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PROTECT 10075 RECORD

Incident #234

ATIC NO. _____ DATE OF INFO July 47

AF NO. _____ LOCATION Oak Ridge, Tenn

REPORT NO. _____ SOURCE Civilian

DATE OF REPORT _____ DATE IN TO ATIC _____

TIME OF STARTING _____ COLOR _____

SHAPE _____ SPEED _____ Estimated

SIZE _____ ALTITUDE _____ Measured

COURSE _____ LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED _____

NO. IN GROUP _____ TYPE OF OBSERVATION _____

SOUND _____ MANEUVERS _____

PHOTOS _____ SKETCHES _____

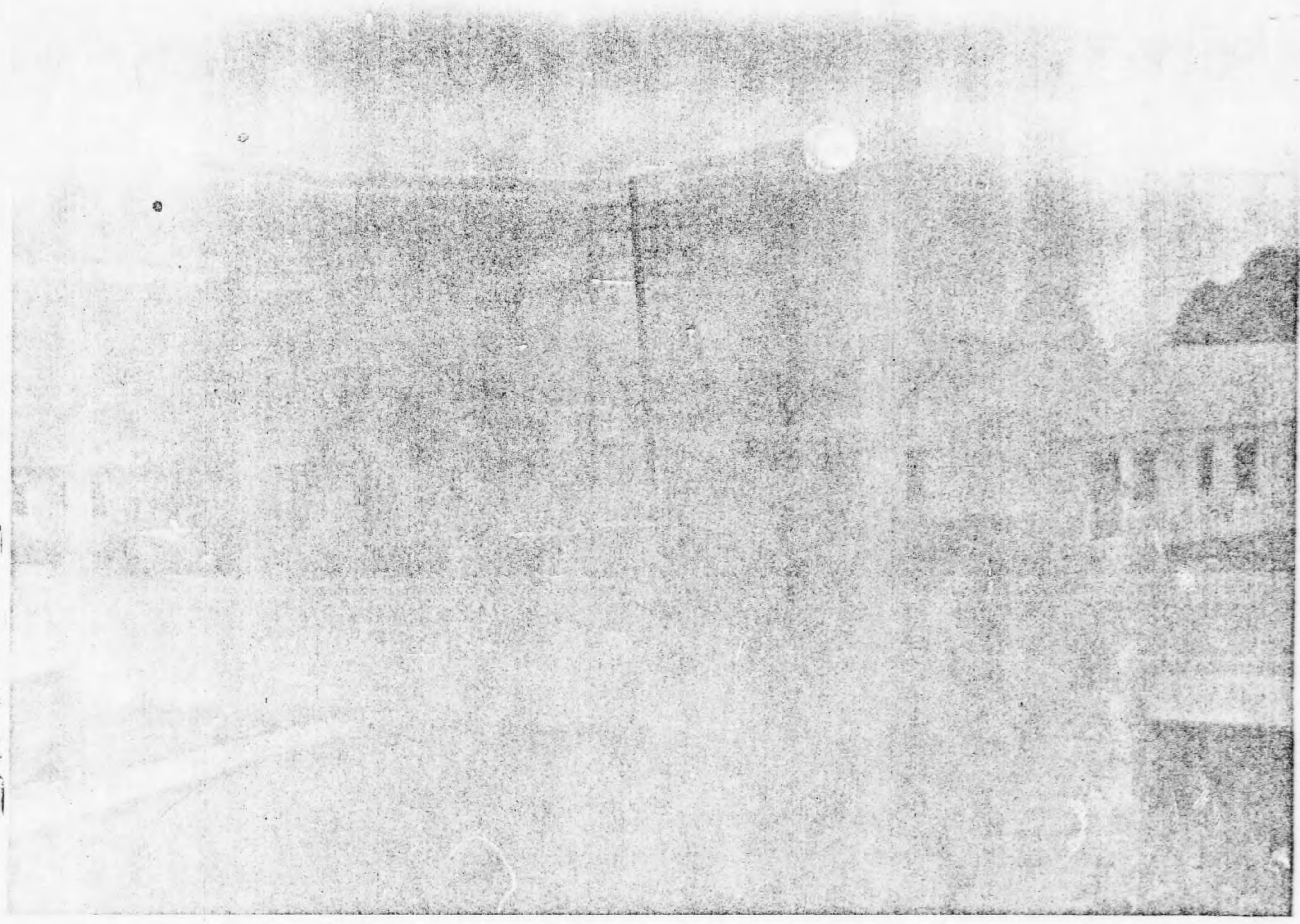
Photographs of object that turned out to be caused by faulty development and not an actual image.

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(2 Jan 52)



