

TURNING OVER OF THE KEY OFFICIALLY OPENS SEPARATE SCHOOL



Halton County Separate School Board chairman Dr. L. Braida presents the key to St. Francis of Assisi junior school to principal Joseph Huston. At left is Jim Mann representing the builder, Whitney Construction, and at right the architect Michael Torsney. The school was officially opened last Wednesday evening.



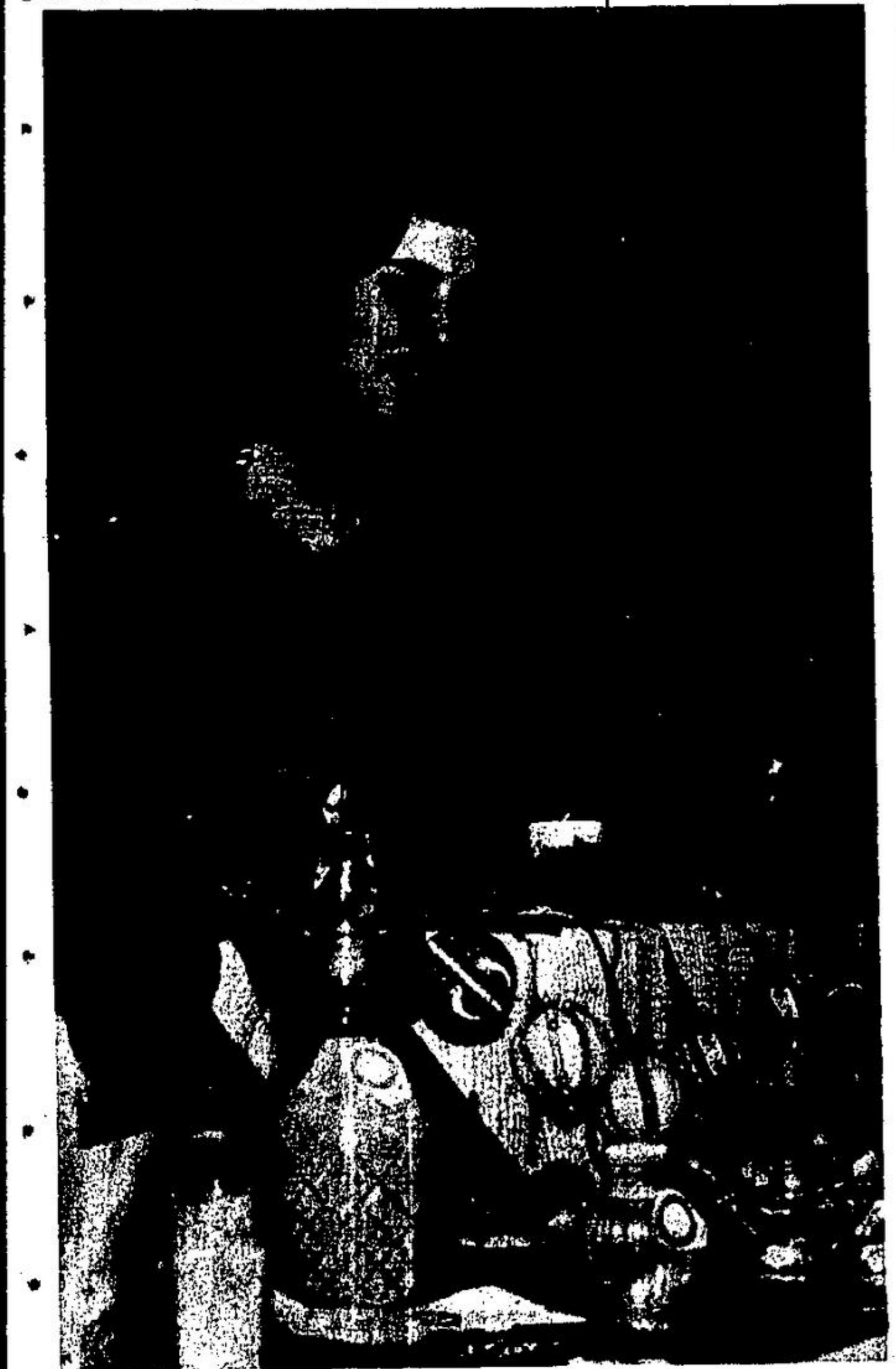
A childrens choir made up of pupils at St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Separate School entertained at the school's blessing and official opening. The new open concept school is at the corner of Sinclair Avenue and Duncan Drive.

Community Worker Better Describes Health Nurse

What is a public health nurse? So many people have a distorted idea or no idea at all that Miss Grace Leavey, director of nursing services for the Halton County Health Unit, thinks the name should be changed. "I think community worker would be a better description."

Bazaar Nets \$1081 for CWL Activities

Doubling their profits from last year, The Catholic Women's League at Holy Cross Church added \$1,081 to their funds at a Saturday bazaar in the church hall. The CWL has many projects for which the money will be apportioned. A share will go towards new vestments for the priests. A donation is being made to the Pakistan relief fund, and the women will continue to support a family in India. Mrs. Pat Cummings convened the successful bazaar which featured a boutique, baking, knitting and sewing, a country store and games for children. Extra proceeds came from three lucky draws.



Mrs. Kay Loftus at bazaar boutique.

says Miss Leavey. She points out that this kind of nurse does deal with the public and is interested in health but she "doesn't bandage the injuries of the indigent."

"The word 'public' gives people the idea that the public health nurse provides nursing care for those on welfare or something like that and that is not the case at all," Miss Leavey says.

