PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE October & September 1958	**2. LOCATION** Danby, California	**12. CONCLUSIONS** ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☒ Other Jet Aircraft ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local_____ GMT 2400Z	**4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION** ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	**6. SOURCE** Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 20 mins	**8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS** two	**9. COURSE** stationary

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING

A strong glow in direction of the Clipper mountains NW of observers. Objs approx 15' long & 5' high at a distance of approx 4 miles. When sun lowered in sky, objs disappeared.

11. COMMENTS

Two of the sources investigated further & determined that what they saw was the sun reflecting off two radio antennaes that were in line with the reflection. Investigation by 1006th AISS was made & it was concluded that sources explanation was correct.

ATIC FORM 329 (REV 26 SEP 52)

DANBY, CALIFORNIA
2 October 1958

On 6 March 1959, this Center received a letter from a resident of Los Angeles, California reporting the sighting of an unusual object. The limited information contained in the letter was insufficient to allow analysis. A request for investigation was made to a unit directly associated with the organization which falls under the jurisdiction of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence. The following is a summary of the information derived, and the final conclusions reached concerning this incident.

On 2 October 1958, three men were standing at Richeleau's Tungsten Mill at Railroad Danby discussing prospecting. The time was approximately 1600 hours PST, when what appeared to be a bright glow, or flash of light, in the northwest attracted their attention. One man said it must be the sun reflecting off a bank of mica. The other two didn't think there was that much mica in that area because they had prospected the area in the past. The glow was in view for approximately two and one half hours and then disappeared when the sun lowered in the sky.

The next day at the same time the glow of light reappeared in the same location. Two of the observers looked at it with a small telescope and the glow appeared to be oblong as is an aircraft fuselage, and the color of aluminum. The size of the object appeared to be approximately 15 feet long, 5 feet high, and solid. The distance to the object was estimated to be about four miles. The three men then drove as far as they could toward the object and walked around the area for three or four hours, but could find no evidence of such an object.

A few days later one man remembered that the object, or glow, was visible almost every day in the same area. Two of the men decided to investigate further. They took a pair of powerful binoculars, studied the object, and noticed guy wires coming from it. Upon looking closer, rods were seen radiating from the guy wires. They then remembered that two tall radio antennaes used by the Highway Patrol were located at Highway 66, Railroad Danby and decided the sun was reflecting off these antennaes.

Air Force investigation confirmed the views of the witnesses. The antennaes were found to protrude above the tree tops approximately 20 feet, and were spaced approximately 20 feet. It was determined that the reflection from these antennaes could be seen from Railroad Danby only during a relatively short period of the year for the hour of this report. This explains why the sighting appeared unusual to the witnesses who are residents of the area.

It is concluded that the cause of this sighting was the sun reflecting off radio antennaes.

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INFO: ~~COMDR~~, DET 4, 1006TH AISS, NORTON AFB, CALIF

/UNCLASSIFIED/FROM: AFCIN-4E4 3-432-E

REF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN COL BRONSON AND SGT BOLIEU CONCERNING AN UFO SIGHTING IN SOUTHERN CALIF, THE FOLLOWING INFO IS SUBMITTED: DURING FIRST WEEK OF OCT 58, MR [redacted], LOS ANGELES 19, CALIF, [redacted] OF CLIPPER MT AND [redacted] AT R. R. DANBY, CALIF, SAW A VERY BRIGHT REFLECTION FROM THE AREA OF THE CLIPPER MOUNTAINS. LATER LOOKED AT IT THROUGH A TELESCOPE AND SAW A CYLINDRICAL, SILVER OR ALUMINUM BODY WITH A ROUNDED NOSE, LIKE A LARGE GAS BOTTLE. AFTER WATCHING IT FOR ABOUT 20 MINUTES, THE SUN HAD MOVED LOWER AND THE GLOW DISAPPEARED. MR [redacted] HAD STATED THE GLOW, OR REFLECTION, HAD BEEN THERE FOR WEEKS. THE THREE MEN THOUGHT IT WAS POSSIBLY A WRECKED ACFT AND HIKED IN TO WHERE THEY THOUGHT IT WAS LOCATED,

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BUT COULD FIND NO EVIDENCE OF THE OBJECT THEY HAD SEEN THROUGH THE TELESCOPE. REQUEST AN INFO COPY OF THE AF FORM 112 BE FORWARDED TO THIS OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

COORDINATION:

AFCIN-4E4 L. S. Glaser DATE 9 Nov 59
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25 February 1959

ATIC - WPAFB, Dayton, Ohio

Mr [redacted]
[redacted]
Los Angeles 19, California

Dear Mr [redacted]

Your letter of January 29th to General Schriever was referred to this office for reply since we are responsible for answering public correspondence on subjects such as this.

The Air Force is always glad to receive information such as your letter provides. Security conscious citizens such as Mr. [redacted] Mr [redacted] and yourself are to be commended for your interest in the defense of America.

Your letter and a copy of this reply to you are being forwarded to the Commander, Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. This is the Air Force organization which is responsible for analyzing and evaluating reports of this nature.

I assure you that the strange glow you noticed will be thoroughly investigated. You will probably be contacted for further information by the ATIC.

Again, thanks for your interest and for taking the time to prepare such a detailed account of the experience.

Sincerely,

J. D. Johnson, Major, USAF

RALPH J. NUMZIATO
Colonel, USAF
Director of Information Services

ATIC
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ATTACHED

Col Hudkins
For action
By [redacted] Lieut Schmidlap.