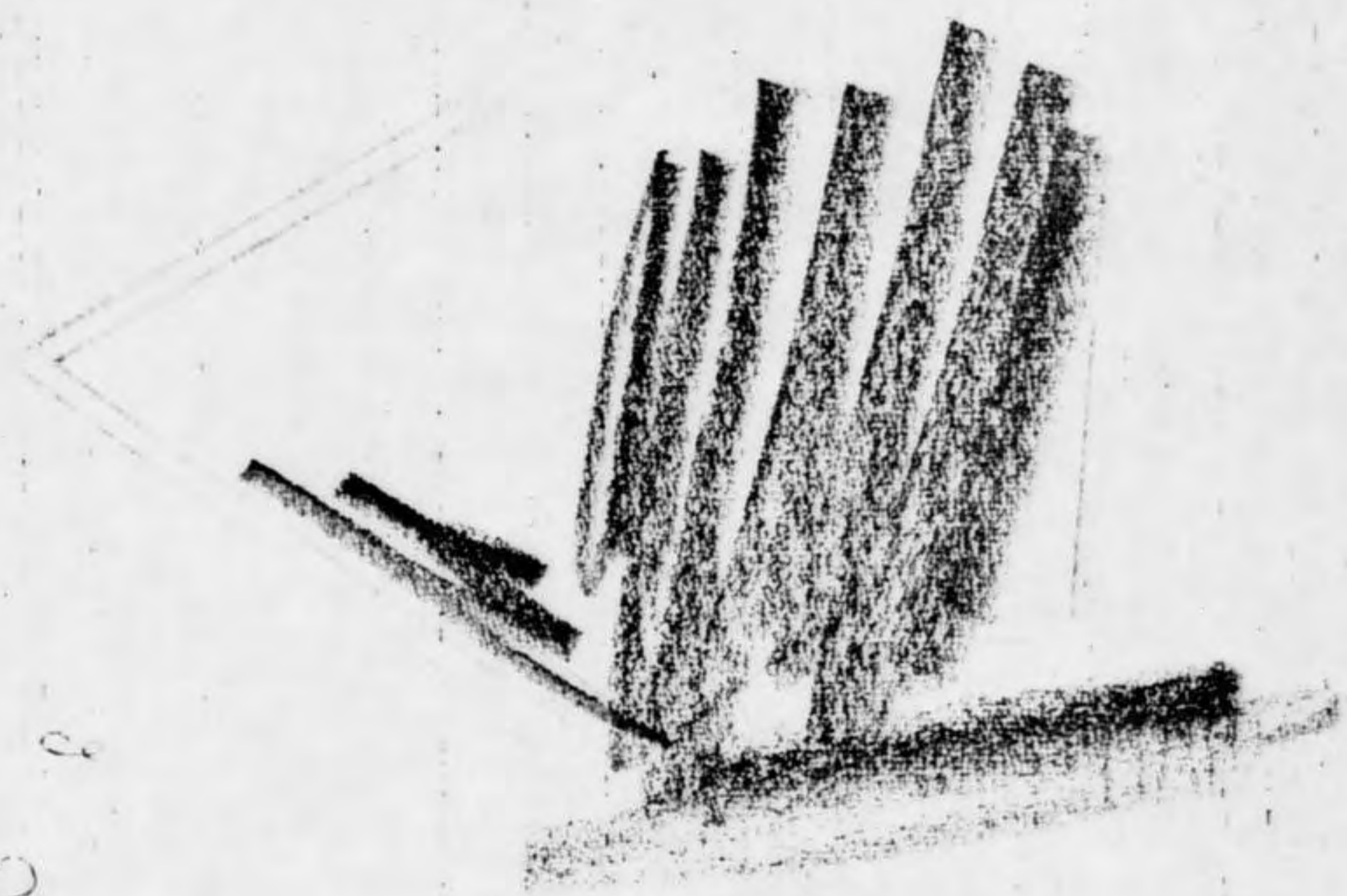
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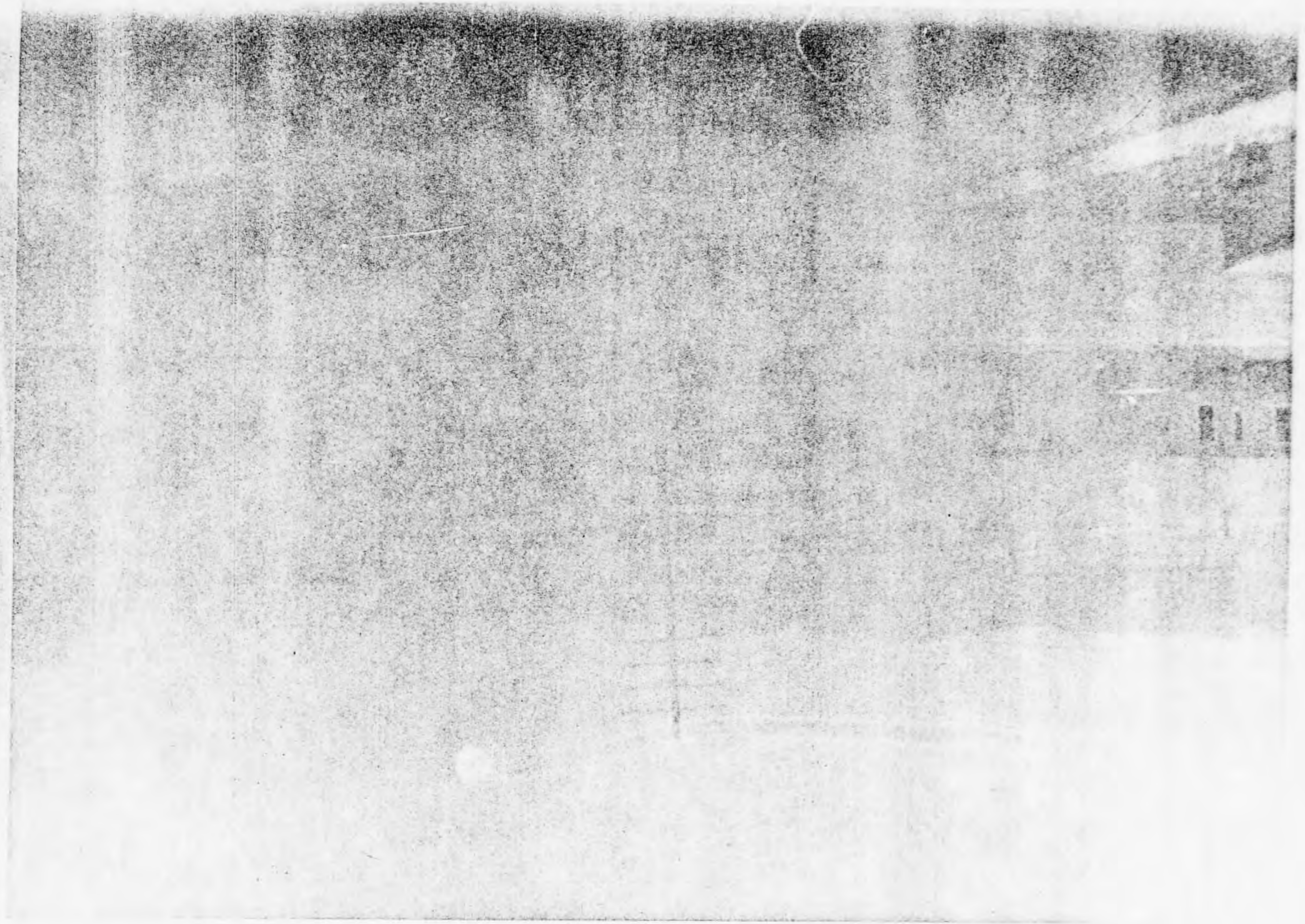
Submitted by
Dale Ridge, Tennessee submitted July 1949

