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October 3, 1994

Henry J. Schuren
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Dear Mr. Schuren:

My response to your request for a printout of all the balloon launches by the Air Force [Army] from the town of Alamogordo during July, 1947 is that I have no records of any such flights. Further, I have no knowledge of any flights ever being launched by the Army Air Force from the town. Enclosed for you, however, is a section of the Summary of Constant-Level Balloon Flights carried out by members of the New York University Balloon Group from various locations, including several from the Alamogordo Army Air Field in June, July and September, 1947.

As to your wonder as to why the Air Force is resolutely sticking with the balloon explanation [for the debris found by W. W. Brazel, the rancher who made the original report], one viable answer is that it is and was the truth. The neoprene meteorological balloon and radar target clusters that we launched in early June, 1947 used new design radar targets which had not been flown previously in New Mexico although many AAF weather personnel knew about them. Our purpose in flying them was not for making meteorological measurements but rather was in support of a highly classified attempt to monitor Soviet nuclear tests at very great ranges. However, when the debris was shown to Army weather officers, they immediately and correctly identified as it being from Army meteorological equipment [although they did not know its source because neither the military personnel at Roswell nor at Fort Worth were cleared for or had a "need to know" about our operations].

In early June, 1947, one of our service flights [possibly undocumented NYU Flight #4] was tracked to the Capitan Peak/Arabela area about 75 miles northeast of Alamogordo AAF before it was lost while still air borne, less than 20 miles from where the debris was recovered. In my opinion, this flight is a likely candidate for the source of this debris.

To my knowledge, William Moore and Stanton Friedman have not "researched" these early classified flights. I have talked with both of them but they both appeared to have already reached firm conclusions about the incident and were not seriously interested in my information.

If, in your forty plus years of researching this incident, you have uncovered any better evidence concerning the origin of the debris that initiated the Roswell AAF press release, I would appreciate your writing to tell me about it.

Sincerely,

/s/ C. B. M.

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September 25th, 1994

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Dear Mr. Moore:

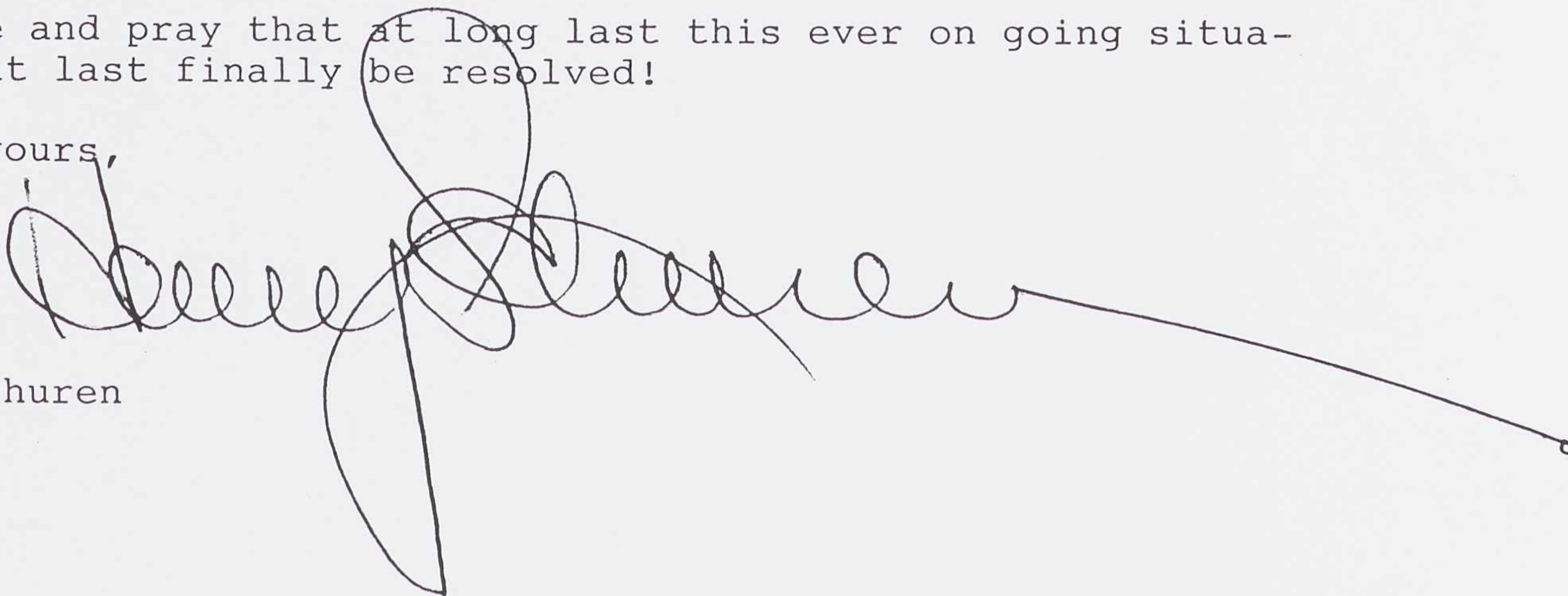
Would it be at all possible to obtain a print-out of all balloon launches [by the Air Force, Army] from the town of "Alamogordo, New Mexico" for the following time frame:

July, 1947

I have been researching this on going incident now for some fourty plusyears, and I have to wonder why the Air Force is resolutely sticking with that balloon explanation! When one considers the caliber of witnesses that were interviewed over the years by very capable researchers such as Bill Moore and Stanton Friedman for instance, one truly has to wonder!!

Let us hope and pray that at long last this ever on going situation will at last finally be resolved!

Sincerely yours,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Henry J. Schuren'. The signature is written over the 'Sincerely yours,' and extends across the middle of the page.

Henry J. Schuren

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October 4, 1994

John E. Peterson
933 Catalpa Road
Arcadia, CA 91007

Dear John:

It was a great pleasure to talk again with you, both to renew our earlier friendship and because of your role in procuring those unique radar targets. As you can see from my letter to Bob Winchell, I have been searching for you for more than a year.

Both James McAndrew and I were delighted when you corroborated my recollections of the marked tape on the early, corner-reflecting radar targets. I relayed your recommendation for pursuit of the procurement records to Lt. McAndrew who said that he would follow this trail before proposing the North Dakota visit. He now has the ML-307 target's Federal Stock Number (6660-356-5133) and its Signal Stock Number (7A1237). and Capt. Alan Baiardi's name.

It occurred to me that he might be able to get some help from Mrs. Frances Whedon who lives in Annandale, VA and who has been consulted already by Al Trakowski and others during the early portions of the search for information on the targets. I have suggested that Lt. McAndrew enlist her help in tracing the procurement records.

Some of the documents and letters concerning the "Roswell Incident" are enclosed for your information and amusements.

Any suggestions that you have will be most helpful.

With best regards,

/s/ C. B. M.

September 29, 1994

A LIST OF SOME OF THE USAAF PERSONNEL ASSOCIATED WITH THE WEATHER
EQUIPMENT TECHNICIAN'S SCHOOL AT SEA GIRT INN DURING 1944 AND 1945.

