

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 26 JUNE 64 27/0035Z	2. LOCATION CLAIRTON, PENNSYLVANIA (1 Witness)
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION SIGHTING: (INSUFFICIENT DATA FOR EVALUATION) PHOTO: (INSUFFICIENT CLARITY)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS See Summary	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Not Reported	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observer noticed a bright luminous spherical ball. An antenna-like object was sticking out from the sphere at about 30 deg from the middle. The antenna was about 3 times bigger than the sphere and rotated in a counter-clockwise direction. After a few minutes the sphere broke up into 3 distinct crafts letting off a thick smoky vapor trail. About 10 seconds later the 3 craft broke into eleven discs. The discs were elliptical and formed in a "V" shape.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE Not Reported	
8. PHOTOS ☒ Yes ☐ No	COMMENTS: The case was not received untill 9 Feb 65, at which time it was too late to investigate it. There was no definite object on the negative, only what appears to be the distorted image of some light source. There is not sufficient clarity to to identify the light source itself.
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	

FORM
FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

TDEW/UFO

DEC 21 1965

Request for UFO Information

Hq USAF SAFOICC (Mrs Hunt)

Reference the attached letter from Mr [REDACTED] requesting information on his unidentified observation. The following is a suggested reply:

Dear Mr [REDACTED],

Analysis of a photograph taken in 1964 and submitted to us for evaluation has been completed. The negative is being returned with two enlarged print copies of the negative. An official analysis report of the image is attached for your information.

FOR THE COMMANDER

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

- 3 Atchs
1. Negative
2. Photographs
3. Analysis Report

Office of Record
ORIGINATOR
TDEW/UFO

H. Quintanilla, Jr.
Maj H Quintanilla, Jr.

DATED *21 Dec 65*

TDEW

M. H. Perkins

DATED *21 Dec 65*

OFFICIAL FILE COPY

TDEW/UFO

10 March 1965

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Reference is made to your report and photograph of an observation of aerial objects which you were unable to identify.

In order for the Air Force to make an analysis of the print you submitted, it is necessary that we have the negative. Upon receipt of the negative, it will be analyzed and returned to you together with a report of our findings.

Sincerely,

JOHN P. SPAULDING
Lt Colonel, USAF
Chief, Civil Branch
Community Relations Division
Office of Information

1 Atch
Photograph

Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Clairton, Pennsylvania

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PHOTO ANALYSIS REPORT

HR 65-51

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DATE OF REPORT 3 Nov 65

SUBJECT UFO REPORT

LOCATION CLAIRTON, PENNSYLVANIA

DATE 26 JUNE 1964

PHOTOGRAPHY

AF _____ IR _____ QUALITY Poor

P HRS One Negative and 2 Prints

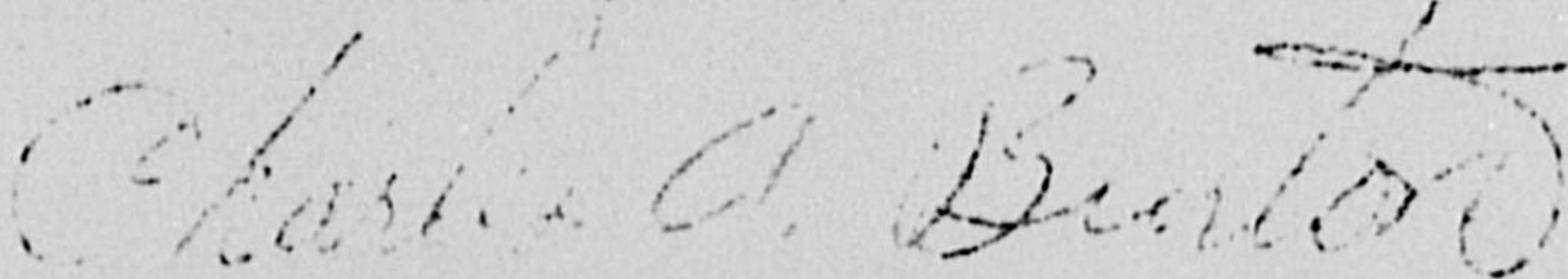
1. PURPOSE: This report answers Work Order Number 65-38 from Major Quintanilla, Jr. (TDEW/UFO) to analyse one negative and print taken near Clairton, Pennsylvania on 26 June 1964. The following analysis was conducted by the Photo Analysis Division (TDDPA) and the Photo Processing Division (TDDPP).

