

Anniversary highlight for Devonshire chapter

The following is the 55th annual report of the Duke of Devonshire Chapter of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, Acton, Ontario.

Through the year 1971-1972 there were ten regular, and one executive meetings held at the homes of members. On one occasion after a brief business meeting members of Duke of Devonshire Chapter joined the Lakeside Chapter, Acton to hear the Provincial Pen Pal secretary, Mrs. Kloefer speak.

Average attendance was down due to illness. Three members had perfect attendance for the year. The flag was carried by the Standard bearer, and in her absence table standard used. The Standard was displayed Decoration Day, carried Remembrance Day, on display at the 55th birthday anniversary luncheon, and at a member's funeral. The Regent presided at all the meetings during the year.

Secretaries' reports
A summary of the secretaries

reports are as follows: Members are receiving Echoes Magazine. A write up of the 55th birthday anniversary was sent in, and a deceased member's name was sent to the remembrance page. The flower and gift convener sent cards and flowers to the sick and bereaved.

Education secretary and the Regent presented pens to students showing the most progress during the year, one to each elementary school.

Money was presented to music festival and to the centennial library.

Services at Home and Abroad secretary reported that an excellent bale of new articles of clothing, knitted goods and nursery bags, also a bale of good used clothing were sent to headquarters.

Holy week services were attended at a local church. A tree was planted in the cemetery in honor of deceased members for Decoration Day. Chapter

members assisted with the planting of flowers on graves. A wreath was placed at the Cenotaph Remembrance Day, Nov. 11.

Local donations
Members participated with cancer and C.N.I.B. drives. Local donations were sent to Halton children's aid, Decoration Day committee and Canadian Legion.

Donation to Provincial headquarters was to the Lucy Morrison fund, and to National headquarters, the travel fund for high school students, Korean fund for powdered milk, shipping and Peace Garden funds. Money making project was a tag day at the local fall fair, the money used for Centennial library to purchase books, and general I.O.D.E. work. Also by donations from members.

The citizenship secretary read a paper on that subject and for roll call each member told of something they had done towards being a good citizen.



I. O. D. E.

The press and public relations convener sent notices to the local paper of meetings, coming events and annual report. A stormy weather tea was attended at Parkwood Manor, Waterloo, where a member resides.

A 60th anniversary tea of the John Milton Chapter, Milton Ont., and a tour of homes sponsored by the John Mutrie chapter Guelph, were attended by members.

Luncheon held
The 55th birthday anniversary of the Duke of Devonshire chapter of the I.O.D.E. was held with a luncheon at the Acton Meadows club house in June complete with a cake decorated by the regent. At this luncheon meeting, Mrs. H. Holmes and Mrs. Wm. McLeod received their 25 year membership pins.

Mrs. E. Lidkea showed interesting slides of her trip to Germany, Austria, Switzerland and France at the Sept. meeting.

In October each member was asked to bring a friend to the meeting for membership drive, I.O.D.E. on the move, "Join us." Clippings for I.O.D.E. scrap book were handed in by members at one meeting.

Christmas dinner
Mrs. H. R. Elliott was the hostess in December for a delicious Christmas dinner. After exchange of gifts by the members, Dr. G. Elliott conducted the chapter on a tour to see and hear the pipe organ he had installed.

Plants were sent to Maple Lodge and Kelly nursing homes at Christmas time. We would like to thank the Acton Free Press for coverage of our meetings, the Regent, conveners and all who have helped during the year.

Pearl Young, Regent,
Jean Johnston (secy.)

Obituary Mrs. Verhagen funeral March 3

Funeral service was held at the Rumley-Shoemaker funeral home, Acton, March 3, for Artje Janna Verhagen, R.R. 3, Rockwood. Mrs. Verhagen died at Elora on February 29.

The service was conducted by the Rev. Harvey Van Farowe of the Guelph Christian Reformed church and interment was in Rockwood cemetery. Pallbearers were Art Pinder, Peter Meindersma, John Vander Lee, Joseph Drenters, John Kranendonk and Ted Hopkins.

Mrs. Verhagen came from Holland to Canada. She leaves her husband Roelof, R.R. 3, Rockwood, sons and daughter Bill, Erke (Mrs. Hank Van Driel) and Ralph, all of Rockwood.

Helen S. Jocque
Secretary,
Hazel I. Orr
Regent.

