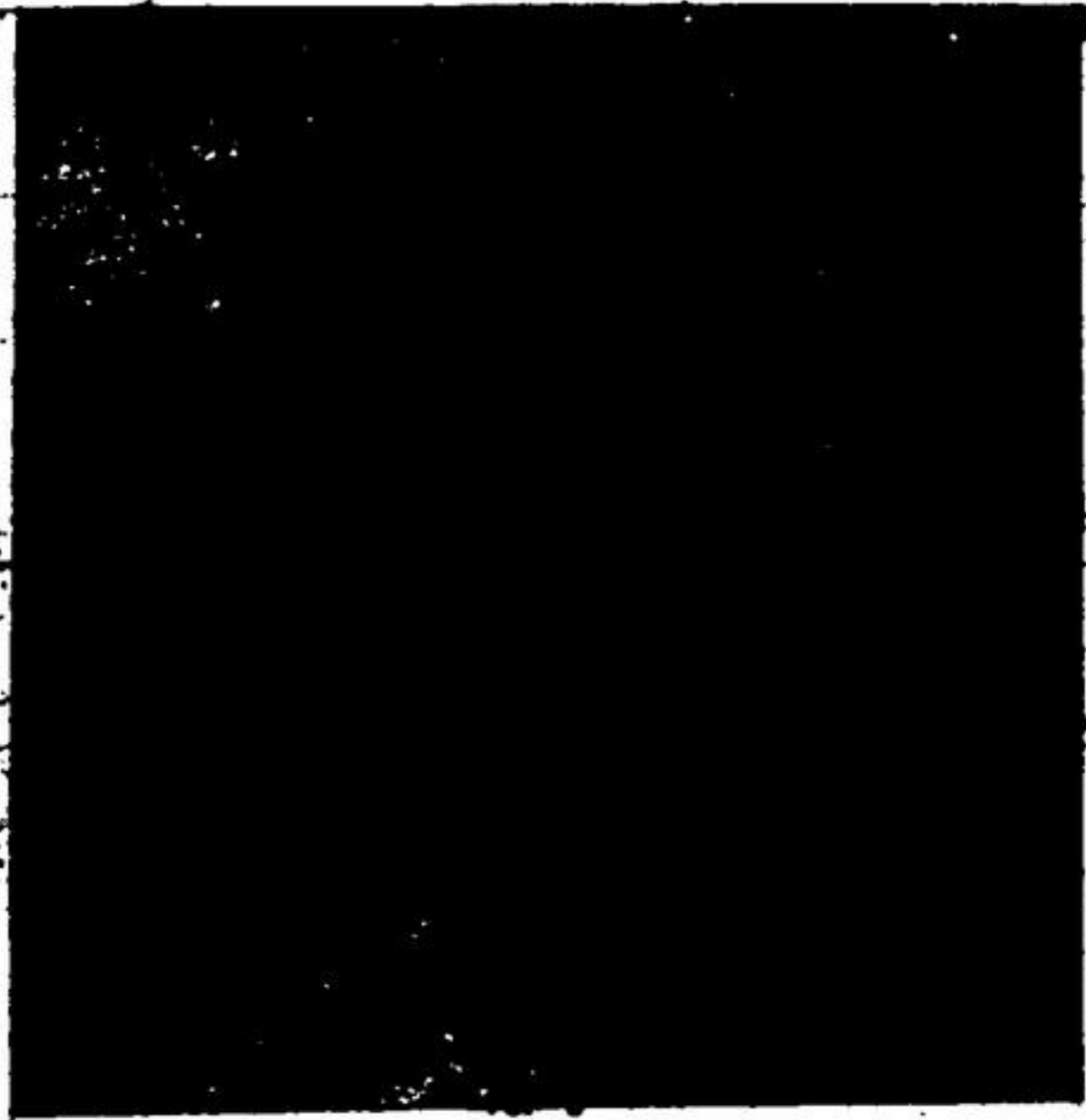


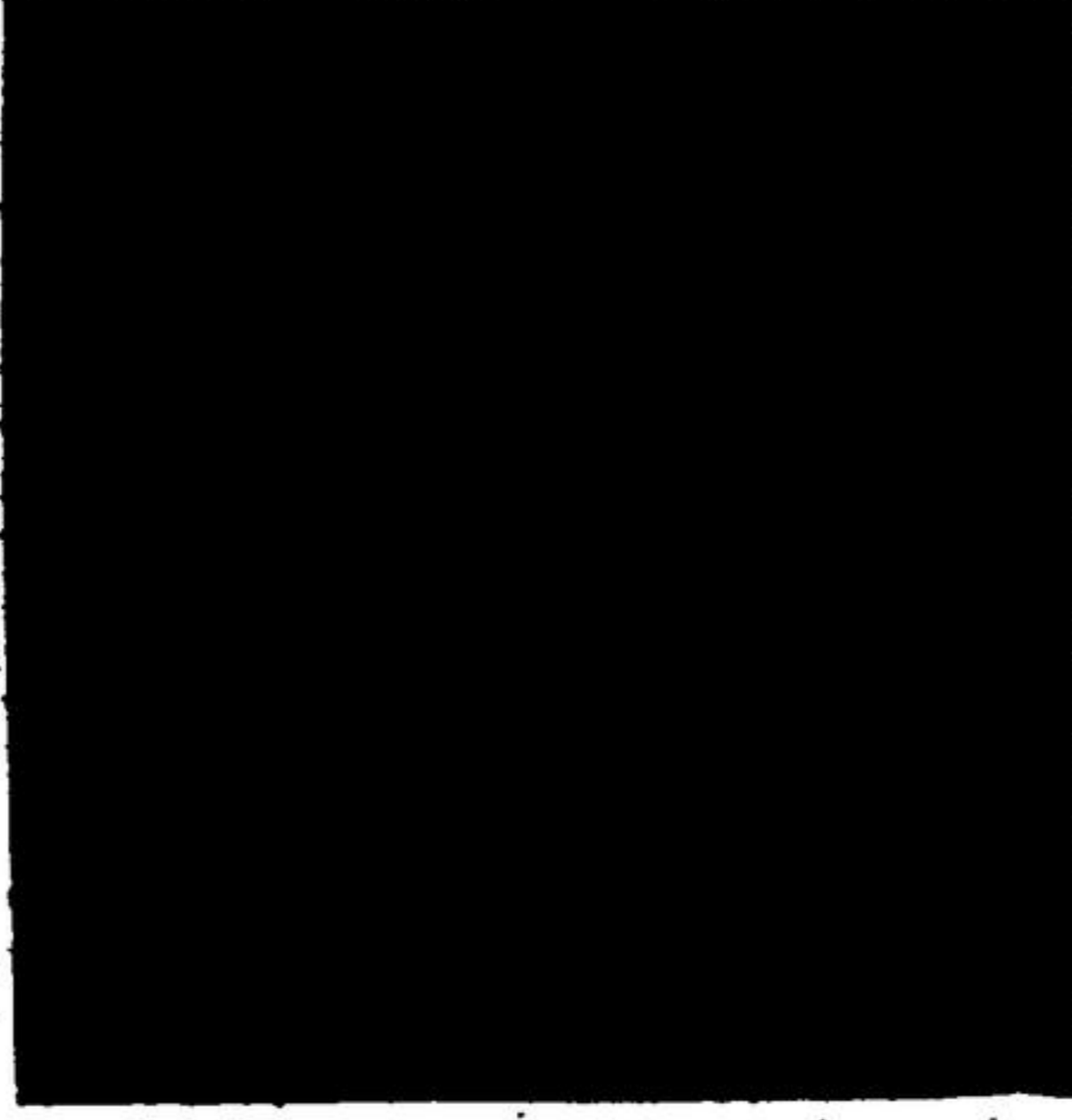
