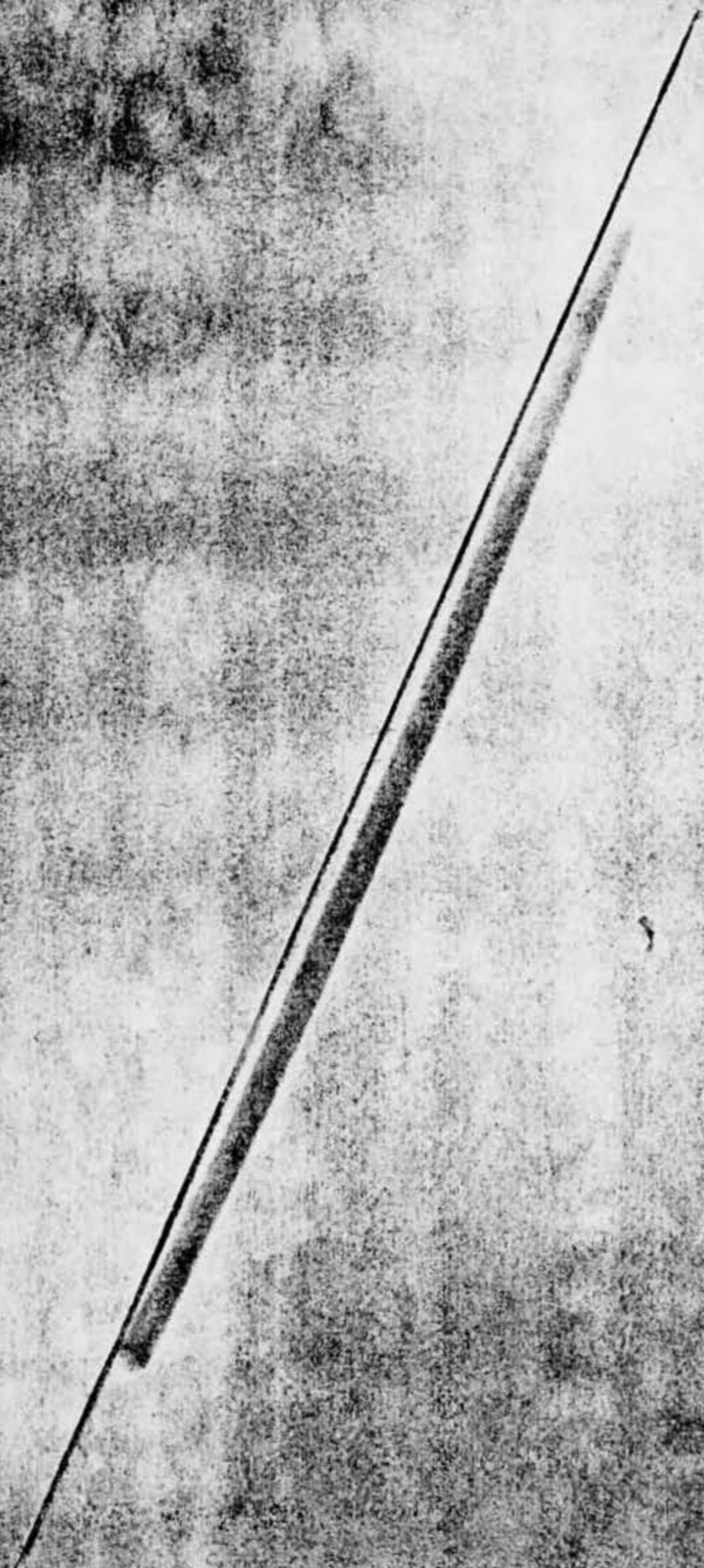


PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

<b>1. DATE</b> 24 January 1956	<b>2. LOCATION</b> Beltsville, Maryland (Photo)		<b>12. CONCLUSIONS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
<b>3. DATE-TIME GROUP</b> Local _____ GMT 25/0207Z	<b>4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft
<b>5. PHOTOS</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<b>6. SOURCE</b> Civilian (14 yrs old)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
<b>7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION</b> thirty three minutes	<b>8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS</b> one	<b>9. COURSE</b> see photo	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
