

78^{bx} 6 CAPERTON'S FERRY Jk. Co. Site #46 ITEM 45 Sec. 26, T2S, R8E

TARCOG HISTORICAL SURVEY
Final Report Form

Make your answers as concise as possible.

Number as appears on your county map 46

1. Name of site or structure Caperton's Ferry

2. Location of site or structure (including township, range and section number, and which quadrant of section if known) near Stevenson; turn rt. across road from Town-Co Restaurant just before you get to the "Y." Drive to Snodgrass bridge which now crosses the ~~xxx~~ water instead of the Ferry.

3. Description _____

4. Historical significance of site or structure if known Federal Troops were camped here during the Civil War. A pontoon bridge was built here across the Tennessee River. An old iron boat was found here by the surveyors, believed to be Civil War relic.

Names:

Caperton's Ferry

TARCOG Historical
Survey

Places:

Stevenson, AL

Types:

survey

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Jk. Co. Site #46
Sec. 26, T2S, R8E

TARCOG
ARCHITECTURAL--HISTORICAL NOTES
FIELD SURVEYOR
RECORDING FORM

County: Jackson
Field Surveyors' Names: Forbes
Sorrells
Historical Notes Number: 46
(Red Ink)
Photograph Record Number: 73 thru 83
(Blue Ink)

1. Name: Caperton's Ferry

2. Location: near Stevenson, Alabama. Turn right across road from
Town-Co Restaurant just before you get to the "Y". Drive til you
come to the Snodgrass Bridge which now crosses the water instead of
the Ferry

3. Owner of Property: unknown

4. Geographical Data: Unknown

5. Acreage: _____

6. Classification: site

7. Integrity: None

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Names:

Caperton's Ferry

Forbes,

Sorrells,

Places:

Jackson County, AL

Types:

survey

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8. Condition: good- bridge now crosses river

9. Present Use: boat launching ramp and lower levee west side.
East side, vacant.

10. Areas of Significance: Col. George Winfield Caperton purchased a reservation from Indian Chief John Fox and opened a ferry service linking the two sides of the river. During the Civil War a pontoon bridge was built across the river at this point by the Federal soldiers. Whole families were quarantined so no leak of the bridge would reach the Confederate soldiers (this information found in manuscript data of the late Mrs. Jack Caperton of Stevenson by Christine Sumner Rt. 5, Box 123, Scottsboro, Alabama. No reference was given.)

11. Architectural Description: Possible location of old ferry sight-located from log at the land.
Iron, ~~main~~ boat on east shore at suspect location.
Boat is 30' long, made of iron, over lapping sheets of approx. 1/4" thickness. Sheets are riveted together. Remains of painted wooden bulwark on upper edge. Two steel patches on lower bow have been welded on, indicating that used weld/repairing.
Suspect boat may have been built around Civil War era.
Considering exposure to elements, boat in fair shape.
Possible one of boats used for pontoon bridge.
Several old hulks remain on each shore. Wooden construction.
Design is of small, barge type. Age not determined.

12. Sketches of structure or site when applicable:

Date of Completion: 3/2/74

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Names:

Caperton, George
Winfield, Colonel

Caperton, Jack, Mrs.
Caperton's Ferry

Fox, John (Indian
Chief)

Sumner, Christine

Types:

survey

Dates:

Mar 02, 1974

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TARCOG
HISTORICAL SURVEY PHOTOGRAPH RECORD

County: JACKSON

Field Surveyors' Names: FORBES

I. Information on Photograph

Date of Photograph: 3/2/74 Photographer: SORRELLS

Roll Number: _____ View Description: Site of Caperton

Exposure Number: _____ Ferry and wrecks located
at site.

II. Information on Site

Place Number on Map (Blue Ink): 46
(Copied from number used in recording it on appropriate County Highway Map)

Historical Notes Number (Red Ink): 46
(If there is a historical notes form filled in for this place, write it in the photograph number in the upper right-hand corner of this form in space provided).

Location (Word Description): US 72 to Stearns, Jackson County road 117
East Ferry site is north of Snodgrass Bridge over Tenn.
River.

Owner or Occupant: unknown
(Name, if known)

Address: _____

TYPE of Structure: () House () Outbuilding () Commercial
() Barn () Industrial (X) Other, describe
check one or more Ferry site and site of military operation
during Civil War.

Apparent period of construction: (X) Federal
() Greek Revival
() Mid-19th Century
() Latter 19th Century
() Early 20th Century

Apparent period of Additions: () Federal
() Greek Revival
() Mid-19th Century
() Latter 19th Century
() Early 20th Century
(X) Later 20th Century (modern) Bridge.

III. Remarks and Sketches if appropriate: _____

Date of completion: 3/2/74 Form HS-2

Names:

Caperton's Ferry

Forbes,

Sorrells,

Places:

Jackson County, AL

Types:

survey

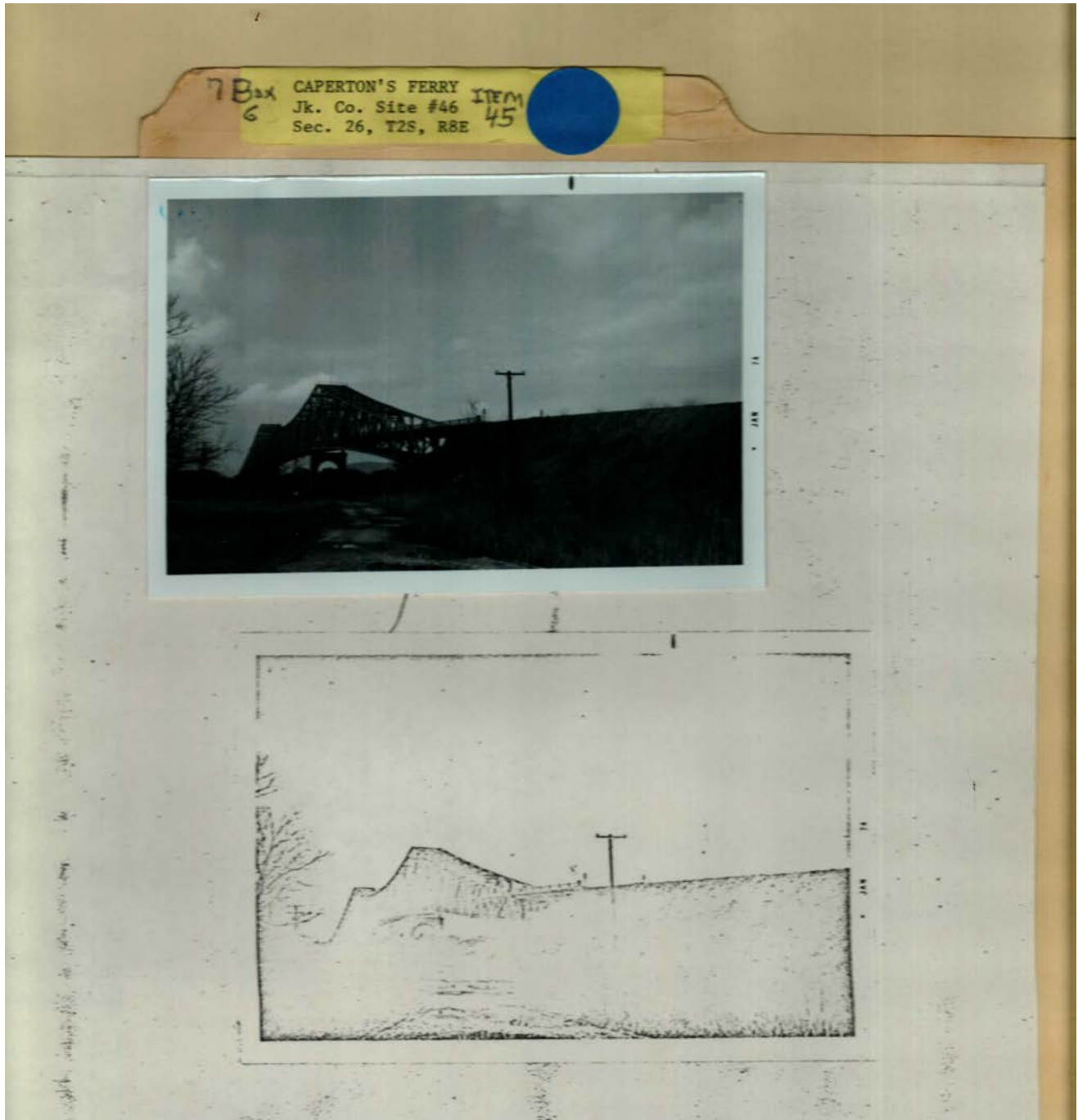
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Places:

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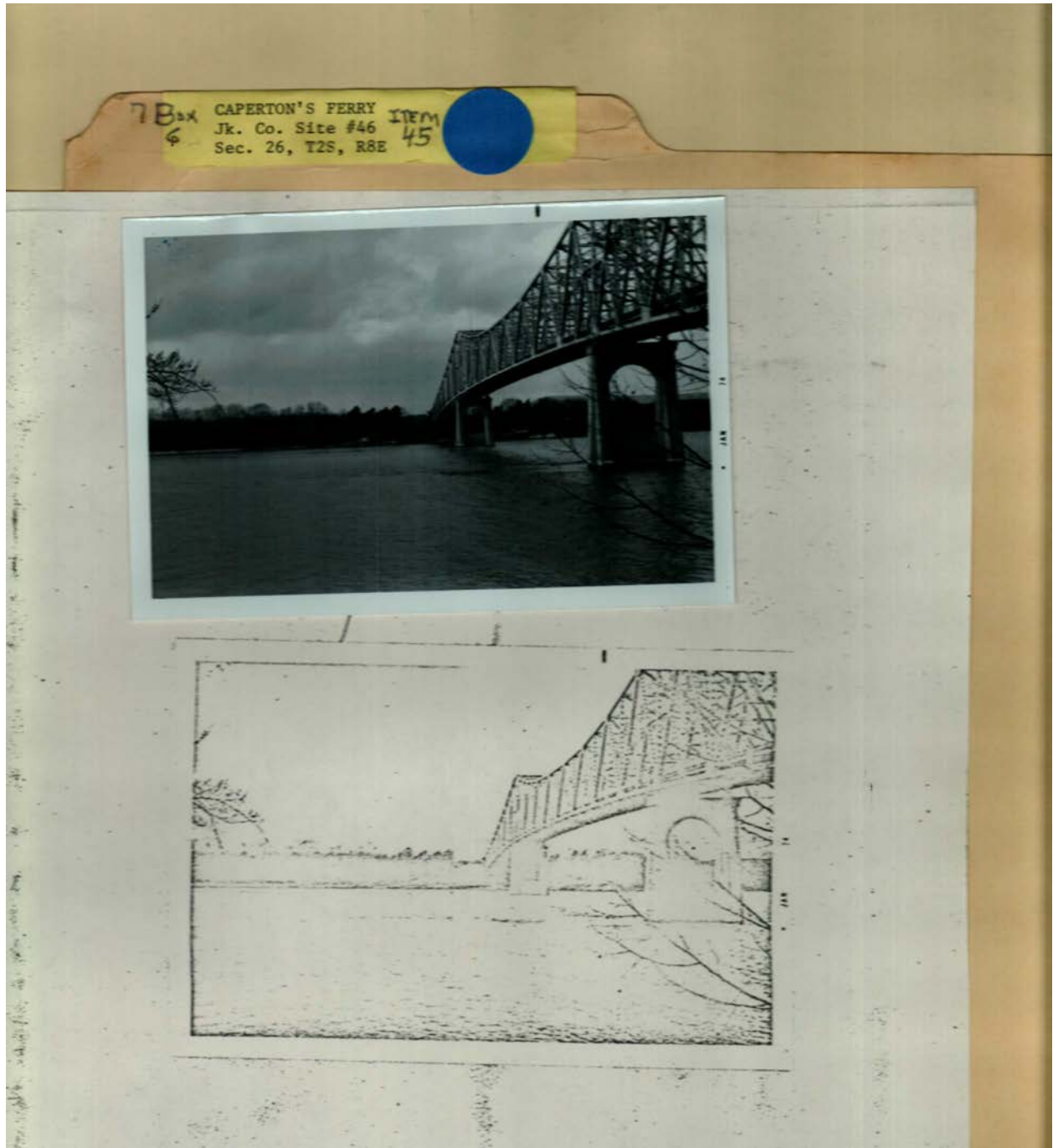
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Places:

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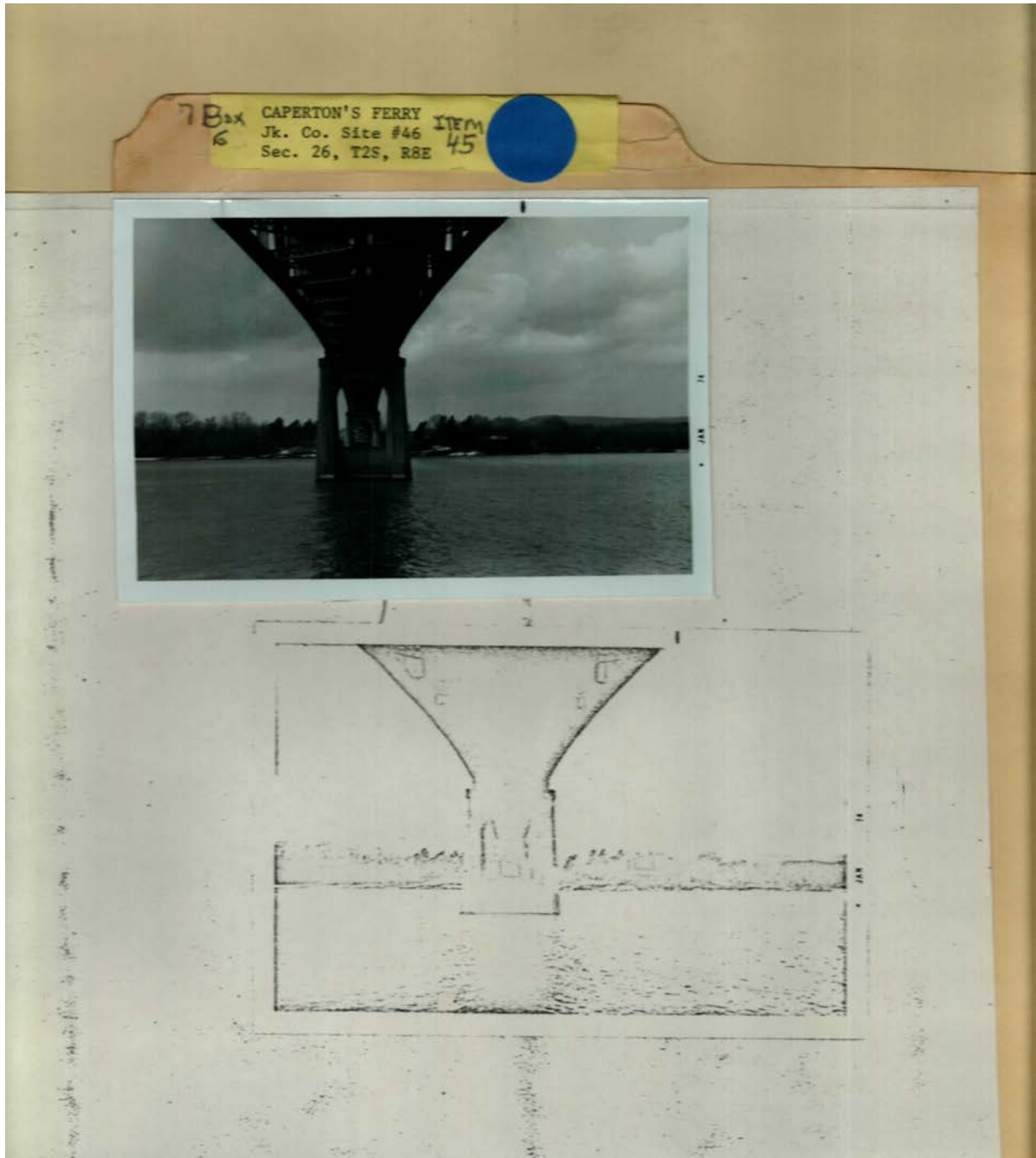
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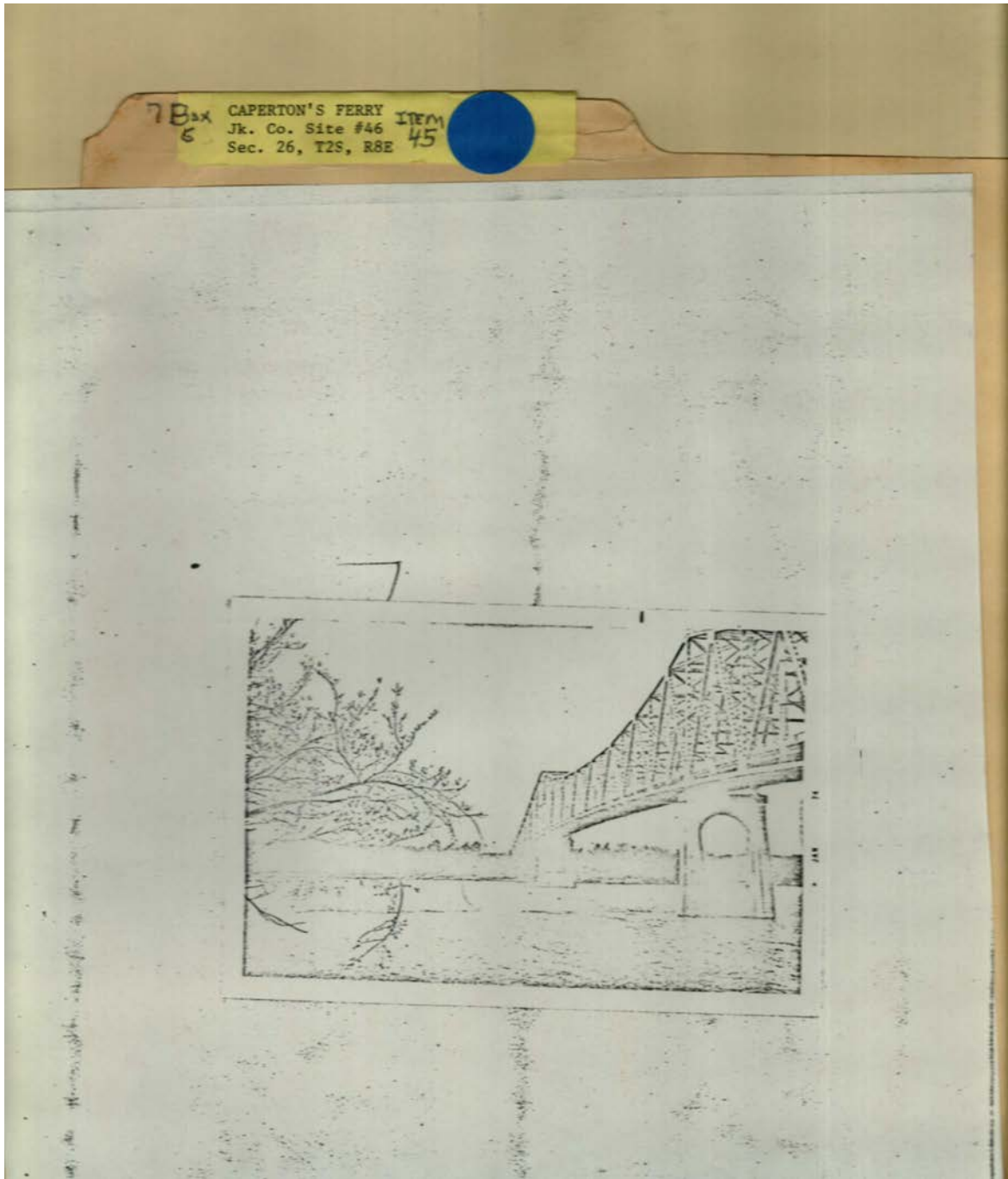