Annual report

Obligations fulfilled by Lakeside Chapter

The 1971 annual report of the activities of the Lakeside Chapter, I.O.D.E. is submitted for your approval.

During the year ten regular meetings were held in the legion auditorium and two executive meetings in members' homes. We have a membership of 49 including five out-of-town members. The average attendance at meetings was 21. Membership was divided into six groups, each group being responsible for programs and lunch during the year.

Our annual Christmas bazaar in November was our only money-making project during the year. It was successful financially enabling us to do considerable work in the community and fulfill our obligations to provincial and national headquarters.

16 hampers
At Christmas, in co-operation with the Rotary Club, sixteen hampers of food with toys were distributed. Members assisted the Canadian Cancer Society and the C.N.I.B. drive.

Eight classroom flags were presented to Speyside School and one large flag each to Limehouse, Brookville, and Stewarttown Schools. A new fifty dollar bursary was presented to a grade twelve student, as well as the Clara Grindley fifty dollar bursary to a grade thirteen student both of which are furthering their studies.

The I.O.D.E. cup was presented at the Music Festival which has become North Halton Association for Creative and Performing Arts.

Carry flags
Flags were carried in the Remembrance Day and Decoration Day parades. Members planted geraniums at the graves of veterans and deceased chapter members. The Second Vice-Regent placed a wreath at the Cenotaph in November. Our sick were remembered with cards and flowers, and one member's baby received a spoon.

Hospitals get more support

Halton County hospitals will receive increased support from Halton County Council. At their regular meeting recently council agreed to increase support by changing the grant formula from \$8,000 per bed to one third of OHC approved expenditures on capital expansion.

Georgetown District Hospital will be the first to benefit from the scheme when they erect a \$750,000 expansion this year. County Council's share of the cost will be \$250,000.

Old formula
Under the old formula the county would not have paid anything towards the expansion because no extra beds are involved.

The grant system was revised to keep in touch with the changing trends in hospitals with more outpatient care and less patients who actually use beds at the hospital.

efforts of the Services at Home and Abroad committee a bale of one hundred and thirty-nine articles including twelve quilts and valued at two hundred and sixty-five dollars was packed for the Save the Children Fund. Pocket books were sent overseas to the armed services. This committee report amounts to six hundred 79 dollars and 82 cents for the year's efforts.

Donations
As a member of the National Organization we donated to: Canadian Scene, Wilhelmina Gordon Scholarship Fund, Commonwealth Relations Fund, Korean Projects Fund, Peace Garden Fund, Shipping Fund and Canadian Overseas and Relief. Provincially our donations went to the Attawapiskat Furniture Fund, Eye clinic for Indians and Eskimos, N.W.T. Incubator Fund, Lucy Morrison Memorial Fund and Special Representative Fund.

Locally we contributed to the Decoration Day Committee, Canadian Legion and Poppy Fund, N.H.A.C.P.A. and the Tinker Bell Nursery School.

Varied programs
Programs throughout the year covered a variety of interests. Three pot luck suppers preceded meetings and we had a sound movie on "Ontario Place". We had slides of a Mediterranean cruise taken by a local High School class and one of our members. We also saw pictures

of a trip to New Zealand with stopovers in Hong Kong, Japan, and Hawaii. We had the Provincial Pen Pals Secretary, Mrs. Kloefer speak to us about her work at the May meeting, and Mr. R. R. Parker gave us an insight into different aspects of pollution. One of our members demonstrated flower arranging at the march meeting.

Entertainers
Winning groups from the Music Festival entertained us and Marianne Coles sang in June. A very interesting report was given by Grace Nelles after she had attended the National Convention in Newfoundland. Some of our members went to Guelph in the spring and enjoyed a Fashion Show sponsored by the Edward Johnson Chapter. Five members attended the Area Conference in Guelph in October and found it very informative and interesting.

The members express their appreciation to our Regent, Mrs. A. Orr and to the executive for their leadership and enthusiasm during the year. The year 1971 was a year of good fellowship and satisfying accomplishments and it is hoped that the coming year with its challenges and needs will find Lakeside Chapter members ready to do their best.