<b>10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING</b> See attached photo and AF Form 112. Similar to fluorescent light.		<b>11. COMMENTS</b> It is the opinion of the 4602d AISS that the object on the attached photo is a time exposure of the moon. During the time of the exposure, the moon traversed the arc depicted on the photo, Note the curvature of the object, the appearance of a spherical image at each end of the obj, and the size of the spherical image is compared to the size of the roof of the photo.	

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(Sandy Spring)

ELLICOTT CITY 18 MI.  
ASHTON 22 MI.

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

77° 00'  
39° 07' 30"

57° 30'



(Kensington)

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
(Clarksville)

ATHOLTON 5.1 MI.

55'



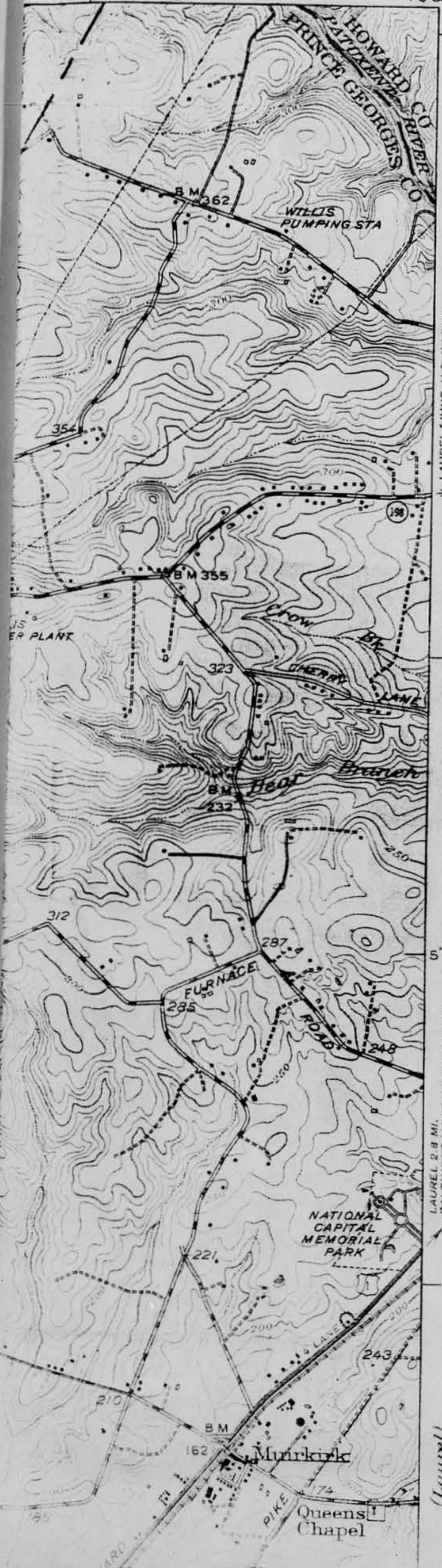
BELTSVILLE QUADRANGLE  
MARYLAND  
7.5-MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

(Savage)

1830 000 FEET

76°52'30"