JAN 29-57

DEAR SIR.,

I AM NOT SHURE THIS WILL EVER R[illegible] H
YOU BUT AS THINGS STAND NO ONE SEEM[illegible] KNOW
WHO TO REPORT ANY THING TO THESE DAYS EVEN
THOUGH IT MAY BE IMPORTANT, WHO KNOWS IMMEDI-
ITELY WHAT OUR COUNTRIE'S ENEMIES ARE DOING HER-
-ABOUTS UNDER OUR VERY NOSE.. IT HAPPENED LAST
FALL IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY IN CALIFORNIA.
THERE ARE THERE WITNESSES. I HOPE YOU CAN
GIVE IT THE PROPER JUDGEMENT I THINK IT DESERVES.
MAYBE YOU WONT IGNORE IT WHEN I TELL YOU THAT
IF YOU START AT CANBY WHERE IT HAPPENED
AND DRAW A GREAT CIRCLE COURSE APPX. NW.
75 MI. IT PASSES THRU CHAR IRWIN RANGE TEST
RANGE AND THE US. NAVAL ORDNANCE STATION
WHICH ARE ADJACENT TO EACH OTHER. CONTINUE ON IS
A MISSLE FLIES AND YOU PASS OVER [redacted] AND GO
INTO NORTH [redacted] EAST RUSSIA. YOUR RECENT STATEMENTS
TO CONGRESS ABOUT OUR DANGER HAS FINALLY GOT
ME TO TAKE A CHANCE AND WRITE SOMEBODY
ABOUT IT. I COULD MEAN SOMETHING OR IT COULD
BE JUST ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE QUEER THINGS
THAT SOMETIMES HAPPEN. BETTER YET MAYBE YOU
CAN GIVE A SENSIBLE EXPLANATION. I HOPE SO.
AND HERE GOES —

IT IS THE FIRST WEEK OF OCT 1958 THREE

OF US ARE STANDING AT RICHELEAU'S TUNGSTEN MILL AT RAIL ROAD DANBY. (THERE ARE TWO DANBY'S. ONE CALLED RAILROAD DANBY AND THE OTHER HIGHWAY DANBY ABOUT 1 MI. APART NORTHWESTERLY) WE ARE PROSPECTORS AND MINERS AND IT APPX. 4 PM. I HAPPENED TO LOOK UP TOWARD THE CLIPPER MOUNTAIN. TO A POINT ABOUT 4½ MI AWAY STRAIGHT OVER HIGHWAY DANBY AND I NOTICED A VERY BRIGHT REFLECTION CAUSED BY THE SETTING SUN. IT WAS SUCH A STRONG GLOW OR GLIMMER LIKE SILVER THAT I CALLED ATTENTION TO IT. [redacted] SAID IT MUST BE A BANK OF MICA. [redacted] STATED HE DIDN'T BELIEVE THERE COULD BE THAT MUCH MICA OVER THERE ON THE SLOPES BECAUSE HE PROSPECTED THE AREA AND SO HAD I IN THE PAST. IT JUST ISN'T MINERALIZED THAT WAY AND THE TERRAIN IS ROUGH AND CONTAINS SOME FAIRLY DEEP WASHES ALTHOUGH IT LOOKS FLAT AND SLOPES UP TO THE HILLS UNTO THE MOUNTAIN RANGE. WALT STATED THAT HE HAD NOTICED IT BEFORE (HE LIVES IN RAILROAD DANBY) AND AS HE PUT IT "THERE'S SOMETHING OVER THERE THAT DON'T BELONG OVER THERE." IN ABOUT 20 MINUTES. THE REFLECTION WENT OUT AND WITHOUT THE SUN YOU COULDN'T SEE IT. THE NEXT DAY QUITE BY CHANCE

I SAW IT AGAIN AND I CALLED [redacted] OVER TO THE MILL. THEN HE TOLD ME IT HAD BEEN THERE FOR WEEKS. IT LOOKED SO DAZZLEING AND PRETTY WE JUST STOOD THERE THE TWO OF US AND WATCHED IT. THEN I SUDDENLY REMEMBERED I HAD A TELESCOPE IN MY PICKUP TRUCK. I RAN AND GOT IT AND BY LINING IT UP AGAINST AN OLD ONE DUMP TRUCK BODY I LOOKED RIGHT OVER HOY. JUNDY AND THROUGH THE GLASS THE CRAFT [redacted] WAS GONE AND I SAW A CYLINDRICAL SILVER OR ALUMINUM BODY WITH A ROUNDED NOSE LIKE A LARGE ALUMINUM PAINTED GAS BOTTLE. POINTING ABOUT NE SOUTH AND VERY NICE TO IT AT AN ANGLE BIT LOWER THERE WAS EITHER ANOTHER ONE OR JUST THE UPPER PORTION BOTH OF US STUDIED THEM UNTILL AS USUAL IN ABOUT 20 MINUTES THE SUN HAD MOVED AND THE CRAFT WENT OUT. THEN WE FOUND THAT EVEN WITH THE TELESCOPE WE COULD NOT LOCATE THEM. WE NOW KNEW THAT THIS WAS NOT A PLANE OR BIRD. BUT SOME STRANGE AIRCRAFT OR ELSE A WRECKED AIRLINER WITH ONE OF ITS WINGS CAST OFF. AFTER SUPPER WE TALKED AND WE DECIDED IT WAS A WRECKED AIRPLANE WHICH HAD BEEN LAYING OUT THERE FOR WEEKS AND THE PASSENGERS MUST ALL BE DEAD AND IT WAS OUR DUTY TO GO OUT THERE AND

TAKE CARE OF THINGS ETC. AND SEE THAT JIM GOT A DECENT BURIAL ETC. SO WE DECIDED TO START OUT FIRST THING IN THE MORNING.