actually
a development
plan but
submitted as a
genuine UFO
by

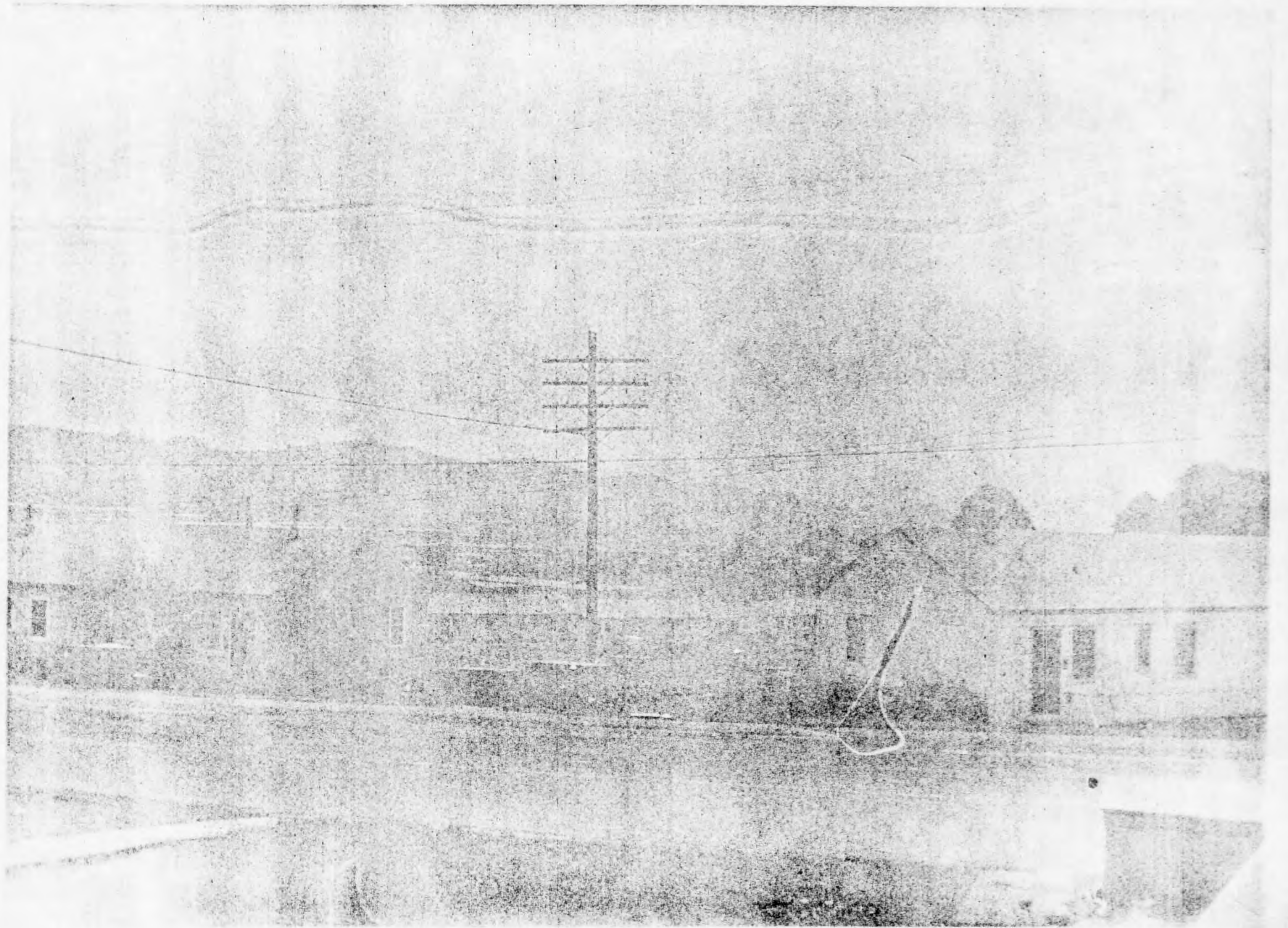