39°07'30"  
470 000  
FEET

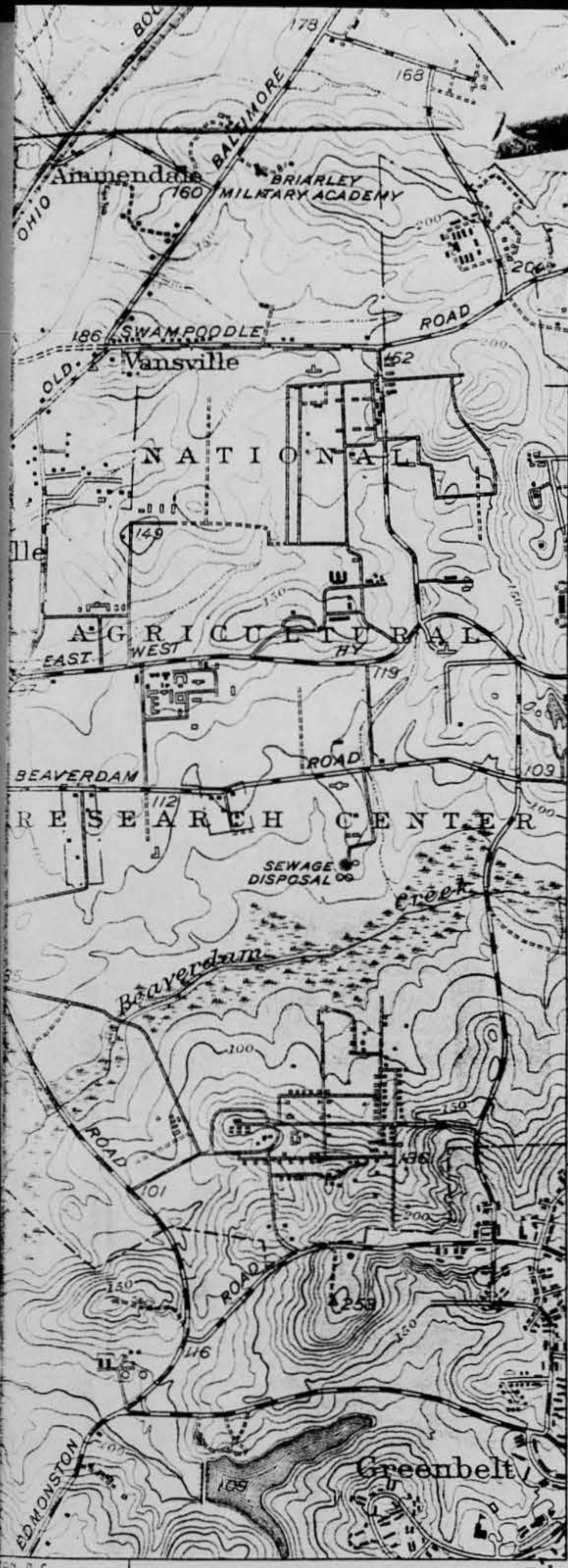


LAUREL (JUNC. U.S. D.I.7 MI.)

LAUREL 2.8 MI.  
BALTIMORE (CIVIC CENTER) 21 MI.

(Laurel)

Place, Beltsville, Md



2'30"

39'00"

76°52'30"

(Lanham)

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

- |   |                |                   |       |
|---|----------------|-------------------|-------|
| HARD-SURFACE ALL WEATHER ROADS                        |                | DRY WEATHER ROADS |       |
| Heavy duty..  | 4 LANE 16 LANE | Improved dirt...  | ----- |
| Medium duty   | 4 LANE 16 LANE | Unimproved dirt   | ..... |
| Loose-surface, graded, or narrow hard surface - - - - |                |                   |       |
| U. S. Route   |                | State Route       |       |

BELTSVILLE, MD.

N3900-W7652.5/7.5

EDITION OF 1951



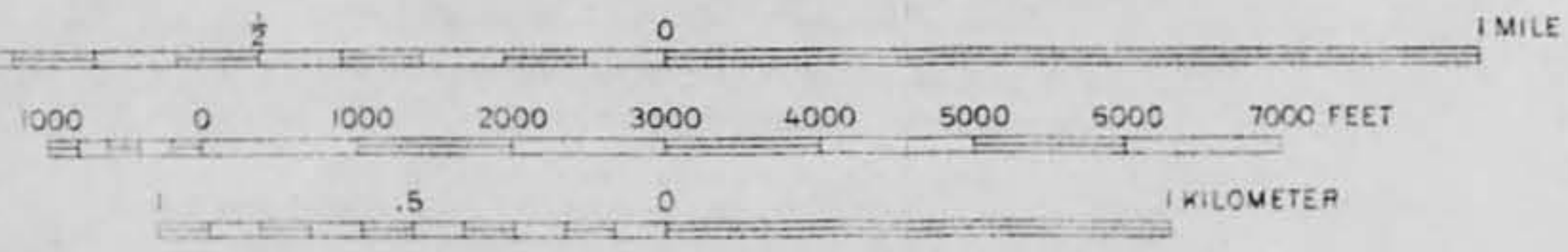
(Washington East)