[redacted] AND I DROVE TO HWY. DANBY, PARKED ACROSS FROM SLIM HARTLEE'S STORE AND GAS STATION. TAKING A CANTEEN AND A WINCHESTER I WE WALKED UP TOWARD THE CLIPPER RANGE CONSTANTLY BACK SIGHTING THE TWO DANBY. AS WE WENT. THE AREA ALTHOUGH APPX. 3½ MI X 5 MI IS HOWEVER ENTIRELY SURROUNDED BY ROADS AND WE KNEW POSITIVELY IT WAS BEYOND THE PINE LINE ROAD AND ON THE DANBY LINE.

TO OUR AMAZEMENT THERE WAS NO MARKED AIRLINER. THEN WE SEARCH BOTH SIDES OF THE BACK SIGHT AND FOUND NOTHING. BY LATE AFTERNOON WE WERE BACK AT THE MILL STANDING BY THE DANBY TRUCK WITH THE TIRES COME AGAIN. 4 O'CLOCK CAME AND NO CLUE. 5 O'CLOCK PASSED AND THEN WE KNEW. THEY HAD LEFT DURING THE NIGHT. WE NO MORE THERE WAS NO BANK (HILLSIDE) OR ALIEN OVER THERE, NO MARKED AIRPLANE BUT THEY WERE THERE. THE TELESCOPE DON'T LIE. THREE OF US WITNESSED IT. TO SAY THE LEAST WE WERE HIGHLY PUZZLED.

BUT ONE THING DIDN'T ADD UP AS

[redacted] KEPT SAYING. "THATS BEEN SET THERE FOR WEEKS!" BELIEVE ME GENERAL THESE WERE AIRCRAFT. NOT GAS TANKS OR HOUSE TRAILER ETC. THATS A JEEP COUNTRY AND SOME OF IT A JEEP CANT GET TO. MUCH LESS ANYTHING ELSE.

THESE WERE 2 AIRCRAFT STRANGE AS IT SEEMS AND THEY WERE THERE FOR WEEKS. WHAT WERE THEY DOING THERE? DID THEY LEAVE SOMETHING THERE, POSSIBLY SOME DOWNED EQUIPMENT? CAN ONE ENEMIED SET OF PLANS FOR THE ICBM TO FOLLOW? I DONT KNOW BUT HE SAW THEM. IT ALL HAPPENED JUST AS I TELL IT. ALSO ANGORA LIVES IN THE CLIPPER MTNS. AND MALLORY MAN AT R-R. DAMOY. BOTH CAN TELL THEIR SIDE OF THE STORY WE'VE ALL BEEN OUT IN THE MOUNTAINS AND DESERT FOR YEARS AND HAVE A LOT OF EXPERIENCE. IF THERES ANYTHING UNUSUAL WE DONT MISS KNOWING ABOUT IT AND THIS IS ONE THAT GOT US STOPPED COLD. IF YOU CANT ACCOUNT FOR IT I STILL THINK A GROUP OF MEN OUGHT TO COME THE AREA AND DIG IN WHERE THEY WERE AND I CAN ALMOST PINPOINT THE PLACE FROM THE MILL. WE WILL BE GLAD TO HELP.

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
Danby, California	Detachment 4, 1006th AISS

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
23 March 1959	Sep - Oct 58	

PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
HOWARD W HOLMES, Major, USAF	MR [redacted] and others

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)
Message AFCIN-4E4 3-432-E

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 113—Part II.)

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PART ONE: Description of sighting by M[redacted]
[redacted]os Angeles, 19, California
Home Phon[redacted]

PART TWO: Description of sighting by [redacted]
P [redacted]Essex, California
Home Phone: None

PART THREE: Description of sighting [redacted]
Cain Springs, California
Home Phone: None

PART FOUR: Supplementary Investigative Efforts

PART FIVE: Comments of Preparing Officer

II. SUMMARY: Unidentified flying object was observed visually in the vicinity of railroad Danby, California (EJEE 345385) at 1600 hours Pacific Standard Time during the latter part of September or the first part of October 1958. The information contained in this report was obtained from the persons observing the objects and from investigation conducted to determine the possible cause of the sighting.

III. INVESTIGATORS: TSGT CLARE A BLAIR AF15320739
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I. SOURCE: [redacted]

Address: [redacted] Los Angeles 19, California

Occupation: Tool and die maker

Age: 47

Education: 2 years high school

Hobby: Prospecting

II. RELIABILITY: When interviewed, SOURCE was very cooperative and was interested in cause of the sighting. SOURCE retained details of observation despite time interval from sighting to time of interview. SOURCE appeared to have knowledge of desert areas and illusions present therein. SOURCE spoke freely and appeared to be of average intelligence. Information given by SOURCE is considered to be fairly reliable.

III. SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING AND EVENTS:

1. At approximately 1600 hours PST during the latter part of September 1958, SOURCE was standing outdoors at Richeleau's mill approximately 100 yards from railroad Danby, California (EJEE 345385). SOURCE stated he was facing northwest when his attention was diverted by two (2) bright objects glowing from the direction of the Clipper Mountains. SOURCE was fairly certain that the objects were in view for approximately twenty (20) minutes. SOURCE stated that the objects were level and pointed approximately north and south. Objects appeared slightly below the horizon.