Atlas, David	7420 Westlake Terrace #810, Bethesda, MD 20817	301 469 6295*
Austin, George E.	26406 Dunwood Rd., Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274	310 375 7213
Brooks, Herbert B.	11039 N. 105th Ave., Sun City, AZ 85351	602 977 5715*
Decker, Fred W.	827 NW 31st Street, Corvallis, OR 97330	503 753 7271
Duffy, Marcellus	4 Collins Court, Barrington, RI 02806 (deceased 1992)	401 245 2839*
Fletcher, Joseph O.	1550 High Street, Boulder, CO 80304	303 449 3141*
Holland, Joshua Z.	5609 Glenwood Road Bethesda, MD 20817	301 652 3018*
	13211 Blue Hill Road, Silver Springs, MD 20906	301 933 5028*
Istvan, Edwin J.	1216 Swan Harbour Circle, Fort Washington, MD 20744	301 292 2342*
Kellogg, William K.	**	
Kellogg, William W.	445 College Ave., Boulder, CO 80302	303 443 5086*
Moore, Charles B.	P.O. Box 1333 (1011 Cassity St., NW) Socorro, NM 87801-1333	505 835 0975
Rhodes, Walter F.	**	
Rudd, Donald H.	2903 Jarvis Drive, El Paso, TX 79935	915 592 8936*
Peterson, John E.	933 Catalpa Road, Arcadia, CA 91007	213 681 7270*
Schneider, Charles S.	RDD 2, Box 5440, Manchester, ME 04351	207 626 0554
Spilhaus, Athelstan F.	P.O. Box 1063, Middleburg, VA 22117	703 687 6579
Swingle, Donald M.	1765 Pomona Drive (P.O. Box 160), Las Cruces, NM 88001	505 522 5197
Tibbets, O. J.	8711 E. Pinnacle Road, #201, Scottsdale, AZ 85255	602 585 3470
Trakowski, Albert C.	6231 Edgewater Drive, Falls Church, VA 22041	703 820 9530
Wanta, Raymond C.	92 Barnard Ave., Watertown, MA 02172	617 926 8764*
Winchell, Robert W.	1393 Palisades Drive, Pacific Palisades, CA 90272	310 454 6849

* Addresses and telephone numbers as listed by Digital Directory Assistance in January, 1993.

* * No address available but the 1993 PHONEDISC CD ROM lists the following people with similar names:

Kellogg, William K., RR 1, #-208 Charles City, IA 50616 [telephone: 515 228 7026],
Kellogg, William K., 19002 N 134th Drive, Sun City, AZ 85375 [telephone: 602 584 2215],
Kellogg, William K., 906 E Rimes Circle, Monroe, LA 71201 [telephone: 318 325 0847],

Rhodes, Walter F., 515 New Jersey Avenue, Norfolk, VA 23508 [telephone: 804 623 3470],
Rhodes, Walter F., 209 3rd Street, Canastota, NY 13032 [telephone: 315 697 7459],
Rhodes, Walter F., 3519 S 400 E, Bountiful, UT 84010 [telephone 801 292 9721].

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October 6, 1994

Richard S. Hassard
Room 317
3014 East Indian School Road
Phoenix, AZ 85016

Dear Dick;

It was a pleasure to talk again to you after a lapse of more than forty years. We last communicated in August, 1952 when you were leaving NYU and I was at General Mills Aeronautical Research Laboratory. I still have your last letter and your resume.

Enclosed, as I promised is a video cassette containing programs that have been made concerning the "Roswell Incident" for which we probably bear some responsibility. It is likely that one of the clusters of balloons and radar targets that we launched from Alamogordo Army Air in June, 1947 produced the debris found by the rancher. Reports by four of the people who were at the site in early July, 1947 all gave good, written descriptions of one of our balloon trains after returning to earth. The alien body reports appear to be fictions that were added to the story in the 1970s; there is no documentary evidence of any sort that supports the UFO true believers in their claim that bodies were found.

As a result of pressure from the UFO believers, the Congress has requested the Government Accounting Office to investigate the alleged cover-up. In turn, the Secretary of the Air Force has declassified all of the information associated with UFOs and with our operations and has caused a report to be made on its search for any relevant information.

I have been asked to locate any photographs (neoprene balloons, people, plastic balloons, airplanes or otherwise) that may be in existence of our operations in Alamogordo during 1947. If you or your family have any of these in your family albums or elsewhere, the Air Force historian would appreciate greatly your loan of them for copying and for use of the pertinent ones in his report.

If you find any, please send them to me; I will identify them for the historian and do undertake to return them safely to you after they have been copied.

I'll also welcome your comments on the difficult-to-believe videos and on any memories you have about our days in Alamogordo.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

/s/ C. B. M.

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November 3, 1994

Richard S. Hassard
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Dear Dick;

Thanks for the loan of your pictures which I have copied and am returning herewith. Although they are not dated, it appears to me that the ones showing the balloon launch were taken at Clinton County Air Force Base in July, 1951. The front bumper of the truck carrying the inflation gas is marked "WPAFB" which, of course, suggests "Wright-Patterson AFB. The only NYU flights in Ohio of which I'm aware were those you, Bill Murray and the others made in July and August, 1951 from Clinton County.

Also enclosed, as you requested, is an article on the Japanese balloons and an Air Weather Service map of the reconstructed trajectories.

I'm including a copy of the official Air Force Report on the "Roswell Incident" which was released in September. Also enclosed is a transcription of Crary's diary and some related correspondence for your amusement.

Have you looked in your photo album of personal and family pictures to see if there are any snapshots of the June 1947 field trip to Alamogordo? The Air Force investigator, Lt. James McAndrew, is extremely interested in obtaining the loan of any pictures that show the neoprene balloon cluster flights that we launched in 1947. Any that you find will be welcomed and returned to you.

You may be interested in having Charlie Schneider's address; it's on the enclosed list of Col. Duffy's people during 1944. Bill Murray's address is:

Dr. W. D. Murray
135 Silver Fox Road
Greenwood Village, CO 80121 Telephone: 303 740 7801

I'll welcome any other pictures or recollections that you have for the 1947 summer. Your summary of the "Noteworthy Balloon Project Operations" brought back many memories. [I am reluctant to confess but I was the one who went to sleep on the B-17 auto pilot and changed our course home on June 7, 1947.]

With best regards,

C.B.M.

10/31/94

Dear Charlie,

Pardone my dis jointed writing. I suffered a small stroke earlier which louses up my signals a bit

I received the tape in good shape and plan to use it as a 2 day program for our inmates, if you don't object.

We are dying of boredom or just plain dying. In cleaning out the house, I found more balloon pictures. In response to

your request for a bit of humor has resulted in the attached Episodes with my apologies and lack of accuracy

Do you have a copy of the Japanese landing map? showing the Japs penetration ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ into the USA? by balloon. *Would appreciate same.*

Thanks for the interest you have taken in this project. If I can ~~help~~ help you in any way, let me know. The show with the

Generals and admiral, was done in the NYU physics buldg as part of a P/R deal with the school. My head is in the back of the foto. The P/R mans face is facing me.

Cordially your-s

Dick Hassard

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cordially yours

Dick Hassard

P.S. Could you HAVE DUPS ~~BE~~ MADE??

NOTEWORTHY BALLON PROJECT OPERATIONS

Episode #1

Tired crew went to Alma Gordo for a steak dinner. Charlie collapsed face down into his steak and french fries.

Episode #2

Balloon sealin tapes failed because of freezing moisture. Balloon landed in small Alma Gordo ranch. The owner was holding out for a reward while the balloon destruction timer continued to tick away on the kitchen table as it armed the magnesium sack with was highly flammable.

Episode #3

Near Roswell our tracking B17 was used as an emergency measure to buzz an oil rig crew to scare them off from capturing the downed ~~rigger~~ balloon train. It worked!!

Episode #4

a crew in a personnel carrier was sent out to recover an aborted flite. The b 17 was already airborne and could spot the balloon and the vehicle but had no communication otherwise. The B-17 buzzed the balloon until it could be located and retrieved.