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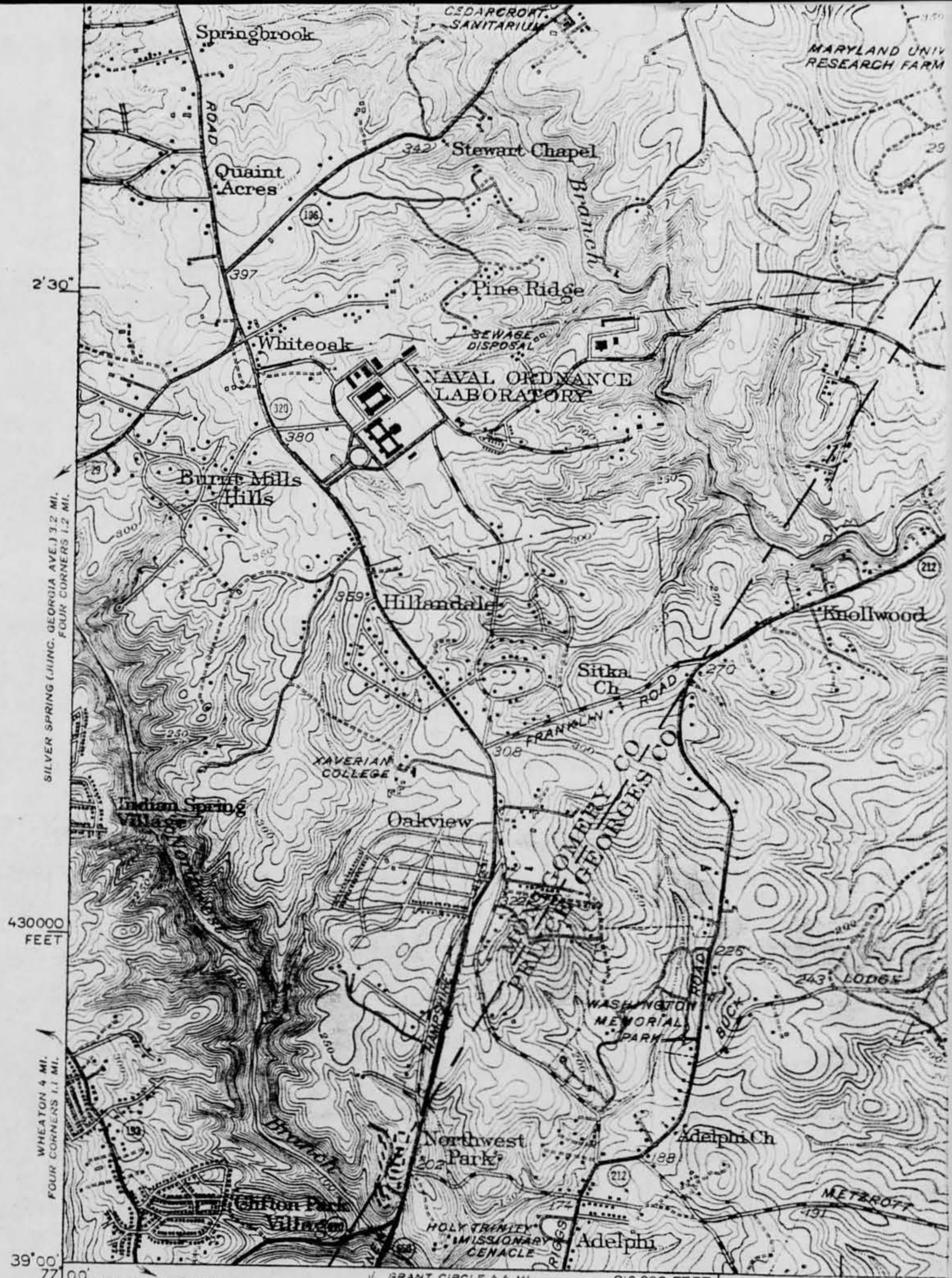
HYATTSVILLE (CIVIC CENTER) 3.3 MI.  
WASHINGTON MONUMENT 11 MI.