2. ANALYSIS: Extremely poor processing resulted in numerous markings on the negative and print. The only marking on the negative which appeared to contain a signature, is located slightly below the center of the frame. All other markings were probably caused by the poor processing.

The image located near the center of the frame is bright and possibly caused by a light source or a reflected light source. Indication of this was determined by high magnification of the negative revealing 8 rays projecting from the bright image.

In the absence of a definite object on the negative and print, and the poor processing, several assumptions had to be made. The photography was probably taken through a window. Analysis of the negative shows the possibility of a drape along the extreme left edge of the frame. The dark area across the bottom of the frame could possibly be the window sill as it appears to have a sharp edge with a light source reflecting from the surface. The reflection indicates the bright image in the photograph was probably caused by a light source. The odd shape of the image could be caused if the window consisted of two pieces of glass or if the glass contained imperfections.

PHOTO ANALYSIS BY:

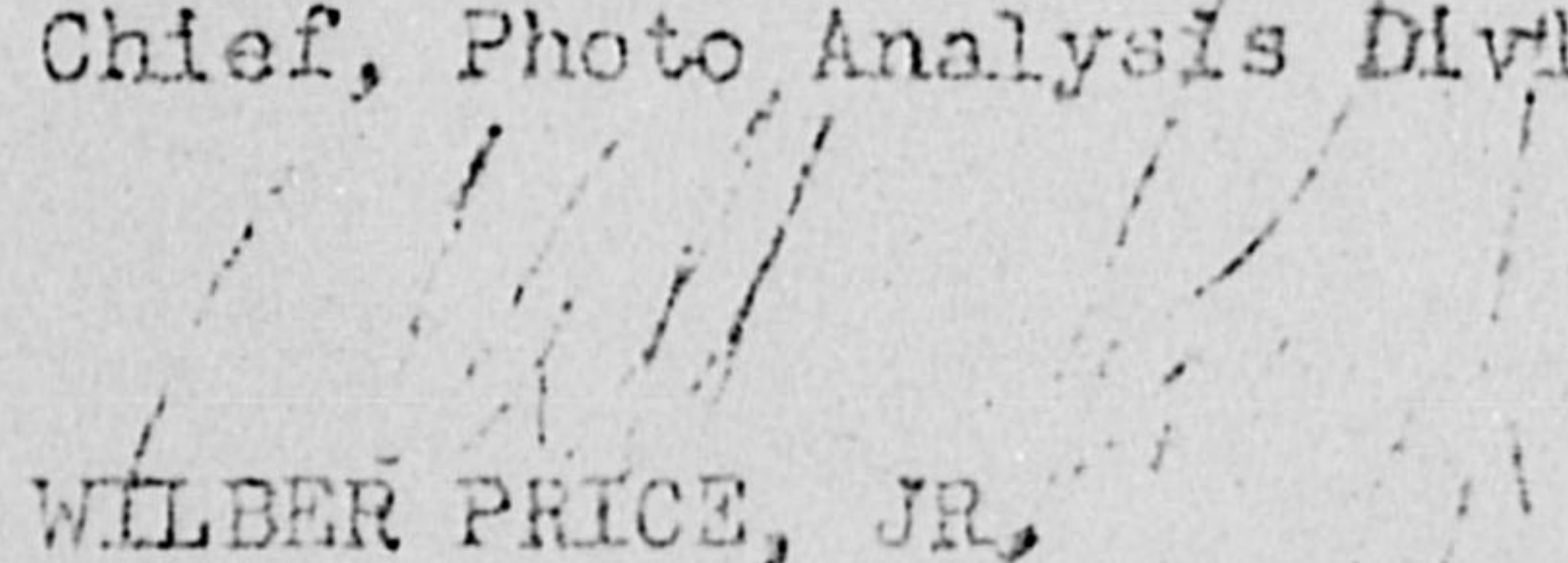


CHARLES A. BURTON
1st Lieutenant, USAF
Photo Interpreter

APPROVED BY:



ROBERT L. BASE
Captain, USAF
Chief, Photo Analysis Division



WILBER PRICE, JR.
Director, Photo Exploitation Directorate

SMITH 22 JUN 64
PITTSBURGH, PA

ENGINEERING SUPPORT WORK REQUEST

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ENGINEERING ANALYSIS

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PHOTO ANALYSIS

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MACHINE COMPUTATION

PPT NUMBER: A68002

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: Request analysis of the attached negative and print.

REFERENCE MATERIAL: One negative, one print and Ltr fm [REDACTED] of Clairton, Pa. Request all materials be returned to this office upon completion of analysis.