A 35 mm movie camera was used to record the launch for USAF brass. No time to preliminary edit. The launch was a success, the camera was not. Dumb Hassard rotated the camera 90° as the launch proceeded. The results were wierd / The USAF movie audience were all sitting upright until the view in the view finder shifted 90° and the audience bent simultaneously 90° to the right

Episode #6

The aluminum ballast ~~xxx~~ tank became charged from the ungrounded instrument batteries while being launched from the tail gate of a pickup truck. Charlie was hanging on with one hand and was receiving a full 90° volt with the other. much cussing.!!

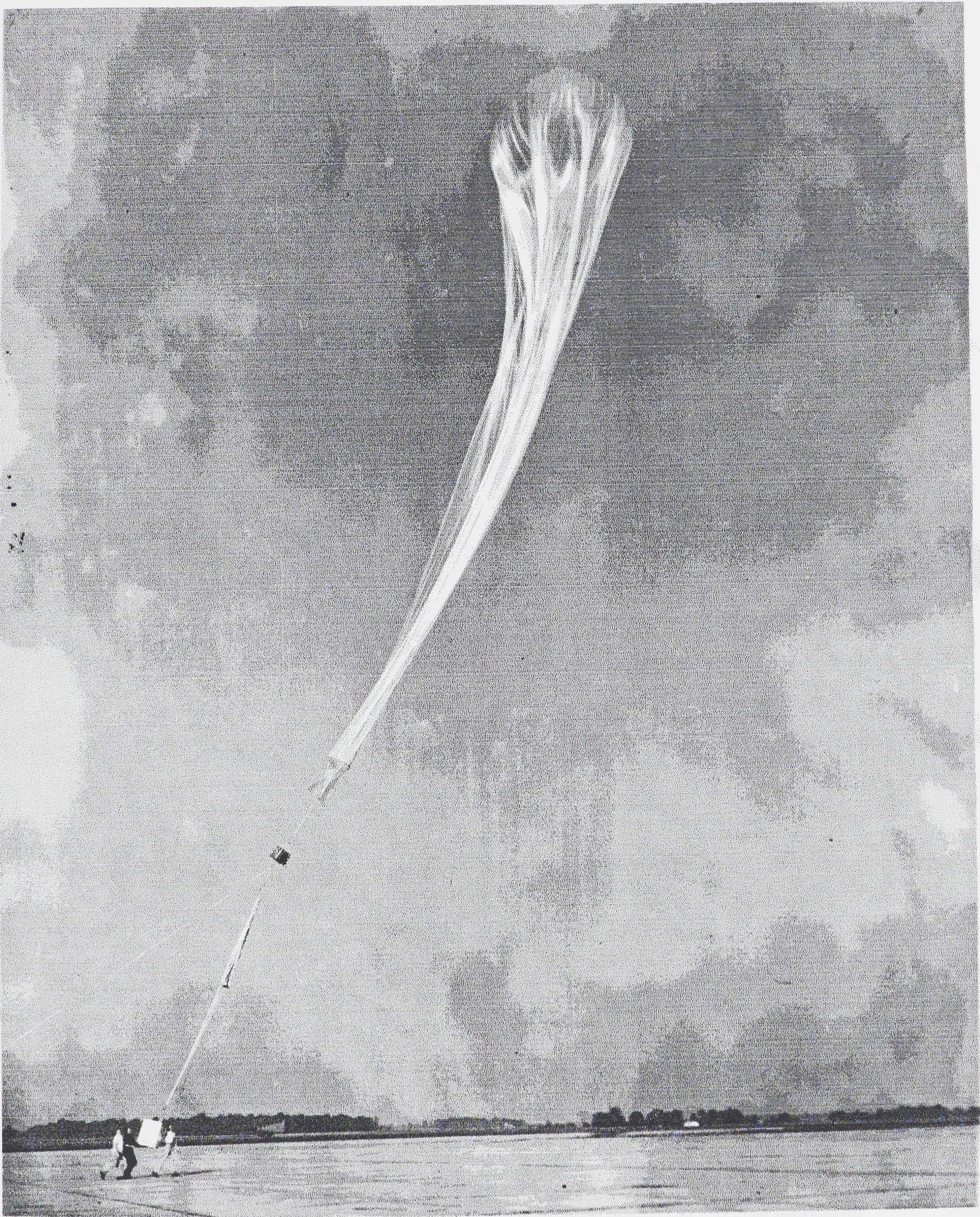
Episode #7

Flight boredom was easy to come by. A be-calmed balloon train, drone of the engines, cabin heat and nothing to do induced nap time. The pilots switched over to automatic pilot with a course set for the same as the floating balloon train. One of the civilian crew found a soft quilted instrument cover as a head rest. It turned out that, he had

Eps #7 (cont)/
rested on the linkage of ~~xxxxxxx~~ the Norton bomber which, in turn,
was linked to the pilots' ~~flight~~ controls. When the co-pilot
noticed the change in the sun's direction, we ~~had~~ been jamming the
bomber linkage and flying in circles for several hours

episode #18

Charlie solved the ~~xxxxxxx~~ calibration dilemma for a new experimental
instrument. He rigged an arm chair with a 20 f.t diameter ~~xxxxxxx~~
~~xxxxxxx~~ balloon of 1 mil material and an extended parachute in the
rigging. The ~~xxxxxxx~~ instruments were in his lap. The calibration
was a success