EAST RIVERDALE  
BLADENSBURG 4.3



CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET  
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

FOR SALE BY U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, WASHINGTON 25 D. C.  
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST



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Topography by plane-table methods 1913-1915, 1941-1942 and 1944  
 Revised 1949 from aerial photographs and by plane-table methods. Aerial photographs taken 1949

Polyconic projection, 1927 North American datum  
 1000-foot grid based on Maryland coordinate system

Red tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown

TRUE NORTH  
 MAGNETIC NORTH  
 APPROXIMATE MEAN DECLINATION, 1949

(Washington West)

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HEADQUARTERS  
4602d AIR INTELLIGENCE SERVICE SQUADRON (ADC)  
ENT AIR FORCE BASE  
COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO

AISOP

26 MAR 1956

SUBJECT: Transmittal of AF Form 112 (UFOB)

TO: Commander  
Air Technical Intelligence Center  
ATTN: AFOIN-4E4  
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

1. Inclosed herewith find AF Form 112 number IR-81-56,  
1401st Air Base Wing, Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland, for-  
warded for action deemed necessary.

2. As indicated on the UFOB Index Card (Incl 2), it is  
the opinion of this headquarters that this sighting was a mis-  
interpretation of a time exposure of the moon and an evaluation  
of WAS ASTRONOMICAL has been placed on this sighting.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

*Henry C. Boker*

HENRY C. BOKER  
Captain, USAF  
Asst Adjutant

2 Incls:  
1. AF Form 112  
2. UFOB Index Card

THIS CASE INCLUDES

1 PHOTO  $3\frac{1}{2}$  IN X  $3\frac{1}{2}$  IN

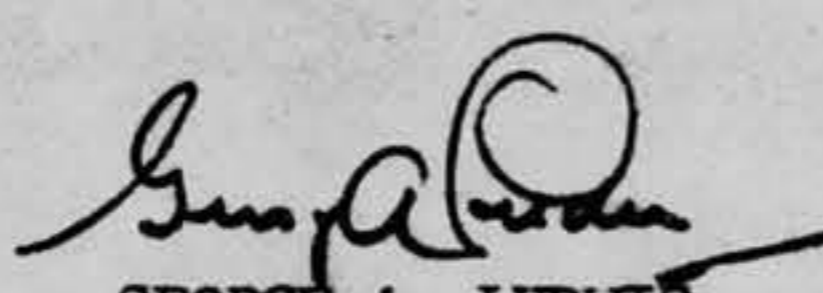
1 PHOTO 4 X 5 IN

1 PHOTO 8 X 10 IN

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(CLASSIFICATION)

(SECURITY INFORMATION when filled in)

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN USA - MATS		REPORT NO. IR -81 - 56	(Leave blank)
<b>AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT</b>			
AREA REPORT CONCERNS Beltsville, Maryland			
AGENCY OF ORIGIN 1401st Air Base Wing Andrews Air Force Base		DATE OF REPORT 1 Mar 56	
SOURCE OF INFORMATION Civilian		DATE OF INFORMATION 25 Jan 1956	
PREPARING OFFICER Major Donald S. Watkins		EVALUATION	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) <del>WAF</del> AFR 200-2			
SUBJECT "UFOB" Report			
SUMMARY (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112a.)  UFOB photographed in Beltsville, Maryland area, 25 January 1956.			
<b>FOR THE COMMANDER:</b>			
2 ENCL 1. <del>XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX</del> 3 photographs 2. Map		 GEORGE A. LUDWIG Lt Colonel, USAF Adjutant	
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The following information is submitted in format required by par 7d, AFR 200-2:

## (1) Description of object:

(a) thru (i) - see attached photographs.