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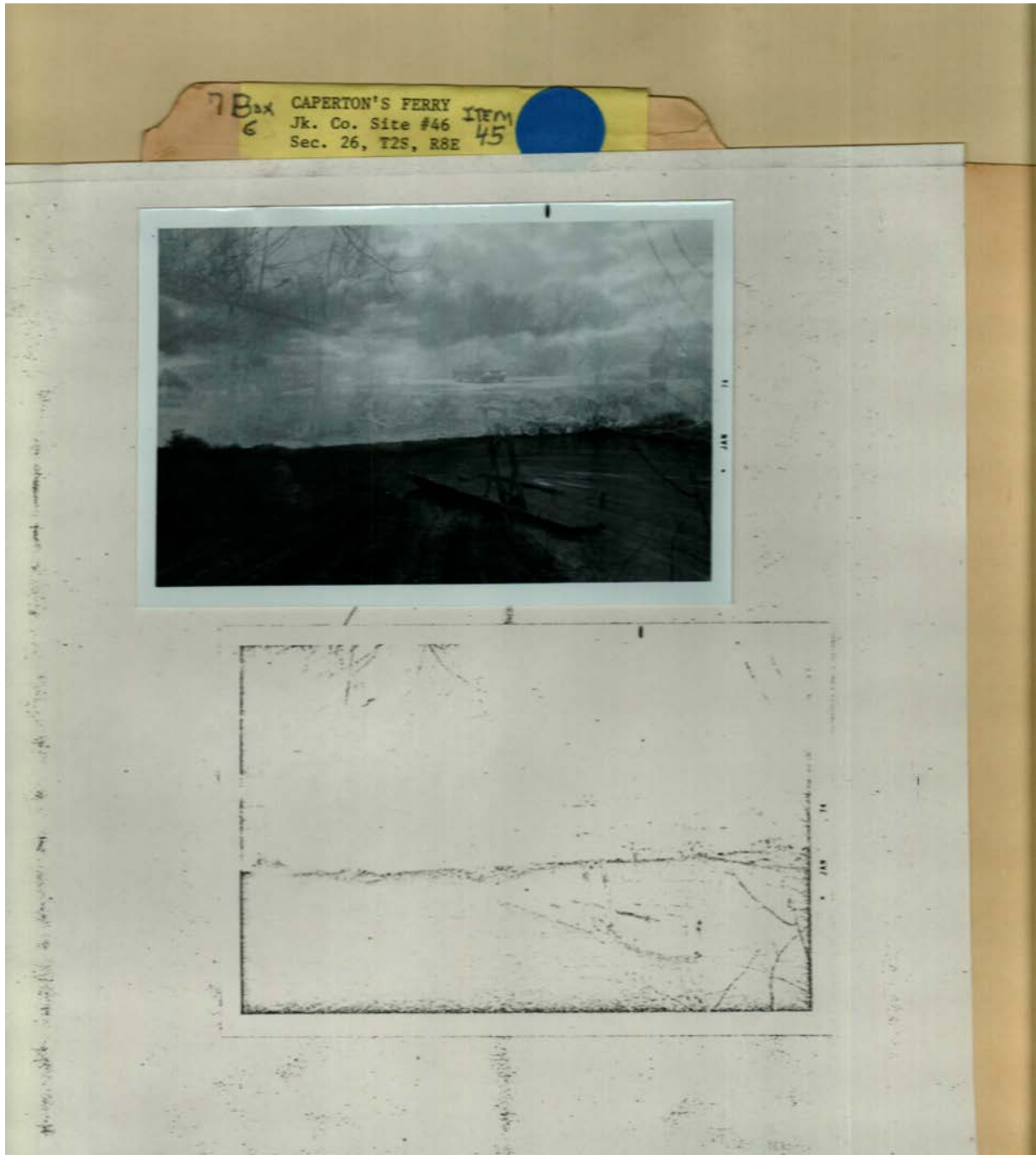
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Places:

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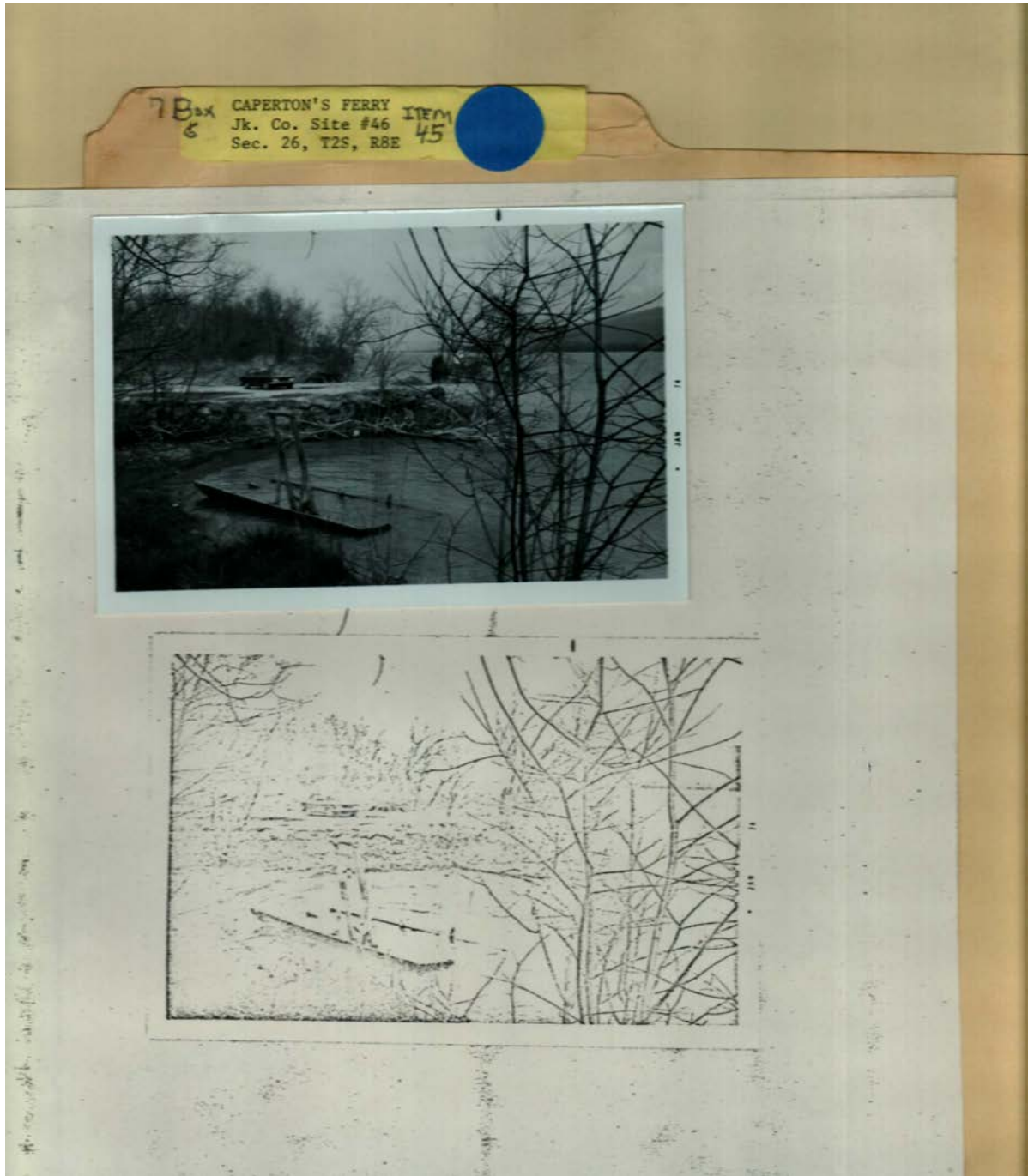
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