2. Objects were viewed through a small telescope. SOURCE stated the objects were oblong shaped like an aircraft fuselage. SOURCE described the color as glowing, bright aluminum. SOURCE stated the edges of the object were clearly outlined and were approximately ninety (90) feet long and twenty (20) feet in height. SOURCE estimated the objects to be approximately four (4) miles from the observation point.

3. SOURCE described the weather as clear, dry, no wind and a temperature of approximately eighty (80) degrees.

4. SOURCE stated that he did not believe in "flying saucers" and believed the objects to be advanced types of aircraft.

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SOURCE'S Memory Sketch

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STATEMENT

Last fall about the last of September three of us were standing at the mill at railroad Danby. We saw a strong glow of light coming from the foothills of the Clipper Mtns. We thought this to be a bank of mica. This intense glow lasted about 20 minutes. It was approximately 4 miles from where we were standing. Time 4 pm. [redacted] and [redacted] and myself disagreed what it could be, but [redacted] stated it was no mica bank and it was something that didnt belong there. The next day it happened again at the same time and lasted about 20 minutes. Until the sun had moved and the glow went out, however this time there was just two of us, [redacted]n and myself. We watched it through a telescope. Under the glass the glow was gone and two cylindrical shaped, round nosed, glowing objects were parked in a large deep gulley. They were about 40' apart sitting approximately north and south. They were both on an even keel and we could see no signs of life. They were very bright silvery color light giant gas bottles. We thought at first it was a crashed airliner. The next morning we went out and searched the area, and found nothing. At 4 pm we again waited at RR Danby to see the glow but it did not occur again. They had left during the night. I am quite sure I can almost pinpoint the place if I return to the area.

[redacted]
Los Angeles 19, California

STATEMENT

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RICHARD A HOLM
CWO, W-2 USAF

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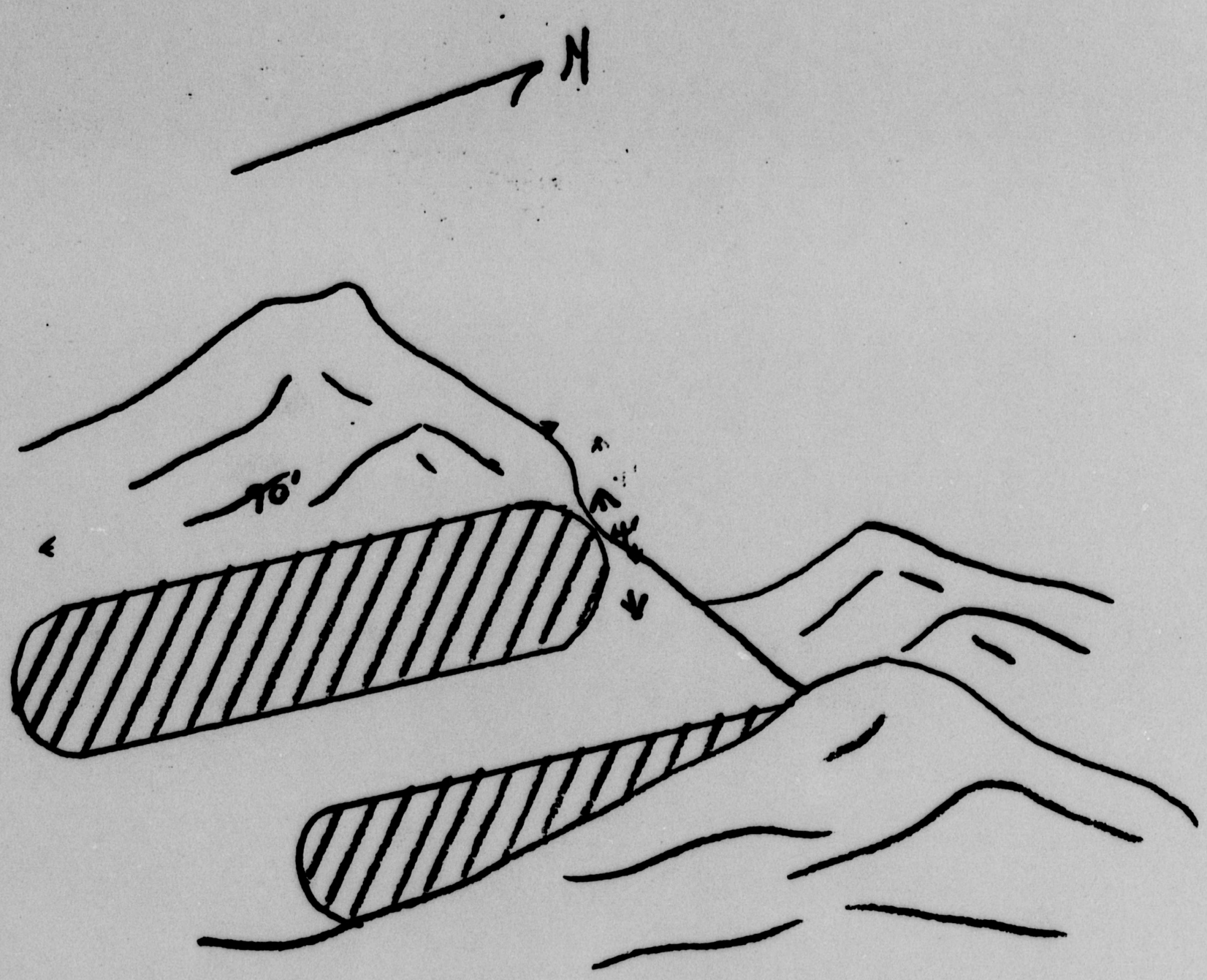

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I. SOURCE: [redacted]

Addr[redacted], California

Occupation: Retired machinist; Part time prospector

Age: 79

Education: 7½ years grade school

II. RELIABILITY: SOURCE was very cooperative and showed an interest in determining cause of sighting. Despite the age of SOURCE, he was very active and alert. SOURCE's estimates of distance and time were accurate. Information given by SOURCE is considered to be fairly accurate.

III. SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING AND EVENTS:

1. At 1600 hours Pacific Standard Time during the last two weeks of September or first two weeks of October 1958, SOURCE was standing at Richeleau Mill approximately 100 yards from railroad Danby, California (EJEE 345385). SOURCE stated a flash of light from a northwest direction attracted his attention. SOURCE stated that the object was stationary and appeared to be at the same elevation as SOURCE. SOURCE was fairly certain the object was visible for approximately two hours and thirty minutes (2½ hours) and then disappeared. SOURCE stated object appeared at approximately 270 degrees and approximately 60 feet below the horizon. Object remained stationary at all times.

2. SOURCE stated object was observed during daylight hours and appeared to be the color of aluminum. Object made no sound. Object viewed through a small telescope. Object sharply outlined and appeared to be approximately fifteen feet (15) long and five feet (5) high and solid in construction. SOURCE estimated distance to object to be four miles (4) . SOURCE stated that the sun was on his left and when the sun lowered in the sky the object disappeared.

3. SOURCE described the weather as dry, hot, clear sky and negative winds.

4. SOURCE stated that he believed the object to be an optical illusion of a radio antennae.

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S T A T E M E N T

Around the end of September two other men and I were standing at Richeleau's Mill talking about prospecting when we noticed a glow in the direction of Clipper Mtns. We watched the glow for a while and then it disappeared. Later that night we talked about it and decided to watched for it the next day. The next day it appeared again at the same time. We knew there was nothing metallic in that area and thought it might be an airplane because of its metallic glow. Mr. [redacted] took his telescope and looked at it and spotted it on the hillside. We drove as far as possible and walked for three or four hours in the general area. The exact spot was on a line from RR Danby northwest over Route 66 Danby. We aligned ourselves with the two places and searched the area but could not find evidence of the objects. I remembered a few days later that the objects were visible almost every day in the same area so Mr. [redacted] and I investigated further. We used a powerful pair of binoculars and studied the glow. We noticed guy wires coming from it and looked closer and saw rods radiating from the guy wires. We remembered that two tall radio antennaes used by the California Highway Patrol were at Route 66 Danby and determined that the sun cast a reflection on the antennaes and that that was what we were looking at all the time and that was why we could find no evidence in the foothills. We did not report this information and thought the whole thing had been solved.

[redacted] ESSEX, CALIFORNIA

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I. SOURCE: [redacted]

Address: Cain Springs, California

Occupation: Retired; Part time prospector

Age: 63

Education: High school

II. RELIABILITY: SOURCE can be considered fairly reliable although he declined to make a statement or complete ATIC form. SOURCE confirmed statements made by Mr [redacted] and was satisfied with his interpretation of the sighting.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS

1. This report is a result of message AFCIN-4E4 3-432-E dated 091300Z MAR 59.

2. Investigators interviewed Mr [redacted] in Los Angeles, California on 11 March 1959. Mr [redacted] and Mr [redacted] were interviewed in Danby, California on 12 March 1959.

3. Investigators made a search of the area pointed out by SOURCES as the spot where objects were seen. (Refer to Incl 1, PART FOUR, Overlay of area) No evidence could be found that resembled the description of the objects or where any foreign objects could have been in the area. Investigators went to Richeleau's Mill and observed the area through 7x50 binoculars. SOURCES stated the objects should appear at approximately 1600 hours PST. Weather conditions were identical to that of the original sighting. Area was observed until 1700 hours PST; no objects appeared. SOURCES stated that the sun may have been in a different seasonal elevation at the time of the original sighting. SOURCES also stated that the objects had not been seen for quite some time. A close study of the sight line revealed the outline of antennae and guy wires described in SOURCES statement in PART TWO. (Refer to Incl 2, PART FOUR, Cross section of sight line). Antennae protruded over tree tops at route 66 Danby approximately twenty (20) feet. Antennae supported by mast approximately one and one half inches (1½ in.) in diameter. Antennae stacked yaggi type. Antennae was aimed parallel to Route 66 or 045 degrees. This angle would approximate the direction to Needles, California (EJFE 2450) Two (2) antennae visible approximately twenty (20) feet apart and were identical. Total heigth of antennae mast approximately forty (40) feet. Antennae approximately four (4) feet square.

