

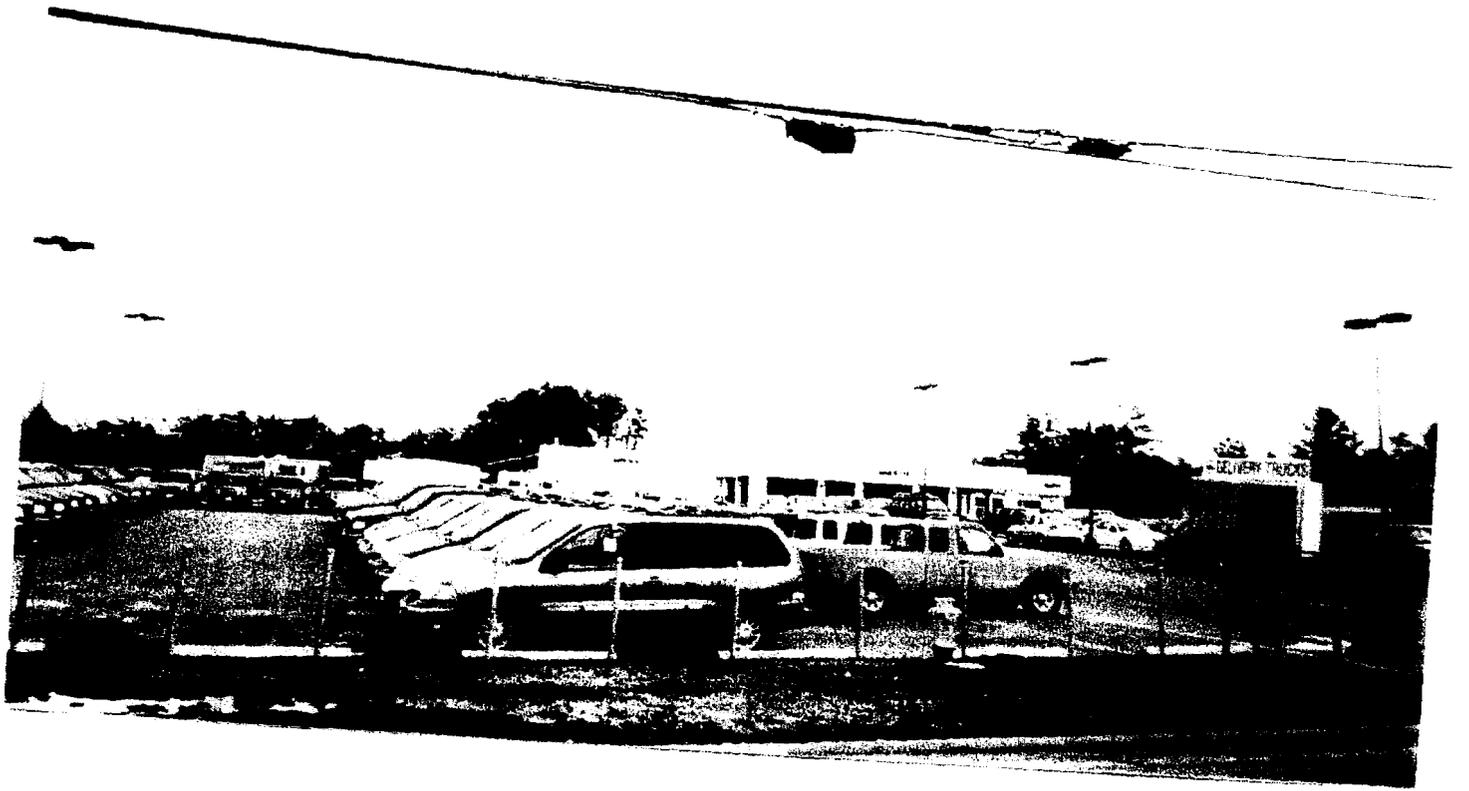
Due to cut backs by Sprint, a lot of closures around town have oil cloths on them as this one does. They can not be rehabed for lack of personnel.



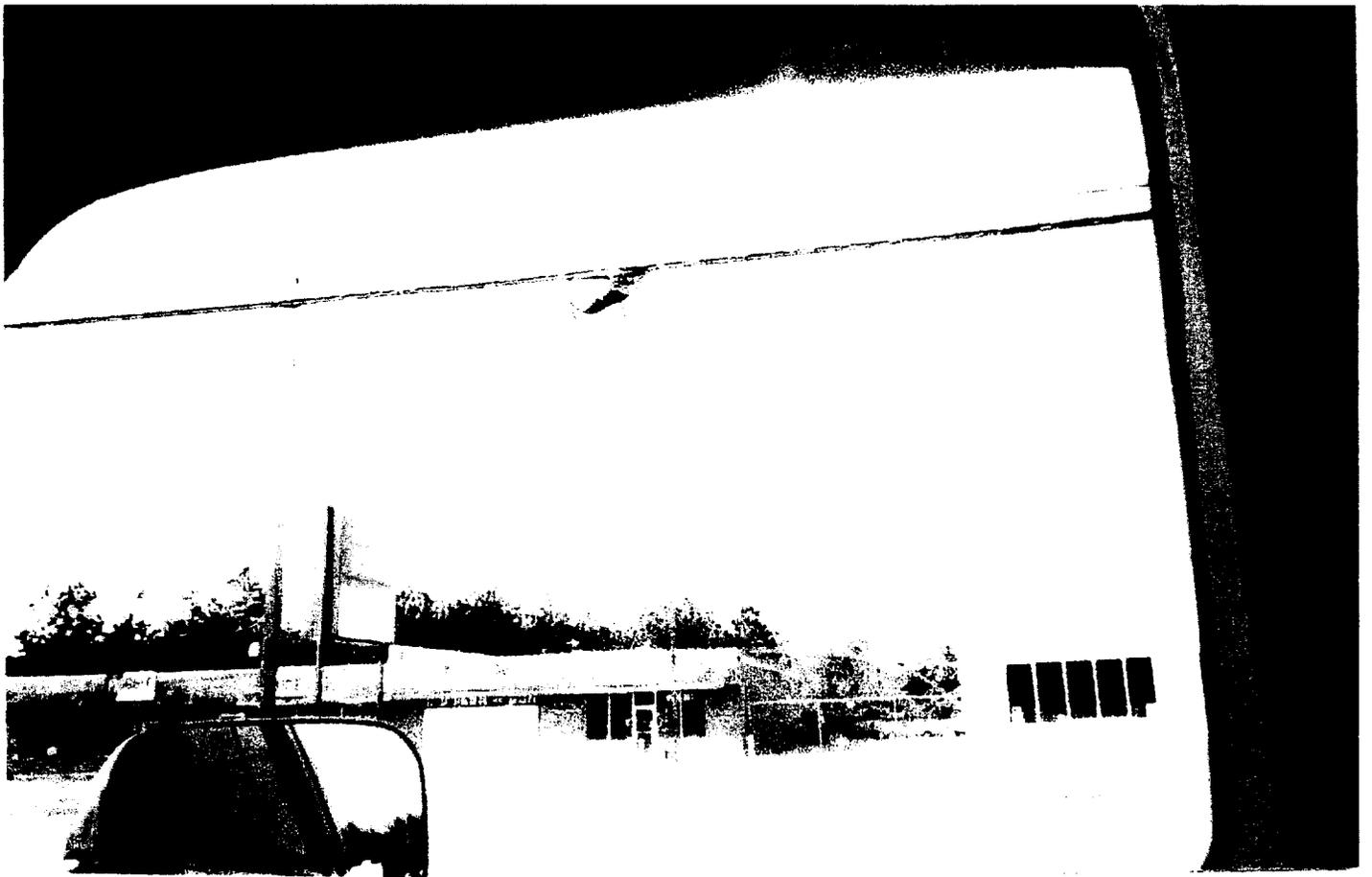
Another "temporary fix" in a nice North Carolina neighborhood.