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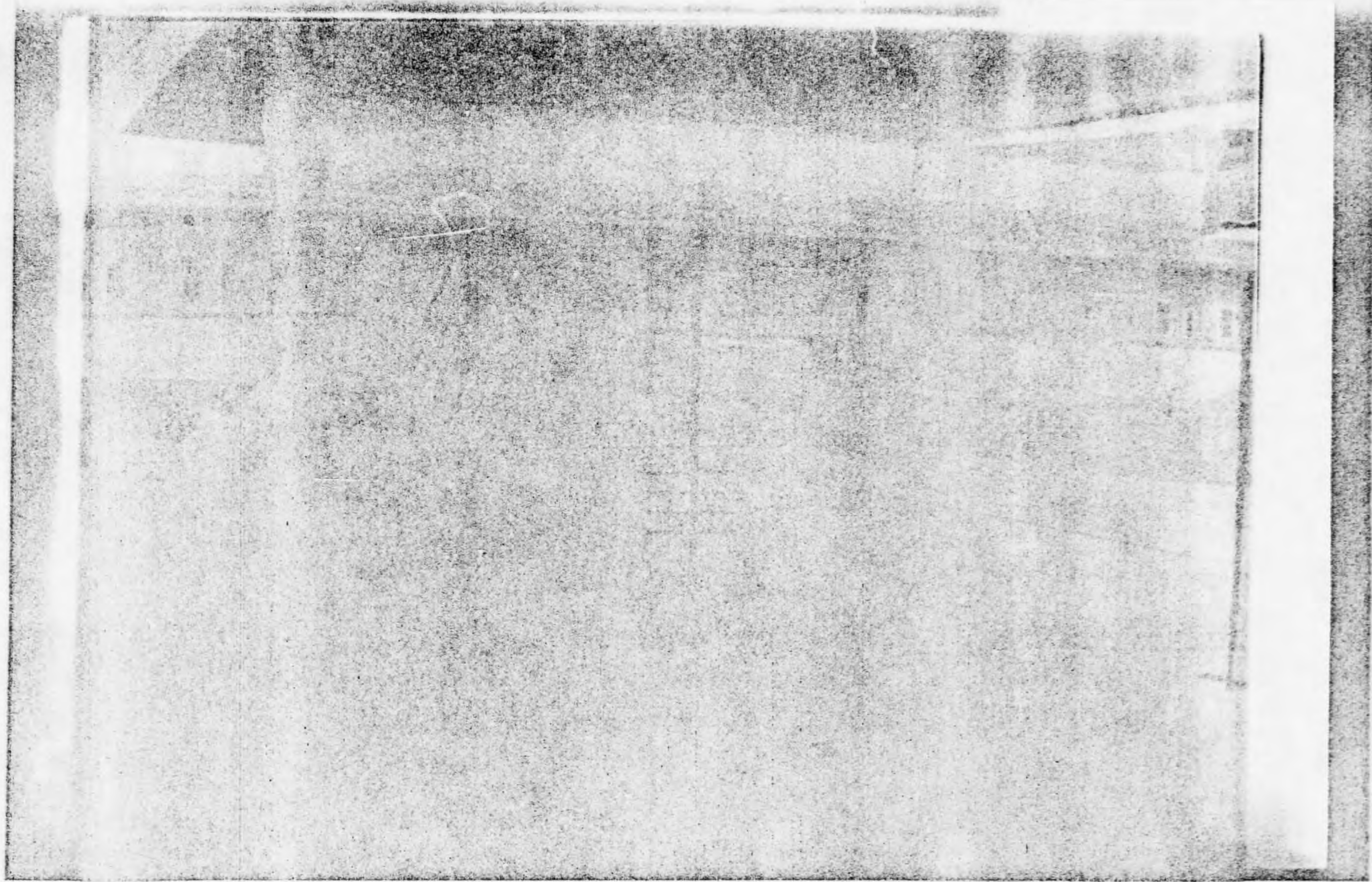




