PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE

30 April 1964

2. LOCATION

Canyon Ferry Reservoir, Montana

3. DATE-TIME GROUP

Local Daytome

GMT

4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION

☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar

☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar

5. PHOTOS

☐ Yes

☒ No

6. SOURCE

Civilian

7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION

Not reported

8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS

allged landing

9. COURSE

n/a

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

Reported landing of object similar to Socorro landng.

SEE CASE FILE

11. COMMENTS

Investigating officials consider case a Hoax with children recreating the marks of the Socorro sighting as carried in the local newspaper.

12. CONCLUSIONS

☐ Was Balloon
☐ Probably Balloon
☐ Possibly Balloon

☐ Was Aircraft
☐ Probably Aircraft
☐ Possibly Aircraft

☐ Was Astronomical
☐ Probably Astronomical
☐ Possibly Astronomical

☒ Other Hoax
☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation
☐ Unknown

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46 degrees 39 min 111 degrees 43 min. PART VI. Investigating officer was accompanied by legal officer 1 Lt David Mills and 2 Lt Anthony DeHaga information officer and photographer, investigation team spent four hours on the scene, three hours interrogating witnesses. Photos taken, plus diagrams of area will be forwarded by mail and include copies of local newspaper reports. It would appear that entire incident is the result of a prank by the children involved which proceeded beyond what was anticipated. Individuals involved were completely aware of recent New Mexico incidents and at 0355Z three of individuals involved had listened to news reports over KOMA, Oklahoma City for specific purpose of hearing current reports on this situation. All were aware of reported sightings in other states. This is final report and incident considered closed.

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His record is good.

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Rochester N.Y.

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Reply requested

Tioga Agog Over Space Visit Report

By REID A. OCHS
Owego Bureau Chief

Newark Valley—A dairy farmer's report of talking with two Martians who landed in one of his fields in a spacecraft has Tioga County aroused with curiosity.

The report has brought inquiries by an official agency and has been a frequent topic of conversation in recent days in Owego's downtown streets.

The Tioga County Sheriff's Department interviewed the farmer, Gary F. Wilcox of Davis Hollow Road, and took a statement from him.

Also, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has been notified.

Mr. Wilcox, 27, who operates a 300-acre dairy farm a few miles northeast of Newark Valley, said that a "federal representative" also has been to see him about what happened in a secluded spot on his farm.

Mr. Wilcox initially rebuffed a reporter's attempts to interview him about the incident, but finally gave this account of what happened:

On the morning of April 24, Mr. Wilcox, who works the farm alone, was spreading manure in an open field.

Shortly before 10 o'clock he decided to check a V-shaped field on another part of the farm that is almost completely surrounded by woods. He wanted to see whether ground conditions would permit plowing.

AS HE APPROACHED the field, which is about a mile from his dairy barn, he saw a shiny object that he at first thought was a discarded refrigerator that had been in the field for some time.

He realized that the shiny object was not the old refrigerator as he drew nearer. His next thought was that it was a wing tank or some other part of an aircraft that had fallen into the field.

shaped like an egg. He touched it and felt no heat.

HE OBSERVED no door or escape hatch, but two humanlike men suddenly appeared. They were about four feet tall, wore clothing that appeared to have no seams and had on what appeared to be a headdress with a full face hood.

He could not distinguish any facial features because of the face hoods. They appeared to have arms and legs, but he could not tell whether they had feet and toes.

"Do not be alarmed, we have talked to people before. We are from what you people refer to as planet Mars," one of the figures said in smooth English.

HE THOUGHT this surely must be some kind of gag somebody was playing on him, but the conversation continued. One of the creatures stood about five feet from him and the other stood farther back, close to the spacecraft.

Their voices seemed to come from their bodies rather than from the headdress-covered heads.

They were interested in organic material such as fertilizer, Mr. Wilcox recalled.

They expressed considerable interest in why he was spreading manure and in the various uses of fertilizers.

The object was shiny and looked somewhat like aluminum. But it looked as if it would be more durable than aluminum and seemed to have metallic characteristics different from any he had ever seen before.

The object was about 20 feet long and 16 feet wide and was

Phone Co. Base-Rate Change OK'd

By [illegible] Services

Albany—The New York Telephone Co. received permission [illegible] to establish base-rate areas in the Tioga, Utica, Owego, Tioga Center and Upper Lake exchanges.

The company estimated the change would result in a net annual [illegible] of $1,750. Most subscribers affected will pay less, although some rates will be increased.

The Tioga Center exchange serves 237 subscribers in Tioga County, 42 of whom will have their bills reduced 5¢ from 10 cents to $1.75 monthly. Six other subscribers will have their bills increased from 15 to 19 cents a month.

The base-rate area for an exchange is the densely populated area surrounding its central office. Subscribers living beyond the base-rate area are charged on the basis of their distance from the exchange or [illegible] a toll rate applies to [illegible] the section of [illegible]

THE MARTIANS explained that they grew food in the atmosphere, but changes in the universe were expected to create problems. They said they were visiting earth to obtain information about organic material.

They appeared to know little about organic material and their questions were like those a child would ask. Each one carried a tray filled with soil, apparently taken from the field.

"When they talked about space or the ship, I had difficulty in understanding their explanations," Mr. Wilcox said.

"They said they can only travel to this planet every two years and they are presently using the Western Hemisphere.

The Martians said they land only during daylight hours because their ship is less readily visible in the night. They expressed surprise that he had seen the craft.

The two figures said astronauts from earth would not be successful in space travel. Astronauts traveling in outer space would die after being in space a year because their bodies are not adaptable to such conditions, they said.

THE FIGURES asked whether he had any organic material. He said yes and then was asked if they might have some.

He started to leave to get a bag of fertilizer for them. As he did so the spacecraft took off.

The noise the spacecraft made was like an automobile idling. There was no turbulence, exhaust of fire or raising of dust.

"Within seconds the craft was out of sight," Mr. Wilcox said.

He returned to the [illegible] where the Martians had [illegible] He left the bag of [illegible] there. It was gone when he returned the next day.





PAUSE IN WORK — Gary T. Wilcox, 28, of Davis Hollow Road, Newark Valley, works in the barn on his 300-acre farm, unperturbed by interest [illegible] a report of talking April 24 with two Martians who, he said, landed in a spacecraft at a secluded spot a mile from his barn.



Express photo by Reid A. Dent.

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Talks With "Martians" Over 2½ Hours - Newark Valley Man Says

Whether or not there is anything to flying saucer stories, one has to admit that they are interesting. A new one has poped up this week and because its locale is in Newark Valley, close to home, we are reporting it without editorial comment.

On April 24, Gary T. Wilson, 21, a farmer near Newark Valley says he was working in his fields. While walking up a small knoll he perceived a reflection near its top. Because there was a junked refrigerator near the spot where the reflection cme from Gary thought nothing of it — but when he got within "about a hundred feet of the top he saw that the glint came from an "egg shped metal object which was about 20 feet long, 15 feet wide by four feet high." The thing seemed to hover about four feet above the ground and near-by stood two human shaped forms about 4 feet high, whose head, trunks and extremities seemed to be encased in metal similar to that of the "ship they had seemingly arrived in.

Wilson told the Democrat reporter that the two held boxes of sod and when he approached them they seemed to be chagrined that he had discovered the "ship" because it was supposed to be so constructed to be invisible at distances greater than 100 feet.

According to Mr. Wilcox, he conversed with the two beings for bout two nd one half hours chiefly about organic crop raising. He was informed that the ship had come from a nearby planet which Gary took to be Mars. The beings, who spoke perfect English told him that there is always a ship studying Earth but that each Martian "astronaut" could come to earth only about once in 24 months for physical reasons. Because "Martians" food comes from the air they said, they were very much interested in our organic food raising methods and they quizzed Mr. Wilcox intensively about them.

The "Martians" left with no fuss Wilcox said. There was an "idling noise" within the parked ship and it did not increase in volume when it passed out of sight. "only about 100 ft. away."

That evening, Wilcox stated, "without knowing why" he picked up a bag of fertilizer from the barn and carried it to the top of the knoll where the ship had been. The next morning the bag was gone.

When asked whether his views on the existence of beings on other planets had changed since his knoll-top meeting, Mr. Wilcox said. "I guess I still don't believe in beings on Mars but I do know that I talked to two small men in a strange ship in my field that morning."

Mr. Wilcox told the Tioga County Sherrif's Office about his encounter only after he read of a similar meeting by a man in New Mexico. Several aspects of the meeting were withheld from newspapers on advise of the Sherriff, Mr. Wilcox stated.

The Friendly Club was postponed as thre was measles among the children.

The church news are the same.

Pastor, Rev. Calvin horpe.
Sunday services 10 and 11.

GENERAL NEWS ....

Mrs. Roland Phoenix and Mrs. Eva Chambers in company with hMr. and Mrs. Bert Morse attended Pamona neighbor night at the school house at DeRuyter Saturday evening.

Mrs Roland Phoenix spent

[illegible]

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Goldman of Harford were Sunday Mother's Day guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Saddlemire and son of Clinton, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Murphy and children of Kirkwood. Mrs. Dera Murphy of Binghamton and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dyer of Maine were Sunday guests of Mrs. Ethel Drake.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Seymour were at Richfield Springs Sunday and called on Mr. and Mrs. David Wilson and family.

Mrs. Bessie Conklin of Newark Valley called on Maude Howland Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sams returned Monday night from a weekend visit spent at Jamaica. . Island at the home of her rother Herbert Moore. While here they made a tour of the . S. Forrestal at Pier 90. Their on Ernst Sams BM/2 has been tationed aboard the Forrestal or 4 years. He too was a week nd guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ioore.

Lyl Wood and family of enice Center, Robrt Royce and amily of Mecklenburg and Mrs. Iary Birdsall of N. Richford isited their parnts, Mr. and Irs. Clifford Royce Sunday.

Mrs. Katie Barber returned ome Monday night from a eek's stay with her daughterr, Mrs. Philip Let of Rohestr

She attended the funral of er brother-in-law Elmer Hasins of Duane.

Mrs. Don Barber and childirn of Marathon and Mr. and Irs. Earl Clark and children f Brooktondale were Sunday unch guests of Mrs. Katie Barber.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Figary and family of Plymouth nd Mr. and Mrs. Warren Pforter and family ofP enna. were Sunday guests of Mrs. Hulda Pforter. Mrs. Hulda Pforter returned home with Warren Jr. for a two weeks visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Thomas of Sidney, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mowers and daughter Doris of Vernon, Mr. Clar Upham, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hathaway & Mr. and Mrs. Irving Burdick were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Mowers.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Aikens and family of Sherburne and Mr. and Mrs. William Cooper were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Drake and daughters and Mrs. Thomas Drake and son were Sunday callers at Mrs. Ruth Drakes in DeRuyter.

Miss Lois and Ruth Angell were at their home here over the weekend. Mrs. B. F. Angell and Lois and Ruth attended a wedding in Fabius on Saturday.

Pfc Aaron Mowers from Loring Base, Limestone, Maine is with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Donald Mowers this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Neadom and son spent from Wednesday until Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Pforter and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Staley.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burt were Sunday guests at Mr. and Mrs. Walter Krueger's near Cuyler.

Egyptians Give Khrushchev Noisy African Welcome

By GEORGE MCARTHUR

CAIRO (AP)—Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev, making his first visit to Africa, received a tumultuous welcome from Egyptians today. He was acclaimed at the seaport of Alexandria, on a train ride through the teeming Nile Delta and in red-festooned Cairo.

Not since the revolutionary days of 1952 have so many people surged to the streets of Egypt's capital. It was estimated a half million lined up in the heart of the city.

President Gamal Abdel Nasser embraced him warmly as he began his 17-day state visit to the United Arab Republic.

A surging crowd broke through police lines as he drove in an open car to the railway station.

Similar croweds jammed around the Cairo railway station as Khrushchev arrived to a booming 21-gun salute after his triumphant procession through the delta. Since early morning there were unnumbered thousands in the towns of Damimhourp, Bemha and Tamta, where his train made brief pauses.

The ancient harbor of Alexandria was a bedlam of noise and whistling as the Soviet liner Armenia carrying Khrushchev and some 100 aides docked at 9 a.m. Jet fighters roared overhead and Soviet-built destroyers and submarines of the Egyptian navy escorted the Armenia into port.

A 21-gun salute boomed and thousands of seamen and dock workers lining the piers shouted as Khrushchev walked down the gangway.

Flags, bunting and victory arches decorated the city as Nasser gave his guest a reception far outshining the one for Red China's Premier Chou En-lai last December.

A barge with top Egyptian officials on board met the Armenia in the harbor. Khrushchev was welcomed by Nasser on shore.

In addition to Soviet officials and dozens of security agents, Khrushchev, 70, was accompanied by his wife, Nina, and their son, Sergei, and daughter, Rada Adzhubei.

The official purpose of the visit is to enable Khrushchev to take part in ceremonies marking the completion of the first stage of the Aswan High Dam. But the trip has far wider implications.

Khrushchev is expected to kick off a major propaganda offensive for the Soviet brand of communism in Africa, seeking to minimize the inroads made by Red China.

As the UAR's chief arms supplier and principal contributor to the Aswan High Dam, Khrushchev already has created considerable good will for the Soviet Union among the Egyptians.

extortion and abusing his power. Can denied all the charges.

He was the fourth to die of six brothers of a mandarin family that dominated South Viet Nam for a decade. All four died violently.

The widowed former first lady, Mrs. Ngo Dinh Nhu, and two other survivors are living in exile abroad. They are ex-diplomat Ngo Dinh Luyen and the Most Rev. Pierre Martin Ngo Dinh Thuc, the Roman Catholic archbishop of Hue.

DAVIS ESTATE SET AT $86 MILLION

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Industrialist Arthur Vining Davis' estate has been appraised at $86,629,282.83, less than one fourth of the fortune popularly attributed to him.

Executors filed in Dade County Judge's Court Thursday their judgment of the "fair market value" of Davis' estate, along with a thick volume containing 381 items of assets.

Davis, of Miami, became one of America's wealthier men while he built the Aluminum Co. of America into an industrial giant. He died Nov. 13, 1962.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT 5/8/64

Tiny Martians Visit Newark Valley?

New York State

By BILL SMITH

"One can't believe it, but one can't quite disbelieve it either."

This cautious assessment from Newark Valley's High School principal, Frank Slater Jr., seems to summarize the mixed feelings of this small southern New York community caught up in a "saucer" mystery.

When one of its residents unfolded a story straight from the "Outer Limits" recently, he stirred his neighbors and most of the surrounding county to disbelief, uncertainty, and intense curiosity.

Gary T. Wilcox, 27-year-old dairy farmer who runs his place by himself several miles northeast of the village, claims to have met and talked with two alien beings while working his fields last April 24.

Dressed in what appeared to be seamless clothing with full-face hoods, the two beings emerged from an egg-shaped craft which hovered just above his field, according to Wilcox. Resembling aluminum, he estimated it was about 20 feet long and 16 feet wide, and seemed to be of a strange, shiny metal unlike anything he had ever seen before.

The two humanoids were about four feet tall and appeared to have arms and legs, though he could not tell whether fingers and toes were also a part of their anatomies. The face masks concealed their features.

"We are from what you people refer to as planet Mars," volunteered one of the visitors, who explained that he and his friend had talked to people before.

Suspecting a practical joke, Wilcox said he continued to talk with them, learning that they were interested in why he used fertilizer on his fields and in organic materials in general.

They explained that on Mars, food was grown in the atmosphere, but that "changes in the universe" had forced them to examine other means of production.

Wilcox said that each one carried a tray filled with soil and seemed to know little about organic material.

Land in Daylight

He was also told that their "trips" are only possible every two years and that the Western Hemisphere is their present interest. Landings are made only in daylight because their craft is less visible then.

The Martians even volunteered a prediction — earth astronauts will find space inhospitable, and a year beyond earth's atmosphere will prove lethal because their bodies cannot be adapted to it.

The Martian asked Wilcox for some fertilizer, he left to get it and the craft took off, leaving no exhaust and without raising any dust. Wilcox said he left a bag of fertilizer at the site and when he returned the next day it was gone.

Wilcox, who bought the farm four years ago, was described by Valley residents as a stable, reliable sort of person not given to flights of imagination. He explained to the county sheriff's department in an interview that the aliens had warned him against telling of the visit, but that he felt it was his duty to notify the authorities.

FBI Notified

FBI agents were notified and Wilcox has reportedly been questioned by federal authorities.

Another resident reported the Wilcox farm was the scene of an investigation last weekend, and the area was roped off for a time. Helicopters were observed, apparently scanning the area.

As for the Valley residents, there are those who scoff at the idea and those who just aren't sure anymore. As Slater put it, whose students have been talking about nothing else, "I can see no reason why such a person would make up this kind of story."

Meanwhile, on a street in a suddenly popular southern New York community, a car pulls up, the driver leans out and asks, "How do you get to the Wilcox farm?"

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Dillon, Montana
25 April 1964

NEWS BRIEFS:

April 25: Dillon, Montana - A tremendous blast rocked the south side of the city at 1:25 a.m., preceded by a brilliant flash of light in the southeastern sky.... La Madera, New Mexico - An egg-shaped object was observed by two men while driving near La Madera.

Information Only (Hc Case)
Cource: FSIC

25 April, 1964
- Kent, Ohio

"PARKED" OBJECTS

Kent, Ohio . . . April 25, 1964, 8:30-9:00 P.M. . . . Three objects were seen in a hovering position by Miss Glenda Gless, a student nurse, and her mother. The place was their back yard, the objects were in the west, the one to the left above the trees, the other 2 were seen side by side through the willow tree. They stood out prominently among the stars. The highest object suddenly took off to the S. and disappeared in the distance. Its color was a yellowish-white. The second object over, rose straight up over the willow and moved directly E over their heads. It was about 1,000 feet up, orange in color, and hazy of outline. Its shape was that of an elliptic leaf. It, too, went out of sight in the distance. The third object started upward at a slight angle to the right, passed over the tree going NE. It travelled about 200 yards, blinked a dim red three times and vanished. They weren't positive, but they thought the object had stopped during the blinking stage.

The objects were estimated to be 1500 feet away when first seen. All objects were soundless, no trail or other lights. Duration **— 30 minutes. Speed compared to a light aircraft's (120 MPH).**

Information Only
Source: The UFO Reporter, Summer, 1964

~~Albuquerque~~, New Mexico
26 April 1964

ANOTHER EGG-SHAPED OBJECT REPORTED

Albuquerque, New Mexico, April 26 - George Mitropolis reported both seeing and hearing a strange craft while driving north from El Paso, in the vicinity of Truth or Consequences.

Mitropolis was driving north on U.S. 85, one mile south of the New Mexico 180 junction, at around 10:30 p.m., when he first sighted the craft. The object was ahead of him, towards the right. It appeared to come up above the crest of the mountains and then drop back behind.

Mitropolis halted his car and searched behind the mountains, hearing a sound not unlike a muffled jet. The object was described as luminous, resembling an inverted bathtub thirty feet in length, with a glow radiating from beneath it that appeared to be exhaust flames.

Information Only
Source: The UFO Reporter, Summer, 1964

El Paso, Texas
27 April 1964

April 27: El Paso Texas - Eight children at the Crosby School viewed a hovering UFO above the school grounds. It was described by witnesses as egg-shaped and over six feet in height....Las Vegas - A ball of glowing red flames was reported executing a landing.

Information Only
Source: The UFO Reporter, Summer, 1964

CHEYENNE, WYOMING
HOBBS, NEW MEXICO
Socorro, New Mexico
28 April 1964

April 28: near Socorro, New Mexico - Two egg-shaped objects were seen by a truck driver and his wife, at around 5:30 p.m., travelling as fast as a jet plane ....Hobbs, New Mexico - A group of children and a pair of adults reported a circular, while object hovering above the city and thence moving off to the northeast.... Cheyanne, Wyoming - Three women described an egg-shaped UFO with a trail streaking from it. Two of the women reported a similar object followdd by another UFO, fifteen minutes later.

Information Only
Source: The UFO Reporter, Summer, 1964

Northampton Township, Ohio
28 April 1964

OBJECT SEEN IN OHIO

Northampton Township, Ohio, April 28 - At 9:05 p.m., a UFO was observed by Myrna Johnson.

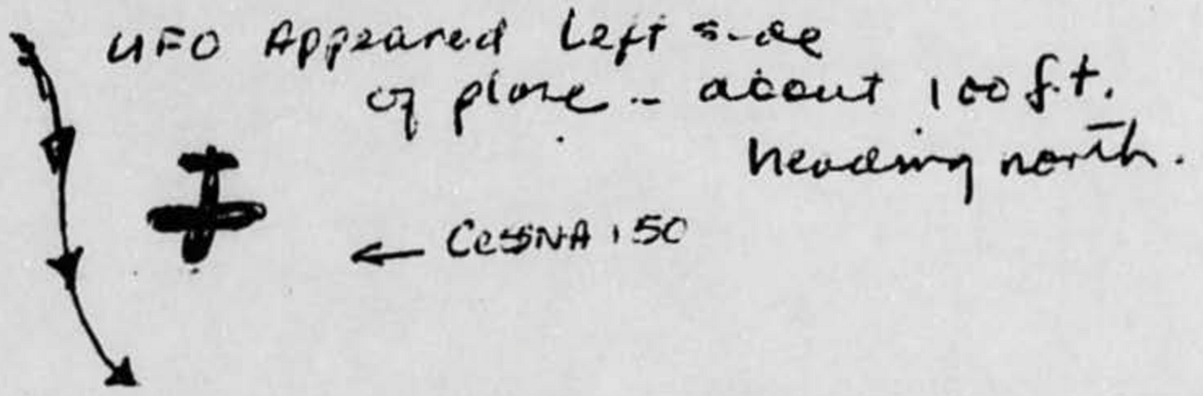
The hovering and pulsating object, a glowing white in color, was first seen to travel from the east-northeast. When it reached a position near the zenith, it halted, retreated for a short distance, came forward once again, and hovered. It then pulsated a few times, and travelled slowly westward, gaining altitude.

The object suddenly changed color to a glowing deep-red, appearing to grow larger, and disappeared high in the distance.

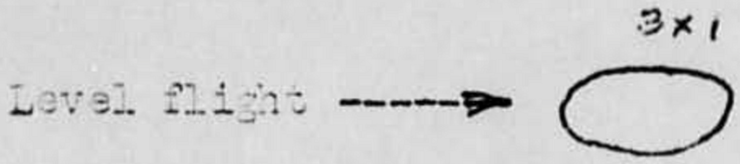
Extract from CO Book, 23 April 1964:

UFO: Reported by Mr. [redacted], Albuquerque.
Home Phone: [redacted] Office Phone: [redacted]

Departed KAFB on private airplane (flying alone), runway 11, Saturday morning at about 9:00 A.M. About 2 miles east of Sandia, just south of Hwy 66, and west of Western Skies Motel, at about 6200 feet - 90mph



UFO size of a softball, probably not bigger than a football. Just didn't look like a bird. Scooted along as if sort of pulsed - not quite an even, smooth movement.



Dull white in appearance - but darker than sky. (sky was whitish) Upper portion had a sheen or a somewhat different color - darker - sort of bluish.

First indication was to return to base and report it. Estimated speed of 70-80 MPH since closed at about rate of cars on Highway. Airplane speed at 90 MPH. Did not seem to get smaller as passed away.

Sunglasses on- no problem with sun. Flying for about a year.

Mr Webb seems like a very sober individual - very emphatic about wanting to keep this report confidential. Gave [redacted] name and phone of Capt Barber so he could provide additional info if desired.

Benton C. Clark, 1st Lt, USAF

NO C..L INF RLATION ONLY
SOURCE: FLYING SAUCER REVIEW
Jul-Aug, Volume 10, No. 4

29 Apr 64
Southampton, England

Southampton again

Mr. Peter J. Kelly sends us yet another sighting report from the Southampton area. It occurred on April 29 and was witnessed by a Fifth Form pupil, David Lawrence, at Testwood Secondary Modern School, Totton.

David Lawrence said that when he first saw the object, its elevation was about 40–45. He guessed that it was about cloud height, and might have been about the size of a large aircraft. His account reads as follows:

"At a football match at Testwood ground. I was watching the game when a woman near me asked her husband, 'What's that in the sky?' (she likened it to a star). Her husband passed it off as a cloud and they paid no more attention.

"At first I thought it was just a small but rather regular cloud, but when I saw that the other clouds were stationary and this object was slowly travelling in a north-west direction, I knew it was no cloud.

"It appeared as a rough disc and of grey colouring, it was also tilted slightly and seemed to shimmer as I looked at it. As it receded it seemed to level out and become brighter, in fact, silvery.

"When the match finished I went home, by that time (8.20) it was quite distant and near to the horizon. I went indoors, and fetched binoculars, but unfortunately it was too distant to pick out any detail which I had not seen before. Within minutes it had completely disappeared."

Information Only
Source: The UFO Reporter, Summer, 1964

Rock Springs, Wyoming
29 April 1964

UFO FLIES OVER WYOMING

Rock Springs, Wyoming, April 29 - A high flying disc was seen in the western sky by a group of eight students, another party of eleven students, a junior high school teacher named Richard Surline, and another man named Keith Boyce.

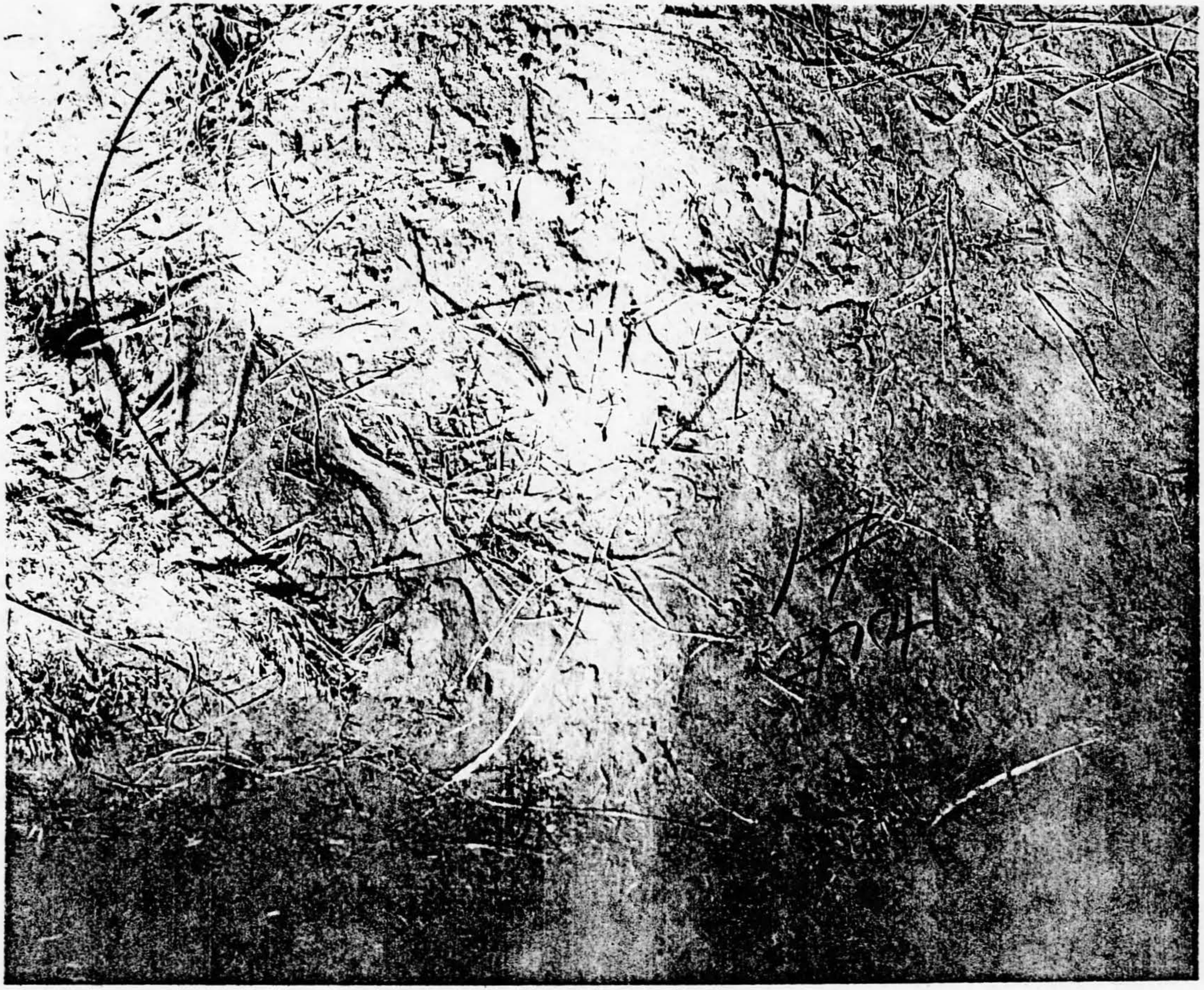
The first group of students observed the object via telescope. As it moved towards the west, it appeared to turn and present a flat side and edge. A glow emanated from its sides.

Surline reported the object to be a black flattened disc at first. It then apparently gained altitude and turned silver.

Keith Boyce phoned Surline at about 12:30 p.m., to determine if the latter had seen the weird craft. Surline continued to observe the object until 2:30 p.m.

The second group of students described the UFO as egg-shaped, wobbling, and of a green color that turned to silver. Presumably, it was visible during the entire afternoon and early evening. It was last reported moving eastward with great rapidity, before disappearing behind a cloud.

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Information Only
Source: The UFO Reporter, Summer, 1964

Austin Bluff, Colorado
30 April 1964

April 30: Austin Bluff, Colorado - Reports were received of multiple landings, with imprints left upon the ground....near Baker, California - Three motorists described an object laying upon a hilltop off U.S. Highway 91, which left a large depression in the ground....Alamosa, Colorado - Four children reported a metallic appearing egg-shaped object flying slowly in a curved path, in a northeasterly direction, towards Mount Blanca, which soon disappeared within a cloud. The UFO apparently emmitted a steady hum....Green River, Wyoming - A number of children reported a strange flying object. From 7:00 to 7:30 p.m., several witnesses reported a silvery spherical UFO hovering above them, which finally was obscured by dark clouds.

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Source:

Baker, California
30 April 1964

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TWO SAUCER LANDINGS IN CALIFORNIA: On the night of April 30th, three Californians traveling to Las Vegas along U.S. Route 91, reported seeing a mysterious dome-shaped object which had landed near the highway. The UFO was spotted on a hilltop about 10 miles west of Baker, California. Mrs. Gloria Biggs, one of the witnesses, told authorities: "At first we thought it was a water tower, but as we got closer we knew it was something we'd never seen before!" Mrs. Biggs, her husband, and her mother watched the smooth brownish object for about five minutes while their car was moving. It then disappeared suddenly from its hilltop perch when they looked away for a moment. Mrs. Biggs added that the only subsequent sign of the object's presence on the hill was a large depression in the ground. She gave her story to officials at Nellis Air Force Base, who promised that an investigation would be made.

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Las Vegas Mystery

We are indebted to Mr. James T. Wardle for sending us the following account from the *Salt Lake Tribune*, April 30: "Three Californians travelling by car to Las Vegas reported sighting on Thursday a mysterious dome shaped object the size of an airship which disappeared while their attention was momentarily diverted from it. Mr. and Mrs. Gus Biggs and Mrs. Lorene Ayres, all of Fontana, California, told authorities they had spotted the object crouched on a hilltop just off U.S. Highway 91, some 10 miles west of Baker, Calif.

"Mrs. Gloria Biggs was quoted as saying: 'At first we thought it was a water tower, but as we got closer we knew it was something we'd never seen before.'

"She said she, her husband and her mother, Mrs. Ayres, watched the smooth, brownish dome-shaped object for about five or six minutes while their car was moving. She said the object disappeared from its hilltop perch when they looked away for a moment. Mrs. Biggs said the only subsequent sign of the object's presence on the hilltop was a large depression in the ground.

"A similarly shaped unidentified flying object was spotted last Friday by a policeman in Socorro, N.M.

"Thursdays' sighting by the Biggs family was within the confines of the U.S. Army's coming "desert strike" maneuvers, planned for May 17-30."

Information Only
Source:

Green River, Wyoming
30 April 1964

Green River, Wyoming, saucer

From the *Desert News*, May 2 issue:

"Two families peered into the sky here on Thursday evening while a 'silvery, shining, round' object hovered high over their heads for about 30 minutes.

" 'We saw something—whether it was a flying saucer, we don't know,' said Mrs. James Pace, 115 Keith Dr. 'But we're not imaginative people.'

"Mrs. Pace told the *Desert News* that she, her husband and two of her children were on the front lawn with neighbour family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cameron, about 7 p.m. They were watching two aeroplanes—a commercial craft and a smaller private plane—cross paths in the sky, when the children, Suzanne Pace, 6; Michael Pace, 5, and Kevin Cameron, 5, pointed higher in the sky and shouted 'There's another flying saucer, just like the one we saw yesterday in school.'

"Mrs. Pace had dismissed her children's stories of flying saucers over the schoolyard the day before as creations of 'kid's imaginations.'

"Mr. Pace focused binoculars on the object in the sky and viewed a 'shining, round light,' standing on its edge like a silver dollar. It was 'very high in the sky,' Mrs. Pace said.

"The Paces theorized the shiny effect was merely a reflection of the sun's light. After the Paces and Camerons viewed the object, which appeared to be hovering, for about one half hour, dark storm clouds obscured it.

" 'The day before when the kids were talking about saucers, I thought they were just making it up,' Mrs. Pace said. 'Then I read in the *Desert News* of reported saucer sightings. I started questioning my children a little closer.'

"Mrs. Pace found that children throughout the neighbourhood and those attending nearby Roosevelt Elementary School had reported viewing unidentified flying objects on Thursday.

"Meanwhile, in Salt Lake Valley, a twelve year old boy said on Friday he saw an object 'hover for a minute or two' in the sky, then dart behind Mt. Olympus.

"Robin Leon Beglarian, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicola Beglarian, 2902 Florence Cir. (2980 East), said the incident happened about 4.30 p.m. The object hovered about 2,000 feet above Mt. Olympus before disappearing."

(Credit to Mr. James T. Wardle).

No Date (Information Only)

30 April 1964
Holloman AFB, N.M.

DEARBORN OBSERVATORY
NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
EVANSTON, ILLINOIS 60201
23 February 1965

M/R Major Quintanilla contacted Holloman AFB regarding the alleged incident. No such event occured.

Major Hector Quintanilla
Foreign Technology Division
Box 9494
Wright Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

Dear Major:

I am enclosing a toasted copy of a APRO bulletin. Please notice the reported Holloman Air Force Base case. This is the sort of case which prompts charges of Air Force secrecy, and I feel that it would be very wise to track this one down to its lair if at all possible. Apparently there was some conversation between the bomber pilot and the tower which the radio amateur accidentally overheard, but things like that can't get nipped in the bud at the very beginning. It gives an awful lot of grist for the mill of APRO, etc. I don't know what can be done at this late date, but at the very least, the radio amateur and the newspaper reporter should be contacted to see just what the original stimulus was.

I am also enclosing a toasted copy of a note from Mr. English. He was the one who reported the Toledo case which was rather similar to the Monticello case. I have asked him to get some pictures made of the terrain around there at a nominal cost if necessary.

Reference 18 August 1964, 200 miles east of Dover (Atlantic): would it be possible to get the names of the crew members concerned? I would like to write to them and have each one give me a completely independent statement and drawing of what they reportedly saw. If this can be done, we may be able to take this off the unidentified list. Apparently these people were between two cloud decks and saw an object approaching them. It might have been a relatively stationary balloon which they were overtaking and passed. Since everything over the Atlantic is carefully checked by radar, this is a puzzler, and it would be very interesting to get the comments of the individual crew members. I would like to find out how bright the object appeared and also whether they ever saw it to the rear of the plane.

Last Sunday I took occasion while loafing around to call this German professor at the Eastern Mennonite College in Harrisonburg, Virginia. This is the case, you will remember, that Dave and Sgt. Jones investigated. I also called [redacted] because I wanted to get straight on two points. One was how they would explain the fact that no one else on a well traveled road would not have seen the object and also by talking to get a possible line on their personality quirks.

[redacted] gave [redacted] a completely clean bill of health which, of course, I expected. [redacted] seems to be a little displeased with the counter [redacted] was using and asked me why [redacted] kept setting it back to zero whenever it showed a large reading! He also wanted to know how, when the ground was covered with four inches of snow, [redacted] could say categorically, that there were no traces of anything having landed.

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TUCSON, ARIZONA— JULY, 1964

UAO LANDING AT AIR FORCE BASE

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(See article on straight line pattern, this issue.) It was found that a straight line drawn from Socorro where the Zamora sighting took place, to Round Mountain near Tularosa, New Mexico, where a motorist observed a bright object coming down, intersects the Holloman north range extension near Stallion Site, as well as Highway 380, north of the site near San Antonio, New Mexico.

Another line, from Round Mountain through Albuquerque, Rock Springs Wyoming, Canyon Ferry, Montana, also intersects the north range. The third possibility is the line running from La Cruces through Edgewood, La Madera, Colorado to Cheyenne, Wyoming, all of which points are locations of landed or low flying UFOs.

If we remain completely objective we cannot presume that the Holloman landing falls on one of the lines, but the fact still remains that three of the previous established orthotenic lines intersect the north Holloman Range extension.

Discussion

The first point which must be dealt with in relation to the Holloman landing is, of course: was it real? There are certain things which have not been printed in this article in order to protect our sources, but Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzen are completely convinced concerning the authenticity of the information and the reliability of the sources.

It is impressing to note that the pilot of the B-57 knew what the markings on the object at Socorro looked like. This indicates that the military at White Sands and Holloman had been secretly briefed. He probably knew he ran the risk of alerting many of the personnel at both bases, as well as any off base radio operator who happened to tune in on the frequency, but in order to alert proper military authorities he had to take that risk. The incident was discussed almost freely and certainly in depth by a large number of the personnel at both bases.

On the Saturday following the landing, a group of civilian pilots, returning from a convention in Louisiana, set down their planes at Holloman for a short time. They were all approached by an Air Force major who showed them a paper with the marking of the Socorro object and asked them if they had ever seen anything like it before. No one had, but the very fact that this was done indicates the seriousness with which the military was treating the whole situation.

The greatest significance of the information concerning sightings in the vicinity of the White Sands-Holloman Range, is the fact that those "UFOs" utilized an electronic recognition signal. The fact opens up all sorts of avenues of thought and speculation. For one: Military people have lamented that they do not pick these objects up on radar. Possibly they have, at times, but didn't know it because the objects responded to the transponded signal with the correct code.

There are other facets of this situation which are interesting, but they will be discussed in another article dealing with the significance of that Southwestern Flap.

The following is a chronological account of the landing of an unconvention al aerial object on the North Range Extension of Holloman Air Force Base on Thursday, 30 April, 1964.

The pilot of a B-57 bomber engaged in a routine mission in the vicinity of Stallion Site, a few miles east of San Antonio New Mexico, called Mission Control on the radio and informed the Controller there 'I'm not alone up here.' To which he received the following query: "What do you mean?"

The pilot explained "I've got a UFO." The Controller then asked, "What does it look like?" and the pilot answered "It's eggshaped and white."

"Any markings?" asked Control "The same as the one at Socorro" the pilot replied then added: "I'm going to make another pass."

Minutes later the huge, cumbersome bomber had made its turn and had come over the area where the UFO was first seen, whereupon the pilot called Control again and reported "It's on the ground."

At this point communications ceased. Ground crews were alerted and asked to stand by.

This information was not relayed to APRO by a very reliable source. However, we felt it was necessary to check, if possible, our other sources in the Alamogordo area, and to our great surprise confirmation almost immediately. Our first inquiry was to Terry Clarke, of radio station KALG, who was surprised to hear that we already knew of the landing. He said he had intended to write the details and forward them to us. His information had come from a ham radio operator who had been monitoring various frequencies while checking out some equipment, when he picked up the frequency which the bomber and Mission Control were using. He listened fascinated until communications ceased.

The word got around fast, apparently, for when Mrs. Lorenzen called Arlynn Bruce of The Alamogordo Daily News,

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he had also heard about the landing but said that when he attempted to get confirmation by check with Air Force authorities at Holloman, he got the "usual run-around" so gave up on it. He was more or less surprised that we knew of it.

There are, of course, details which cannot be given here, inasmuch as they would compromise those who occasionally relay information to us. We can say, however, that our original informant has no connection with either Terry Clarke or Arlynn Bruer, and we doubt if he has even met them. Although Terry and Arlynn are both newsmen and know each other, they work independently, as they are in a competitive business. Therefore, we had three entirely independent, unconnected sources of information.

During our conversations with Mr. Clarke and Mr. Bruer, they both mentioned a rumor to the effect that a UFO was in a hangar at Holloman and under heavy guard. Clarke said this rumor started when an Airman excitedly told a group of people in The Men's Store in Alamogordo that the AF had a UFO under guard at the Base. A day or two later, however, the same Airman came into the same store and said he had been mistaken and there was no such thing.

One is tempted immediately, to think that the Airman told the truth the first time, but then, knowledge of his leaking information came to the attention of authorities at the Base, he was instructed to go back to the store and retract his original story. However, in this case there is more than meets the eye.

There was some talk, during a period of about a week immediately following the Socorro incident, to the effect that the Socorro object had been a secret vehicle belonging to the Air Force. When the information about a UAO landing under the very noses of Range personnel leaked out, there is every reason to believe that Holloman authorities would do just about anything to plant the idea of an Air Force vehicle in the minds of the public. The best way would be just as the Airman did it. He wasn't an officer who could be considered "authoritative," but an Airman who "made a mistake." But—there would be planted in the public mind the possibility that the Airman had seen a new test vehicle which was strange to him, and mistook it for a "UFO." Therefore, when he came back to the store to retract his original story, the recipients might think and logically, that the object was a new test vehicle and that he was sent to cover up his gross error in talking about it.

There is considerable doubt, in view of the performance of the UFOs, that our Air Force could capture one—even on the ground. Zamora's testimony concerning the rapid take-off and ascent of the Socorro object indicates this most graphically. So the story of a captured UFO was obviously a plant or an honest error. If the public could be made to think that the thing was a test vehicle without a direct statement from authoritative sources, then the Socorro object, as well as the reported landing would be discounted by all except the most knowledgeable people, as mistaken identity. Or the Airman may have heard about the landing, saw a closely guarded hangar (not uncommon at Holloman), and leaped to conclusions.

Along with the information about the landing at Holloman came an account, however sketchy, about a guard who came upon a UFO at night, emptied his side arm at it, then hysterically drove pell mell back from the range to Base Headquarters—this at White Sands, south of Holloman. He had to be hospitalized and put under sedation.

Two other Range sightings of UFOs were gathered in the course of the investigation of the landing. On the 15th of May, between 11:30 and 12:15 p.m., Surveillance Radar as well as FPS-16 radars at Stallion Site tracked two objects in the vicinity north of Stallion Site. The UFOs performed "perfect precise flight maneuvers" including side-by-side flight, separating, then rejoining each other in formation and up and down "Pogo" maneuvers.

Visual confirmation was made by a trained radar operator who saw the two objects, described them as brown in color and football shaped. They were flying at very low altitude and disappeared out of sight beyond buildings at the instrumentation site where the radar operator observed them.

Disturbing is the fact that one or both of the objects were alternately responding with the standard FAA recognition signal (sometimes called IFF). To avoid the necessity of having to depend entirely on radar "skin track," i.e., reflection of the radar beam from the plane's surface, there is in use in most military and commercial aircraft a "transponder" system. It operates generally as follows: An "interrogate" signal is transmitted periodically from the tracking ground station. This signal consists of a series of pulses arranged in a particular time sequence or "code." When the "transponder" (a combination receiver and transmitter) receives the correct code it responds by transmitting a code of its own which is displayed at the ground station. This is called a "recognition signal." Either of two frequencies are commonly used, with a different code on each frequency. It was both of these codes that the two football-shaped objects were alternately beaming while in flight on the range north of Stallion Site.

Seven days later, on the 22nd of May, an automatic track was obtained of an unidentified flying object with an exceedingly low speed of up to 2,000 feet per minute (a very slow 25 mph) which came within 3700 yards of one of the Range radar installations. The skies were clear and there was no indication that the objects tracked were any kind of atmospheric phenomena, and certainly not conventional aircraft.

With the advent of the later two sightings, Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzen decided to do a little "fishing." They hoped to gain a little further information on all sightings if possible, but were fully prepared for the possibility of a denial. They gave the press wires a release concerning the landing, the purported captured UFO and the other two sightings at Holloman. The release went out on 24 May, and on the 25th, Sunday, Holloman answered our release with an AP release datelined Holloman. It said that the Air Force confirmed that "a radar unit at Holloman had twice tracked UFOs in the area of White Sands on Friday, and that the report was being investigated. It was suggested that some natural phenomenon such as a dust storm probably was responsible. The release also said that the spokesman could find no basis for a report from an aerial phenomena research group" in Tucson of a visual sighting at Holloman or that an egg-shaped object was under guard in a Holloman hangar. He was probably right. PIOs are not informed about highly classified UFO matters.

So we did learn something—there were two sightings on Friday the 22nd of May instead of one. The "dust storm" explanation doesn't account for the radar contacts either. "The skies were clear," our informant told us. A dust storm, or a "dust devil" as they are called, look like miniature tornadoes and can be seen for [illegible] the smallest and the most [illegible] radar operator who tracked [illegible] on the 22nd, would have [illegible] the track of a dust [illegible]

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30 April 1964
Holloman AFB, N M

UFO LANDS AT AIR FORCE BASE

Holloman AF3 — White Sands Proving Ground Integrated Test Range.

The loudspeaker at Main Control blared these electrifying words: "I've got a UFO." It was April 30, 1964, just six days after Lonnie Zamora spotted the landed object at Socorro.

Upon being questioned, the B-57 pilot replied: "It's egg-shaped and white." "Any markings?" asked Control. "Same as Socorro," the pilot added, "I'm going to make another pass." (ref. to Lonnie Zamora's sighting on 4-24-'64.) Minutes later, the B-57 pilot told Main Control, "It's on the ground."

Then radio communications ceased. Photo crews were asked to stand by.

Rumors circulated that a UFO was in a hangar at Holloman, under heavy guard.

Other unidentified lights had been sighted on the Range, during April, prior to Zamora's sighting. Another involved a guard who ran into a UFO on the ground at night. Hysterical with surprise and fright, he emptied his side arm at the object, then fled, with the UFO seemingly in hot pursuit. He reached Base H.Q. and was so badly shaken, he was hospitalized.

Attempts by the Lorenzen's to verify the rumors have been unsuccessful.

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24 Apr 64
Plymouth, England

Plymouth mystery

From the *Western Morning News*. April 24: "People living in the Milehouse area of Plymouth spotted a bright cylindrical object in the sky moving in a north to south direction late yesterday. The object appeared to break in two before disappearing. The Meteorological Station at R.S.F. Mountbatten could offer no explanation." (Credit to Mr. D. Ward.)

ADDITIONAL REPORTED SIGHTINGS (NOT CASES)

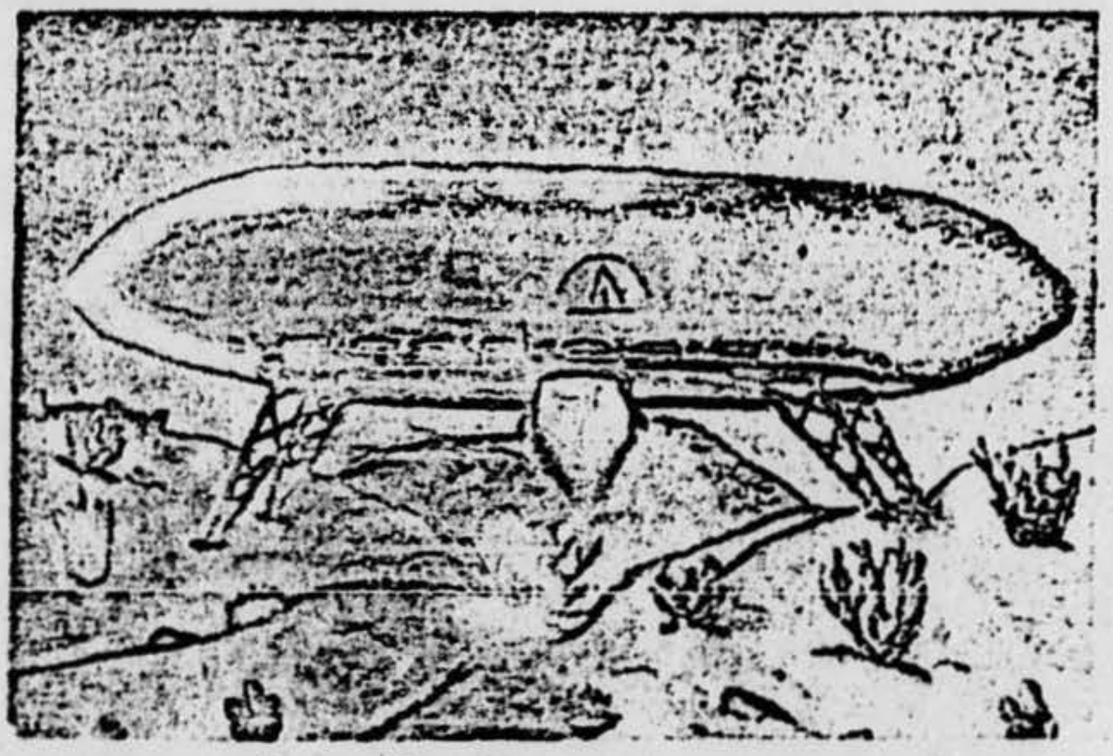
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6	Baton Rouge, La.	Dayton Daily News	
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13	Walthamstow, England	Flyign Saucer Review	
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15	Lyons, France	Flying Saucer Review	
24	Newark Valley, New York	Various	
24	Plymouth, England	Flyign Saucer Review	
25	Dillon, Montana	UFO Reporter	
25	Kent, Ohio	FSIC	
26	Truth or Consequences, N. M.	UFO Reporter	
27	El Paso, Texas	UFO Reporter	
28	Cheyenne, Wyo, Hobbs, N.M.		
	Socorro, New Mexico	UFO Reporter	
28	Northampton Township, Ohio	UFO Reporter	
29	Southampton, England	Flying Saucer Review	
29	Rock Springs, Wyoming	UFO Reporter	
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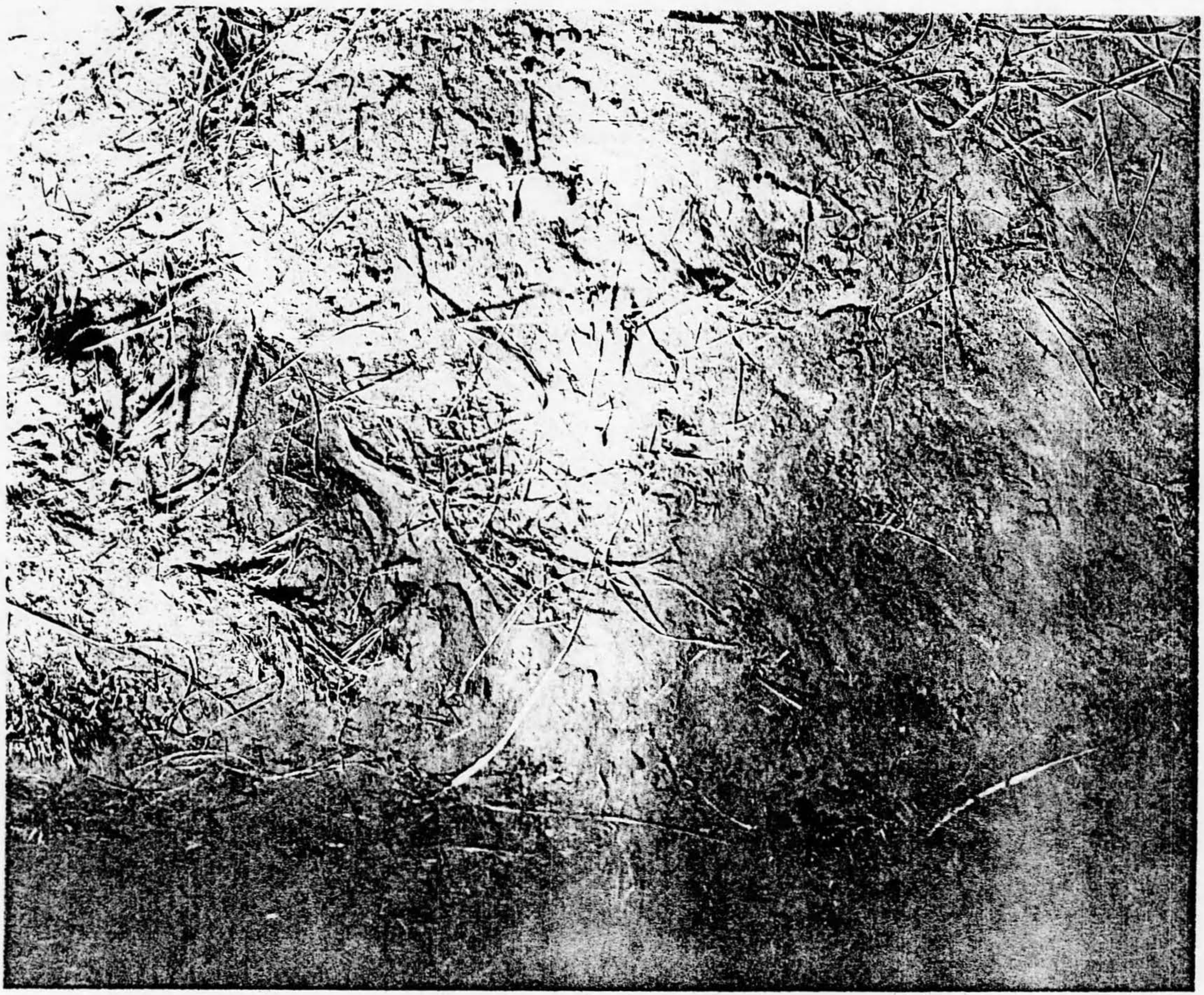
Patrolman Lonnie Zamora



Sgt. Sam Chavez



Drawing No. 1—Artist's Conception of Socorro Object



UAO LANDING IN NEW MEXICO

The Southwest Flap

We are deeply indebted to many people for the information which comprises the following report. We would like to name them so that the members will know the kind of teamwork which made the following report possible:

Arlynn Bruer, Alamogordo Daily News, Terry Clark, KALG Radio, Alamogordo, New Mexico, Sgt. Sam Chavez, New Mexico State Police, as well as numerous contacts who prefer that their identities remain unknown.