Plastic "oil-cloth" covers a deteriorated splice on a major thoroughfare in front of businesses.



Another temporary fix makes for an eyesore in front of a Ford distributor in Fayetteville, N.C.



Temporary cover conceals deteriorated conditions at other business customers' locations.



The high, black monument in this photo is really a temporary plastic covering of a large buried pedestal on this street-corner.



This temporary plastic cover has been in place so long that it has become deteriorated -- leaving cable pairs exposed.



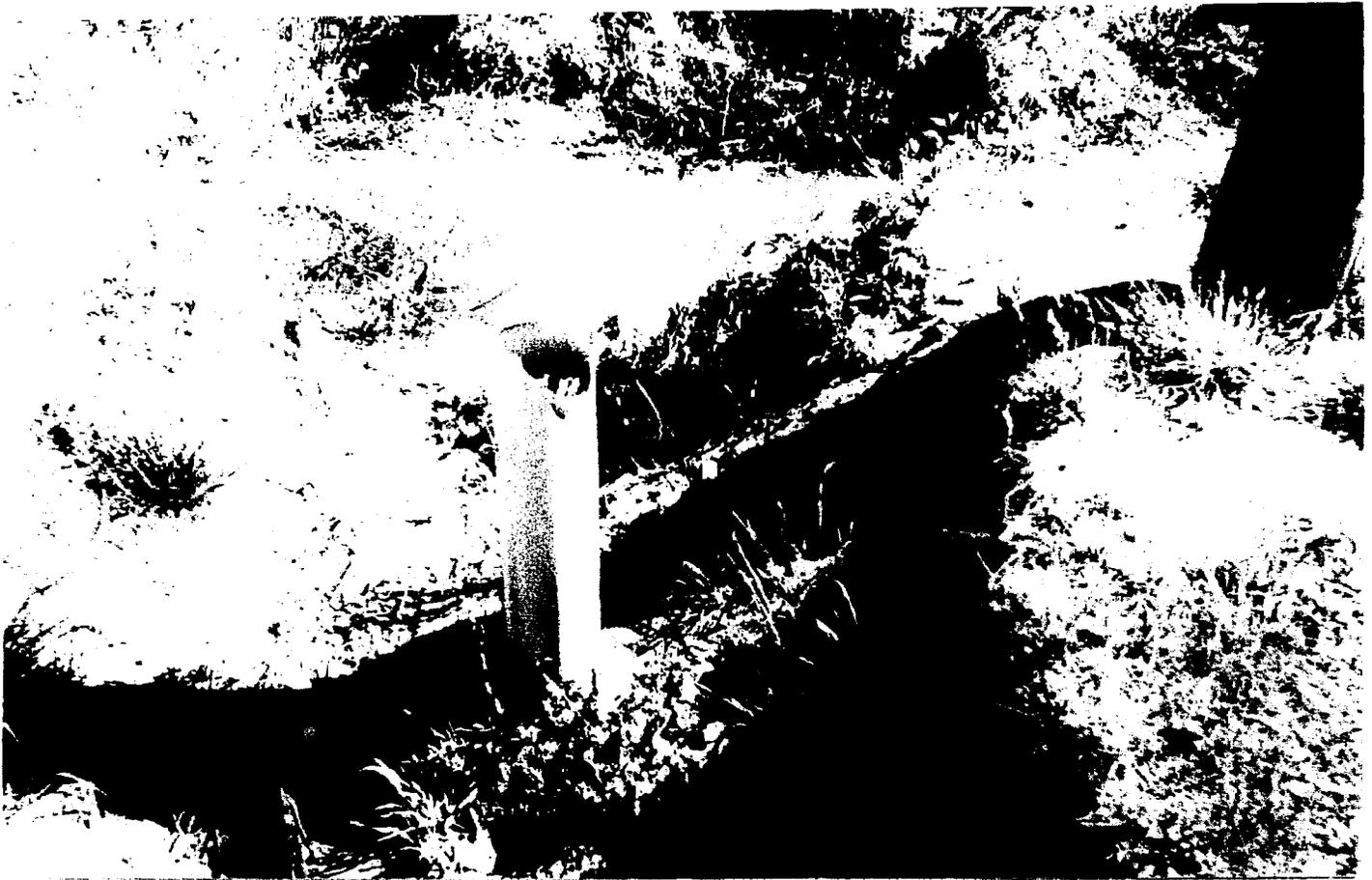
A request for replacement of this damaged pedestal has been ignored for months.



Another damaged pedestal in a residential area. Budget constraints prevent repair and replacement.



How would you like this modern, contemporary cost-saver in your front yard?



This buried pedestal also serves as harbor for wildlife.

Exhibit 2.