REQUESTED BY: [REDACTED] SYMBOL: TDEW PHONE: 69216/66378

I CERTIFY THAT THIS WORK IS AUTHORIZED BY ME AND THAT IT HAS THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY AND DEADLINE WITHIN MY DIVISION.

ROUTINE 12 MAY 65

PRIORITY

DEADLINE DATE

SIGNATURE OF APPROVING DIVISION CHIEF

DATE

ENGINEERING SUPPORT MONITOR

ASSISTANT

FINAL WORK TO BE IN FORM OF:

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ENGINEERING NOTE

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COMPUTATION

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PI REPORT

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DRAWING

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PROGRAM

WORK REQUEST APPROVED BY:

DEADLINE DATE

PRIORITY NUMBER

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ONE

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TWO

☐

THREE

65-38
WORK ORDER NUMBER

TIM SMITH PHOTO
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26 Jun 64
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IDEW

UFO Sighting, Pittsburgh, Pa, 22 May & 26 Jun 64

9 Feb 65

Hq USAF SAFOI PB (Mrs Hunt)
Wash D C 20330

Reference the attached letter and photograph from [REDACTED] requesting evaluation of a photo taken on 26 Jun 64. The negative is necessary before evaluation on prints of this nature can be made. Should Mr [REDACTED] desire an evaluation of his sighting request he forward the negative to SAFOI. The negative will be returned to him upon completion.

FOR THE COMMANDER

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

1 Atch
Ltr fm [REDACTED] with Photo

Dear Sirs:

On the days of May 22, 1964 and June 26, 1964 I witnessed an unidentified flying object near my home outside of Pittsburgh Pa. On May 22, while I was looking for planes, I noticed a luminous ball set against a darkening sky. The time was about 8:35 P.M. and the sun was starting to set. Being an amateur astronomer, I knew that it wasn't a star because it was almost straight up and moving fairly rapid. The sky was perfectly clear and the winds were coming in from the west. I then got out my Fasco 150x refractor telescope and quickly found the object. The object was a silvery and spherical in shape with an antenna-like object sticking out from the sphere at about 30° from the middle. Located on the antenna were three lights: one white, one red, then another white. The antenna moved rapidly around the sphere and the sphere completely blotted out the lights when they passed behind it. The antenna was about three times bigger than the sphere and rotated in a counter-clockwise direction. After a few minutes, the sphere broke up into three distinct craft letting off a thick, smoky vapor and uniformly went back together again. About ten sec. later it broke up into eleven disks. These disks were silvery and translucent except for a red one that kept moving back and forth. The disks were elliptical in shape and formed a vague V shape. They wobbled back and forth as

they honned, then all disappeared in sudden bursts of speed.

Conditions were the same on June 26 and the same thing happened again. Supposing the same thing would happen again, I got some film for my box camera and took a picture of it. Enclosed is a picture that was obtained from that date. The picture was taken with a 55×117 mm eyepiece on which I put the camera.

