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STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
**ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT**  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
ARTESIA DISTRICT OFFICE

*Paradise Farms*

CARREY CARRUTHERS  
GOVERNOR

P.O. DRAWER DD  
ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO 88210  
(505) 748-1283

August 19, 1987

Marnel Pipe And Supply  
P.O. Box 1037  
Artesia, New Mex. 88210

Gentlemen:

Recently a Mr. Kerry A. Olsen of the State Land Office made an inspection of certain of your properties as outlined on the attachments.

A subsequent inspection by the Oil Conservation Division revealed that you are illegally disposing of produced water on your Ruth #1 24-19S-28E.

You are directed by this letter to cease the pitting of this water immediately.

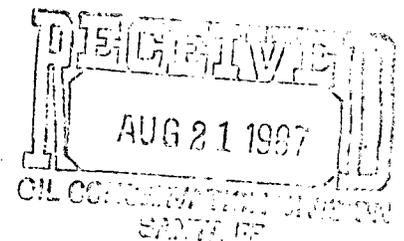
Another inspection will be made and if this condition persists, punitive action will be taken.

Very Truly Yours

Les A. Clements  
Supervisor, District II

XC: William LeMay  
Prentiss Childs  
Dave Boyer

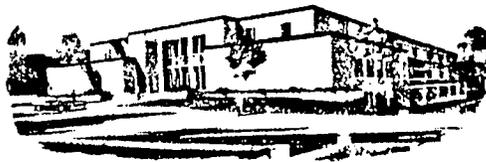
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Commissioner of Public Lands

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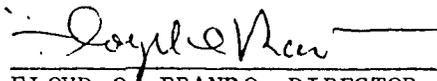
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M E M O R A N D U M

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FROM: Mr. Floyd O. Prando, Director - Oil and Gas Division  
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FLOYD O. PRANDO, DIRECTOR  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

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Attachments

# Memo

From

DAVID G. BOYER

Hydrogeologist

To Les -

6/29

Bill passed this on to me to send to you. It looks like there are in the R-3221 exempted area. If so, it's just sloppy housekeeping by the operators. Is this something you can handle, or do we need to get involved up here? Let me know, please, since I'm sure Bill ~~wants~~ wants to respond to the Land Office.

Thanks,

Dave

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Floyd O. Prando".

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FLOYD O. PRANDO, DIRECTOR  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

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Attachments

NEW MEXICO STATE LAND OFFICE

REQUEST FOR FIELD ASSIGNMENT

DATE TO FIELD BUREAU: 6-25-87 FIELD BUREAU CONTROL NUMBER: KAO-SA-42

FROM: Field TO: Oil and Gas / Surface  
BY: Oil and Gas / Surface

LEASE NUMBER: GT-1329 TYPE OF REQUEST: Oil field spills

DESIGNATED CONTACT: Oil Conservation Division - Pavlue Farmer

COUNTY/LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Eddy County Several locations within  
Township 19S Range 28 and 29 East

REMARKS: LUS responded to grazing lease complaints concerning  
oil field related spills and other O&G lease problems

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION NEEDED: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE RETURNED TO REQUESTING DIVISION/BUREAU: 6/25/87

L.U.S. RECOMMENDATION: O&G Division advised OCU regarding problems  
which were identified and documented to have been  
corrected. Information copy of report sent to  
Surface Division

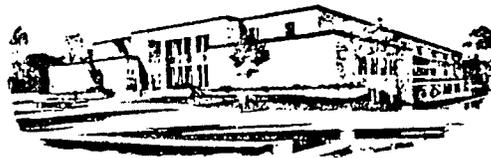
CONCUR WITH RECOMMENDATION: FIELD DIVISION J REQUESTING DIVISION

DO NOT CONCUR WITH RECOMMENDATION: (PLEASE STATE REASONS)

ACTION TAKEN: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE RETURNED TO L.U.S. \_\_\_\_\_

# State of New Mexico



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COMMISSIONER

## Commissioner of Public Lands

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June 23, 1987

TO: W. R. Humphries, Commissioner of Public Lands  
Santa Fe, New Mexico

FROM: Kerry A. Olson, Land Use Specialist  
Roswell, New Mexico

SUBJECT: Oil Field Problems on Agricultural Lease Number: GT-1329  
Pardue Farms

*Kerry A. Olson*

### REMARKS

Mr. Jerry Pardue recently expressed dissatisfaction with conditions on several oil and gas leases on trust properties leased by Pardue Farms in central Eddy County. The following are specific well sites identified by Mr. Pardue and their problems:

Kersey & Company, Northcott Well and Tank Battery  
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 24, Township 19 South, Range 28 East

- This is the most troubled site identified. Faulty equipment at the well head has resulted in some minor leaks (Photo #1). Fencing around the tank battery does not restrain livestock from petroleum spill areas (Photo #2). A wooden tank at the tank battery leaks and overflows when in use (Photo #3). A pipeline serving the tank battery leaks a short distance from the site (Photo #4). Further down the same pipeline a rupture has caused a more significant spill (Photos #5 & 6). Instead of repairing the line, a trench was excavated to accommodate the brine spill (Photos #7 & 8). In addition, the drainage system from the tank battery to an overflow pit consists of a shallow trench. A drain pipe should connect the tanks to the pit.

Entex Energy Operating Ltd., Petco State Comm. No.1  
Section 26, Township 19 South, Range 29 East

- The site is inadequately fenced (Photos #9, 10, 11)

Frostman Oil Company, Read & Stevens Tank Battery  
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 10, Township 19 South, Range 29 East

- The site is inadequately fenced and has some minor spills

Marnel Pipe & Supply, Ruth No. 1-B  
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 24, Township 19 South, Range 28 East

- Open overflow pit is inadequately fenced. A drain line from the tank battery does not extend to a properly constructed overflow pit (Photo #12).

Santa Fe Exploration Company, Tenneco State No. 2  
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 2, Township 19 South, Range 29 East

- There is currently no fence around an open overflow pit

Santa Fe Exploration Company, Tenneco State NO. 1  
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 2, Township 19 South, Range 29 East

- Overflow pit is inadequately fenced

Southland Royalty, State 16-A No.1  
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 16, Township 19 South, Range 29 East

- Overflow pit is inadequately fenced

Anadarko-Dickey Sullivan Lease, Well No. 1  
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 15, Township 19 South, Range 29 East

- The site contains oil spills and faulty equipment

Bass Enterprises Production Co., Bass Lease Well No.3 SWD  
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 12, Township 19 South, Range 28 East

- The site contains a large area of old, uncontrolled and unretained spills. The fencing around overflow pits is not adequate (Photo #13).

Marbob Energy Corp., Turkey Track Unit, State U #1-B  
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 9, Township 19 South, Range 28 East

- The site has some minor spills and is inadequately fenced around pits.