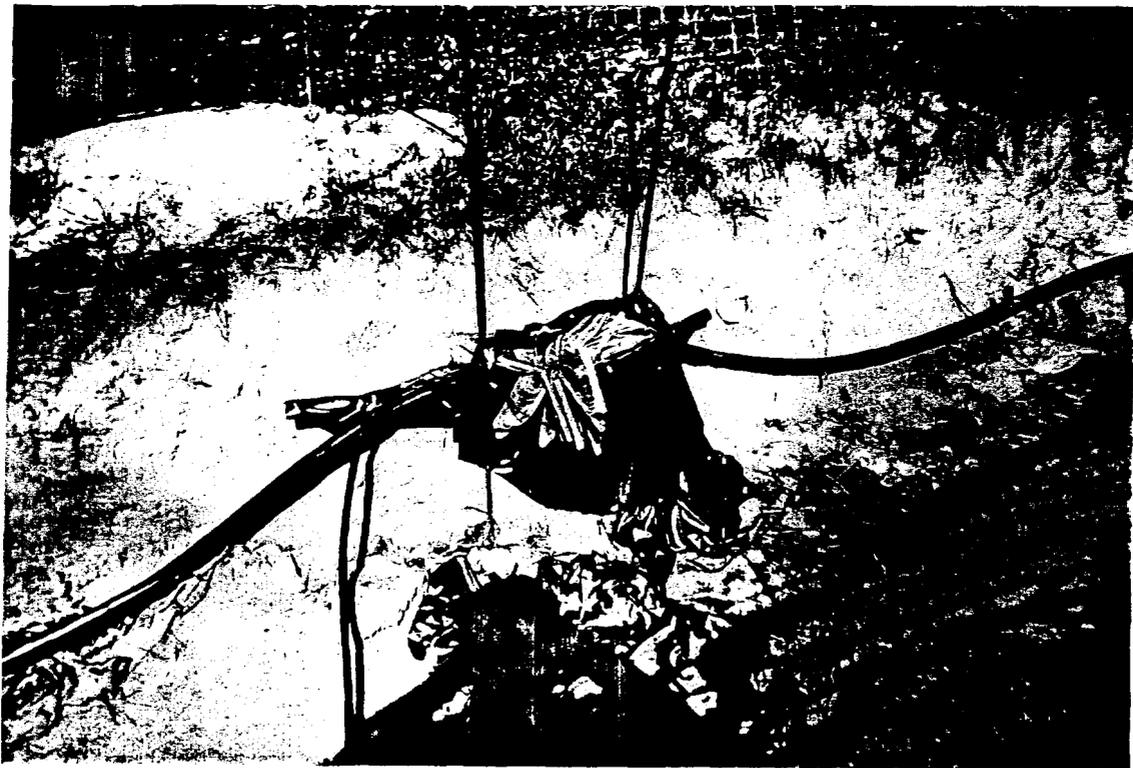
Pictures of Outside Plant  
in Sprint's  
Central Telephone of Texas

# Thanksgiving Day 1999

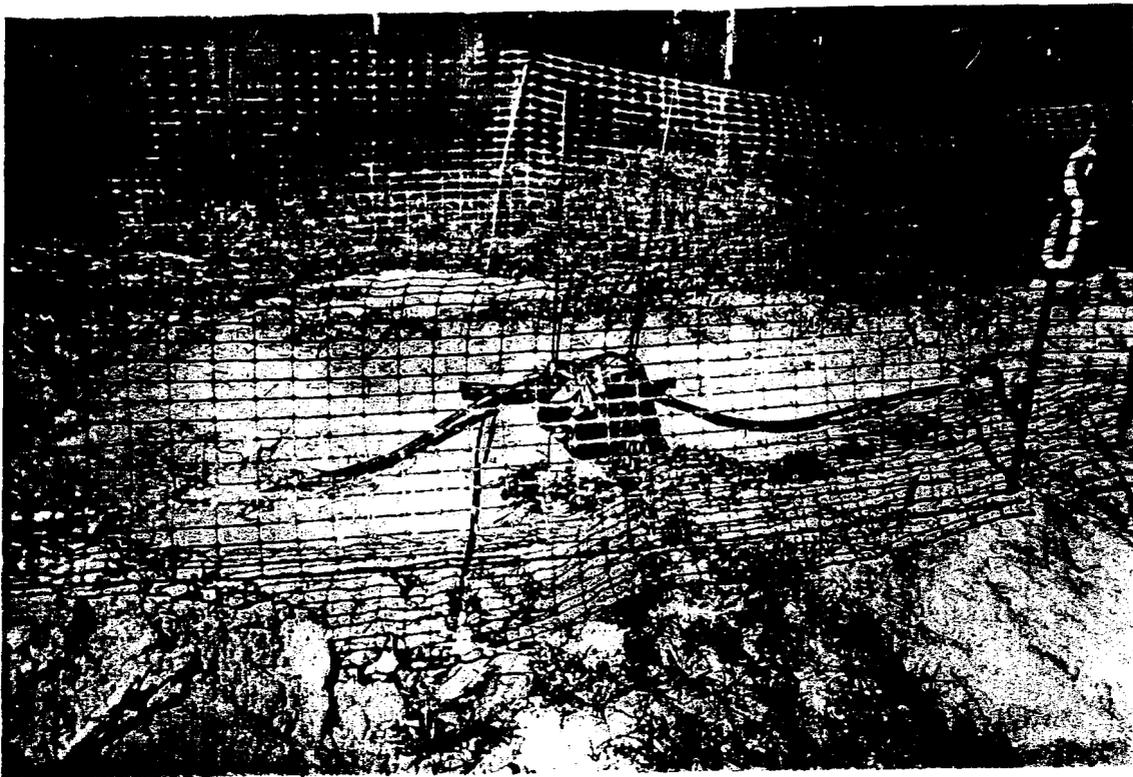


This was where an auto accident wiped out a telephone pedestal (box). The car rolled over, caught on fire, burned 400 pr cable up.....The 400 pr was temporarily in this hole. (STILL NOT FIXED) This will get wet and go out of service when it rains hard.