This report will consist of the facts of the Zamora sighting, which brought the UFO into sharp focus in the latter part of April, and the day-by-day, blow-by-blow account of the entire investigation, which is as interesting, in some ways, as the sightings themselves.

At 6:50 p.m. on Friday evening, 24 April, 1964, Patrolman Lonnie Zamora of the Socorro, New Mexico City Police, was proceeding south at high speed on South Park Street in pursuit of a speeder. As he drew abreast of the Church of the Buena Pastor (Good Shepherd), his attention was attracted by a loud roaring sound and out of the corner of his eye, to the southwest, he saw a blue flame which disappeared down toward the ground and out of sight. As policemen often must, he thought quickly, made his decision and steered his car off Park St. and onto a faint trail leading off into the gullies southwest of town. He felt he knew the speeding motorist anyway, and his first impression of the roar and the flame was that possibly someone was "fooling around" the dynamite shack which was located in the general direction of the blue flame he had seen.

After Zamora left Park St, the trail led up onto a small mesa, but the mesa was so steep and there was no road as such, that he had to make three runs before his car made the grade, then he drove across the crest and down the other side.

At this point, and for only a few sec-

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onds, the gully to the south of him was visible, and in it, he glimpsed a white object, which, from that distance (450 feet) appeared to be an overturned car (standing on end) with two children or small adults standing by it. The figures were dressed in white clothing which he thought looked like mechanics' raid one of them appeared to turn toward him and seemed startled. Zamora took his mike down and called Chavez, asking for assistance. He asked him to come alone.

Zamora drive his car up and across the next mesa where he stopped it. He then heard two loud metallic banging noises. He got out of his car, but in doing so dislodged his microphone which he automatically picked up and put back in place. He took three steps toward the gully and could see the object down the short slope a little to his left. Suddenly an ear-splitting roar filled the air and the object began to "kick up dust."

Zamora, thoroughly frightened, threw himself on the ground. Looking up, he saw the object was rising, in a slanting trajectory toward the southwest. He got up and ran and bumped into his car, in doing so, his sun glasses dislodged and fell to the ground.

As the object rose, it displayed a blue flame of a particularly brilliant hue wh'ch was three or four times as long as it was wide.

The roar ceased quite suddenly and Zamora stopped in his tracks and looked around. The object was headed southwest, making a high-pitched "whining" sound. It was ascending at a very shallow angle, at approximately 20 feet altitude when it cleared the dynamite shack. Zamora ran to his car and called headqua'ters, asking if anyone there could see anything in the southwest. Unfortunately they didn't, probably because at this time the object was rapidly going out of sight and at such a low altitude that it would not have been visible from town because of trees and buildings. Within minutes, Chavez pulled his patrol car to a stop on the mesa and Zamora hurried toward him.

"Do I look strange?" Zamora asked. Chavez replied, "You look like you've seen the devil."

"Well, maybe I have," Zamora said, and related his experience. The two men then walked to the edge of the gully and looked at the ground where the object had rested. It was still smoking. Several clumps of range grass were burned, as well as a stubby mesquite bush.

There were four 8x12-inch wedge-shaped depressions, 3 to 4 inches deep arranged in an uneven rectangle. There were also four circular depressions about 4½ inches in diameter and approximately 3 inches deep not far from one point of the large indentations.

Chaves put in a call to Captain Holder of Stallion Site who was at his home in Socorro, and to an FBI operative who was in Socorro at the time. Holder and the FBI man came out to the site, took measurements, and the FBI man piled rocks around the indentations to preserve them. Then Zamora and Chavez were questioned extensively. During this activity Chavez searched Zamora's car for any equipment that could have been used to start the fire or to make the indentations. He found none.

After receiving the call from Zamora, Chavez, who had been fingerprinting a prisoner, turned the prisoner over to another officer and got into his car and headed out South Park Street. Later, when the Lorenzens talked to Chavez, he said his car had no difficulty making the grade up the road.

Sgt. Chavez also told the Lorenzens that he had looked into Zamora's car to see if there were any implements of any kind with which the indentations and fire could have been effected. There were not. Mrs. L. asked Chavez why he did that. Chavez admitted that Zamora's story had been so strange, and he followed the regular procedure to establish evidence. He himself had never put any stock in "flying saucer" stories previously.

When queried about Zamora's request to "come alone," Chavez said Zamora felt that he was seeing something unusual and wanted a sympathetic and objective person to verify the object. All questions concerning Zamora's honesty and integrity were met by Chavez with absolute endorsement. He was personally convinced that Zamora experienced what he claimed he did. This was the same general consensus among Zamora's fellow officers and friends. Police Chief Polo Pineda had said, simply, "He's a good man."

After the call from Chavez asking for further directions, and Zamora's call asking if police personel at headquarters could see something in the southwest in the vicinity of the Perlite Mine, Deputy Sheriff James Luckie got into his car and went to the dynamite shack location, arriving just behind Chavez. He also testified as to the smoking condition of the ground and the indentations.

The Investigation

The first word to arrive at APRO h quarters concerning the Socorro si ing came in a telephone call from lynn Bruer of the Alamogordo D News in Alamogordo at 11 a.m. on urday, the 25th. Mr. and Mrs. Loren were just preparing to leave fo jaunt into the desert to collect ocot (a type of lily often called cacti) use in a backyard fence. They had tended to leave much earlier but been delayed. We relate this to sh how much good fortune figured into whole situation. Mr. L. was schedu to play bass with a dance band t night and in order to make the trip to find a substitute which is no e trick that late in the day on Saturd

After hearing from Bruer they cided to go to New Mexico and were layed in starting only by the time quired to find a substitute. They l Tucson at 5 p.m., arrived in Socorro 1 a.m. At 9 a.m. on Sunday morning th were at the Police Department a within 45 minutes were on their w to the UFO landing site in a patrol c with Sgt. Chavez and Chief Pineda. T officers were very cooperative in answe ing any and all questions. After maki their own measurements and taki samples of earth from the burn ground, one indentation, they left ar went back to town with the officer They then called Zamora at home, ar made an appointment for 1:50 p.m. the Dispatcher's office.

Zamora didn't show up until almo 2 p.m. He seemed reluctant to talk, bu Mr. Lorenzen pointed out the questior would take only a very few minute The Lorenzens, Zamora, Deputy She iff Luckie, a reporter from the El De fensor Chieftain went into the Sheriff office and the Lorenzens asked Zamor to recount his experience, which he dic However, he said he hadn't seen an "little men." Mrs. L. pointed out tha he had told the reporters for the firs wire story that he had. He then ad mitted he had, and described them. He said they looked like "young boys" o "small adults," and appeared to be ½ the length of the object's apparent size as visible from the gully.. He had no been able to make out any features o details. He also drew the object as he saw it from 450 feet as he approached the 2nd mesa, and as it looked as he looked down upon it from the mesa af ter he arrived there.

The Lorenzens brought up the question of the markings on the object but

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Zamora said he had been instructed by Intelligence not to talk about them. He also named Captain Holder of the Army contingent at Stallion Site as the individual who asked him not to discuss the markings. He would not give in on this point, so they did not press him as they had already gotten a description of the markings. Zamora also did not say anything about throwing himself to the ground, nor did he mention his request to Chavez for him to come to the site alone. It was felt that Zamora might have felt a little embarrassed about being uneasy when first seeing the object, and his reaction when the object began to take off.

Thus, the interview with Zamora was informative, and Mr. Lorenzen immediately called Captain Holder on the telephone and asked him about his request that Zamora not discuss the markings. Holder said he simply felt that those marks, if kept secret, could help to determine whether or not other future sightings were genuine. The Lorenzens believed him—he seemed to be an intelligent young man attempting to do a good job in the best way he knew, which appeared to have been a good job.

When the sighting was first being checked out by the Lorenzens to determine whether or not it justified a first-hand investigation, Terry Clarke called to tell them that he had called and talked to Zamora and that Zamora had said that the FBI man had cautioned him not to talk about the "little men" to newsmen. This was the only incident during the whole investigation which indicated in any way that there was an attempt at censorship. Later, even after talking to the Lorenzens, Zamora changed his story from "little men" to a "pair of what looked like white coveralls." It is easy to see that he could not have denied the existence of man-shaped white things entirely as he had told the first reporters about them.

One part of the investigation was most interesting and enlightening. When the Lorenzens returned from the landing site, Chavez had to transfer a prisoner before he could talk further, but told them they could use his office and telephone, etc. while he was busy. Within about a half hour the telephone rang and the call was for Chavez. Mr. Lorenzen went down the hall to look for Chavez. Shortly the Sergeant came in and took the call and he and Mrs. L. took up their conversation about the Zamora incident where they had left off. the Air Force should have been on the scene by that time, and Chavez said that as a matter of fact a Major from Kirtland and a Sergeant from "back east" were waiting for him in the hall at that time. Mrs. L. said she didn't want to keep him, and they both went down to the dispatcher's office.

On the way they met Mr. L. talking to an Air Force Sergeant whom he introduced as Sgt. Moody of WADC, and Maj. Connors of the Public Information Office at Kirtland AFB at Albuquerque. They discussed the UFO situation briefly with the Sgt. The Major did not participate.

Moody did not seem to be too familiar with current UFO sightings and Mrs. L. related some of the more spectacular ones, including the Peropava River incident. He seemed to be a little embarrassed. Later, Mrs. Lorenzen, who had not participated in the first part of the discussion, was told about an amusing incident which took place while she chatted with Chavez.

When Mr. L. left Mrs. L. to look for Chavez, he saw the AF men in the hall, stopped and introduced himself to them, not mentioning APRO or his reason for being there. They discussed the Zamora incident and Mr. L. related what he had found out. The Major seemed somewhat discomforted by his very presence there and Moody displayed a rather off-hand smart-alec attitude. Shortly, Moody mentioned a former electrician at White Sands Proving Ground who had claimed "contact" and had written a book, as well as others generally considered to be the "lunatic fringe" of the UFO field. Then Moody said, " . . . and there's a woman who heads a research group out in this area—in Tucson, I believe. Her name is Coral Lorenzen. She's a nut."

Mr. L. said he (Mr. L.) must have looked strange (he was appalled at the absolute cheek and lack of restraint of the man, making disparaging remarks about someone whom he had not met, to a stranger) for Moody said: "Do you know her?"

Mr. Lorenzen said simply, "She's my wife." It was apparent that Moody hadn't caught the name when Mr. L. introduced himself.

Moody began to giggle self-consciously and turned to Major Connors and said, "She's his wife," and then said to Mr. L., "She's sincere." Mr. Lorenzen overlooked the remarks as he was enjoying the AF men's discomfort immensely, and was making valuable observation on the personality characteristics and obvi-

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Remarks . . . .

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just as he pulled up on Mesa 2. Also, the two sets of round indentations are so placed that they could be where a ladder was placed on the ground below a door so the occupants could descend to the ground. The two sets indicate the ladder was placed once, did not set solidly and the position was changed. The shape and size of the round marks indicate that the "feet" of the ladder had a broad base for support.

The incident took place within 300 yards of a heavily traveled road—U.S. 85, which is a main traffic artery between El Paso, Texas and Albuquerque, New Mexico. From the gully itself, only 3 buildings at least ½ to ¾ mile away to the north, were visible. Therefore the location was perfect "cover" for anyone who did not want to be seen. The occupants would be able to detect any approaching traffic.

Two days after the incident, Opal Grinders, a filling station attendant at Socorro, heard about the incident and recalled an incident at his station on the north edge of Socorro which took place "just before 6" (his words) on Friday evening.

A large car pulled in for gas and its driver vehemently announced that "aircraft sure fly low around here." Grinders said, "How's that?" The man said, "a funny looking thing almost took me off the road south of Socorro," and a policeman in a patrol car was headed out into the desert after it at a high rate of speed.

Grinders then informed the customer that Socorro is near the edge of the range and that it was probably just a helicopter. The motorist said "it was the damndest looking helicopter" he'd ever seen, and further stated as that he drove into town he saw another police car headed toward the same area with its red light on and going fast.

The foregoing seems to be an involved tale if not actually a fact. It has the ring of truth and after one speaks to Grinders one realizes that it is.

The driver has not been located but Grinders feels that if the fellow goes through again he'll mention the incident and he (Grinders) will notify APRO. Grinders has no clue to the identity of the man except that he remembered he paid cash for his gas—therefore did not use a credit card and could not be traced in that manner. The station run by Grinders is a big one and has a lot of business so it would have been difficult, after 48 hours, to have determined which customer it was even if he had used a credit card.

The girder-like legs described by Zamora appeared to him to be 2-2½ feet long. The drawing No. 1 accompanying this article was executed by a 14-year-old lawyer's son at Socorro, about which Zamora said it was the closest representation of the object he'd seen. Drawing No. 2 is based on the description given by Zamora. Drawing No. 3 is the object from the front, as seen from 450 feet. Drawing No. 4 is a diagram of the indentations with an outline of the object superimposed so the viewer can visualize the object, its tracks, the position of the round indentations, etc. We also offer a photo of Zamora and Chavez as well as a photograph of one of the tracks.

In reference to those "landing gear" —the tracks reveal that the object came down, gear extended to support it in a level position, and the "humping" of dirt on the outside of the tracks indicate that it was probably mounded a little with the landing, and then displaced when the gear were withdrawn when the object took off.

During the week following the Zamora incident, Socorro was literally overrun with UFO researchers as well as official investigators including Dr. J. Allan Hynek, the Air Force's Astrophysics Consultant. Lincoln La Paz, the famed meteoriticist of Albuquerque, made a statement or two to the press, as usual, and endorsed Zamora's reputation as an honest and reliable man. He had known Zamora for about 15 years. Hynek stated publicly his puzzlement concerning the fact that the Zamora object as well as other objects sighted in the area, were not picked up on radar, despite the fact that the area is literally "infested". with radar.

During TV appearences in Tucson, as well as in newspaper interviews and press releases, Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzen pointed out that under the circumstances it was not at all surprising that the object was not confirmed by radar. For one thing, the radars at WSPG Rrange are closed down by 5—no missions were being carried out beyond 5 that day. The incident took place at about 5:50 p.m. Holder, who is the Army Officer in charge of Stallion Site Instrumentation Station, was off duty and at home when he was called by Chavez.

Even if the radars at Stallian Site, the nearest range station, had been functioning they would not have been able to pick up an object flying at such low altitude. The same reason accounts for a lack of radar confirmation by Albuquerque, Holloman and WSPQ s veillance radar.

The location and depth of the fo tracks indicate that a fairly heavy ject landed in that gully at Socorro, a that it was equipped with self-leveli landing gear of some kind. The terr where it sat was very uneven and t location of the tracks seems to in cate that the gear on the "low" side h to reach further to touch ground th the gear touching the higher terra

The condition of the ground and ve tation suggested the presence of h which burned brush from the *top do* Mr. Lorenzen has described a possil type of propulsion, the gist of whi was published with Mrs. Lorenzen's ticle in the August issue of FATE m azine:

"Dr. J. Alan Hynek, head of the I partment of Astronomy at Northweste University, who was on the scene for Air Force-sponsored inspection, voic the opinion that there was no eviden at the site for a thrust powerful enou to lift a vehicle of the size Zamora ported. This statement, of course, based on our knowledge of conventio rocketry. However, we cannot dism Zamora's story simply because the ph omenon described is beyond the range our technology. I believe it lies with the range of physical theory.

"We are accustomed to achieve rock lift by exhausting voluminous masses gas, a product of combusted fuel, at re tively low acceleration. Newton's laws reaction, however, tell us that the sa effect could be achieved by exhausti a small amount of gas at considera greater speeds. Also if this speed a proached the speed of light we mig be able to take advantage of the crease in mass predicted by Einste The process here hypothesized could expected to produce a high degree ionization, the characteristic brillia blue glow of plasma, a high level of ra iant heat and, sinc eonly a small volu of matter would be ejected, turbulen might be rather minimal.

"One further point: it appears th the type of power plant just descrip was used only to elevate the craft to moderate altitude above the terrain. appears that this power then was switc ed off in favor of some sort of "fie drive. Why?"

"Aime Michel's "Flying Saucers a the Straight Line Mystery" told of land UFOs (in France in 1954) which we with them on takeoff. It was said th reported to carry a good deal of ear

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this soil appeared to "fall upward" leaving gaping holes in the ground. Michel theorized that a field which imparted negative weight to the UFO had done the same to the nearby earth.

"Perhaps the auxiliary power, apparnetly used by the craft in Socorro, has been added to overcome this nuisance." unquote.

When the object took off it did not ascend vertically, but slightly in the S-SW direction as well as up until is was above the top of Mesa 2, then the flame went out and the object began a slow, shallow ascent, just clearing the top of the dynamite shack, increasing speed as it flew into the SW at low altitude. It disappeared in the sky above the Black Range, southwest of Socorro.

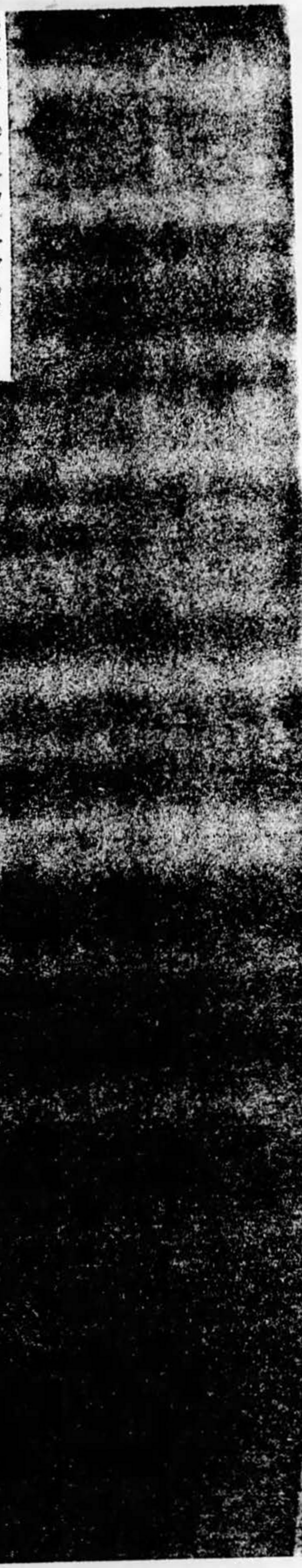
Everything considered, the Zamora sigthing is without a doubt one of the best detailed sightings APRO has ever investigated—the lack of real cooperation notwithstanding. Other sightings which took place within a few days of the sighting, although not as detailed seem to indicate that a generally egg-shaped whitish object or objects were operating in western New Mexico for several days. What the operation actually consisted of is a matter of speculation but ensuing events lead one to a rather sobering hypothesis. See the July issue for more on this.

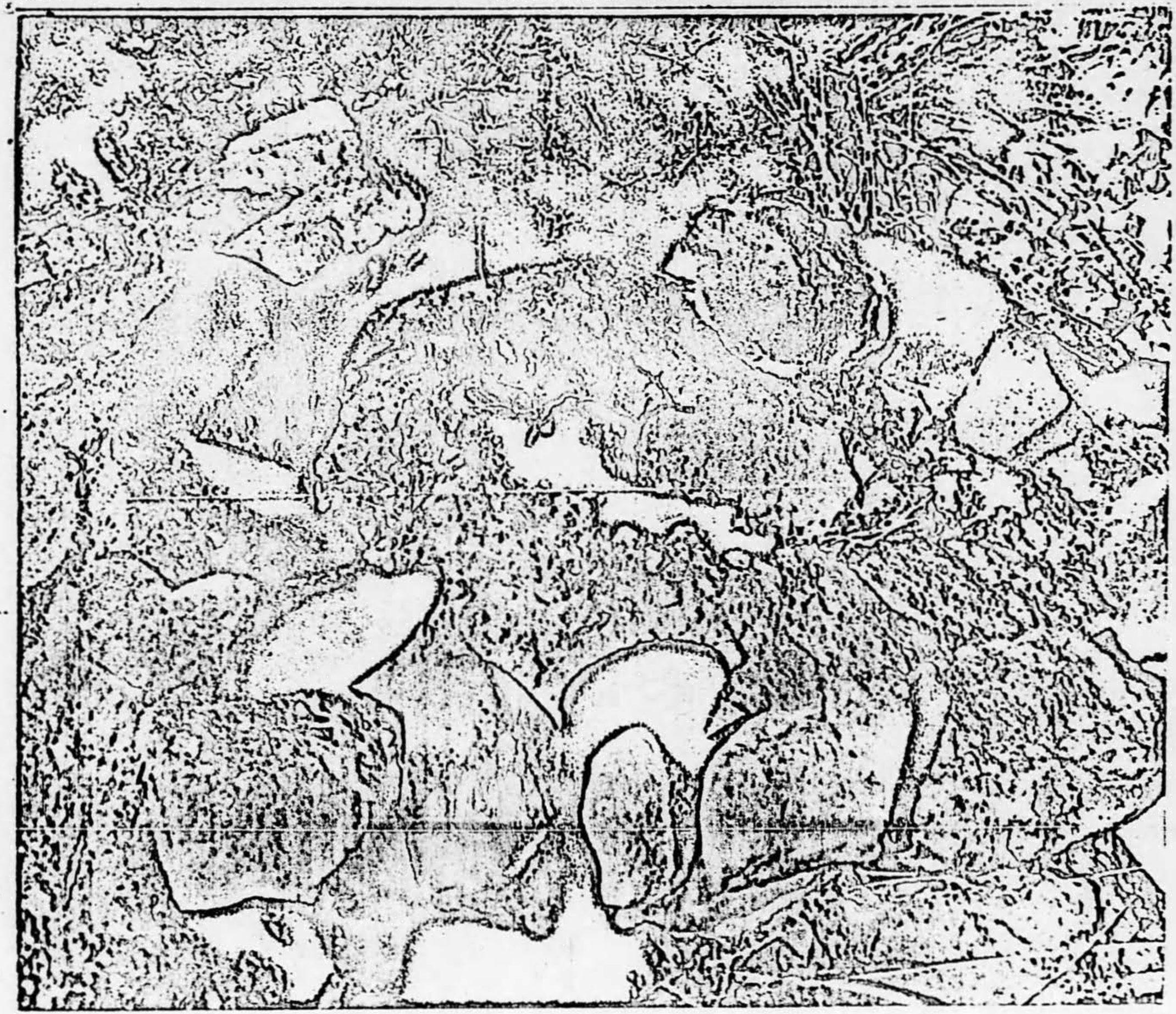
During the Lorenzens' last visit to Socorro, they were greeted with friendly ethusiasm by the personnel at police headquarters. Some of the observations made by Chavez was that J. Alan Hynek had spoken highly of Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzen and APRO, and that of all the people who visited there, Hynek and the Lorenzens were the most appreciated and liked. Chavez mentioned one researcher who showed up during the week following Zamora's experience, and seemed to be one of those enthusiasts who does a good job of undercutting any civilian research by his wild claims. This one said that he could go out into the desert any time and see a UFO at will—apparently they have an affinity for him—or something of that odd sort.

Just another couple of interesting sidelights: During the conversation with Moody, he admitted to Mrs. Lorenzen that "you (APRO) get more reports than we (the USAF project at Wright-Patterson) do." We interpret this in the light of our contention that the Air Force is conducting the public relations phase of the UFO effort. And, further, we civlian researchers have been sadly mistaken about our "adversary" for far too long. More about this in our next issue.

Moody also said that the Air Force handled only two hoaxes in 1963 — comprising 5% of the total cases investigated. This means a total of only 40 cases investigated in 1963. Whether or not this was the truth or not is debatable of course, but inasmuch as they are carrying on a public relations effort, 40 is about par for the course, in our opinion.

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Phontograph of Track of UFO Made By Sgt. Sam Chavez

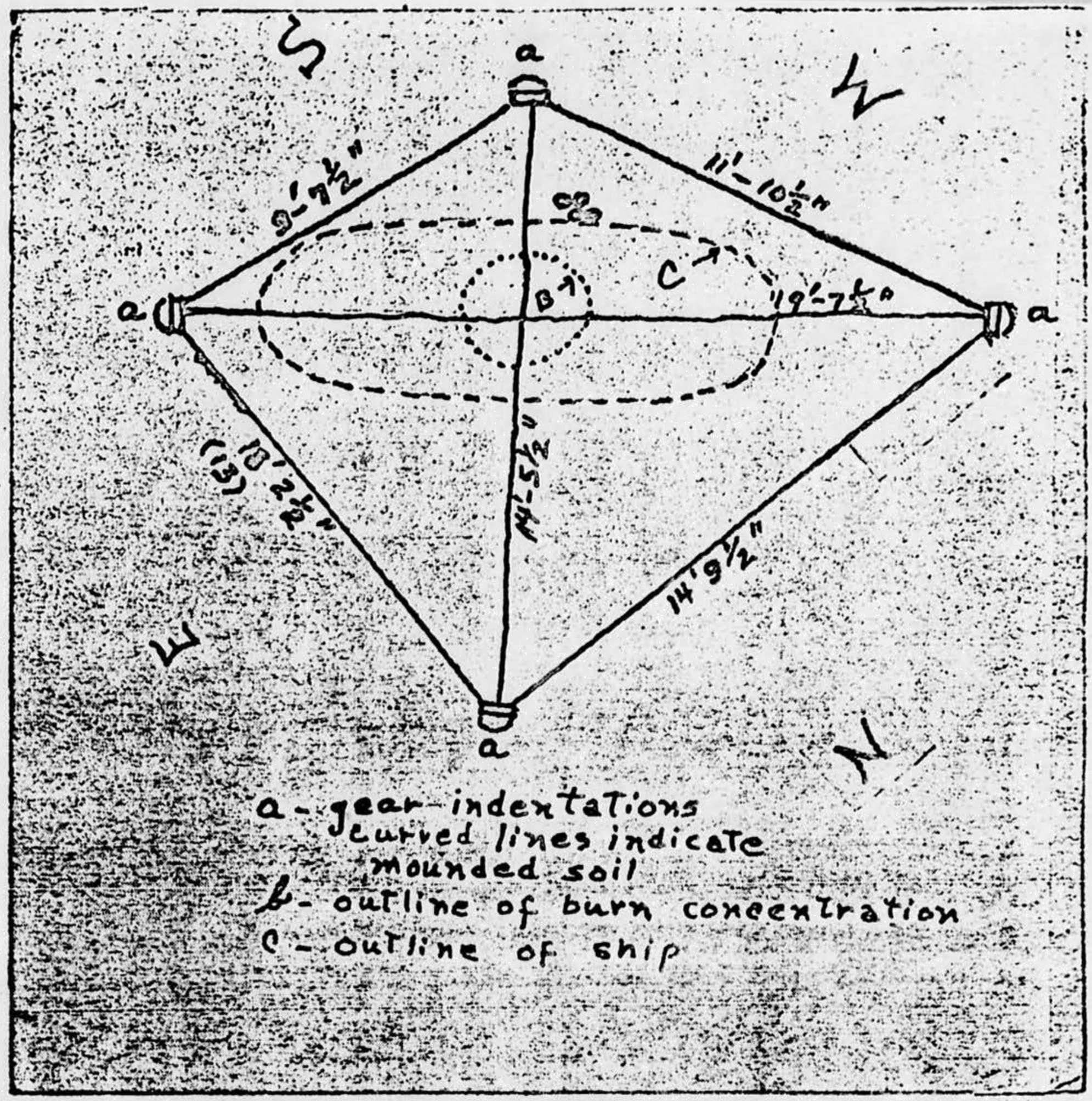


Diagram of Indentations Left By UAO at Socorro

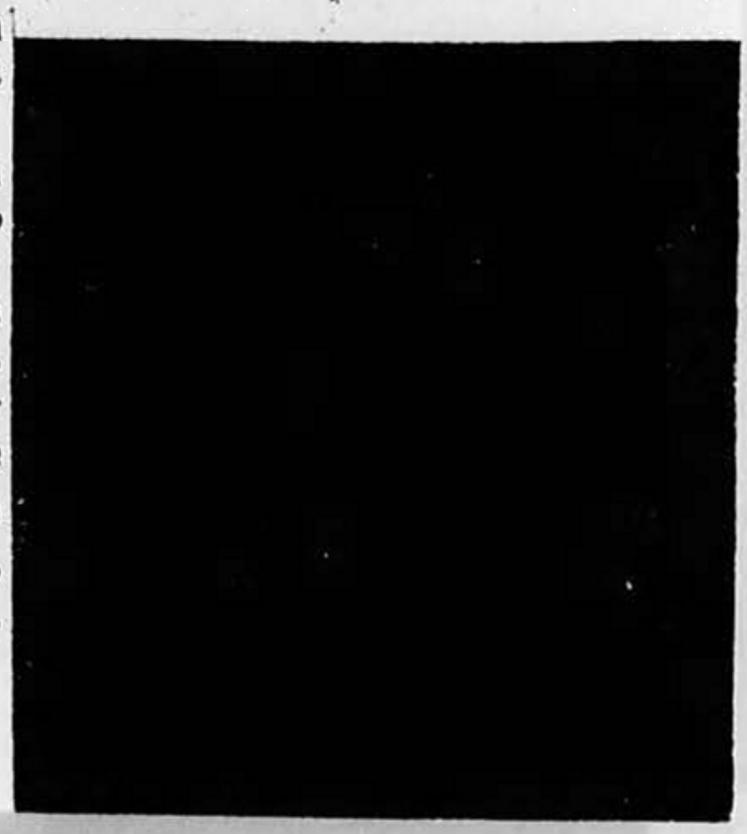
Objects Seen, Socorro—1963

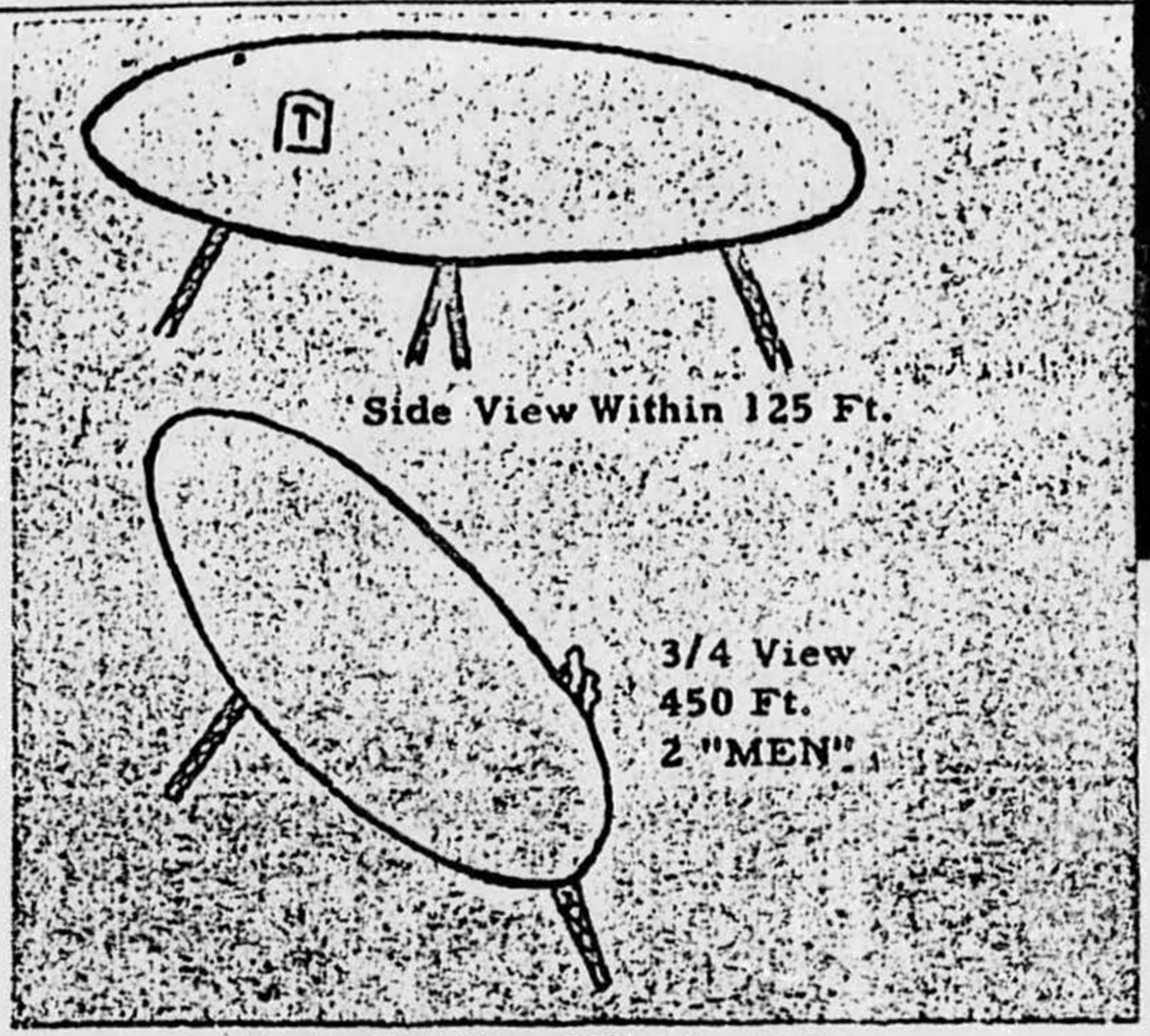
The 1964 spring UFO flap in western New Mexico unearthed the following information about two 1963 summer sightings.

At about 9 p.m. on a summer night in 1963 (no exact date), Mr. and Mrs. John H. Cardwell of Luis Lopez (south of Socorro) noticed a brightly-lighted object through their picture window on the east. The Cardwells and their three children stepped outside to get a better view of the object as it moved slowly eastward. It brightened and dimmed alternately as it moved eastward, rose and cleared the mountains which, at that point, are 6 miles directly north of Stallion Site on the White Sands-Holloman Integrated Range. The object appeared to be about 1 mile distant when first sighted.

One month later (still no date) Mrs. Cardwell mentioned the sighting to her mother-in-law, Mrs. Olen Cardwell at Polvadera and learned that she had seen a similar object about a month after the J. C. Cardwell sighting, but at about 10 p.m.

The Olen Cardwells had retired, when they noticed the kitchen (which is two rooms and 30 feet from the bedroom) was brightly lighted. Investigation proved the kitchen light was not on. Looking out the window she saw a brilliantly lighted object about ¼ mile away. It appeared close to the earth and moving slowly in a half-moon arc, brightening and dimming alternately. In about 10 minutes the object d peared over the mountains to the Mrs. J. Cardwell theorized the arc motion might account for the brigl ing and dimming effect of the obje it corresponded to the movement.





Front and Side View of Object Seen By Zamora



1. Zamora's position at 450 feet whe first spotted the landed UFO.
2. Where Zamora parked on top of to look across and down at UFO.
3. Dynamite shack.
4. The object.
   a. Mess 1
   b. Mess 2
   c. Mess 3

Huge Light Buzzed Car In New Mexico

Two days before the Zamora sighting in Socorro, New Mexico, Tucsonan Mrs. Marie Morrow and a friend, Ruth Ovelette and Mrs. Morrow's 6-year-old son, were driving west about 10-15 miles east of Lordsburg, New Mexico, headed for Tucson. It was about 9 p.m. when the boy called from the back seat and told his mother "one of those jet planes" was coming toward them. He was looking out the back window toward the east. Shortly the ground around the highway, including the hills on each side, were lit up "as bright as day." The inside of the car was lighted also, and everything, including its occupants, took on a weird, bluish color.

As the object went over, Mrs. Morrow hit the brakes and swerved the car to the right side of the road. The object looked like a round, huge light, made up of many lens-like lights and did not appear to be attached to anything. As it passed to the front, it appeared to be about 10 feet, at the most, above the top of Mrs. Morrow's car, and several feet wider. It made a whining, whirring sound, and was as bright as the light from a welder's torch.

Mrs. Morrow and Mrs. Ovelette said the object then gained altitude, continued on down the highway and veered north, disappearing quickly. The duration of the sighting was between two and three minutes.

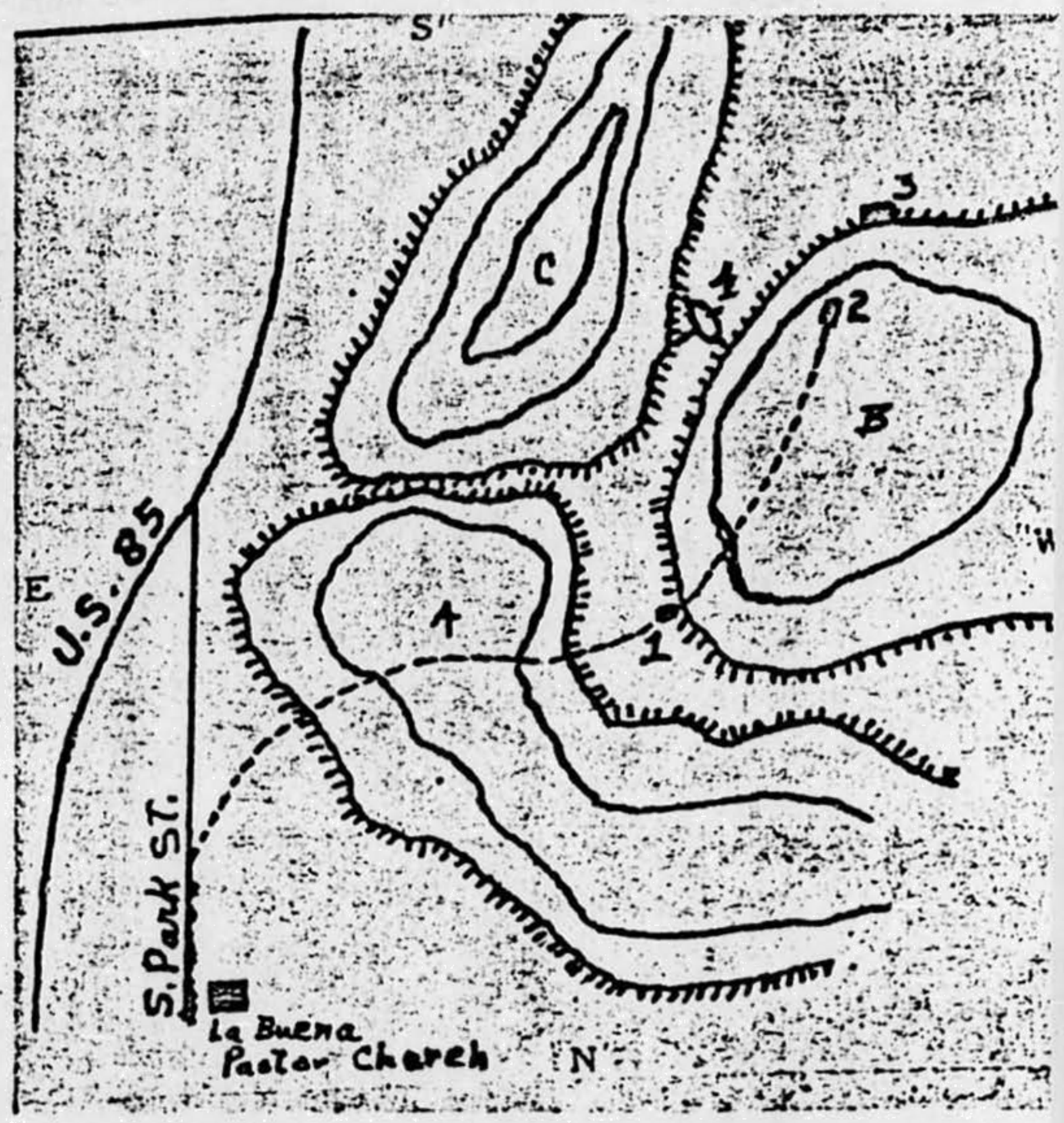


Diagram of Landing Area

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THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE CHANGES ITS TUNE

A remarkable admission

READERS of the London *Evening Standard* on April 30 must have been surprised to read a headline which informed them: "Flying saucers: They're no threat, U.S. verdict." Even those who were quite confident that the saucers had been well and truly buried a number of times over must have paused momentarily. If they then read the report that followed they must have been even more puzzled. The report is worth quoting in full:

"The United States air force says it has investigated more than 8,000 reported unidentified objects (UFOs) in 16 years 'and has yet to discover evidence that they respresent a threat to U.S. security.

"Probes of such sightings back to 1947 have failed to turn up any evidence that 'UFOs' are 'alien interplanetary space vehicles under some form of intelligent control'.

"This report was given as the Air Force looked into a new epidemic of strange sightings over New Mexico.

"One of the Air Force's leading civilian consultants on UFOs has gone to Socorro, New Mexico, to investigate the latest reports.

"He is Dr. J. Allen Hynek, director of the Dearborn Observatory at North-Western University.

"The latest report on Project Bluebook, the congressionally ordered air force study of UFOs, shows that in a 16-year study, 7.7 per cent of the 8,128 reported cases have remained unidentified.

"George Mitropolis, of Alburquerque, New Mexico, was emphatic about both seeing and hearing an unidentified flying object last week-end and he was not alone.

"The week-end reports also included: Policeman Lonnie Zamora reported seeing an egg-shaped flying object near Socoroo. It hovered at 20 ft., then flew away.

"Orlando Galleges, 35, of Santa Fé, saw a similar craft north of La Madera. Two motorists said such an object swooped down towards their car in the Espanola area.

"State police and military officials are checking.

"The reports were similar in that they described oval or egg-shaped objects.

"State police and military officials have confirmed finding scorched earth at the sites, and wedge-shaped depressions that appear to have been left by some type of landing gear.

"Said one eye-witness, 'I wasn't just seeing things because I stopped the car. This thing was glowing like it was luminous'."

Those who have studied the subject of UFOs should be able to make sense of the matter because they are able to start with the correct premise, namely that the saucers *do* exist. What the report is saying then becomes quite clear. It is, in fact, the first admission made by American officialdom that there are such things as flying saucers. Mirages, hoaxes, etc., cannot in themselves constitute a threat and there would be no need to word the report in this way: all that need have been said is that the UFOs do not exist.

The average has risen

The first question that must be put is why it was thought necessary to return to a subject that might have been thought to have been killed by the earlier report issued as recently as 1962 when the percentage of "unidentifieds" had been whittled down to 2.05. The average over the years, it now seems, is over three times that figure and stands at 7.7. As the U.S. Air Force has admitted to a total of more than 8,000 in 16 years, they are now saying that they have more than 600 inexplicables on their hands. Knowing the methods of the Air Force on both sides of the Atlantic this is a remarkably high figure, for the 600 sightings must have been truly sensational to have withstood the weather balloon, Venus, natural phenomena, etc., treatment.

The sighting details that follow probably explain why it was necessary to issue the report at all. It would appear that certain areas of the United States have been subjected to such a wave of sightings that it was impossible to keep silent any longer. Furthermore, landings with attendant residual evidence proved too difficult to explain away.

Immediately the decision to inform the public was made an insurance against public panic was written in. Americans were to be consoled with the thought that the UFOs threatened nobody: it may indeed have crossed the mind of authority that if it

was admitted that they were real, the public might accuse Russia. In that case it was necessary to drop the hint that they could be inter-planetary, though the report hastened to add that the Air Force had gathered no evidence that they were. Any sceptic could read exactly what he wanted to read into this remarkable statement, but if he had any reasoning powers at all he must have realised that the United States Air Force had admitted that the UFOs, whatever they were, were real. Indeed, the statement as reported in the *Evening Standard* might easily, but for one or two qualifications, represent the views of the FLYING SAUCER REVIEW. The inter-planetary nature of the saucers is a hypothesis but it is one that has stood the test of time better than any other. While the REVIEW has evidence that they are interplanetary it has no absolute proof.

The occurrence which led to the sensational U.S. Air Force admission was reported in a number of American newspapers and the following account is taken from the local Las Cruces *Sun-News* for April 26:

"A report by a Socorro policeman that he saw an egg-shaped flying object land near here has the FBI and military authorities interested.

"Officer Lonnie Zamora said he not only saw the object but also saw two occupants who alighted after it landed about one mile southwest of Socorro in a draw Friday.

"State Police Sgt. Sam Chavez said he received a call from the Pentagon and the caller indicated the site would be inspected by someone from Washington.

"As Officer Zamora tells his experience: While in his patrol car about 5.50 p.m. he heard what he thought was an explosion in the area where a dynamite shack is located. He drove to within 150 yards of the draw where he spotted what appeared to be an overturned car. Moving closer he saw two figures in white moving about outside the vehicle.

One looked directly at him. As Zamora moved closer he lost sight of the object behind a hill.

"He continued driving to the draw and parked. He walked to within 200 feet of the object and again heard a roar. Taking cover behind his car Zamora saw the object, a brilliant white metal, rise and hover about 20 feet off the ground. It then flew off to the east, rising gradually.

" 'I was scared,' said Zamora, when he heard the deep roar. 'I thought it was going to blow up'.

"Zamora said he called Sgt. Chevaz on his car radio. Chavez joined him and both approached the site of the apparent landing. They found scorched ground and burned weeds.

"They also found four 4–5-inch depressions in the ground which apparently had supported a heavy object.

"Chavez said the impressions were irregularly spaced with the distance between them varying from about nine feet to 15 feet. He estimated the length of the object at about 15 feet from the position of what apparently were landing gear legs.

"Zamora said men who identified themselves as from Army intelligence at White Sands Missile Range took samples of the soil.

" 'Something definitely landed there,' Chavez said.

"Zamora was described as a man not given to imagining things.

"Beside the landing gear marks, Zamora said he found what appeared to be two round prints like heel marks. Another man who visited the site described the marks as looking like mountain lion pad marks.

"An FBI agent visited the spot Saturday."

The *Las Cruces Sun-News* on April 27 returned to the subject in its next issue and we append the following report from its issue of that date:

"The unidentified flying object report from Socorro Friday has been followed by two more reported unidentified sightings.

"Socorro policeman Bill Pyland said a girl, who didn't give her name, reported a fire in the hilly area one mile southwest of Socorro Sunday night.

"Officer Lonnie Zamora, while patrolling in his car late Friday afternoon, said he saw an egg-shaped object in a draw. When he approached, he said, the object—flew away.

"Pyland said the girl, about 18, said she was from 300 to 500 feet from the fire and she thought there was something in the flames.

"Pyland said men searched the area described by the girl but found nothing. He said officers would visit the area in daylight, noting it would be difficult to find any exact spot at night in the brushy desert, terrain surrounding Socoroo.

"Representatives of the military and other officers who visited the spot where Zamora saw the object land found burned brush and scorched earth. They also found four impressions in the earth, which appeared to have been left by landing gear."

"A motorist who identified himself to Pyland as George Mitropolis of Albuquerque, said that while driving north from El Paso on Sunday he saw a 'silver looking object go up, over a mountain, and down' out of sight near Caballo Reservoir. He said he was near the junction of U.S. 85 and New Mexico 180 and the object appeared to be about a quarter of a mile to the east. He said it looked like 'an upside-down bathtub' about 30 feet in diameter. It had no lights he said." (Credit to Mrs. Geraldine Tillett, Mr. Edward J. Kerr, Mr. A. J. Van Cleave and many others.)



NEW MEXICAN PATROLMAN REPORTS MYSTERIOUS EGG-SHAPED OBJECT

Socorro, New Mexico, April 24 - Your Editor was busily engaged answering telephone calls from avid listeners over at WBSM-AM in New Bedford, Massachusetts, when policeman Lonnie Zamora inadvertently initiated the largest saucer flap UFO investigators have confronted since 1957.

Patrolman Zamora was driving along Park Street, where he had commenced pursuit of a speeding automobile that had passed several blocks ahead of him. All of a sudden, he heard what he later described as a roar or explosion, which he first presumed to be originating at a nearby building in which explosives were stored.

Ignoring the speeding vehicle, he travelled upon a very rough dirt road en route to the building from which the explosion had evidently emanated. Arriving near the top of a mesa overlooking a gully, he had his first glance at the source of the strange noise that had attracted his attention. His first impression was that he was facing an overturned car.