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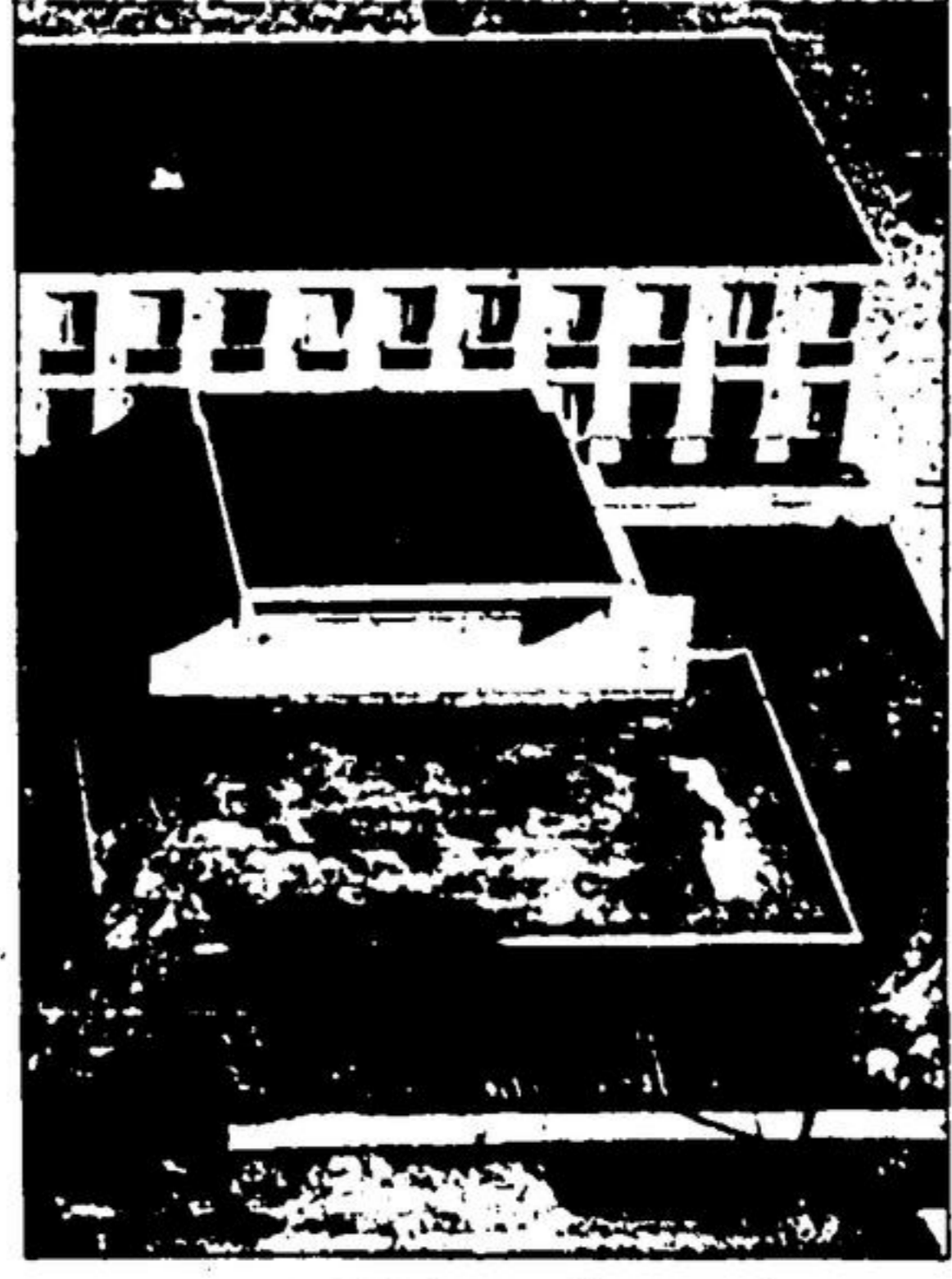
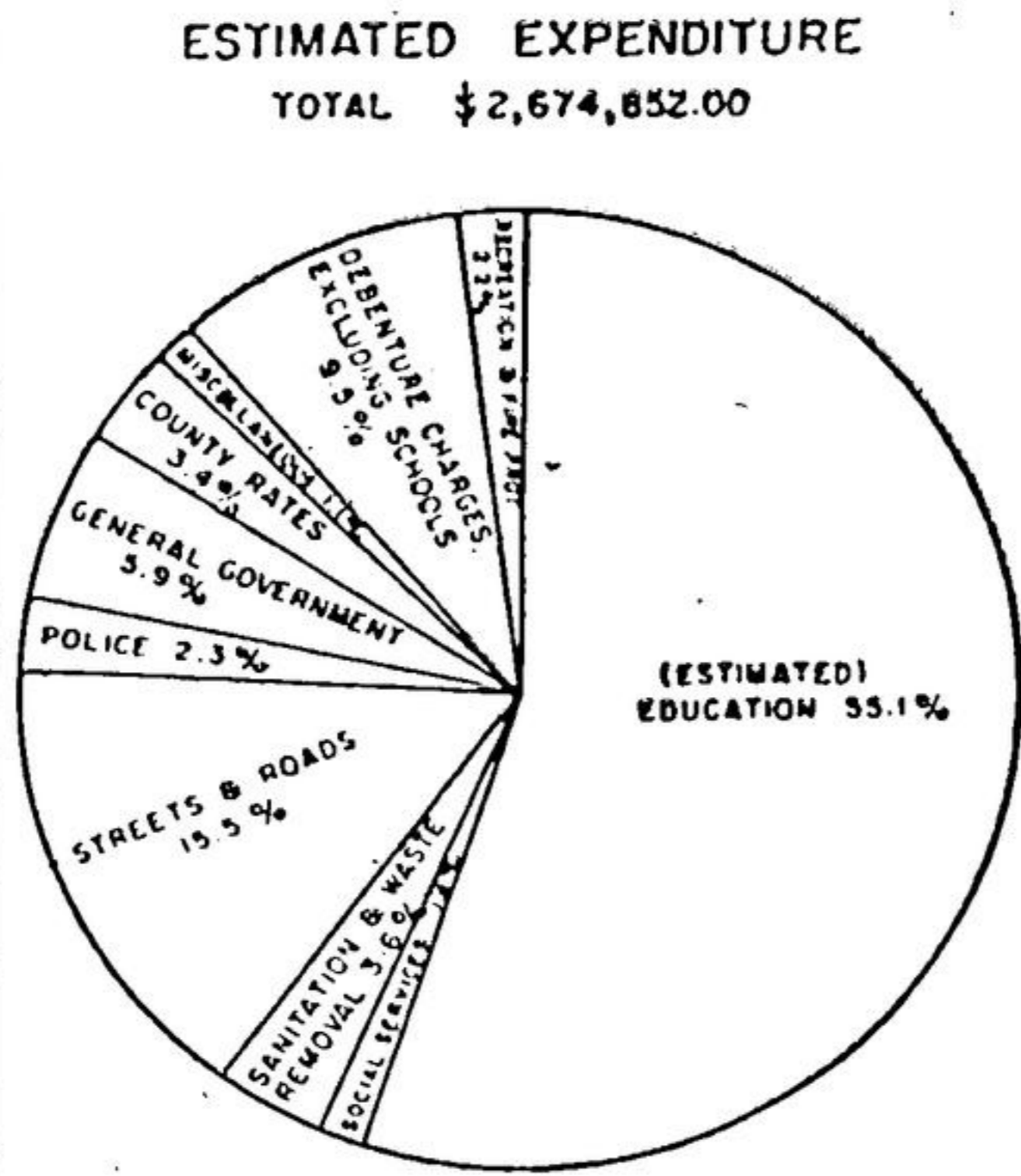