Marbob Energy Corp., Turkey Track Unit, Unit 2  
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 3, Township 19 South, Range 29 East

- The site contains old spills

Marbob Energy Corp., Turkey Track Unit, Unit 3  
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 3, Township 19 South, Range 29 East

- Open overflow pit is not fenced (Photo #14)

Marbob Energy Corp., Turkey Track Unit, Unit F  
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 3, Township 19 South, Range 29 East

- The specific well site is in good condition. The problems are just to the north where oil field trash and debris, and tank bottom clean-out sludge are present (Photo #15)

Marbob Energy Corp., Turkey Track Unit, Well No. 1  
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 3, Township 19 South, Range 29 East

- The site has old spills and old equipment. It is not in production and is not plugged (Photo #16)

Marbob Energy Corp., Turkey Track Unit, Well No. 13  
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 3, Township 19 South, Range 29 East

- The well has open casing-neither plugged nor shut-in (Photo #17)

Marbob Energy Corp., Turkey Track Unit, Well No. 19  
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 3, Township 19 South, Range 29 East

- Well bleeder line empties into an uncontrolled area

Marbob Energy Corp., Turkey Track Unit, Well No. 20  
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 3, Township 19 South, Range 29 East

- Well bleeder line empties into an uncontrolled area (Photo #18)

Marbob Energy Corp., Turkey Track Unit Battery and Aurora State Battery  
(Duel Tank Battery) Section 3, Township 19 South, Range 29 East

- The site has inadequately fenced overflow pits (Photos #19 & 20)

Moroil, Inc., Hamon State No. 1  
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 5, Township 19 South, Range 29 East

- The site has inadequately fenced overflow pits. Overflow pit extends beyond fence. Drainline from the site's heater-treater does not extend completely to fenced pits (Photos #21, 22, 23, 24)

Moroil, Inc., Guajalote State No. 4  
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 5, Township 19 South, Range 29 East

- The site has inadequately fenced overflow pits

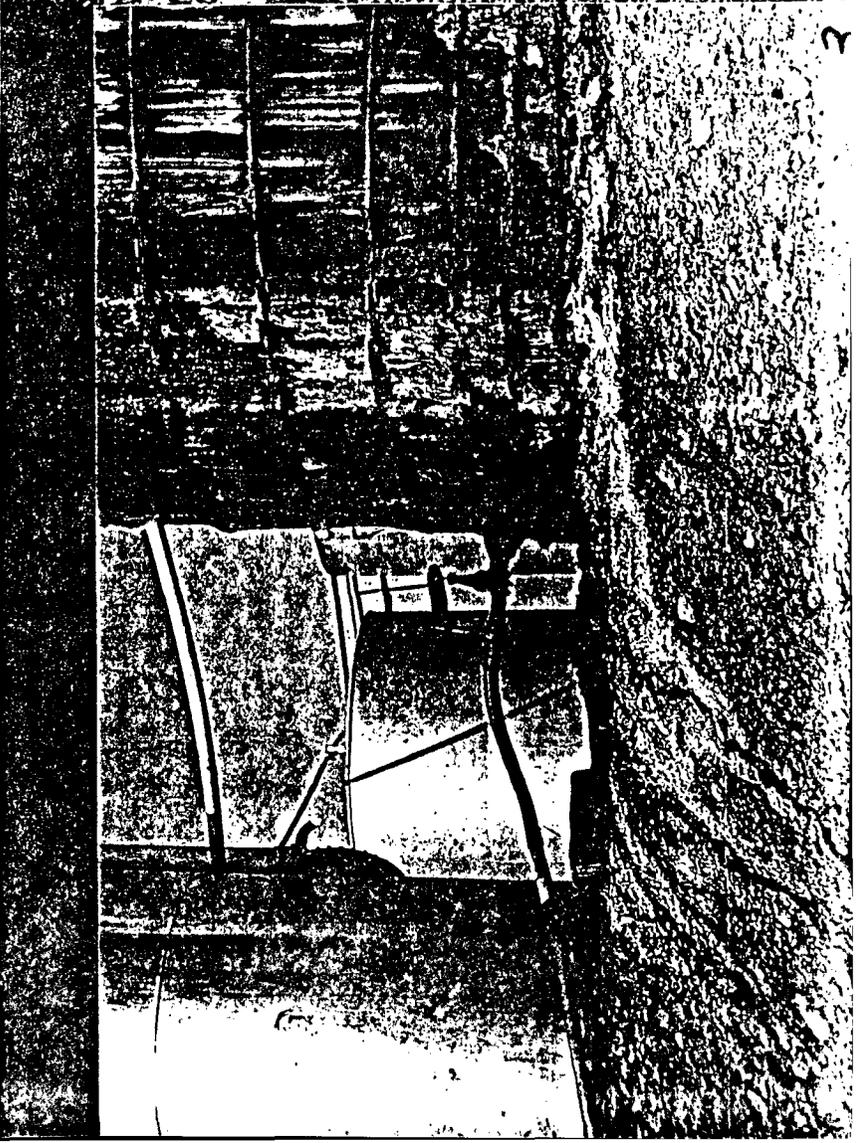
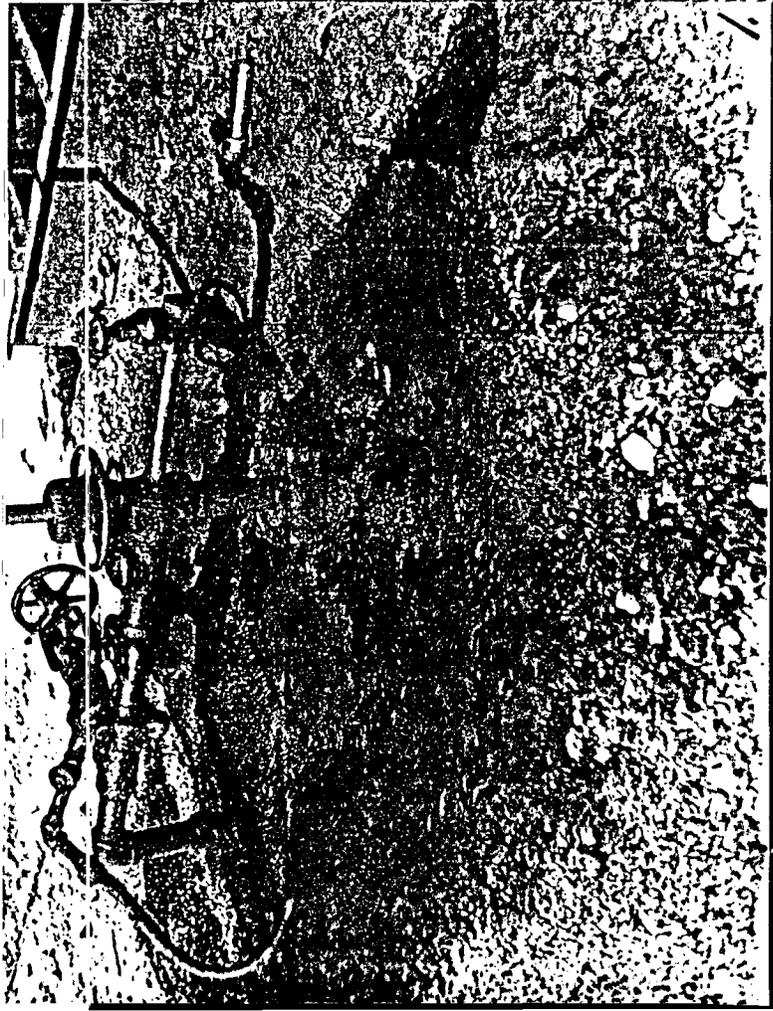
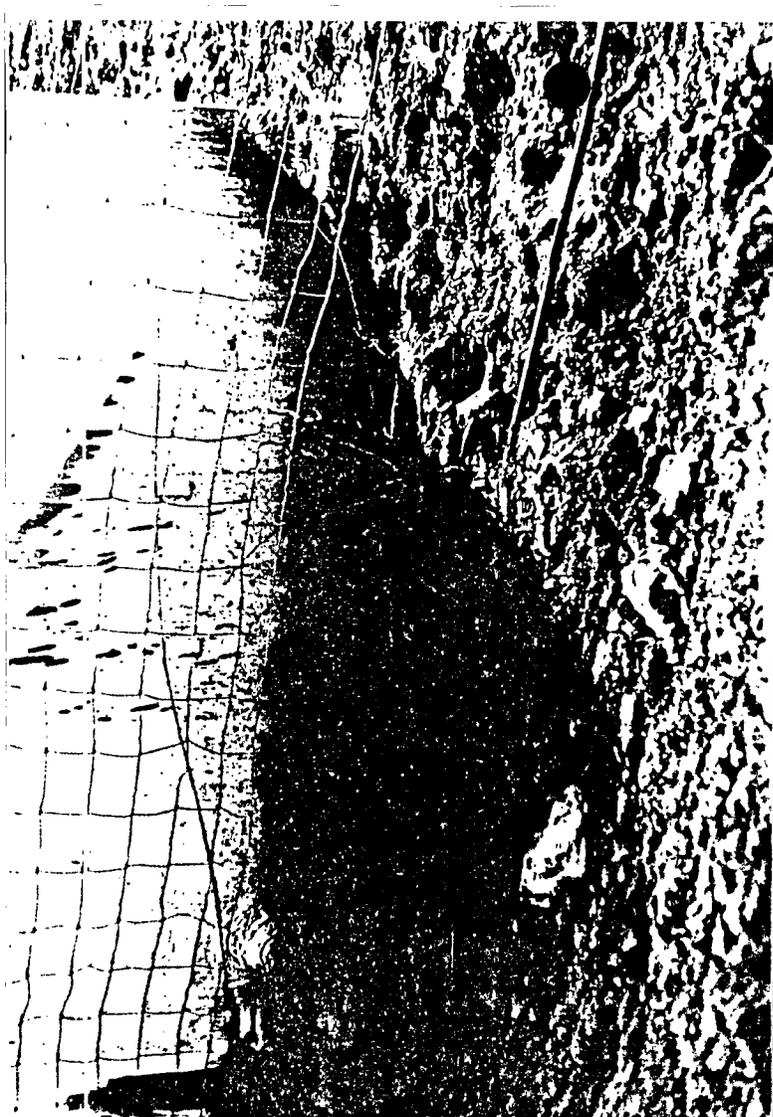
Other Marbob and Moroil sites may have problems. These other sites were not inspected.