There is considerable discrepancy as to what precisely occured next. According to one account, Zamora is alleged to have seen two persons dressed in white coveralls with their backs to him, near the vicinity of the vehicle before him. He described their appearance as small and "childlike," in the manner of the frequently reported "little men" cases that have, for years, perplexed serious UFO students. At this point, one of the creatures turned his head and looked straight at Zamora; however, the officer evidently could not discern his facial characteristics.



PATROLMAN LONNIE ZAMORA

Another report denies the presence of figures near the craft; but, asserts that some artifact, resembling a pair of coveralls, was actually seen. Zamora has yet to confirm or deny either report.

Zamora soon left his car and began to approach the object. At this point, no men or mysterious apparrel were visible. The

object was egg-shaped, approximately 30 feet in diameter, with two protrusions beneath immediately visible to the startled observer; apparently a form of landing gear. It later developed that the object had, in truth, four of these girder-like legs.

Unexpectedly, Zamora heard a tremendous roar or blast similar to the noise that first drew his attention to the mysterious craft that now lay before him. The UFO was spreading dust about its circumference, and was surrounded by flames.

Zamora believed the object about to explode, and dropped to the ground, losing his glasses in the process, and covered his face with his arm for protection.

No explosion occured, and Zamora therefore raised his head slightly. The UFO commenced to rise upward for an estimated 20 feet, bringing it to about the level of the officer's patrol car now parked atop the mesa. He noted some mysterious forms of red lettering indelibly etched on the side of the craft, which he began to sketch.

The object maintained its altitude until passing beyond the munitions building, travelling due west for about 2 miles. It then gained altitude with great velocity, and soon became a mere speck in the sky, finally disappearing from view.

Zamora described a sharp whining sound following the roar that preceded the object's take-off. As the craft rose, the noise diminished. No jet-trail was discerned.

Immediately after the object had zoomed away, he radioed the sheriff's office. State Police Sgt. Sam Chavez, State Policeman Ted Jordan, and Undersheriff Hanes Luckie, arrived soon thereafter in response.

Chavez and Luckie reported burned clumps of green grass and greasewood bushes where the object had lain, which were still smoldering upon their arrival. They appeared to have been seared simultaneously by an immensely hot flame.

The officers had circled with stone the four locations where the craft's landing gear had touched the Earth. On a subsequent inspection of the scene, they ascertained the holes to be shallow, about a foot long, by six inches wide. They did not appear to have been made by an object striking the ground with great force; but, rather, had the characteristics of an object of considerable bulk having settled to the earth at a slow speed, remaining stationary upon touching the ground.

The two legs of the UFO immediately visible to Zamora were estimated at 2½ feet in length. There was a seperation of about 12 feet from one hole to the next upon one side, and fifteen feet between the two on the other side. Two circular depressions of four or five inches in diameter were also reported. They were not indicative of any known type of footprints.

In trying to glean an accurate account of the strange figures or lettering that Zamora reported engraved upon the side of the UFO, several contradictory reports have emerged. One account described them as reddish in color, and, apparently quoting Zamora, "made no sense." Another unconfirmed report asserted that the markings were in the form of an inverted "V" with three cross bars. The Air Force described them as being about 1 to 1½ feet in height, shaped like a crescent with a vertical arrow and a horizontal line beneath.

The Air Force's only published report concerning the Zamora sighting deliniates weather conditions as satisfactory, with no meteorological activity or thunderstorms having been reported. The sky was windy but clear. Also included in their summary was the statement that the Air Force had secured samples of the scorched earth for analysis. In terms of excessive radiation level and the presence of any foreign materials, the report was negative.

Dr. J. Allen Hynek, chairman of the Department of Astronomy of Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, and special consultant to Air Force Project Blue Book, and Sergeant David Moody, an investigator for the project, arrived five days following the sighting. Hynek conversed with Zamora and others at length, and when inspecting the site, reported it to have been so trampled by the idly curious as to be of little scientific value.

Hynek stated that the object was not reported on radar, so far as he has been able to determine. Major William Conner of Kirtland Air Force Base, Albuquerque, confirmed this statement. The Air Force,

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moreover, has been unable to ascribe the sighting to conventional aircraft, nor could it have been any top-secret experimental device. It is interesting to note that a low-flying object could easily have eluded radar detection.

In commenting upon the sighting, Hynek said: "...This is one of the clearest; no, that's not the right word; just say it is one of the soundest, best substantiated reports as far as it goes.

"Usually one finds many contradictions or ommissions in these reports; but, Mr. Zamora's story is simply told; certainly told without any intention to perpetrate a hoax. The story, of course, was told by a man who obviously was frightened badly by what he did see. He certainly must have seen something."

Zamora's reliability as a witness was further supported by Dr. Lincoln LaPaz, of the University of New Mexico, who has attained an international reputation in tracing down reports on fireballs or meteorites. He stated: "...I do want to say that I have had contacts with Mr. Zamora for 16 years in my work and he is a thoroughly dependable observer."

Apparently confirming the Zamora sighting was a report given by Opal Grinder, manager of Whiting Brother's Service Station, located on U.S. 85, north of Socorro, who stated that an unidentified tourist, travelling northward on 85, allegedly observed a strange aircraft that flew above his car. It appeared to have flown in the direction of the gully, where it evidently soon landed. The tourist also claimed to have seen a police car travelling up the hill, apparently Zamora's. Unfortunately, the purported witness has yet to come forth, nor has he been located. No further corroberation of the report is available.

Further details will appear in The UFO REPORTER as they are received.

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REMARKS

Attached is an extract from the October 64 issue of FATE magazine. Hope this won't confuse you too much.

[redacted]

FROM
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MDF

DATE
2 Oct 64

PHONE
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Replaces DD Form 94, 1 Feb 50 and DD Form 95, 1 Feb 50 which will be used until exhausted.

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UFO Lands at AIR FORCE BASE

The jet pilot reported a UFO "on the ground." Camera crews were told to stand by—then security clamped down.

By Coral Lorenzen

THE LOUDSPEAKER at Main Control on the Holloman Air Force Base-White Sands Proving Ground Integrated Test Range suddenly blared these electrifying words: "I've got a UFO."

It was Thursday, April 30, 1964. A lone B-57 was flying a routine mission in the vicinity of Stallion Site, a few miles east of San Antonio, N. Mex., on the north range. The pilot had called Main Control and said: "I'm not alone up here."

Control called for an explanation and the pilot replied: "I've got a UFO."

The controller then asked: "What does it look like?"

The B-57 pilot replied: "It's egg-shaped and white."

"Any markings?" asked control.

"Same as Socorro," the pilot said and then added, "I'm going to make another pass."

Minutes later, after the big jet had made its turn and come in over the area where the UFO was first seen, the pilot contacted Main Control again and reported: "It's on the ground."

Then radio communications ceased. Photo crews were asked to stand by.

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MAIN CONTROL is a huge building topped with automatic and manual tracking devices and radar antenna, completely removed from the main base at Holloman. Inside, the Mission Controller as well as a host of other per-

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sonnel keep in constant contact with instrumentation installations throughout the whole range and co-ordinate the efforts of planes, missiles, radars, and theodolites in order to keep track of the progress of the various experimental tests being carried out at Holloman and White Sands.

Shortly after I received my first tip on the above information I called Terry Clarke of KALG Radio in Alamogordo, nine miles east of Holloman AFB. I asked him what he knew about the UFO landing on the Holloman Range in April. He said his information source had monitored the range radio communications that day and his information was almost exactly what I have stated. He also said he'd heard of another sighting and there was a rumor that a UFO was in a hangar at Holloman, under heavy guard.

I contacted Arlynn Bruer of the Alamogordo *Daily News* to find he had sketchy knowledge of the sighting but had heard the rumor about the purported hangared UFO.

Next I went through the files dealing with the New Mexico sightings of April and May. One contact informed me that unidentified lights had been sighted on the Range during April, prior to the historic Zamora incident; another bit of information involved a guard who had come upon a UFO on the range at night. Hysterical with surprise and fright he emptied his side arm at the object, then fled, with the UFO seemingly in hot pursuit. When he finally reached Base Headquarters, our informant said, he had "flipped his lid" and required sedation and hospitalization.

I immediately made queries concerning the landing and any other incidents related to the Holloman Range landing. We learned of two other UFO incidents on the Range during the month of May. There is no doubt in my mind concerning the accuracy and reliability of the information we gathered. Separate informants who have been reliable in the past gave us the information we needed to verify the initial facts. I do not hesitate to relate it here for, at the time, there was no indication of classification and the incidents were discussed quite freely both in White Sands and Holloman.

The singular fact about the landing, which took place on the Range extension between Socorro and Albuquerque, was that a digital track recording was obtained during the presence of the object. A digital track recording is a tape recording automatically generated simultaneously with the tracking operation which contains the elevation, azimuth and range of the

Do You Recognize This Symbol?



HAVE YOU ever seen it before? Does it strike a responsive chord anywhere in your mind?

It is an artist's drawing based on a sketch by Socorro, N.M., Police Officer Lonnie Zamora after he allegedly saw the symbol on the side of the UFO he reported from Socorro.

If you have not seen this symbol reprinted before it is because Air Force officers asked that it not be published. They were not placing it under a military security classification but wanted to see if other UFO reports from the New Mexico area would describe a similar symbol. As far as we know, none did.

Now that the Air Force's reason for not releasing the drawing is over, FATE is pleased to reproduce it for you. The official Air Force release on the Zamora sighting paraphrased Zamora's description of the symbol as follows:

(As the UFO was taking off) . . . "he noted a design on the object which he described as markings in red about 1½ feet in height, shaped like a crescent with a vertical arrow and horizontal line underneath . . ."

The drawing above is what he saw.

target during the time it is tracked by radar.

On May 15, between 11:30 A.M. and 12:15 P.M., Surveillance Radar as well as FPS-16 radars at Stallion Site, tracked two objects in the area north of Stallion Site. The UFOs performed "perfect, precise flight maneuvers", including side-by-side flight, separating, then rejoining each other in formation and up and down (Pogo) maneuvers.

Visual confirmation was made by a trained radar operator who saw the two objects, described them as brown and football shaped. They were flying at low altitude and disappeared beyond buildings at the instrumentation side where the radar operator observed them.

Probably the most disturbing information relating to this sighting was that one or both of the objects were responding alternately with the standard FAA recognition signal (sometimes called IFF).

To avoid the necessity of having to depend entirely on radar "skin track", i.e., reflection of radar beam from the plane's surface, there is in use in most military and commercial aircraft a "transponder" system. An "interrogate" signal is transmitted periodically from the tracking ground station. This signal consists of a series of pulses arranged in a particular time sequence or "code". When the "transponder" (a combination receiver and transmitter) receives the correct code it responds by transmitting a code of its own which is received at the ground station. This is called a "recognition signal." Either of two frequencies commonly are used, with a different code on each frequency. It was one of these codes that the two football-shaped objects were beaming alternately while in flight on the Range north of Stallion Site.

Exactly seven days later, on May 22, an automatic track was obtained of an unidentified flying object with an exceedingly low speed of up to 2000 feet per minute (a very slow 25 mph) which came within 3700 yards of one of the Range radar installations. The skies were clear and there was no indication that the objects tracked were any kind of atmospheric phenomenon, and certainly they were not conventional aircraft.

After collating all the information Mr. Lorenzen and I decided to give a press release. We had a special purpose in mind—to get further information on all sightings. Our release was given to the press wires on Saturday, May 24.

On Sunday, May 25, Holloman "answered" our release with an AP release, datelined Holloman. It said that the Air Force confirmed that "a radar unit" at Holloman twice had tracked UFOs in the area of

White Sands on the preceding Friday, and that the report was being investigated; it suggested that some natural phenomenon such as a dust storm probably was responsible; the spokesman could find no basis for a report from an "aerial phenomena research group" in Tucson of a visual sighting at Holloman or that an egg-shaped object was under guard in a Holloman hangar.

We did learn something—there had been two separate sightings on Friday, May 22, instead of one.

Unless there was another landing the "captured" UFO would be the one involved in the April 30 landing, which would mean a motorized ground patrol must have come upon the UFO while its occupants were some distance from it and prevented their re-entering the craft. I do not know of any UFO landing incident in which the occupants ever got very far away from their craft, and the Zamora landing demonstrates their amazing speed and ability to escape close observation. Also, the size and amount of noise of a B-57 make it impossible to believe the occupants of the April 30 UFO were unaware of its presence. It is difficult to put any credence in the rumor of the "captured" object in a hangar at Holloman and remain objective. All of my sources trace back to a single airman who spoke of the object in a shop in Alamogordo. It does seem that inasmuch as our contacts could find no further corroboration, as they did find for the incidents of April 30 and May 15 and 20, that the fellow was either making a bid for attention and/or was mistakenly excited by a closely guarded hangar.

But, frankly, I believe the account of the frightened guard who stumbled upon the UFO at night.

And I do know that the civilian population in the vicinity of the Holloman-White Sands Proving Ground Range are apprehensive about the continuing sightings.

I also have information indicating that the military at Holloman and White Sands, one of the most thoroughly instrumented test bases in the United States, are concerned about unconventional aircraft which not only land under their noses but which know so much about aerial procedures and traffic that they can simulate coded FAA recognition signals.

These reports are of enormous importance if true. And there is strong evidence that they are true. But Holloman-White Sands Area is now under a blanket of military security. It was impossible for us to go in and interview the principals allegedly involved. What we have conducted here is a kind of intelligence operation. But we trust our sources and we have evaluated

our information to the best of our ability.

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SINCE THE August issue of FATE was printed there were three UFO landings in the state of Arizona in one night—all near highways or roads. Colorado, Wyoming and Montana have experienced similar visitations.

The thread of continuity which runs throughout the fabric of the Spring 1964 flap consists of these major features:

The objects which landed or hovered fell on straight lines on the map.

They landed in areas where eventually they would be seen, but where they would be inaccessible and, therefore, safe.

Of all the sightings gathered by APRO since April 22 there have been only three or four "orphans" not located on previously established straight lines.

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REPORTS CURRENTLY are coming into APRO's office from around the United States as well as the Fiji Islands and Australia. It looks like they are just "openers" for what may be ahead.

The Spring 1964 flap impresses me as an intelligence operation carried out by the occupants of the UFOs, either to show themselves, preparatory to closer contact in the future or to find out the effect such contact would have on humans or how much we already suspect.

The press wire services and network TV and radio have been, for the most part, silent about UFOs or adhering to the prescribed "there ain't no such thing" party-line of officialdom since 1952. Perhaps the UFO occupants have made a number of landings in places where they would be certain to be observed, then retired to a safe place to monitor local TV and radio in order to learn the effects of their visits on the natives.

A similar operation took place over a geographically similar area, with comparatively sparse population, in northeast Brazil on May 13, 1960, just a few months before Mars and Earth made a close pass in space.

Mars and Earth will be close again in March, 1965.

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BECAUSE OF the establishment of a straight-line pattern in the civilian sightings of UFOs in the Southwest in April and early May (see August FATE) I decided to see whether the estimated location of the April 30 landing at Holloman fell on one of the lines. A straight line drawn from Socorro, where the Zamora sighting took place, to Round Mountain near Tularosa, N. Mex., where a motorist observed a bright object

coming down the next day, intersects the Holloman Range near Stallion Site, as well as Highway 380, north of the site, near San Antonio. Another line, from Round Mountain through Albuquerque, Rock Springs, Wyo., and Canyon Ferry, Mont., also intersects the North Range. The third possibility is the line running from Las Cruces through Edgewood, La Madera, Alamosa, Colo., to Cheyenne, Wyo., all of which are locations of sighted UFOs. However, we cannot assume the Holloman landing falls on one of the lines, but can only reiterate that three of the previously established orthotenic lines do intersect the north Holloman Range extension.

The interesting thing about these four military sightings (and there may be more, of course) is that the UFOs were seen on a military base during the time (from April 30 onward) that military representatives were busily labeling various civilian sightings of similar objects as misinterpretations of conventional objects or hoaxes. I believe this series of sightings, demonstrates that the Air Force program is merely an attempt to explain away the UFOs, and the really serious work of evaluation, correlation, etc., is being done elsewhere. The Air Force's official statement that it was "unfortunate that only one witness reported the Socorro object, and that no photos were obtained" is clearly an attempt to discredit the Zamora sighting on the basis of the lack of corroborating witnesses. The Air Force immediately was put into an embarrassing position when Dr. Lincoln La Paz, a noted meteorologist who knows Zamora personally, endorsed his integrity and reliability.

It was during my investigation of the New Mexico flap that I learned of the existence of an agency called the "UFO Board", comprised of military and civilian scientists, to whom the reports go for evaluation and study.

AF Regulation 200-2, much quoted among UFO enthusiasts, instructs local UFO officers on how to investigate a UFO sighting, and serves as a guide for public information officers concerning what can or cannot be said about a given incident. If an object can be explained a public statement can be made; if it is unexplainable in conventional terms no public statement will be forthcoming.

The Navy and the Army, however, have no unclassified, public regulations about UFOs but do have classified regulations governing UFO investigations and these services do not make public statements about any UFO incidents. One of the people at the Wright Air Development Center UFO Project recently told an APRO mem-

ber that they don't have enough time and personnel to keep up with filing, let alone research and evaluation. It is only normal procedure that the Air Force would be relegated the task of publicly accounting for UFOs, just as it is only normal that the agency doing the actual research and evaluation would be operating behind closed doors, anonymously.

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FOR MANY YEARS researchers have urged that all the facts should be told and that possible resulting hysteria is not a legitimate reason for denying the existence of UFOs. I agree. But there may be an area we have not thoroughly explored.

If, early in the UFO game, certain responsible scientists and officials recognized the superior nature of the UFOs, accepted the interplanetary thesis, and considered the possible hostility of the objects, they may have felt justified in exerting some influence on press wires, TV and radio networks to keep UFO information at a minimum. They may have realized as early at 1950, when UFOs jammed radio frequencies of planes over Korea, that the objects were capable of monitoring our electronic news transmissions. Possibly, they intended, by "stalling", to keep the occupants of the UFOs from realising how much we knew or suspected about them, thus giving us time to prepare for our defense, if necessary. No matter how eager some of us are to have the UFOs publicly recognized we should be objective enough to admit that a counter-intelligence move as outlined above would be practical and necessary.

WHEN THE RAIN GOD CAME

ON APRIL 17, 1964, a statue of Tlaloc, Teotihuacan Indian god of rain and water, was installed in the new Anthropological Museum in Chapultapec Park, in Mexico City. At least 12 centuries old, the statue is over 24 feet high and weighs 167 tons. It was carried into Mexico City on a specially built trailer, and streets in some sections had to be reinforced because of the weight of the conveyance and cargo.

The idol, which had been carved from living rock about 750 A.D., had been found years before near Coxlinchan, 31 miles east of the Mexican capital. It was at this town that its journey began.

Tlaloc's arrival in Mexico City, appropriately enough, was accompanied by a cloudburst that flooded the streets and rained out ball games.

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'Flying Saucer' Reports Spread In New Mexico

SANTA FE (UPI) — New Mexico's perennial addiction to flying saucers has taken hold of the state again with more "objects" reported to police over the weekend.

The latest, which brought out the Air Force and the FBI, was spotted early Sunday morning at La Madera, about 50 miles north of Santa Fe. State Police Captain Martin Vigil said, "there was definitely something there."

Orlando Gallegos of Santa Fe told State Police he got within 200 feet of a huge metal object that looked like an egg-shaped butane tank. He said flames spurted silently from numerous jets around the bottom of the object. It was as long as a telephone pole and about 14 feet in circumference, he told police.

Gallegos' report came on the heels of a similar report from a Socorro policeman, Lonnie Zamora, who said he spotted an object near Socorro Friday night. Zamora, in clearing up false reports Sunday, said the object rose about 20 feet off the ground and slowly flew away.

Similar reports came from a Socorro teenager, an Albuquerque motorist, and two men driving in the La Madera area Saturday night. The Albuquerque motorist, George Mitropolis, said he saw a "silver looking" object. It disappeared over a mountain in the Caballo Reservoir area.

In both the Socorro and the La Madera reports the ground in the areas where the objects were reported to have landed was scorched and burned. Also found were "paw prints, like a mountain lion's," as well as "landing gear marks" — four impressions in the dirt.

Until the recent spottings, the last unidentified flying object was spotted in New Mexico near Gallup late last year by several motorists. A campus policeman at the University of New Mexico also spotted the Gallup object flying in the western sky at the same time.



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24 Apr 1964

Girl Says She Was Burned While Watching UFO Here

By JERRY SMOTHERS

Concern over unidentified flying objects continued at a high pitch here today.

Latest incidents include:

—A report from a 10-year-old girl that she was burned while watching a strange egg-shaped thing in the sky yesterday afternoon.

—A report from a truck driver and his wife that they saw two mysterious objects in the sky between here and Socorro.

The rash of incidents started Friday when a policeman saw a UFO take off south of Socorro. UFO experts from different parts of the country are in New Mexico to investigate.

Suffering eye, nose and face burns yesterday afternoon was Sharon Stull, one of five children of Mr. and Mrs. Max L. Stull of 1409 Wilmoore SE.

On Lowell School Ground

She said she gazed at a UFO for five or 10 minutes shortly before 12:30 p.m. on the Lowell School ground at 803 Ross SE after returning here from lunch at home.

After 1 p.m., while in class, she noticed burning sensations about the eyes and face. She and her mother believe her burns were inflicted by the thing in the sky.

Sharon said she was not facing the sun while watching the thing, slightly smaller than an airplane and having no windows, speed across the sky and disappear in the distance. Her mother said the child has never had a sunburn and couldn't have gotten one in the few minutes she was outside.

Her sister, Robin, 8, says she, too, saw the thing, but paid little attention to it and didn't continue to watch it. Sharon said two other children also glanced at it briefly.

Sharon was treated by a doctor at Lannan Hospital last night and was kept in bed at home today with her blinds drawn to protect her inflamed eyes and eyelids.

Complains of Pains

Part of her face and nose appeared to be puffy and red. She continued to complain of pain pains.

Police interviewed her at length about the incident and had her draw the silvery object.



Sharon Stull in Bed Today

Sharon's doctor said his diagnosis is conjunctivitis (membrane inflammation) of both eyes and first - degree sunburn under the eyes and on the nose, adding:

"The sun exposure she had yesterday would usually be considered insufficient to cause the burns and inflammation. It appears to be the type of burns and inflammation caused by longer exposure to the sun."

He said he believes there is no permanent eye damage.

Mrs. Stull was extremely concerned and frightened over the incident today. She also kept Robin home from school

"I'm just scared to death," Mrs. Stull said.

Truck driver Napoleon Green, 37, and his wife, 35, of 1005 Walter SE, said they sighted two UFO's traveling at about the speed of jet planes at 5:30 p.m. yesterday as they were driving toward Albuquerque on U. S. 85, 17 miles north of Socorro.

Shine Brightly

"I wasn't going to report it because I didn't want to believe my eyes," Mr. Green said today. He said his wife dived beneath the truck's dashboard after seeing the egg-shaped things, about half the size of jet planes and shining brightly in the setting sun.

Green said he saw them possibly two minutes before they disappeared over the eastern horizon.

Federal Aviation Agency officials said they have seen nothing unusual in the sky or on their radar screens. Airplanes appear only as small dots on the screens and it is unlikely a UFO could be distinguished from an airplane on radar.

One official said it would be possible in some areas to track a UFO to see where it goes, if they received a report from a responsible agency immediately after a sighting. Radar sightings have to be in a direct line and can be blocked by mountains, making low - altitude radar tracking difficult sometimes, he advised.

The Weather Bureau, FAA and Kirtland AF Base said there were no balloons or other strange - appearing objects in the sky here, to their knowledge, at the time Sharon saw what she did.

Headquarters
Air Force Special Weapons Center
Air Force Systems Command
United States Air Force
Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico

REPLY TO ATTN OF: SWS/Maj Conner/3061

13 May 1964

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects

TO: FTD (TDEW)
Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio
Attn: Capt Quintanilla

1. Attached are the 3 reports of UFO's that received such great publicity.

2. I tend to discount the La Madera incident as a UFO for the reasons stated in my message and the attached brief.

3. The report of Mr. [redacted] I discount for similar reasons.

4. I finally received the statement, drawings and pictures of the Socorro incident and hope this will close this case.

5. I am attaching a copy of a letter sent to Captain Holder of Stallion Site, from the Flying Saucer Research Organization.

FOR THE COMMANDER

William R. Conner

WILLIAM R. CONNER
Major, USAF
Director, Safety & Security
Safety & Security Office

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1. Resume w/2 atchs
2. Resume w/1 atch
3. Resume w/10 atchs
4. Ltr to Capt Holder

SOCORRO REVISITED

On Saturday August 15, I drove with [redacted] whose car I had rented for the day, to Socorro from Las Cruces, New Mexico. We left Las Cruces shortly before 7:30 in the morning, and arrived in Socorro about 10:30am.

The object of this visit was to obtain an overview of the feelings and opinions in Socorro about the [redacted] sighting of April 24th, after several months had passed, and to find out if the principals had any afterthoughts or changes which they wished to make in their story, how they were now regarded by the townfolk, and what if any was the official opinion.

The net results of the visit which involved talking once again with [redacted], Sargent Chaves, Captain Holder, the editor of the local paper, and seven other townspeople, was much the same as before. [redacted], if anything, is more reticent and withdrawn. The more articulate Sgt. Chaves still firmly believes in [redacted] story, and I found no contradictions between his partial retelling of the story and the original telling of his story in late April. Although I made a distinct attempt to find a chink in [redacted] armor, I simply couldn't find anyone, with the possible exception of a [redacted] who has a house fairly near the site of the original sighting, who did anything but completely uphold // [redacted] character and reliability, and I again talked with people who had known him since childhood.

I revisited the site: the markings are still there, but very much obliterated, and this time I was able to take stereo photographs of the general terrain. I was impressed more than before with the illogical nature of the landing site. If an ordinary aircraft had been in trouble

it could have landed on the quite flat mesa just to the side of the gully, and no pilot, unless his craft were completely disabled, would have chosen to land in the rocky and uneven gully. If he had been that disabled, he certainly would not have been able to take off shortly thereafter.

Returning to the chronological account: when I arrived, neither Chaves or [redacted] was available, having been on duty most of the night. I talked with the radio dispatcher and a "cowboy type" townsman who said that he spent much of his time in mountains around the country. Both of these men were very curious about what the Air Force had found, and both volunteered that things had quieted down very much, but that there was still a big belief in [redacted] story. Apropos of the Air Force's story, my statement throughout the day was always the same: the Air Force is still interested and working on it; they had not found as yet a specific, logical explanation, and the results of the chemical analysis (everybody was curious about that) was that the rocks were ordinary minerals unaffected by the landing, and that the charred materials showed only results of conventional combustion. Considerable suprise throughout the day was expressed that the Air Force had not made a more detailed analysis of the possible fuel or mechanixm of the burning of the bushes, and also, incidentally, why the Air Force had not made compression tests of the ground in the area to see how much downward thrust would have been necessary to produce the observed markings.

Once again coming to the chronological story: I armed myself with about a dollar's worth of dimes and started to make telephone calls, but

first [redacted] and I visited the office of the local newspaper, the [redacted]. Both the owner, [redacted] and the editor, [redacted] (the chap who had interviewed me on my previous visit) were there, and we looked up the back numbers of papers around that time, and especially what was said after I had left. The editor remarked that there had been several UFO officials who had come to visit them, and that one had remarked, "What sort of line of bull has Hynek and the Air Force been handing you?" He also stated that they had received many letters, one from as far away as Spain. Naturally, he wanted a statement from me for his local paper, and I gave my standard statement mentioned above. The editor made one statement to the effect that they could still give full credence to [redacted] story, despite the fact that there had been some opinion in town that it shouldn't be taken seriously. But, both the owner and editor said that they would continue to believe the story unless it were proved otherwise. Of course, it is to their advantage to give full credence to the story, since it sells more papers.

After a full hour of chatting with the editors, during which time we also gave them a story on our new observatory in New Mexico (my story was that I was passing through, going from Boulder to Las Cruces, and that since I was passing through, I stopped to say hello and to see if there had been any recent developments). At lunchtime I lined up a number of interviews by phone for the afternoon. The results will follow:

We first talked to [redacted] who is the grandmother of [redacted], the latter of whom was a student in my astronomy class this spring. He chose as his term paper topic "The Socorro Flying Saucer," and it was his grandmother, [redacted], who browsed around the town and picked up a lot of additional information. She had a long talk with

[redacted] and [redacted] told us again yesterday afternoon that [redacted] firmly believed that [redacted] had been very thoroughly frightened and that he had seen something supernatural. Visiting at the [redacted] home (the [redacted] family is apparently one of the recognized and older families in town, and they live in quite a hacienda), a local parish priest was also visiting at the time, and from him in the course of conversation, we got perhaps one of the best bits of character reference on [redacted] The Father stated that in all his experience, he had not come across one person who cast any aspersion on [redacted] which, he remarked, was very unusual for Socorro. [redacted] herself is obviously a very level-headed, established woman in the society of Socorro, and when she went about investigating the [redacted] case, it appeared that she had immediate access to anyone she wished. Various members of the faculty of the New Mexico School of Mines, for instance, came to her immediate assistance in answering various questions, as did Sgt. Chaves and various townspeople. One thing that she mentioned which bears on the character reference of [redacted] should be noted: the baggage master at the station, a man in his sixties who apparently acts as a depository of character references for all people in town, stated that he had known [redacted] for all of [redacted] life and that he was one of the most dependable people whom he'd ever known. In short, if I had any hopes of finding some chinks in [redacted] character armor, I was certainly unable to do so.

After we left the [redacted], we then went to talk to Chaves who was then on duty, and I talked to him privately for five or ten minutes after which time, by prearrangement, [redacted] came in. Chaves was just about the same as he was originally, still quite articulate about the thing,

and when we stated that one of the main points that continued to impress us about the whole situation was the consummate fright that [redacted] had experienced (which everybody continued to tell us about), Chaves admitted that [redacted] had been frightened, but indicated that perhaps part of that was prudence on [redacted] part - after all, if you think that something is going to explode, it is only expedient to make yourself scarce.

After a lengthy conversation which really added very little new to the original story, he radioed for [redacted] to come in from his rounds and, in a few minutes, [redacted] was with us. He seemed much more reticent than previously and never actually completed a full sentence. I think that there are at least two possible interpretations here, one being that, deep in his own mind, he may have realized that he overstated the case originally, or perhaps has even solved it, but, in view of the ingrained fear of possible ridicule, etc., he is keeping it to himself, or, I feel more probably, he is simply tired of the whole thing and rather wishes that it had never come up in the first place. At least nothing that he said would indicate that he does not continue to believe that something really unusual happened.

By this time the sun was over the yardarm, and we retired to a nearby bar, where we found the editor of the [redacted] We had a long discussion with [redacted] there who stated again his basic faith in the story and in [redacted] character, although he did say that, for a while there, [redacted] did seem to be enjoying some of the publicity. This, however, is contrary to most of the other evidence about [redacted] reaction to the publicity.

[redacted] offered to go with us to see Mr. [redacted] the operator of the [redacted] Gas Station, and we heard the story of the itinerant

tourist from [redacted] himself. The time was shortly before 6 o'clock, because [redacted] said that he was hurrying to get to the bank before it closed at 6pm on that Friday. He stated that this was one of the reasons why he did not pay more attention to the tourist's story. However, he said that the tourist said something to this effect: "Your planes fly awfully low here - one of them liked to knock me off the road just about when I was passing your [redacted] sign coming into town." The [redacted] gas sign is almost in line with the gully where the craft landed, and the logical direction from which it would have come, considering markings, etc. The tourist said that he thought that it might be a craft in trouble, and figured this was so because he saw a police car going out toward where it had landed. This would have placed the time of the craft over the tourist's car at approximately 5:35 or 5:40pm. This coincides, as well as we can see, with the time that [redacted] was chasing a speeder. It indicates that the craft did not remain in the gully very long, and therefore could not have been disabled to any major extent. [redacted] said then to the tourist that there are a lot of helicopters flying around the place, to which the tourist answered that, if this was a helicopter, it certainly was a strange one. [redacted] promised to keep his eyes open for the tourist, but the chances of this is small.

After visiting [redacted], [redacted] and I went to the original site at approximately the same time of day that the original sighting occurred, and we went over the remaining marks and took some photographs, etc. We also photographed the apparent size of a man seen from the point along the road where [redacted] first stated that he had sighted the object which he thought was an overturned car. We also took photographs of how a large

car would look from that direction. [redacted] was particularly impressed with the fact that the marks remained even after three and a half months of weathering, and it was he who wondered whether compaction tests had been made of the soil.

We then returned to have coffee with Captain Holder, the uprange commanding officer for White Sands to see whether he had anything to add after this many months had passed. Captain Holder is still quite enthusiastic and really fairly enamoured of the idea of strange crafts. It was Captain Holder, you will remember, who, with Mr. Burns of the FBI, made the original measures between the markings, and we call recall that although the figure was drawn poorly, when it was redrawn according to dimensions given, it was found that the diagonals of the quadrilateral intersected at exact right angles. [redacted] pointed out that there is a well known theorem which states that if the diagonals of any quadrilateral intersect at right angles, then the points lie on a circle, the center of which is called the mean center of the figure. [redacted] also pointed out that one of the burned marks was directly at this mean center.

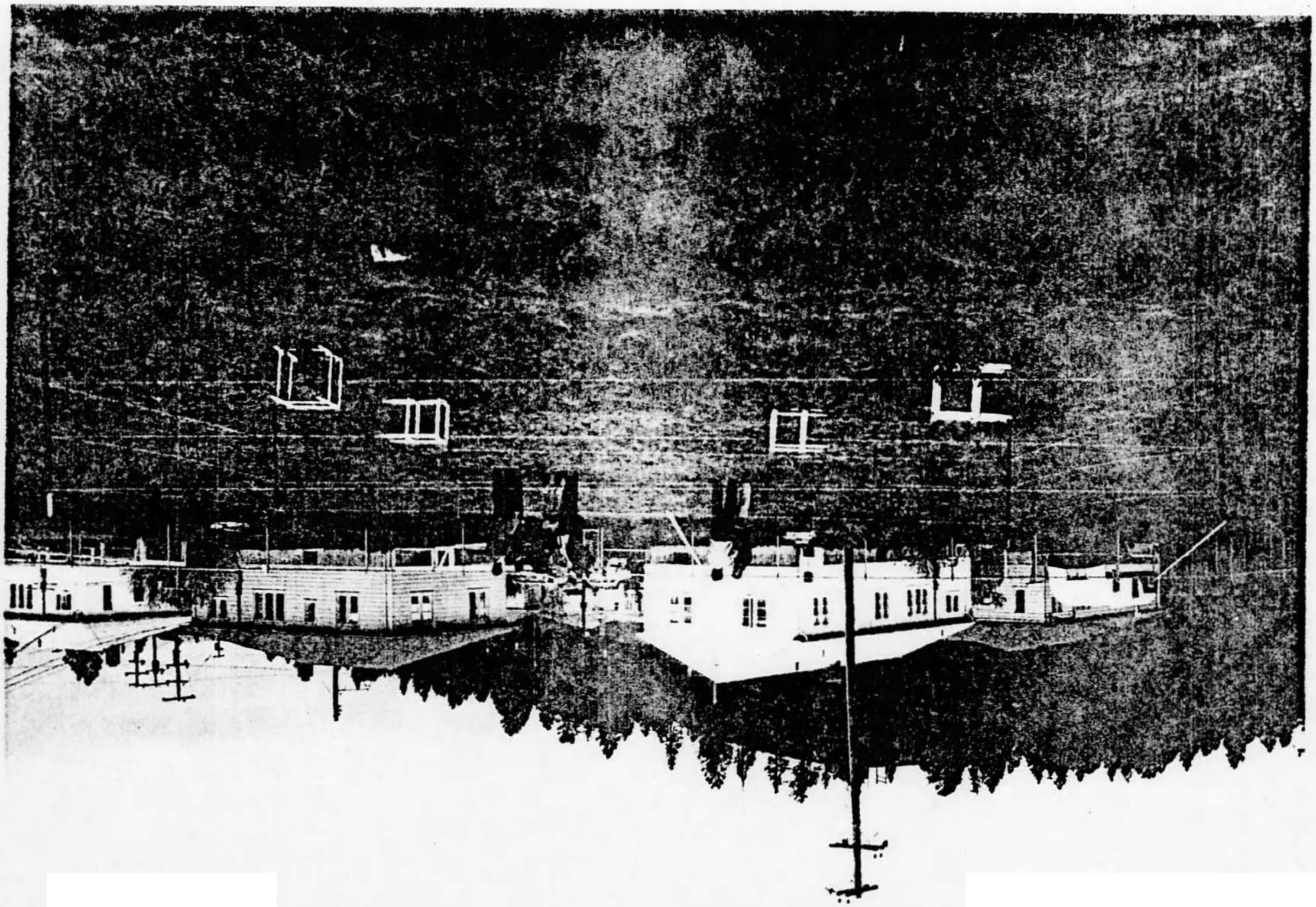
Captain Holder was particularly interested in what the Air Force had found out from the samples which he had carefully gathered within two hours of the sighting, and which I submitted to MTD. I hope that this material has not been destroyed after preliminary analysis.

We next visited [redacted] is a flier who has flown in 41 states, and is also an instructor in flying. She comes into the picture only because, in the course of discussions with her, she turned up a UFO story of June 2, 1960 which was duly reported to the Air Force and should be in our files. I append as Exhibit A her rather interesting and extensive write-up in the [redacted] Both

[redacted] are "true believers" after their sighting which, however, I feel must have been an optical phenomenon in view of the projectory and acceleration.

Before we left, we called [redacted], the retiring president of the [redacted] School of Mines, who had nothing further to offer. Before our visit with Captain Holder, on coming back from the site, we visited a [redacted] who lives fairly close to the site of the alleged landing. [redacted] had been in his back yard just over the hill from the sighting place, and maintains that he heard no loud roar and has remained skeptical about the whole thing. He claimed that if there had been an explosion such as [redacted] claims to have heard, he ([redacted]) certainly would have heard it. However, this does not necessarily follow, because [redacted] was directly down wind from the gully, there was a very strong southwest wind blowing, and the gully is on the opposite side of the hill from where [redacted] was listening. This, of course, can make a tremendous difference in ability to hear. Further, there are trucks passing along the highway quite close to [redacted] house, and he undoubtedly is used to hearing backfires, and truck roars of one sort or another. He was the only person whom we talked to, however, who tended to disbelieve [redacted] veracity, indicating that it probably was a hoax. This solution is not acceptable to the present writer, because there are just too many bits of evidence that militate against this hypothesis.

[redacted] and I arrived back in Las Cruces at 12:30am on Sunday morning, August 16th.



SOCORRO, NEW MEXICO

24 APRIL 1964

[redacted] was chasing a speeding car north on U.S. 85 at approximately 1745, 24 April 1964, when he heard a roar and saw bluish and orange flames in an area where a dynamite shack was known to be located. He abandoned chase of the auto and proceeded to where he believed an explosion had occurred. After traveling a little-used road and experiencing considerable difficulty in trying to drive his car up a gravel-covered hill, the observer noted what he thought was an overturned car standing on end. At this point he was approximately 800 ft. from the object and [redacted] car was at the crest of a hill with the object ahead of him in a gully. He saw two people in white coveralls very close to the object. One of these persons seemed to turn and look straight at [redacted] car. This was the only time he saw these figures; he did not see them again.

After radioing to Police Headquarters at Socorro that he was proceeding to investigate what he believed to be an auto accident, he drove to a point about 150 ft. from the gully where the object rested and stopped the car to proceed on foot. The object was white, egg or oval-shaped and apparently supported on girderlike legs. All of a sudden there was a roar which continued to become louder and the object then began to rise. As the object was slowly climbing the observer again noted the bluish and orange flame. At this point, the observer believed that the object was about to explode and he became frightened, turned, and ran to shield himself behind the police car, bumping his leg and losing his glasses on the way. He said that he crouched down, shielding his eyes with his arm. As the observe glanced up he reported that the object had risen 15 - 20 feet above the ground and there was no longer any noise, smoke nor flames. At this point, the observer spotted a design on the object which he described as markings

in red about ~~2~~ - 2½ ~~feet~~ FEET INCHES in height, shaped like a crescent with a verticle arrow and horizontal line underneath.  He stated that the object remained stationary for several seconds and then flew off in a southerly direction following the countour of the gully. OBJECT 12-15 FEET LONG. INSIGNA WAS RED.

Shortly afterward, Sgt. Chavez arrived on the scene in response to [redacted] earlier radio call. He observed no object, but he did report some slight depressions in the ground and an apparently burned brush in the area of [redacted] sighting. Also, there were some type of tracks noted in the immediate area.

COMMENTS

Various organizations were contacted in the area; however, no specific aircraft or helicopters were in the area at the time of the sighting. There was nothing unusual or unidentified reported by local radar installations. There was no unusual meteorological activity; the weather being clear; however, it was somewhat windy.

A laboratory analysis was made of the burned bush and the soil about the depressions with no indication of radiation being noted. No chemicals were found in the soil that would indicate a type of propellant for the observed object. Contact was made with a F.B.I. agent and it was his opinion that the tracks observed were, indeed, fresh.

There were several other sightings reported during the next few days; however, in each case the sighting was determine a known object or natural phenomena. Two of these reports were determined to be hoaxes.

Although the sighting appears to be the observation of some type of experimental craft; all attempts to reach such a conclusion were inconclusive. No concrete evidence was uncovered to substantiate the presence of such a craft at the particular time. As such, this case is carried as unidentified since from the available information there is no explanation.

[redacted] was visiting his father the night of 25 April at La Madera, New Mexico. He saw an object which resembled a butane tank emitting blue flames horizontally from the sides. This lasted about one minute and went out. There was no movement or sound at anytime. This object was about 1000 to 1200 feet from the point of observation. The next day he went to the area where he had seen the object and there was a scorched area about 40 feet by 25 feet. This area, which was just off the side of a road, was littered with tin cans, bottles and other debris. It was quite obvious he had seen a fire as the area was still smouldering when I looked at it on Monday the 27th. I could see no marks that resembled the four imprints seen at Socorro. According to Officer Vega, of the New Mexico State Police, there were some markings or prints of an odd nature. These consisted of a circle about 3½ inches in diameter with two smaller circles in front of this which were about the size of a dollar. I saw some marks on the ground, in the general area, which were about the size of a horses hoof print and to me were just that. [redacted] still smelled of alcohol when I picked him up at Santa Fe at 1230 and when I let him off at about 1800 that evening. I believe the previous publicity about the Socorro incident and the liquor he apparently had consumed was too much for him. In checking with the radar site, they reported no unknowns for the night of 25 and 26 April.

Attached is a diagram of the area with some pictures taken of the burned area.

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Four (4) B&W 3x5 photos
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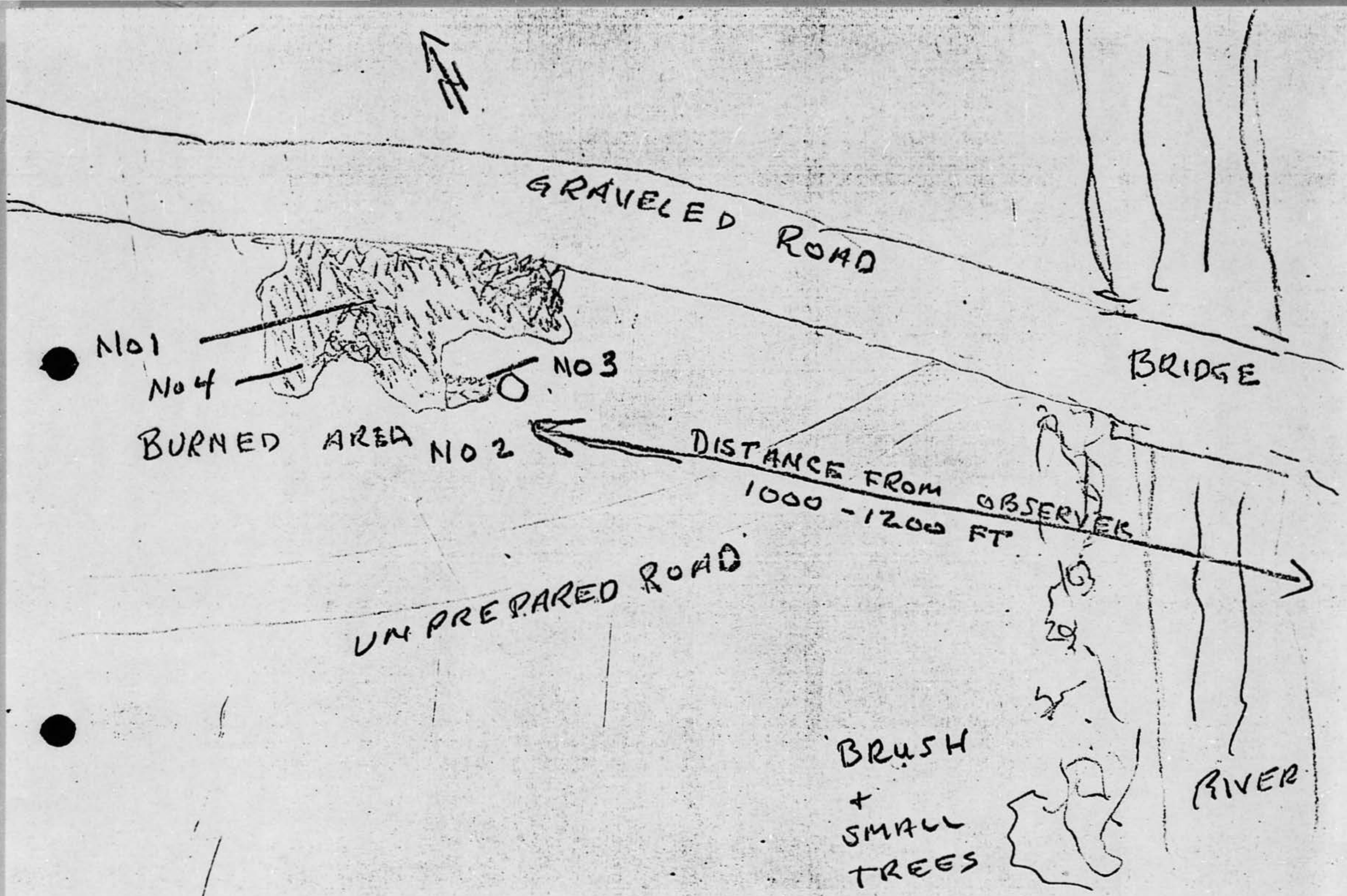








atch 12



GENERAL LAYOUT OF AREA AT LAMADERA. N.M.

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R E S U M E

Attached is a questionnaire filled in by [redacted]

When I talked to the State Police the following day, they indicated this man was drunk when they went out to check on the object he had seen and shot at. They said they couldn't arrest the man for shooting since he had done it on his own property. From this information, I discount his seeing an actual object. There were no unidentified's reported by West Mesa Radar Site on that night.

UFO QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Description of the Object(s):

a. Shape 25 - 30 FT LONG 10-15 FT WIDE.

b. Size compared to a known object (Use one of the following terms: Head of a pin, pea, dime, nickel, quarter, half dollar, silver dollar, baseball, grapefruit or basketball) held in the hand at about arm's length.

c. Color FLUORESCENT GREEN.

d. Number (1).

e. Formation, if more than one.

f. Any discernible features or details.

g. Tail, trail, or exhaust, including size of same compared to size of object(s)

h. Sound; if heard, describe sound (NONE).

i. Other pertinent or unusual features.

2. Description of Course of Object(s):

a. What first called the attention of observer(s) to the object(s)?

EAST TO WEST THEN NORTH

OUT OF MARKINGS.

b. Angle or elevation and azimuth of object(s) when first observed.

75 TO 100 FEET OFF GROUND

c. Angle or elevation and azimuth of object(s) upon disappearance.

75 TO 100 FEET OF GROUND

d. Description of flight path and maneuvers of object(s)

WENT WEST FOR 200 YARDS THEN TURNED NORTH

e. How did the object(s) disappear? (Instantaneously to the North, etc.)

SLOWLY TO THE NORTH

f. How long (were) the object(s) visible? (Be specific, 5 minutes, 1 hour, etc.)

3 TO 4 MINUTS

3. Manner of Observation:

a. Use one or any combination of the following items: Ground-visual, air visual, ground-electronic, air-electronic. (If electronic, specify type of radar)

GROUND VISUAL

b. Statement as to optical aids (telescopes, binoculars, etc.) used and description thereof.

NONE

c. If the sighting occurred while air-borne, give type of aircraft, identification number, altitude, heading, speed, and home station.

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4. Time and Date of Sighting: (0815Z)

a. Zulu time-date group of sighting 27 APR 1965.

b. Light conditions (Use one of the following terms: Night, day, dawn, dusk)

NIGHT.

5. Location of Observer(s): Give exact latitude and longitude of each observer, and/or geographical position

½ MILE EAST OF EDGWOOD N MEX (106°, 11', 30" W 35°, 4' 40" N)

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6. Identifying Information on Observer(s):

a. Civilian - Name, age, mailing address, occupation, and estimate of reliability.

CIVILIAN [redacted] 22-[redacted]

[redacted] (VERY GOOD) ?

b. Military - Name, grade, organization, duty, and estimate of reliability.