3 Incls

1. Area overlay
2. Cross section of area
3. Antennae diagram

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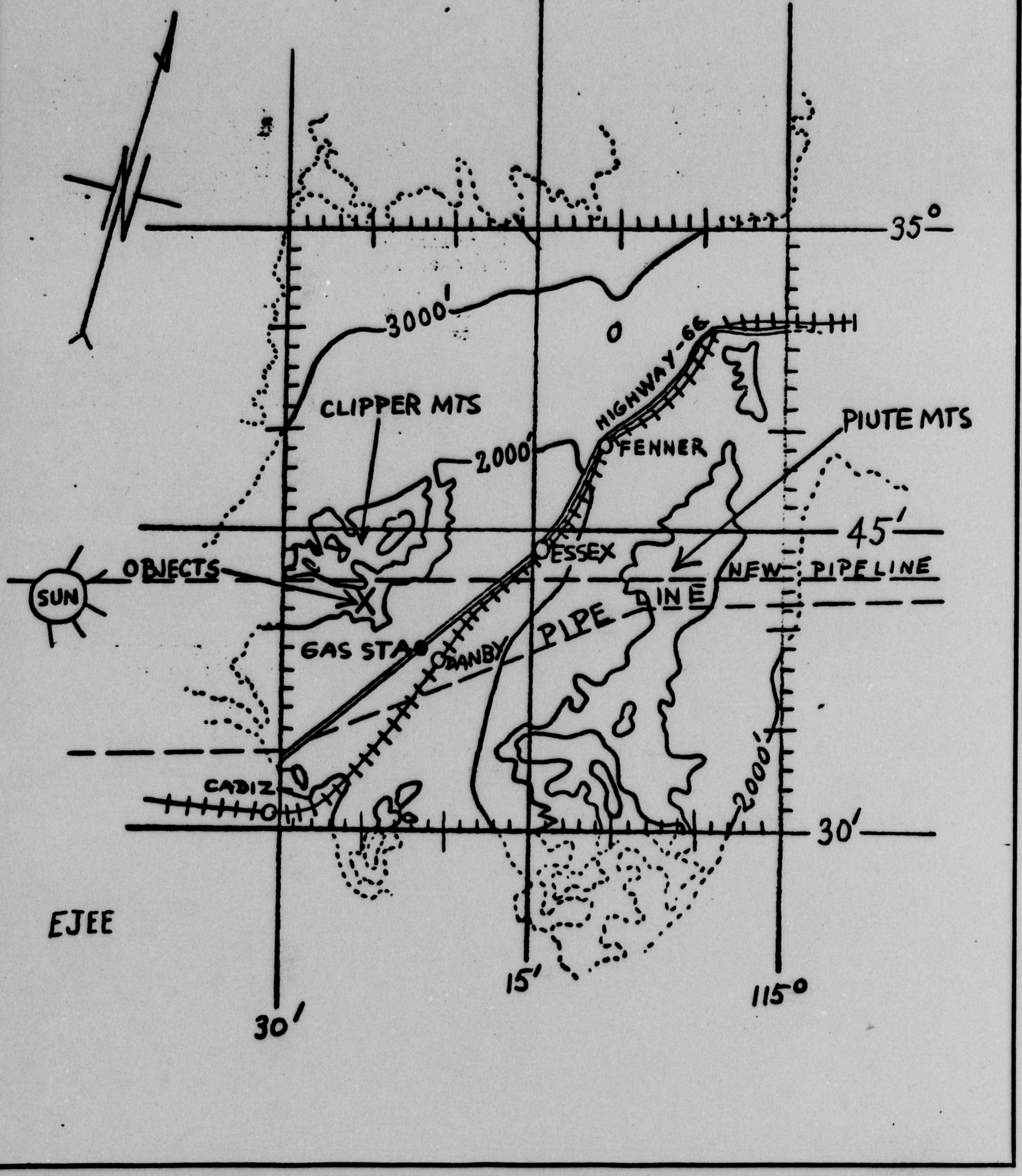
Area overlay



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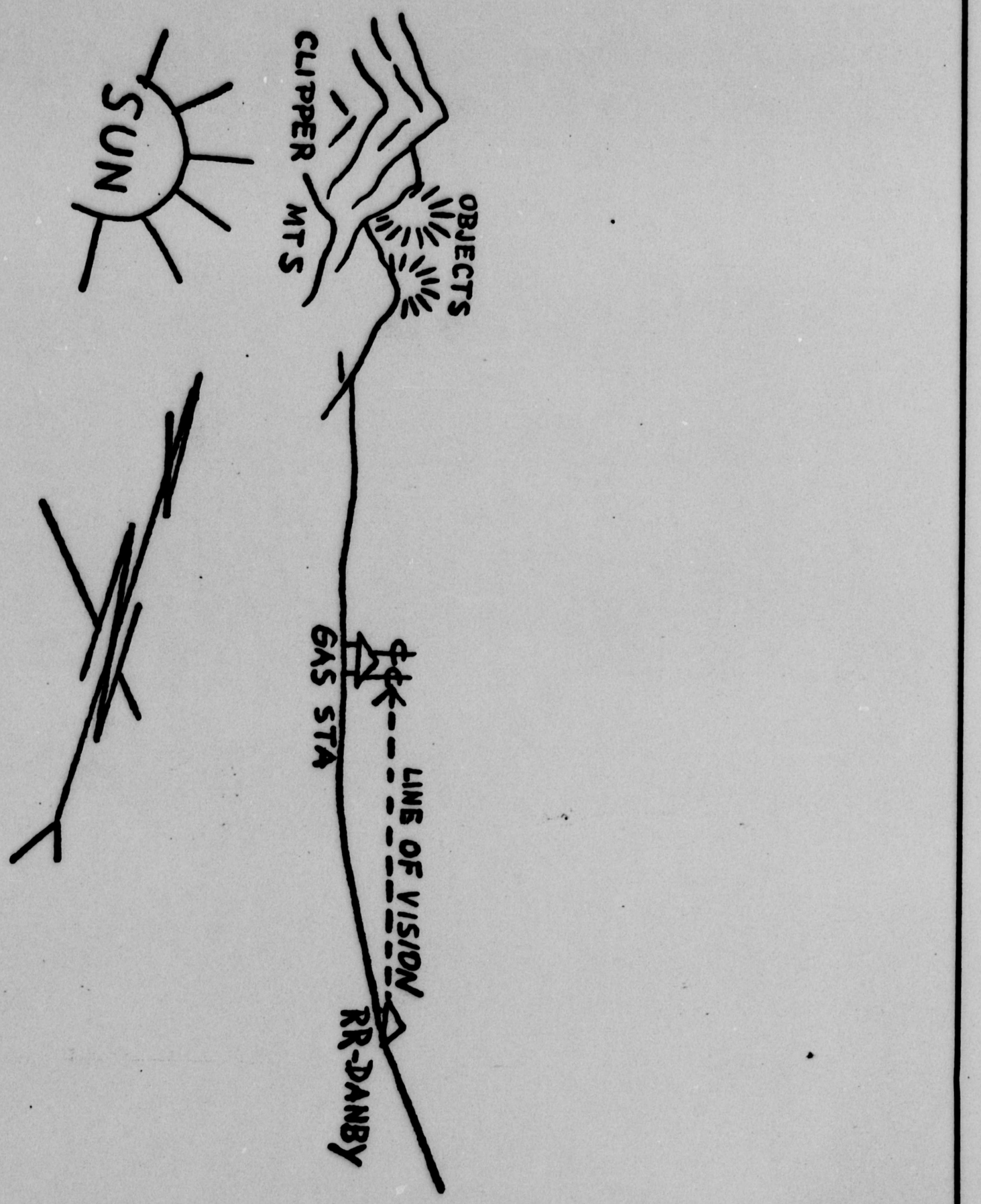
Cross section of area