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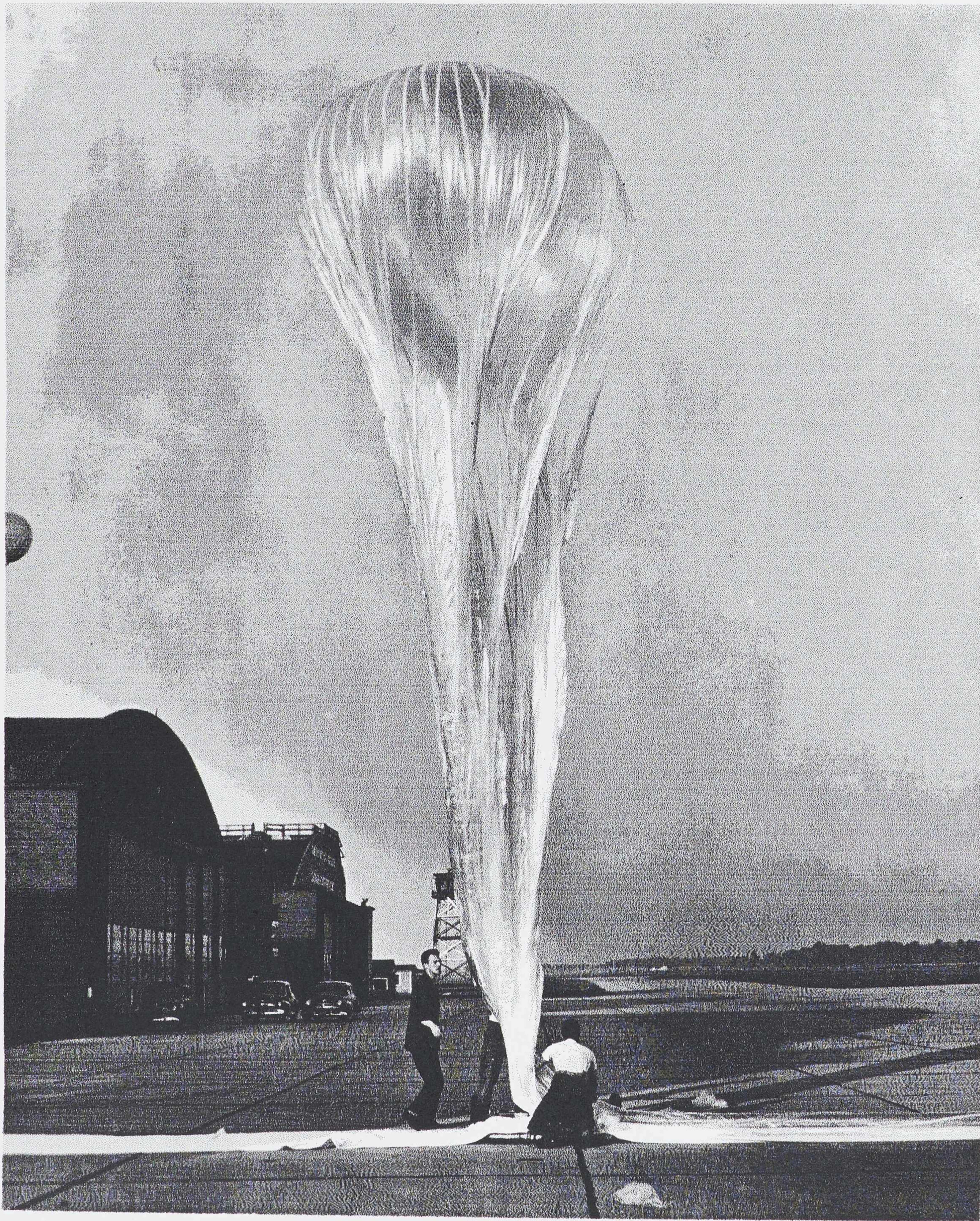
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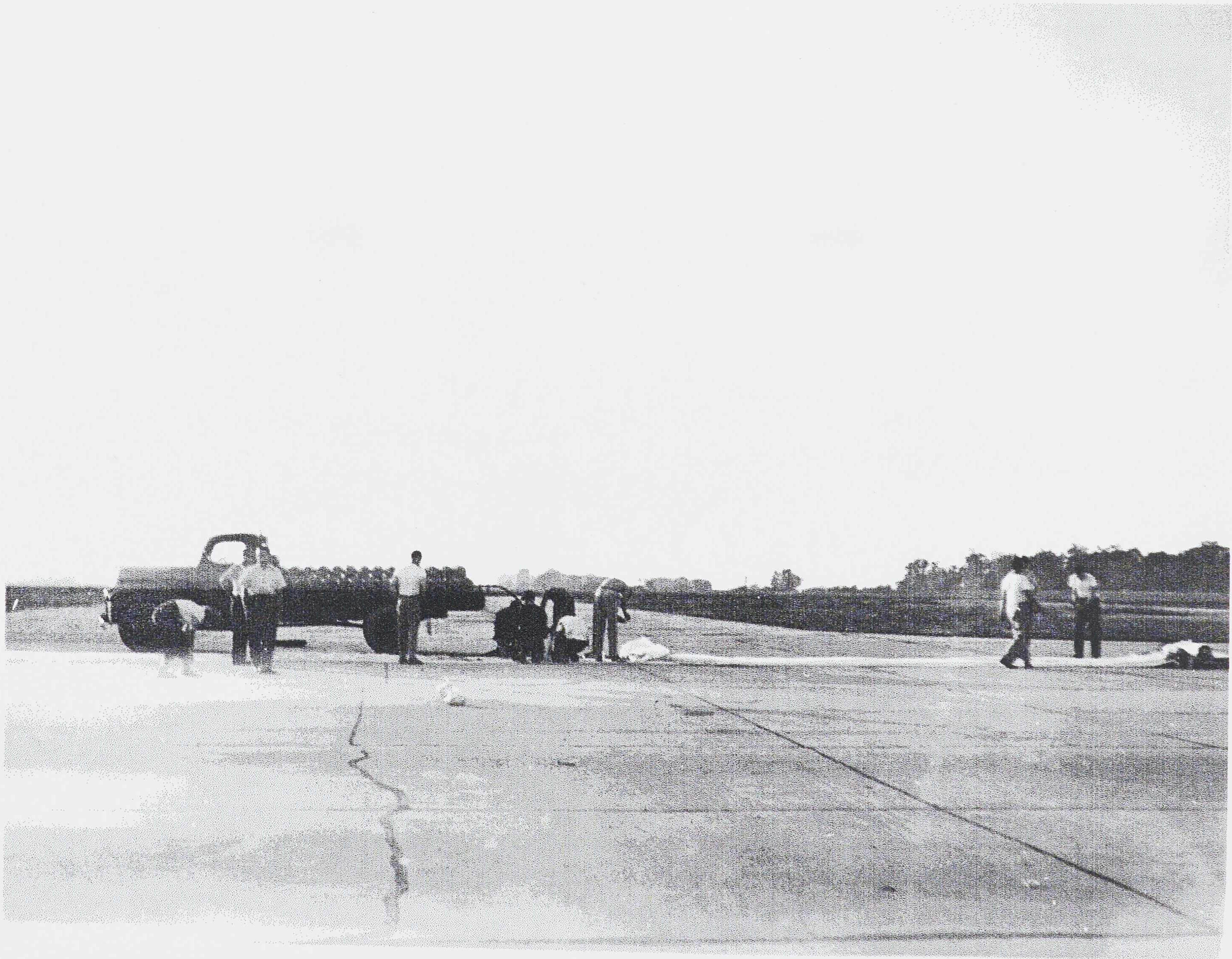