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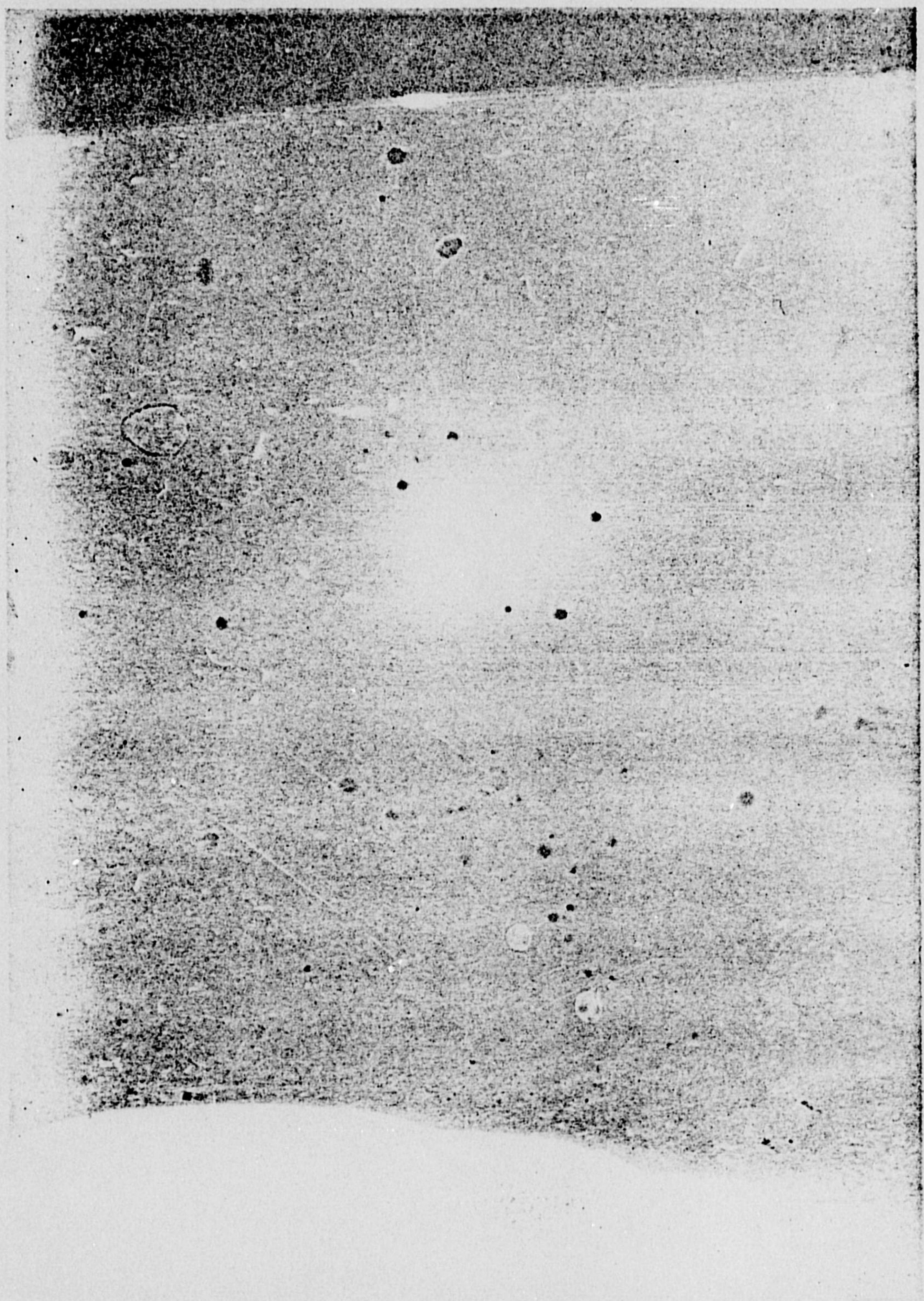
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

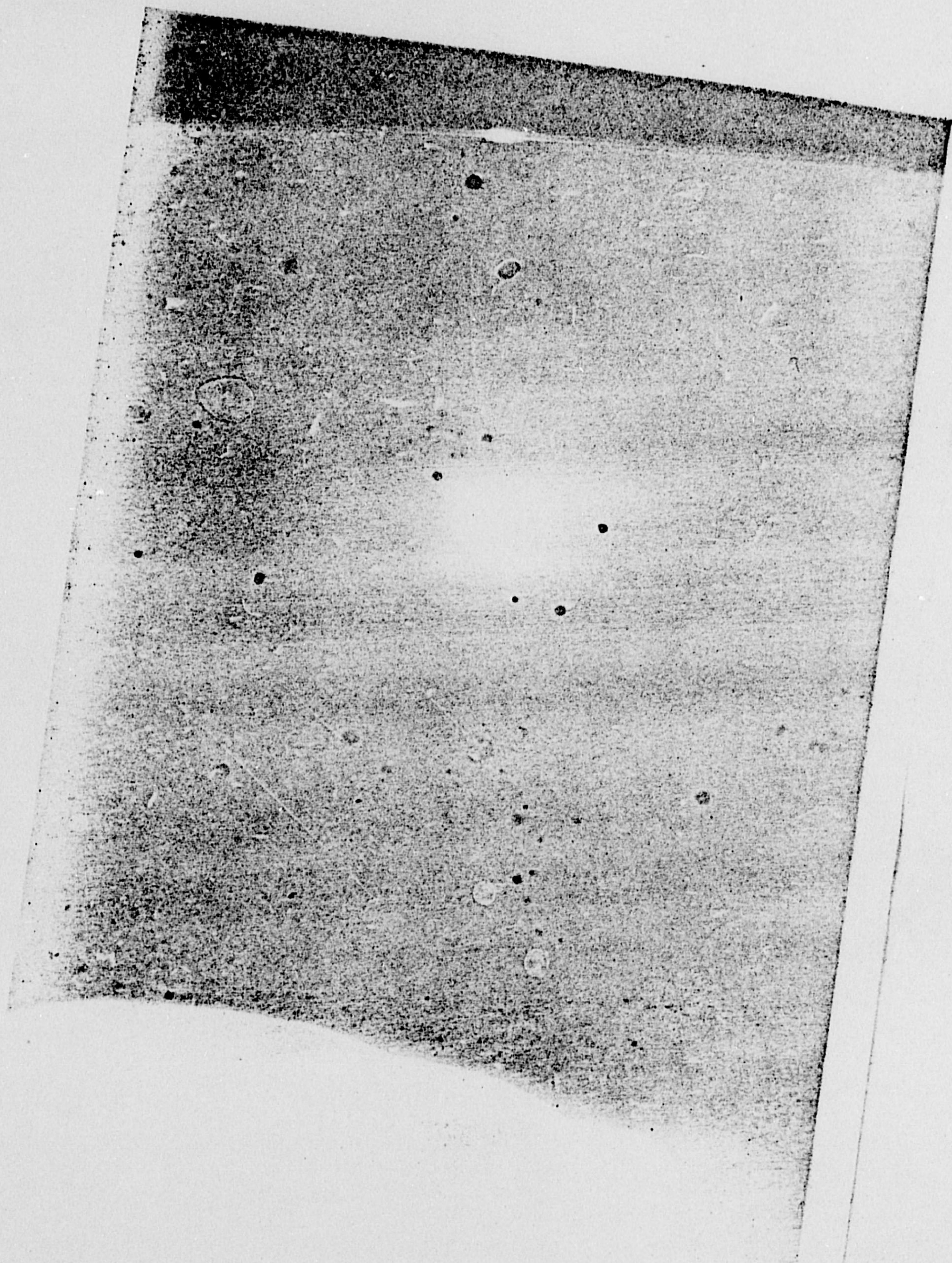
Claxton, Pa.