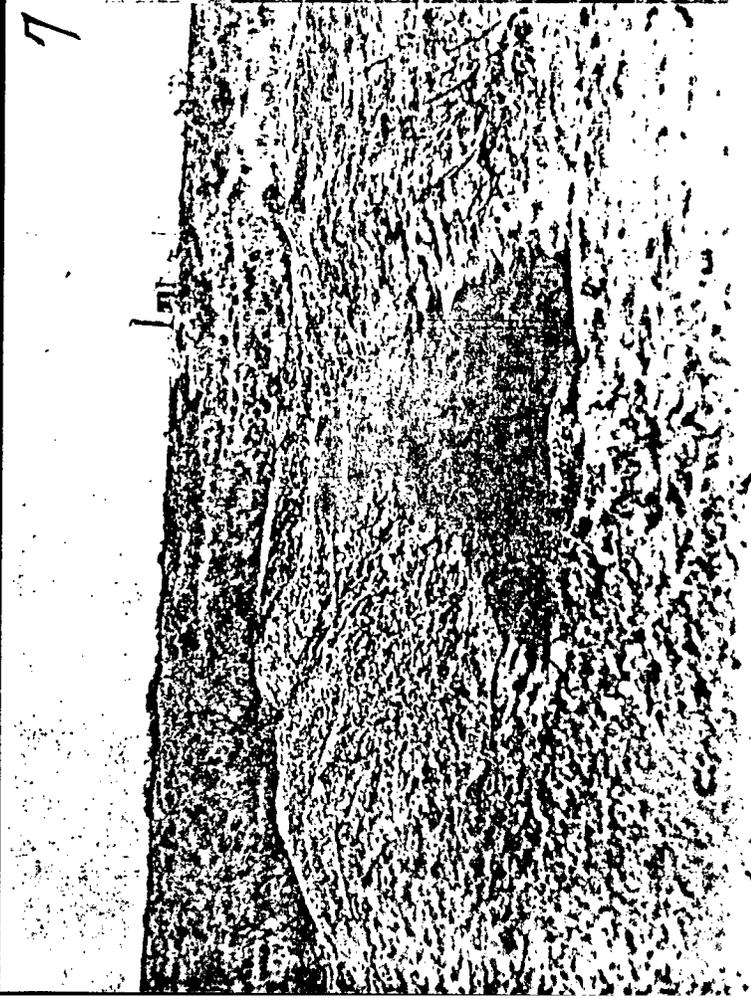
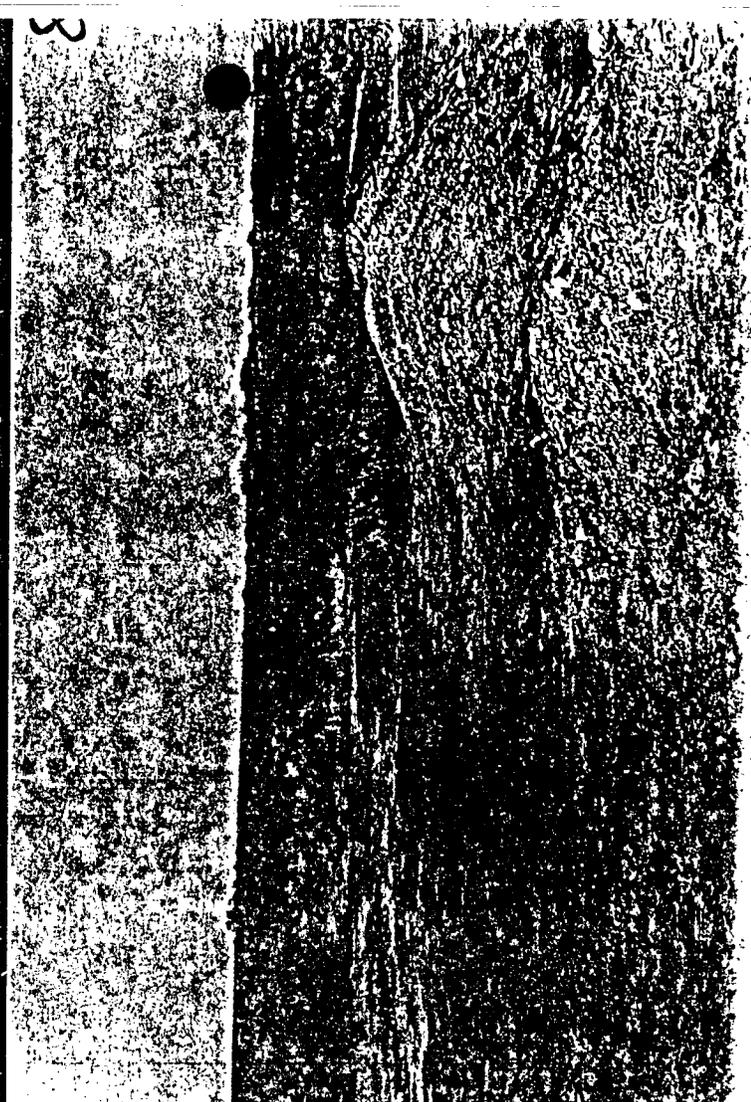
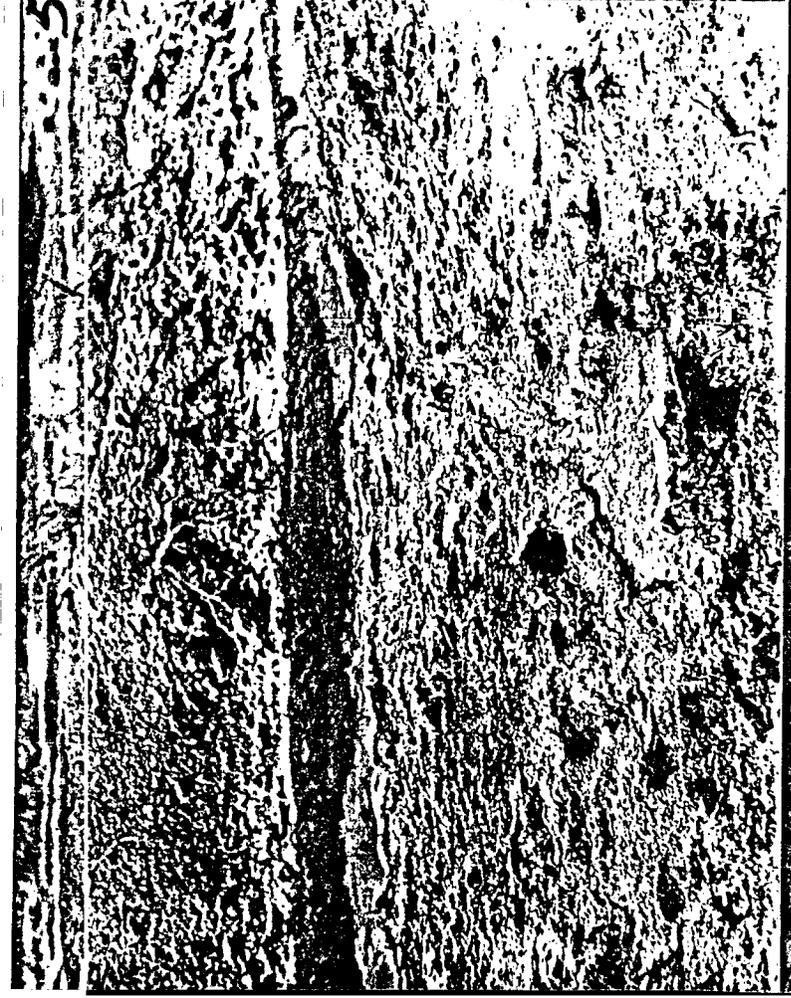
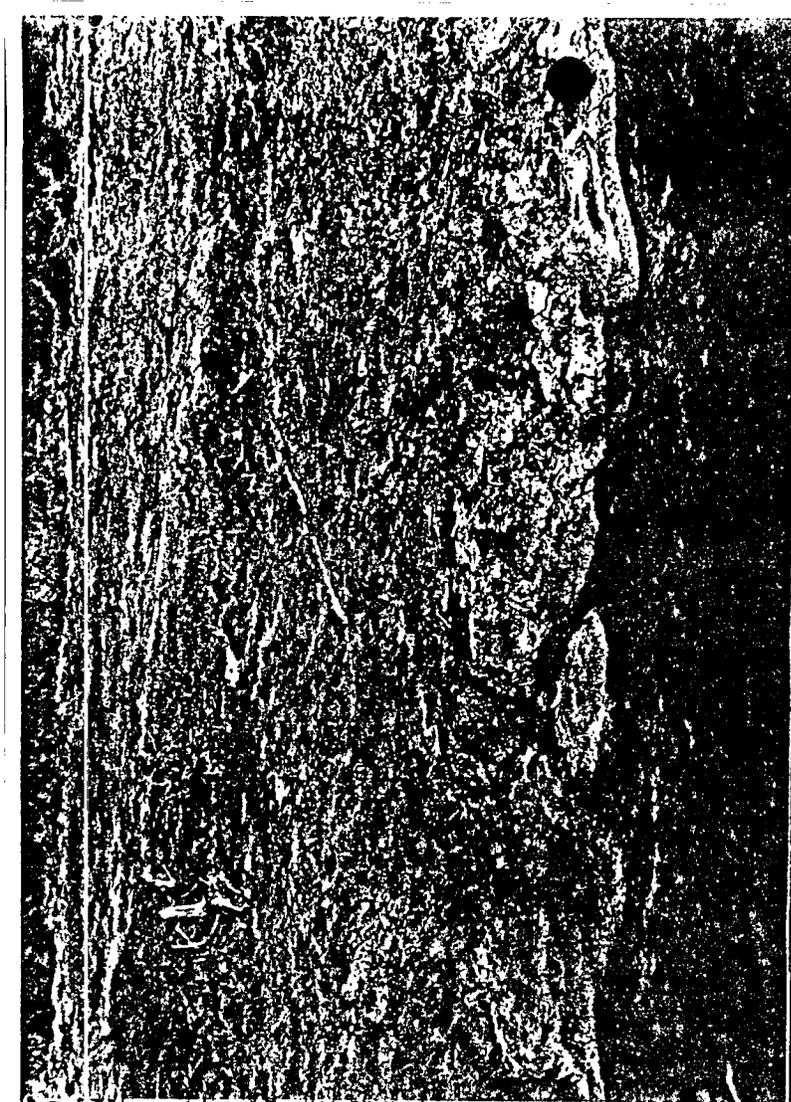
I recommend the State Land Office, Oil and Gas Division, notify the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division of the above problems.