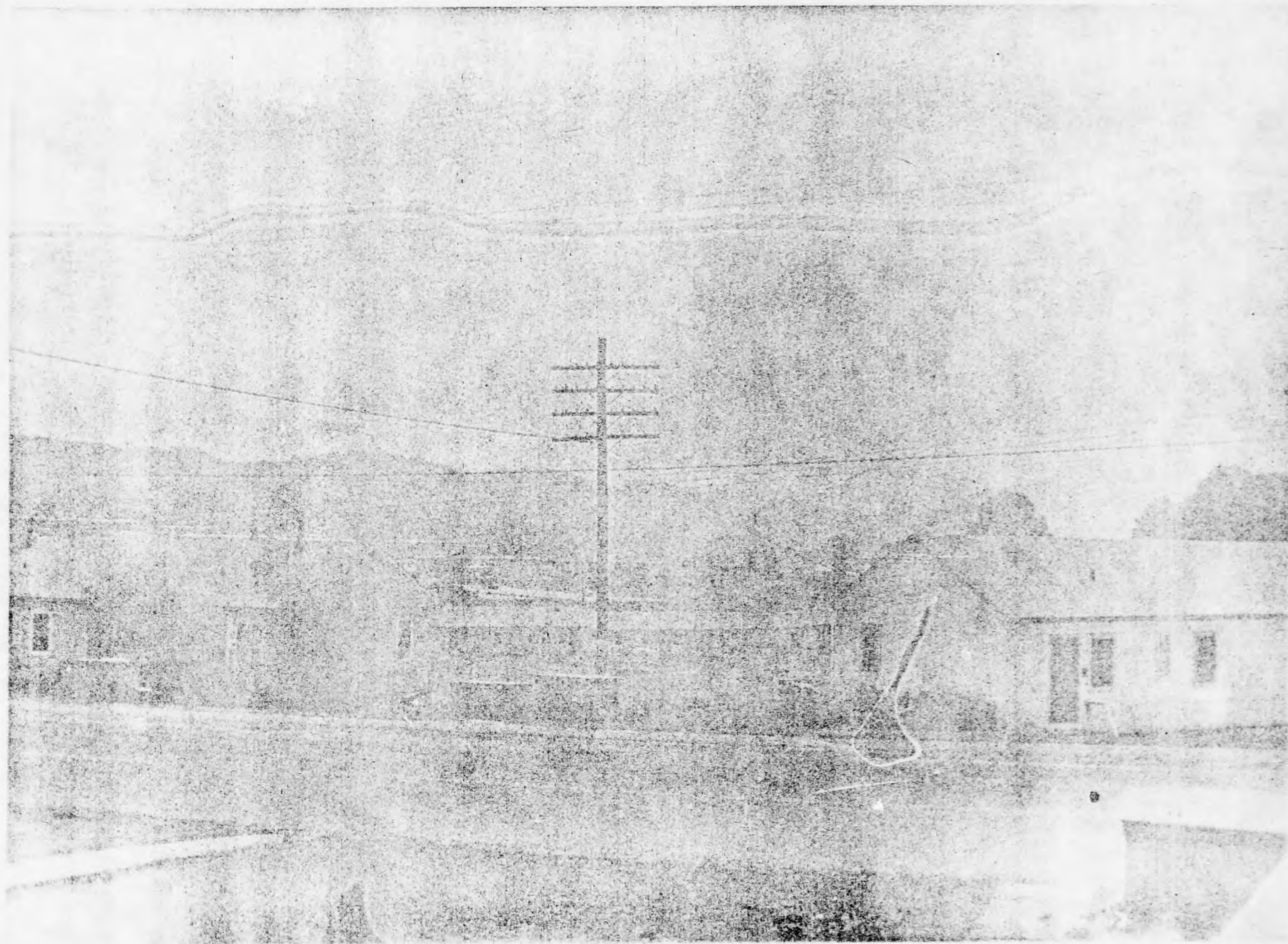
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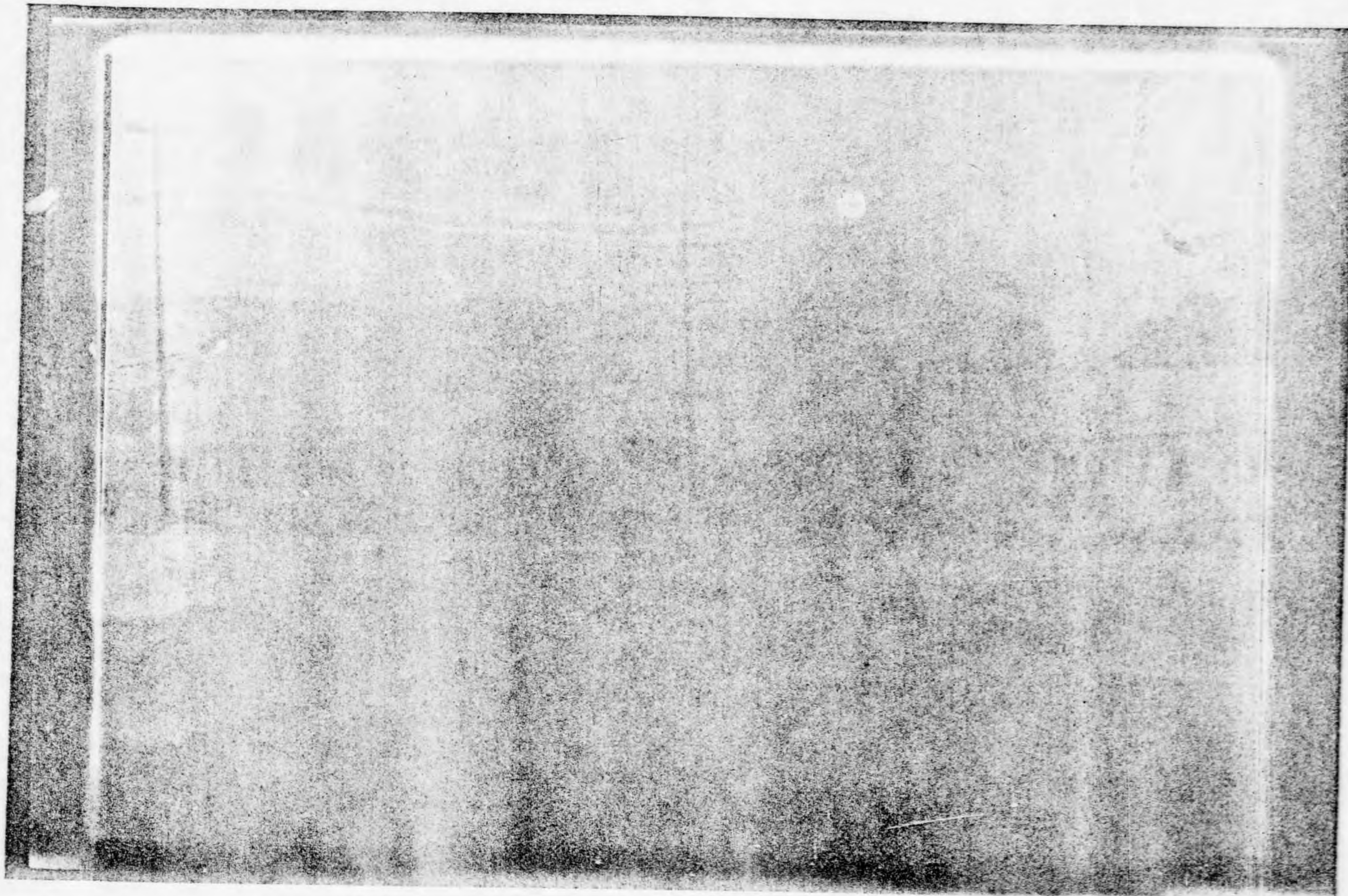