## (2) Description of course:

(a) See 3 below.

(b &amp; c) Camera was focused on the moon in east southeasterly direction, angle of elevation about 85°.

(d &amp; e) See 3 below.

(f) 33 minutes.

## (3) Manner of observation:

(a) Ground - photographic.

(b) Nettar Zeiss Ikon 75 mm camera. Novar anastigmat lens, f 6.3, on tripod, opening f 6.3, infinity - .

(c) N/A.

## (4) Time and date of sighting:

(a) 250207Z Jan 56 until 250240Z Jan 56.

(b) Night.

## (5) Location of observer:

11612 - 34th Place, Beltsville, Md., approximately 39°03'N, 76°55'30"W.

## (6) Identifying information of observer:

(a) Civilian.

(1) Name: [REDACTED]

(2) Age: 14 years.

(3) Mailing address: [REDACTED] Place, Beltsville, Maryland.

(4) Occupation: student.

(b) N/A

## (7) Weather and winds aloft conditions at time and place of sighting:

(a) Observer's account of weather conditions - Clear, no wind.

(b) The Andrews AFB Weather Station reports the following conditions at the times indicated for the Washington D. C. area (approximately

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25 miles from the location of the sighting, meteorological data at the location of the sighting is not available):

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Surface WNW at 7 knots

6000' 320 degrees at 18 knots

10,000' 300 degrees at 24 knots

16,000' 290 degrees at 39 knots

20,000' 280 degrees at 66 knots

30,000' not available

50,000' not available

80,000' not available

(c) Ceiling: None.

(d) Visibility: 8 miles.

(e) Amount of cloud cover: Clear.

(f) No thunderstorms in the area.

(8) There was no other unusual activity or conditions, meteorological, astronomical or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.

(9) No interception or identification action was taken.

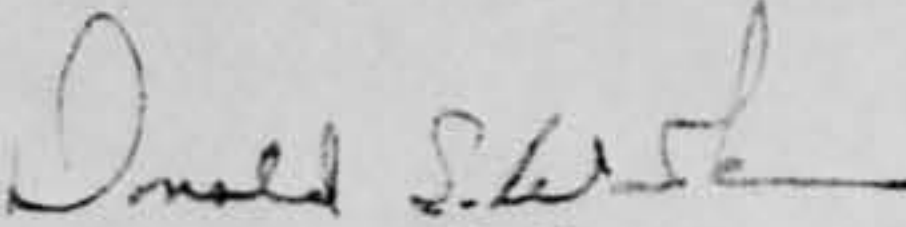
(10) There was no known air traffic in the area at the time of sighting.

(11) (a) Preparing Officer: Donald S. Watkins, Major, USAF.

(b) Position Title: Plans Officer  
1401st Air Base Wing  
Andrews Air Force Base  
Washington 25, D. C.