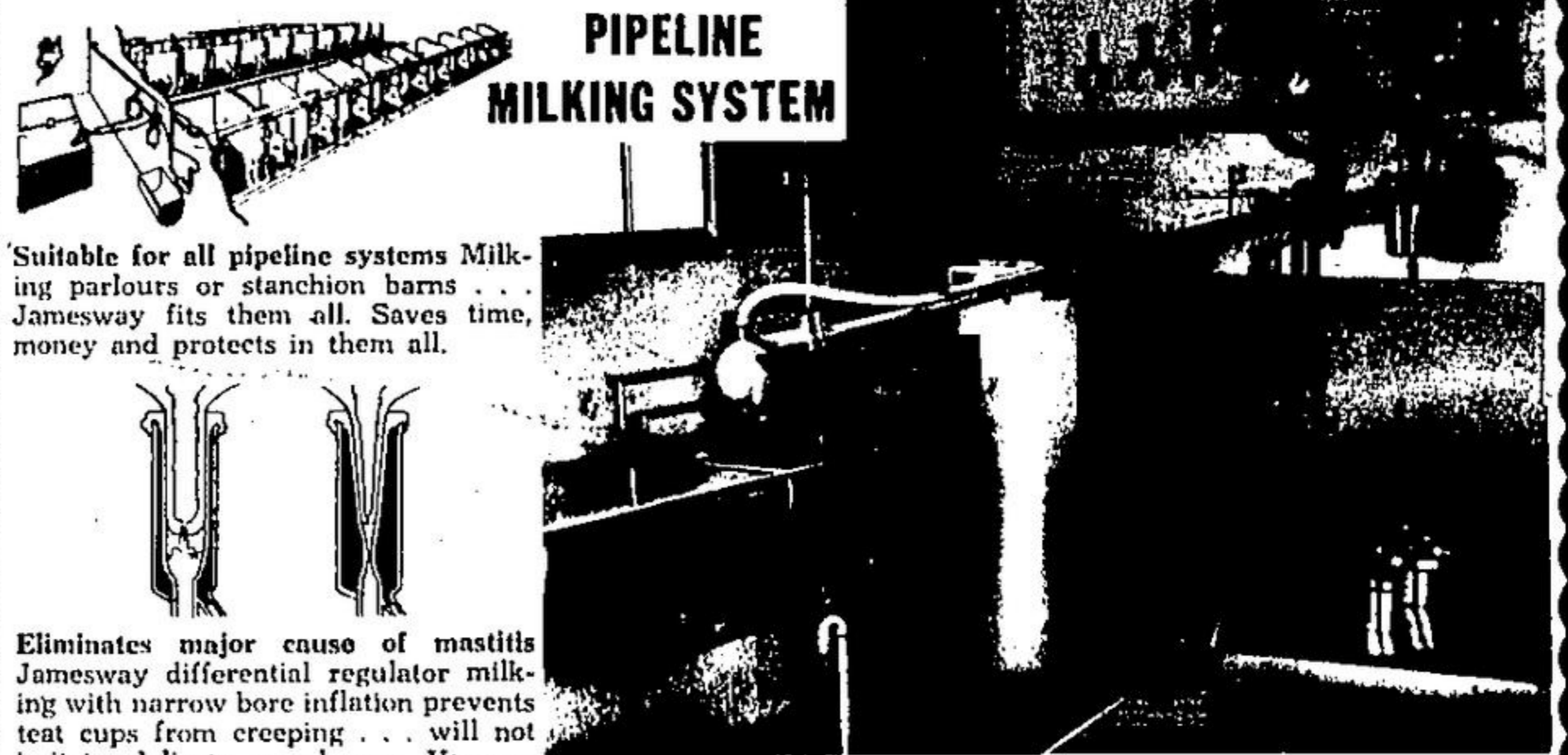


SNOW IS NO HINDRANCE for a good swing if you don't mind the weather like Jackie and Diane Cassivi, standing over Paul Boisclair, as they pump the garden swing on Cameron St. recently. —(Jim Jennings Photo)