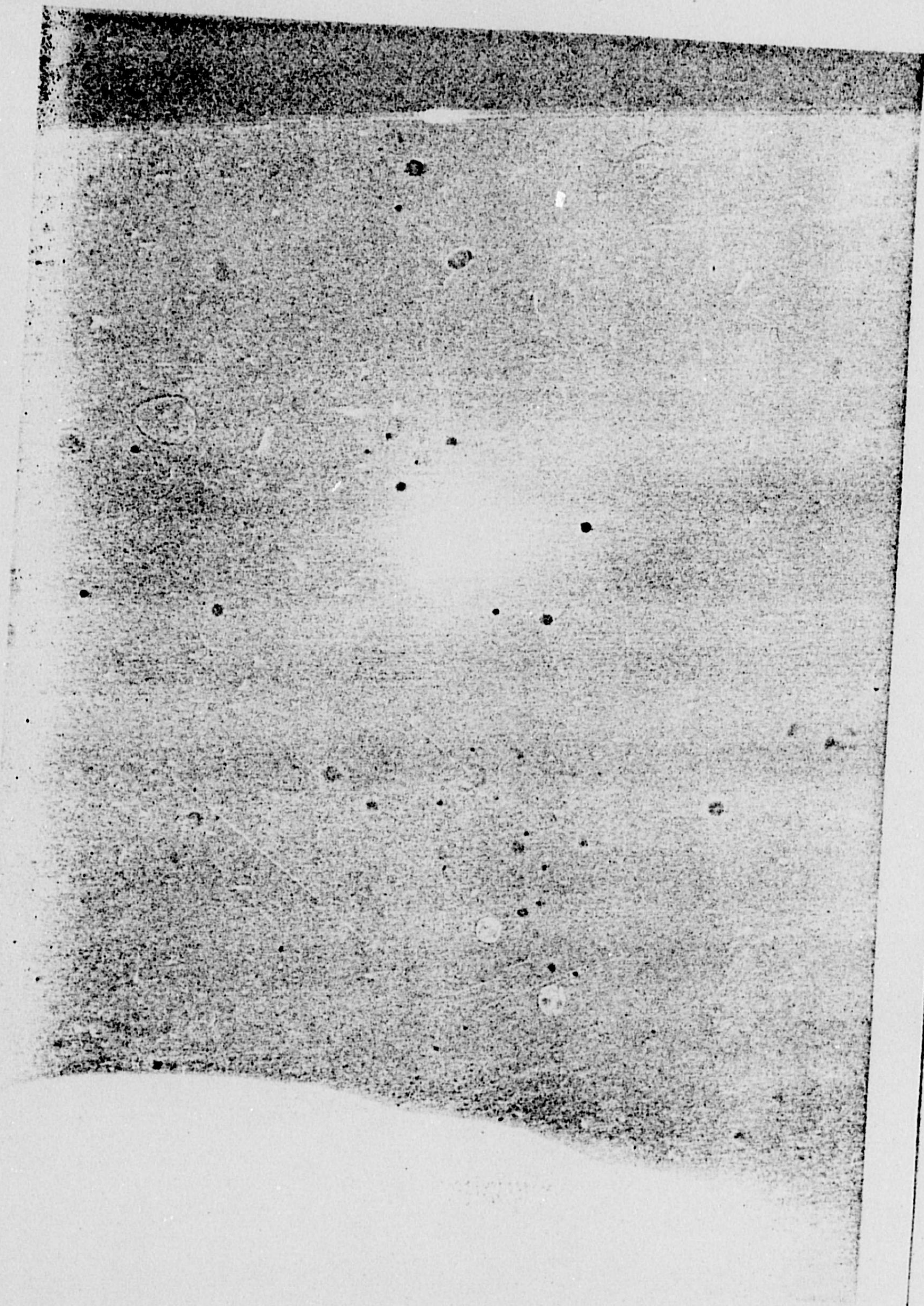
for it would be greatly appreciated to find out what your conclusion is. If it is required, I can give you any total of information that is possible to obtain.