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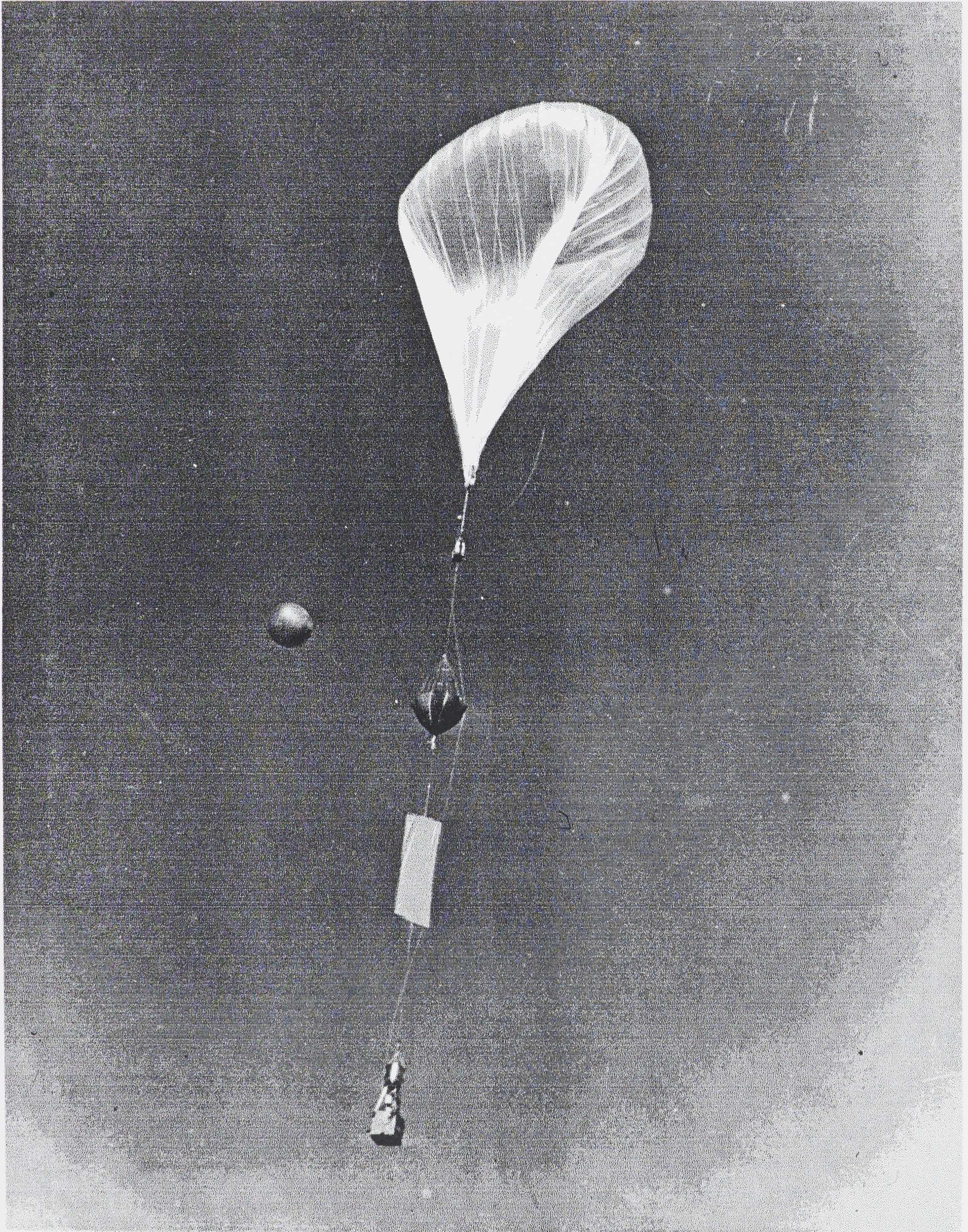
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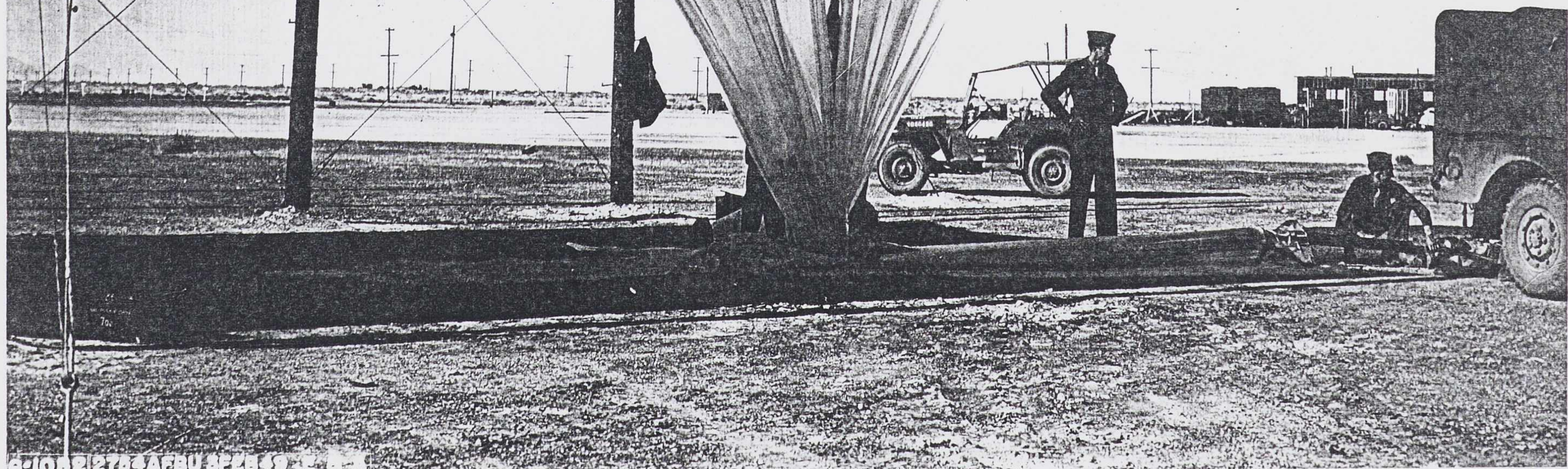