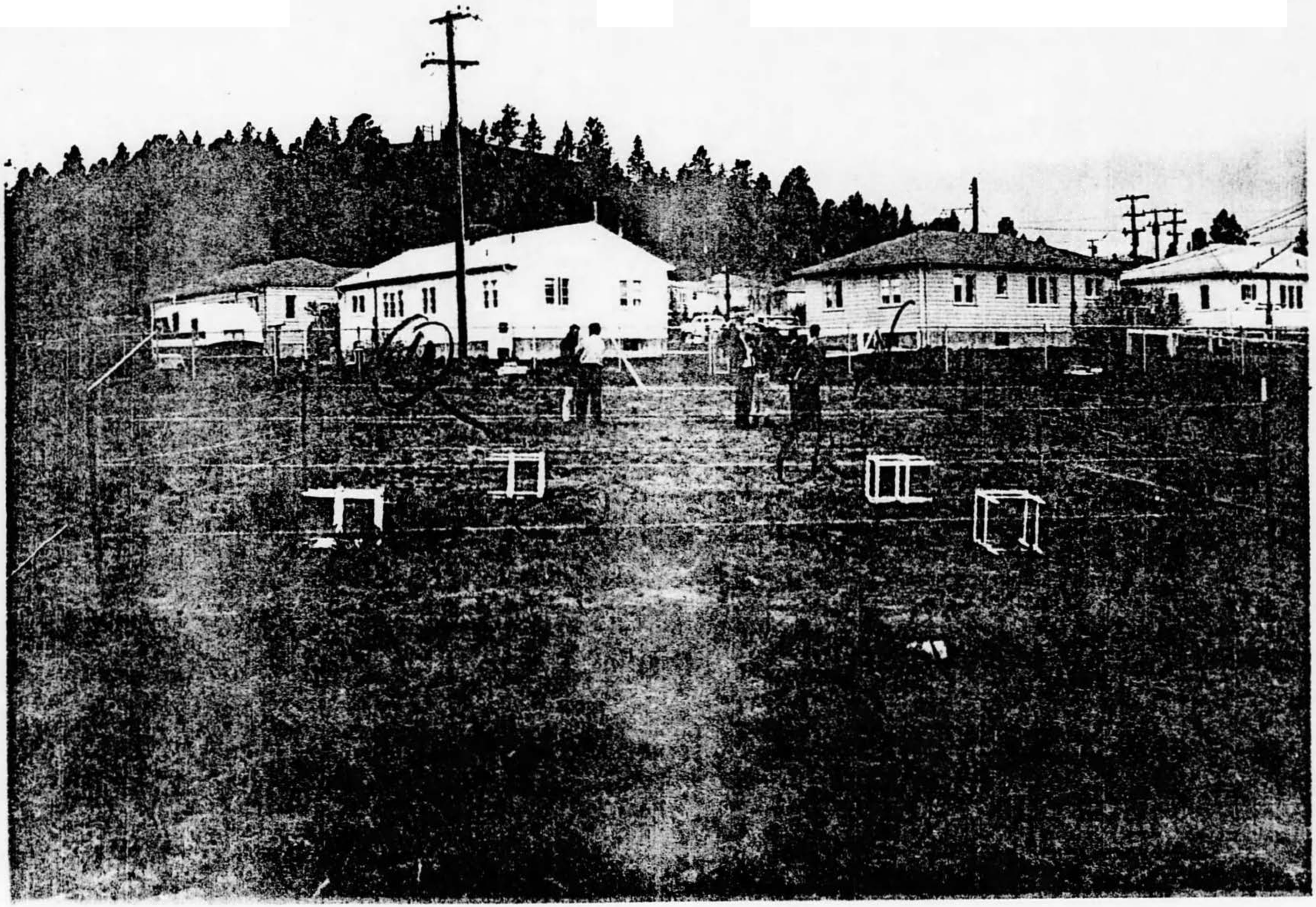
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7. Weather and Winds: Observer(s) account of weather conditions.

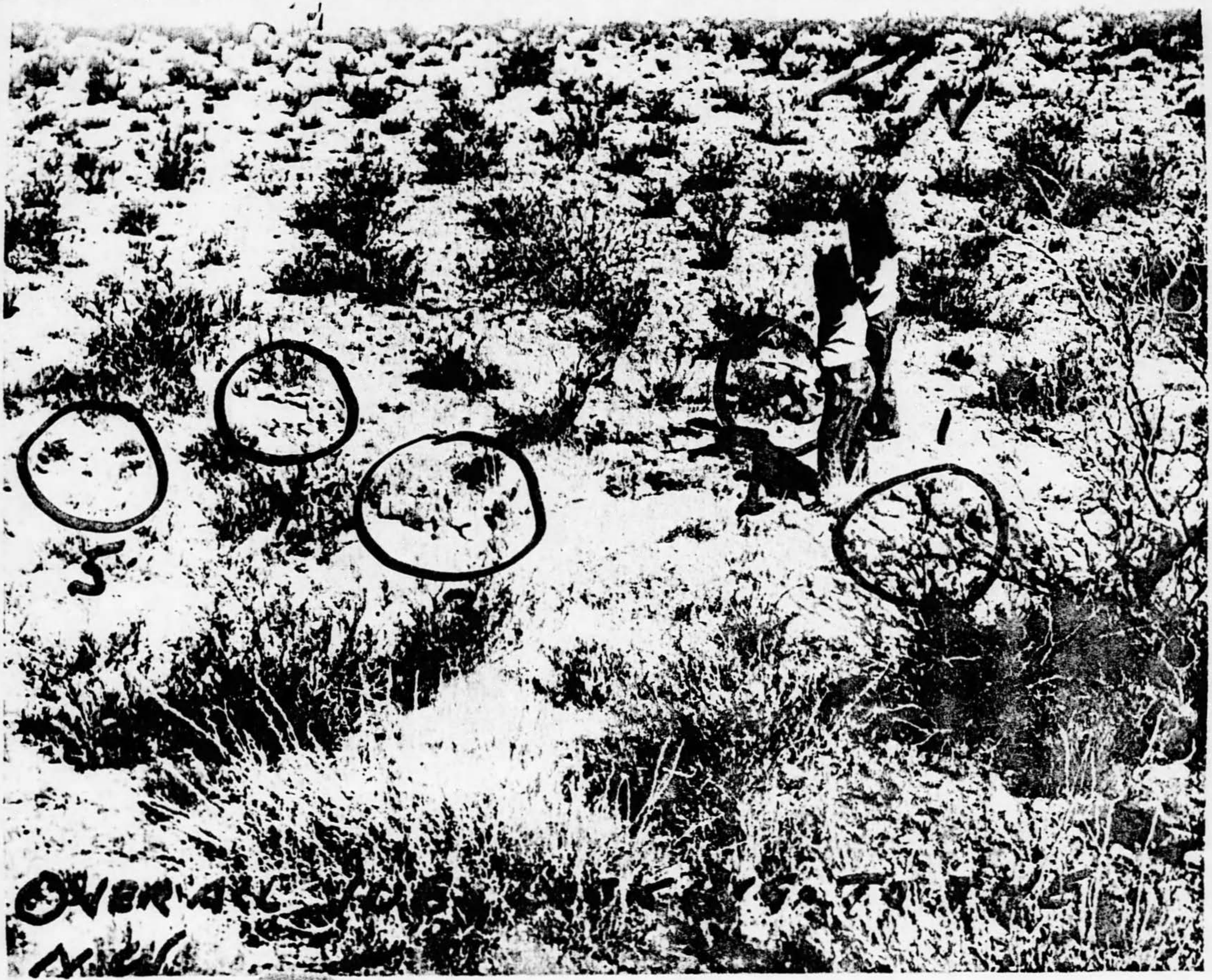
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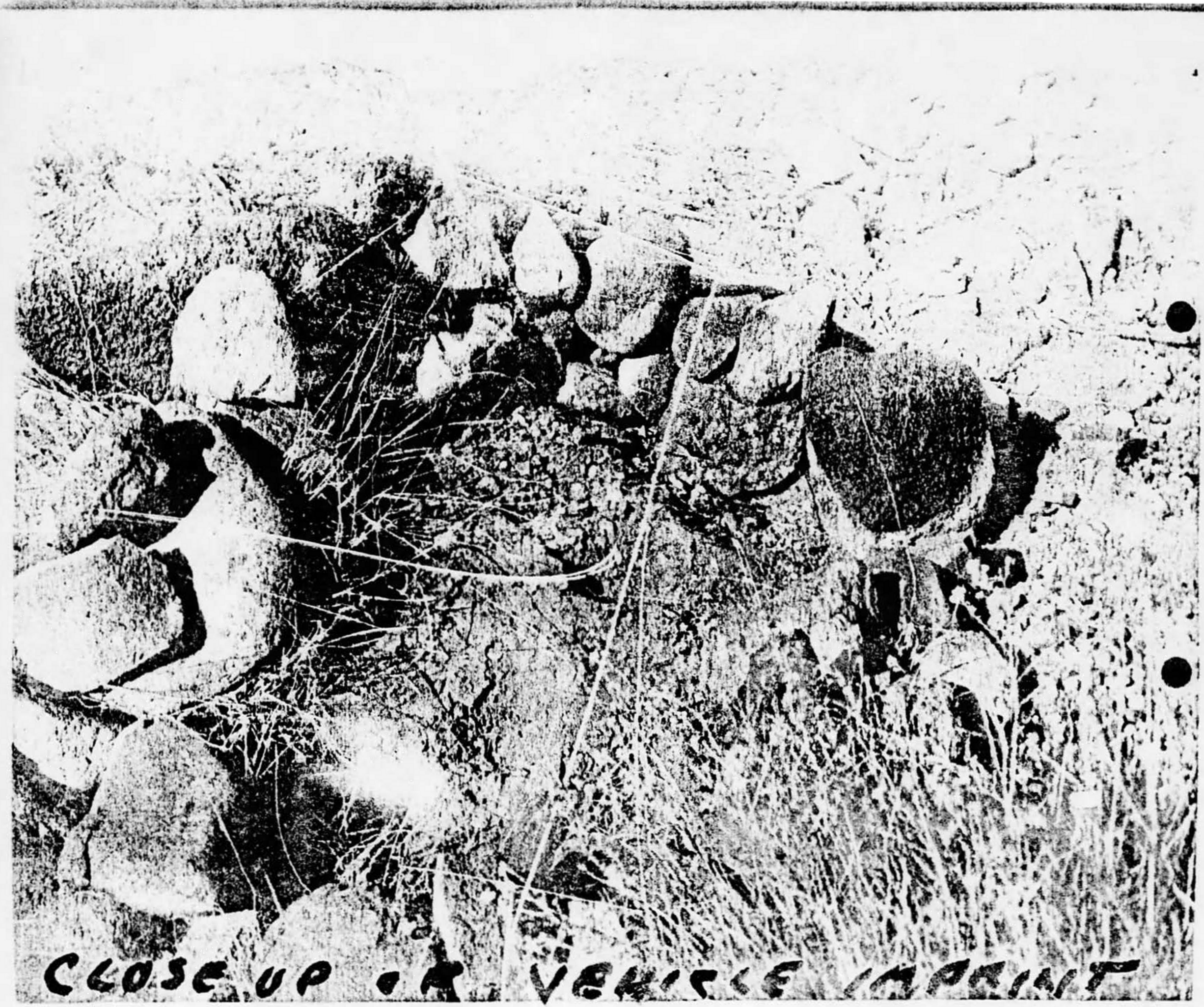


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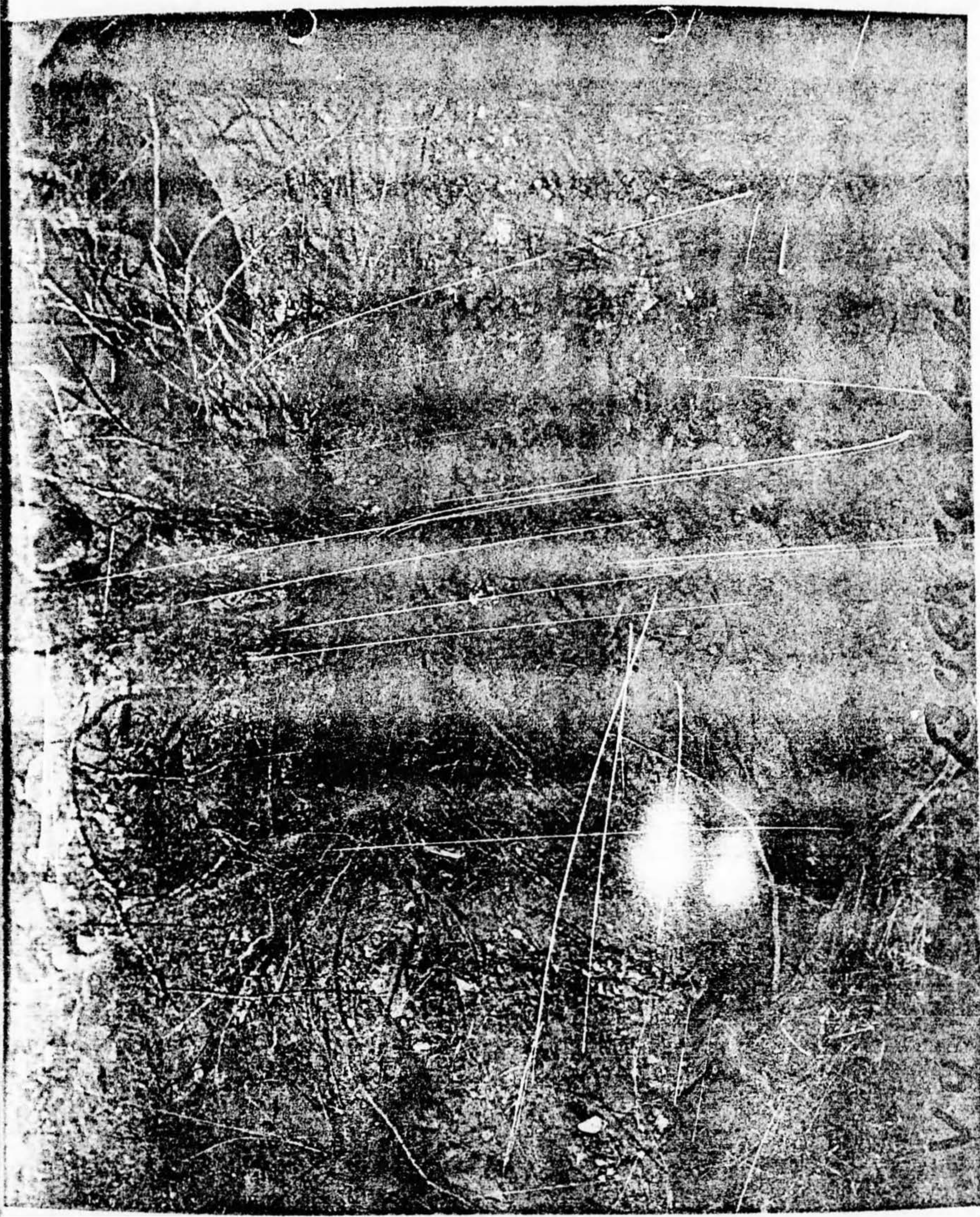
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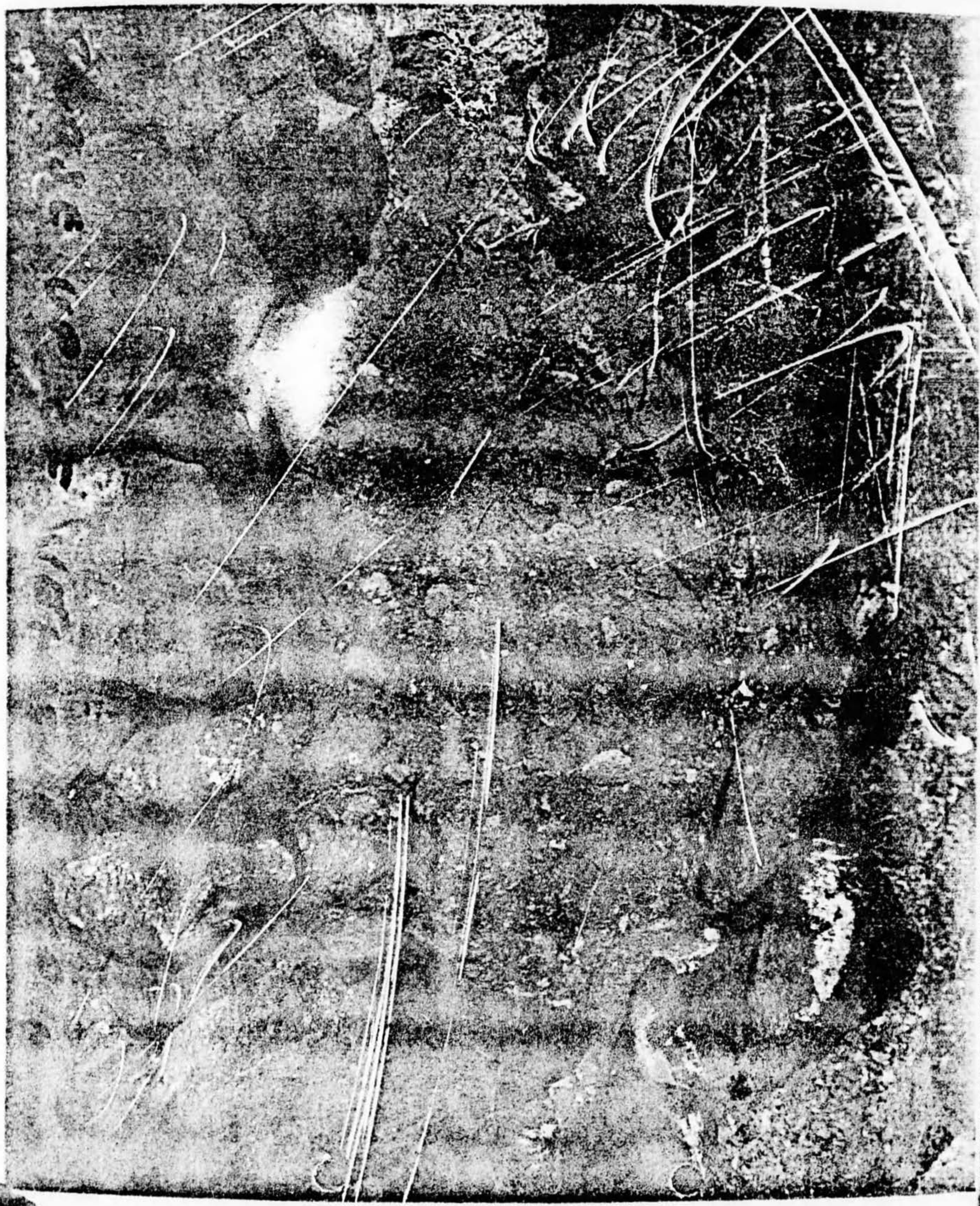




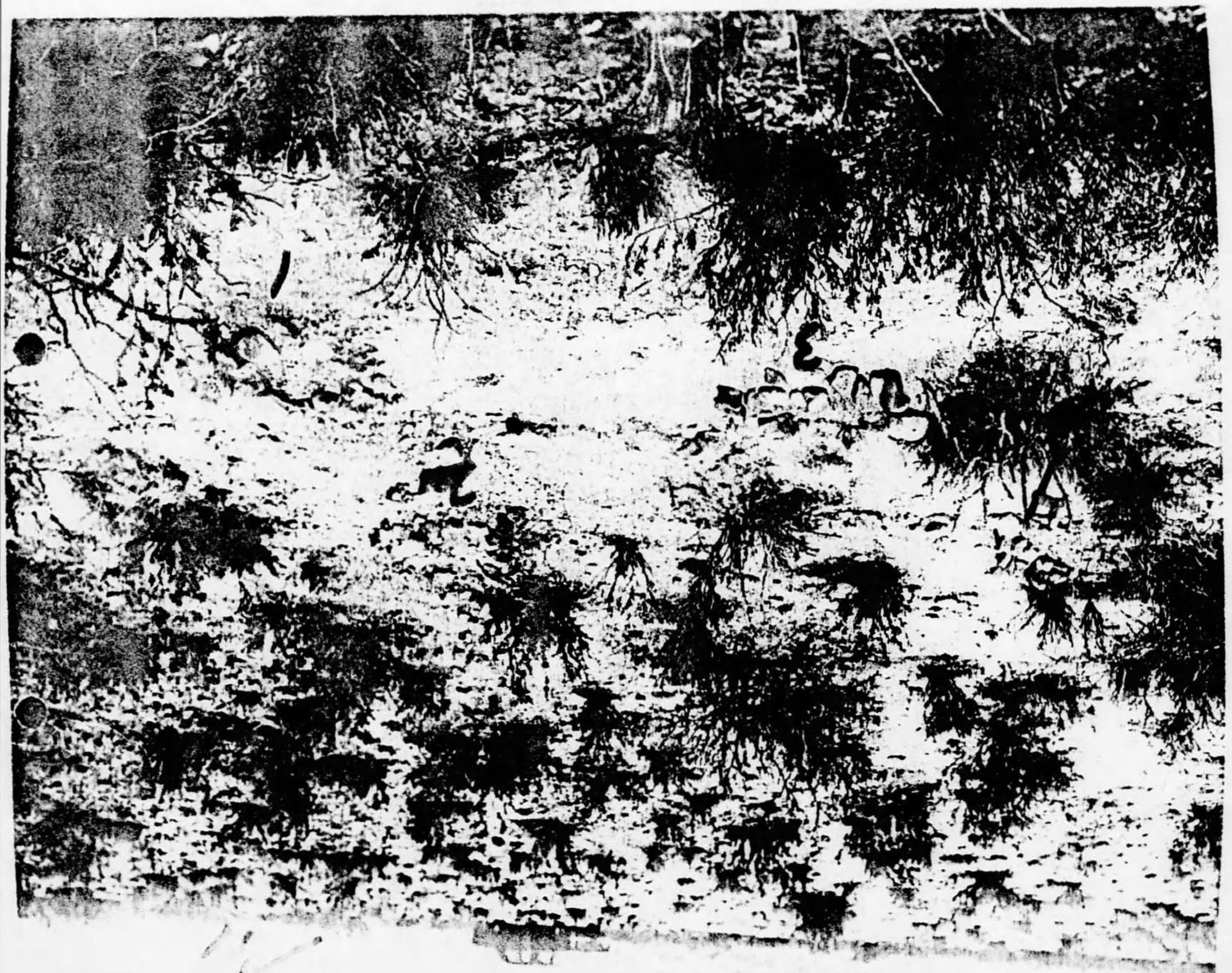

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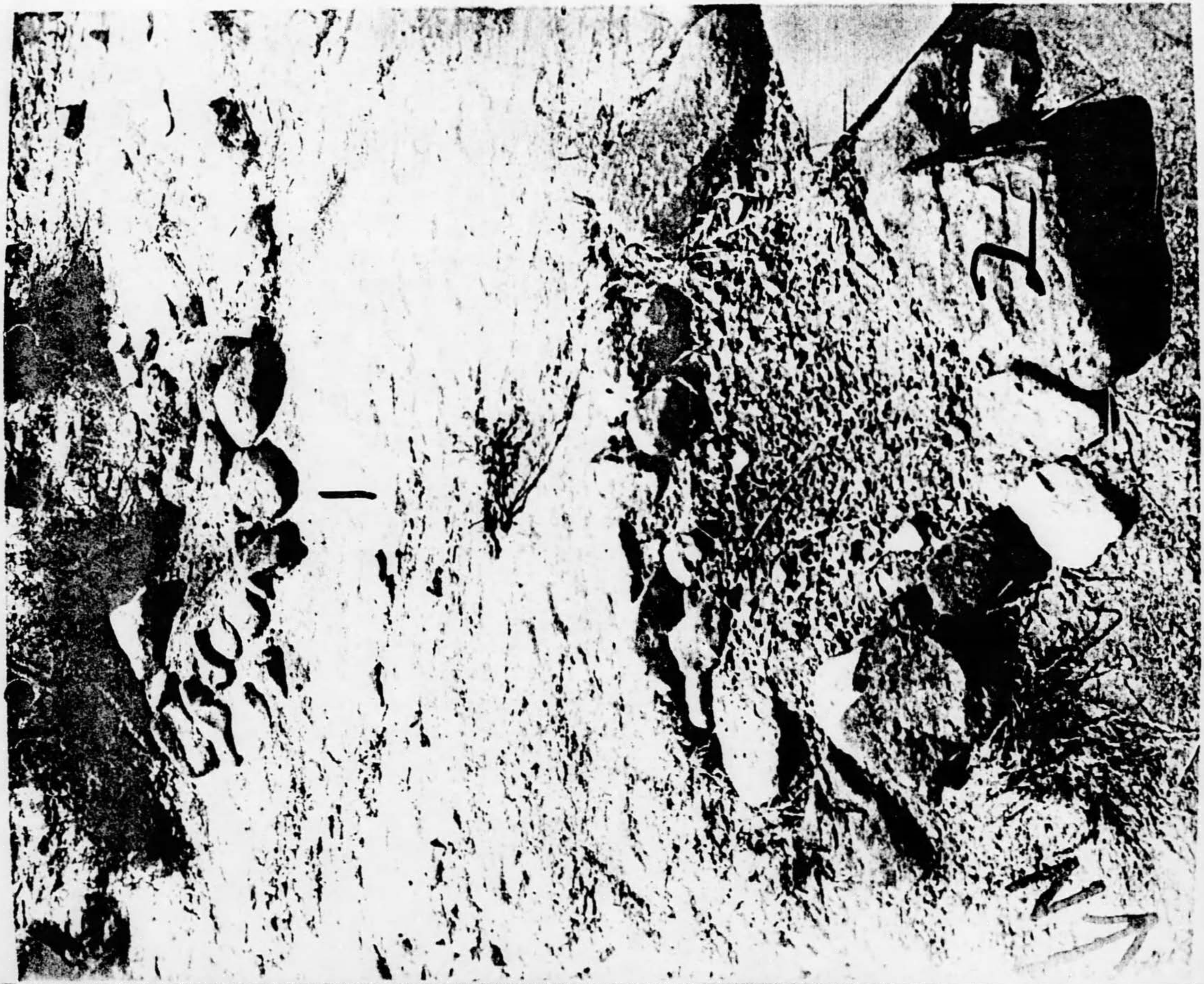


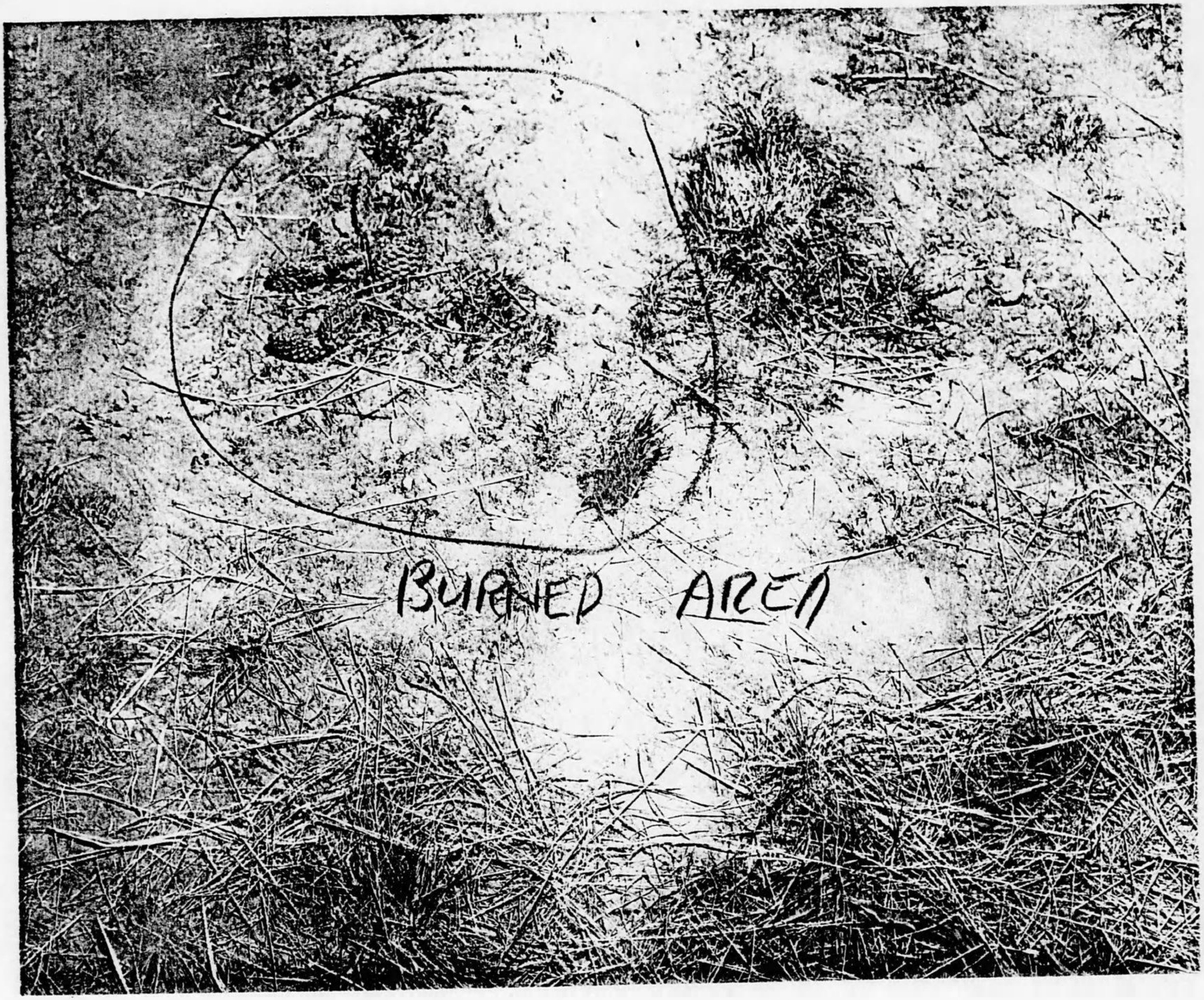


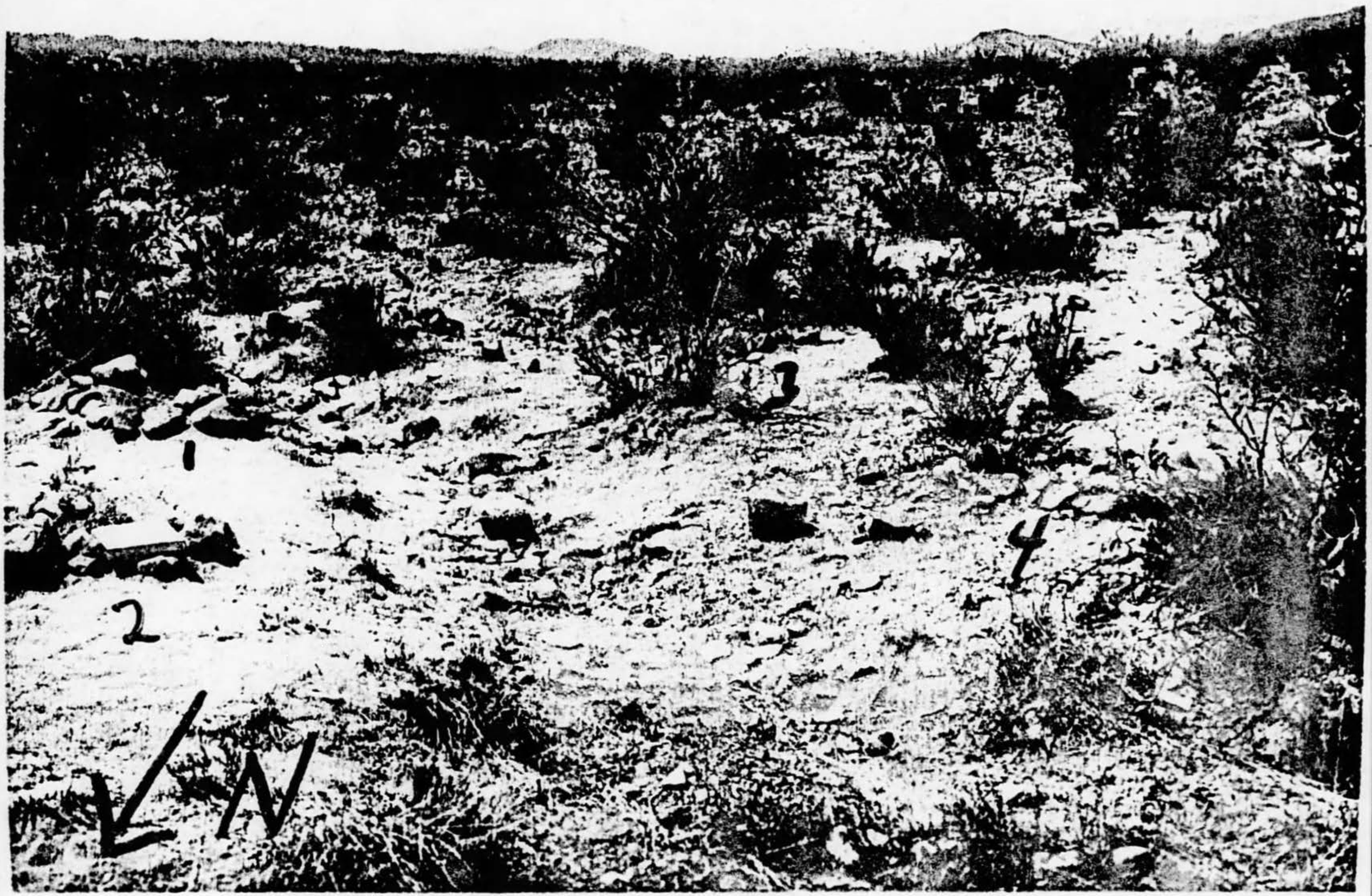


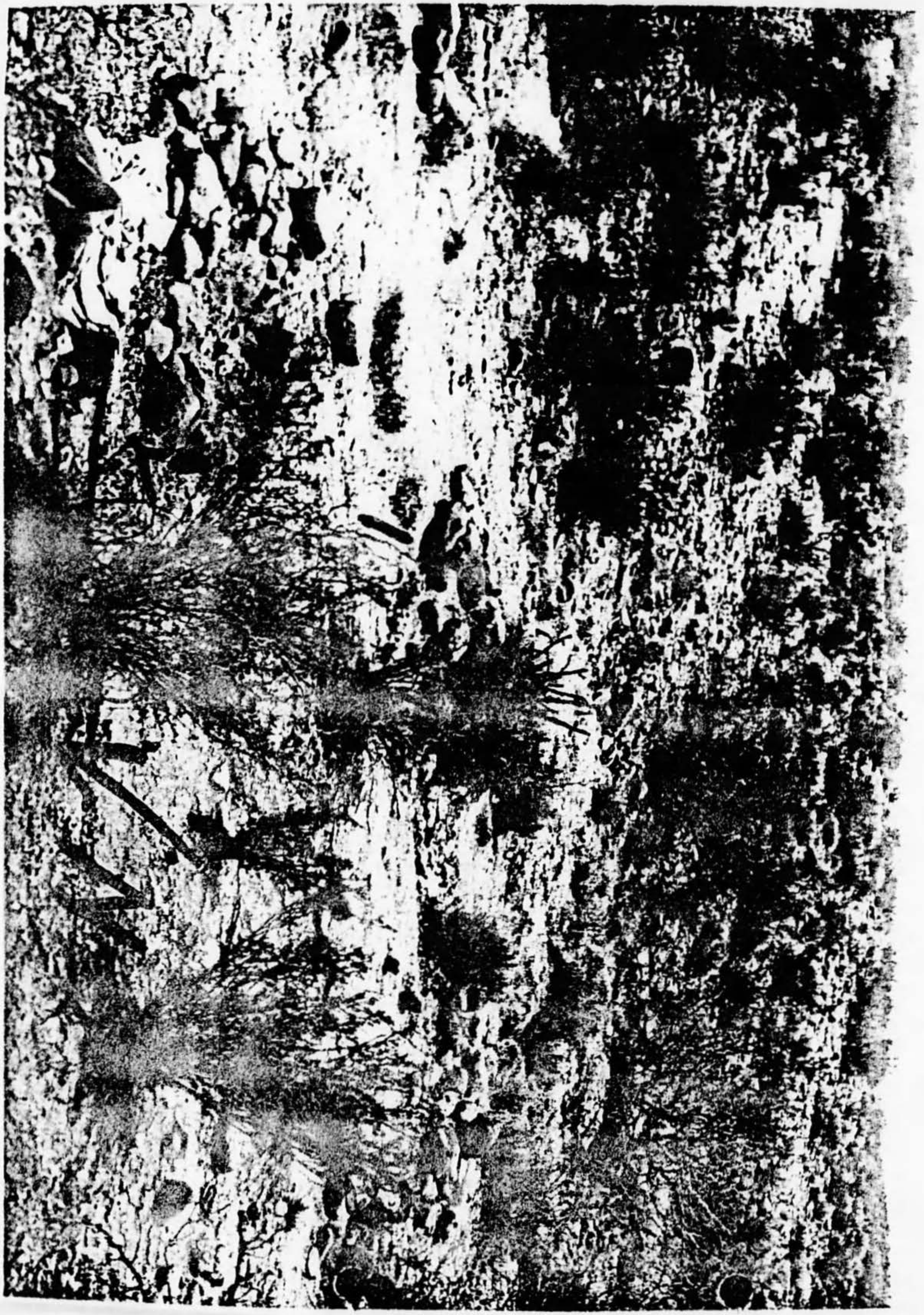


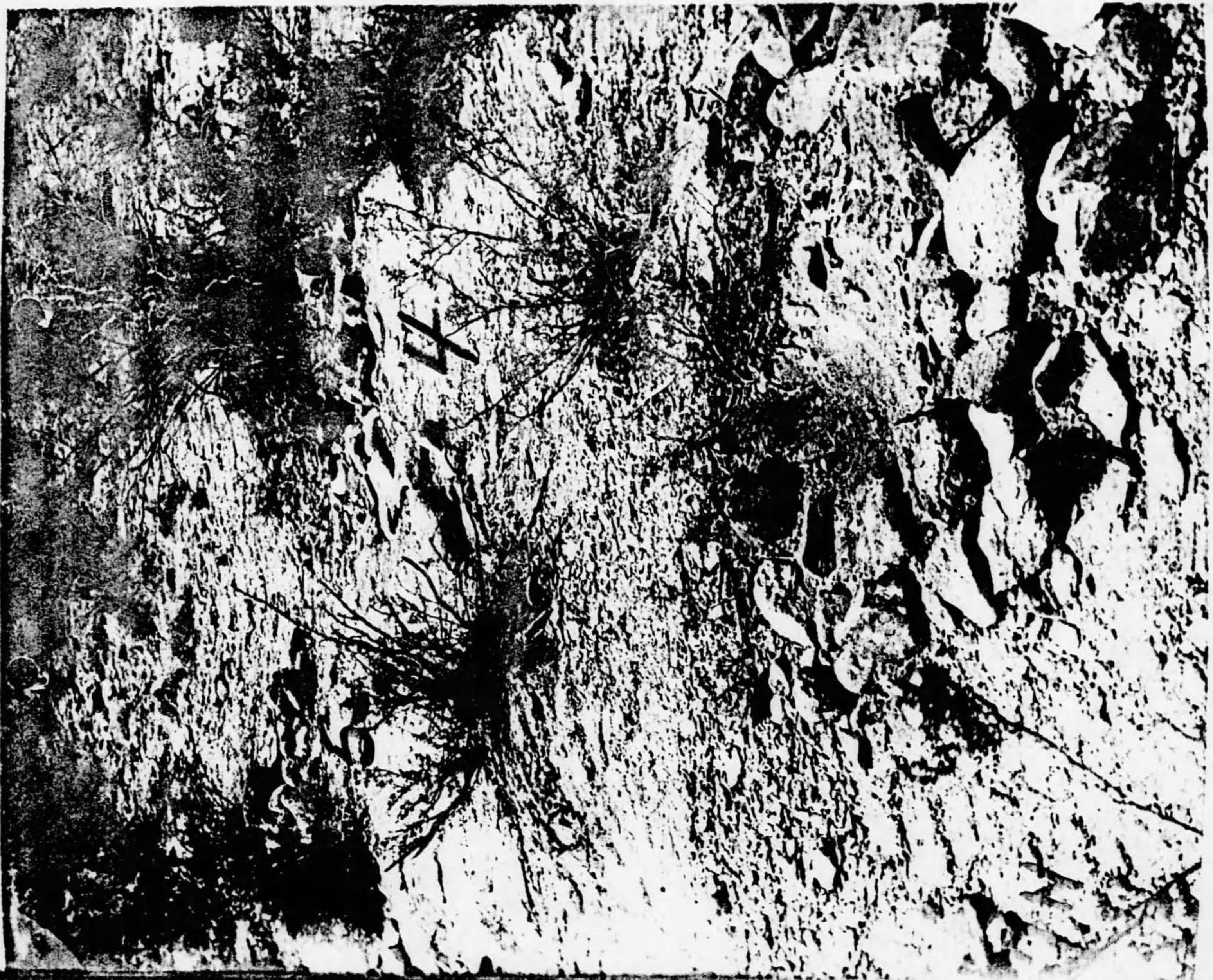





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DEARBORN OBSERVATORY
NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
EVANSTON, ILLINOIS 60201

16 March 1965

Major Hector Quintanilla
Foreign Technology Division
Box 9494
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

Dear Major:

Attached is a rough (extremely rough) draft of the report that Dr. Hynek will send you on his findings in Socorro. When he returns, we will go over this and send you a more readable copy. However, until that time, I hope that this will suffice.

My best wishes to you and Sgt. Moody.

Sincerely,

Kathy

Kathy Foss

P. S. I sent Dr. Hynek a certificate for Interplanetary Blue Cross so I should hope that the Air Force does not find itself charged for one withered finger.

DUSK ON THE DUNES
North of Socorro, New Mexico on U.S. Highway 60 [illegible]. This land of enchantment is also a land of strange [illegible] for from this point toward Socorro, one crosses the [illegible] Grande River, rises to higher grassland, travels along the foothills of the mountains where mining is important and finally arrives at Socorro (meaning "help" or "aid") one of the most historic towns in New Mexico.

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AIR MAIL



Hi - I'm about to have lunch with the principals in the Socorro movie - all except the UFO. That disappeared traveling at high speed - on Apr. 24!

Cheers,

Allen

Maj. D. Quintanille
FTD
Wright-Patterson AFB
Box 9494
Dayton, Ohio

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DEARBORN OBSERVATORY
NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
EVANSTON, ILLINOIS 60201

2 March 1965

Major Hector Quintanilla
Foreign Technology Division
Box 9494
Wright Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

Dear Major:

This is in answer to your letter of 18 February 1965, in which you suggest that I make a visit to Albuquerque for scientific discussions with Dr. LaPaz and to visit the observatory at Las Cruces, New Mexico. Although you did not mention it specifically, since Socorro, New Mexico is between these two locations, I think it would be profitable if I looked into things there, particularly the circumstances under which the films were made, the local public reaction to them, and in particular, Zamora's present situation.

Since I am not teaching classes this winter quarter, and will not until April 1, 1965, this is a propitious time to make the trip and I shall prepare to do so immediately. Would be kind enough to request the necessary authorizations from Mr. Sweeney. Since time is important, I will plan to leave this next week, even though formal approval has perhaps not come through by that time.

I can be reached in New Mexico either through [redacted] at Albuquerque, or in care of Mr. [redacted], Las Cruces, New Mexico. Upon my return, or sooner if I deem it necessary, I will submit a report to you in detail concerning my findings.

Sincerely yours,

J. Allen Hynek

JAH:krf

February 19, 1965

Dr. J. Allen Hynek
Dearborn Observatory
Northwestern University
Evanston, Illinois

Dear Allen:

This is a joint letter from Lyle Boyd and myself relative to the Socorro, New Mexico, UFO case. Major Quintanilla very kindly sent us the documents and we had a chance to study them independently, since I was out of town, before checking with one another. I think it is interesting that our independent thinking had come to essentially the same conclusion. At least we do have some tentative suggestions concerning the case, which appears to be the most baffling incident either of us have encountered so far.

Both of us approached this problem like that presented in a detective story. There are certain facts. We tried to accept the facts as nearly as possible at face value, and then to come up with a suggested solution.

We feel that the unearthly character of the incident in itself may have clouded the facts. Had the sighting been related to a bank robbery or a murder, I feel that some rather obvious clues might have been better followed up. Anyway, we shall make our suggestions and hope that it is not too late for someone to check more carefully.

We first raise a question concerning the nature of the flame. The blue and orange colors suggest a chemical flame. When first seen, it was cone-shaped with nothing on top, and the bottom concealed by the hill. When next seen it was <u>below</u> the UFO, and was oragge at the bottom, light blue at the top. How are we to explain the change?

[redacted] vision is important. Both times that he saw the flame he was wearing green sunglasses over his regular glasses and was looking more or less into the low sun. Could this have blinded him and produced a false image? Certainly, wearing green glasses, [redacted] could scarcely give a reliable estimate of color. After he fell down and lost his glasses, he apparently did not again observe the flame. Could the glasses have affected what he saw?

The question immediately came to my mind, "what sort of optical correction does [redacted] need?" A call to Major Quintanilla gave the information that his vision is 20-200, which means, I take it, that he sees at 20 feet what he should see at 200. I gather that he has a very high correction. It would be interesting to know how much astigmatism he has. Indeed, in what direction is the astigmatism? In other words, what he saw after having lost his glasses was pretty much of a blur. There is an apparent inconsistency between the newspaper report and that given by [redacted]. In fact, [redacted] first report refers to "burning brush." But in Moody's account, he refers to the fact that "smoke appeared to come from the bush and he assumed that it was burning. However, no coals were visible and the charred portions of the bush were cold to the touch." This is a new kind of "fire". I would assume, therefore, that the smoke may indeed have been a chemical smoke, and that the charred region was incidental or had been prepared earlier. Sergeant Chavez's observations were only a few minutes after [redacted] had seen the flames.

Is it possible that some very fine powder might have been released? Or possibly a carbon-dioxide bulb, elevated from a balloon? Was there evidence of a chemical fire extinguisher? The condensation from released CO_2 could have produced the effect of both flame and smoke, especially when illuminated by the reddish glow of the setting sun. The position of the column of condensed water or CO_2 crystals was just right for a bright illumination. And, if released from a dark-colored balloon, could have easily given the impression of an inverted cone, as reported.

Of course some chemical release might have been involved. However, there are many artificial ways of producing a strong roar, perhaps most simply from an electronic device, turning it up and then turning it down. Such a device need not be very large.

Now when we come to the UFO itself, [redacted] first thought it was an overturned car. When he radioed Chavez, he said it was like a balloon. Could it have been a balloon? Or could it have been a balloon carrying a flat piece of aluminum foil, shaped like a flying saucer?

When [redacted] arrived at the scene he was admittedly expecting trouble connected with the dynamite shack, but he wasn't sure just exactly where it was. The shack apparently was made of aluminum, and the UFO was also like aluminum in appearance. Did the shack stand on legs, like the UFO? Of course, [redacted] did see the UFO take off in the direction of the shack and pass over it, but there do seem to be some similarities in size and appearance between UFO and shack. When he saw the UFO rise and take off, he had lost his spectacles and his interpretation of what he saw without his glasses is certainly open to question.

[redacted] saw two persons in white coveralls -- large kids or small adults. The costume sounds like that often worn by filling-station attendants or garage mechanics. Both they and the UFO were concealed by the hill during the several seconds while [redacted] was driving from Point D to Point E in the diagram. These two persons were obviously connected with the incident. They obviously took off at high speed, and I doubt that they took off in the UFO. Was there a near-by gully in which they could have hidden? Would they have had time to reach the dynamite shack and hide behind it?

Now we come to the physical evidence, as distinct from the subjective evidence, -- the charred material and the indentations in the sandy soil.

What reason is there to believe that the charring was recent, as seems to have been assumed? [redacted] said he saw burning brush -- apparently because he thought he saw smoke. But might it not have been dust, recently disturbed? He did not smell anything unusual; that means he did not smell smoke. Yet there was a strong wind from the south that should have carried any smoke and its smell directly into his face. Also, if there had been a fire, the wind should have spread the fire. When Chavez arrived and went down to the site, between 3 and 5 minutes after the UFO vanished, he said there were no coals and the charred bushes were cold to the touch. There was also a piece of charred cardboard.

What reason is there to accept the charred bushes as relevant to the sighting, and the charred cardboard as not relevant? All that seems certain is that, at some time, human beings had been in the area, and that their activities (a picnic? visiting the shack?) had involved the use of fire, and that some bushes and some cardboard had burned. If the charring was connected with the UFO (the fire might have cooled in 3 to 5 minutes), then probably the cardboard was also connected with the UFO, and that certainly indicates human activity.

How big and what shape was the cardboard? Maybe it played a significant role in the enacted UFO drama. Did it, for example, support part of the aluminum foil? Were there holes in the cardboard to which the aluminum might have been attached, or indentations carved by paper clips or the like?

The evidence of the marks in the soil seems confusing, since we have only the diagrams to go on. The photos are blurred and the verbal descriptions are vague. The descriptions don't say what distinguishes the 4 main imprints from the "footprints." Apparently the footprints were not sharp enough to be photographed, measured for shoe-size, or reproduced by plaster-of-paris casts. If they were actually footprints, and not just vague indentations, they again indicate human activity, and might have been made by the persons in white coveralls or, inadvertently, even by [redacted] himself when he first went down there before Chavez arrived. It was Chavez who first noticed them.

Apparently all witnesses agreed that the four main indentations were fresh. (What is a "burm?" A technical word?) All these measurements of angles seem confusing. The fact that the "average central angle" between the diagonals to the 4 indentations is 89° 1', instead of 90°, which it clearly should be, suggests that somebody goofed on the calculation. The two lines do seem to intersect roughly at right angles, but whether they are true right angles or not of course depends on the arbitrarily chosen "centers" of the indentations. Isn't it equally possible that the four main indentations were actually made at random? That they were made by a machine seems unlikely, given the peculiar, irregular shape they indicate.

We come back to the speeding car, which started the whole business. We certainly would like to know more about this. You have made it clear that [redacted] was a gruff type, who enjoyed giving out tickets. It seems entirely reasonable that he might have antagonized some of the local teenagers,



who devised a hoax to get even. This explanation, I may add, independently occurred to both Lyle and myself. The whole thing could easily have been planned to come off about as it did. The car came into his line of sight from a side road. Which side road? Could it have been from the direction of the flame and rear? Apparently [redacted] thought he knew the occupant of the speeding car ([redacted]) Was this driver ever found and questioned as to what he heard or saw? Did [redacted] have a regular patrol route so that his approximate whereabouts would be known at a given time?

In other words, we see as the most likely possibility that someone planned the whole business to "get" [redacted] It sounds remarkably similar to the elaborate UFO hoax in New Jersey on September 4, 1964- holes in the ground, charred bushes, etc. In addition to the simple chemical phenomena, some fireworks elevated on a small balloon could easily have produced what [redacted] reported.

If you accept this idea just as a working postulate, one can see how easy it would have been to explain the whole phenomenon. Any bright youngsters, possibly juniors or seniors in high school, could dream up this plan. Perhaps they are in a local UFO Club, perhaps not. But they have read of UFO's and they tried to make a very simple one. It need not have been elaborate. At first, we thought that perhaps a sizeable balloon might have been involved, perhaps one of the radiosonde type. But that again seems more elaborate than necessary. Perhaps the hoaxsters have two or three simple hydrogen-filled balloons. They put up the flare-producing device, whatever it was, with a small balloon and wait for a signal from their confederate in the speeding car. If they knew what [redacted] schedule was, so much the better. But one of their group is all prepared to get going. Perhaps he is a radio ham and can alert them to the proper time of exploding the device. Have any of the high school youngsters walkie-talkies on the citizen's band? The extremely loud noise was probably produced electronically, since apparently that and the bright flash attracted [redacted] attention. They must have definitely tried to simulate an explosion, since the proximity of the dynamite shack could hardly have been a coincidence.

Now these boys have manufactured a fake UFO. To get it off with small balloons means that it is pretty light. They take a big piece of aluminum foil, cut it in the form of an ellipse with two legs appended,

more or less as shown in [redacted] sketch, from a distance of approximately 103 feet. (N.B. Why approximately? If the distance was quoted as 103 instead of 100?) Now compare that with his first view of the object from approximately .15 miles, looking down on it. And remember that a horizontal ellipse can change to a circle or give the appearance of a vertical ellipse, according to the angle of view. This could easily account for the difference of appearance between the two views, if he saw it in a rounder projection, as if it were a "balloon" which seems to have been his impression the second time he saw it. The orientation of the quadrilateral figure is not shown. If there were several balloons used to support the object, the indentations might have held weights to keep them in position. The suspended oval disk, then, would lie more or less along one of the diagonals of the figure. Some experimentation might show this.

The boys are waiting for [redacted], they see him when his car crests the hill, they trigger another blast of flame, release the UFO, run like hell, and are hidden by the time he stops his car. The balloon gets caught in a current, near-sighted [redacted] sees it disappearing into the distance. And that is it.