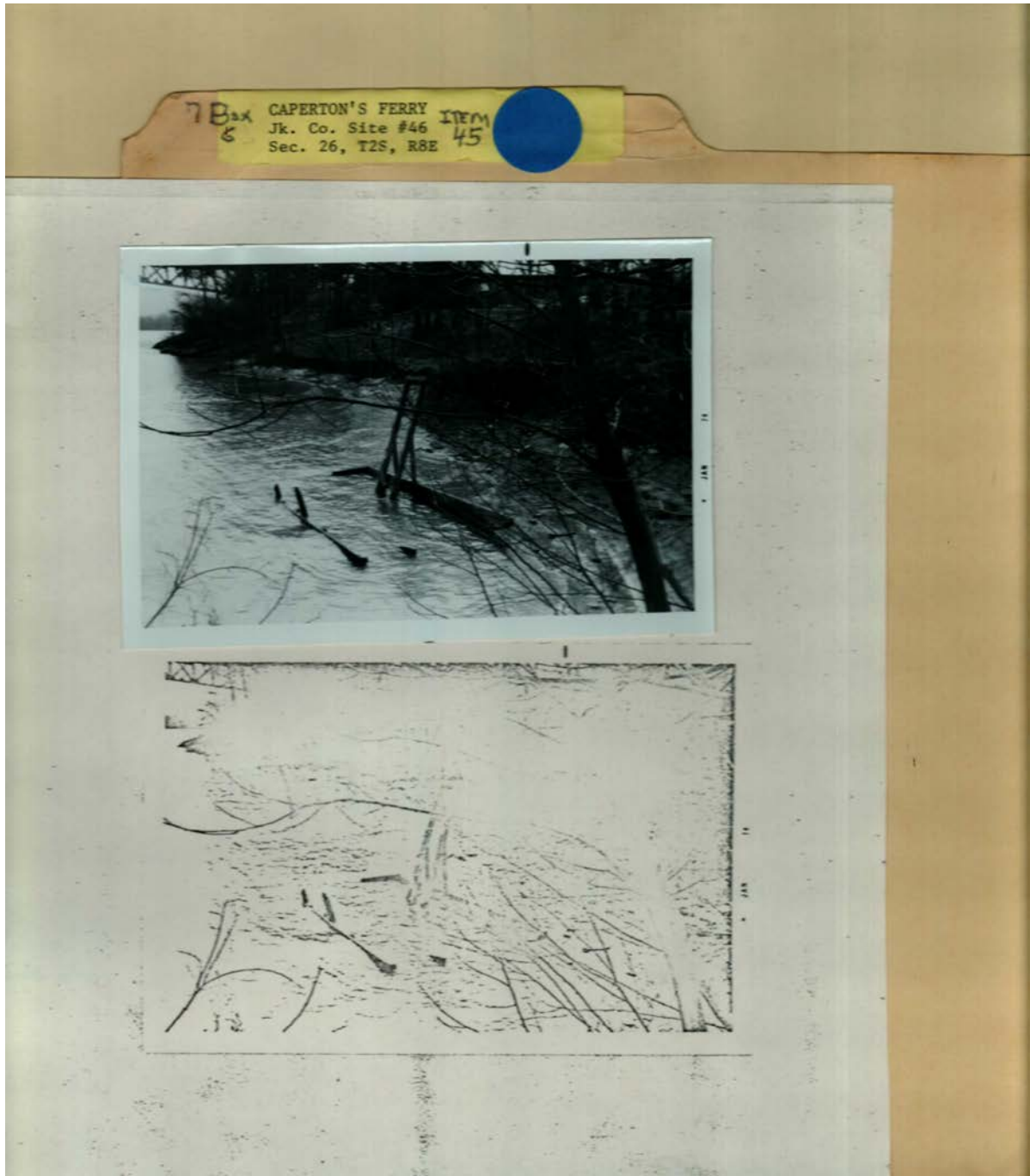
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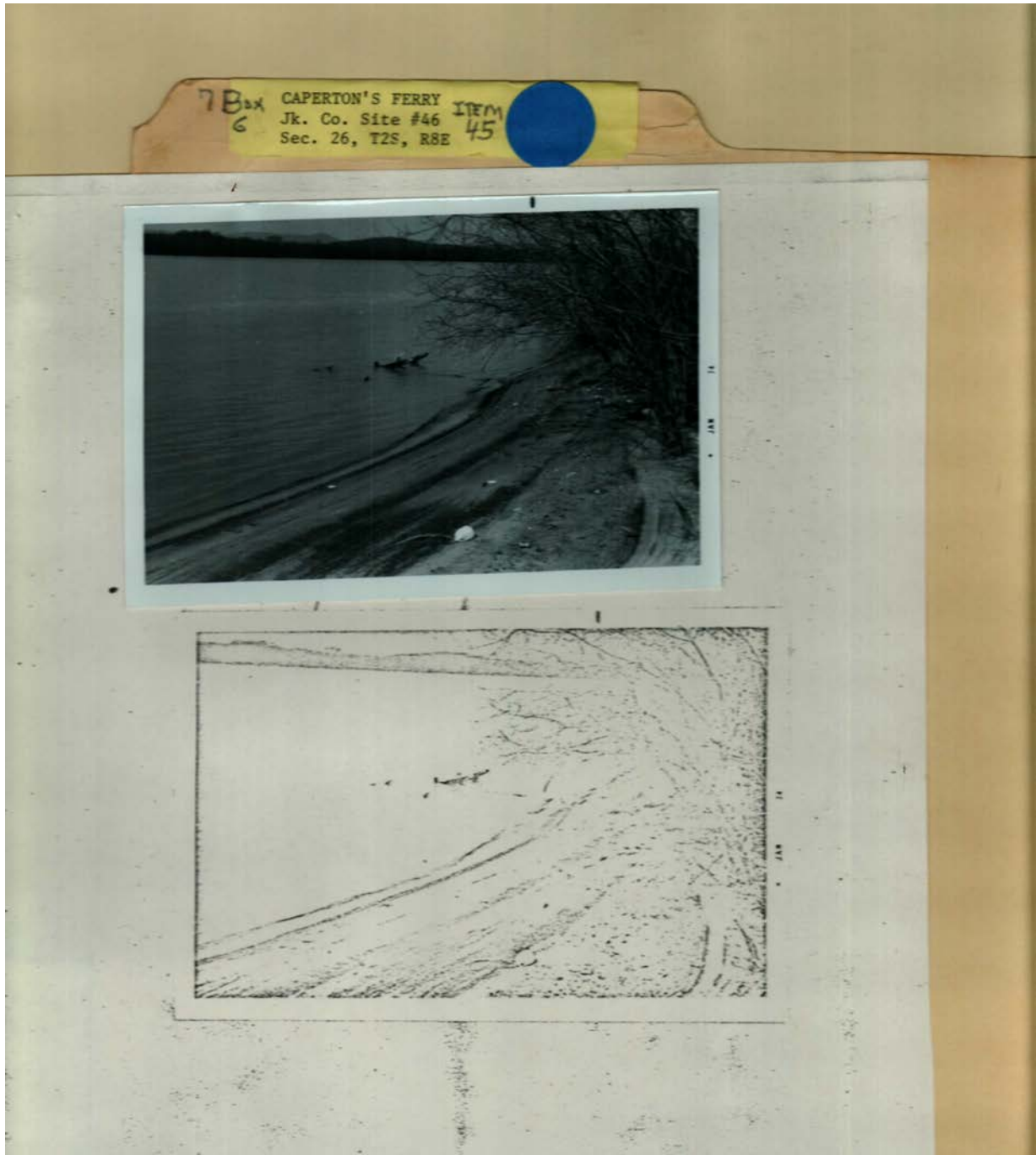