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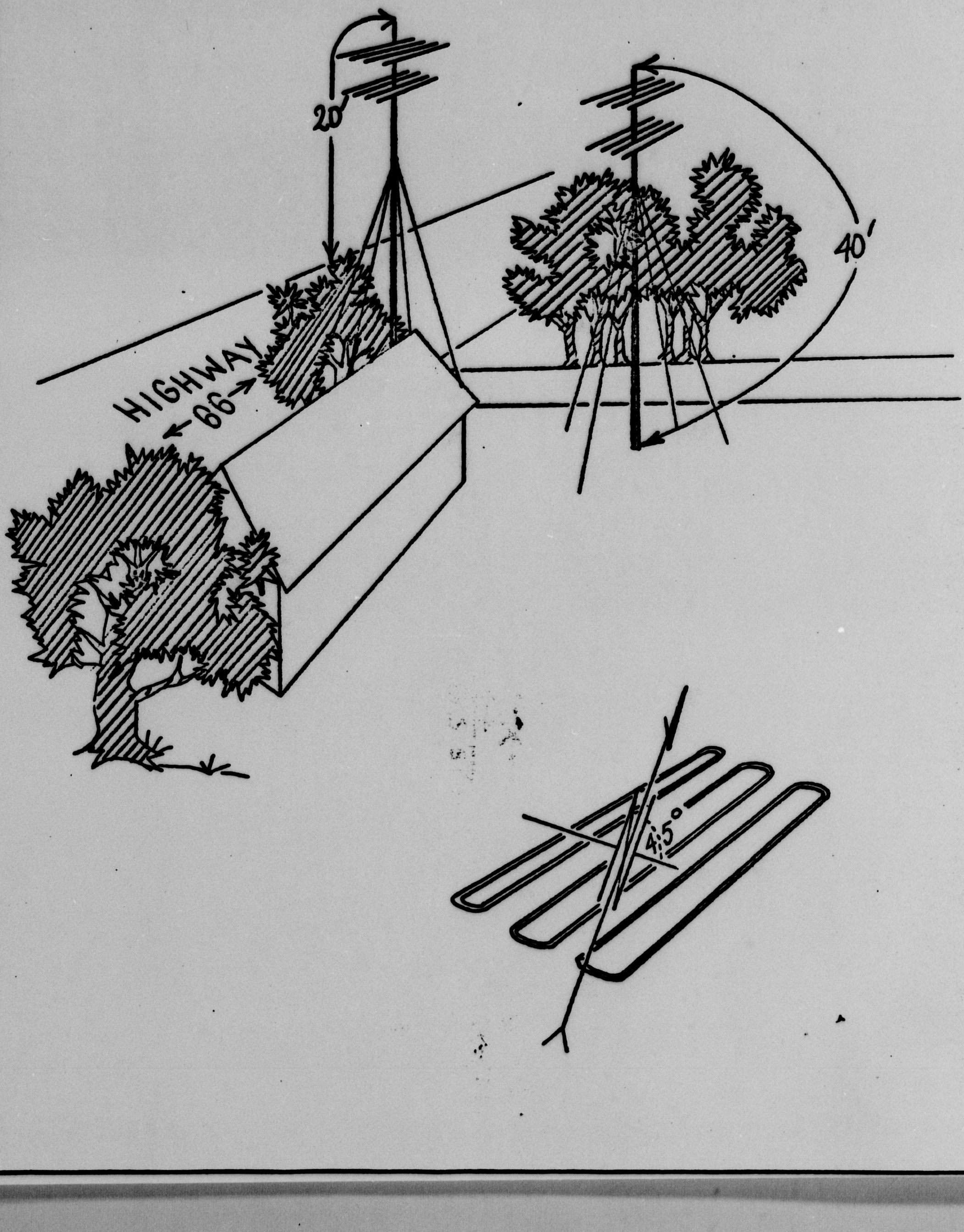
Antennae diagram