400 pr Thanksgiving Day

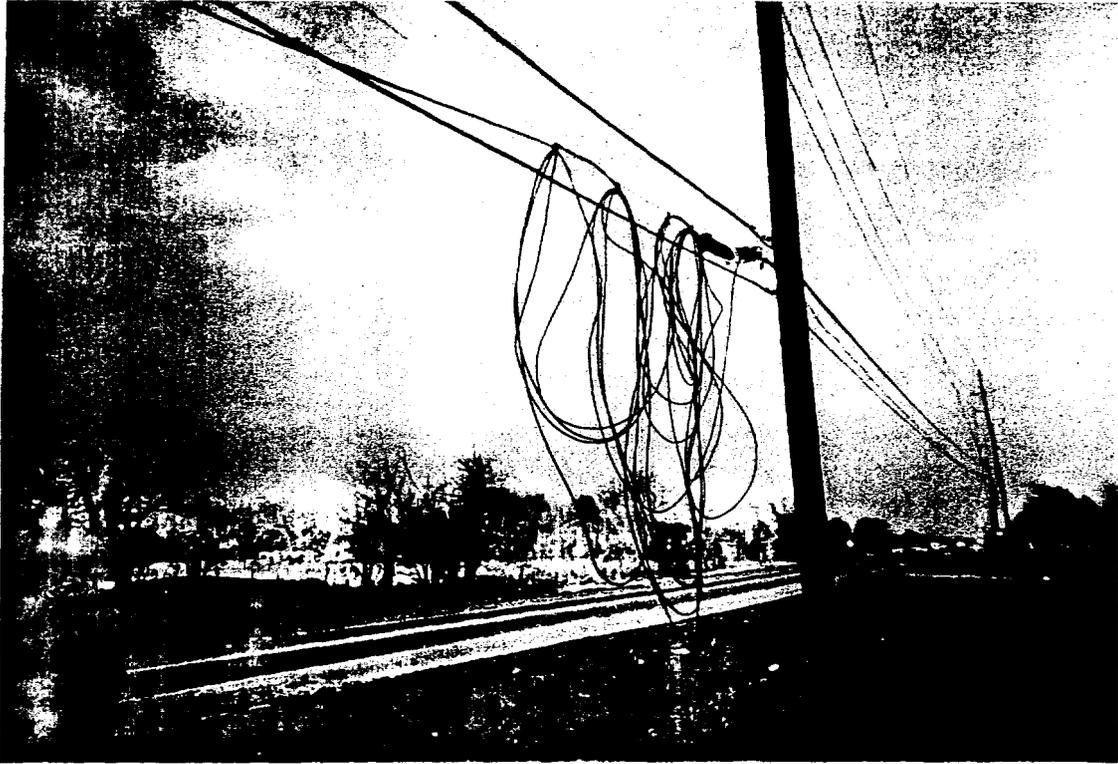


Down in the hole

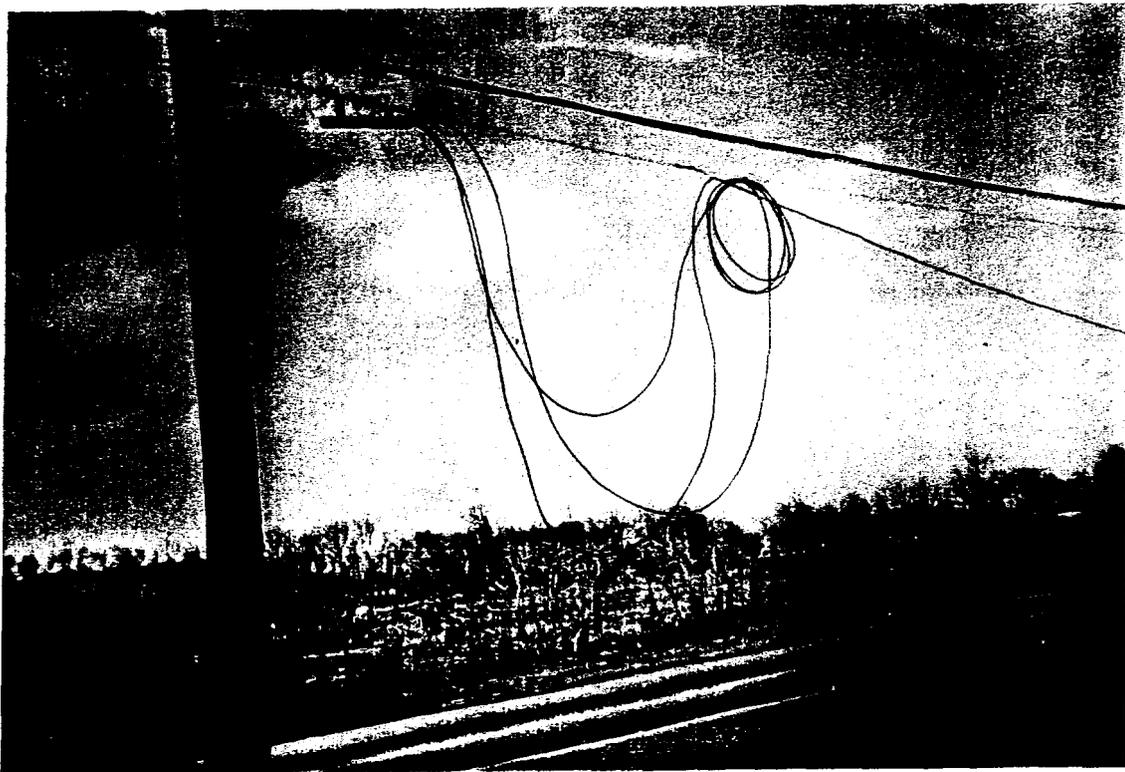


Another view 400 pr

# Fiber optics torn down in 1998



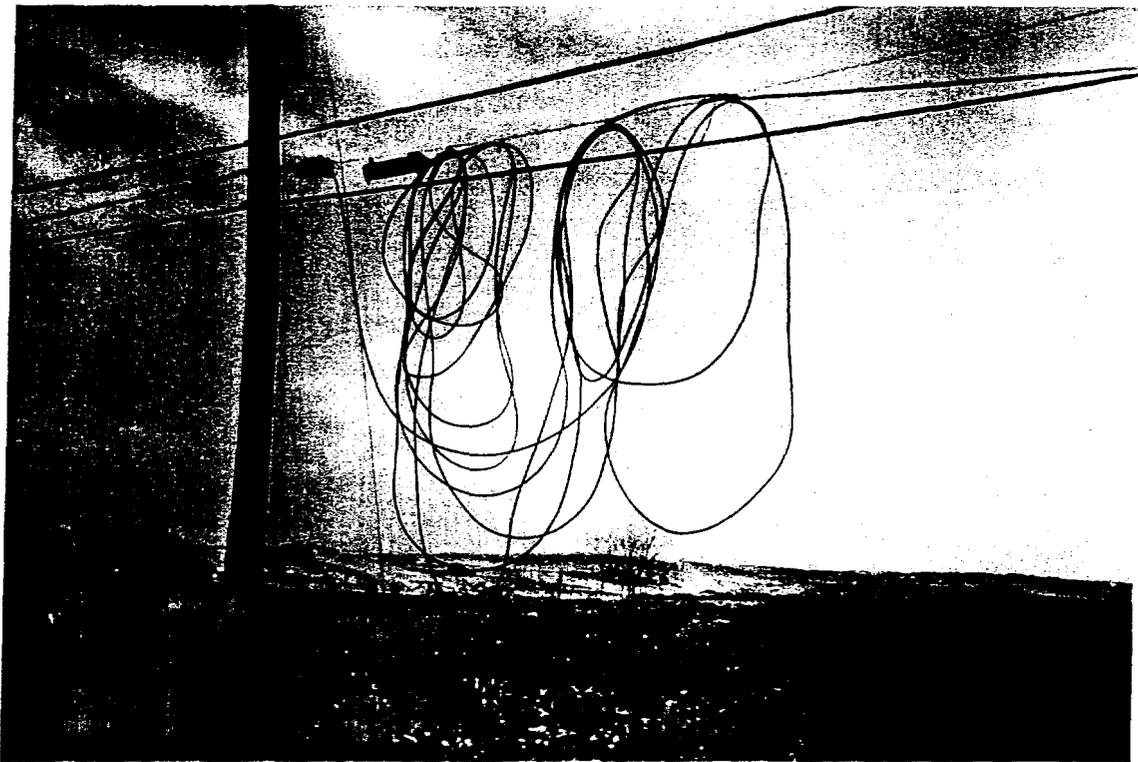
All traffic for one city goes on these!



Other end "fiber optics" city to city  
200 pr pulled down

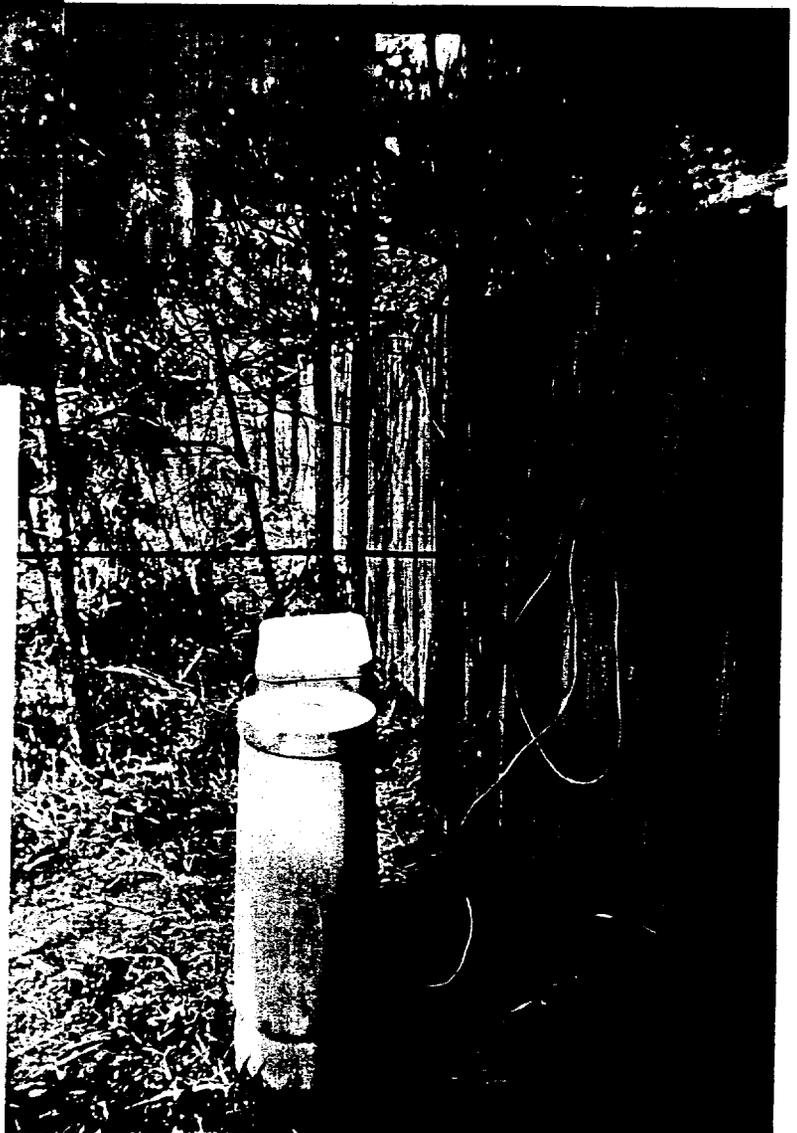