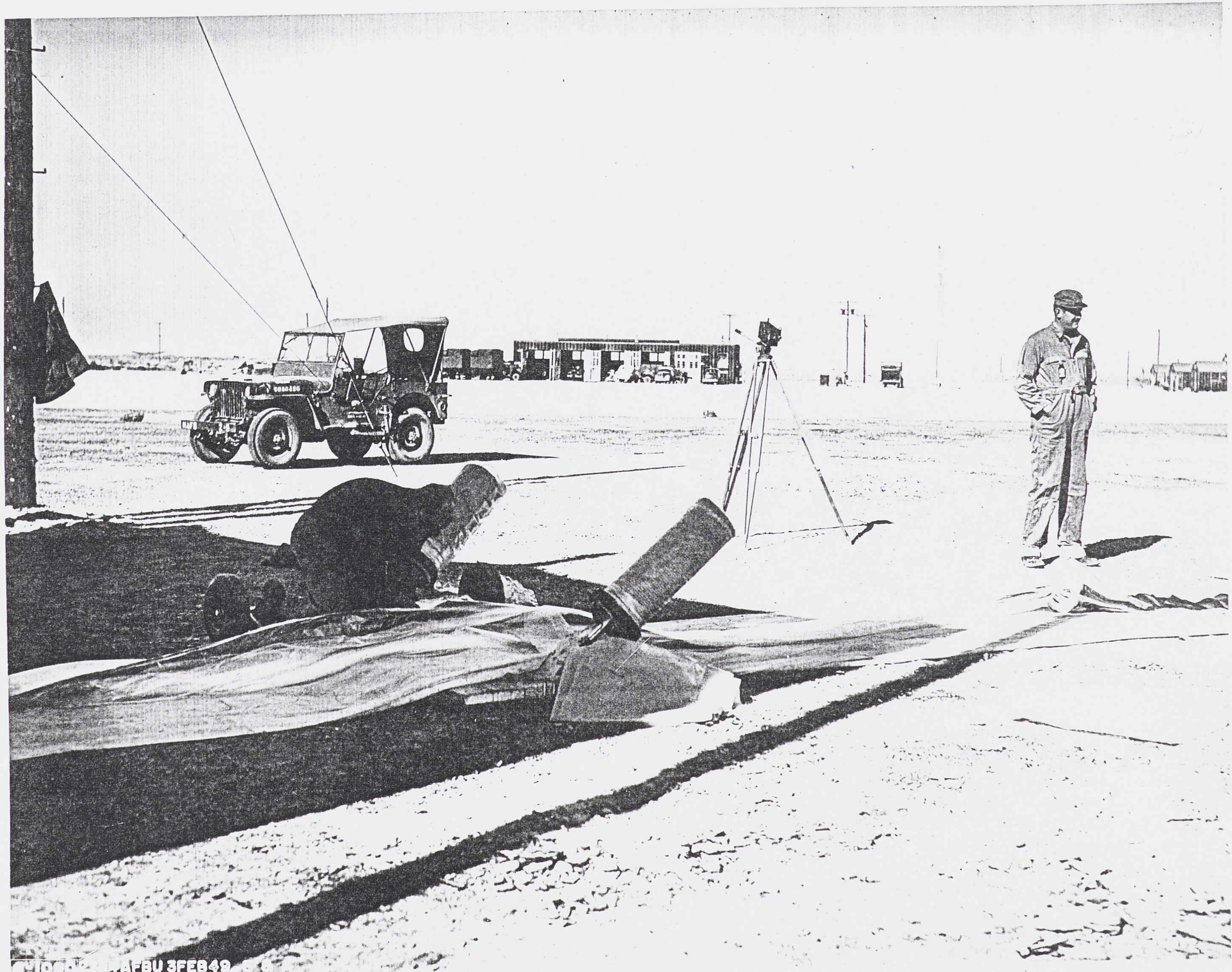
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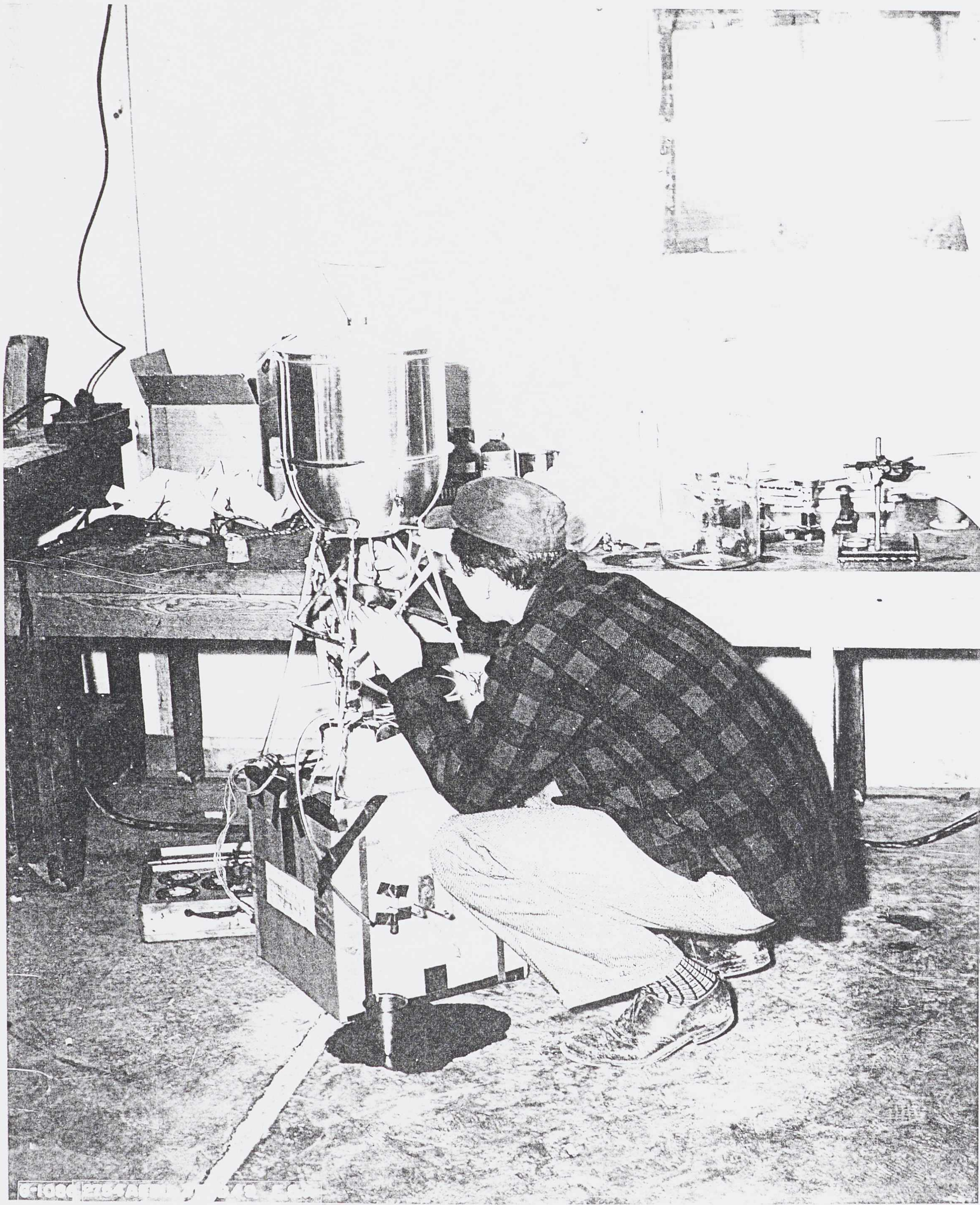
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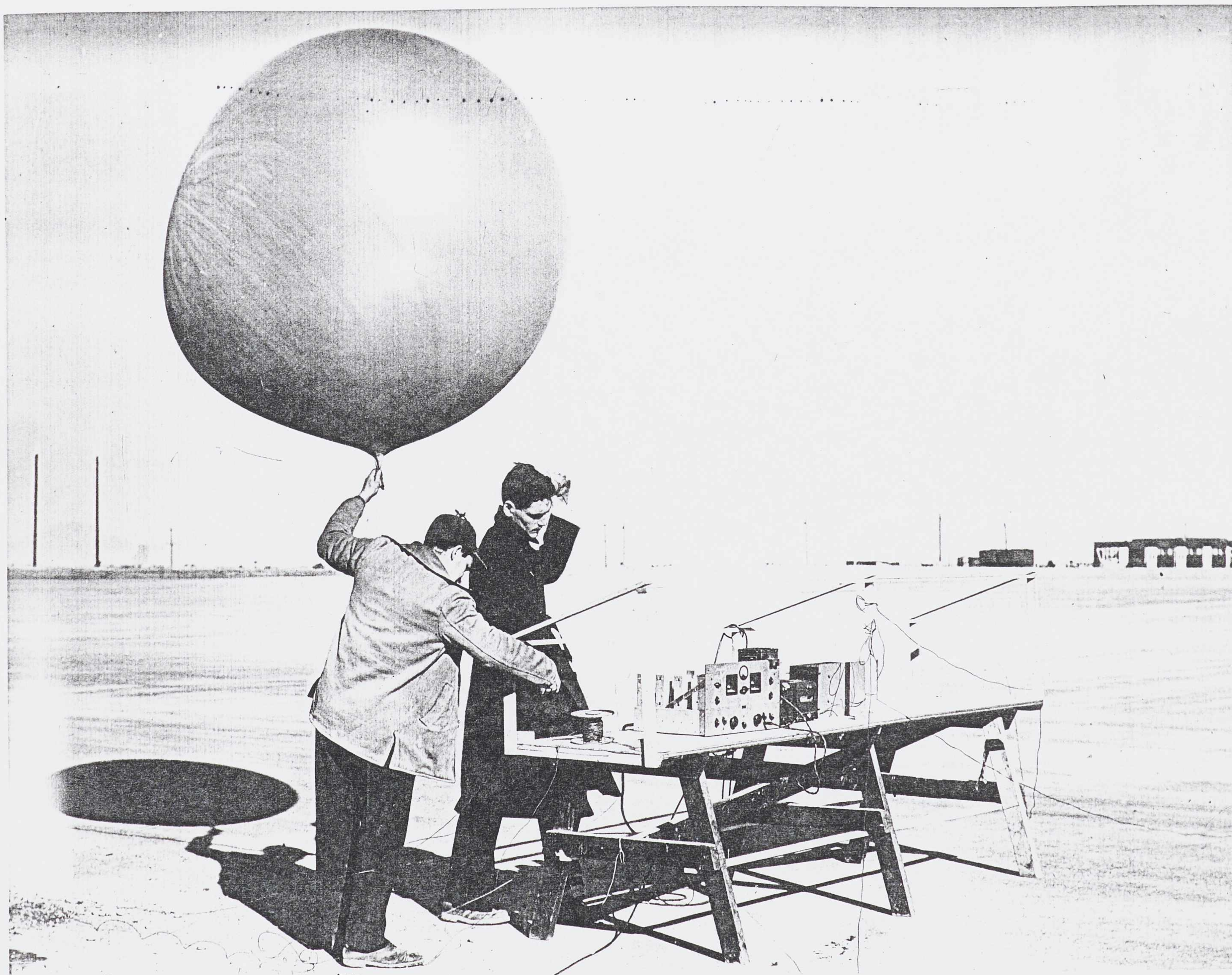