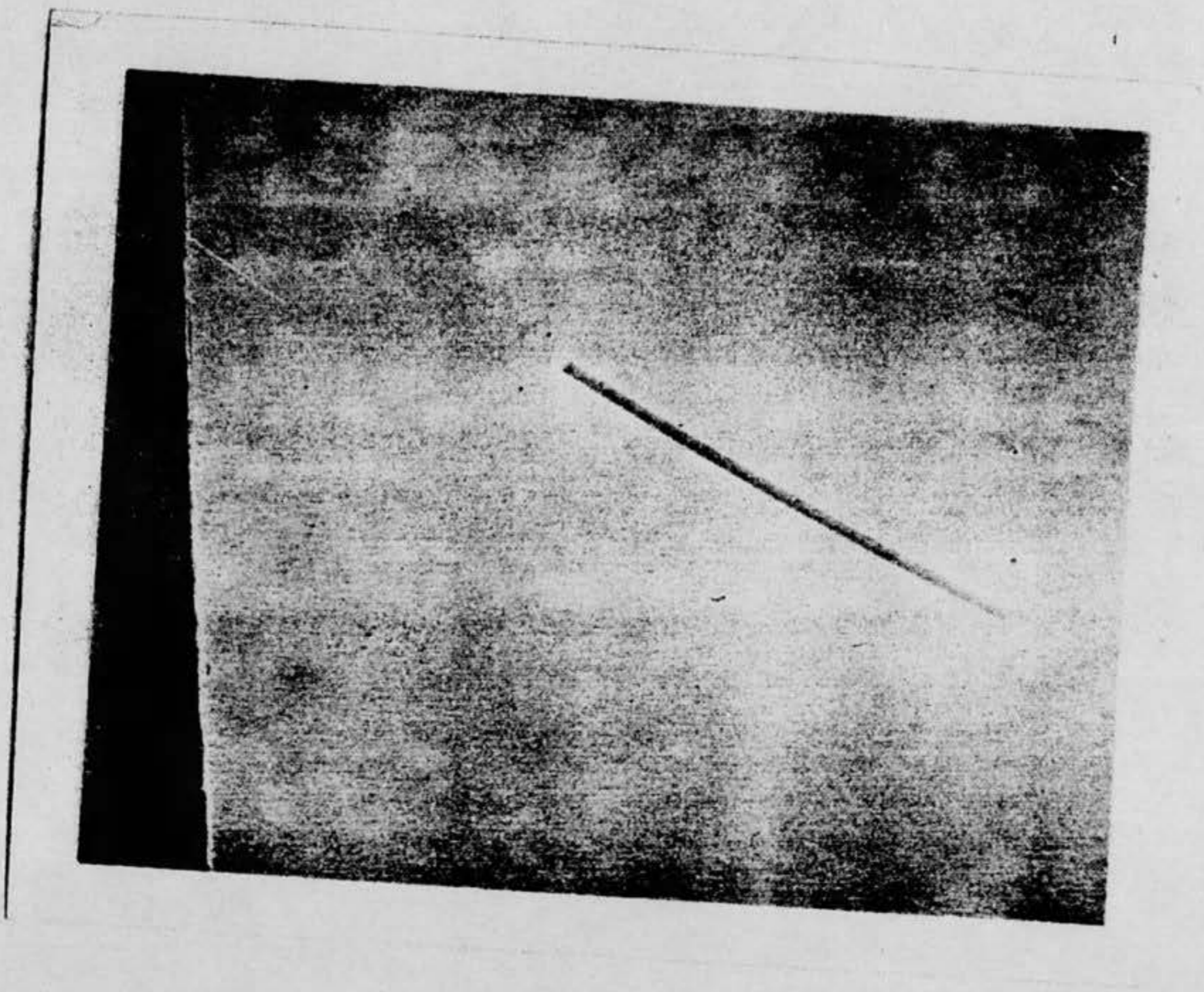
(c) Observer has stated that during the 33 minute exposure of the negative inclosed he did not see the object which appears on the photograph. The preparing officer has no comment to offer concerning the possible cause of the sighting.

(12) Physical evidence consists of three (3) photographs and one (1) ~~negative~~ <sup>withdrawn</sup> (inclosed).

  
DONALD S. WATKINS  
Major, USAF  
Wing Plans Officer

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24 January 1956  
at Beltsville, Maryland  
by ~~XX~~  
(then 14)

time exposure (of moon)  
submitted as a UFO  
11612 = 34<sup>th</sup> Place