The white coveralls might, perhaps, be a clue to the culprits. Do they work in a filling station? Was, by any chance, this the [redacted] Service Station? Is Opal [redacted] possibly an accomplice? Does [redacted] have high school assistants? Does [redacted] record of arrests, over the previous five or six months, include more than one arrest of the same person? Were any of these persons employed by the service station?

You may well object that our hypothesis is far-fetched. However, much more elaborate hoaxes have been perpetrated in the past, in many fields. New Mexico is pretty conscious of flying saucers. This hypothesis certainly opens up a lot of inquiry. I hope it is not too late to go back and check.

I would certainly question [redacted], check on the potential speeder, and find out who he plays around with. See if there are some amateur chemists in the group, who might have made some fireworks. When I was a boy I launched a three-stage rocket, if you call the first stage being shot out of a cannon. Check the local high schools. See if

there are boys who have electronics experience or walkie-talkies. Perhaps have a chemical analysis made of the soil in the vital region, looking for trace elements, to see if there is evidence of burned gunpowder. Or look at the charred material on the bushes. See if these may have some evidence of some constituent of gunpowder. Perhaps some unburned nitrate. But if it was just a CO_2 bomb, as I have suggested, perhaps that is harder to detect.

Given this much of a clue, re-enact the event. It may be difficult to produce in all detail, because one cannot always equal the meteorological conditions.

Farfetched as these hypotheses are, we wish you would look them over, compare them carefully with the data supplied, and see if there is any flaw in our reasoning. I well recall that Houdini and the Great Dunninger, magicians both, unmasked a good many hoaxes and charlatans in the field of mediums by producing, by entirely natural means, the phenomena of the seance. I hope we can do the same.

Looking forward to hearing from you and with our very best regards, we are

Cordially yours,

Donald H. Menzel

Lyle Boyd

DHM:nr

cc: Major Quintanilla
Sgt. Moody
Major Masten Jacks

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Socorro, New Mexico Sighting, 24 Apr 64 18 Feb 65

Dr J Allen Hynek
Dearborn Observatory
Northwestern University
Evanston, Illinois

Dear Dr Hynek,

It has just been brought to my attention that a new commercial documentary film has been made of the Socorro, New Mexico sighting. Portions of the film were shot at Socorro, New Mexico with the principal witness, [redacted], re-enacting his experience for the studio.

I anticipate numerous queries regarding the film, once it has been released to the general public.

In order to answer these queries intelligently, I consider it essential that our project have some background information regarding the film, what motivated [redacted] to take part in the film, and what the general reaction of the public is towards [redacted] part in the documentary.

I think this would be a good time for you to pay a scientific visit to Dr LaPaz at Albuquerque and also visit the observatory at LasCruces, New Mexico. My visit to the area would be too obvious; therefore, let me know as soon as possible when you can make the trip.

Sincerely,

HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr
Major, USAF
Chief, Aerial Phenomena Branch

cc: FOI/Mr Sweeney

January 10, 1965
[redacted]
Jackson College
Medford, Mass.

Dear Dr. Hynek,

There are three plants in the Boston area operated by Avco, one in Waltham(administration), Everett, and Wilmington. [redacted] father, [redacted] (there is also a [redacted]) works in Avco-RAD, the research and development plant in Wilmington. She doesn't know beyond that what department he is in, but she knows he works on rocket design. They live in Newton, Mass. Wilmington is apparently just off Rte. 128. If any more information is needed, contact me.

Signed,

[redacted]

P.S. [redacted] doesn't know why I wanted to know these things.

PP. S. I'm going to need more bullets soon. Say hi to [redacted]

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22 December 1964

Major Hector Quintanilla
Foreign Technology Division
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Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

Dear Major:

For what this is worth, I pass it on. It refers to the Socorro Case. My daughter [redacted] was expatiating on the subject of Socorro to one of her dormitory mates at Jackson College and succeeded in rather frightening the roommate. The girl in question went home and told her father, who happens to work for AVCO. He was quite interested but said to the girl, "I can't tell you anything about this, but there is no need for you to worry. Just don't give it another thought."

Now either the father know something that AVCO is doing which might have a bearing on this, or he is simply trying to play the big know-it-all papa who is trying to impress his daughter that he knows all government and other secrets. In any case, what do we know about what AVCO is doing? Is it at all possible that they are testing something like this? If so, how close to Socorro? Who do we know there, and who can we ask? I do know that one of the fellows (his name slips my mind right now - a [redacted]Something-or-other) who was one of the instigators of the big UFO Conference called by the National Security Board (the one attended by Robertson, Alverez, and so forth who got out the official white paper) is now working for AVCO. If I can remember his name, I might be able to find out something through him. On the other hand, your official channels should have no difficulty with this, particularly if there is nothing to it. If there is something to it, it will take another two weeks! *

I hope you managed to get down all the four hamburgers. Tell [redacted] to have the NCO Club stock [redacted] aft, this! Can't have our Washington guests thinking we are the great unwashed and the great untutored!

I hope that you can make it to Chicago next month.

Merry Christmas,

[redacted]

[redacted] krf

5 November 1964

[redacted]
Farmington, New Mexico

Dear Mr. W[redacted]

This is in answer to your letter of October 15, 1964.

I am happy to be able to verify for you the newspaper report quoting me as saying, in effect, that [redacted] story was simply told and told without any intent to perpetrate a hoax. The story was indeed told by a man who obviously was frightened badly by what he did see. I am not absolutely certain that the wording of the quote is precise, but certainly the sense is.

I would further confirm that I made the statement that we had no evidence to lead us to believe that we were being visited by spaceships from other planets. We do have a few sightings like the Socorro sighting which are extremely difficult to explain. In fact, we do not yet have an explanation for the Socorro sighting, but that fact alone does not entitle us, I believe, to jump to the conclusion that we have interplanetary visitors. It is of interest, and it is quite necessary from a scientific standpoint, however, to look carefully into such cases to attempt to find out what the physical cause for the report was. If a sufficient number of such sightings occur, we should look for a pattern which, in turn, could lead us to the eventual solution. I wish I could, for my own peace of mind, dismiss the Socorro sighting as a hoax or a hallucination, but in all honesty I cannot.

I trust this will be of some help to you. Should your psychiatrist friend wish to get in touch with me directly, please ask him to feel free to do so.

Sincerely yours,

J. Allen Hynek
Director

JAH:krf

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FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO

October ; 15, 1964

Dr. J. Alan Hynek
Department Of Astronomy
Northwestern University
Evanston, Illinois

Dear Dr. Hynek::

I have been corresponding with a psychiatrist who is very interested in the [redacted] sighting of April 24, 1964 of a UFO at Socorro, New Mexico. This man asked me not to mention his name(you would know it in a second) but could I get verification from you of the newspaper report quoting you as saying,"But [redacted] story is simply told, certainly told without any intent to perpetrate a hoax. The story of course was told by a man who obviously was frightened by badly by what he did see", (Albuquerque Journal, April 30, 1964)

As I understand it, this psychiatrist would like to know if it is worth while for him to look into the matter further.

I understand that you made the statement over television at that time that there was no evidence that we were being visited by space ships from other planets. I want to say that that is also my opinion since the day President Eisenhower said Dec. 15, 1954, that it would be wrong to think that they come from another planet, orbit. (Santa Barbara News-Press, Dec. 15, 1964) You would do me the greatest favor if you would confirm the statement in the press. I feel that this country needs all the brains it can muster to solve the UFO problem.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

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Major Hector Quintanilla
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October 15, 1964

Dr. J. Allen Hynek
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Dear Allen:

We certainly missed you at the I. A. U. this year, but you probably made good use of the time scientifically. Congratulations on what you are doing in building up new observatories. The nation certainly needs more observing equipment, of medium and large aperture. I wish I could find some way of producing such equipment for Harvard, of course at a western site.

I was interested in your comments on the Socorro case. Since I was out of the country at the time, your letter is really the first detailed account that has come to my attention. It certainly looks like a case to shake the skeptics or at least put the burden of proof back on their shoulders. And I know, from inside information, that Keyhoe is delighted. He is writing an article for TRUE, which probably will appear in two parts.

I wonder what your basic reaction is. You presented the facts, as you obtained them, but you didn't say whether this was shaking your viewpoint concerning the extraterrestrial origin. And you have certainly challenged Lyle and me to look the matter over. I have not had a chance to see her since my return from Europe, but we shall try to get together before too long and see what we can come up with. I do have a glimmering of an idea, which will require some help and collaboration from the Air Force to prove or disprove. However, before I reveal it, I wonder if the Air Force will send me all of their material on this case, so that I can familiarize myself with the locale as well as the reports from individuals.

I was glad to hear the family news and have passed it on to Florence. Best wishes to Mimi and all.

Cordially yours,

Donald H. Menzel
Director

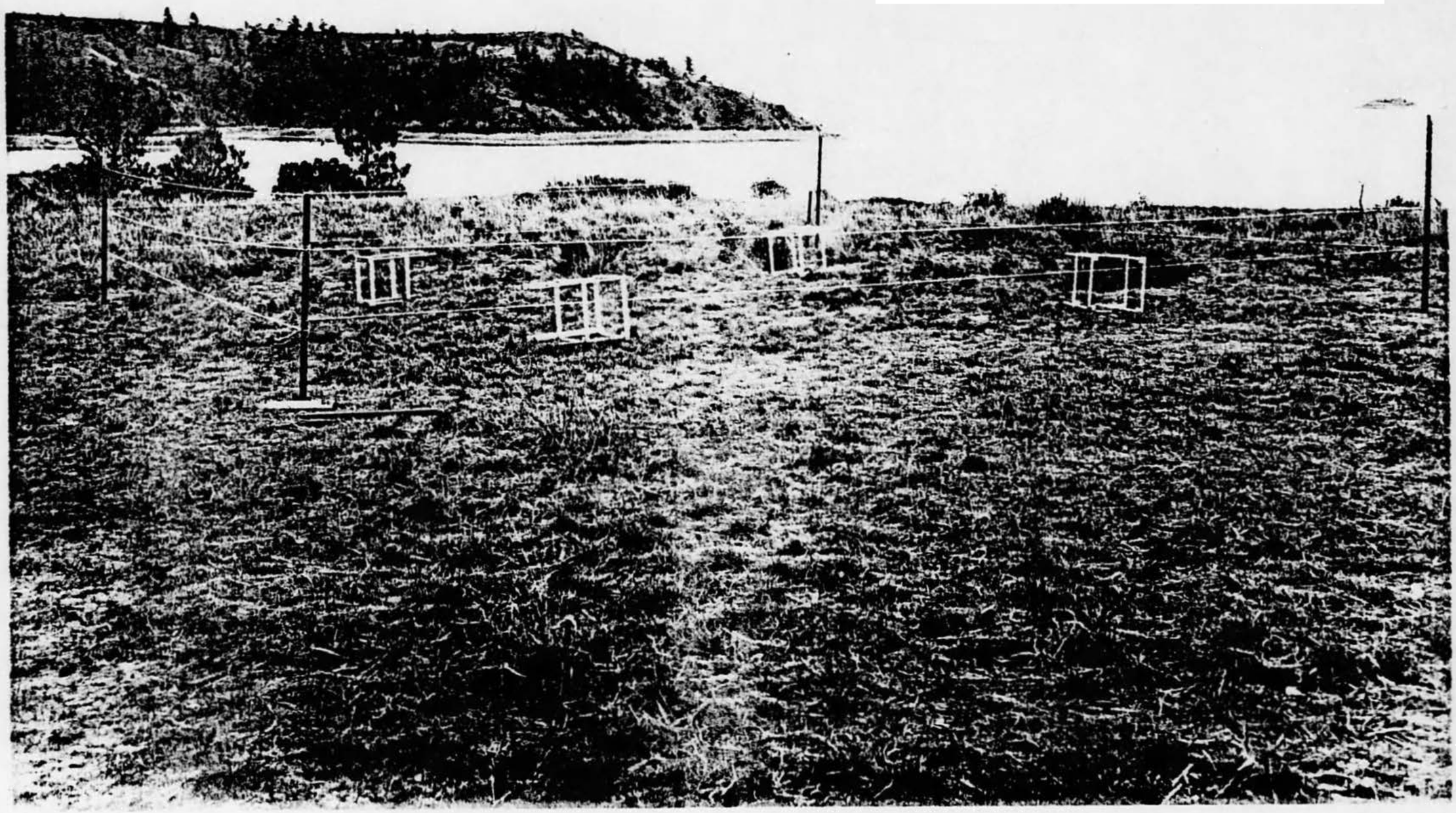
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29 September 1964

Dr. Donald H. Menzel
Harvard College Observatory
Cambridge 38, Massachusetts

Dear Don:

Thank you for your letter of September 10, and I'm glad that you liked the review.

With respect to the Socorro case, I wish I could substantiate the idea that it was a hoax or a hallucination. Unfortunately, I cannot. I have talked at length with the principals in the sighting, and unless my knowledge of human nature is utterly out of phase, I would feel that [redacted] is incapable of perpetrating a hoax. He is simply a good solid cop whose two early comments are in themselves quite revealing. The first was to ask his superior whether he ([redacted]) should first talk to his priest and his second was that he resented the whole thing because it prevented him from getting his quota of speeders that day! He is not imaginative, sticks solidly to business, and is far from talkative. His superior, Sergeant Chaves, is much more articulate.

Major Quintanilla is convinced that the Socorro sighting is neither a hoax nor a hallucination, but he feels that perhaps some sort of test object (war games, etc.) might have been going on. However, there is no record of such even though he has tried to track this down through White Sands, Holloman Air Force Base, and a few others. I would like to go along with the hallucination idea if it weren't for the marks and the burned patches. I arrived there several days afterwards, of course, but the marks had been preserved, and I have the word of nine witnesses who saw the marks within hours of the incident, who tell me that the center of the marks were moist as though the topsoil had been freshly pushed aside. The four marks when plotted out lie such that the diagonals intersect at exactly ninety degrees, which may or may not be significant.

Then, of course, we have the testimony of the tourist who stopped by [redacted] Gas Station (I talked to the filling station man in detail) who while waiting for his change remarked, "Your airplanes fly awfully low around here, one liked to knock me off the road just south of town."

Whereupon the attendant replied, "Oh, we have a lot of helicopters flying around here."

To which the tourist replied, "If that was a helicopter, it's the damndest helicopter I ever saw. It seems he was in some sort of trouble because he landed just over the hill, and a little later I saw a police car going out toward it."

I checked the times on all these, and they jibe well within human error of time estimates. Furthermore, I talked with all the townspeople I could get

hold of, including the baggage man at the station, the priest, and several people who have known [redacted] since he was in knee britches. This baggage man at the station, (baggage men have a way of knowing everything about everybody in town) gave him one of the cleanest bills of health I've ever heard from anyone. Furthermore, one of my astronomy undergraduates did a term paper on the Socorro case since he comes from Socorro and his aunt essayed to gather a great deal of raw materials for him. She personally visited [redacted] and went up and down the town fishing out what she could. In her talk with [redacted], she quotes [redacted] as saying, "[redacted] just gave himself up to God." The term paper was complete with geologic map, road maps, etc. and while I asked the student undertaking the term paper to do everything he could to find an obvious natural explanation of the sighting, he was unable to do so. I think it's time for J.H.M. and Lyle Boyd to get in the act to solve this mystery! I'm stuck.

Furthermore, I revisited Socorro on my way to Las Cruces a month ago just to check the pulse. I thought perhaps that if I talked to [redacted] and the other again, they would certainly have had some afterthoughts about the thing, after this many months had passed. [redacted], if anything, is more reticent than before and, although I tried to find negative character references for [redacted] or some sort of medical history, I met nothing but a wall of good character references. The guy doesn't drink, cavort with women, or recite poetry. He captures speeders. In fact, as you know, he was chasing a speeder when the incident occurred. He was in uniform, on duty, and this is a situation hardly conducive to an isolation hallucination, or what-have-you. He is the sort of cop who when he chases a speeder has a one track mind and wants to get his speeder and make up his quota for the day. It was, I think, only because he heard this noise and reportedly saw a flash of light out near the mayor's dynamite shack (he is apparently beholden to the mayor for his job) that he swerved aside from his normal course of duty to respond to what he thought was a higher call, namely to do a good turn for the mayor and his dynamite shack. Also the fact that, when he first saw the object in the distance, he stated that he thought it was an overturned auto, doesn't sound like the start of a hallucination. He first saw it from a distance of a good quarter mile---more like a half mile and then of necessity lost sight of it for a couple of minutes while he drove around a hillock which obscured his sight. It was not until he rounded the hillock and came onto the small mesa that he was confronted with the object a bare 200 feet away from him. I reenacted the crime with him, along with stopwatch, etc. and throughout the whole thing, he had none of the marks of the crackpot as I found, for instance, in my interview with [redacted] Just a solid cop. So, you come up with an answer, please!

I am building two observatories this year. We break ground next month for the Lindheimer Astronomical Research Center here on the new lakefill in Evanston, and just a few weeks after that, for our new observatory in New Mexico. So we will have a 40-inch, a 24-inch, an 18 1/2-inch, a 16-inch, and a 12-inch, plus a 10-inch astrograph. Things have been breaking fairly well for me, and I have never regretted my decision to come to Northwestern, although both Mimi and I thoroughly enjoyed Cambridge and Smithsonian and our fine contacts with all of you people. I hope both you and Lyle had a chance to see our paper on image orthicon astronomy in the last Sky and Telescope, and the description of the Lindheimer Astronomical Research Center in this current issue of Sky and Telescope.

Mimi and the new babies are doing very well. Ross Allen is now just over one year old; Paul is two and one-half; Joel is fourteen and in ninth grade; Roxanne, as you know, is at Tufts; and Scott is now a senior at MIT. So time and the world move on. Mimi and I send our very best regards to you and Florence and to Lyle and Bill.

Sincerely yours,

Allen

JAH:krf

cc: Major Hector Quintanilla

HARVARD COLLEGE OBSERVATORY
CAMBRIDGE 38, MASSACHUSETTS

September 10, 1964

Dr. J. Allen Hynek
Dearborn Observatory
Northwestern University
Evanston, Illinois

Dear Allen:

Thank you so much for your review of our book. I am sure that this will go far to correct some of the misimpressions that your review of my earlier book did. Incidentally, I am wondering what your opinion is of the Socorro case. It certainly sounds to me like a hoax or, perhaps, some sort of hallucination. I can see the difficulties that you would have, however, making an open pronouncement if it is either of the above.

I am dictating this from Hamburg, where we have just completed a meeting of the IAU. You missed a very interesting program, especially part of it dealing with the Ranger program.

With best regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

Donald

Donald H. Menzel

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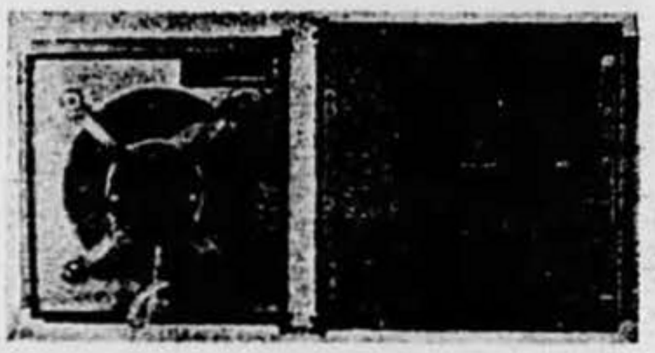
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For specifications, prices and other information contact the firm.

Connector Catalog

Complete technical data on the Foamflex series of coaxial connectors manufactured by **Kings Electronics Co., Inc.,** 38 Marbledale Rd., Tuckahoe, N. Y., are contained in their new 8-page catalog just issued. These connectors are designed for use with Phelps Dodge Copper Products Corporation's Foamflex Cable.

Also featured in this 2-color bulletin are connectors which are specifically designed for applications involving Phelps Dodge's Spirafil and Styroflex Cables.

A copy of the Foamflex catalog may be secured by writing the manufacturer.

These manufacturers have invited PROCEEDINGS readers to write for literature and further technical information. Please mention your IRE affiliation.

Cardon Appointed By Servo Corp.

In line with the Government's latest trend toward total project supervision, with more direct interest being shown in sub-contracts as well as primes, **Servo Corporation of America,** Hicksville L. I., N. Y., named Jules Cardon manager of Government Sales.

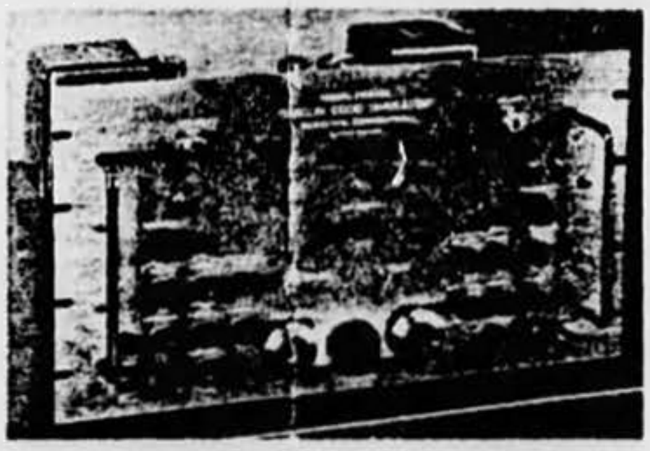


In a simultaneous move Servo acted to integrate all its government contract and subcontract activities under the direction of the new unified marketing group to be headed by Cardon.

The organizational change merges the two distinct sales groups which formerly marketed Servo capabilities, facilities, and products to the government and prime defense contractors separately. In effect, the former Government Sales and Weapons and Sub-System Sales Divisions are now merged into a single Government Sales group.

The move also completes re-organization of Servo's sales department according to the company's over-all marketing plan, a Servo spokesman stated.

Beacon Code Simulator



Micro-Tel Corp., 2127 Maryland Ave., Baltimore 19, Md., announces the availability of Model PSG-10A Beacon Code Simulator. The instrument is a double-pulsed microwave signal source covering 2.7 to 2.9 kmc and 5.1 to 5.9 kmc. Pulse width can be adjusted from 0.3 to 10 μsec, pulse spacing from 0 to 100 μsec, and PRF from 10 to 2000 pps. An additional feature is that parallel sets of pulse controls can be used to pre-set all pulse parameters in either "C" or "S" band. 100 milliwatts of pulse or cw power is available in both bands through 40 db variable attenuators for sensitivity measurements. The entire instrument is housed in a 19×10½×15" cabinet and will operate from 60 to 400 cps power source. Primary purpose of the instrument is to check sensitivity and pulse decoding circuitry of radar beacons. For further information, contact the firm.

Hines Appointed by Microwave Associates

Microwave Associates, Inc., Burlington, Mass., announces the appointment of Marion E. Hines to the newly created position of Senior Scientist. Hines will coordinate the company's extensive research activities in solid state circuits and will initiate two new programs which will lead to the company's entry into microwave oscillators and microwave amplifier-down converters both using Esaki (tunnel) diode techniques.



Hines was previously associated with the Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc., at their New York City, Allentown, Pa., and Murray Hill, N. J. laboratories. He has been active in the development of microwave electron tubes, development of telephone transmission systems and in research on solid state electron devices. His most recent work has been involved with research on Esaki (tunnel) diodes for application as microwave oscillators and amplifiers.

At the Bell Laboratories, Hines was an instructor in electron tubes for the Communications Development Training program and has recently been a visiting lecturer at the University of Pennsylvania.

Hines is a graduate of the California Institute of Technology where he obtained a Bachelor's degree in 1940 and a Master's degree in Electronic Engineering in 1946. He served as a weather officer in the Air Force during World War II.

He holds numerous patents in the fields of electron tubes, electronic circuits, and semiconductor devices.

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Astropower, Inc. has been formed as a subsidiary of Douglas Aircraft Company with Mr. Y. C. Lee, internationally noted propulsion expert, as president.

In offering its services for research and development of advanced space propulsion systems to system contractors and government agencies, Astropower will operate as an independent company. The proprietary interests of major systems and sub-systems contractors will be respected and protected by both Douglas and Astropower.

A balanced engineering and research program is now being formulated to advance the state of the art in—

- Ultra-high energy propulsion systems in the nuclear, chemical and electrical fields
- Solid state devices and energy conversion equipment

Mr. Lee is now staffing key positions in Astropower, Inc. and will welcome inquiries from qualified engineers and scientists having advanced degrees in the areas of nuclear physics, plasma physics, solid state physics, thermodynamics and high temperature materials.

Astropower's permanent scientific and engineering center will be located in one of Southern California's ideally situated research communities.

ASTROPOWER, INC.

Temporary headquarters: 3801 Lakewood Boulevard, Long Beach, California

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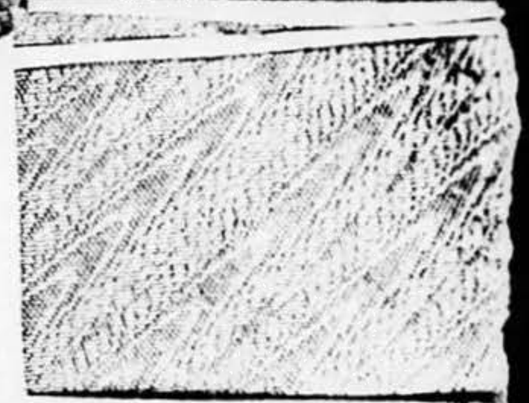
Dear R, D and M: —

Does the enclosed suggest any resemblance to the ⧋ of Socorro? Maybe we'd better investigate a trifle more. Although the thing may be still a little new. However — this came from an old magazine, January 1961. Worth a look at. Much may have happened since 1961.

I will return to Evanston for the academic year this coming Saturday — the 12th and will be on hand almost continuously. Except on the 15th & 16th I'll be in Boulder. I have to put in my vacation for service and travel for August since I still don't know the format. To see boy Sweeney & be in Evanston soon?

I'd love being up here all by myself, but I wouldn't want to keep it up too long. Even then for days, however, one power & be a marvelous vacation. I'm getting a chance & think - something I have. I done much of all summer. The weather is just perfect and my boat doesn't leak too much - so I'm out on the lake quite a bit. and the sleeping - with the nights cool enough to require 3 covers - is something I'll come home rested for another year's battle.

The architect is due & have the working drawings completed on Sep. 21 - then a few weeks for the bids - and we can break ground. This will be written up in Newsweek & Time magazine. Say a tebaccoe. By the way, did you get this month's? Cheers, Allen



Via Air Mail

Major Hector Quintanilla

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FOR MDFC INFO TDEW/UFO. REFERENCE TDEW 19-6-412. CONFIRMING TELECONS BETWEEN CAPT WEIMER; CAPT QUINTANILLA AND MR. [redacted]. REQUEST MEETING BETWEEN CAPT QUINTANILLA AND MDC COMDR BE ARRANGED BY MDF. TOPIC OF MEETING WILL BE RECENT UFO INCIDENT NEAR SOCORRO. SECURITY CLEARKCES WILL BE FORWARDED BY TDEW. DATE OF MEETING TO BE AT YOUR CONVENIENCE. UNDERSTAND 6 JULY MUTUALLY AGREED UPON. REQUEST MDF ASSIST VISITOR AS NECESSARY AND POSSIBLE IN HIS INVESTIGATION TO LOGICALLY ACCOUNT FOR SOCORRO INCIDENT. ~~CP-3~~

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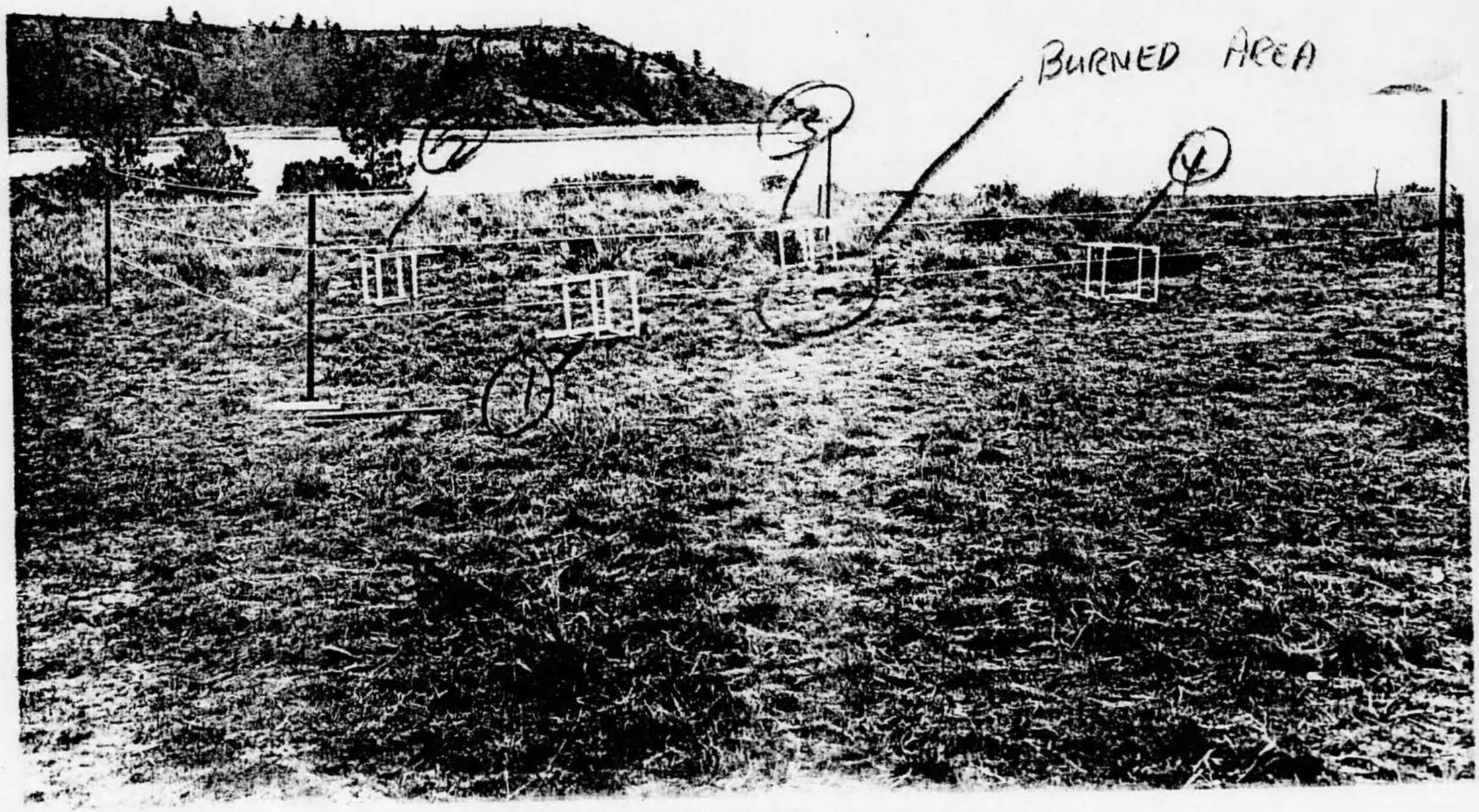
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FOR MDG, INFO MDFC. REFERENCE TELECONS MR SEYEN, CAPT WEIMER AND CAPT QUINTANILLA, 24 JUN 64. CAPTAIN HECTOR QUINTANILLA, AO 2231554, WILL ARRIVE ON OR ABOUT 6 JUL 64 FOR MEETING WITH MDC COMMANDER. CAPT QUINTANILLA IS CLEARED UP TO AND INCLUDING TOP SECRET.

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FOR SCFTC: RE YOUR SCFTC 16-6-13: THE POSSIBILITY OF A RESEARCH VEHICLE BEING INVOLVED IN THE SOCORRO SIGHTING HAS BEEN INVESTIGATED. THE ARMY LIAISON OFFICE AT FTD HAS BEEN CONTACTED AND THE CASE HAS BEEN DISCUSSED WITH THEM AT GREAT LENGTH; HOWEVER, THEY HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE OF AN ARMY RESEARCH VEHICLE WHICH WOULD LEAVE MARKS SUCH AS THOSE FOUND AT SOCORRO. LT COL CONKEY AND MAJ H MITCHELL OF THE AFMDC HAVE ALSO BEEN CONTACTED AND THE CASE HAS BEEN DISCUSSED WITH THEM. BOTH OF THESE OFFICERS WERE AWARE OF THE CASE BEFORE OUR DISCUSSION; HOWEVER, NEITHER ONE OF THEM HAS ANY KNOWLEDGE OF A VEHICLE IN THE HOLLOMAN AREA, SUCH AS DESCRIBED IN OUR REPORT. BELL AIRCRAFT CO HAS BEEN QUERIED REGARDING THEIR RESEARCH ON A LUNAR LANDING VEHICLE WHICH WOULD LEAVE IMPRESSIONS ON THE GROUND SUCH AS THOSE FOUND IN SOCORRO. ONE SUCH VEHICLE HAS BEEN DELIVERED TO THE AIR FORCE AT EDWARDS AFB; HOWEVER, THIS

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VEHICLE IS NOT OPERATIONAL AND IS NOT SCHEDULED FOR TESTS UNTIL THE LATTER PART OF JUNE. FIFTEEN LETTERS WERE WRITTEN TO INDUSTRIAL COMPANIES ASKING THEM FOR THEIR RESEARCH STATUS ON LUNAR LANDING MODULES. THUS FAR, INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM THESE COMPANIES HAS NOT BEEN USEFUL IN SOLVING CASE. NASA IN WASH, D C WAS CONTACTED BY SAFOI AND THEY HAVE RECEIVED NO REPLY.

4 COL CONKEY, WHILE ON A RECENT VISIT TO FTD, REMARKED THAT SECURITY IN HOLLOMAN IS EXTREMELY TIGHT. RE SCFT ASSISTANCE. STILL BELIEVE THAT TENENT ORGANIZATIONS AT HOLLOMAN HOLD KEY TO SIGHTING. COULD SCFT ASK HOLLOMAN BASE COMMANDER TO GRANT AUDIENCE TO FTD/UFO PROJECT OFFICER (CAPT QUINTANILLA) IN ORDER TO DISCUSS DETAILS OF SOCORRO SIGHTING. SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS HAVE BEEN NIL SINCE DR HYNEKS BRIEFING TO HQ AFSC.

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FOR TDEW/UFO (CAPT QUINTANILLA). RE DR. HYNEK,S BRIEFING TO HQ AFSC ON 10 JUN 64, SPECIFICALLY SOCORRO, N. MEX. INCIDENT. MSG IN TWO PARTS. PART I. OFFICERS THIS HQ AGREE WITH DR. HYNEK THAT POSSIBILITY OF SOCORRO INCIDENT BEING CAUSED BY RESEARCH VEHICLE (US ARMY OR AF SPONSORED) SHOULD BE INVESTIGATED FULLY. REALIZE INCIDENT OCCURRED NEAR WHITE SANDS INSTALLATION. WHAT QUERIES HAVE BEEN MADE TO ARMY R&D ORGANIZATIONS (OR APPROPRIATE AF ORGANIZATIONS)

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REGARDING ABOVE POSSIBILITY? ADVISE. PART II. THIS OFFICE WILLING TO ASSIST IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE. KEEP SCFT POSTED OF ANY PROBLEMS OR SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS IN THIS CASE. GP-3.

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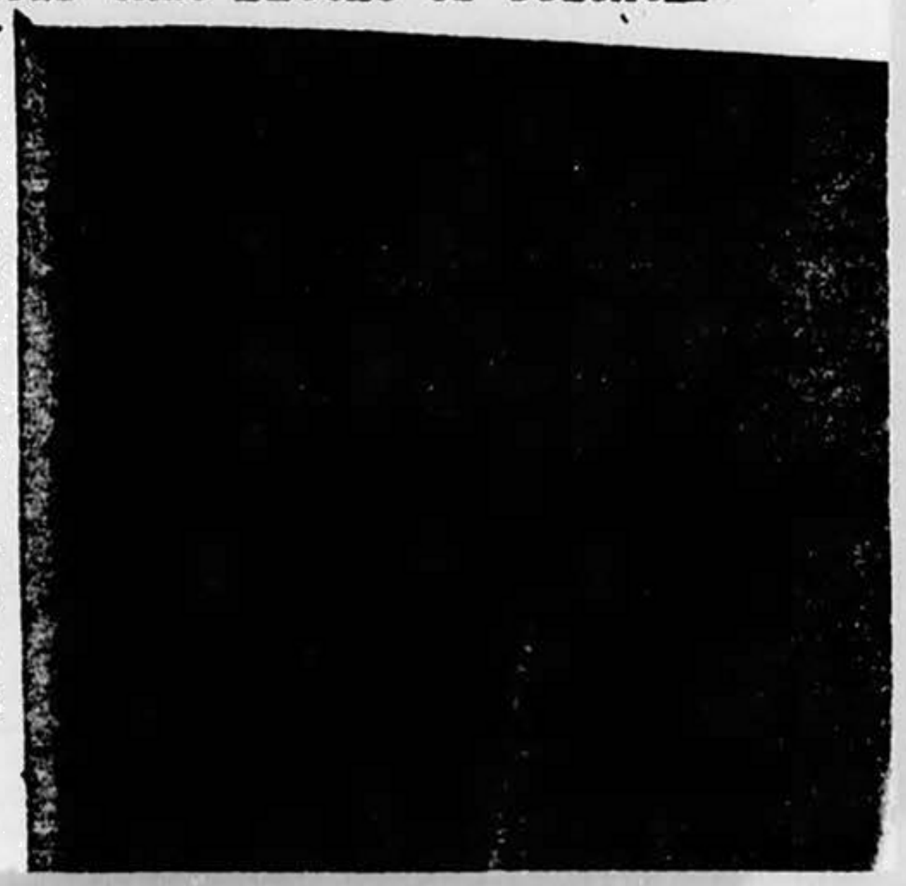
NEW MEXICO POLICEMAN SEES LANDED SAUCER AND "LITTLE MEN": On April 24th, the sensational recent saucer flap began. The first incident was one of the most convincing UFO sightings of all times, in that the principal witness was a police officer whose sincerity not even the Air Force could question. As a matter of fact, officer Lonnie Zamora was vouched for by Dr. Lincoln La Paz, America's foremost authority on meteorites, who had known the policeman for a period of sixteen years!

The several newspaper versions of the incident conflict in some details, but the story supplied to us by NICAP's New York Subcommittee is probably the most accurate, as NICAP members have contacted Zamora directly. Here are the facts:

At about 6 p.m. Zamora was on duty in his patrol car about a mile north of Socorro, New Mexico, when he suddenly heard a roaring noise. Thinking it might be an explosion in a nearby dynamite shack or a car blowing up, he quickly decided to investigate further. From a distance of about 150 yards he saw an egg-shaped metallic or white object, resting on the ground in a gulley. There were two girder-like legs visible on the side of the craft facing Zamora, and the bottom of the object was just above a bush which he knew to be about four feet high. Near the UFO were two figures, small in stature, like children, and humanoid in form. Zamora could make out no facial details at that distance, but he said that they did not appear to be wearing helmets. The figure farthest from him turned and apparently saw him.

There were red markings on the side of the craft. These were apparently lettering of some type, but he could make no sense out of them. (According to an alternative version, Zamora saw only the letter "V" with three lines through it, while another story has it that he was requested by the Air Force not to divulge the nature of the markings.) As the policeman approached closer to the object, it began to roar again and raise a cloud of dust. The two figures were no longer visible, and Zamora supposed that they had entered the craft, despite the fact that he had not noticed any windows, doors, or other openings. Zamora was now frightened, and turned to run. The noise then stopped. He looked back and saw the UFO slowly rising from the ground. It went over the top of the dynamite shack, and remained at a low altitude as it continued on in horizontal flight and eventually disappeared from view. (Our paraphrasing of the NICAP report ends here.)

Thereupon the State Police, F.B.I., and Air Force were contacted. The latter sent their foremost investigator, Dr. J. Allen Hynek, to the scene, together with Sergeant David Moody from Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio. However, by the time Dr. Hynek arrived five days after the incident, the landing site was so trampled by the curious that little of scientific value could be obtained. But all of the early arrivals to the spot had noticed a burned area where the UFO had been, and four wedge-shaped impressions in the hard desert floor, where the legs of the object had stood. There was also something resembling paw marks or heel marks. Hynek talked to Zamora for almost a full day, and to other local people. Hynek even had Zamora re-enact the incident, after which he admitted being more disturbed than ever!



Dr. Hynek was without a doubt genuinely puzzled, and said that he had not come upon anything similar in his previous investigations for the Air Force. He was bothered by the fact

that there was no radar confirmation and no other witnesses. However, these are not serious objections in our opinion. If a Cuban helicopter could land recently at Miami International Airport without being identified on radar as a hostile craft (in spite of our military alert in that area!), then this UFO, flying at low altitude as Lonnie Zamora described it, need not have been noticed on radar either. Furthermore it is interesting to note that on May 22nd - almost exactly a month after the Socorro incident - Holloman Air Force Base in New Mexico tracked two UFO's which were in the vicinity of White Sands, thus proving that at least some incidents in the recent flap did have radar confirmation!

As for there being no other witnesses, it seems that the Air Force and NICAP have one thing in common, in that they have overlooked the published testimony of a tourist who was traveling north on Route 85 and saw Zamora's UFO just before it landed in the gulley! Opal Grinder, manager of Whiting Brothers' Service Station just north of Socorro, said that an unidentified man stopped at the station and told him that a strange-looking craft had flown over his car at low altitude. The tourist also commented that he had seen a police car heading up the hill. This was Zamora's car! Grinder did not attach any importance to the traveler's remarks until later, when he heard about Zamora's sighting.

Then, between 7:30 and 8:00 that same evening, another man driving north on Route 85 saw the same or a similar object. We do not know whether he was interviewed by Hynek, but in any case his story went out over the Associated Press. The man in question was George Mitropolis, a resident of Albuquerque. He said that he turned off his car engine as the object went by at low altitude, and heard a noise "like muffled jets." The thing had a luminous glow. There were no lights, but the glow underneath the craft looked like exhaust flames. The strange object looked to Mitropolis like "an upside down bathtub." The startled traveler reported the UFO to two men in another car, and later to the police and newspapers.

In regard to the Socorro incident, Dr. Hynek had this to say after completing his on-the-spot investigation: "Mr. Zamora's story is simply told, and certainly without any intent to perpetrate a hoax. It is told by a man who obviously was frightened badly by what he saw. He certainly must have seen something." Dr. La Paz, to whom Zamora had sent meteorite reports over the years, was quoted as saying: "I have had contacts with Officer Zamora in my work, and he is a thoroughly dependable observer." La Paz, incidentally, believes that Zamora saw a U.S.-made experimental craft, though the Air Force has denied that we have anything answering such a description.

As of this writing, the Air Force admits having no solution to the Zamora case, and if none is found, it will be carried in their files as UNKNOWN!

Film Studio Trio Here to Interview Persons on Sighting

Socorro will have the spotlight in a full feature length documentary film on Unidentified Flying Objects being made by Empire Film Studios, Hollywood, Calif., Morry Malkin, public relations director of the studio, announced here today.

Malkin, Michael Musto, executive producer, and Jay Lawrence, production supervisor, were to begin filmed interviews here today which will make Socorro the human interest center of the color film.

Socorro will be featured because it was here on April 24, 1964, that a UFO landed and took off in a gully a mile southwest of the courthouse. City Policeman Lonnie Zamora saw at close range the UFO after it had landed and observed its takeoff.

Musto said the world premiere of the documentary will be held here, and that Socorro will be featured in 20 to 25 minutes of the 85-minute show. No date has been set for completion and release of the documentary.

Malkin emphasized that any erratic or distorted stories will be

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Film Studio Trio

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rejected. He said further Empire studios will make every effort to avoid anything in the documentary that might create hysteria or panic.

The documentary will be based on verified information on UFO's, Malkin emphasized.

Malkin said the studio has the most valuable collection of UFO slides in the world. The collection is virtually worldwide and the verified slides will be used in the documentary.

George Todt, Los Angeles Herald-Examiner columnist, will narrate the documentary. Chan Thomas, consulting engineer and scientist, who formerly worked for the federal government, is the scientific advisor for the film.

The Empire studio men expect to be here until Saturday morning. They arrived late Wednesday night.

Malkin said the purpose of the film is to explain in some way the situation concerning the UFOs.

He said that after reading a story in the Denver Post on the UFO sighting here, Musto called a production meeting and the UFO film which was then nearly completed was rerun. They started cutting scenes in the film and directed Malkin to provide the basis for a human interest story on what could be found in Socorro. They scrapped about half of the documentary.

The film will be released to theaters and television stations in many parts of the world.

Among those who would attend the world premiere here would be the studio officials, and Todt, the narrator.

The three from the studio, and City Clerk Raymond L. Senn were to be guests of Mayor Holm O. Bursum, Jr., at luncheon today.

UFO REPORT *** 24 April 1964***

I, Richard T. Holder, Captain, USA, 095042, Up-Range Commander, was notified by 1/Lt Hicks, Executive Officer, Co C, USAG, that he had just been notified by Mr. D. Arthur Byrnes Jr., Credentials Number 3617, Federal Bureau of Investigation, of a reported UFO in the area. Lt. Hicks said that Mr. Byrnes would like for me to contact him at the State Police Office, Socorro, if possible. I tried to call, unsuccessfully, then started dressing. While dressing, approximately 3 minutes later, Mr. Byrnes called me, informed me of the U FO report. I stated that I would be at the office (State Police) in about 5 minutes. When I arrived Mr. Byrnes introduded himself, we each examined the other's credentials and found them satisfactory. Officer [redacted], Socorro Police Department, was present, and was intruduced by Mr. Byrnes as the witness (only witness initially) to the UFO. We both then interviewed Officer [redacted], and this is substantially represented in entirety by the enclosed statements. We then departed for the scene of the reported landing of the UFO. En route (Mr. Byrnes and I went by the same vehicle) we stopped by the residence of Sgt. Castle, NCOIC SRC M.P., who then accompanied us to the site and assisted in taking the enclosed measurements and observations. Present when we arrived were Officer [redacted], Officers Melvin Ratzlaff, Bill Pyland, all of the Socorro Police Department, who assisted in making the measurements. When we had completed examination of the area, Mr. Byrnes, Officer [redacted] and I returned to the State Police Office at Socorro, then completed these reports. Upon arrival at the office location in the Socorro County Building, we were informed by Nep Lopez, Sheriff's Office radio operator, that approximately three reports had been called in by telephone of a blue flame or light in the area. Initial sighting was made by Officer [redacted] at approximately 1750--I was notified by Lt. Hicks at approximately 1910. These reports were not entered on the dispatcher's log so no time on these reports is available--the dispatcher indicated that the times were roughly similar. Reports were completed at approximately 0100 25 April. I requested that I be notified in the vent of a similar occurrance or report.

Richard T. Holder,
Captain Ord/C

NOTE: By Request of the FBI, please do not refer to the FBI as participating in any fashion--use of local law enforcement authorities is acceptable.

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INVESTIGATION

Socorro NM
April 24, 1964

[redacted], Socorro NM, [redacted], Officer Socorro PD about 5 years, office phone 835-0941, now on 2:00 PM to 10:00 PM shift.

About 5:45 PM 4/24/64 while in Socorro 2 Police Car (64 Pontiac white) started to chase a car due south from west side of Court House. Car was apparently speeding, and was about 3 blocks in front. At point on Old Rodeo Street (extension of Park St. south) near George Morillo residence (about 1/2 mile south of Spring Street, the chased car was going straight ahead toward rodeo grounds. Car chased was a new black Chevrolet (it might have been [redacted] boy [redacted] about 17). Chased car still about 3 blocks ahead. [redacted] alone.

heard a roar and
At this time saw a flame in the sky to the southwest some distance away--possibly a 1/2 mile or a mile. Came to mind that a dynamite shack in that area had blown up, decided to leave chased car go.

Flame was bluish and sort of orange too. Could not tell size of flame. Sort of motionless flame, slowly descending. Was still driving car and could notpay too much attention to the flame. It was a narrow type of flame. It was like a "stream down" -- a funnel type--narrower at top than at bottom. Flame possibly 3 degrees or so in width--not wide.

Flame about twice as wide at bottom as top, and about four times as high as top was wide. Did not notice any object at top, did not note if top of flame was level. Sun was to west and did not help vision. Had green sun glasses over perscription glasses.  Could not see bottom of flame because it was behind the hill.

Notsmoke noted. Noted some "commotion" at botton--dust? Possibly from windy day--wind was blowing hard. Clear sunny sky otherwise--just a few clouds scattered over area.

Noise was a roar, not a blast. Not like a jet. Changed from high frequency to low frequency and then stopped. Roar lasted possibly 10 seconds--was going towards it at that time on the rough gravel road. Saw flame about as long as heard the sound. Flame same color as best as recall. Sound distinctly from high to low until it disappeared. Windows both were down. No other spectators noted--no traffic except the car in front--and car in front might have heard it but possibly did not see it because car in front was too close to hill in front, to see the flame.

After the roar and flame, did not note anything, while going up the somewhat steep rough hill--had to back up and try again, two more times. Got up about half way first time, wheels started skidding, roar still going on, had to back down and try twice

agaom before made the hill. Hill about 60' long, fairly steep and with loose gravel and rock. While beginning third time, noise and flame not noted.

After got to top, traveled slowlyon the gravel road westwardly. Noted nothing for awhile...for possibly 10 or 15 seconds, went slow, looking around for the shack--did not recall exactly where the dynamite shack was.

Suddenly noted a shiny type object to south about ~~500 yards~~ 150 to 200 yards. It was off the road. At first glance, stopped. It looked, at first, like a car turned upside down. Thought some kids might have turned over. Saw two people in white coveralls very close to the object. One of these persons seemed to turn and look straight at my car and seemed startled--seemed to quickly jump somewhat.

At this time I started moving my car towards them quickly, with idea to help. Had stopped about only a couple seconds. Object was like aluminum--it was whitish against the mesa background, but not chrome. Seemed like [redacted] in shape and I at first glance took it to be overturned white car. Car appeared turned up like standing on radiator or on trunk, at this first glance.

The only time I saw these two persons was when I had stopped, for possibly two seconds or so, to glance at the object. I don't recall noting any particular shape or possibly any hats, or headgear. These persons appeared normal in shape--but possibly they were small adults or large kids.

Then paid attention to road while drove towards scene. Radio'ed to sheriff's office 'Socorro 2 to Socorro, possible 10-44 (accident), I'll be 10-6 (busy) out of the car, checking the car down in the arroyo."

Stopped car, was still talking on radio, started to get out, mike fell down, reached back t put up mike, then replaced radio mike in slot, got out of car and started to go down to where knew the object (car) was.

Hardly turned around from car, when heard roar (was not a blast) exactly a blast), very loud roar--at that close was real loud. Not like a jet--knows what jets sound like. Started low frequency quickly, then roar rose in frequency (higher tone) and in loudness--from loud to very loud. At same time as roar saw flame. Flame was under the object. Object was starting to go straight up--slowly up. Object slowly rose straight up. Flame was light blue and at bottom was sort of orange color. From this angle, saw what might be the side of object (not end, as first noted). Difficult todescribe flame. Thought, from roar, it might blow up. Flame might have come from underside of object, at middle, possibly a four feet area--very rough guess. Cannot describe flame further except blue and orange. No smoke, except dust in immediate area.