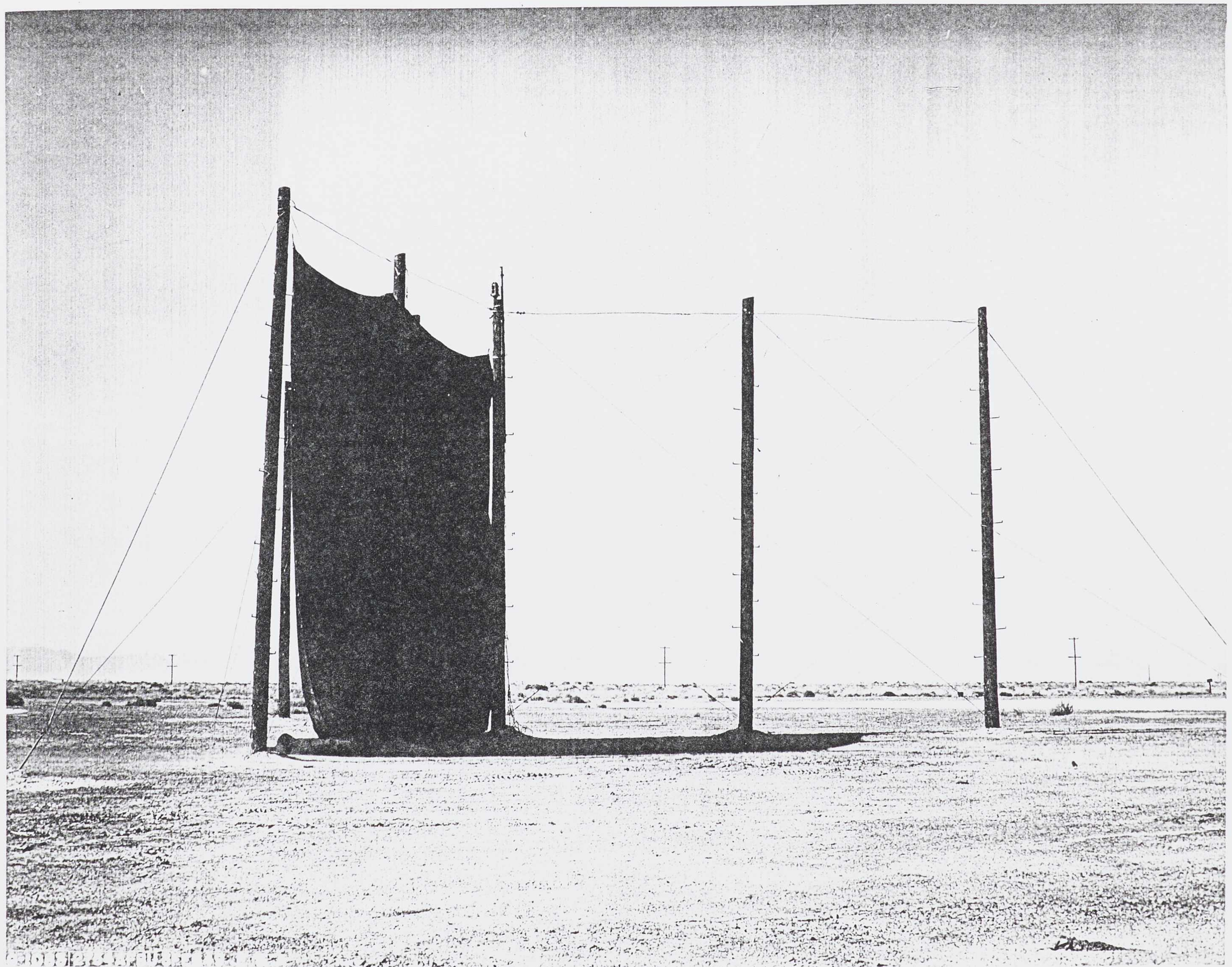
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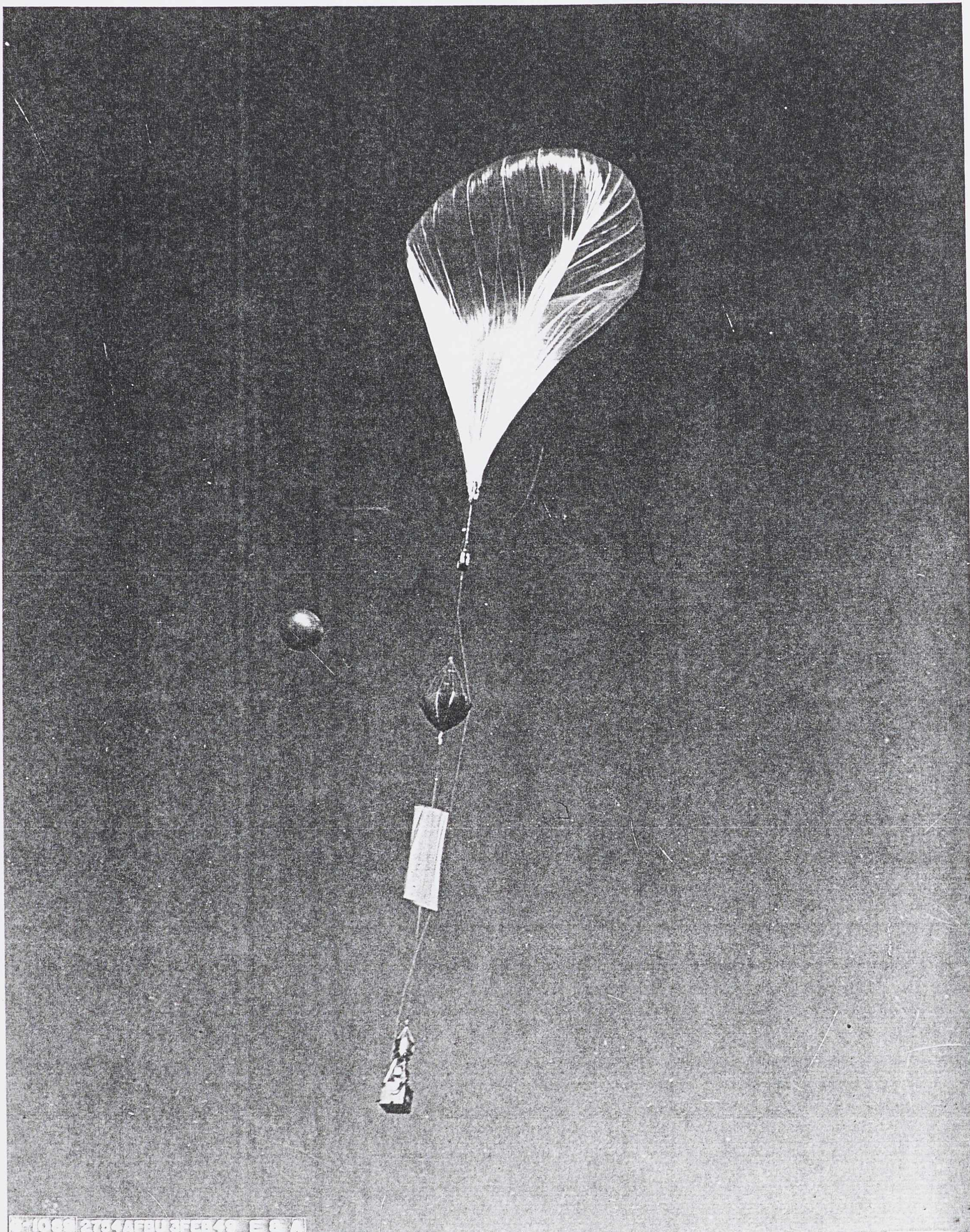
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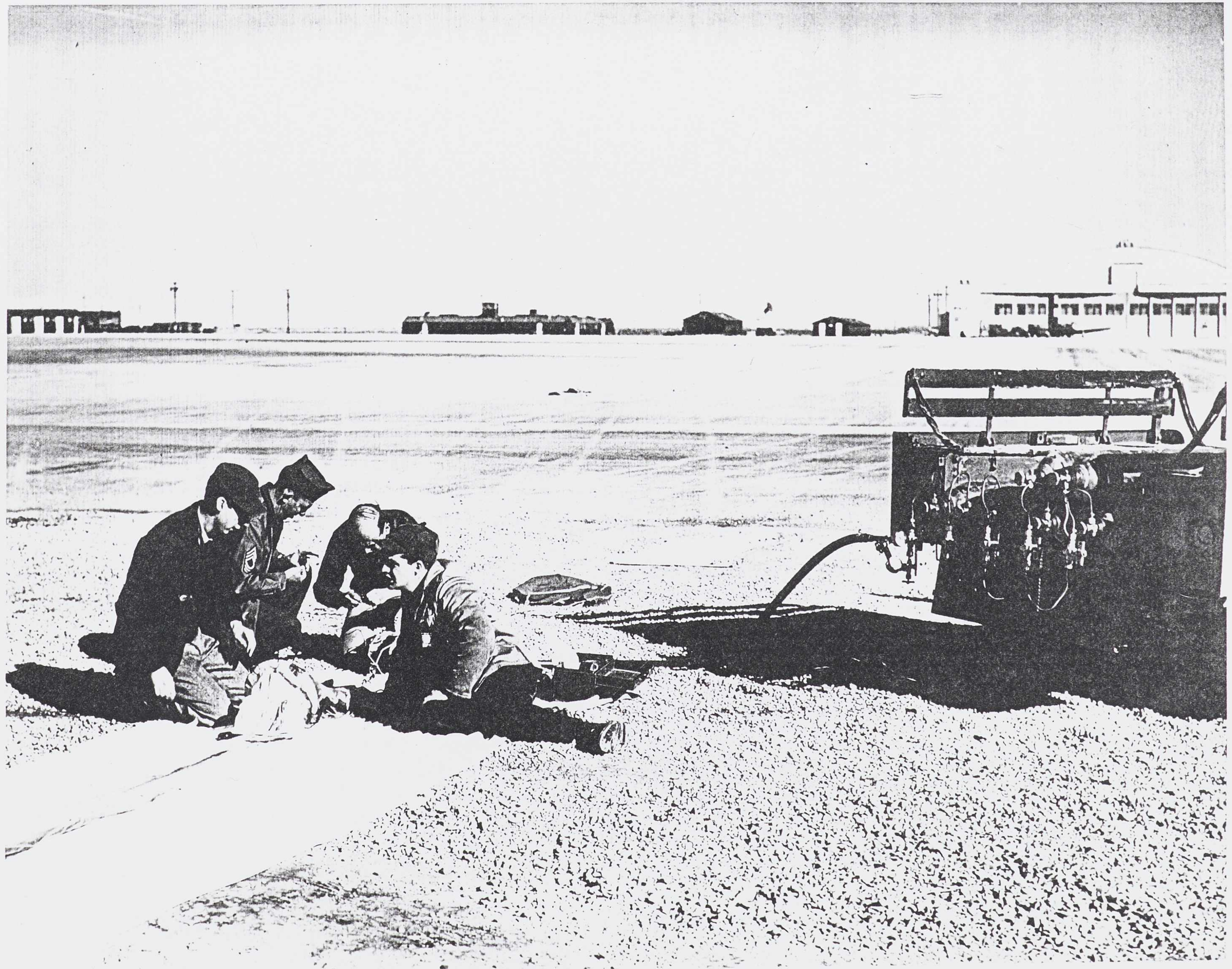