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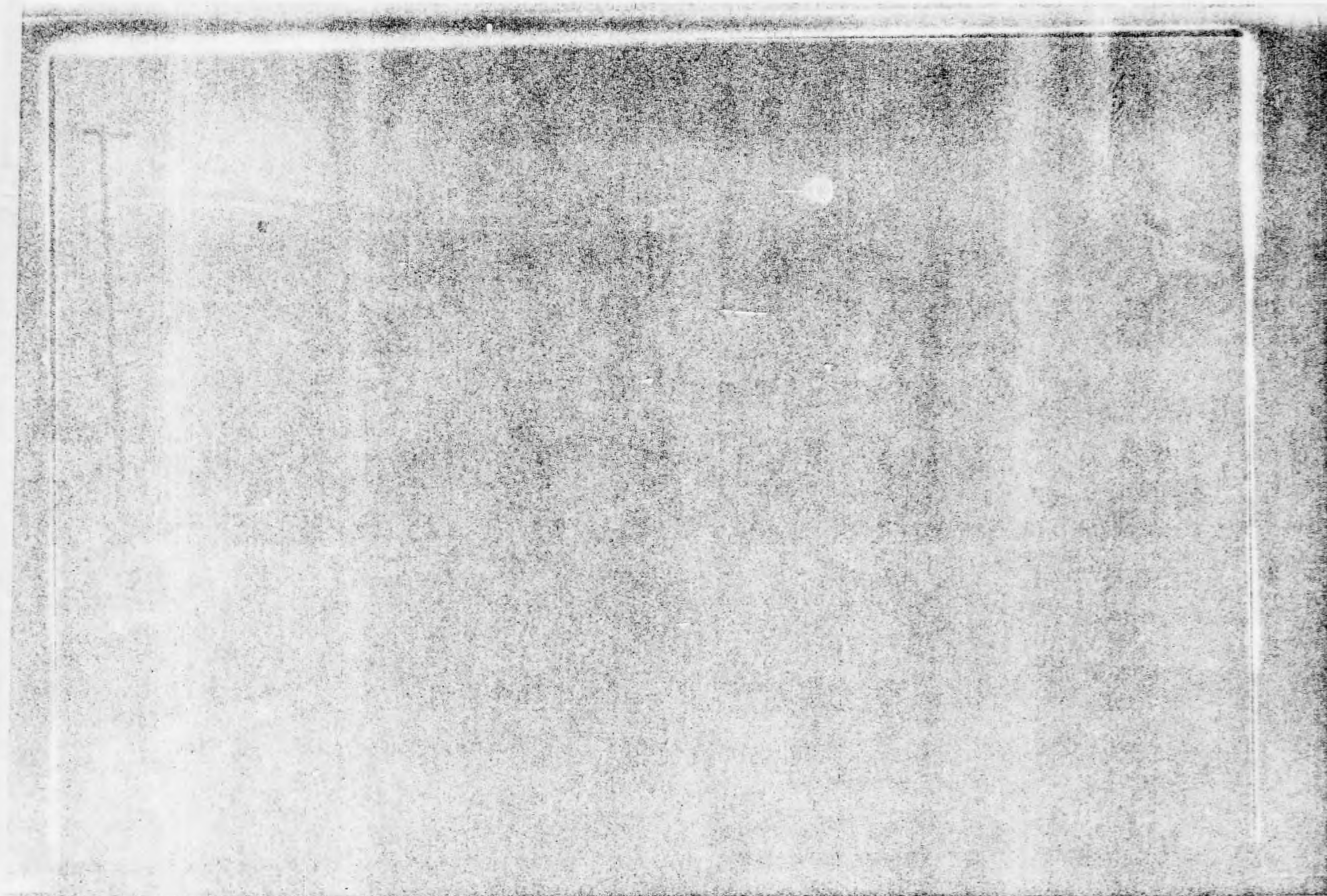
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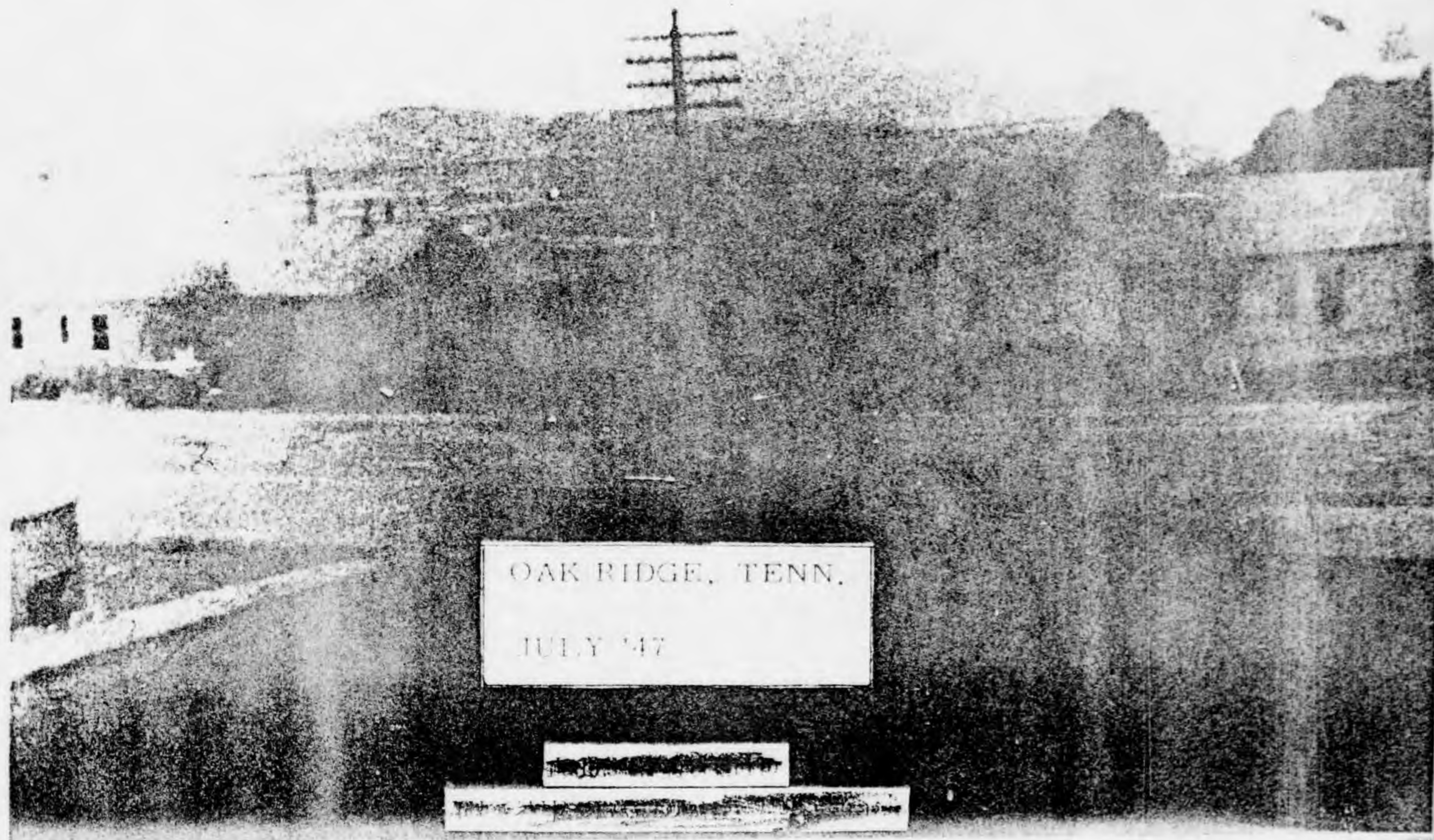


