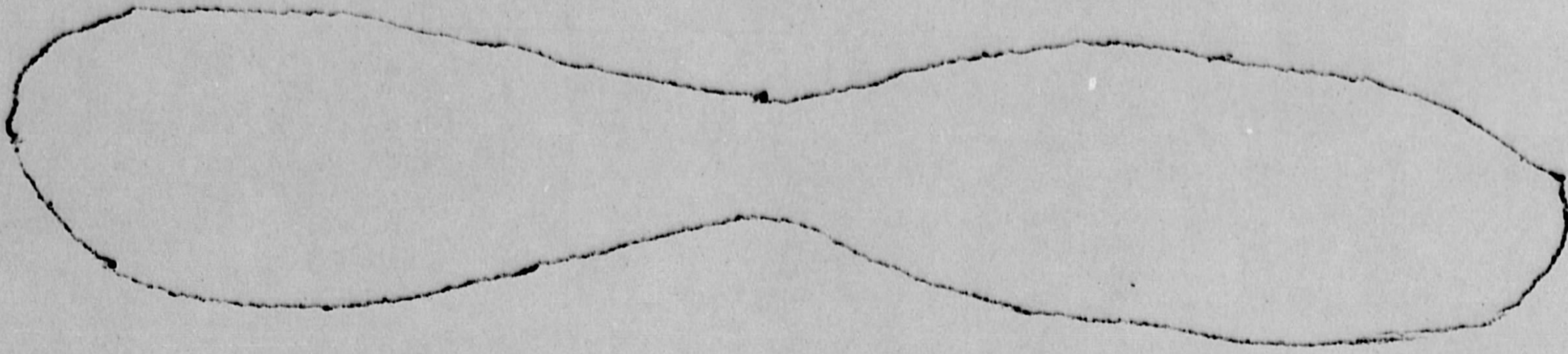
The [REDACTED] home is situated about a half a block from a four lane highway which would normally be brightly lighted. On the right hand side of this highway, about half way up the block to the north is a large Oldsmobile dealers building and car lot. Further up the street on the left hand side is a fruit market which stays open 24 hours a day. According to Mr [REDACTED] both places are brightly lighted with neon lights all night. It is possible that the lights from the highway, the fruit market and the car dealers lot, reflected upon some low flying birds.

Albert F. Houghton
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Major, USAF
Investigation Officer

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OBJECT AS DESCRIBED BY MRS. HOWELL