As soon as saw flame and heard roar, turned away, run away from object but did turn head towards object. Bumped leg on car--back fender area. Car facing southwest. Glasses fell to ground, left them there. Ran to north--car between him and object.



Object was  in shape. It was smooth--no windows or doors. As roar started, it was still on or near ground. Noted red lettering of some type, like  . Insignia was about 2½' high and about 2' wide guess. Was in middle of object, like  . Object still like aluminum-white.

After fell by car and glasses fell off, kept running to north, with car between me and object. Glanced back couple of times. Noted object to rise to about level of car, about 20 to 25 feet guess--took I guess about ~~three seconds~~ six seconds when object started to rise and I glanced back. I ran I guess about half way to where I ducked down--about fifty feet from the car is where I ducked down, just over edge of hill. I guess I had run about 25 feet when I glanced back and saw the object about level with the car and it appeared about directly over the place where it rose from.

I was still running and I jumped just over the hill--I stopped because I did not hear the roar. I was scared of the roar, and I had planned to continue running down the hill. I turned around toward the object and at same time put my head toward ground, covering my face with my arms. Being that there was no roar, I looked up, and I saw the object going away from me, in a southwest direction. When the roar stopped, heard a sharp tone whine from high tone to low tone. At end of roar was this whine and the whine lasted maybe a second. Then there was complete silence about the object. That's when I lifted up my head and saw object going away from me. It did not come any closer to me. It appeared to go in straight line and at same height--possibly ~~15/16/20~~ 10 to 15 feet from ground, and it cleared the dynamite shack by about three feet. Shack about eight feet high.

Object was traveling very fast. It seemed to rise up, and take off immediately across country. I ran back to my car and as I ran back, I kept an eye on the object. I picked up my glasses (I left the sun glasses on ground), got into the car, and radio'ed to Nep Lopez, radio operator, to "Look out the window, to see if you could see an object." He asked what is it? I answered "It looks like a ~~balloon~~ balloon." I don't know if he saw it. If Nep looked out his window, which faces north, he couldn't have seen it. I did not tell him at the moment which window to look out of.

As I was calling Nep, I could still see the object. The object seemed to lift up slowly, and to "get small" in the distance very fast. It seemed to just clear the Box Canyon or Six Mile Canyon Mountain. It disappeared as it went over the mountain. It had no flame whatsoever as it was traveling over the ground, and no smoke or noise.

Feeling in good health. Last drink--two or three beers--was over a month ago. Noted no odors. Noted no sounds other than described. Gave directions to Nep Lopez at radio ~~tm~~ and to Sergeant M S Chavez to get there. Went down to where the object had been, ~~was~~.

and I noted the brush was burning in several places. At that time I heard Sgt Chavez (N M State Police at Socorro) calling me on radio for my location, and I returned to my car, told him he was looking at me. Then Sgt. Chavez came up, asked me what the trouble was, because I was sweating and he told me I was white, very pale. I asked the Sgt. to see what I saw, and that was the burning brush . Then Sgt. Chavez and I went to the spot, and Sgt. Chavez pointed out the tracks.

When I first saw the object (when I thought it might be a car) I saw what appeared to be two legs of some type from the object to the ground. At the time, I didn't pay much attention to what it was--I thought it was an accident--I saw the the two persons. I didn't pay attention to the two "legs?" The two "legs" were at the bottom of the object, slanted outwards to the ground. The object might have been about three and a half feet from the ground at that time. I just glanced at it.

Can't tell how long saw object second time (the "close" time), possibly 20 seconds--just a guess--from time got out of car, glanced at object, ran from object, jumped behind over edge of h ill, then got back to car and radio as object disappeared.

As my mike fell as I got out of car, at scene area, I heard about two or three loud "thumps," like someone possibly hammering or shutting a door or doors hard. These "thumps" were possibly a second or less apart. This was just before the roar. The persons were not seen when I got up to the scene area.

Just before Sgt. Chavez got to scene, I got my pen and drew a picture of the insignia on the object.

DISTANCES FROM OBJECT

FIRST SIGHTING OF FLAME. APPROX 3/4 MILE.

FIRST SIGHTING OF OBJECT WITH PEOPLE (2)
BY OBJECT - .15 MILES

2ND SIGHTING OF OBJECT. 103FT.
WHERE: "INSIGNIA" OBSERVED.

"OBJECT" STARTED TO DEPART OR
LIFT OFF SURFACE

3RD SIGHTING OF OBJECT Approx. 200FT.
WHERE: OBJECT LEFT SURFACE

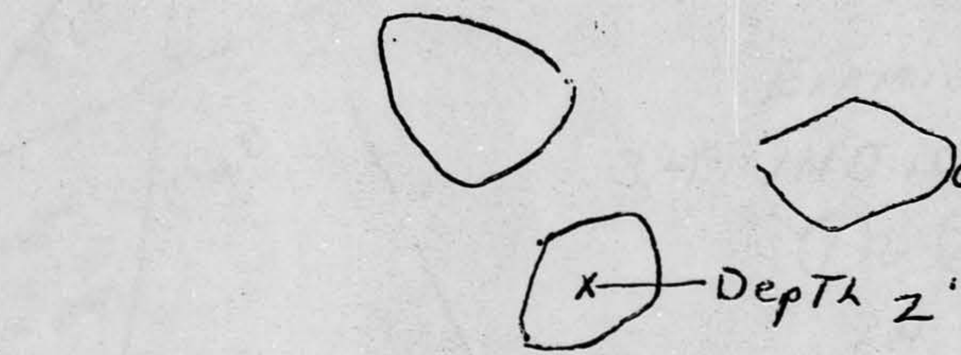
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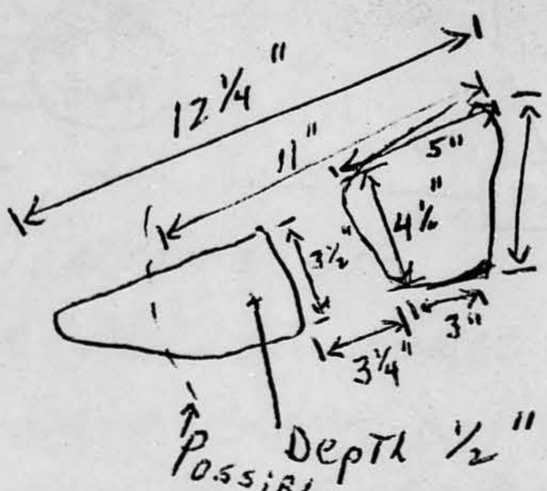
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- IN SOFT SAND

NOTE: 1 SET OF PRINTS IN AREA OF # 4 INDENTATION

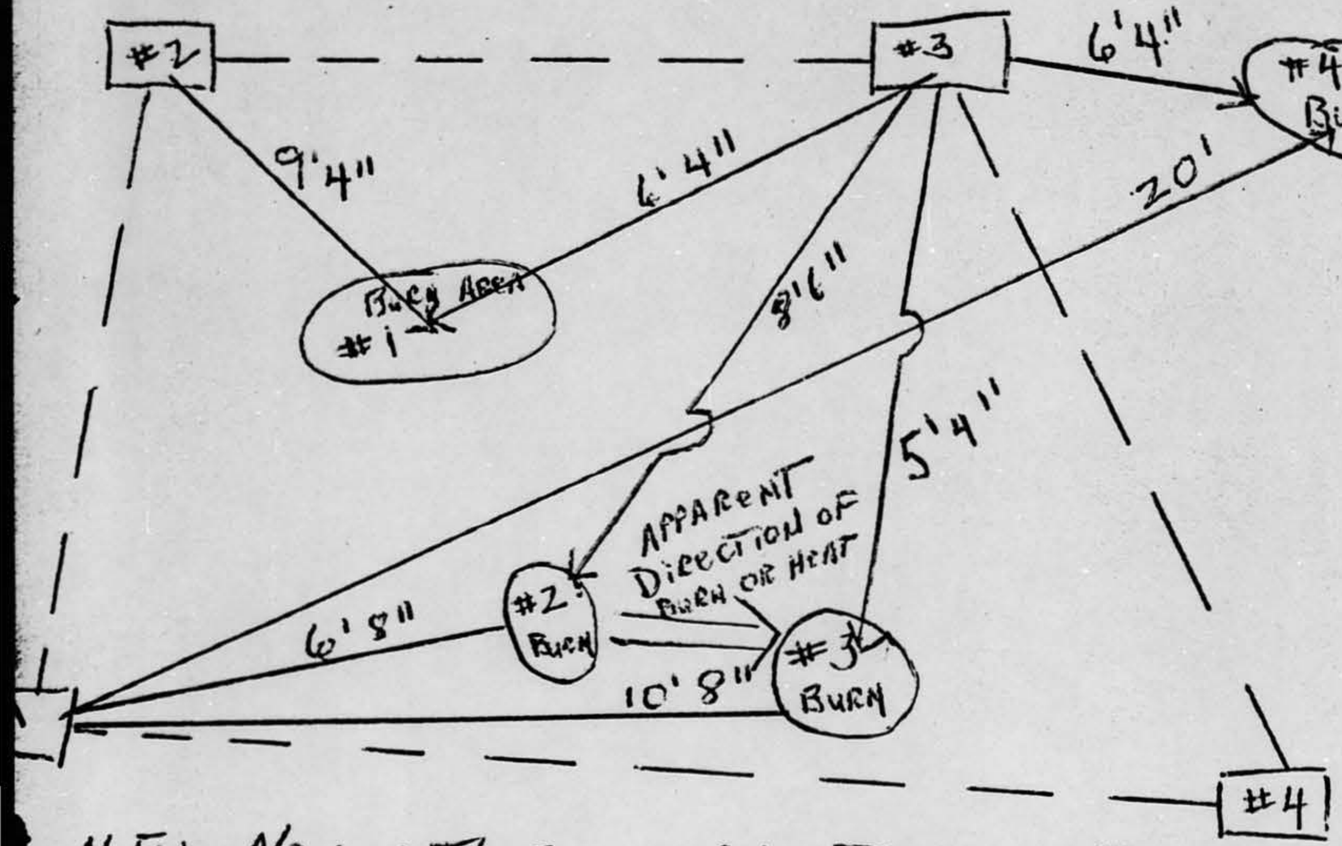
NOTED - POSSIBLY MORE. OUTLINES DESTROYED BY PERSONNEL IN AREA.





POSSIBLE END OF PRINT-
UNDETERMINED DUE TO TYPE OF SOIL

after 3 4



APPARENT DIRECTION OF BURN OR HEAT

EXAMINATION CARRIED AREAS 1, 2, 3, 4 INDICATED THAT:

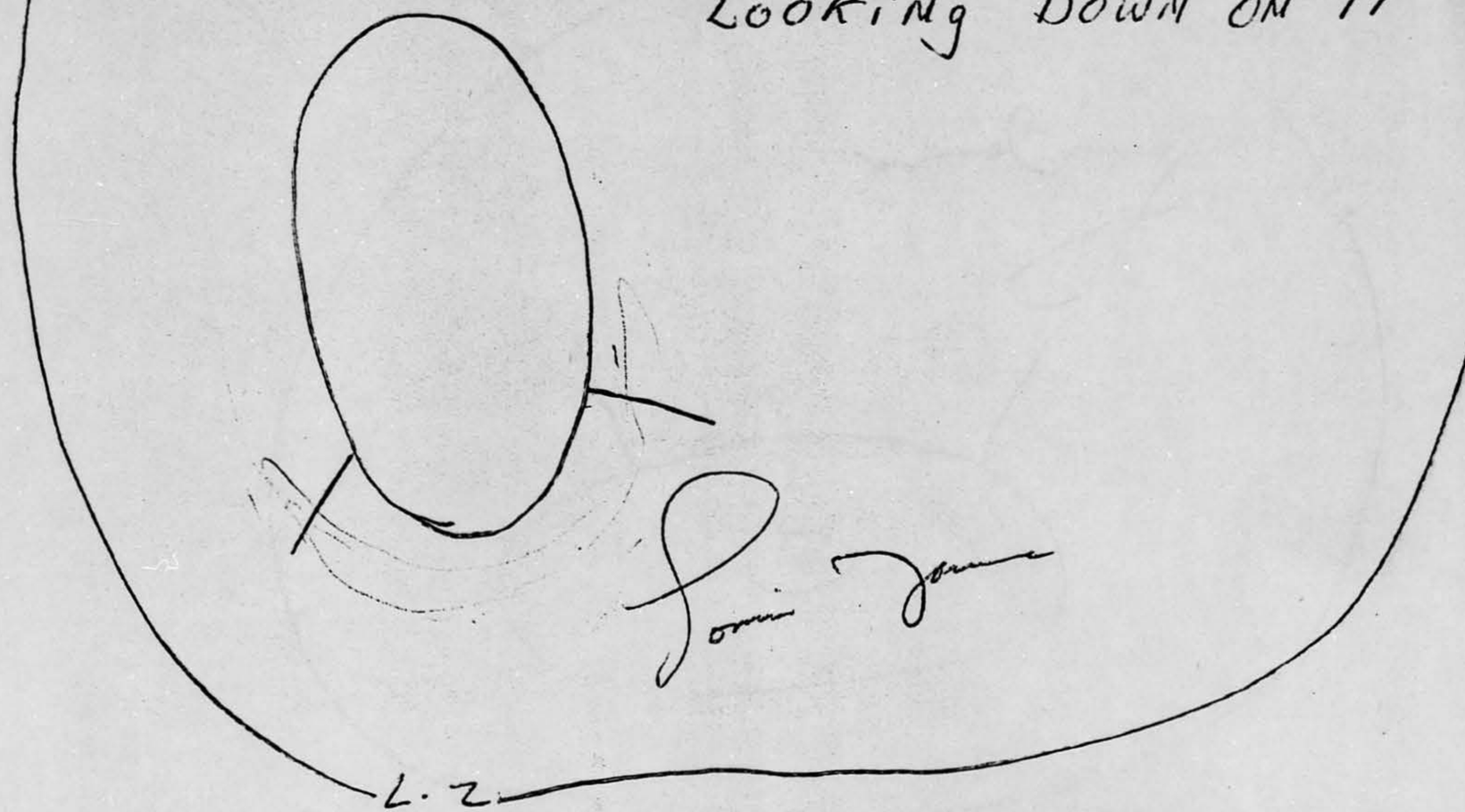
① & ② HAD HEAT APPLIED IN A STRAIGHT OR ALMOST STRAIGHT DOWN DIRECTION-

#③ & ④ HAD HEAT APPLIED IN THE VECTORS INDICATED (APPROX.)-

THIS WAS DETERMINED (ESTIMATED) BY EXAMINATION OF GRASS-ROOTS & BUSHES IN THE AREA.

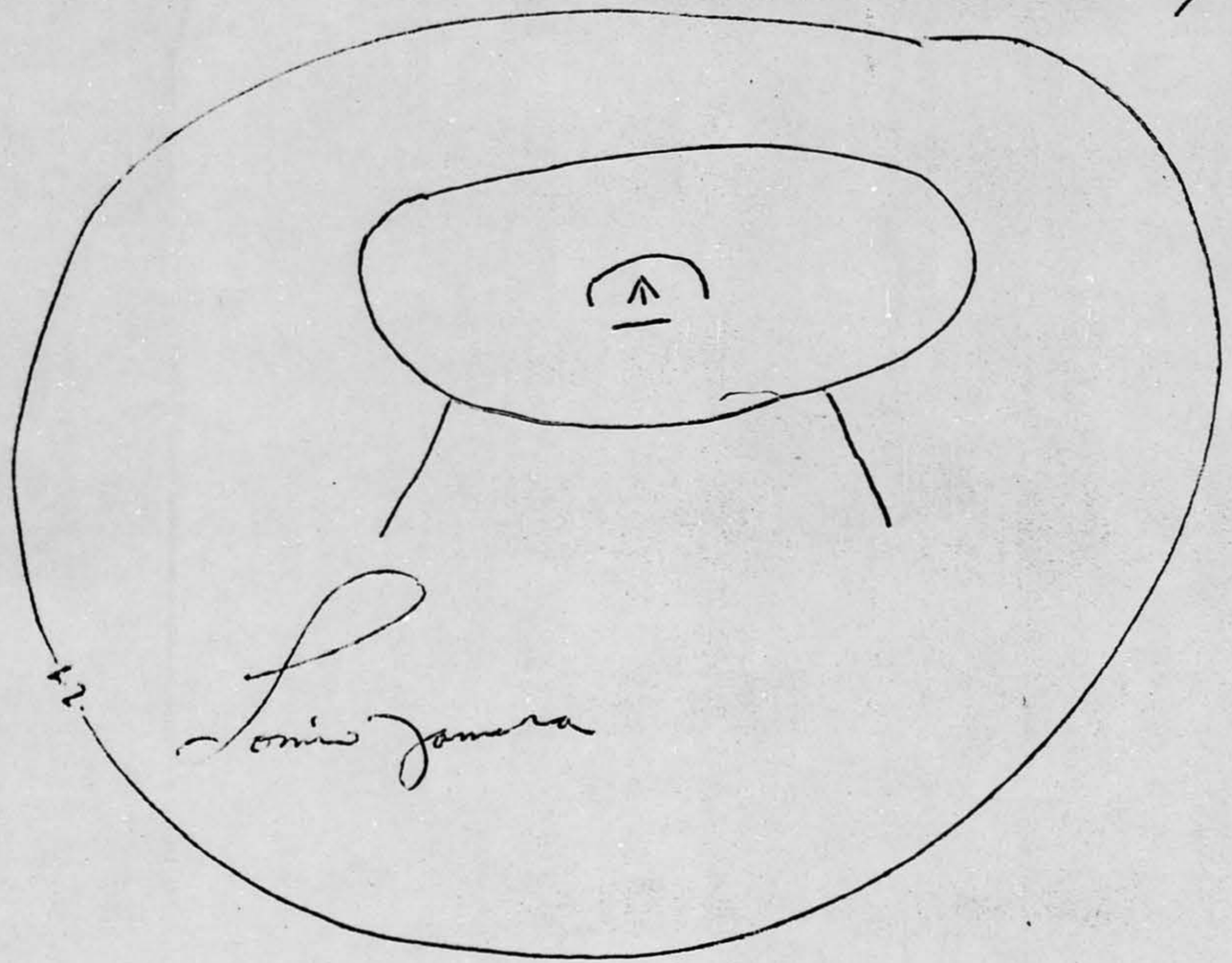
NOTE: NO OTHER INDICATIONS OF A BLAST - i.e. - A THRUST FORCE - WERE NOTED - NO OTHER CHARRING, INDENTATIONS - OR AREA DISTURBANCES WERE NOTED!

FIRST VIEW OF THE OBJECT-
FROM APPROXIMATELY .15 MILES-
LOOKING DOWN ON IT



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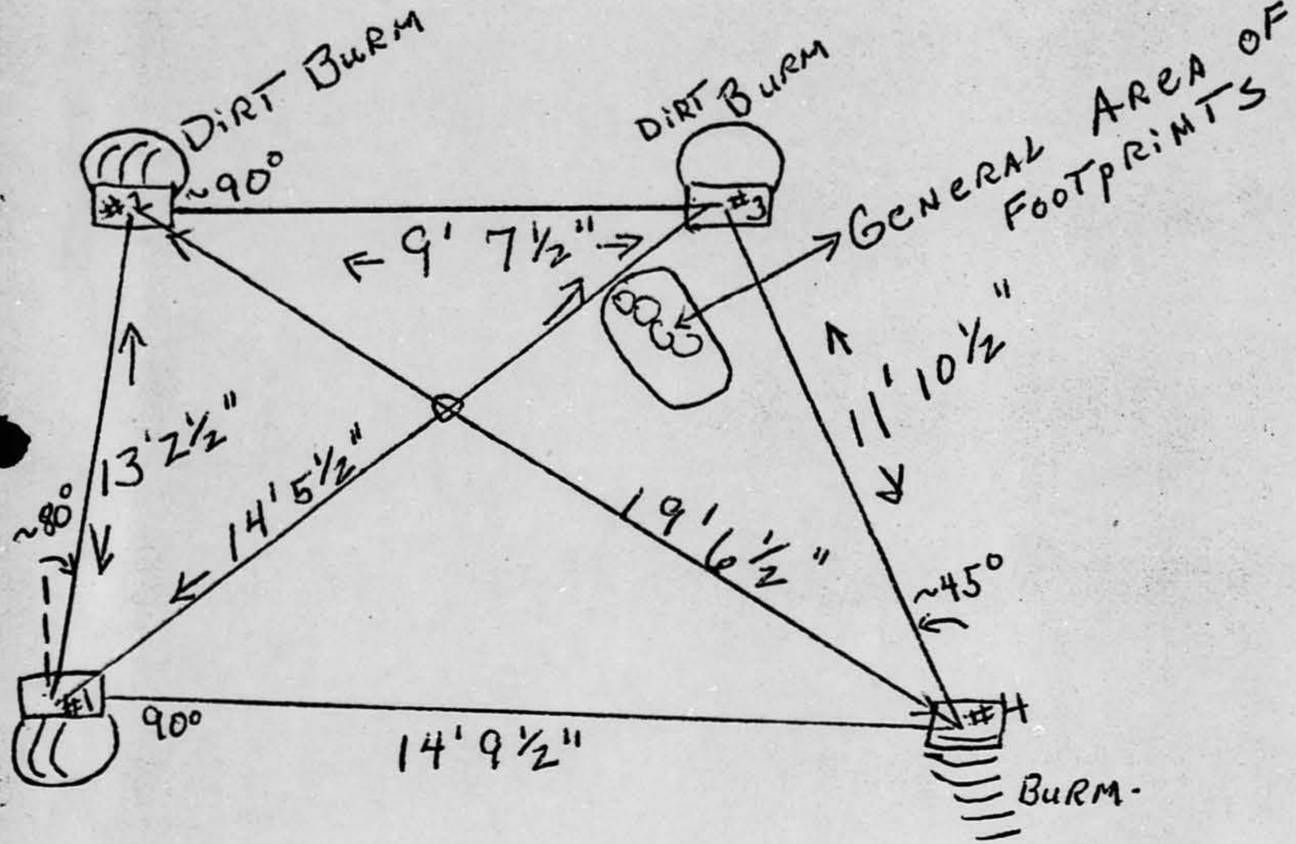
SKETCH OF OBJECT
FROM MY POSITION-
AT APPROXIMATELY 103 FT.-



42.

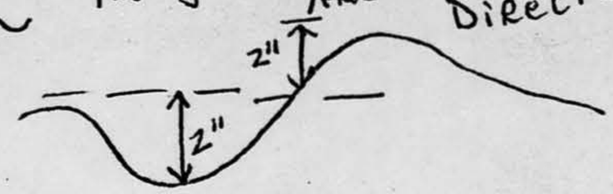
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NO OTHER INDENTATIONS FOUND.

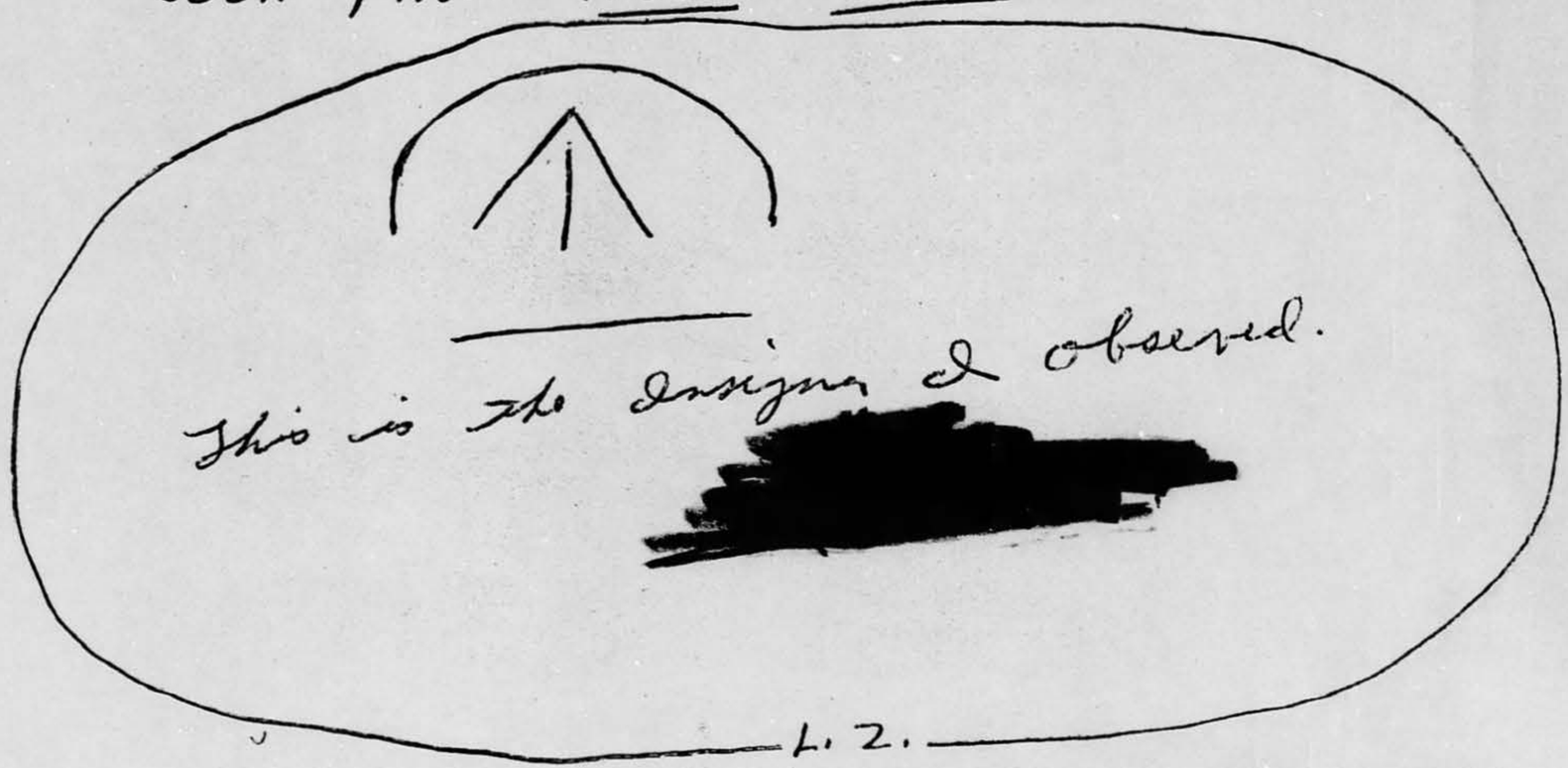
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#4 SIDES DEFINED - BURM AND INTERNAL BASE NOT AS WELL DEFINED - AS THOUGH WT. ROCKED UP.



OBSERVED "INSIGNA"
LOCATED APPROXIMATELY AT
CENTER OF OBJECT AS
SEEN FROM ABOVE - SIDE



This is the insignia observed.

[redacted]

1. 2.

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SKETCH MADE BY PATROLMAN [redacted]
APPROXIMATELY 5 MIN. AFTER OBJECT
DEPARTED -


BURNED
BREAD

FLYING SAUCER RESEARCH ORGANIZATION

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Carlstadt, New Jersey
U. S. A.

May 3, 1964

White Sands Missile Range
Stallion Range
Capt. Richard Holder, uprange commander
New Mexico

Dear Capt. Holder,

As a private flying saucer investigative group, we would like to request information about the April 24th UFO sighting made by Socorro Policeman Lonnie Zamora. We would appreciate your sending all possible information.

If, for any reason, you are unable to send information, we would like a statement from you explaining the exact reason for your act of witholding information.

If you do not answer this letter, we will assume that it is a deliberate attempt to censor information.

Hoping to hear from you soon, I am....

Yours in research,

Keith Jenkins

KJ/436A

Keith Jenkins
Secretary-Treasurer of F.S.R.O.

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this case includes

Fourteen (14) 3x5 B & W negatives

'Saucer' Sighting Has Canyon Ferry Buzzin'

By KEN PAYTON
Staff Writer

The story was made to order for pushovers for Ray Bradbury's science fiction or television's "The Outer Limits." You get on a story like this, if you're a pushover, and you have that gnawing feeling that you hope it's the real thing, just this once, please, so you'll have something to tell your grandchildren about.

A flying saucer, or at least four holes where it once rested, and a burned area where its exotic rocket fuel scorched the earth!

But, lo, then you see the rather drab scene amid grass, cactus, and sage brush on a peninsula above Canyon Ferry Reservoir at the edge of the Canyon Ferry Village. It's about 20 miles by road southeast of Helena.

Area Roped Off

There were not a great many people here, but one thing is certain, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Davis's pathway from their front yard to the roped-off area about 200 feet away will never be the same after this is all over.

Davis is the Canyon Ferry project superintendent and his children, Linda, 11, and Tom, 15, are supposed to be the first who saw whatever it was land and take off.

All day Thursday there was a steady flow of traffic through the Davis front yard, past the corner of their house, and through a wire gate to the scene of the unidentified flying object.

Linda saw a glow on her bedroom curtains at about 9:30 Wednesday night. She ran into the front yard where her brother and other children were playing, and then together she and her brother ran to the back fence.

Egg-shaped Object

They saw an egg-shaped object about the size of an automobile with a bright white glow. Tom said the object lifted off the ground and sped south across the reservoir with a whirring noise. He said it disappeared in about 30 seconds.

The scene certainly did not look like a launching pad, but for the benefit of the pushovers, who knows how people from Mars or Venus fly around the universe.

The four holes, where a space vehicle was supposed to have rested, were about a foot across, four to six inches deep, and formed an imperfect square, an imperfection that you would not associate with such a fine, intricate machine as a flying saucer.

Scorched Grass

three feet in diameter was the sorry site where rocket fuel might have seared the earth.

It was hard to believe, even for a science fiction pushover.

Mrs. Davis said it was "frightening." She said she was convinced her children saw something "after seeing them so shook." Mr. and Mrs. Davis weren't home when Linda and Tom first saw the egg-shaped thing. But they went right out after they got home.

"There was a funny smell around the holes, not like grass burning, sort of like diesel fuel."

The father stringed off the area and placed white wooden frameworks he uses to support his roses over the four holes

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WHODUNIT?—Sightseers on the bank of Canyon Ferry Reservoir look into the area where children Wednesday night said a flying saucer landed. Tom and Linda Davis, their home in the background, were the first to see it. Their father, G. D. Davis, Canyon Ferry superintendent, placed the wooden frameworks over the holes believed made when unidentified object landed. Tribune photo.

'Saucer' Sighting Has Canyon Ferry Buzzin'

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in the ground. When the word got out people started to flock into the area. The influx of people prompted one woman to remark that there hadn't been this much activity since the dam was built. Fishermen would have had a job finding a parking place in the small residential dead-end court in which the Davis home is located.

Deputies Arrive

Then deputies from the Lewis and Clark County sheriff's office arrived. Larry Lytle, chief deputy, had a long talk with Tom Davis, who by noon, was not sure of what he had seen.

"I know what I thought I saw last night," he said. "But now, the holes could have been made with a shovel — there's some piles of dirt over there — and I could have seen a big piece of plastic like that over there."

"I know what I think it is," Deputy Lytle said, "but I'm not saying anything at this time. I'm just an amateur."

Gene Marianetti of Radio Station KMON sat down to tape an interview with Tom. Tom sort of sighed and prepared for the ordeal all over again.

Interviewed Often

"I've been interviewed over and over again today," he said.

Another woman who lives across the street from Davis was skeptical because her young brother said he'd seen the saucer, but then he hopped aboard the school bus but without another word.

"He just doesn't like school that well. I know my brother too well. If he'd really seen

Rights Trend Encourages Mansfield

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield, D-Mont., expressed some confidence Thursday that the jury trial amendment to the civil rights bill can be brought to a vote next week without trying to invoke cloture.

"Very encouraged" was the way Mansfield pictured the outlook for getting a vote without a showdown debate-limiting at-

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Montana's Centennial Train
Living Costs Rise a Penny For Each $10
Sunset Memorial Gardens in Billings.
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tempt.

As dickering over this went on behind the scenes, the Senate rolled through its 44th day of debate on the House-passed bill. And Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey, D-Minn., floor manager for the measure, predicted there will be amendments and that President Johnson will accept some changes.

This apparently was an official change in the administration's stand that the bill must be passed by the Senate with no changes. There had previously been definite indications the supporters of the measure, including administration officials, were reconciled to accepting several changes.

Sen. John Sherman Cooper, R-Ky., introduced an amendment which would exempt state officials from automatic jury trials in civil rights cases.

His amendment would modify the one calling for jury trials in all criminal contempt cases, which was introduced by Sen. Herman Talmadge, D-Ga.

'Skin Magic' Seized

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Food and Drug Administration announced Thursday seizure of a quantity of "Helene Curtis magic secret wrinkle-smoothing skin lotion" on charges that it is a new drug not covered by an approved application and is being marketed under false claims.

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something he would be aching to tell about it. Now everyone is waiting for him to come home."

Apparently all of the children in the area heard Wednesday night about the flying object in New Mexico before the object was sighted in Canyon Ferry.

A Helena newsman looks for the saucer to show up in the Vigilante Day parade in Helena today. Another put forth the idea what would it look like at night to see a giant plastic bag blown up and then set on fire, especially if you're an 11-year-old girl in your bedroom or a 15-year-old boy full of imagination.

Like Gopher Holes

"They look like g o p h e r holes!" one teen-age girl sightseer said.

Carrying a camera down a main street in Helena you heard from a bright-eyed freckle face, "Hey, did you see the flying saucer?"

And you wish you could really say yes, or you saw something that really looked like where one landed.

Now for a week the reports will come in. Mrs. Julia Kelly, 620 1st Ave. SW., said she saw an object fly over Wednesday going toward Helena. It was about 1:30 or 2 p.m. "I thought, 'what is that crazy thing,'" she said.

Sightings of unidentified flying objects in the Great Falls area have been common occurrances for Eleanor Kim Marsh, 3808 9th Ave. S. She said she has repeatedly attempted to convince authorities that she has seen the objects but to no avail. Her first sighting was on April 4. Since then she has kept a continuous log of the sightings on her calendar. A number of them move about in the vicinity of the Belt Mountains.

Newsmen are naturally skeptics, but there's some optimism in them. Wouldn't it be great to see a flying saucer.

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? 1ST ONE A WEEK END IN
   ____ Day APRIL Month 1964 Year

2. Time of day: ABOUT 8 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 ____
   WATCHING-OVER-YEAR
   (Circle One): a. (Daylight Saving)
   b. (Standard) AND

4. Where were you when you saw the object?
   [redacted] FREMONT CALIF.
   Nearest Postal Address City or Town State or Country
   ALSO - NOW SOME SIGHTINGS A PLEASANTON EACH NIGHT -

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

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

   5.1 How was time in sight determined? STARTED LOOKING ABOUT 8:30 PM AND STOP FOR BED AT - 5. AM

   5.2 Was object in sight continuously? (Yes) ____ No ____

6. What was the condition of the sky?
   SECOND OBJECT - OVER YEARS TIME
   DAY
   (a. Bright)
   b. Cloudy
   NIGHT
   a. Bright
   (b. Cloudy) - SOME NIGHT - CLEAR SOME 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
   NOT-THE-FIRST-ONE SECOND ONE YES

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 — SOMETIMES
b. A few — "
c. Many — "
d. Don't remember

OVER YEARS TIME

8.2 MOON (*Circle One*):

HIGHER
FURTHER
BACK

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*):

OVER YEARS SIGHTING

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 — BRIGHT —
b. Transparent
c. Vapor
d. As a light
e. Don't remember

NAKED EYE — LIGHT
BINOCULARS — "
TELESCOPE — ROUND AND COLORED —

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

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

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

FLASHLIGHT AT END OF LONG DARK TUNNEL

12. The edges of the object were:

(*Circle One*):
a. Fuzzy or blurred — NAKED EYE
b. Like a bright star — BINOCULARS
c. Sharply outlined
d. Don't remember — TELESCOPE
e. Other _____

13. Did the object: OVER YEARS SIGHTING — A FEW NIGHTS

(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

— IT BLACKED OUT —

14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how? - YES - WHEN PLANES CAME NEAR IT - IT BLACKED OUT LIGHTING UP AGAIN - AFTER PLANES LEFT. THIS INCLUDING ALL NIGHTS - OVER YEAR.

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: _____

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: BUT ON CLOUDY NIGHTS - CLOUDS MOVED IN FRONT OF IT.

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

a. Sound - NONE -

b. Color SEEN THROUGH SCOPE - COLORS FLOWED THRU FROM BOTTOM TO TOP.

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? WOULD ALMOST COVER A POSTAGE STAMP AT 2 YARDS AWAY (APPROX) - WITH MY EYESIGHT - STAMP WITH WHITE HOUSE AND FLAG -

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.



THROUGH SCOPE - NO-EXHAUST-
NO-VAPOR-TRAILS
NO WINGS
NO - PROTRUSIONS
NO - NOTHING - JUST PLAIN ROUND-

ALSO SEE NOTES ON DIRECTION

HEADQUARTERS
341ST COMBAT SUPPORT GROUP
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
MALMSTROM AIR FORCE BASE, MONTANA

REPLY TO ATTN OF: BDO

14 MAY 1021

SUBJECT: UFO at Canyon Ferry Reservoir, Montana

TO: Capt Quintanilla
Hq FTD (TDEN/UFO)
Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio

Transmitted herewith are photographs of the scene of subject UFO at Canyon Ferry Reservoir, Montana. Reference per telcon this date, the attached message for your information, IAW AFR 200-2, was inadvertently missent to AFSC in lieu of AFIC.

FOR THE COMMANDER

HAROLD L. NEUFELD
Lt Colonel, USAF
Base Director of Operations

2 Atch
1. Msg. (BDO 24121)
2. Photographs

20. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object? - BUT - ANY - PERSON GOOD - AT - MATH CAN FIGURE IT OUT -

(Circle One) Yes (No)

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? PERSON - GOOD AT - TRIANGLEATION CAN -

(Circle One) Yes (No)

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? _____

22. Where were you located when you saw the object? (Circle One):

WE - WERE - BACK YARD

a. Inside a buildin[redacted]
b. In a car
c. Outd[redacted]
d. In an airplane (type) FREMONT - CALIF.
e. At sea
f. Other PLEASANTON CALIF SECOND OBJECT

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? - OBJECT SIGHTED IN WIDE OPEN SPACES -
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) OVER YEARS SIGHTING SOME NIGHTS - YES -

a. North c. East e. South g. West
b. Northeast d. Southeast f. Southwest 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? BOTH OBJECTS ALSO - SMALL ONES

(Circle One) Yes No

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

a. Eyeglasses	(Yes) WIFE	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	NAKED EYE - Yes	

KITCHEN -

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.

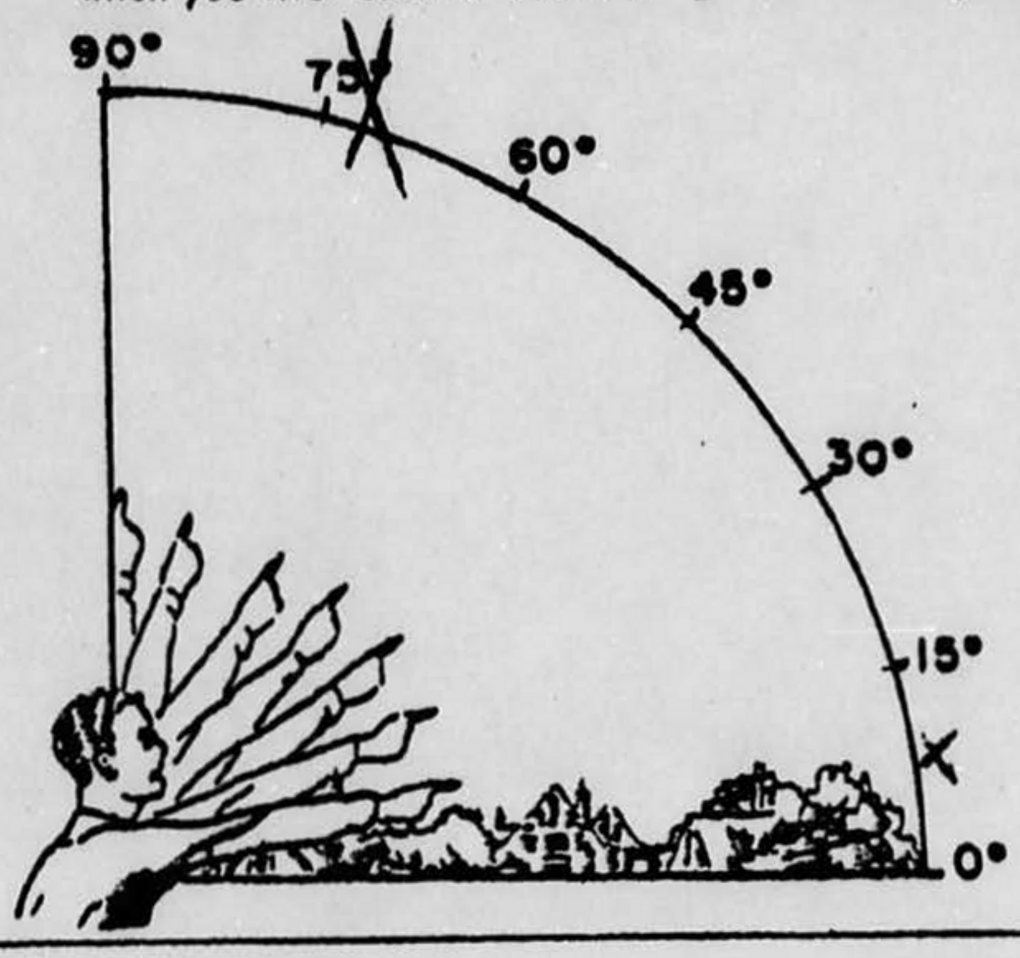
SMALL ONES - CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS FLASHING RED & GREEN

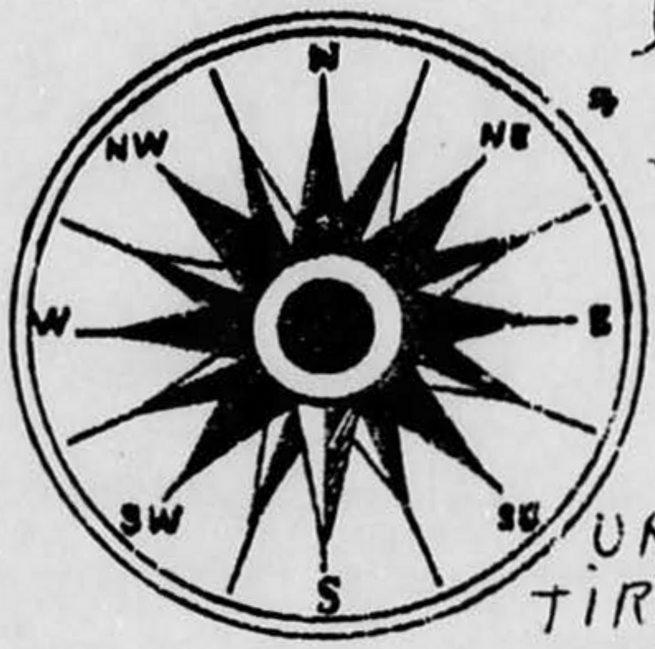
NAKED - EYE - LARGE - OBJECT - A SMALL PINWHEEL OF COLOR - REVOLVING

SMALL FLOURESENT LIGHT -

- UNTIL - VIEWED - THRU - SCOPE -

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.





RED AND GREEN SMALL OBJECT

• LARGE FIRST

• LAST- UNTIL I TIRED OF WATCHING ALMOST 4 HOURS LATER-

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.

OVER-YEARS-TIME-PAHERN-TURNED-ERRATIC-
FIRST HOWEVER NOW IT IS GOING
GENERAL-G.E. RIGHT NOW
HOME
15 MILES-
HOME
G.M
RIGHT-

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

LARGE ONES OVER YEARS TIME-
BEHIND PLANT- 3 or 4 A NIGHT
EARLY ONE MORNING- LARGE ONE SEEMED
IN-TROUBLE- COUNTED 5-6 AROUND IT
THERE MAY HAVE BEEN MORE-
SUN-UP- BY THEN BUT OBJECTS
COULD BE SEEN-

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

BEFORE APRIL-1964 NO- AFTER MAY 1965- OVER PLEASANTON-YES-

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: TOO MANY TO MENTION- SOME I DO NOT KNOW- ONLY WORK WITH- CAN OBTAIN SOME NAMES AND OR GIVE NAMES ADDRESSES- IF- REQUIRED- ADDRESS MAY BE OBTAIN AT [redacted] OFFICES

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] (Last Name) [redacted] (First Name) ____ (Middle Name)

ADDRESS GEN. DELIEVERY (Street) PLEASANTON (City) ___ (Zone) CALIF (State)

FIRST SEEN- [redacted] FREMONT-

TELEPHONE NUMBER- [redacted] AGE 46 SEX MALE

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

SOME AIRCRAFT RECOGNITION IN ARMY- 1940- 1945-

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

THE- DOWERS- THAT- BE- NOBODY- FOR CALL- EVERY- ONE- A-CRACKPOT- NUT- OR OTHER-

(Day) (Month) (Year)

34. Date you completed this questionnaire: 20 (Day) SEPT- (Month) 1965 (Year)

SIGHTED OBJECTS NOVEMBER- YEAR- 1964

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.

I have watched the object arising for well over a years time.

Note on question 19. Over a years time, as stated in the one question 28. The object which arises, has no set pattern, and when first sightings were made the object arose ~~xx~~ almost straight up. Lately, as time permitted me to watch it, and as I drive much further now to and from work, the objects seems to be on my right when I leave the plant, and after driving some 15 miles northeast, which should put the object well on my left, the object is well on my right and in the rear of me when I arrive home.

I have shown this object to men who served in the Air Force have tried to show others, army, Navy , and any who might be interested in sa id U.F.O.S Quite a few men on picket duty saw large object arising over the hill in the rear of G.M. P, ant at Fremont, California. during strike in 1964.

Hear say evident includes the following.

A friend, knows of a man who works for the water Deptat, has told me they were missing three thousand gallon of water per day. from the pipe line between, the San Joaquin Valley, and the Calaveras Resevoir. They could not account for the lost water.

Some three weeks after this information was passed to me,

They had a news broad cast over a T.V. Station, they had found a leak in a pipe at GEARY AND MARKET STS. San Francisco.

It seems to me, that a leak in the pipe of that size would sure raise something, by washing out under the pavement, and collapis ing the street.

Over a years time-- First we spotted the small one(Red and GreenFlashing) andit was while watching that, we saw the large one going up.

On top of the hill in the rear of G,M. is a lone tree.

we were sitting in the yard at [redacted] St, Fremont, Calif. when My wife saw the Flashes. She went in and broug ht out a pair of small binoculars. It was while looking at it, the larger object arose from behind the hill.

This object seen through a 40x60 scope- is round.

(OVER)

and if viewed and watched close, four colors can be seen- red- blue- pink- green- arising from the bottom to the top.

Also the small objects if viewed through a scope, colors Red-Blue-Pink-Green . Can be seen faintly rising up from the bottom to the top.

I made a standing offer- over a year ago. It still stands.

Do you want to see a U.F.O. ?

Do you have the time.?

Do you have a good camera ?

Do you have any other equipment ?

Can you figure Triangleation ?

I have scope- Bioculars- but you can see it with naked eye.

Set up any equipment in my back yard. If more than one night is needed. leave your equipment, It will be safe. Come back at any time you wish, I can show you it.

You may need help to see it the first time, but I can almost Guanrantee to show you one. almost every night- I have time to work with you.

Saturday night, and sunday night are the best for me, onafter I get off from work. 2:24. Meet me outside of G.M. At Fremont, no binoculars, no scope, no nothing, Naked eye. However scope will be brought in, if you tell me in time.

That is standing offer I made. It still stand.

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

13 SEP 1955

Dear [redacted]

Attached is FTD Form 164 which is used for reporting observations of unidentified flying objects to the Air Force. In order for the Air Force to evaluate these reports, this form should be completed as fully as possible and returned to this office.

Sincerely,

Sara Hunt

SARA HUNT
Community Relations Division
Office of Information

1 Atch
FTD Form 164

Mr. [redacted]
General Delivery
Pleasanton, California

HEADQUARTERS
FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION
AIR FORCE SYSTEMS COMMAND
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TDEW

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object Observations OCT 20 1966

TO: Hq USAF SAFOICC (Mrs Hunt)
Wash D C 20330

Reference the attached unidentified flying object report from [redacted] regarding his observations. The objects reported by [redacted] characteristic of observations of stars and planets. The first object in the northeast is the star Capella, the second object at 060 degrees azimuth is the planet Jupiter and the third object rising at 080 degrees azimuth is the star Betelgeux. Jupiter will be visible at about 9:30 pm and Betelgeux at about 10 pm. The star Capella will appear at 025 degreex azimuth at 6 pm and it may not be visible until the sun has completely set.

FOR THE COMMANDER

ERIC T de JONCKHEERE, Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Technology and Subsystems

1 Atch
UFO Rpt, [redacted]

United States Air Force
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen;

Enclosed find the form issued to any one who claims to have sighted a U.F.O.

Perhaps if I were not so damned bitter against any one who sits behind a desk, and says, The people are "Crackpots, nuts, and having illisations, perhaps I could write a much better letter. However those people and their explainations they try to feed the general public, I have my own opinion of.

I have read a book, put out by a high ranking Colonel in the air corp, who tried to explain a wy a sighting in Ohio, by saying the COAST GUARD, signelede a Ship on a foggy night with the ships spot light.

Having lived in New York Harbor, area, I heard the ships fog horns every time it got foggy, and if the COAST GUARD did not hear of FOG HORNS, I think it is about time they learned.

However that is his explaination and I hope this form does not fall into a ny hands such as the Colonelm who wrote that Book.

Well over a year ago. I have made, a standing offer.

This is it.

Do you want to see a U.F.O. any night in the week ?

Have you any equipment that can test it over a distanct sighting ?

I can point it out, if you have the time to wait.

Can you take any pictures of it. ?

Can you"triangle "" in "atha mathics ?

See it with the naked eye,telecope, Binoculars, or any way you prefer. Set your equipment up in my back yard, leave it, and come back to-morrow night and finish your tests.

If one night is not enough- take a week.

That is the offer I made and still stands.

Now, after sighting this object, and several others, (large ones) and many small ones, I am going to really try and think back over a year ago for the first time, and would like to explain one thing.

Sighting it every nigh, and watching it, and seeing an erratic pattern, to you it may sound confusing a little, but I shall try and be as simple, and as plain as I can be.

If however you desire to bring along any equipment, or photo cameras, or a ny other tests you may want, Please remember MY OWN TIME IS VERY LIMITED. But just come ahead, and may be you can take over after I go out to work for my daily wages.

I have lived [redacted], Fremont , California .

I now live at Pleasanton, California, and still see the objects.

One large one, over the year has changed the pattern of flight. and to see what I mean, I could show rather than tell in a letter.

I have counted as many as three, from the same general area, arising in one night.

A lot of my co-workers at General Motors, have also sighted these.

I have told others to watch for the large one, but they did not recognize it perhaps when they have seen it. It doe s look like a star, after it is up aways.