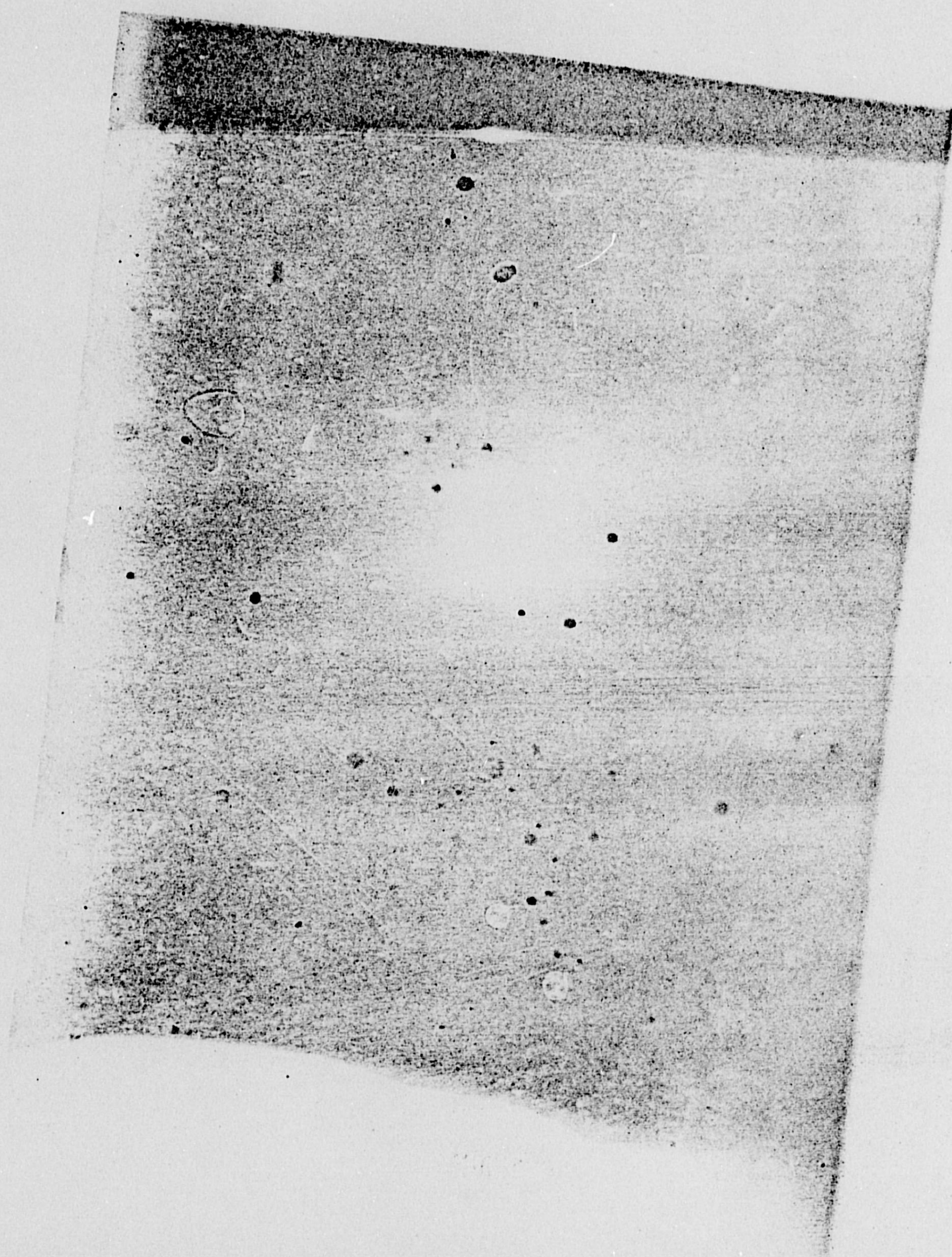
There are a total of nineteen other witnesses that can confirm most of the information that I have just given you.