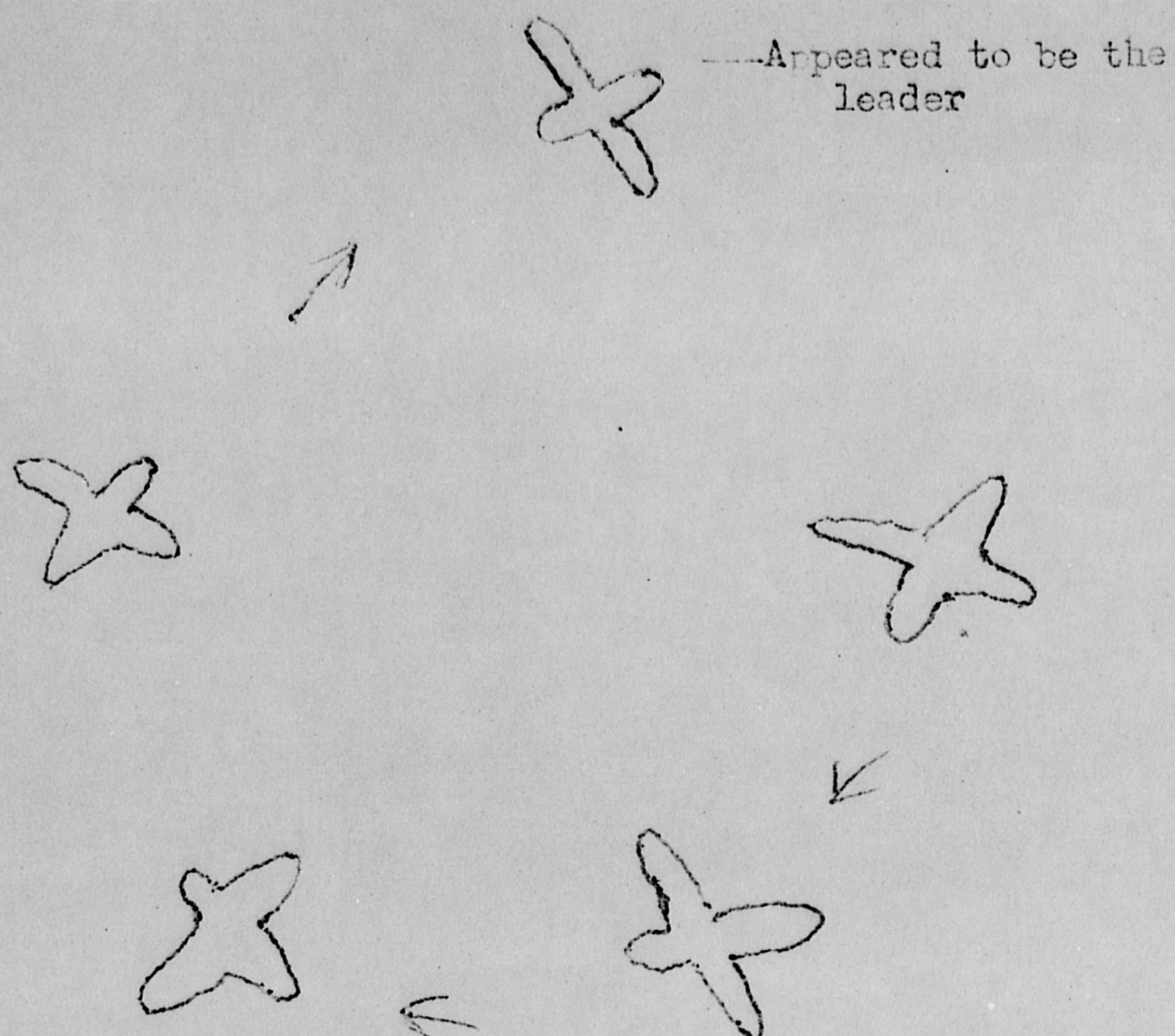


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OBJECTS AS DESCRIBED BY [REDACTED]



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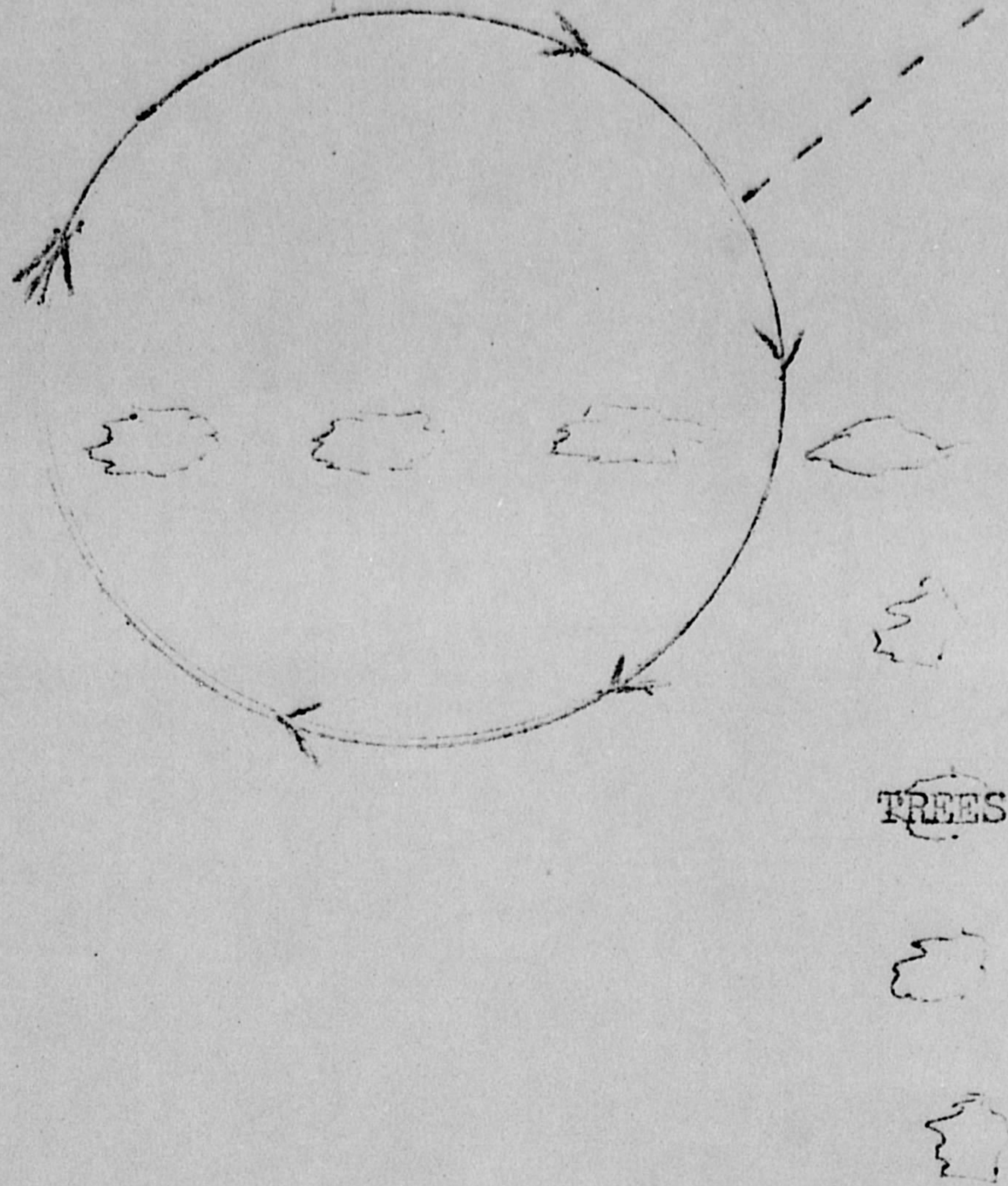
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FRUIT MARKET