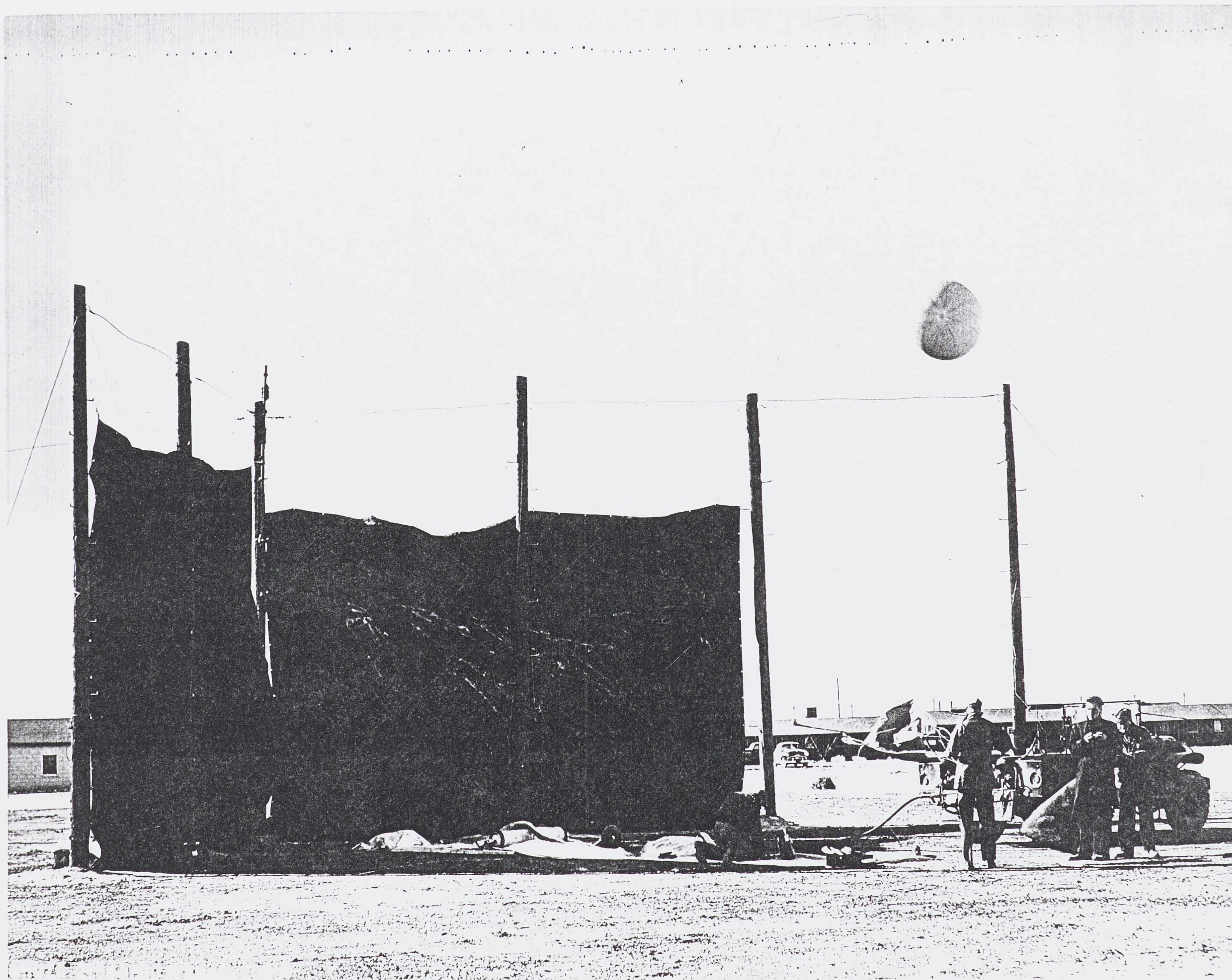




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