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In view of observations made by SOURCES at Danby and by the two investigators, an evaluation of probable optical illusion caused by sun reflections on radio antennae is given this report. It is felt that Los Angeles SOURCE would have agreed had he been given the time for further investigation as did the other observers.

for Richard A. Holm, C 1WO, USAF
HOWARD W HOLMES
Major, USAF
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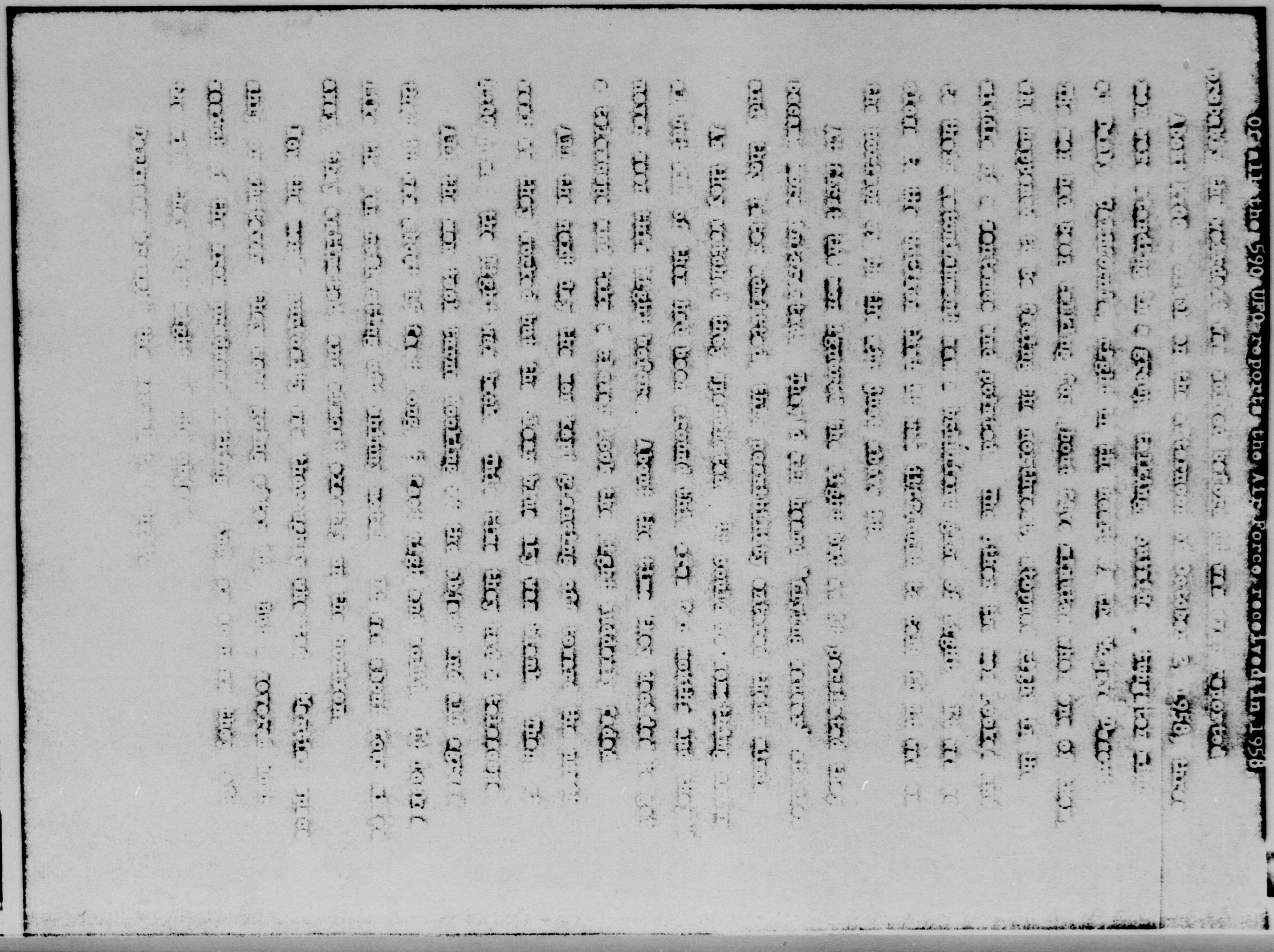
The bright sun reflected at a particular time from an object invisible to the observer often produces a puzzling phenomenon, such as the flying saucer reported from Danby, California, early in October 1958.

About 4:00 in the afternoon on October 2, three prospectors standing near a tungsten mill at Railroad Danby noticed a sudden bright glow in the northwest sky which remained visible for about 2½ hours and then disappeared. When a glow appeared again the following day at the same time and place, the observers tried to identify it by using a small telescope and saw a bright, oblong object hovering above the horizon; it was the color of aluminum, approximately fifteen feet long, five feet high, and about four miles away. Getting into a car, the men drove in the direction of the object and searched the supposed location on foot for several hours, but could find no trace of the UFO.

Several days later, realizing that the object reappeared every day at about the same time and place, two of the men decided to investigate further. Studying the object through a pair of powerful binoculars, they could see guy wires coming from it and rods radiating from the guy wires. Remembering that two tall radio antennas used by the highway patrol stood in approximately the same location, the witnesses found the explanation, which Air Force investigators confirmed. The antennas, placed some twenty feet apart, extended about twenty feet above the trees. The cigar-shaped hovering object was a special effect depending on a particular combination of circumstances: only during the first part of October, and only late in the afternoon, did the sun's rays strike the antenna in such a way that the reflection was visible to an observer at Railroad Danby [1].

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