Temporarily tied to power lines over 2 years now!



Fiber optics over a year

Broken pole--over 5  
years old. I've turned  
it in 3 times myself.  
2-300 pr cables



Bad section from one  
box to another. Pairs  
are working on "inside  
wire". At least 6  
months now  
tied to fence!



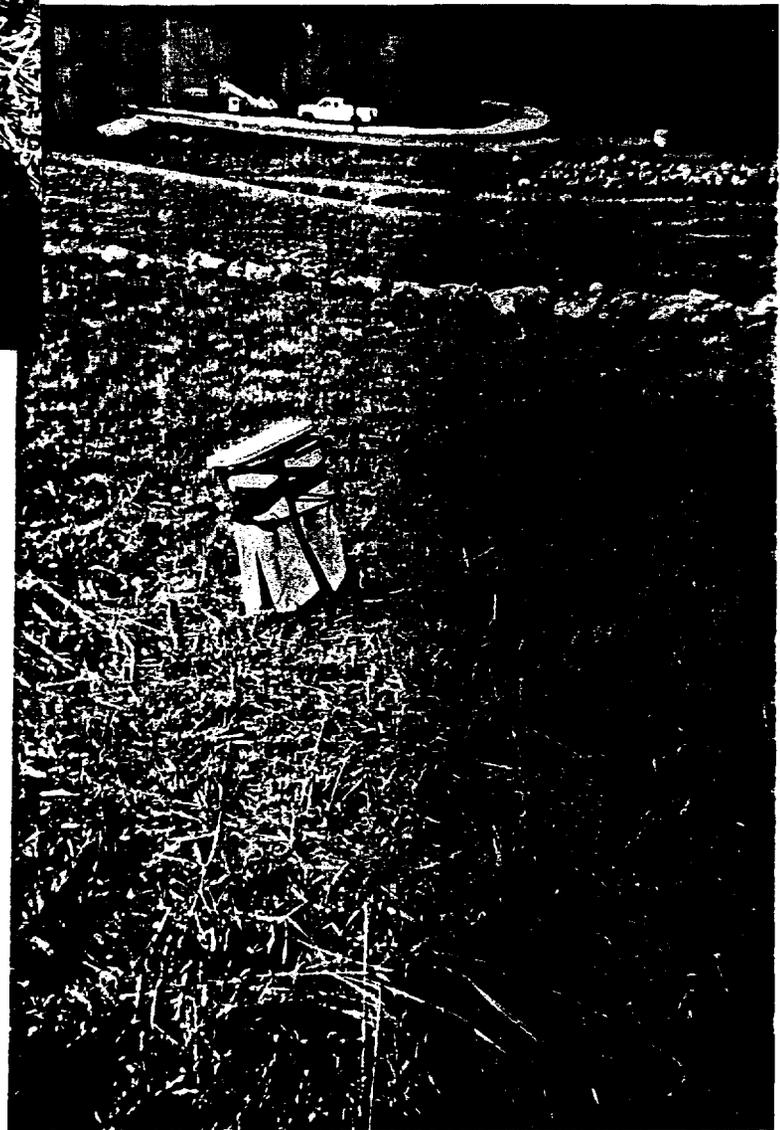
50 pr cable just waiting to get pulled down. Should be attached to pole