OAK RIDGE, TENN.
JULY '47

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JULY '47



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Inasmuch as independent analysis has determined the object on the photographs to be a flaw, there is no need for further investigation. Object was never seen visually.

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Dr HYNEK'S EVALUATIONS EXTRACTED FROM PROJECT GRUDGE REPORT.

INCIDENT INDEX

1. Astronomical

a. High probability:

#26, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 48, 49, 59, 60, 66, 69, 70, 94,
95, 96, 97, 98, 101, 102, 103, 104, 116, 119, 132, 136, 140,
147, 148, 158, 174, 184, 185, 187, 197, 203, 204, 208, 216,
219, 238.

b. Fair or low probability:

#19, 20, 23, 24, 28, 35, 36, 46, 50, 63, 67, 80, 82, 93, 100,
112, 120, 121, 129, 130, 144, 153, 165, 166, 167, 175, 192,
199, 202, 205, 220, 230, 240.

2. Non-astronomical but suggestive of other explanations

a. Balloons or ordinary aircraft:

#3, 11, 22, 41, 42, 53, 54, 73, 81, 83, 91, 92, 113, 114, 115,
126, 131, 138, 141, 145, 155, 156, 157, 159, 160, 161, 163,
169, 171, 173, 178, 180, 182, 188, 190, 194, 195, 196, 198,
200, 201, 209, 210, 217, 222, 235, 237, 239.

b. Rockets, flares or falling bodies:

#4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 25, 56, 65, 78, 106, 107,
108, 109, 133, 170, 211, 218.

c. Miscellaneous (reflections, auroral streamers, birds, etc.):

#39, 89, 123, 124, 128, 146, 164, 181, 189, 214, 221, 231, 234.

3. Non-astronomical, with no explanation evident

a. Lack of evidence precludes explanation:

#38, 44, 45, 47, 55, 57, 72, 86, 87, 88, 90, 99, 110, 117, 118,
125, 127, 137, 139, 149, 150, 177, 179, 191, 206, 212, 213,
229, 232, 233.

b. Evidence offered suggests no explanation:

#1, 2, 10, 17, 21, 29, 37, 40, 51, 52, 58, 61, 62, 64, 68, 71,
75, 76, 77, 79, 84, 105, 111, 122, 135, 151, 152, 154, 162,
168, 172, 176, 183, 186, 193, 207, 215, 223, 224, 225, 226,
227, 236, 241, 242, 243, 244, 134.