It moves slowly, and must be watched, constantly xx and compared to a stationary object, Like the roof on G.M. to se e it going up.

Recently having moved to Pleasanton, I have shown several people through a pair of 7x50 binoculars, another object. (Large) The same kind as risies at the plant area. This is not the same one.

Altho a scope or binoculars are not needed, to see this.

I shall fill the form out, and if you would like to take any tests, or desire any further information , for over [redacted] years sighting, I will try and oblige.

[redacted]

General Delievery
Pleasanton, California.

P.S. I have heard of several other sightings over near Santa Cruz , California area, but the were much lower and shotter. Strictly hearsay.

Gentlemen:

Have forwarded to you today 6 copies of your publication Note on U.F.O.

Thanking you Sir -

Yours truly

[redacted]

Lt. Col.
Pleasanton
Calif



United States Air Force
Air Technical Intelligence Command
Wright - Patterson Field
Dayton, Ohio

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THE FOLLOWING IS A REPORT OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY LT COL
HAROLD L NEUFELD IAW AF REG 200-2 AND IS IN SIX PARTS. PART I.
[redacted] AGE 15, [redacted] AGE 16, [redacted] AGE 11,
[redacted] AGE 15. AND [redacted] AGE 13, FIVE OF THE SIX ALLEGED EYE
WITNESSES WERE INTERVIEWED LESS THAN TWENTY HOURS AFTER THEY
REPORTED AN UFO AND RELATED SUBSTANCIALLY AS FOLLOWS: BETWEEN
0400Z AND 0500Z 30 APR 64, AT THE CANYON FERRY RESERVOIR, MONTANA
THEY ALLEGEDLY SA A GLOWING WHITE OBJECT ADOU THE SIZE OF A LARGE
CAR RESTING ON THE EARTH APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY (150)

PAGE 2 RUWHJR 1 UNCLAS
FEET FROM THE AREA WHERE THEY WERE PLAYING HIDE-AND-SEEK. THE
WITNESSES STATE THEY DID SEE THE OBJECT DESCEND TO EARTH BUT ONLY
DURING THE LAST 20 FEET OF DESCENT. ALL WITNESSES DESCRIBED THE OBJECT
AS BEING OVAL OR EGG SHAPE WHICH GLOWED. THEY STATE THE OBJECT
REMAINED ON THE GROUND FOR A PERIOD OF A FEW SECONDS TO NOT OVER
SIXTY SECONDS. WHEN THE OBJECT DEPARTED TWO WITNESSES DESCRIBED
IT AS MOVING SLOWLY STRAIGHT UP FROM TWENTY TO FORTY FEET, THEN
MOVING SOUTHWARD AT SPEEDS ESTIMATED AT FIFTY TO SIXTY MPH THOUGH
VERY FAST LIKE A ROCKET. THESE WITNESSES STATED THAT WHEN IT LEFT
THE GROUND IT PROCEEDED IMMEDIATELY AT AN ANGLE OF THIRTY TO FORTY-
FIVE DEGREES HEADING SOUTH. THESE FOUR WITNESSES SAID THE OBJECT
DISAPPEARED FROM VIEW FROM MOMENTARILY TO AFTER SIXTY SECONDS HAD
ELAPSED. THE FIFTH WITNESS SAID THE OBJECT MADE A U-TURN AND HOVERED
OVERHEAD FOR AN UNDETERMINED TIME BEFORE DISAPPEARING. THE WITNESS-
ES STATE THEY SAW NO MOVEMENT FROM OR ABOUT THE OBJECT AND DESCRIBED
THE ONLY NOISE VARIOUSLY AS WINDY, WHIRRING, WHOOSING AND A WHIZZING
WHEN THE OBJECT DEPARTED. ALL REPORTED THERE WAS BUT ONE OBJECT,
PART II. AT THE PLACE WHERE THE OBJECT ALLEGEDLY RESTED UPON THE

PAGE 3 RUWHJR 3 UNCLAS
GROUND THERE WERE FOUR HOLES AND A BURNED PATCH AS FOLLOWS:
MEASUREMENTS BETWEEN THE HOLES WERE 13 FT 10 IN, 13 FT 6 IN AND 13
FEET ZERO IN AND 14 FT 4 IN. DIAGONALLY THE MEASURMENTS WERE 21 FT

Information Only
Sourse:

Missoula, Montana
April

MORE SAUCER LANDINGS IN MONTANA: According to a weird story in the Missoulian-Sentinel, in Missoula, Montana, flying saucers have been landing frequently at a farm near there ever since early last April. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Lund, who live on the slopes of a mountain, say that the object has landed within a few hundred feet of their house and has aimed a searchlight through the windows, "in an apparent attempt to see what we look like." The Lunds describe the object as "a large top-shaped ship with a row of lights around its circumference." It also has a single large light on its slightly rounded bottom surface.

There have been many side-effects of these frequent visitations. Before the landings began, wild game such as deer and bear used to visit their property, but not since then. Each landing frightens their dogs and horses, causing the latter to stampede. Every time the UFO is in the vicinity, their oil furnace lights itself, with no apparent explanation. But strangest of all is the fact that their son, only 3½ years old, has told his parents of a man with whom he talks alone in the barn! He has told them the man's name, but Mrs. Lund says it's almost unpronounceable. The child refuses to allow anyone else to be present on these occasions, and is sometimes away for hours at a time. Each time the boy goes "to see the man," the dogs run into the house and the oil furnace lights. Television interference has also been noticed during the saucer visitations, which have continued at almost regular intervals for several months!

Information Only
Source: The UFO Reporter, Summer Issue, 1964

Tacoma, Washington
4 April 1964

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TACOMIANS SEE WEIRD OBJECT

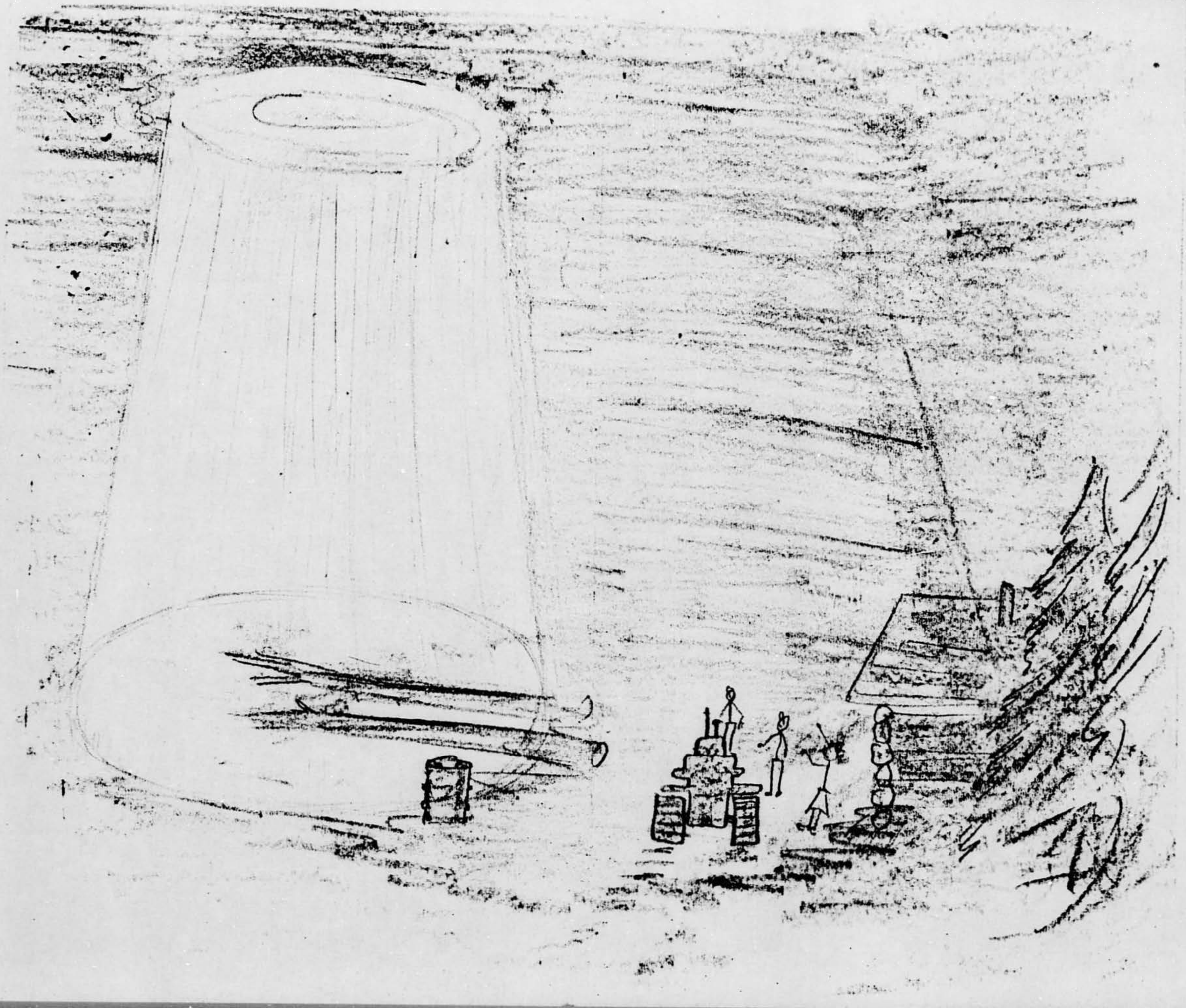
Tacoma, Washington, April 4 - A mysterious pink object passed directly over Tacoma at 7:16 p.m.

Witnesses included Mrs. A.H. Porter and her daughter Frances, 21, who were reported driving west on 11th Street, when they first spotted the object.

The UFO was described as appearing somewhat like an airplane when it first came into view. It was circular and a "shocking pink" in color, and was travelling in a north to south direction. Slow moving, the object apparently vanished while in full view near the vicinity of the KTNT-TV tower.

Jason Lee Junior High School students Pam Watson and Thersa Marzano, both 13, were looking out of a window at the home of Richard Watson, when they observed the object above the television tower. They stated that the UFO was a reddish-purple color, and was travelling southward.

One report asserts that fragments were seen to fall from the object just prior to its disappearance. McChord Air Force Base authorities and city police could offer no explanation for the strange phenomenon.



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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?

LATTER PART OF
FRIDAY APRIL 1964
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 11 (Hours) 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? DORION, WEST-HALF of LOT 10, CON. 8.

GENERAL DELIVERY (Nearest Postal Address) DORION (City or Town) ONTARIO, CANADA (State or County)

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration) _____ Hours 15 Minutes _____ Seconds

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

5.1 How was time in sight determined? BY CLOCK IN CABIN.

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

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

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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: CLOSEST THOUGHT WOULD BE LIKE THE RAY OF A FLASH-LIGHT HELD ABOVE TO SHINE DOWN UPON A SURFACE.

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

UFO form continued

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

(Circle One) Yes No ONLY BY SAYING IT WENT SUDDENLY AND FASTER THAN ANY AIRCRAFT I HAVE KNOWN

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? ABOVE CLOUDS.

22. Where were you located when you saw the object?

(Circle One):

(a.) Inside a building AT DOOR
b. In a car
(c.) Outdoors (FOR MEN)
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~~? FIELD or CLEARING.
d. Near an airfield?
e. Flying over a city?
f. Flying over open country?
g. Other BUSH-COUNTRY

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 c. East e. South g. West
b. Northeast d. Southeast f. Southwest 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

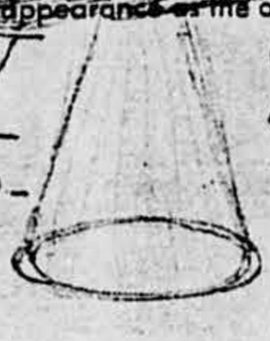
25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

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 EYES		

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 FLASH-LIGHT RAY WITH LAYERS OF EXTENDING RINGS.



UNIDENTIFIED RAY or LIGHT. CLEAR. NO EXTENDED RINGS.

Official U.S. Air Force

14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?
LIGHT SUDDENLY WENT STRAIGHT DUE NORTH-EAST DIRECTION AND AT VERY FAST CLIP or SPEED, (CLIMBED HIGHER WITH ECCELERATION (STRAIGHT UP)

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: _____

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: NO, BECAUSE IT STAYED BEHIND THE HEAVY CLOUDS (LOW LYING) ALL THE TIME.

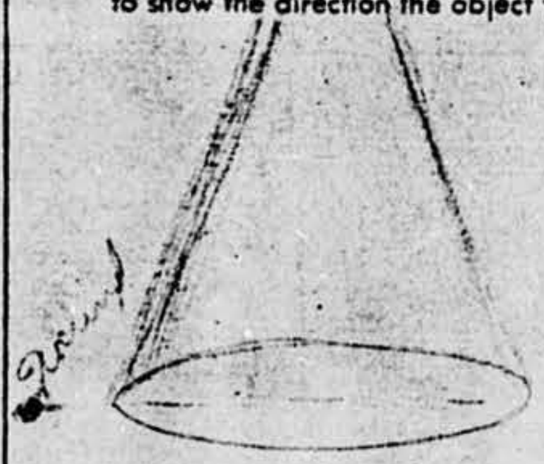
17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

a. Sound NONE

b. Color A CLEAR UNGLARING WHITE LIGHT, YET BRIGHT.

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?

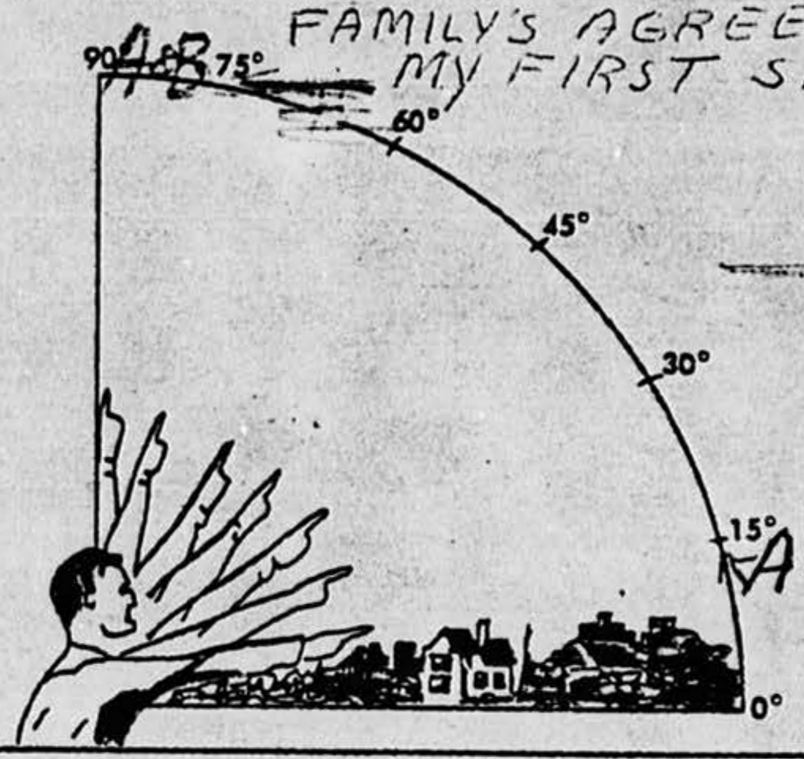
19. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.

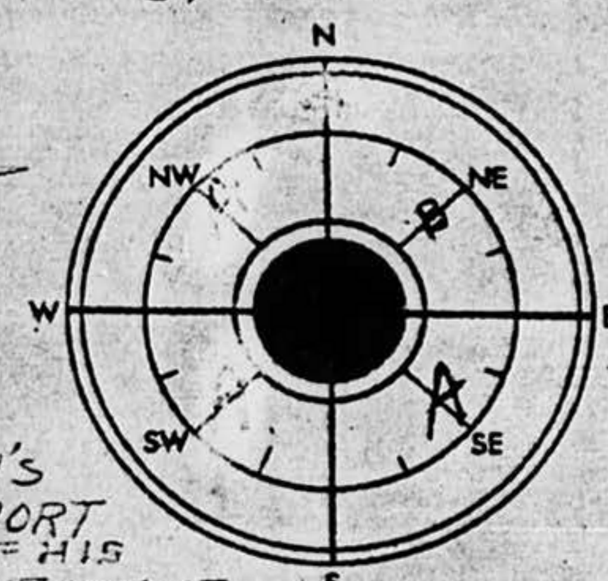


LIGHT YAWED AND WOB-BLED IN A CIRCULAR MOT-ION, BACKED OFF AND CAME FORWARD AGAIN, STOPPING ALWAYS JUST BEFORE US — AS IF OBSERVING US!

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 when you *last* saw the object.

FAMILY'S AGREEMENT OF A SIGHTING.
MY FIRST SIGHTING, OVERHEAD

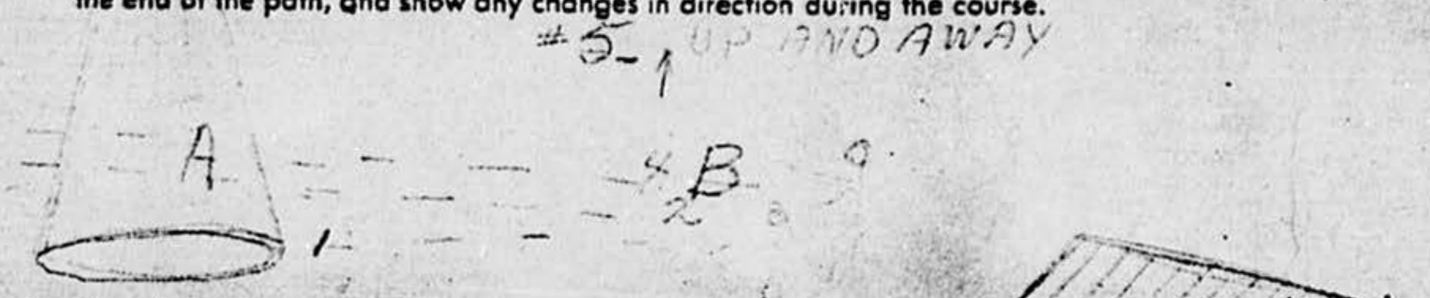




SON'S REPORT OF HIS FIRST SIGHTING

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.

#5-1 UP AND AWAY



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.

P.S. Sorry about the compass
know my own mind but
of not observing same

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

NO

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:

HUSBAND – [redacted] PORT ARTHUR, ONT
17yrs SON [redacted]
22yrs DAUGHTER [redacted]
8yrs SMALLER SON [redacted]

DAUGHTER NOW LIVES AT [redacted] PORT ARTHUR.

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] (Last Name) (First Name) (Middle Name)

ADDRESS [redacted] (Street) PORT ARTHUR, (City) ONTAIO, CANADA. (State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] AGE 46 SEX FEMALE

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

LATER IN SUMMER SEASON AT TWILIGHT, BACKING FROM DRIVE WAY OF OUR RESIDENCE (McINTYRE TWP.) SAW SLOW MOVING OBJECT WITH STRANGE BEAUTIFUL, (LIGHT TO DARKER) BLUE LIGHTS. (SEEMED CIRCULAR) MOVING SLOWLY, (ABOUT HEICHTH OF AIRCRAFT INTENDING ON MAKING LANDING.) NEVER SEEN SAME AGAIN. STOPPED CAR TO WATCH. VERY BEAUTIFULL BLUE HUED LIGHTS – DAUGHTER WITH ME.

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object? HUSBAND TOLD A COUPLE OF DORION RESIDENTS, WERE SKEPTICAL, THOUGHT HE HAD A FEW SCREWS LOOSE.

(Day) (Month) (Year)

a markings. It looks like I don't
t I did mark it wrong by a mistake
orrectly.

UFO form continued

door - front — my daughter yelled. I stepped outside as my daughter closed the door. After surveying the strange light I went back inside to get my daughter to come see it too but she was huddled under the bed covers shivering with fear. Knowing she wouldn't come I ran back outside again. The strange light was back a bit, wobbling. As I watched I stepped further out to observe and it moved up closer to us but in a strange circular moving pattern at the same time having a wobbling n yawing motion. It stopped just before us. As if observing us!

I had a prickly sensation of hair raising on my head with the urge to panic and run! Suddenly I thought "What's the use, this strange thing could have the advantage so I might as well be brave and see what will happen". I put my faith in my God, whatever it should be, will be — for or otherwise.

The light backed off as if to go, wobbled again and stopped for awhile. Suddenly it darted in front of us again, wobbled a bit as if observing again — then suddenly again, darted up and away — very very fast in a due North Easterly direction. All this without a sound.

I am convinced this was a beam or ray of some type of light from a strange craft and certainly not from our earth because of its strange behavior. I had the feeling of eyes observing me at the time.

I am a logically reasoning person and do not lean toward fantasy and like facts. [redacted]

FEET ZERO [illegible]
4 IN AND 17 FT ZERO IN. THE BURNED SPOT WAS SOMEWHAT OF OFF CENTER
AND APPROXIMATELY THREE-FOUR FEET IN DIAMETER. THE HOLES DID NOT
APPEAR O HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY GREAT WEIGHT. RATHER THE HOLES APPEAR-
ED TO HAVE BEEN CRUDLY DUG OR SCOOPED OUT. AT THE SURFACE ONE HOLE
WAS TWICE THE SIZE OF THE SMALLEST HOLE IN DIAMETER. THE LARGEST
HOLE IN DIAMETER WAS APPROXIMATELY SIXTEEN INCHES WHILE THE SMALLEST
WAS 9 IN. IN DIAMETER. THE HOLES VARIED FROM FIVE TO EIGHT INCHES
DEEP, WAS LOCATED APPROXIMATELY SEVENTY-FIVE FEET FROM THE FOUR
HOLES AND IN AN AREA WHICH SHOWED NO EVIDENCE OF DIGGING. THE DIRT
WAS FINE AND VERY DRY. THE FOUR HOLES ARE LOCATED IN A VACANT PLOT
OF GROUND APPROXIMATELY 200 FT FROM THE HOME OF TWO OF THE FIVE
WITNESSES. PART III. THERE WERE SIX ALLEGED EYE-WITNESSES, ONE OF
WHOM WAS NOT INTERVIEWED AT IS FATHER,S REQUEST. THE WITNESSES WERE
OFTEN VAGUE AND EVASIVE AND THEIR RESPECTIVE STORIES CONTAINED SUCH
WIDE DIVERGENCIES AS TO CONVINCE THE INTERROGATORS THAT THE ENTIRE
WVENT WAS A FANCIFUL HOAX. HOWEVER, NOT ONE WITNESS WOULD DEVIATE
FROM THE POSITION THAT THEY DID SEE SOMETHING. FOUR WITNESSES

PAGE 4 RUWHJR 1 UNCLAS
DESCRIBED THE OBJECT AS BEING ROUND OR OVAL SHAPED WHICH WERE THE
SIZES AND SHAPES LOCALLY REPORTED AS HAVING BEEN SEEN IN NEW
MEXICO A FEW DAYS EARLIER. ALL WITNESSES KNEW OF THE ALLEGED SIGHT-
OKINGS IN NEW MEXICO AND ELSEWHERE. FOUR WITNESSES USED THE WORD
"FLORESCENT" TO DESCRIBE THE LIGHTING OF THE OBJECT. THESE CONSISTEN-
CIES INDICATED REHEARSING BY THE WITNESSES. THE ACCOUNTS OF ALL
WITNESSES AND THEIR MOVEMENTS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE SIGHTING CONTAINED
AS MANY DISCREPANCIES AS THERE WERE WITNESSES INTERVIEWED. ADDITION-
ALLY, NONE OF THE WITNESSES PARAENTS WERE NOTIFIED UNTIL MORE THAN
AN HOUR HAD ELAPSED FROM THE TIME OF SIGHTING. THE WITNESSES
IMMEDIATELY NOTIFIED THE LOCAL RADIO STATION OF THE ALLEGED SIGHTING.
THE HIGH-SCHOOL CHILDREN IN THE HELENA, MONTANA AREA WERE EXCUSED
FROM SCHOOL ON THE 29TH AND 30TH DAY OF APR TO PREPARE FOR VIGILANTE
DAY ON MAY 1. THE LOCAL SHERIFF DESCRIBES THIS AS A DAY ON WHICH
MANY TEEN-AGE PRANKS ARE PULLED. NO OTHER PERSON IN THE IMMEDIATE
AREA HAS, TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, COME FORWARD WITH A COLLABORATING STORY
THOUGH THE CHILDREN SAY THER WAS AT LEAST ONE BOAT ON THE NEARBY
LAKE WITH FISHERMAN ABOARD. PART IV. WEATHER AND WINDS -CEILING
AT HELENA; A. 0400Z ESTIMATED 1200 BROKEN WITH HIGH BROKEN CLOUDS,
VISIBILITY 40 MILES. CLOUD COVER 6 TENTHS ALTI-CU ESTIMATED 12000

PAGE 5 RUWHJR 1 UNCLAS
1 TENTH CIRRUS IGH. B. 0500Z 12000 SACTTERED WITH IGHER SCATTERED
VISIBILITY 40 MILES CLOUD COVER 3 TENTHS ALTO-CU, 2 TENTHS CIRRUS.
C. WINDS ALLOOT NOT AVAILABLE HELENA FOR GREAT FALLS AT 0000Z 30
APRIL. 6000 FT 250 DEGREES 5 KTS; 10000 FT 190 DEGREES, 15 KTS;
16000 FT 180 DEGREES 16 KTS; 20000 FT 190 DEGREES, 15 KTS;
210 DEGREES 34 KTS; 50000 FT 1700 DEGREES 34 KTS. AT0815Z 30 APRIL
6000 FT 180 DEGREES 4 KTS, 10000 FT 250 DEGREES 15 KTS, 16000 FT
270 DEGREES 22 KTS, 20000 FT 280 DEGREES AT 26 KTS. ., 30000 FT 280
DEGREES AT 37 KTS, AND 50000 FT 260 DEGREES AT 26 KTS. D. SURFACE
WINDS 0400Z 320 DEGREES 12 KTS AND 0500Z 270 DEG 10 KTS. E. NO
THUNDERSTORMS REPORTED IN THE AREA. F. VERTICAL TEMP GRADENT-VERY
STEEP, PRESSURE GRADIENT INDICATING UNSTABLE ATMOSP ERE, NO IVERSION.
PART V. TIME OF SIGHTING IS APPROXIMATELY 0430Z 30 APRIL. LIGHT
CONDITIONS NIGHT. LOCATION OF OBSERVERS CANYON FERRY MONTANA
46 DEGREES 39 MIN 111 DEGREES 43 MIN. PART VI. INVESTIGATING
OFFICER WAS ACCOMPANIED BY LEGAL OFFICER 1 LT DAVID MILLS AND 2 LT
ANT ONY DEHAGS INFORMATION OFFICER AND PHOTOGRAPHER, INVESTIGATION
TEAM SPENT FOURS OURS ON THE SCENE, THREE HOURS INTERROGATING
WITNESSES. P OTOS TAKEN, PLUS DIAGRAMS OF AREA WILL BE FORWARDED
BY MAIL AND INCLUDE COPIES OF LOCAL NEWSPAPER REPORTS. IT WOULD
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34. Date you completed this questionnaire: 4 (Day) 3 (Month) 1967 (Year)

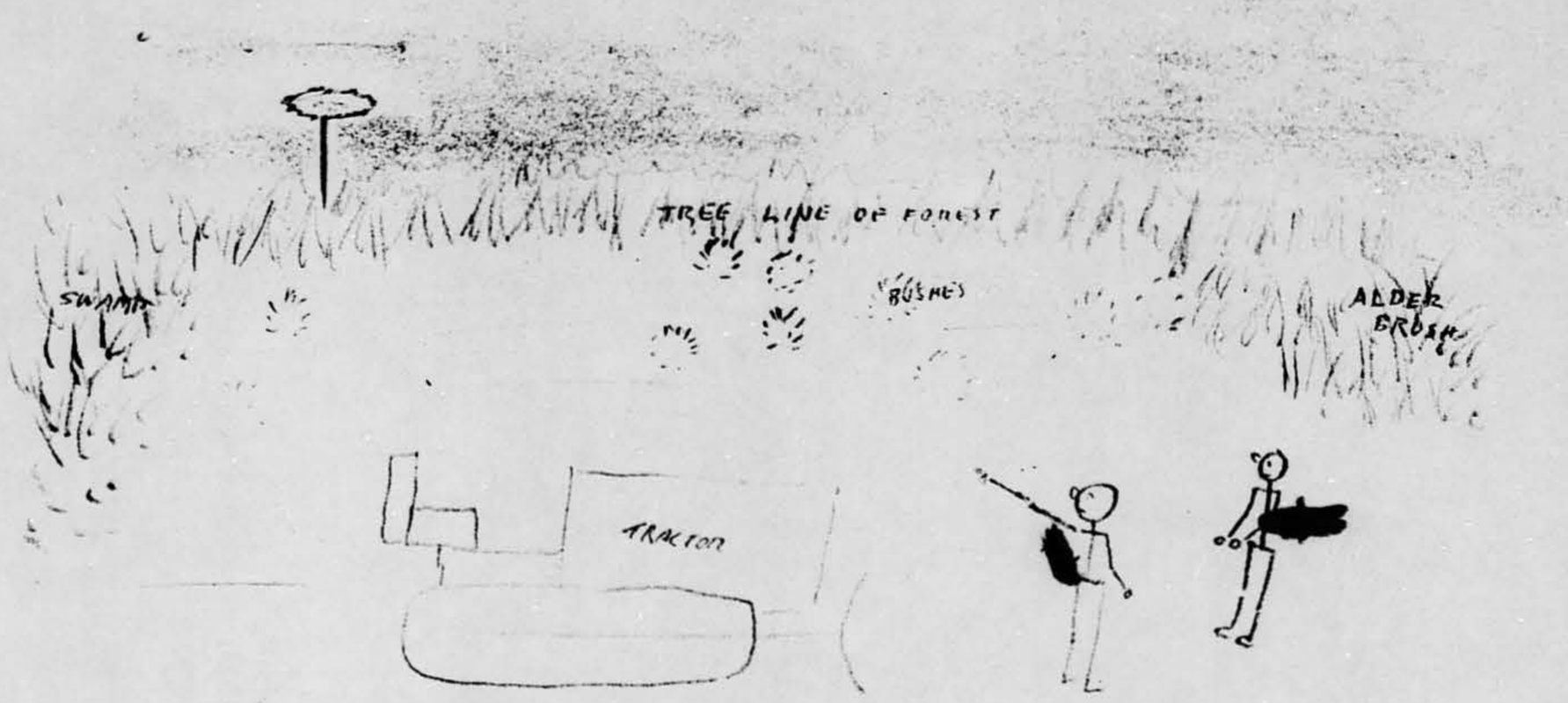
35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

We own a wood-lot, a quarter section at Orion. West half of Lot ten, Con. Eight. At the time my husband was cutting pulp for a living and stayed there. The family Residence was at Fort Intyre Township, about a half mile from the city limits of Port Arthur.

I also stayed at Orion, bush lot with husband, making weekly trips home at every week-end, alone returning back for the start of the next week. Lived like this since 1960 period until ~~about~~ 64. Never saw or heard anything strange until stated time of experience.

This fateful night we decided to bring the whole family to Orion for the week-end. This night we arrived very late at the cabin in Orion. It was a very chilly night with low-hanging clouds. I remember seeing the moon peeping sometimes through gaps in the clouds and even remember a wide halo showing through around the moon.

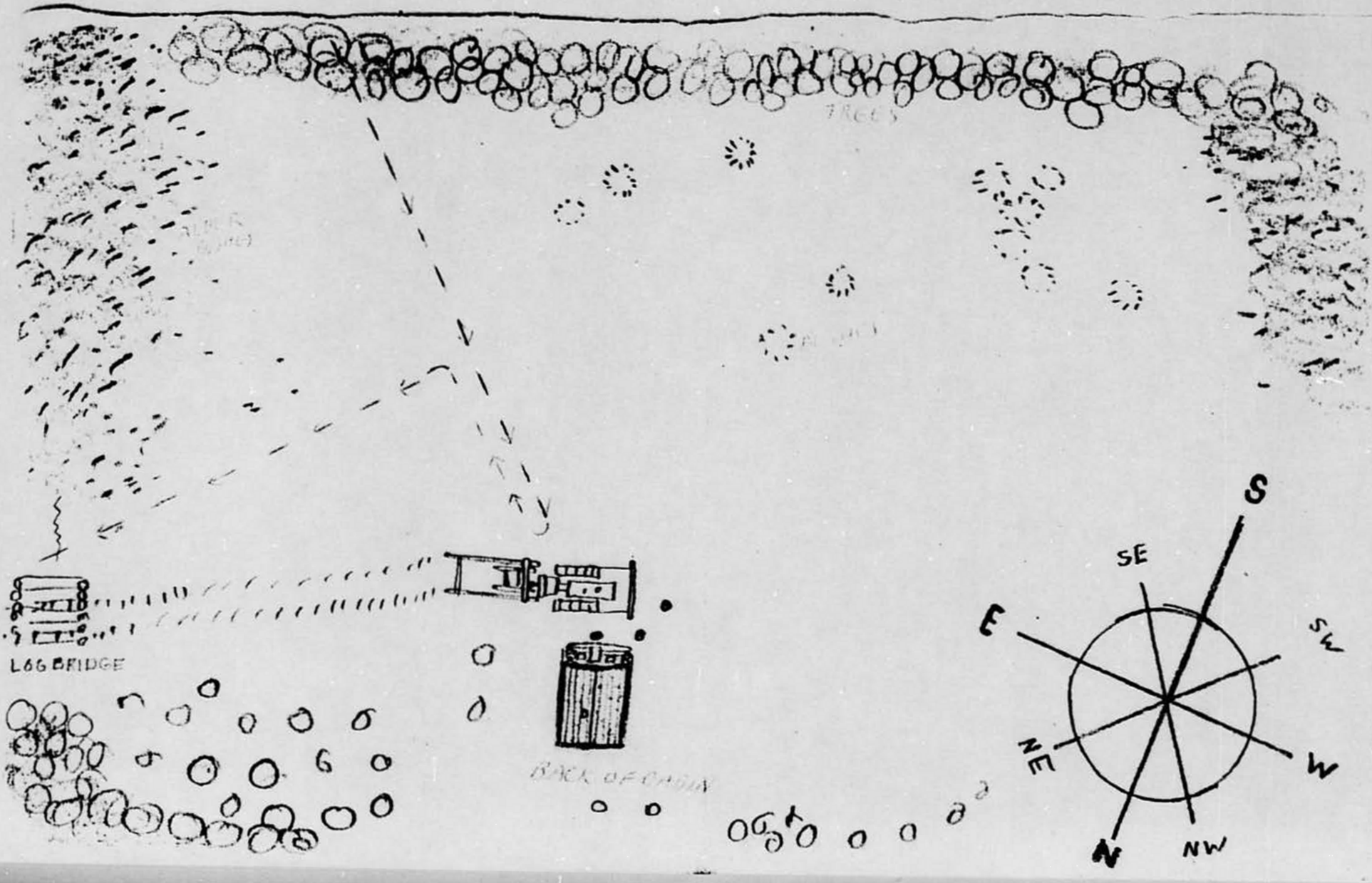
We arrived, started a fire, carried in belongings, food etc. While starting to prepare something to eat and get warmed, my husband and son went outside. After a few minutes they shouted for us to come outside. We went to the door and upon seeing the strange light practically at our



WHEN I FIRST SAW IT, IT WAS COMING OVER HEREON TOWARD US. I WATCHED FOR 1 SECOND THEN CALLED MR DODD'S ATTENTION TO IT. AS HE TURNED ABOUT I SAW A VERY BRIGHT BEAM OF LIGHT COME FROM IT AND GROUND [illegible] IT LASTED 1 SECOND.

This is a picture - drawing from my son's mind in remembrance of his first sighting of the strange object (then 19 years, now 22 years) He actually saw a ray of light come down from this glowing object (moving) and reach toward the ground.

He tried to draw his father's attention to it but somehow by that time it was near them, that's when they called to us to come outside from the cabin and look at the "light". (Daughter was then 22 years old)


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This picture drawing just
illustrates coming and going direction
of "object" and not its in-between
performance.

TRANSMITTAL OF REPORTS AND/OR REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

SUBJECT [redacted]
General Delivery
Pleasanton, California

DATE 26 OCT 1965

FROM AFISIIC

FILE NO. 24-185-19-46

TO: AFSC (FTD) Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

ITEMS CHECKED ARE APPLICABLE TO ABOVE SUBJECT

REFERENCE OUR CORRESPONDENCE DATED _____

ATTACHED REPORT(S) IS/ARE FORWARDED PURSUANT TO THE TELEPHONE REQUEST OF _____

ATTACHED REPORT(S) IS/~~ARE~~ FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND ANY ACTION DEEMED APPROPRIATE. XX

AGENCY CHECKS INDICATED DEVELOPED NO UNFAVORABLE INFORMATION AS OF _____

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INVESTIGATION IS CONTINUING AND COPIES OF ALL SUBSEQUENT REPORTS WILL BE FURNISHED.

~~XXXXXXX~~ INVESTIGATION IS NOT CONTEMPLATED. XX

RETURN ATTACHMENT(S) AFTER THEY HAVE SERVED YOUR PURPOSE.

A COP~~IES~~ OF THIS/~~XXXXX~~ REPORT(S) ~~XXXX~~ is BEING FURNISHED TO SAFOI

THIS DIRECTORATE HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT COMMAND ACTION WAS TAKEN AS A RESULT OF INSTANT INVESTIGATION. (SEE REMARKS.)

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REMARKS

Directorate OSI files do not reflect any information identifiable with subject.

Ralph I. Leeman Lt Col.
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Directorate of Special Investigations DCI

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29 Apr 64
Mr. Canyon Ferry Lake
Helena, ~~Montana~~ [illegible]

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More marks on the ground

The following account is taken from the *Montreal Gazette* for May 1: "The sheriff's office said today it is investigating marks left on the ground by what was described as an unidentified flying object. Reporters and sheriff's deputies investigated the area east of Helena where the object was sighted Wednesday night (April 29)—along the shoreline of Canyon Ferry Lake on the Missouri River.

"They found four holes about 13 feet apart, six to eight inches deep and eight to 10 inches across. The holes smelled like diesel fuel, according to one reporter. A circular spot was seared into the top of underbrush.

"First report of the object came from 11-year-old Linda Davis of Canyon Ferry Village, about 15 miles east of Helena.

" 'It was a bright glow in my bedroom window,' she said. She said she and her brother, home alone, sighted it about 10.30 p.m.

"The holes were discovered about 125 feet from the rear of the Davis home and about the same distance from the lake shore.

"The report of the scorched area and surface marks jibed with reports from Socorro, N.M., where a policeman reported seeing an egg-shaped object Friday night (April 24). This followed by other reports from New Mexico."

The Socorro incident is reported fully elsewhere in this issue.

(Credit to Mr. Ronald W. J. Anstee)

AIR FORCE LABLES MONTANA SIGHTING "HOAX"

Helena, Montana, April 29 - Residents reported a weird light hovering above the west shore of a lake.

The UFO apparently made a brief touch-landing, and immediately took off, soon disappearing in the sky.

Several youngsters, who had witnessed the landing, apparently discovered four mysterious markings on the ground where the object had lain. They were described as 13 feet apart in a square pattern, each hole being six to eight inches in diameter and equally as deep, with a partial tapering effect, as if a conical object had made them. Between the four depressions, though slightly off center, was a scorched area of approximately four feet.

Air Force officials interrogated the children for several hours, and later announced that the report was a hoax perpetrated by the youngsters. This explanation was disputed by their parents, and various residents of Helena who had made corroborating sightings of the same object.

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Air Force Calls Saucer Tale Hoax

WASHINGTON (AP)—A prank by children was the source of one of the recent rash of flying saucer reports, the Air Force said Tuesday.

An investigation of reports of skid marks of a space vehicle near Helena, Mont., "was determined to be a hoax perpetrated by children who wanted to play a trick on a younger sister and the show got out of control," an Air Force spokesman said.

Air Force experts made the investigation, as they have made all others in more than a decade of such rumors.

MEANWHILE, IN Baltimore a noted astronomer who investigated a policeman's report of an unidentified flying object in New Mexico says he is "still unable to crack it open."

Dr. J. Allen Hynek, head of the department of astronomy of Northwestern University, was sent to Socorro, N. M., last week to investigate the report by policeman Lonnie Samora.

"At the moment I'm still puzzled," Dr. Hynek told 500 science students at the National Science Fair-International.

"The man who made the report seems solid to me," Dr. Hynek said. "If he'd only had a witness, or a movie camera." He said Samora seems to be as reliable as the day is long."

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...Our latest information on the Canyon Ferry Lake, Montana landing (Page 13 of the September SAUCER NEWS) is that Malmstrom Air Force Base in Great Falls has denied the published reports that the Air Force had concluded the incident was a hoax. This confusion is very similar to the contradictory reports the Air Force issued about the Glassboro, New Jersey landing, described earlier in this issue....

MONTANA UFO LANDING CALLED HOAX BY AIR FORCE: At Canyon Ferry Lake, near Helena, Montana, another weird incident in the recent U.S. "flap" occurred on April 30th, when numerous residents reported seeing a strange bright object hover above the west shore of the lake, touch the ground; and take off out of sight. Apparently the best sightings were made by four children, who saw the UFO on the ground. When adults reached the scene a short time later, they found four indentations in the earth about 13 feet apart in a square pattern. Each hole was six to eight inches in diameter, and they were tapered toward the bottom as though made by a cone-shaped object. The holes were also found to be six to eight inches deep. Slightly off center and between the four holes was a scorched area about four feet in diameter, indicating that extreme heat had been present.

Officials from nearby Malmstrom Air Force Base took over the investigation and questioned the children for hours. Later a report was issued by the Air Force stating that the Canyon Ferry Lake incident was a hoax perpetrated by the children, but the explanation failed to satisfy the parents of the four youngsters nor the majority of other area residents, many of whom had made confirmatory sightings of an object in the sky "as bright as an arc light." It seems to us, especially in view of the amazing similarity to the New Mexico landings, that Officialdom dismissed this case all too quickly!

Wyoming, Montana Report Sightings

United Press International

New Mexico's "flying saucer" epidemic seems to have spread northward.

Latest reports of weird objects floating around in space came today from Wyoming and Montana, north of New Mexico in the high Rockies.

Three Cheyenne, Wyo. women yesterday reported sighting unidentified flying objects. Mrs. Frank Martin and Mrs. Robert C. Rose saw a strange object while returning from a bingo game.

"WE BOTH SCREAMED at the same time," Mrs. Rose said. The object was described as teardropped in shape and Mrs. Rose said there was a huge flash of light.

A third woman in the car, Mrs. Max De Weese, didn't see the object then but said she saw it later after taking the other two women home.

At Canyon Ferry, Mont., officials were investigating reports of the landing and disappearance of an unidentified flying object on the shore of Canyon Ferry Lake.

RESIDENTS of the resort area, east of Helena, said they saw a strange bright object hover just above the west shore of the lake, touch the ground, lift again and then disappear.

Newsmen who went to the scene from Helena said they found four impressions in the ground which looked as though a huge chair had been placed on the beach. There was a burned area in the center of the holes.

El Paso, Texas Herald-Post Thursday 30 April 1964

ASTRONOMY

Spring Star Groups Appear

The lovely star groups of Leo, Virgo and Bootes shine in the April skies, while the first week of April will provide the best opportunity of the year to see Mercury.

By JAMES STOKLEY

➤ WITH THE COMING of April the brilliant constellations of winter are mostly gone from the evening sky, although some can still be glimpsed low in the west.

To take their place, the lovely but less spectacular groups of spring, such as Leo, Virgo and Bootes, have come into view. These are shown on the accompanying maps, which depict the sky as it looks about 10 p.m., your own kind of standard time, at the beginning of April. They look the same an hour earlier in mid-month, and at 8 p.m. at the month's end.

In addition to the stars, there is also the planet Venus, which shines brilliantly in the west until about four hours after sunset. It is in the constellation of Taurus, the bull, one of those which was so prominent on winter evenings. Venus is close to the star Aldebaran, but shines nearly a hundred times as brightly.

Best View of Mercury

For perhaps a week, around April 7, you will have the year's best evening opportunity to see Mercury, nearest of all the planets to the sun. At that time Mercury will be farthest east of the sun, and will remain in the sky for about an hour and a half after sunset.

By the time twilight has ended, Mercury will be below the horizon, so you have to look for it before the sky is entirely dark. It will be quite low, and a little north of due west. It is not shown on the maps, because it sets before the times for which they are drawn. After April 7, Mercury will again draw toward the direction of the sun. It will pass approximately between the earth and sun on the 27th.

It is in the west and southwest that you can still see some of the winter constellations. In addition to Taurus there is Orion, with the bright star called Betelgeuse, to the left of the bull. Farther left is Sirius, in Canis Major, the larger dog. Still higher is the smaller dog, Canis Minor, with Procyon.

Above Orion is Gemini, the twins, with Castor and Pollux. And above and to the right of Taurus stands Auriga, the charioteer, with Capella as the brightest star.

But now turn toward the south and east for the groupings of stars that are typical of spring. High in the south stands the lion, Leo, with the first magnitude star named Regulus, at the end of the handle of a smaller group of stars called the sickle. To the left is Denebola, a second magnitude star that marks the lion's tail.

Extending from just below Denebola in Leo, toward the eastern horizon, is Virgo, the virgin. In this group is the bright star Spica. And above the eastern end of Virgo is Bootes, the herdsman, with brilliant Arcturus.

High in the northern sky stands Ursa Major, the larger bear, of which the big dipper (now seen upside down) is part. Below it is the smaller bear, Ursa Minor, with the little dipper and Polaris, the pole-star.

It is generally stated that there are five naked-eye planets: Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn. These five have indeed been known since ancient times, and it was not until 1781 that William Herschel's discovery of Uranus added to the list. Since then it has been further extended with the discovery of Neptune in 1846 and Pluto in 1930.

Under favorable conditions, the average person can see stars or planets down to about the sixth magnitude on the astronomer's scale of brightness. On this scale, the lower the magnitude number the brighter is the object. Most of the very bright stars are of first magnitude, although a few are even brighter than that. Thus, magnitudes go to zero and on into negative numbers, in order to get lower than unity. Sirius, for example, has a magnitude of minus 1.4, while that of the sun is minus 26.7. A difference of five magnitudes means a hun-

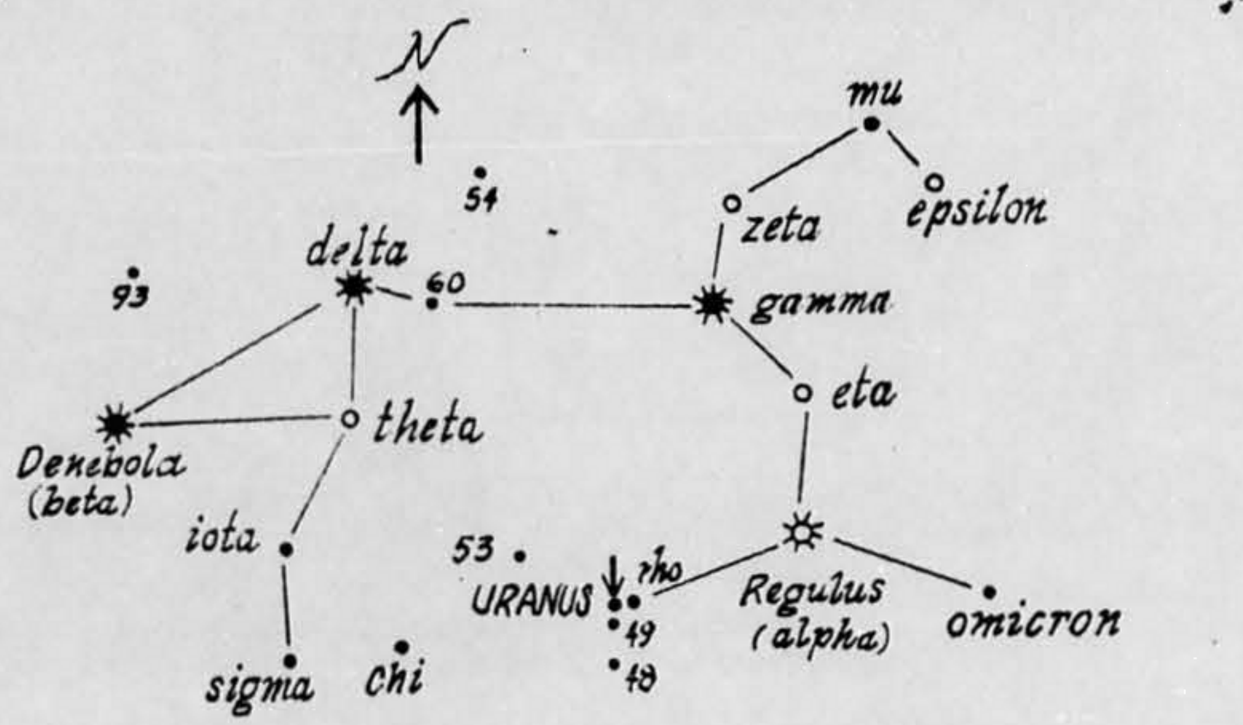
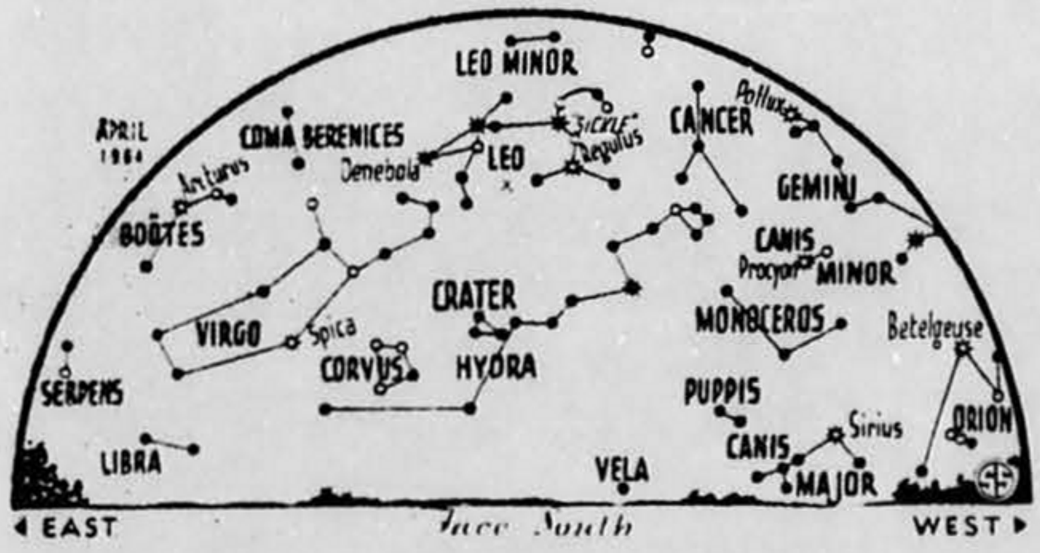
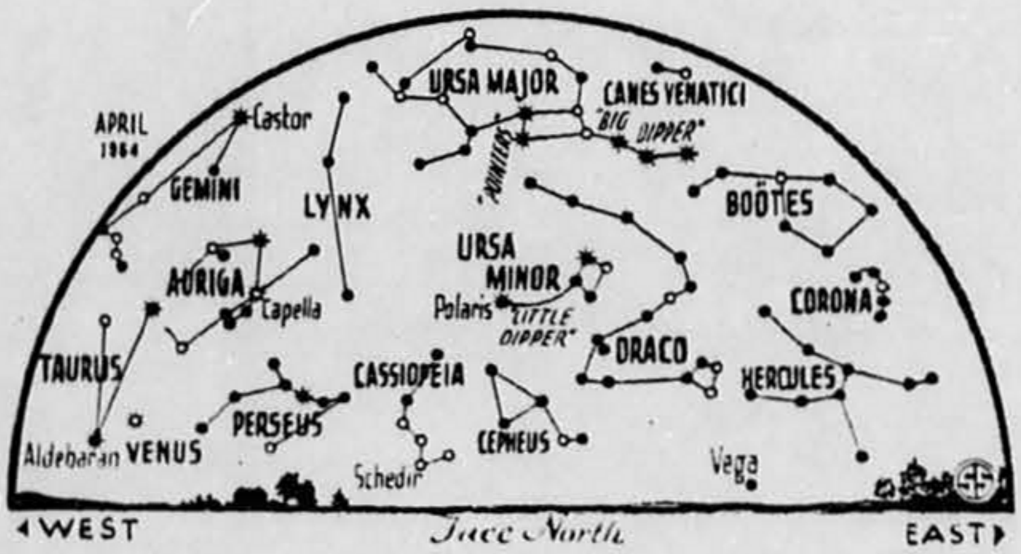


FIGURE I



• • • SYMBOLS FOR STARS IN ORDER OF BRIGHTNESS



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30 April 64
Canyon Ferry Reservoir Montana

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FILE DESIGNATION

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EDC 24121 For Foreign Technology Div; AFNIN; SAFOI. "UFO"
The following is a report of investigation conducted by Lt Col
[redacted]erald L Neufeld IAW AF Reg 200-2 and is in six parts. PART I:
[redacted] age 15, [redacted] age 16, [redacted] age 11,
[redacted]re 15 and [redacted] age 13, five of the six alleged eye
witnesses were interviewed less than twenty hours after they
reported an UFO and related substantially as follows: Between
0400Z and 0500Z 30 Apr 64, at the Canyon Ferry Reservoir, Montana
they allegedly saw a glowing white object about the size of a large

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dred-fold difference in brightness. That is, a star of the first magnitude is 100 times brighter than one of the sixth; and 10,000 times brighter than the eleventh.