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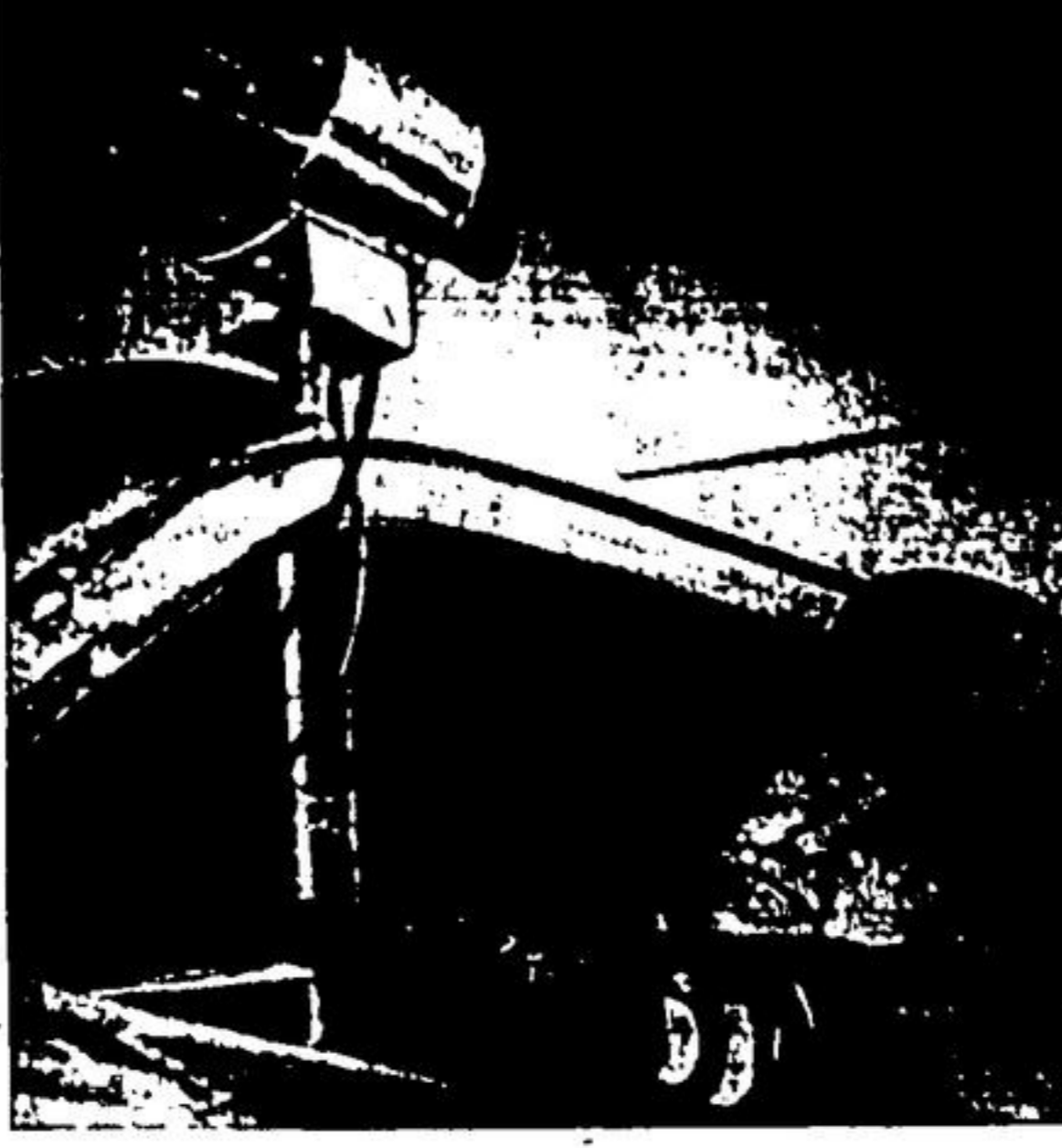
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M.P.P. REPORTS TO GEORGETOWN FROM QUEEN'S PARK
by GEORGE KERR