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UNITED STATES
ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

Oak Ridge, Tennessee
Dec 16, 1948

Maj Donald J. Grant, USAF
Contracting Officer
Air Materiel Command
Sub Office Fort Worth USAF PFO
Post Office Box "E"
Oak Ridge, Tennessee

Subject: PHOTOGRAPHS

Dear Sir:

In compliance with your recent request, there are enclosed eight photographs and two negatives received from [REDACTED], [REDACTED] Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Also enclosed are four enlarged copies of the photograph and four copies of the News-Sentinel news item published in a July 1947 issue.

[REDACTED] when interviewed, stated that he photographed the unknown object from his home during the month of July 1947. He stated further that he forwarded a copy of the photograph to the Knoxville News Sentinel, Knoxville, Tennessee, for publication. [REDACTED] said he did not believe a photograph of the object to be of any interest to Security; therefore, he did make prints of the photographs a few months later, at which time he presented a number of them to his friends. [REDACTED] promised to recover as many prints as possible and forward them to this office. He did mention, however, that he would like, if at all possible, to have the negatives returned to him when available.

All photographs, when made available by [REDACTED] will be forwarded to your office.

If this office can be of any further assistance in this matter, please do not hesitate to call upon us.

Very truly yours,

G. J. Rathman, Chief
Investigation Section

Encl
16 Photographs & 2 Negatives

Rathman: mh

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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
AMC ENGINEERING LIAISON OFFICER
AIR MATERIEL COMMAND
NEPA Project, P. O. Box E
Oak Ridge, Tennessee

MCREOL8/CDG/jk
23 December 1948

SUBJECT: Photographs of "Flying Saucer"

TO: Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

ATTN: Engineering Division (MCREXP2)
Col R. L. Wasseil

1. Attached copy of a letter dated 16 December 1948, subject "Photographs", from the Office, Chief, Investigation Section, AEC, ORO, regarding the subject matter is forwarded herewith for your information and referral to appropriate higher Air Force authority, together with the following inclosures:

a. Two negatives and six photographs of an alleged "saucer" and its trail.

b. Photostatic copy of a news write-up re paragraph a. above, that appeared in the Knoxville, Tennessee News-Sentinel newspaper during the month of July 1947.

2. Your attention is invited to the statement made in the second paragraph of the attached copy of AEC letter, wherein return of referenced negatives is desired.

C. D. GASSER
Colonel, USAF
AMC Engineering Field Officer

Incls.
Ltr dtd 12/16/48
Two Negatives
Six Photographs
Photostat

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Photographs of "flying saucer" ~~REDACTED~~

MCI

MCREXP

28 Dec 48

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Attn: Col H. M. McCOY

1. The inclosed material has been received from Colonel Casser's office at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, and is forwarded to your office for your information and such action as you may deem advisable to have taken.

R. J. MINTY
Colonel, USAF
Chief, Power Plant Laboratory
Engineering Division

RLW/hbd
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A-107

1 Incl

ltr fr Col C. D. Gasser dtd
23 Dec 48 w/4 incls. as listed

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MCI

30 Dec 48

2.

1. Reference to the attached photographs, it is requested that the negatives and copy of photographs be turned over to Mr Gust for his comments regarding their authenticity.

2. Action will be taken to acknowledge receipt of the material in question and to return the negatives after they have served their purpose.

H. M. McCOY
Colonel, USAF
Chief, Intelligence Department

JSH/dm
B-262
R-253
5-9210

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MCIF

ATTN: Mr Gust

MCLAYS

5 Jan 49

3.

1. Your attention is invited to para 1, comment 2, above.

2. Request that negatives and photographs be returned to this office with your comments.

Incl
n/c

W. R. CLINGERMAN
Colonel, USAF
Chief, Tech Intelligence Div
Intelligence Department

HWS/aw
6-5310
Bldg 288

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1. In reply to paragraph 1, Comment No. 2, it is the opinion of this office that the enclosed negatives reveal the following information: When the negative, containing the sphere, is examined by strong incident light, it is noted that the emulsion is raised at that point above the normal level of the remaining emulsion. This indicates that either a drop of warm water or a drop of developer struck the film at this point and rolled down this negative and the succeeding negative.

2. To further substantiate this, it will be noted that when the two (2) negatives are placed side by side with the edges of the film aligned, the so called "trail" is continuous, that is the two sections match, indicating the drop rolled on from one negative to the next.

3. Still further proof is shown on the fogged edge of the negative containing only the trail. This is proven by the fact that the trail extends beyond the normal format of the negative. In other words there is a trail of that section of the negative which was not exposed in the camera. This effect shows up in one negative and not the other because the negative in question is fogged, therefore, this irregularity was developed.

4. Still further proof of these defects lies in the number of unevenly developed sections of the negative.

5. Conclusion: These negatives contain no information pertinent to Project "Sign".

Incl
n/c

LEWIS C. GUST
Chief, Science Survey Office
Intelligence Department

LCG/cc
2-6149

THIS CASE INCLUDES :

FIVE (5) prints of
ONE (1) photo and

FOUR (4) prints of

ONE (1) photo. NINE
(9) prints total. 8"X10"