The magnitude of Uranus is about 5.7, which makes it a little brighter than the faintest object that can supposedly be seen with the naked eye. But the sixth magnitude is by no means a precise limit to naked eye visibility. Some presons, with very keen eyesight, can see objects considerably fainter than this. Sky conditions also vary. With the generally hazy atmosphere around a big city, and the glare of its lights, even the keenest-eyed person might find it hard to see a fifth magnitude star.

During 1964 Uranus is in the constellation of Leo. Its distance in April from earth is about 1,638 million miles. An X on the map of the southern skies shows its position.

Start with first magnitude Regulus. A little to the left is a fourth magnitude star with no special name but designated as rho Leonis. Farther left are two other stars of similar brightness, one above the other. The upper is iota Leonis and the lower sigma Leonis.

Uranus Near Rho

In this same region there is another fourth magnitude star chi, and one of fifth magnitude, 53 Leonis. Uranus, however, is closest to rho, although only about a fourth as bright. These are all shown in Fig. 1, which is a more detailed map of Leo.

If you cannot find Uranus with the naked eye, try your binoculars on this region, and you should be able to find it easily. Still better is a telescope, but it should have some firm support. The planet will seem to have a light that is steadier than that of the twinkling stars.

Uranus was discovered by Herschel, a German musician who settled in England and took up astronomy as a hobby. On March 13, 1781, he first observed the planet, which was then in Gemini, the twins. It must be a comet, he thought at first, but as he and other astronomers continued to watch it—and plot its orbit—they realized that it was a new planet.

The discovery brought many honors to Herschel, including knighthood and appointment by George III as "King's Astronomer." This carried a pension, so he was able to devote his full time to the science and become probably the leading astronomer of his period.

Uranus is about 1,782 million miles from the sun, which it encircles once every 84 years. Its diameter is 29,200 miles, about 3.7 times that of the earth. The time it takes to spin on its axis (its "day") is only 10 hours 49 minutes.

Probably its structure is similar to that of the other giant planets—Jupiter, Saturn and Neptune. According to one astronomer who has studied this problem it seems to have a core of rock, 14,000 miles in diameter. Around this is a layer of ice 6,000 miles thick and on top a gaseous layer, or atmosphere, some 3,000 miles deep. The atmosphere seems to consist mainly of hydrogen and methane.

The temperature at its visible surface (the top of the atmosphere) is about minus 310 degrees Fahrenheit, so it would not be a hospitable refuge for space travelers!

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Spring Star Groups

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Celestial Time Table for April

APRIL	EST	
2	7:00 a.m.	Moon farthest from earth, distance 251,500 miles
5	12:46 a.m.	Moon in last quarter
7	1:00 p.m.	Mercury farthest east of sun (visible for a few days around this date low in the west after sunset)
8	3:00 p.m.	Moon passes Saturn
10	4:00 a.m.	Venus farthest east of sun
12	7:38 a.m.	New moon
14	5:00 a.m.	Moon nearest earth, distance 224,900 miles
15	1:00 p.m.	Moon passes Venus
18	11:10 p.m.	Moon in first quarter
22	9:00 a.m.	Jupiter behind sun
26	12:50 p.m.	Full moon
27	5:00 a.m.	Mercury between earth and sun
29	9:00 p.m.	Moon farthest, distance 252,100 miles

Subtract one hour for CST, two hours for MST, and three hours for PST.

• Science News Letter, 85:202 March 28, 1964

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...News Letter, 85:201 March 28, 1964

MEDICINE

Tiny G Suits Advised For Premature Infants

➤ MINIATURE SPACE SUITS have been seriously suggested as garments for premature babies. The suit's counterpressure is believed to improve blood circulation.

Fringe benefits for the newborn from this country's men-on-the-moon project were seen by Dr. Mary Ellen Avery of Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, in studies of analogies to space travel, reported in the Journal of the American Medical Women's Association, 19:121, 1964.

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...e 100% oxygen, but ...ygen poisoning depend on duration of exposure and oxygen tension or pressure. These symptoms include chest pain, dizziness, convulsions, eye irritation, tingling and a fall in hemoglobin level with a rise in bilirubin, bile pigment.

Our knowledge of the effects of oxygen at altered pressure in the baby is all too meager, Dr. Avery said. She explained, however, that the warning we take from the U.S. Air Force studies is not to let the oxygen pressure in blood vessels get much above normal with respirators or hyperbaric chambers.

• Science News Letter, 85:201 March 28, 1964

GEOPHYSICS

Mountain Ridge Found Under Antarctic Ice

➤ DISCOVERY of a mountain ridge under the ice in Antarctica is reported by two scientists, Drs. Charles R. Bentley and John C. Behrendt, from the University of Wisconsin's geophysical and polar research center at Madison. Only the device they used, an air-borne instrument for measuring the earth's magnetism, could have detected the land mass.

Their exploration was supported by the National Science Foundation.

• Science News Letter, 85:201 March 28, 1964

No Case, Information Only
Source: FSIC Bulletin, Vol 2, #1

April 1964
Alliance, Ohio

Alliance, Ohio . . . April, 1964. . . . A large orange glow, was the first thing Mr. Paul E. Klopfenstein, age 64, saw when he awakened at 2:00 A.M. that morning. Directly east, in the pasture, he saw an oval-shaped red-orange light which seemed to be on the ground. It was clearly silhouetted against a large white building about 400 yards away, on his neighbor's property. The clearly-outlined reddish-orange object was about 200-250 yards away, and he estimated it at 9' x 11' in size, the horizontal dimension being greatest. He rubbed his eyes, but the object persisted.

It started to fade after about 25 seconds, and by the time he reached the door, the object or whatever it was, could no longer bee seen. He couldn't discern anything where the object had been.

The next morning, early, he went down into the pasture and saw some peculiar markings on the ground. The grass and ground were darkened. No residue made these marks, just a noticeable difference in coloration. About 150 feet to the south, next to a small area of low, moist ground, he found another similar but incomplete "design" on the ground. Substantiating witnesses have not been contacted on this recently discovered sighting.

The form of these discolorations: generally hour glass-like.

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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? Approximately

Tues. (Day) Apr. (Month) 1964 (Year)

2. Time of day: 9 (Hours) 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?

Holloman AFB (Nearest Postal Address) Alamagordo (City or Town) N.M. (State or County)

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration) _____ (Hours) _____ (Minutes) 12-15 (Seconds)

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

5.1 How was time in sight determined? Wrist watch.

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes ✓ 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)
c. To your right
d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

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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:

_____

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 _____

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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

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14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how? Yes. The object seemed to disappear over the horizon at an extreme height in a fashion similar to the setting of the Sun.

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 steep cloud bank (Cirus-Cumulus).

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: A vapor trail from a climbing jet aircraft (F4C).

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

a. Sound Roaring similar to a large electrical generator

b. Color Chalky white.

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?

Approximately 1/30 to 1/35 of the object 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.



UFO form continued

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

(Circle One) (Yes) No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? Mach 2-3.

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? 30-50 mi at 60,000-100,000 ft.

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 conventional clothes ironing instrument would appear similar if viewed at a corresponding angle.

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34. Date you completed this questionnaire: 8 (Day) Mar. (Month) 1967 (Year)

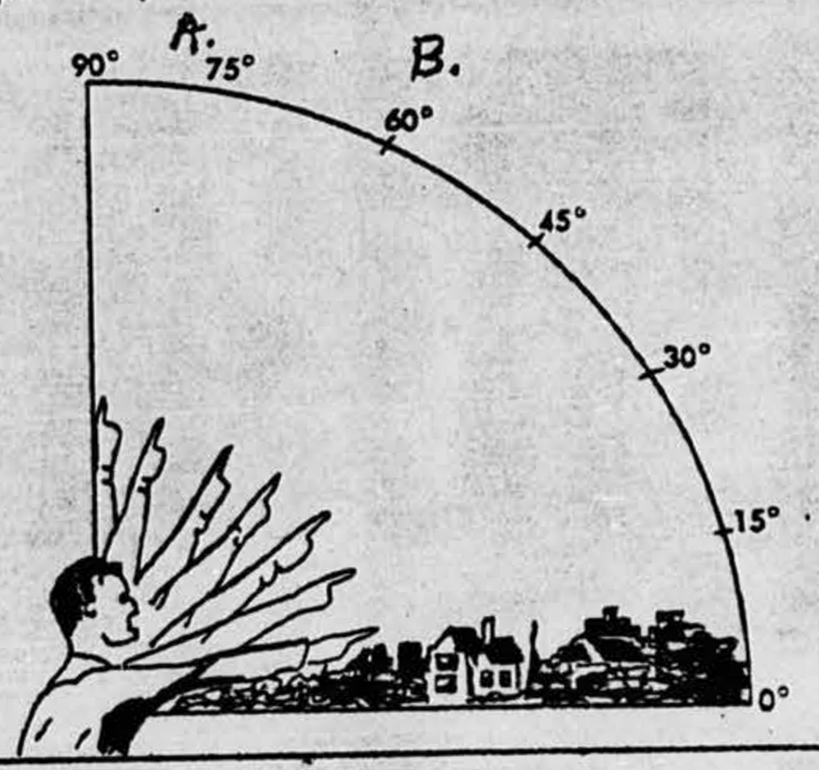
35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

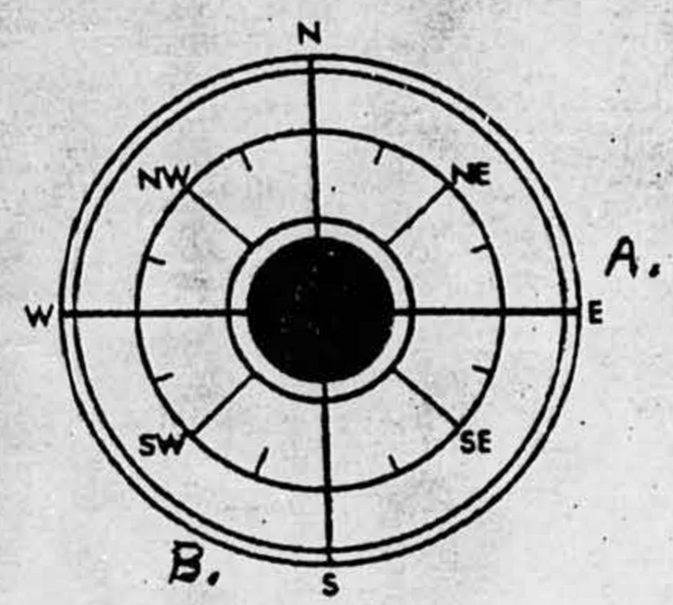
Two jet aircraft were manuvering below the object at approximately 7,000 feet (F-84 type probably on daily or conventional runs).

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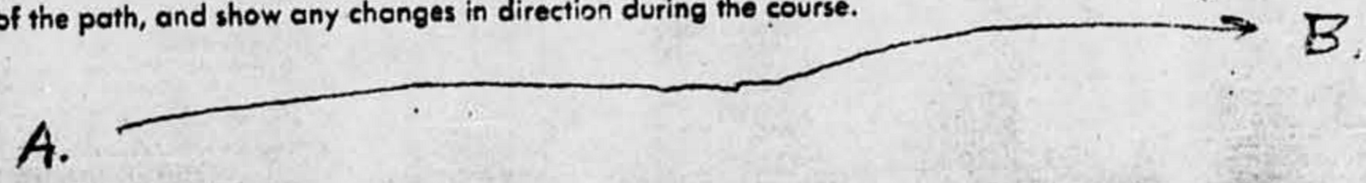
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27. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object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

UFO form continued

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

No.

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] (Last Name) [redacted] (First Name) [redacted] (Middle Name)

ADDRESS [redacted] (Street) Florence (City) ___ (Zone) N. J. (State)

TELEPHONE NUMBER Area Code [redacted] AGE 30 3/4 SEX Male

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

Scientific Aide at the Aerospace Medical Research Laboratories, Holloman AFB at the time of the sighting.

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

Sunday (Day) Apr. (Month) 1964 (Year) Alc Gasper V. Aire,

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car resting on the earth approximately one hundred and fifty (150) feet from the area where they were playing hide-and-seek. The witnesses state they did see the object descend to earth but only during last 20 feet of descent. All witnesses described the object as being of oval or egg shape which glowed. They state the object remained on the ground for a period of a few seconds to not over sixty seconds. When the object departed two witnesses described it as moving slowly straight up from twenty to forty feet, then moving southward at speeds estimated at fifty to sixty mph though very fast like a rocket. These witnesses indicated that upon reaching twenty to forty feet it ascended at an angle from thirty to forty-five degrees. Two other witnesses stated that when it left the ground it proceeded immediately at an angle of thirty to forty-five degrees heading south. These four witnesses said the object disappeared from view from momentarily to after sixty seconds had elapsed. The fifth witness said the object made a U-turn and hovered overhead for an undetermined time before disappearing. The witnesses state they saw no movement from or about the object and described the only noise variously as windy, whirring, whooshing and a whizzing when the object departed. All reported there was but one object.

PART II. At the place where the object allegedly rested upon the ground there were four holes and a burned patch as follows:

measurements between the holes were 13 ft 10 in, 13 ft 6 in and 13 feet zero in and 14 ft 4 in. Diagonally the measurements were 21 ft 4 in and 17 ft zero in. The burned spot was roughly of off-center

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Apr 64

Proposed reply letter from [redacted], 7 March 1967

Dear Mrs. [redacted]

Reference your recent letter concerning your observation of an unidentified flying object in the Port Arthur, Ontario area. An investigation will not be undertaken because the location is outside the continental limits of the United States. The information will be filed for future scientific studies.

The U. S. Air Force has received over 11,000 sightings of UFOs since 1947. Although there are some cases we have not been able to explain, we do not feel that enough evidence has been found to say that UFOs and extraterrestrial vehicles are the same. There is not any tangible evidence which can substaniate the belief that our planet has been or is being visited by extraterrestrial life. It is more likely that UFOs represent some unexplained scientific phenomena.

Thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

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2d Suspense 18 Apr 67

[redacted]
Port Arthur, Ont.,
March 7th, 1967.

Major Hector Duntinilla, Jr.,
Air Force Research & Development Command,
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base,
Via Dayton, O.

Dear Sir:

I am sending you information about the sighting of a U.F.O. by our whole family. The report is based mostly on what I remember and my husband's as an agreement concerning mine.

I am taking the trouble to give this to you because it is an appreciatable service it is going to. No one has been contacted, scientifically or otherwise. I'd also hate the ordeal of being tabbed "nuts."

Another strange incident that happened up in that bush-country of Dorian late in the winter, (my husband was there alone then) following the spring occurrence of the strange light, was a noise like a terrific thunder-clap. My husband woke in the midst of the thunderous blast and he said everything turned a fiery-red

colour on the color. It does not harm that to make of this, especially since everyone here knows we never have "thunder" in the dead cold of our winters.

I now feel the explanation is to be found to the episode of the "Exeter" incident. I had read about this in the Reader's Digest first. Since this followed our first "light" sighting it is logically a sound thought and nothing ever was sighted before. It was just a quiet back-country except for the "logging."

Whatever this U.F.O. business is all about I don't know, but I feel they are appreciated by intelligent beings. I think they are observing for some unknown reason and that it seems they mean us no harm.

I say they are probably because nothing could hold back from shooting off that superior and from not using this power, especially since man's thoughts and ways have proven "disbeautiful", certainly not for useful and better living ways. Everything is directed toward the race in superiority of machines, rockets etc., for war. Clear, no one country, can produce a machine which can hover without sound then shoot up and away at such a fast, fast, speed and light! Remarkable and wonderful!

Now, here is where I begin on my part. I am not a church going person & religious fanatic, but I have a strong respect and belief in a number of "G.B.". Since the bible predicts "last days" of this earth, beginning at the time when the first nuclear war would begin, (and also the destruction in the bible from the war episodes) people in that living era are promised they will see the final earth's war of "Armageddon" which will be God's forces against the evil forces of "Satan" and his followers, earthly and otherwise. We are promised this and I for one recognize by the terrible things happening on the face of this earth, something has to come to a halt "or" as man is no credit in general's turnabout is to be "Broke".

How do we know that U.F.O.'s are not part of the plan of bringing to a halt this earth as promised by God's Bible? They don't seem to observe, yet they are something powerful I'm sure. How some mans reaction is to shoot at these objects when one? A hostile action before they even question or think maybe its "good" or "friendly" and certainly not an "alien" through fear.

Remember, I'm not a religious fanatic.

Sincerely

[redacted]

P.S. Thank you for the opportunity for correspondence.

Information Only
Sourse:

Missoula, Montana
April

MORE SAUCER LANDINGS IN MONTANA: According to a weird story in the Missoulian-Sentinal, in Missoula, Montana, flying saucers have been landing frequently at a farm near there ever since early last April. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Lund, who live on the slopes of a mountain, say that the object has landed within a few hundred feet of their house and has aimed a searchlight through the windows, "in an apparent attempt to see what we look like." The Lunds describe the object as "a large top-shaped ship with a row of lights around its circumference." It also has a single large light on its slightly rounded bottom surface.

There have been many side-effects of these frequent visitations. Before the landings began, wild game such as deer and bear used to visit their property, but not since then. Each landing frightens their dogs and horses, causing the latter to stampede. Every time the UFO is in the vicinity, their oil furnace lights itself, with no apparent explanation. But strangest of all is the fact that their son, only 3½ years old, has told his parents of a man with whom he talks alone in the barn! He has told them the man's name, but Mrs. Lund says it's almost unpronounceable. The child refuses to allow anyone else to be present on these occasions, and is sometimes away for hours at a time. Each time the boy goes "to see the man," the dogs run into the house and the oil furnace lights. Television interference has also been noticed during the saucer visitations, which have continued at almost regular intervals for several months!

Information Only
Sourse:

Tacoma, Washington
3 April 1964

A mysterious pink object passed over the heart of Tacoma, Washington, at 7:15 on the night of April 3rd, and was seen by scores of local residents. It was round in shape, and headed south in a straight line. Neither city police nor officials at nearby McChord Air Force Base could shed any light on the occurrence....

NO CASE: INFORMATION ONLY
SOURCE: FLYING SAUCER REVIEW
JULY AUG 64, Volume 10, No. 4

5 Apr 64
Croydon, England

Croydon UFO

From the *Croydon Advertiser* of April 10:

"An unidentified flying object was spotted over South Norwood on Sunday (April 5). 'A large star-like object, definitely not a balloon or an aircraft,' was seen moving across the night sky by a group of people in the Livingstone Road–Layard Road area.

"The object was first seen by 14 year old Heath Clark Grammar schoolboy Lee Turner, of Livingstone Road, who was taking his dog for a walk. 'It moved too slowly for a shooting star and it was definitely not a balloon or an aircraft. It was like a star in the first magnitude moving north-north-east,' he said.

"Lee ran to his uncle's home in Layard Road. His uncle, Mr. Anthony Gittens, an amateur astronomer, said: 'I have seen meteorites before. But this was unlike anything I have seen. It took about four minutes to move across the sky before it went below the horizon,' he said.

"A group of people formed to watch the object as it moved past the ITV tower at Upper Norwood.

" 'I have been quite sceptical about unidentified flying objects before and when Lee has told me about other ones I have believed them to be meteorites. But this has really changed my way of thinking," said Mr. Gittens.

"A Defence Ministry spokesman said: 'We have had no reports of an unidentified flying object being seen in the Norwood area, and we have not been asked to investigate any such reports.' "

Croydon again

Croydon was in the news once more, a week later when the *Croydon Advertiser* of April 17 carried the following report:

"When Mrs. May Church looked out of the window of her third-floor flat in Fir Tree Gardens, Shirley, on Sunday night, she started another unidentified flying object controversy. For Mrs. Church saw a 'large, red glowing object moving slowly across the sky.' Her husband, Albert, and son. Roy, also saw it—and they watched and saw it again on Monday night.

"Yet a Defence Ministry spokesman said: 'We have no knowledge of any unidentified objects being seen. And as far as I know, there are no experimental craft flying there.'

"Mrs. Church said: 'It was between 11 and 12 on Sunday night (April 12). We saw this brilliant light—very much like a star—moving above the Crystal Palace Parade going in the London Airport direction. It definitely was not an aircraft or a balloon or a star. It took about an hour to move across the sky. At one time I am sure there was a plane circling around it.' "

NO CASE (INFORMATION ONLY)

6 April 1964
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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JUL 22 1965

Request for UFO Information, Donald C Winterton

Hq USAF SAFOICC (Mrs Hunt)
Washington, D C 20330

Reference the two attached letters from Donald C Winterton requesting information on unidentified flying objects. Mr Winterton is a frequent correspondent and has received the current Fact Sheet. The following information is provided in order that a reply may be made:

a. No report was received by the Air Force, Project Blue Book, for 6 April 1964, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. It is suggested that Mr Winterton write to the local area newspapers in Baton Rouge for additional information.

b. His letter of 13 July contains statements contrary to fact.

(1) The Brazilian Navy Intelligence Report did not confirm the authenticity of the photographs.

(2) The Air Force received its information from the United States Navy and the case file contains no information from the Brazilian Navy.

(3) The Air Force did not evaluate the photographs. The photographs were evaluated by the US Navy and are regarded as hoaxes.

(4) It is suggested that Mr Winterton read pages 206 - 216 from the "World of Flying Saucers" by Doctors Menzel and Boyd, for an accurate account of the incident.

FOR THE COMMANDER

ERIC T de JONCKHEERE
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Technology
and Subsystems

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Ltrs fm D C Winterton,
dtd 10 & 13 Jul 65

Originator: D. Moody
TDEW/UFO TSgt David N Moody
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[redacted]
Clearwater, Florida.
July 10, 1965

Major Maston M. Jacks
Department of the Air Force
Pentagon, Washington.

Dear Major Jacks:

I am requesting all available information regarding the sighting of Unidentified Flying Objects over Baton Rouge, Louisiana on the night of April 6, 1964. The report of these sightings was first carried over the wire services early in the A.M. of April 7, 1964. Briefly: many objects were seen all over the county, inthe cities as well as in rural areas. One object was reported to have landed leaving a large crater. Sheriffs and all available police were investigating. No one hurt thus far. No explanation. That was the last of three reports carried over the wire services, after that there was an apparent news blackout, according to officals of the wire services. Why? Lets have the full story.

Trusting to hear from you at your earliest convenience, I am

Very truly yours,

[redacted]

[redacted]
July 13, 1965

Lt. Col. John P. Spaulding
Department of the Air Force
Community Relations Division
Pentagon,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Col. Spaulding:

I am requesting all available information regarding the sighting of an Unidentified Flying Object over the eastern coast of the island of Trindade on the sixteenth of January, 1958. Although the Brazilian Navy investigated the sighting, and in their intelligence report comfirmed the authenticity of the photographs of the object, I understand the U. S. Air Force took particular interest in the sighting also. The U.S. Air Force requested and received documents from the Brazilian Navy regarding the sighting in order to aid in our own investigation. Included with the documents were four photographs of the object which the U.S. Government wished to run a check on. What was the final outcome of the U.S. Air Force's investigating team and what did the U.S. photographic advisors have to say regarding the photographs? I would also appreciate a reproduction of the detailed analysis sheet regarding the photographs.

Trusting to hear from you at your earliest convenience, I am

Very truly yours,

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and approximately three-four feet in diameter. The holes did not appear to have been caused by great weight. Rather the holes appeared to have been crudly dug or scooped out. At the surface one hole was twice the size of the smallest hole in diameter. The largest hole in diameter was approximately sixteen inches while the smallest was 9 in. in diameter. The holes varied from five to eight inches deep, was located approximately seventy-five feet from the four holes and in an area which showed no evidence of digging. The dirt was fine and very dry. The four holes are located on a vacant plot of ground approximately 200 ft from the home of two of the five witnesses. PART III. There were six alleged eye-witnesses, one of whom was not interviewed at his father's request. The witnesses were often vague and evasive and their respective stories contained such wide divergencies as to convince the interrogators that the entire event was a fanciful hoax. However, not one witness would deviate from the position that they did see something. Four witnesses described the object as being round or oval shaped which were the sizes and shapes locally reported as having been seen in New Mexico a few days earlier. All witnesses knew of the alleged sightings in New Mexico and elsewhere. Four witnesses used the word "florescent" to describe the lighting of the object. These consistencies indicated rehearsing by the witnesses. The accounts of all witnesses on their movements immediately after the sighting contained as many discrepancies as there were witnesses interviewed. Additionally, none of the witnesses parents were notified until more than

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SOURCE - Dayton Daily News

6 Aprily 1964
Baton Rouge, La

Screaming Object Digs Hole in Yard

BATON ROUGE, La., Apr. 7—(UPI)—An object fell screaming from the sky into a residential back yard last night, shaking a house and digging a four-foot-deep crater in the earth.

There were reports of four other objects falling in outlying areas.

Dr. Raymond Grenchik, professor of physics and astronomy at Louisiana State university, said the objects could have been pieces of a meteorite.

FLOYD L. MARSTON said one of the objects plunged through a large tree in his back yard, stripping branches as it went, and dug a crater about 18 inches wide and four feet deep. He said his whole house shook when the object hit.

Police dug down six feet in Marston's yard. They found grass at that depth, but nothing else.

NO CASE (INFORMATION ONLY)
SOURCE: SAUCER NEWS, VOL II, No 3, SEP 64

6 APR 64
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

.On tne night of April 6th, a mysterious object described as a "red streak" crashed from the sky into the yard of a resident of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. It burrowed into the ground, making a hole about six inches in diameter. The crash was accompanied by a loud noise "like an air raid siren." The next morning, the startled resident and his neighbors dug down five feet below the hole, but found nothing!....

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20546

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IN REPLY REFER TO: M-C MAO 1400

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Headquarters, Foreign Technology Division
Air Force Systems Command
U.S. Air Force
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

Attention: Maj. Quintanilla/TDEW/69216

Gentlemen:

Subject: Article, "U.S. Air Force Censorship of the UFO Sightings", by Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe, U.S.M.C. (Ret.), True Magazine, January 1965

No unidentified objects were observed accompanying or pursuing the GT-1 spacecraft, launched into orbit on a Titan II booster on April 8, 1964. Objects observed, which were detected on radar, have been identified as minor structural pieces which routinely break free from the expendable booster portion in the spacecraft and booster separation process. There is no indication of the presence of any material which was not originally part of the launched vehicle.

Sincerely yours,

Leo X. Abernethy
Chief, Mission Support
Apollo Flight Operations
Office of Manned Space Flight

cc: HQ USAF (SA-FOI-PB)

No Case, Information Only
Source: FSIC Bulletin, Vol 2, #1

8 April 1964
Cape Kennedy, Fla.

CENSORSHIP AND UFOs

Article by Major Donald E. Keyhole
USMC (ret) – True Magazine – January, 1964

On April 8, 1964, the NASA launched from Cape Kennedy the first two man Gemini capsule. The capsule went into its planned orbit around the earth, and was declared a complete success.

But here's something you didn't hear or read about this lauching. The report was given to Keyhole confidentially by two scientists present at the test. The Gemini Capsule was still in its first orbit when four spacecraft of unknown origin flew up to it. Startled radar trackers watched their screens in amazement as the four unknowns took up positions around the capsule – two above it, one beneath, one aft. They drew close to the capsule and paced it for a full orbit of the earth. Then apparently finished with their scrutiny, they pulled away and vanished into the unknown.

Major Keyhole asks: "What were these four mysterious space travelers? Where had they come from? What mission had brought them into the earth's space neighborhood? What people, what beings, were at the controls? I fervently wish I could answer those questions. And I wish I could satisfactorily answer another: this eerie episode, this incident so fraught with implications for all who live on earth – why was it kept secret?"

The general public is unaware of facts such as these that happen many times over near rocket test ranges, satellite orbital pathways, and airfields. The AF is completely aware that mysterious alien craft are watching our outer space efforts. The public also is unaware that a great wave of UFOs have been reported all over the world in 1964.

GT-1

IIOUFO's investigation into the report of four UFO's and the GT-1 launch. "No unidentified objects were observed accompanying or pursuing the GT-1 spacecraft, launched into orbit on April 8, 1964. Objects observed which were detected on radar, have been identified as minor structural pieces which routinely break free from the expendable booster section in the spacecraft and booster separation process. There is no indication of the presence of any material that was not part of the launched vehicle."

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SOURCE: FIRST SIGHTINGS
Jul- Aug, Volume 10, No. 4

10 Sep 74
St. Andrews, Scotland

St. Andrews family see UFO

From the *Dundee Evening Telegraph*, April 10: "A strange object with a ~~yellow~~, green and blue light and emitting rays was seen in the sky late last night by a St. Andrews family.

"Mr. Thomas Marshall, 82 St. Nicholas Street, was returning home with the family's dog from Woodburn Playing Field when he saw it at 11.15. 'It started off as a small, silvery-grey cloud,' he said. 'A light appeared in the centre of it and started to move towards me. The light got brighter all the time as it came nearer and I could see yellow, green and blue colours in it. There were rays of light coming from it—about seven or eight.

"The shape changed and flattened as it got nearer from roughly circular to oval. It wavered, then suddenly went back the way it came. The funny thing was it didn't swing round or bank like an aeroplane does—it was just as if it went into reverse. It took only a couple of minutes to disappear.'

"Mr. Marshall saw the object reappear and go through the same performance before he reached home. He called out his wife and daughter and the three of them saw the occurrence twice more before it disappeared for good at 11.40."

NO CASE INFORMATION ONLY
SOURCE: ~~SAUCER~~ FLYING SAUCER REVIEW, JUL-AUG 64
Volume 10, No 4

13 Apr 64
England

ENGLAND

Walthamstow "object from space"

The *Walthamstow Guardian* reported a most unusual incident in its April 17 issue: "An unidentified flying object hurtled through the air above Walthamstow, scythed down telephone wires, etched a deep scar in the concrete edge of the River Lea towpath and plunged into the peaceful waters.

"That was the report received by police just before nine o'clock on Monday night (April 13). It came from Walthamstow bus driver Bob Fall, a down-to-earth man of 26, who lives with his wife and two children at 47, Upper Walthamstow Road,

"A police search party went straight to the spot, just off Ferry Lane. They found the phone wires down but a search of the banks revealed nothing. The river was dragged—in vain.

"And this week Bob Fall told *The Guardian* what happened as he drove his 123 bus towards Tottenham on Monday. He said, 'I just glanced into the sky and saw something coming towards me very, very fast. It flew straight across the road and, had I been a few yards further forward, it would have hit the top deck of the bus. I saw it cut through the telephone wires and there was a loud crash as it struck the bank.

"At first I thought the back windows of the bus had come in and, as I turned around, I saw all the passengers looking out towards the river. There was a big splash in the water. I stopped as soon as I could to report it.'

"A police spokesman said that four ducks had been disturbed while the river was being dragged and that these, flying in line, could have been the object. He stressed that the river was only four to six feet deep in this part.

"But Mr. Fall discounted this theory. 'The thing was at least nine feet long, probably more, cigar-shaped and silver,' he said, 'If it had been a bird or birds I must have seen the wings. Besides, it was going too fast'."

NO C.S.I. INFORMATION ONLY
SOURCE: FLYING SAUCER REVIEW
Jul-Aug, Volume 10, No. 4

15 Apr 67
Johannesburg, South Africa

Linden UFO

The *Die Transvaler* on April 15 carried the following report: "A large grey object was seen last night over Linden (Johannesburg) at about 7 o'clock. At least three people saw the object travel over the suburb at enormous speed. It closely resembled a large boomerang and made no sound. 'Mr. D. Preston and I saw the object quite clearly for about 10 seconds until it disappeared behind a block of flats,' said Mr. L. Lamneck, of 30 Eighth Street, Linden. Late last night no one could establish what it really was."

(Credit to Mr. Philipp J. Human)

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15 Apr 64
Lyons, France

FRANCE

Triangular shaped object over Lyons

The *Le Figaro* on April 17 reported that a mysterious luminous object was observed on the evening of April 15 in the sky over Lyons. The phenomenon would not have attracted notice had the device, which was of great size, appeared to be moving.

At the Lyons-Brun Airfield it was also seen by observers. Precise readings were made by the service authorities who are unable to explain its presence in the sky.

The object was observed with an azimuth of 309 degrees and it even showed a constant oscillation. It presented an inclination of 52 degrees, but this inclination slowly decreased and after seven minutes it was only 43 degrees. Observed with powerful binoculars, the device presented triangular shapes, powerfully illuminated by the sun which had already gone down. It resembled a large milk carton, or a big star, but the fact of the matter is that nobody knew what this mysterious object was which was slowly traversing the sky.

Readers may be interested to compare this sighting with a similar one over Hertfordshire last summer. A full report of this incident witnessed by a number of people in the Watford and Hatfield areas can be found in the FLYING SAUCER REVIEW, November-December, 1963, issue. The photograph, reproduced in this issue, taken by Mr. Jan Willemstyn who lives at Bushey, Herts, now receives unexpected confirmation. The British Air Ministry and others have tried to "explain" the Hertfordshire object as a weather balloon but for several reasons this was nonsensical. It would seem that the French authorities are more prepared to let the facts speak for themselves.

APRIL 1960

16 November 1965

Mrs Hunt/sh/SAFOICC/72842/16 Nov 65

Dear Mr. [redacted]

This is in reply to your report of aerial objects which you were unable to identify.

The objects reported are characteristic of observations of astronomical bodies.

The first object in the northeast is the star Capella; the second object at 060 degrees azimuth is the planet Jupiter; the third object rising at 080 degrees azimuth is the star Betelgeux.

Jupiter is visible at about 9:30 PM, and Betelgeux is visible at about 10:00 PM. The star Capella appears at 025 degrees azimuth at 6:00 PM, but it may not be visible until the sun has completely set.

Thank you for submitting your report to the Air Force.

Sincerely,

[redacted]
[illegible], USAF
Chief, Civil Branch
Community Relations Division
Office of Information

Mr [redacted]
General Delivery
Pleasanton, Calif

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an hour had elapsed from the time of sighting. The witnesses immediately notified the local radio station of the alleged sighting. The high-school children in the Helena, Montana area were excused from school on the 29th and 30th day of Apr to prepare for Vigilante Day on May 1. The local sheriff describes this as a day on which many teen-age pranks are pulled. No other person in the immediate area has, to our knowledge, come forward with a collaborating story though the children say there was at least one boat on the nearby lake with fisherman aboard. PART IV. Weather and winds-ceiling at Helena; a. 0400Z estimated 1200 broken with high broken clouds, visibility 40 miles. Cloud cover 6 tenths alti-cu estimated 12000 1 tenth cirrus high. b. 0500Z 12000 scattered with higher scattered visibility 40 miles cloud cover 3 tenths alto-cu, 2 tenths cirrus. c. Winds aloft not available Helena for Great Falls at 0000Z 30 April. 6000 ft 250 degrees 5 kts; 10000 ft 190 degrees, 15 kts; 16000 ft 180 degrees 16 kts; 20000 ft 190 degrees 20 kts; 30000 ft 210 degrees 34 kts; 50000 ft 170 degrees 34 kts. At 0815Z 30 April 6000 ft 180 degrees 4 kts, 10000 ft 250 degrees 15 kts, 16000 ft 270 degrees 22 kts, 20000 ft 280 degrees at 29 kts, 30000 ft 280 degrees at 37 kts, and 50000 ft 260 degrees at 26 kts. d. Surface winds 0400Z 320 degrees 12 kts and 0500Z 270 deg 10 kts. e. No thunderstorms reported in the area. f. Vertical temp gradient-very steep, pressure gradient indicating unstable atmosphere, no inversion. PART V. Time of sighting is approximately 0430Z 30 April. Light conditions night. Location of observers-Canyon Ferry Montana -

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TDEN:

Request for UFO Information [redacted] 15 Jan 65

Hq USAF SAFOI-PB (Mrs Hunt)
Wash D C 20330

1. Reference the attached letter from [redacted] addressed to Governor George Romney, requesting information on unidentified flying objects. The following information is forwarded to your office in order that a reply may be made to Mr Dodson.

2. The specific sightings referred to in the Lansing, Michigan area during May 1964 were investigated by Air Force personnel from Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio and scientific personnel from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. The principal cause of these observations was determined to be an aircraft on night photo missions using infra-red equipment with a turbine generator. The 29 July 1964 report from Detroit, Michigan was not reported to the Air Force and we have no knowledge of this sighting.

3. It is suggested that a carbon copy of your reply to [redacted] be forwarded to Governor George Romney of Michigan.

FOR THE COMMANDER

[redacted] T de JONGE
Colonel, USAF
Deputy for Technology
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Cpl. Donald Dodson
ca770 Marshall
Southfield, Mich.

Cpt.Carrie Lamb
Lansing, Michigan

Dear Cpt. Lamb

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May 21, Lansing, Michigan. A whirring noise which rose to a high pitch awakened many residents about 3:00 a.m. Several then saw an object like a huge, spinning bowl in a bright blue flash. Some described it as greenish; others saw silvery surface.

Next morning about 3:00 a.m., Mrs. & Mrs. Robert Nourse, of Green Lodge, were awakened by a roaring noise. They saw a flat object with what looked like a red lens underneath. The UFO made a second pass over the area 20 minutes later.

(Four days later, May 25, Sgt. Quinchan Fire Chief, Porter Township, was awakened at 3:45 a.m. by a loud burning noise and saw a similar object. The UFO, emitting white light from the underside, hovered over the firehouse for about 1 minute, then moved eastward burning. Chief Quinchan said.)

July 24, Detroit, Michigan. Patrick Nero, a construction engineer, [illegible] other witnesses who sighted [illegible] vertical formation of about seven [illegible] elliptical objects flying over their [illegible] The UFO wobbled on its edge and [illegible] to close formation [illegible] as they neared [illegible] the Big Dipper, [illegible] southeast. [illegible] arranged in a diagonal pattern, with one kite-tail, fluttering, and another [illegible] possible with the others.

1CCIO 8 January 1965

UFO Report, Civilian

Air Force Systems Command
Foreign Technology Division
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

1. The attached letters were received by this office from the State of Michigan, Governor's Office, signed by Governor George Romney.

2. In his letter to the reporting individual, [redacted] the Governor said he had forwarded Dodson's letter to this base's commanding officer.

3. In accordance with AFR 200-2, 12b, Dodson's letter is forwarded to your office.

FOR THE COMMANDER

ROBERT E. NEELY
Captain, USAF
Chief, Information Division

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Information Only
Source: Saucer News, Vol II, No 3, September 1964

Newark Valley, New York
24 April 1964

ENGLISH-SPEAKING LITTLE MEN LAND IN NEW YORK STATE: A farmer in Newark Valley, near Binghamton, New York, claims that he spoke to little men from a flying saucer on April 24th, the same date of the first New Mexico landing. The farmer, named Gary Wilcox, told his story to a local newspaper several days later. He claimed that he had no fear of the humanoid creatures "because they weren't hostile and seemed to have no weapons or any desire to harm me."

According to Mr. Wilcox, he was doing his routine morning chores on his 300 acre farm when he saw a glitter like the reflection from a mirror. At first he thought it was merely the sun striking an abandoned refrigerator near the farmhouse, but then he saw a smooth, egg-shaped luminous object about 20 feet long and 15 feet wide. Wilcox walked up and touched the UFO, and at that moment, two people about four feet tall appeared from behind or under the craft. They were wearing suits made of some sort of seamless material, complete with hoods and foot coverings. They spoke good English, according to Wilcox, but he could not tell what part of their bodies their voices came from. They told him that they were here to gather soil samples; that they visit this planet from Mars once every two years; that if we send a man into space he cannot live more than two years without returning to Earth; and that for his own good he had better not tell anyone about having seen them. However, they did not threaten him or make him promise not to talk. In the course of a conversation that lasted several minutes, the little men also asked him several questions about the fertilizer he was using. They were carrying trays filled with sod and soil samples, and apparently were concerned about agricultural problems back on Mars.

As Mr. Wilcox turned away to get a fertilizer sample for his visitors, the spaceship suddenly took off, without smoke or noise of any kind. Wilcox then made a report to the county sheriff's office, and eventually told the newspapers. Later he was interviewed by telephone for Boston station WBZ. In the interview he added many details, including the fact that the Martians told him certain things that he does not feel at liberty to reveal.

This story is a wild one, and because of the intellectual communication between the farmer and the little men, we give it less credence than the other recent landing stories. However, we do not by any means rule out the possibility that Mr. Wilcox is telling the truth.

This incident tends to confirm the veracity of Gary Wilcox, a farmer living in nearby Newark Valley, New York, who reported back in April that he conversed with two little men who identified themselves as Martians. This incident is described in detail in our September issue.

Down on the farm

We are indebted to Mr. W. T. Sherwood for having sent us the following report taken from the Binghamton (N.Y.) newspaper, issue of May 9. The REVIEW has asked for the exact title of the paper. The account reads as follows: "A dairy farmers' report of talking with two Martians who landed in one of his fields in a spacecraft has Tioga County aroused with curiosity.

"The report has brought inquiries by an official agency and has been a frequent topic of conversation in recent days in Owego's downtown streets.

"The Tioga County Sheriff's Department interviewed the farmer, Gary T. Wilcox of Davis Hollow Road, and took a statement from him. Also, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has been notified.

"Mr Wilcox, 27, who operates a 300 acre dairy farm a few miles northeast of Newark Valley, said that a 'federal representative' also has been to see him about what happened in a secluded spot on his farm. Mr. Wilcox initially rebuffed a reporter's attempts to interview him about the incident, but finally gave this account of what happened:

"On the morning of April 24, Mr. Wilcox, who works the farm alone, was spreading manure in an open field. Shortly before 10 o'clock, he decided to check a V-shaped field on another part of the farm that is almost completely surrounded by woods. He wanted to see whether ground conditions would permit plowing.

"As he approached the field, which is about a mile from his dairy barn, he saw a shiny object that he at first thought was a discarded refrigerator that had been in the field for some time. He realized that the shiny object was not the old refrigerator as he drew nearer. His next thought was that it was a wing tank or some other part of an aeroplane that had fallen into the field. The object was shiny and looked somewhat like aluminium. But it looked as if it would be more durable than aluminium and seemed to have metallic characteristics different from any he had ever seen before.

"The object was about 20 feet long and 16 feet wide and was shaped like an egg. He touched it and felt no heat.

"He observed no door or escape hatch, but two human-like men suddenly appeared. They were about four feet tall, wore clothing that appeared to have no seams and had on what appeared to be a headdress with a full-face hood. He could not distinguish any facial features because of the face hoods. They appeared to have arms and legs, but he could not tell whether they had feet and toes.

" 'Do not be alarmed, we have talked to people before. We are from what you people refer to as planet Mars,' one of the figures said in smooth English.

"He thought this surely must be some kind of gag somebody was playing on him, but the conversation continued. One of the creatures stood about five feet from him and the other stood farther back, close to the spacecraft. Their voices seemed to come from their bodies rather than from the headdress-covered heads.

" 'They were interested in organic material such as fertilizer,' Mr. Wilcox recalled.

"They expressed considerable interest in why he was spreading manure and in the various uses of fertilizers.

"The Martians explained that they grew food in the atmosphere, but changes in the universe were expected to create problems. They said they were visiting earth to obtain information about organic material.

"They appeared to know little about organic material and their questions were like those a child would ask. Each one carried a tray filled with soil, apparently taken from the field.

" 'When they talked about space or the ship, I had difficulty in understanding their explanations,' Mr. Wilcox said.

" 'They said they can only travel to this planet every two years and they are presently using the Western Hemisphere.'

"The Martians said they land only during daylight hours because their ship is less readily visible in daylight. They expressed surprise that he had seen the craft.

"The two figures said astronauts from earth would not be successful in space travel. Astronauts travelling in outer space would die after being in space a year because their bodies are not adaptable to such conditions, they said.

"The figures asked whether he had any organic material. He said yes, and then was asked if they might have some. He started to leave to get a bag of fertilizer for them. As he did so, the spacecraft took off. The noise the spacecraft made was like an automobile idling. There was no turbulence, exhaust of fire or raising of dust.

" 'Within seconds the craft was out of sight,' Mr. Wilcox said.

"He returned to the barn, picked up a bag of fertilizer and took it to the spot in the field where the Martians had been. He left the bag of fertilizer there. It was gone when he returned the next day."

Information Only
Source: The UFO Reporter, Summer, 1964

Neward Valley, New York
April 24, 1964

FARMER CLAIMS CONTACT

Newark Valley, New York, April 24 - As if conventional saucer sightings were not sufficient, word has reached us of a most interesting "little men" contact, allegedly experienced by a young farmer in upstate New York.

Gary T. Wilcox, the purported witness, reports that, shortly before 10:00 a.m., while engaged at routine chores on his 300 acre farm, he observed a shiny object resting upon the ground. He first assumed it a discarded refrigerator that was reflecting sunlight; however, he soon realized that he was in error. This presumed "refrigerator" was none other than a mysterious space craft twenty feet in length, and sixteen feet in width.

While thus scrutinizing this unusual aircraft, two humanoids, four feet in height, suddenly appeared. They were described as wearing seamless outfits with



GARY T. WILCOX

odd-shaped hoods that concealed their faces; evidently breathing apparatus.

The space beings conversed at length with Mr. Wilcox in perfect English, advising him that their planetary origin was on Mars, and that their intentions were friendly. It seems that they queried him with respect to terrestrial agricultural proceedures, of which they evidenced exceeding ignorance. After exchanging various pieces of information and a few pleasantries, Mr. Wilcox offered them samples of a fertilizer that might assist these "visitors" in combating various agricultural difficulties that had arisen on Mars. As he turned away to procure the substance, the space ship and its Martian crew took off for parts unknown.

Wilcox commented that his extraterrestrial friends spoke with him in a most unusual manner. Their voices emanated not from their heads, but from their bodies, which suggests a form of mechanical speaker, perhaps housing a translating mechanism; or, it is conceivable that their mouths are located in their mid-sections.

Wilcox asserted that he was directed that the withholding of his story would be to his benefit, and has not clarified his reasons for subsequently ignoring these admonitions.

Wilcox's neighbors tend to contradict each other concerning his reliability. While some are positive of his veracity, others are evidently a little dubious about it.

Newark Valley Farmer Repo

An astounding report of a visit of two Martians to the Town of Newark Valley recently has created a great stire of excitement and speculation throughout the area.

The source of the amazing story is Gary Wilcox, well-known and substantial farmer, who solemnly asserts he carried on a conversation with the two persons from another planet after their spaceship or flying saucer landing in a back lot on his Davis Hollow Road farm.

The visit occurred on Friday, April 24, Mr. Wilcox told The Times, adding that he was present when the pair took off in their peculiarly-shaped conveyance.

No formal report was made to county authorities, but Sheriff Paul Taylor said he had notified the Boston, Mass. headquarters of the Atlantic Coast Air Command after he heard the report second-hand. He said he had received no reply, nor had he seen any official from that branch of the service. It also was reported that the FBI had been informed of the incident.

However, Mr. Wilcox said he had not seen or talked with any Federal government representative as yet.

Mr. Wilcox's account of the visit is almost beyond belief but he states every word of it is the truth.

He said he discovered the space ship on the edge of a hilly, woody area on a back lot of his farm property about 10:30 a.m. He said he had no idea how long it had been there
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. He was attracted to the object by the shiny color, ressembling the silvery wing of a plane. ıe reached the object which was on landing four feet above the ground, two beings came nder the object. They were dressed from head ıniforms or costumes the same aluminum col- conveyance.

cox told The Times the two men, apparently, t four feet in height, and they immediately m in conversation.

r spoke as good English as I do," he said. ıid the conversation was pretty one-sided, : visitors doing most of the talking. They ıim, Mr. Wilcox said, that they came from a planet known on this planet as Mars.

Mr. Wilcox said they made no effort to attack him or harm him but seemed greatly interested in the soil, grass, shrubs,, twigs and dirt and gathered up several samples. They also questioned him concerning farming practices, crops, and fertilizers.

The Newark Valley farmer said he returned to his barn to pick up some fertilizer and when he went back, the two men were getting back in the vehicle, with the admonition that "it will be to your benefit not to say anything about this."

This was about 12:30 p.m., he said, and he stood there when the queer-looking ship took off and whirled out of sight over the hill "so fast I could hardly see it." And that was the last Mr. Wilcox saw of the visitors. He described the vehicle as being about 20 feet high, 16 feet wide and between 4 and 5 feet thick, with no visible indication of how it operated. It moved almost silently when it flashed away, he said.

That, to date, is the incredible story of Tioga County's exposure to the planet Mars.

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Dear Dr. Flynek,

Thank you for your faithfulness - Monitor Program, Yale Scientific magazine, etc — to the the public, the government, the scientific community, & to the Truth! - It's not an easy job & I admire you for your ability.

It occurred to me that you might be interested in the write-up of the Newark Valley landing from the Binghamton paper - (or perhaps you have it) I have made inquiries about Wilcox, &