I was happy to note last week that the Halton County Council has turned down a motion to consider the possibility of entering a regional jail set-up with Peel County. This proposal was to be instead of the Provincial Government's plan for a regional detention and classification unit including Hamilton, Wentworth and Halton.

This proposed unit is to replace, for example, the present inadequate jail in Milton which was built in 1878. The recent Grand Jury report indicated that the Milton jail should be repaired from top to bottom. The jail contains a number of cells with animal-like facilities and the inmates have practically nothing to do. The whole modern day idea of detention and rehabilitation is "defeated" in such a jail. This, of course, is no reflection on the warden and present staff at Milton who, under the circumstances, are doing an excellent job.

I was surprised and a little

disappointed that 7 out of 13 County Councillors appear not to favour the Province's proposal. The Department of Reform Institutions at Queen's Park is attempting to establish a realistic and humane program in the detention of men and women who are kept in penal institutions for a short time and are usually first offenders.

The new unit would enable psychiatrists, probation officers, clergy and barristers to interview and assist inmates. Maximum and minimum security areas will be established so that first and young offenders would be segregated and the institution would include training facilities, workshops and a general rehabilitation program.

The estimated cost of the combined detention unit is about \$2,000,000 and Halton's share would be about \$140,000. Our County could not build such facilities alone at this cost nor

with one other County such as Peel.

I hope that our County Council soon approves this project without needless delay. Hamilton and Wentworth are waiting anxiously for an answer.

County Majority Favours Plan For Regional Jail

A regional jail somewhere between Waterdown and Freelon, operated in conjunction with the city of Hamilton and Wentworth County, rather than a joint jail with Peel County found favour with the majority at Halton County Council last week.

The question of money loomed large in the decision, since Halton could end up with a two million dollar jail, with their share being \$150,000, of which 50 per cent would be subsidised by the government.

Nassagaweya Reeve W. Coulter reported that the Halton delegation had met in Hamilton recently, and the major concern was with the transportation of prisoners between the courts and the jail. Location and ownership of such a jail were also points unresolved.

Both Reeve John Elliott of Georgetown and Reeve Carl Martin of Milton felt the possibility of joint action with Peel County should be investigated. "It seems more likely to me," contended Reeve Martin, "that Peel and Halton would grow at the same rate."

The Milton Reeve recalled that early discussion on a tri-county jail had been between Halton, Peel and Dufferin, and these had been discontinued at the suggestion of the Department of Reform Institutions for a year. He then called for further investigation of action with Peel County, but the motion lost.

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