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## Police report given by Leo Stawicki about a bushy-haired man he observed the morning of July 4, 1954

John P. Eaton  
*Bay Village Police Department*

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**STATEMENT FORM**  
**BAY POLICE DEPT.**

Date July 10 1954 19

Leo Stawicki.  
(Name)

of 4511 East 49th St  
(Street and Number)

Cuyahoga Hts Ohio  
(City)

(State)

voluntarily make the following statement

to John P Eat on  
(Name)

who is Chief Of Police  
(Rank)

of Bay Village  
(Place)

about a \_\_\_\_\_

that occurred

(Place)

on \_\_\_\_\_

(Date)

at \_\_\_\_\_

(Time)

I understand that I am not compelled to make this statement and that I have no control over how it may be used and that no promises are made to me because of it.

On the fourth Of July 1954 I was driving East on Lake Rd in Bay Village.  
I was driving a 52 Ford ,Lic No.xx and hauling a boat on a trailer. I was  
travelling between 35 and 45 mi P H. As I approached the wide pavement  
in front of Huntington Park on the north side of the road my lights picked  
up a person standing by a big tree about 10 to 15 feet from the road.  
He was standing close to a tree and looking in my direction.He did not im-  
press me as a hitch hiker because he was too far back from the road.  
He looked to be in his thirties,.He wore no hat and his hair was combed back  
and stood up and was sort of bushy. He was about six feet and well built.  
He weighed about 190 Lbs.He wore a T shirt or sweat shirt light in color  
No coat and carried nothing in his hands. He had no suitcase visible.  
Dark pants and I did not notice his shoes.I think he had dark hair,I saw no  
car or other person.This was between 2:00 AM and 2:30 AM.I know that very  
shortly after this I came to the wide pavement.

I have read this statement, I understand it and I believe it is true. I have signed the last page and initialed the

r. \_\_\_\_\_ pages.

Leo Stawicki  
Signature

Witness

John P Eaton  
Ch. O. Palen