Of major concern to Mr. Pardue is the issue of proper fencing around open pits containing oil field liquids. If possible, he would prefer fences with H-brace corners and at least 4 tight strands of barb wire. He would also prefer the practice of barb wire corner guy supports be discontinued. The guy wire supports have caused damage to livestock.

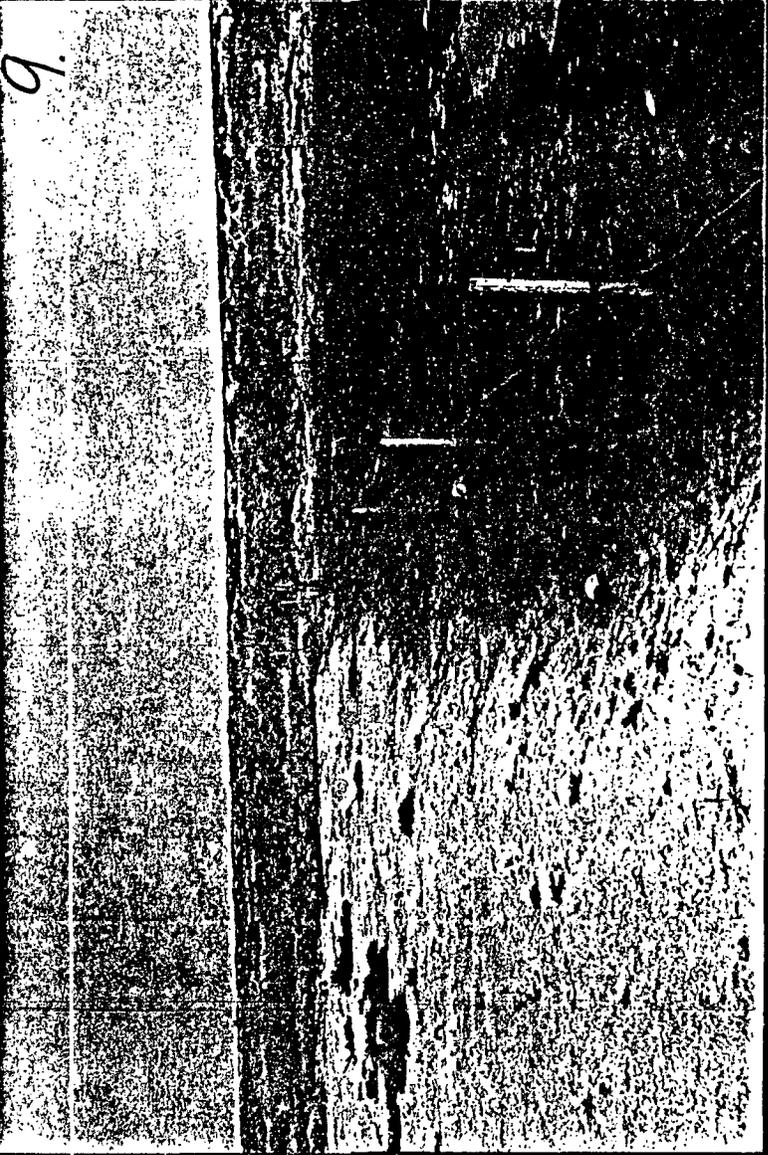
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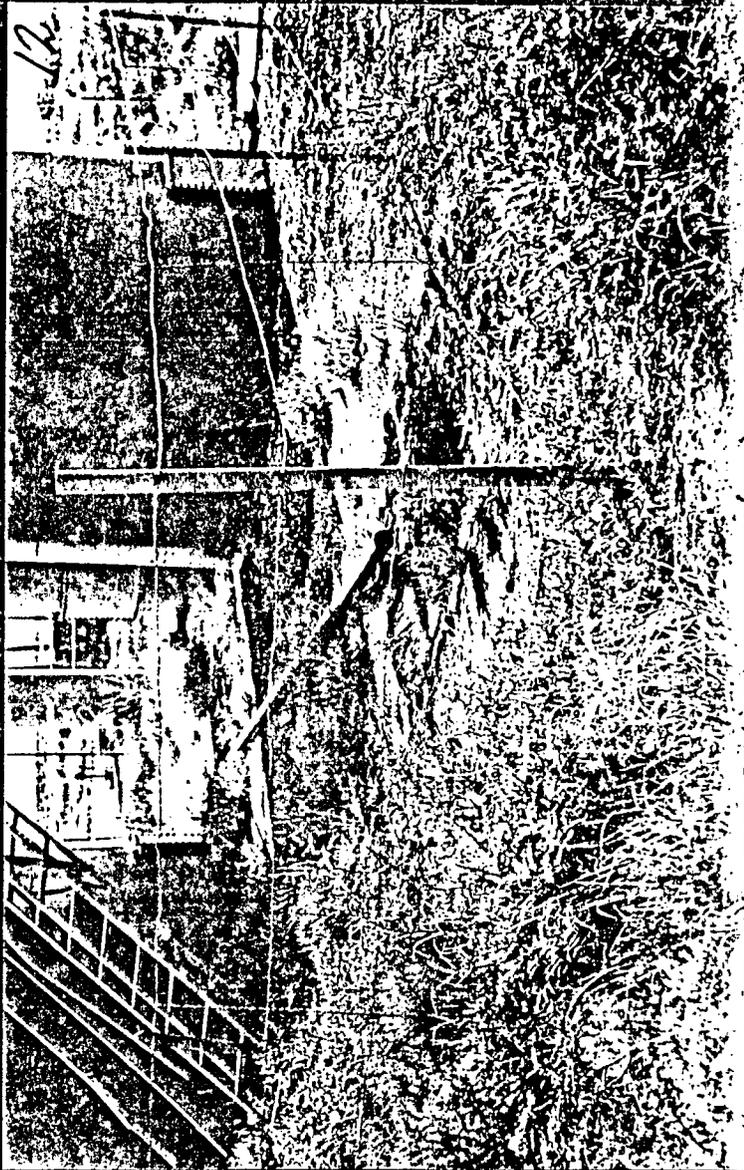
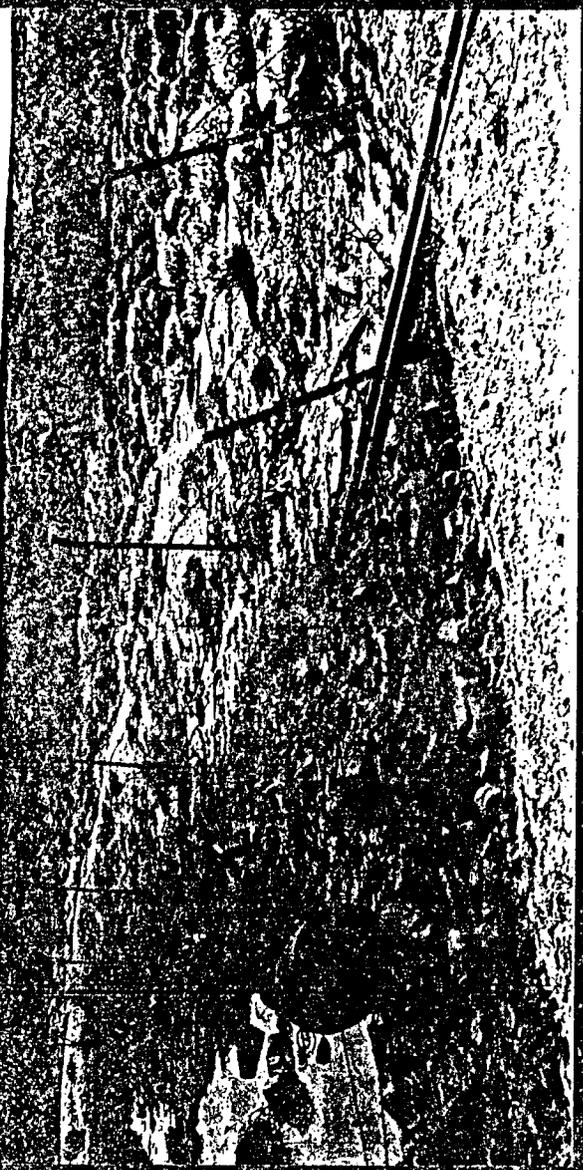
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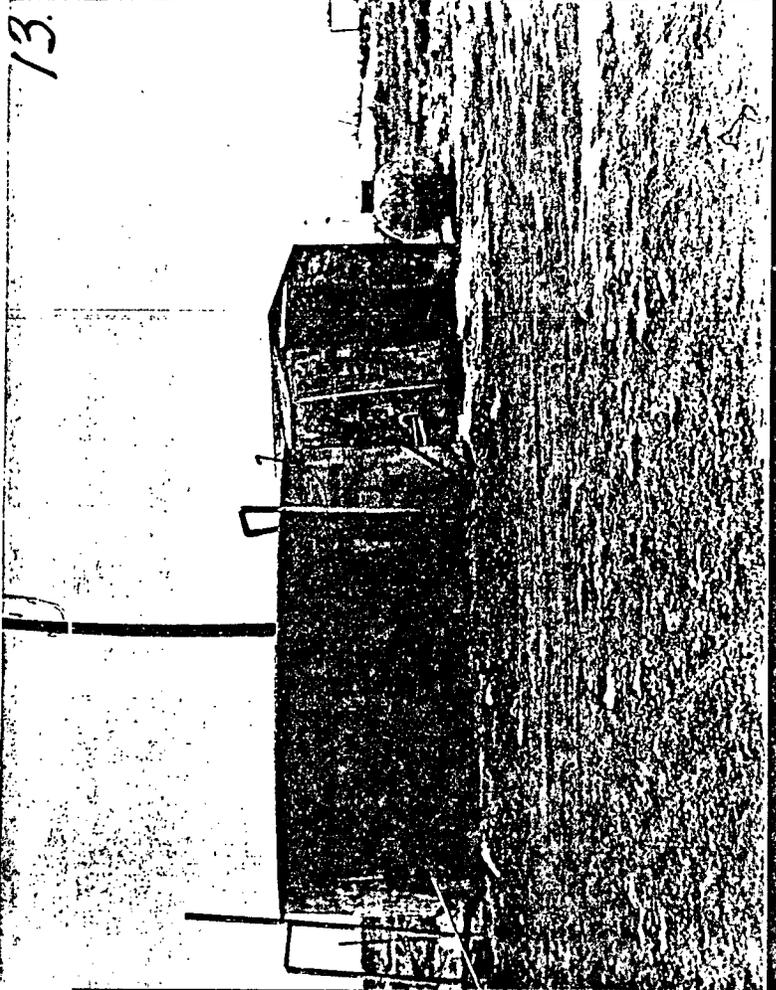