This case contains 7, 5"x7"
photos and 1, 5"x4" negative.

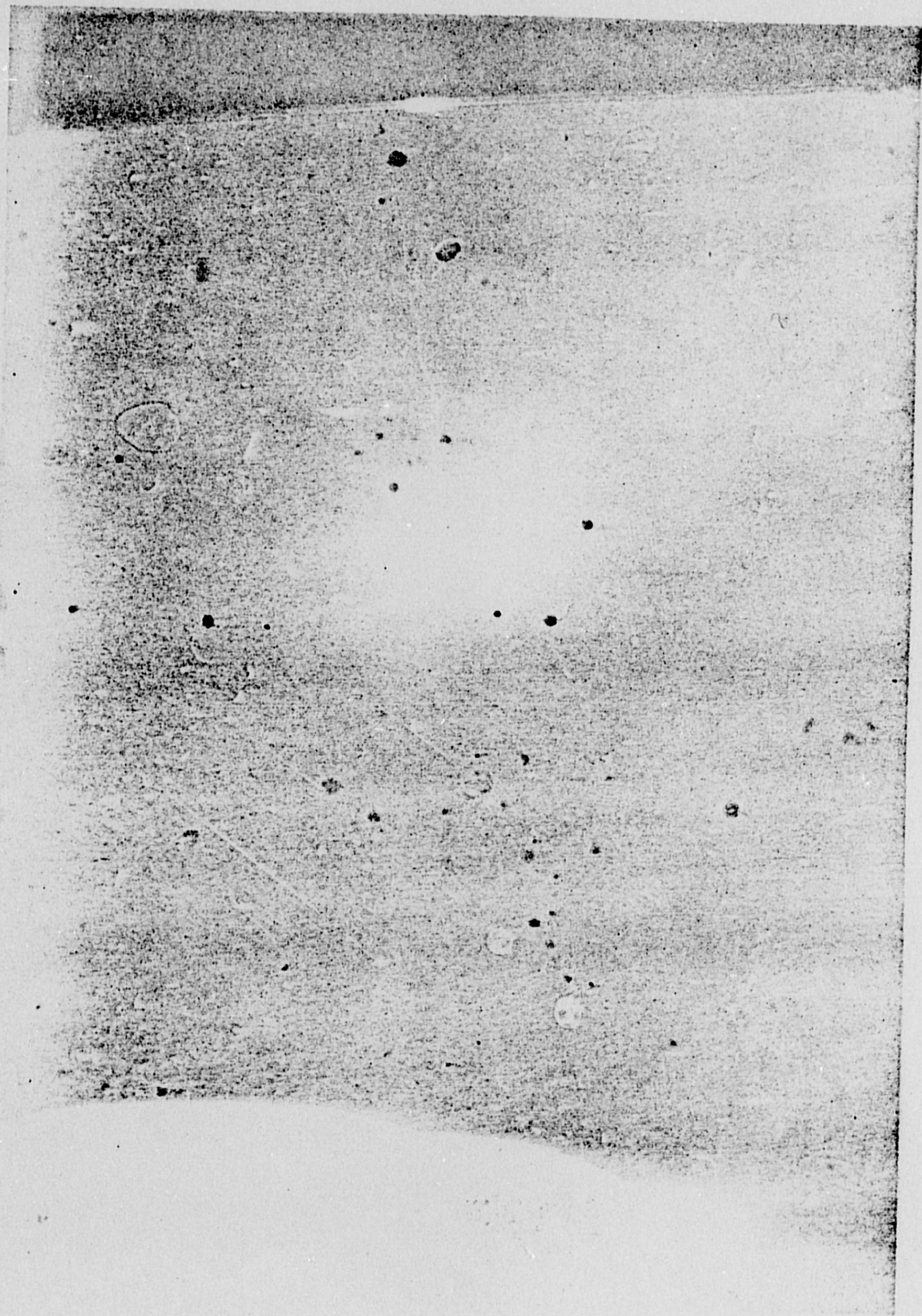






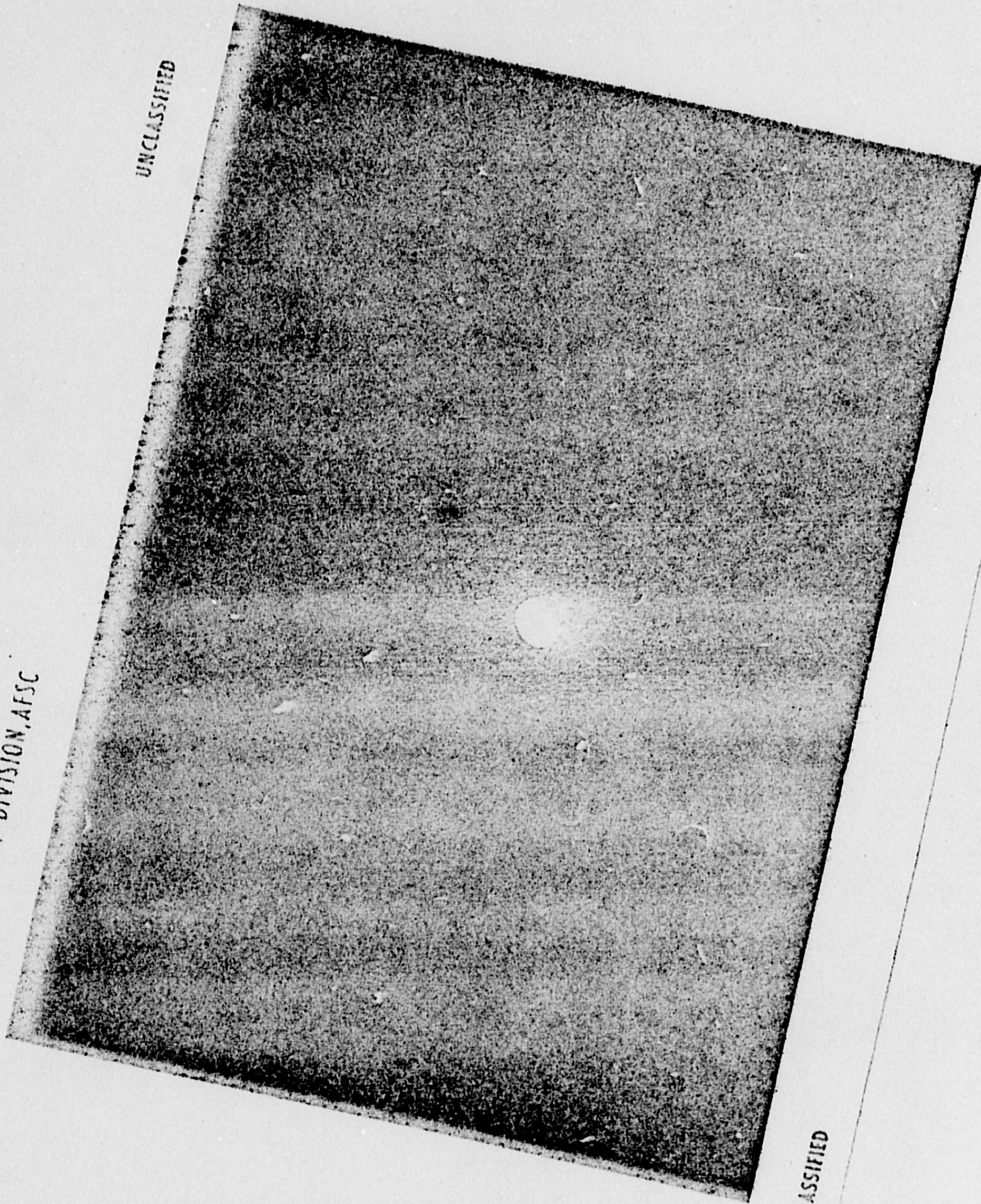






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OVERT

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is the negative that you requested.
Thank you for returning the photograph and I hope
that you will return the negative as you stated in your
letter. I feel that I must tell you that the picture
was taken only by chance and it was the only picture in
an entire roll that took.

Sincerely yours;

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The negative was developed by an
amateur photographer ~~and~~ and it is enlarged
in the picture