Peds left open.  
300 pr--still some lines working in it. Contractors have been working this road over 4 years now, still not done!





Peds left open. 300 pr  
left open for years,  
still lines working on  
this mess. Contractors  
have been on this on  
and off for over 4 years



Mowing machines  
over a year and still not  
repaired. 2400 pr

Aerial splices' plastic has rotted!



Many years old



Holes in plastic

Aerial splice case broken-600 lines

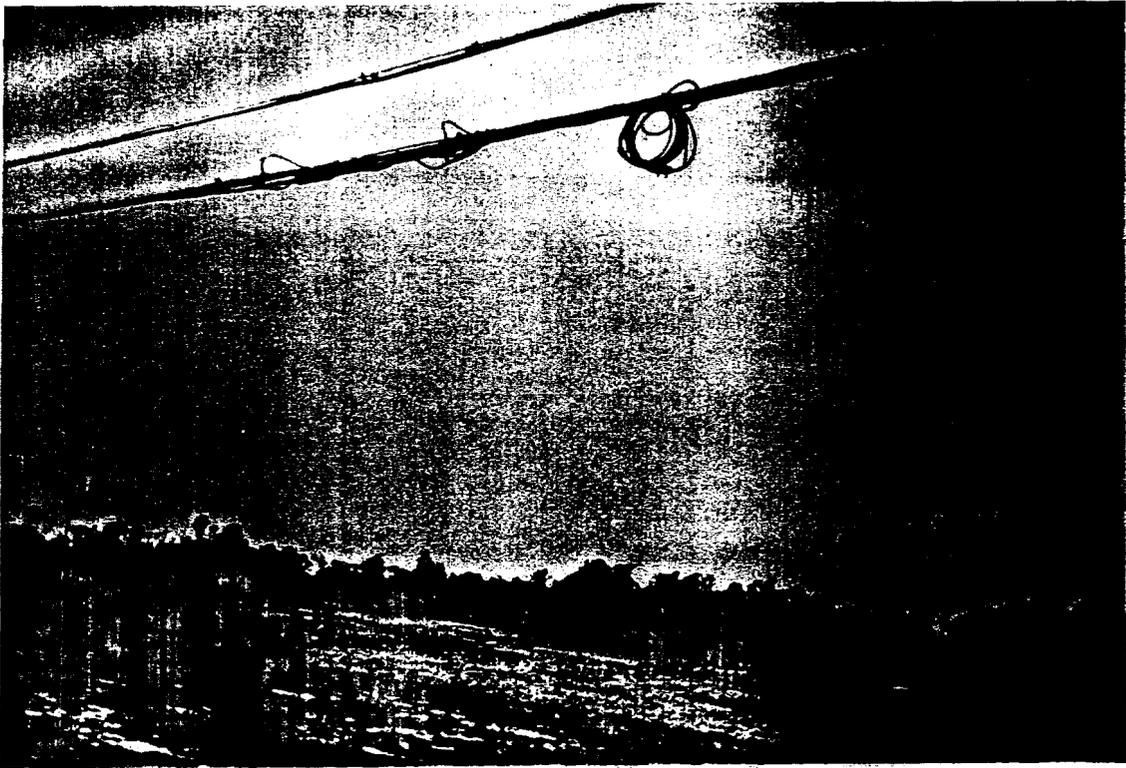


Exposed to weather



Plastic bag on 400 pr cable

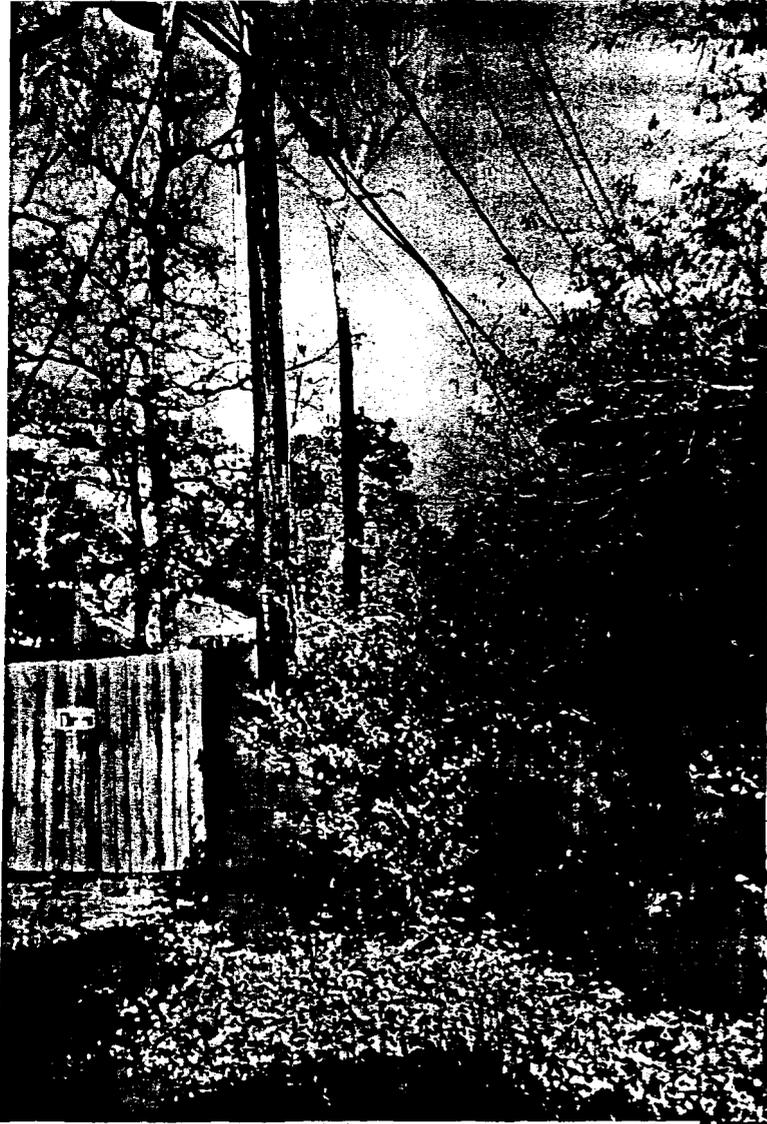
Aerial mess



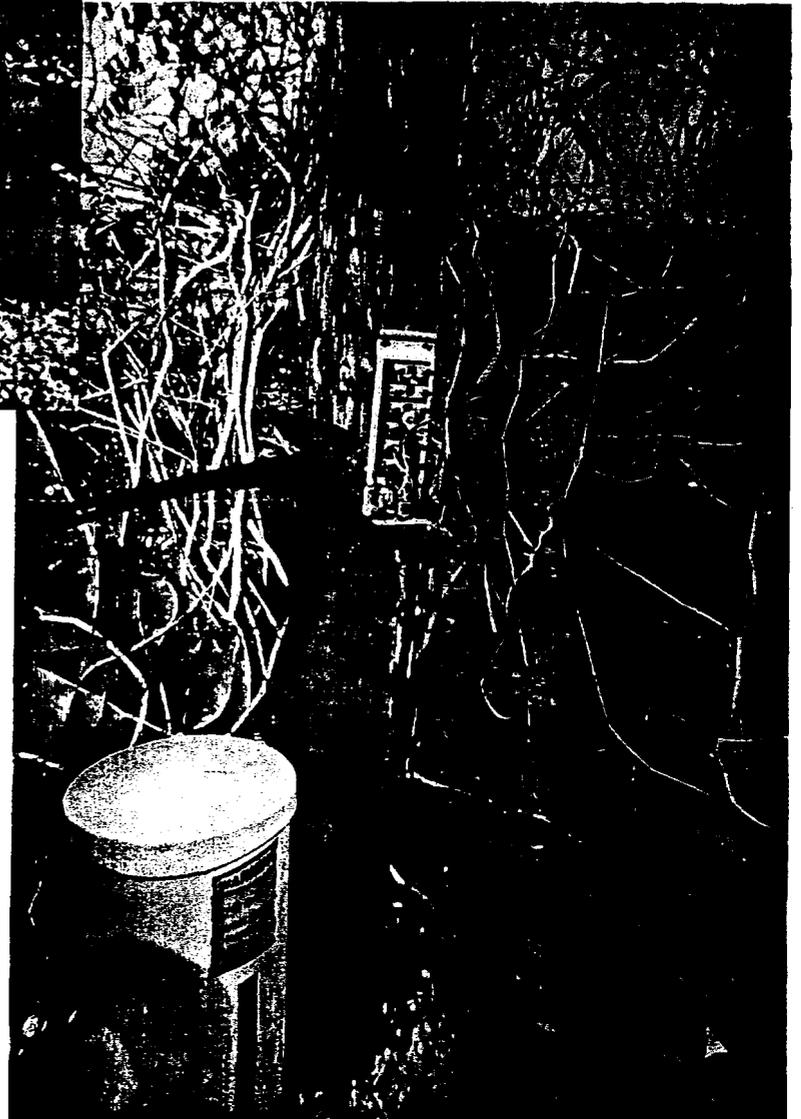
It shouldn't look like this!



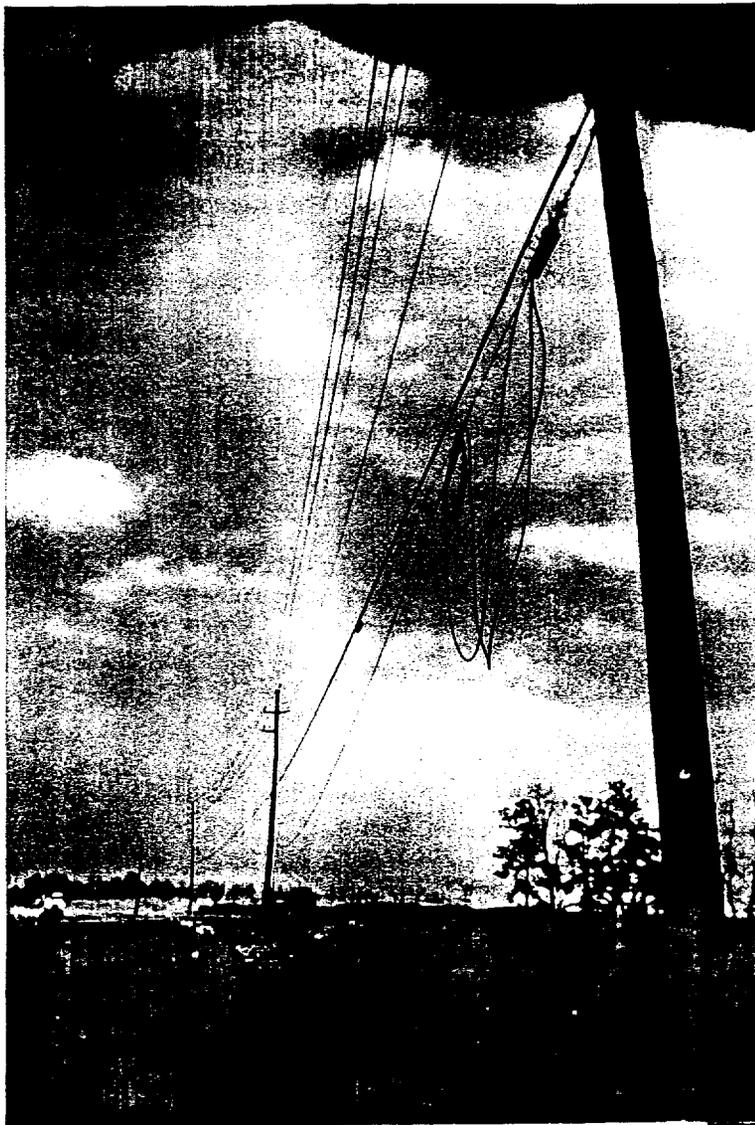
Another plastic covering 300 pr



This cable is tied to another to get service. 800' of 100 pr laying in bushes and trees!!!!  
This is over 8 months now.....