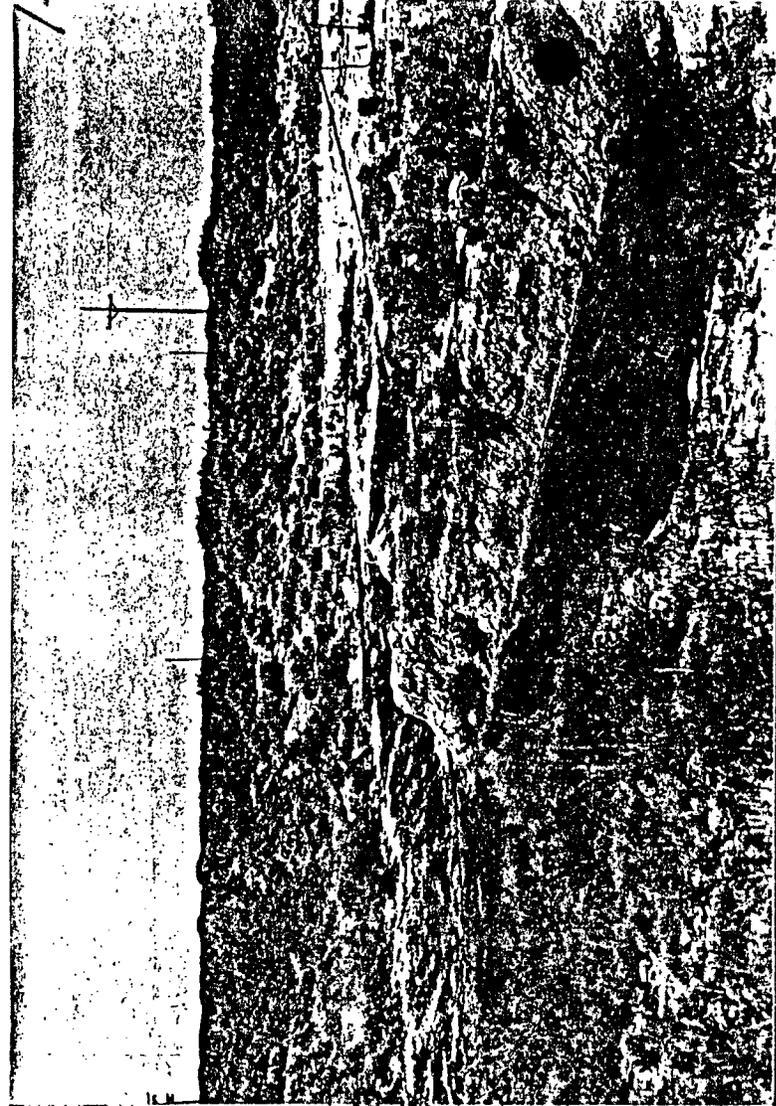
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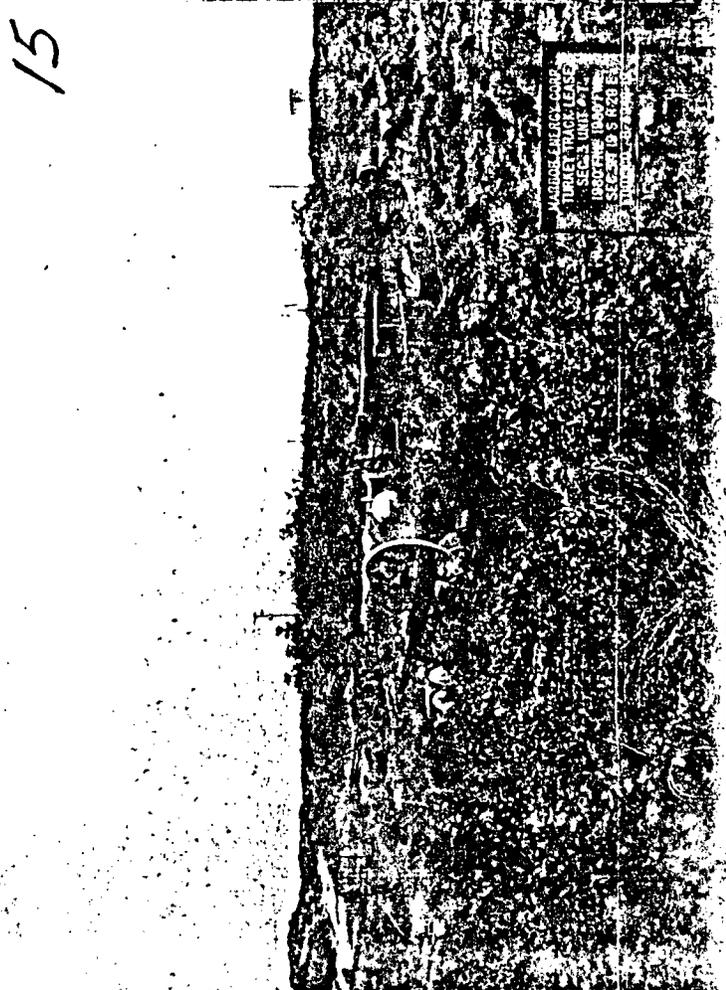
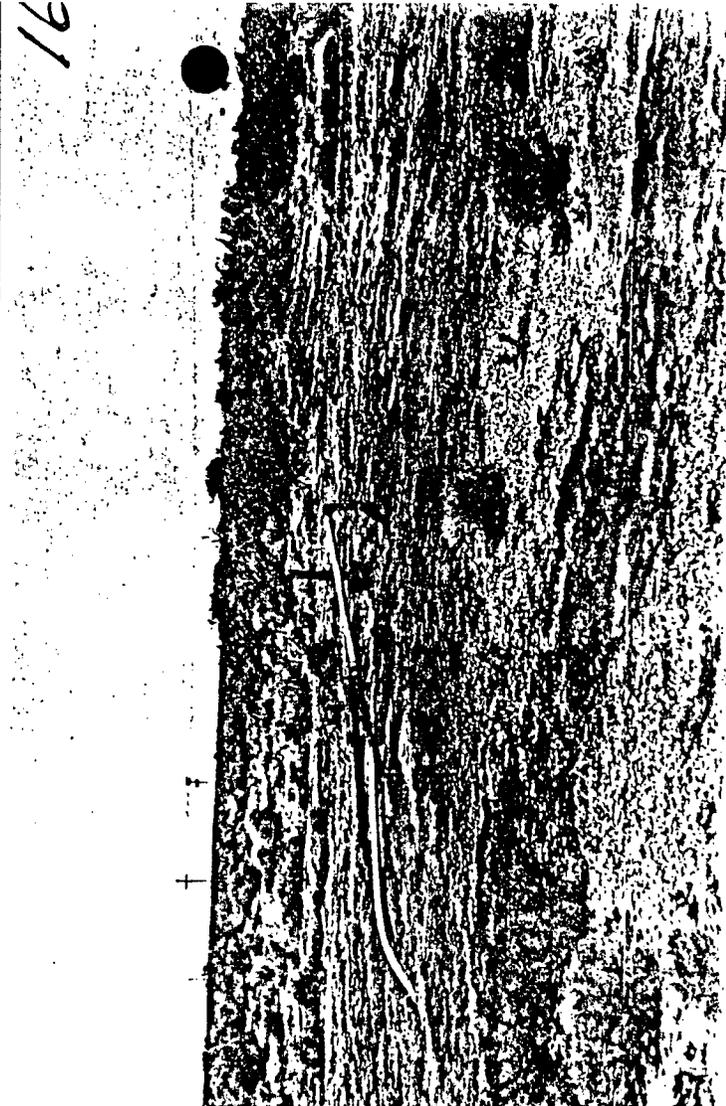
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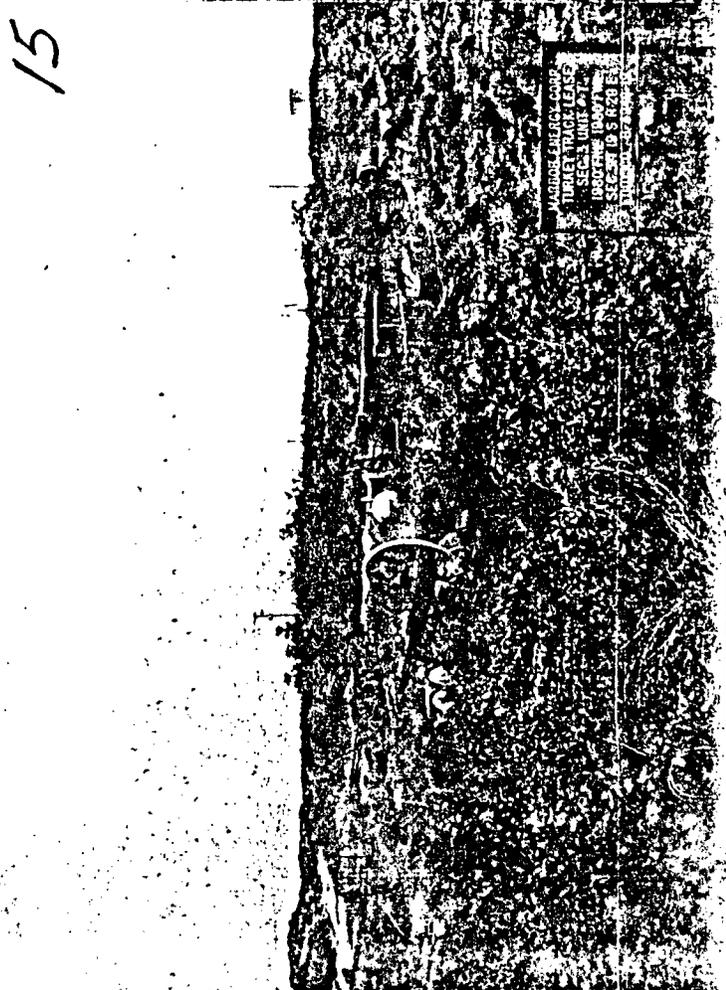