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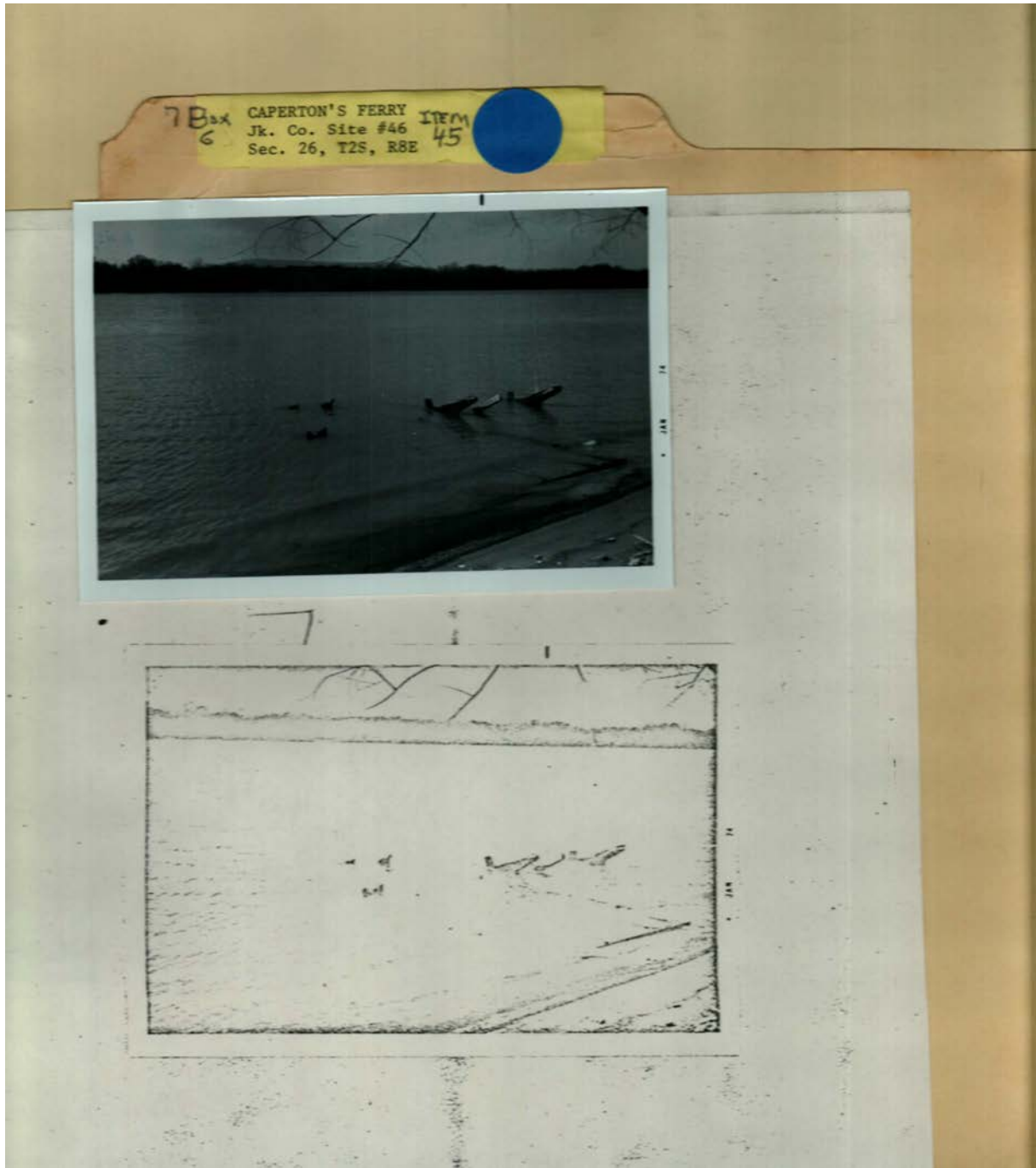
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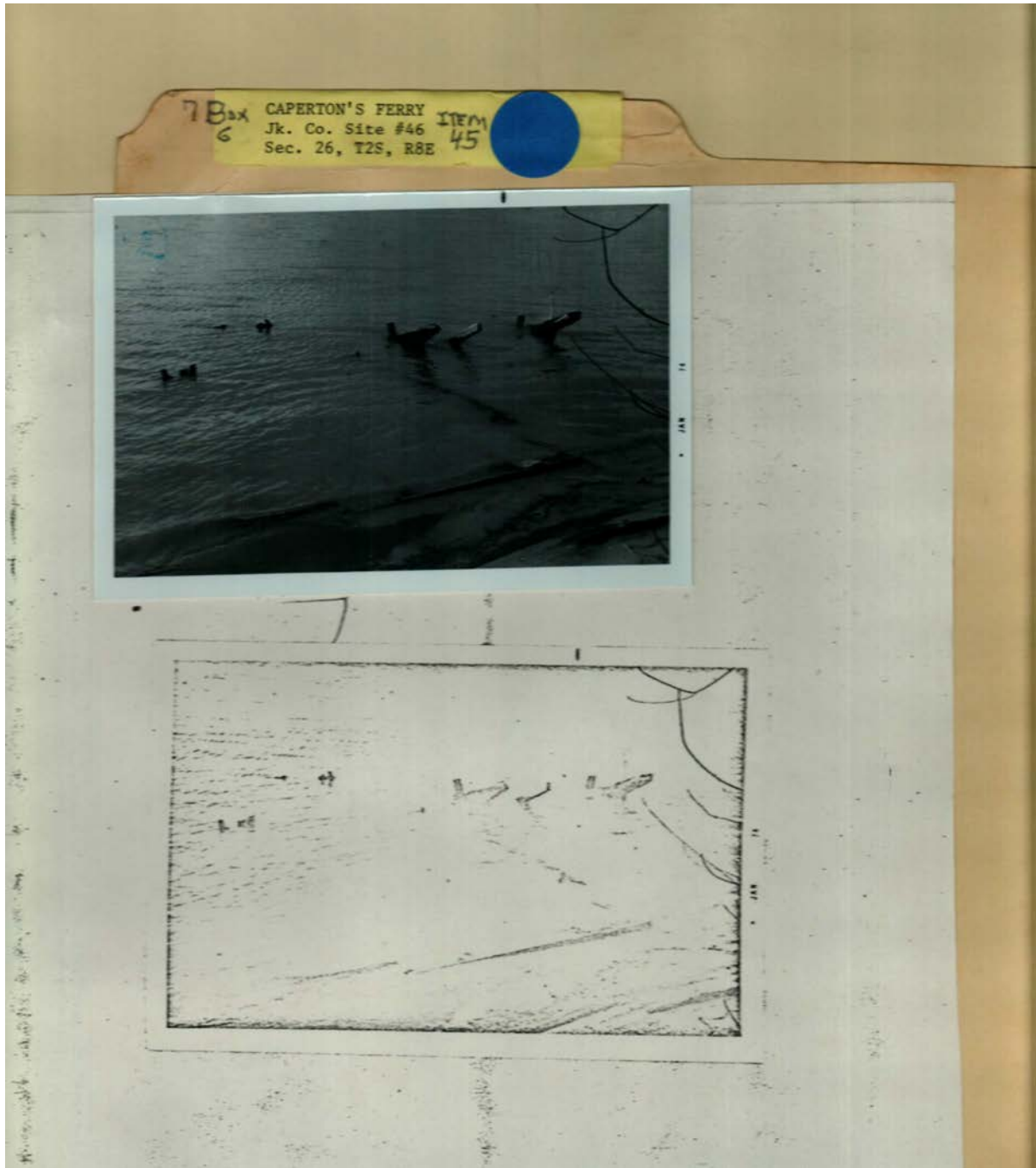