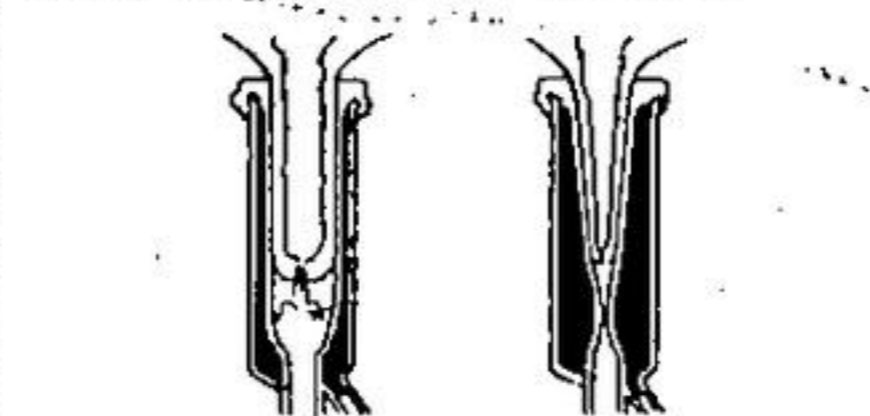
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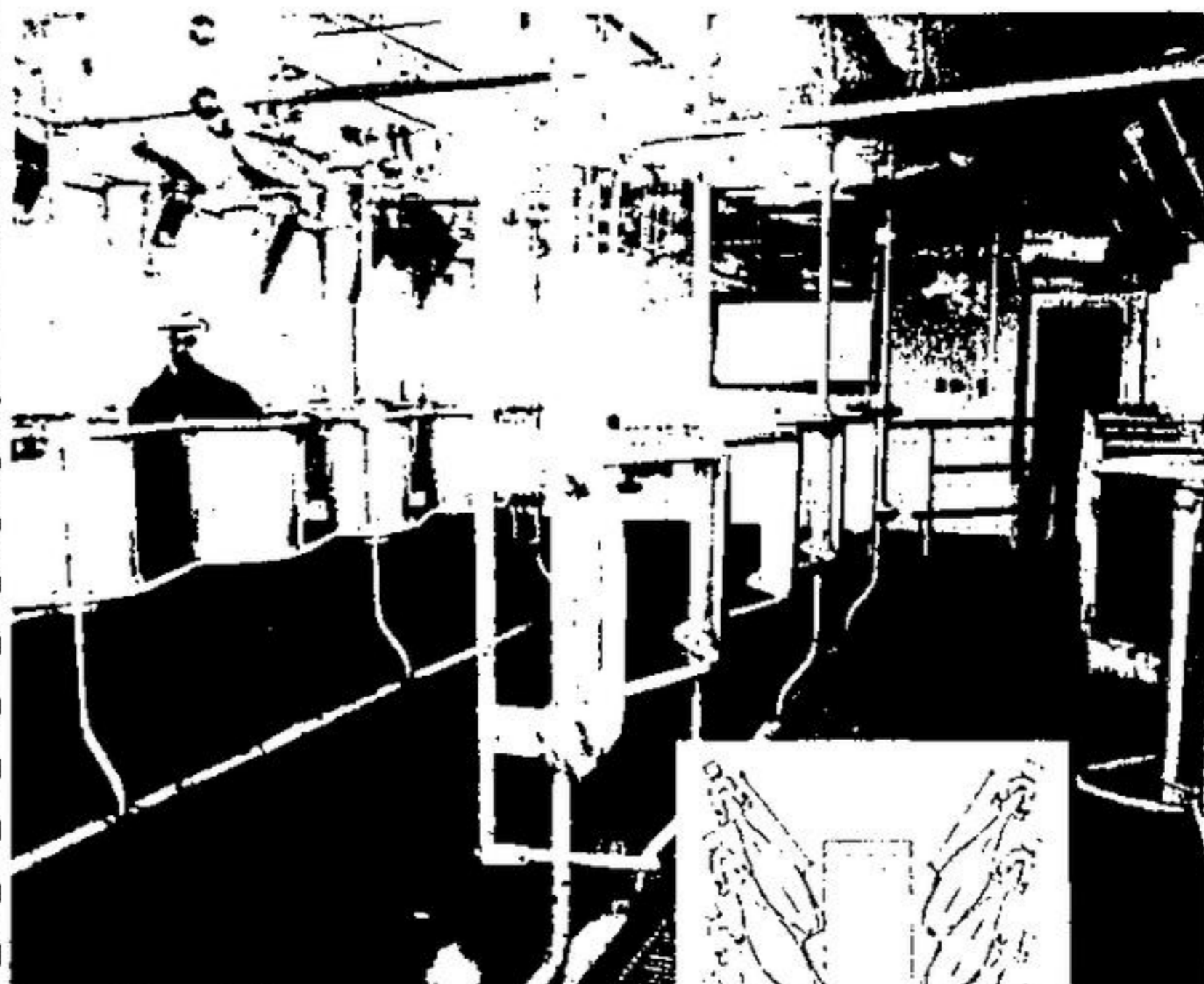


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