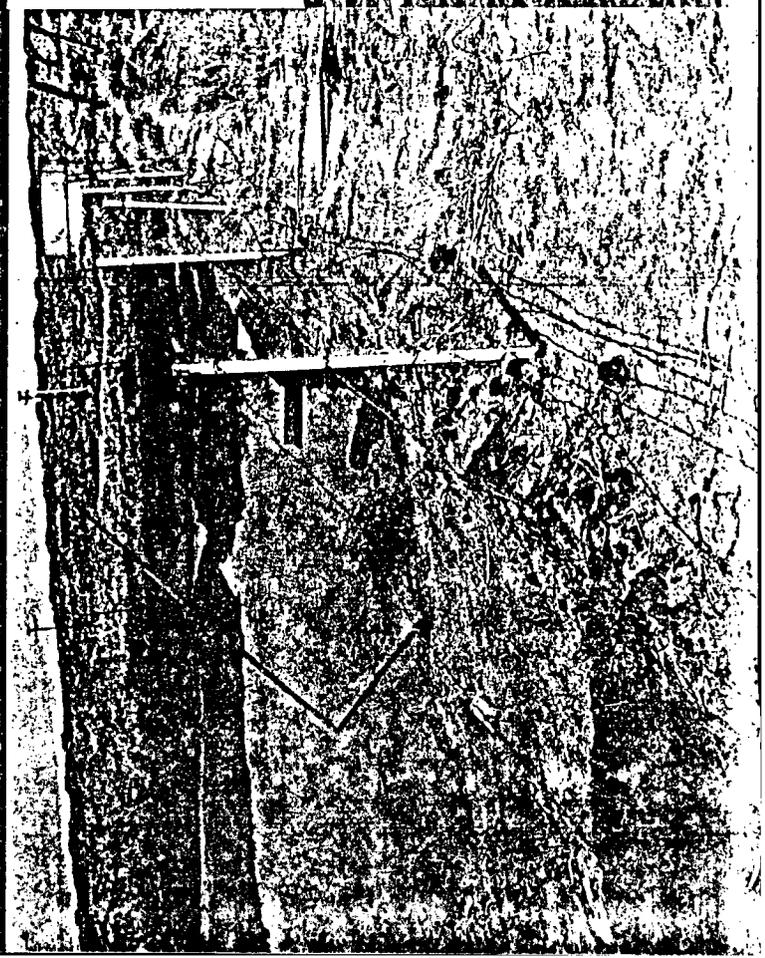
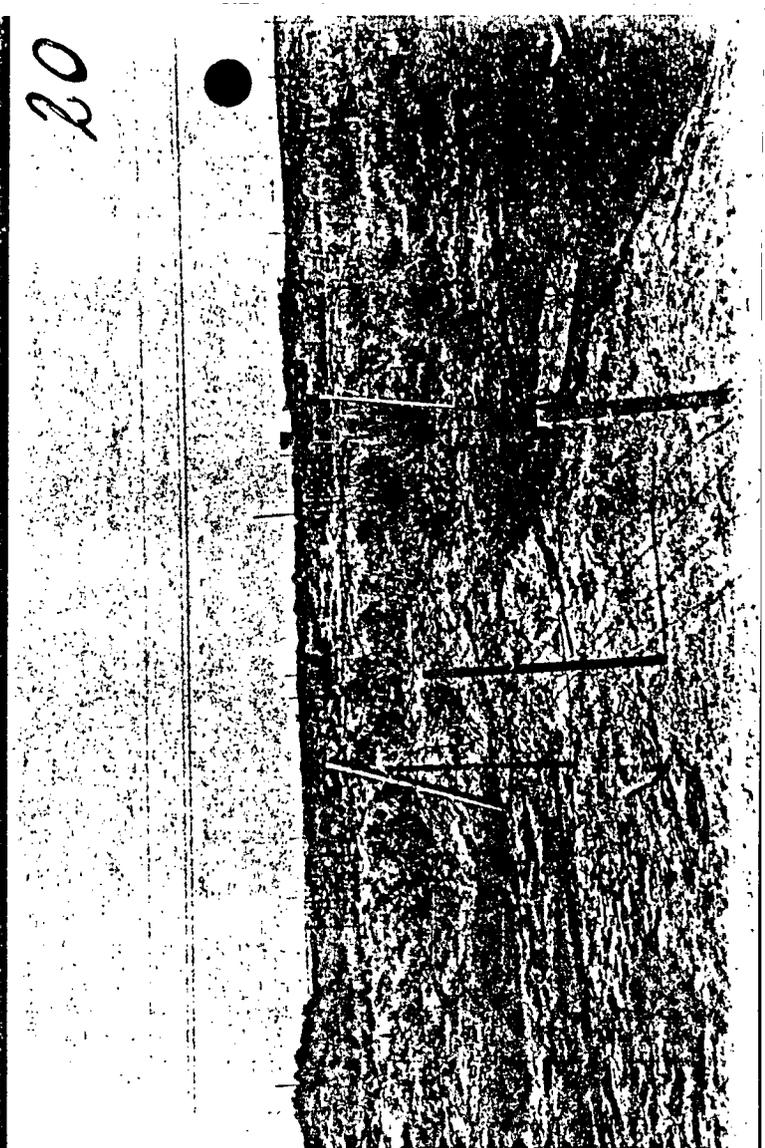
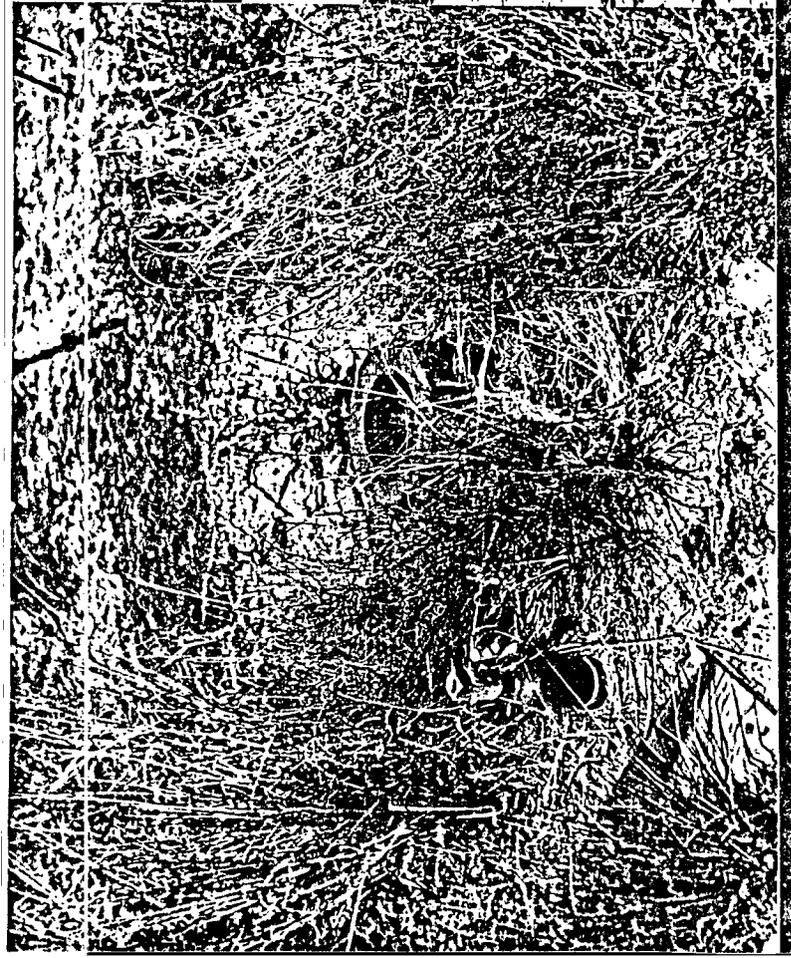
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