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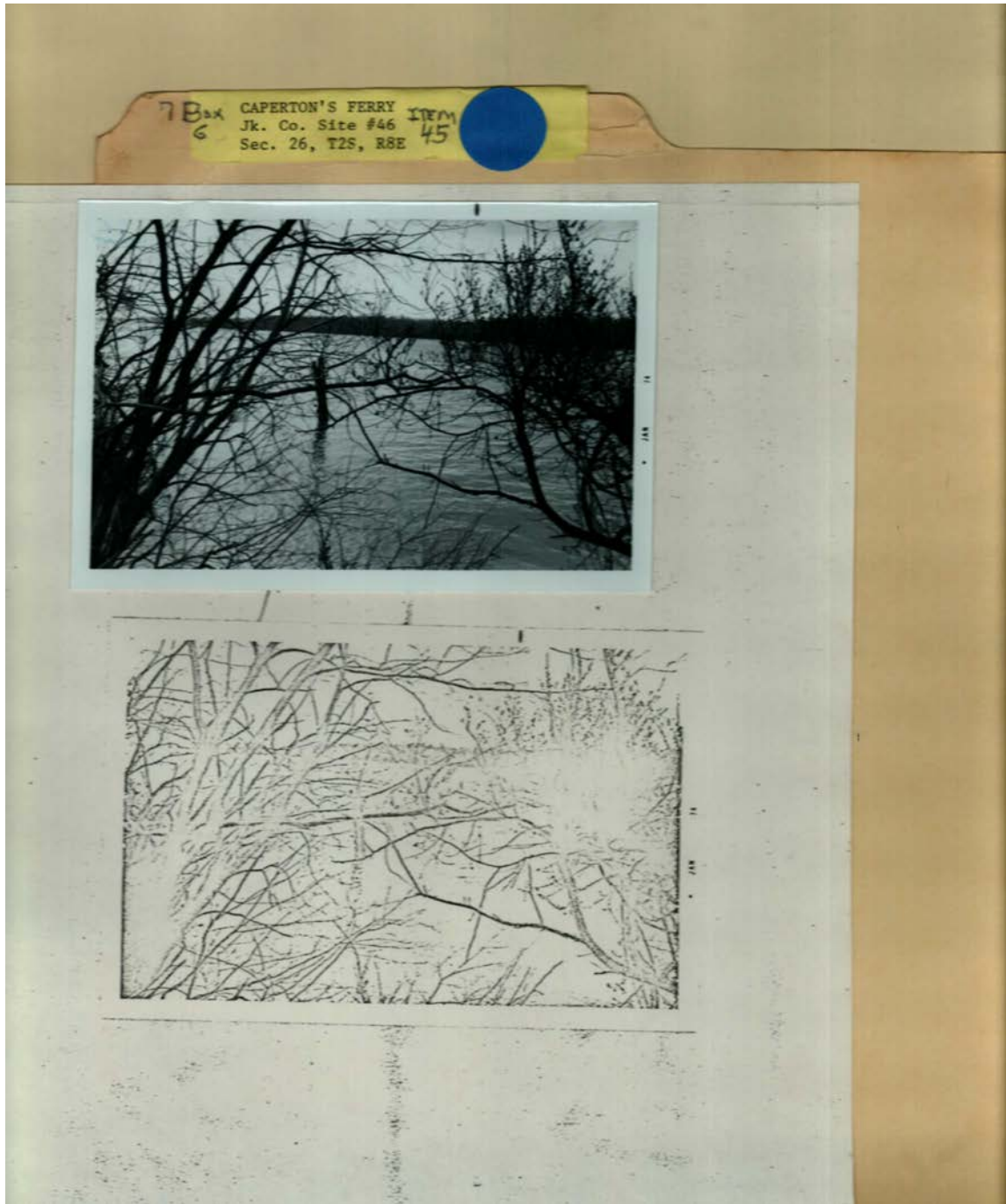
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