This is called a 6 pr "protector". What is protected? They had a fire here last fall....

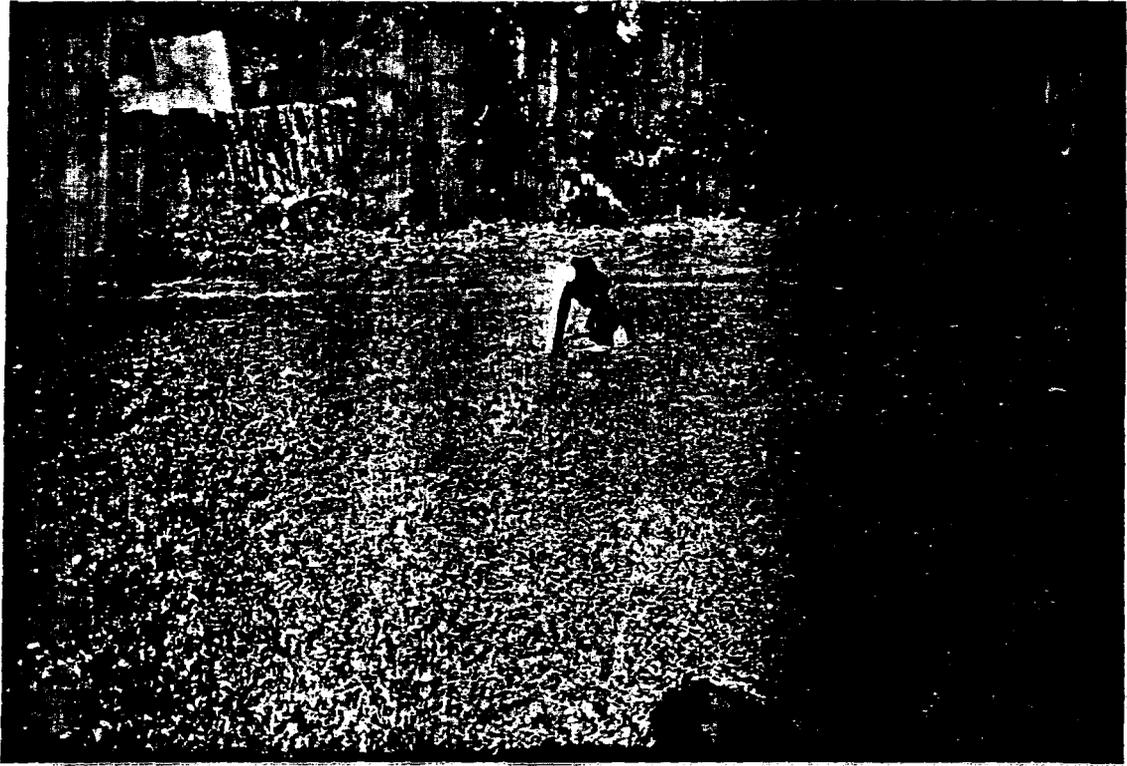


Fiber optic cable temporarily tied up so mowing machines won't cut into it! Over a year old!

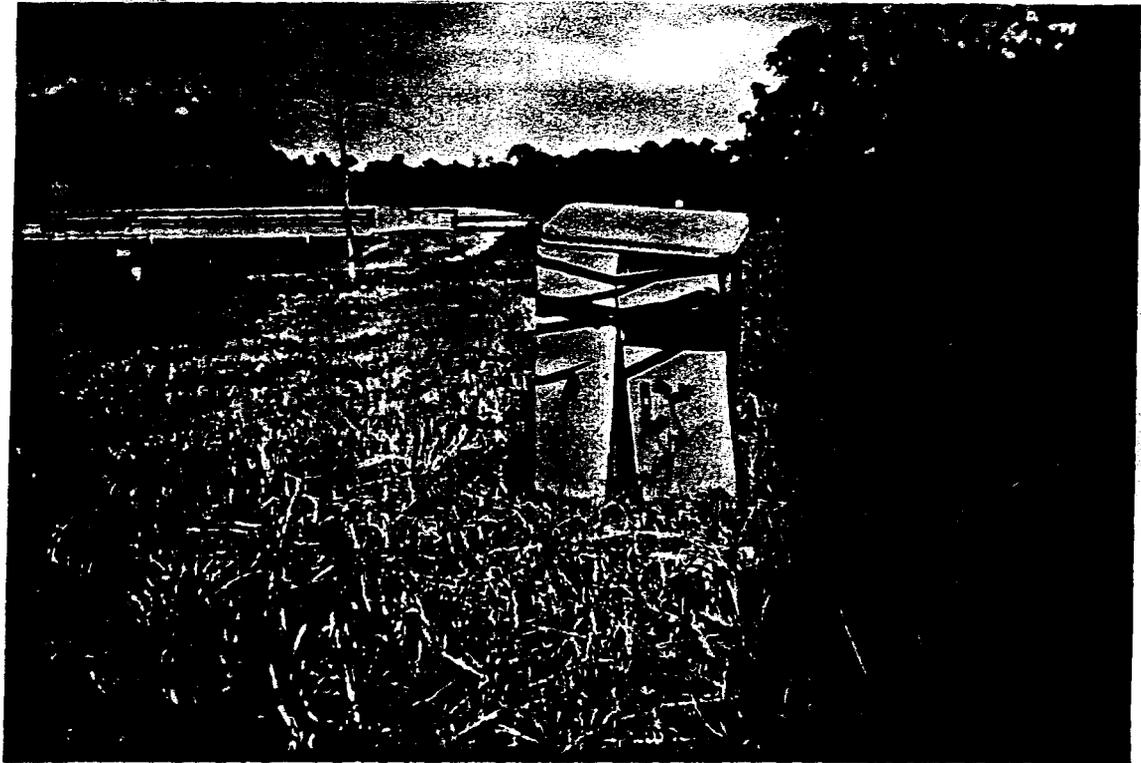


4 Foot hole. Damaged 25 pr 6 weeks old. If it had rained? But it didn't.... I fixed this one.

Damaged peds



Over a year old...



2400 pr in this one