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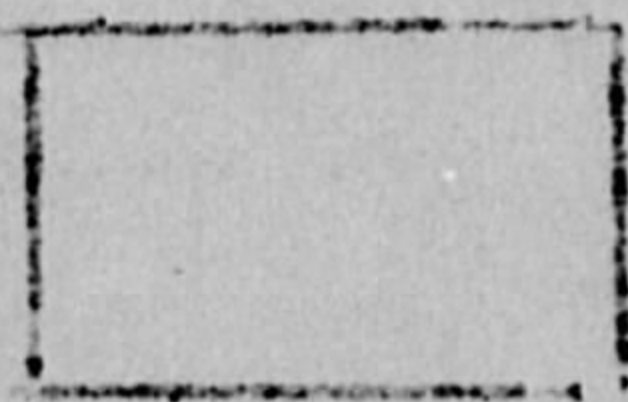


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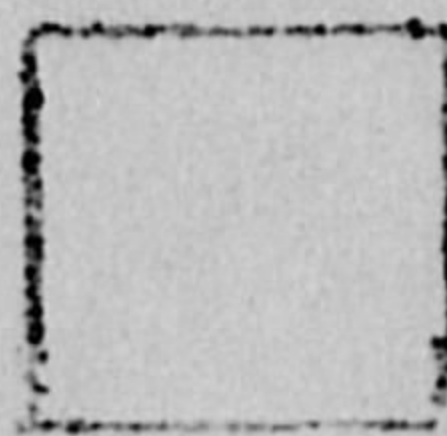
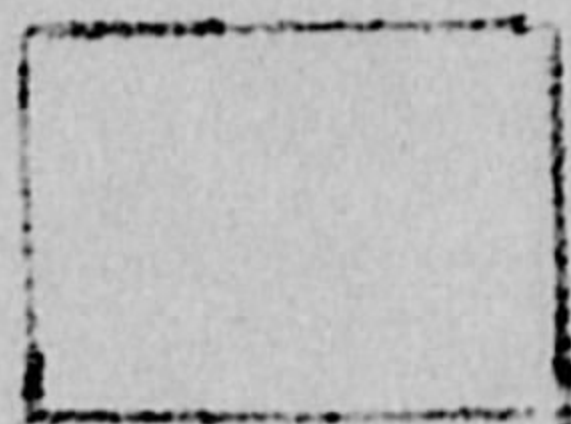
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