In fact, the public health nurse does very little nursing of any kind. "She is more interested in 'wellness', says Miss Leavey, "and the promotion and maintenance of good health so the people she comes in contact with won't need a nurse!" Towards this end the 25 public health nurses employed by the Halton County Health Unit conduct health programs in schools, set up pre-natal classes, advise on health guidance and child development and are concerned with TB control, immunization and communicable disease control, care of the ears, eyes and teeth.

NEWSERVICE Newest addition to the health unit's services is a liaison service which has been set up to ease the load on hospitals, doctors and patients.

"Many patients need follow-up care or counselling when they go home from the hospital," explains Miss Leavey. "They may need advice on their medication or direction on exercises they are supposed to do. They may need to know where to rent or buy special equipment. They may need the services of a homemaker. They may simply need re-assurance." Public health nurses will also visit patients while still in hospital, notably those in the maternity, pediatric and family medicine departments.

INHOSPITAL However, the public health nurse will not give nursing care. If she is in a home and an emergency arises she will rise to the occasion, of course.

However, if a patient needs continuing professional care after discharge from hospital the public health nurse will suggest that arrangements be made with the Victorian Order of Nurses.

Sometimes there comes to light unknown or unsuspected problems with which the public health nurse can assist.

"A patient in hospital will be talking with her doctor or nurse and reveal other problems in the home," explains Miss Leavey. Sometimes they are problems which have contributed to the patient's illness and the public health nurse can help in both cases.

A "big aim" of the liaison program is to reduce the number of hospital re-admissions, Miss Leavey continues.

"If a patient has gone off her medication the public health nurse can spot the situation and rectify it before the patient's condition has deteriorated to the point where she has to go back to the hospital," explains Miss Leavey.

GRC Notes

Discuss Future of Valley Land

Mr. Ivan Crabtree attended the "Ontario Municipal Recreation Association" Zone 7 Conference held at Geneva Park Conference Centre on Lake Couchiching last

Pub Night Even Had Genuine Pearly Queen



by Ralph Hawes

Ontario Provincial Command have let it be known that the Legion is to become involved with the mentally retarded. Branch 120 has anticipated this, and has been involved for several years. Last Friday, The Georgetown Auxiliary for the mentally retarded had an English Pub Night in the branch auditorium. This took place under the auspices of Comrade Ron Lincoln.

Ron organized the evening as a fund raising project for the Mentally Retarded Organization. To say it was successful is an understatement. It was just terrific. A full house. Entertainment and help was voluntary. Entertainers were Ralph Ursel, organist, Jack Ferguson on piano, Alex Duggan, guitar, Fred Bootle, piano, Roy Cook, drums, Paul Barber, donated the use of the organ. Jim Meekison did a superb job as MC.

The sketch, Little Nell, was enacted by George Sandifer, Bill Rannachan, Jack Ferguson, George Gaskill, George Hughes, and Jim Handell. Soloists for the evening were, George Gaskill, Jim Handell and Jim Meekison. Bill Wishart was outstanding on the accordion.

The volunteer helpers were also from 120, Jim Murphy, Perc Chaplin, Dennis Wright and Lloyd Boyd.

TYPICAL Ron had a unique idea of disposing of the spot prizes which were donated by business people and organizations. He taped them under chairs and at a given time asked the audience to look under their chairs. The lucky ones were most surprised.

The evening was a typical English Pub Night with entertainment, dancing, and fish and chips.

During the proceedings there was a pause while president Norm Ward of 120 presented the Pearly Queen, Joyce Barton, with a cheque for \$240, which the branch donated to the Mentally Retarded Association.

SWEAT NIGHT Thursday evening, saw Norm Ward, Joe Polrier and yours truly Branch 15, Brampton, as guests to that Branch's "Sweat Night" where we were entertained by a most impressive group of young people. The youths called themselves The Northern Ireland Accordion Band. They were really something, dressed in red uniforms with gold trimmings.

They play every type of musical piece one could think of. They also played for senior and junior "Legionettes Balon Twirlers" as

these young ladies went through their balon routine and dances. These groups were sponsored by Branch 11, Toronto.

This was followed by the presentation of 50, 40, and 25 year pins to the branch members. After the presentation of a buffet lunch was enjoyed.

BANDAWAY Sunday saw the branch pipe band away to Erin, where the churches of Erin and the Royal Canadian Legion co-operated in a divine service of remembrance at the Erin District High School.

Next Friday is "Initiation Night" at Branch 120. All members and ladies are welcome to witness this ceremony which will be followed by a dance.

To those ladies who are interested in bazaars, Connie Ferguson and friends of the Legion Ladies Auxiliary have one organized for Saturday, Nov. 20th. Joe's Dart Shoot winners were B. Lantz, C. Hennessy, H. Robinson, E. Wilcox, J. Louth, P. Eland, D. Allan, B. Waites, and W. Oliver. Car Club winners were R. Corbett, J. Ashton, B. James, E. Quackenbush, R. Chapman, Don Herrington.

The Saturday night dance was a sellout. Ross Hillier and The Country Rhythm Boys were on hand for everyone to enjoy. Prize winners were Mrs. D. Martin, J. Murphy, F. Polrier, W. Treccartin. Downstairs people were getting



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sore throats roaring Bingo or contrary whatever that is. George handed out prizes to Mrs. Gilchrist, Mrs. Dumper, Mrs. Brown, and guess who, you're right, Mrs. Bell Telephone Ward. Don't forget the general meeting Thursday, November 25th.

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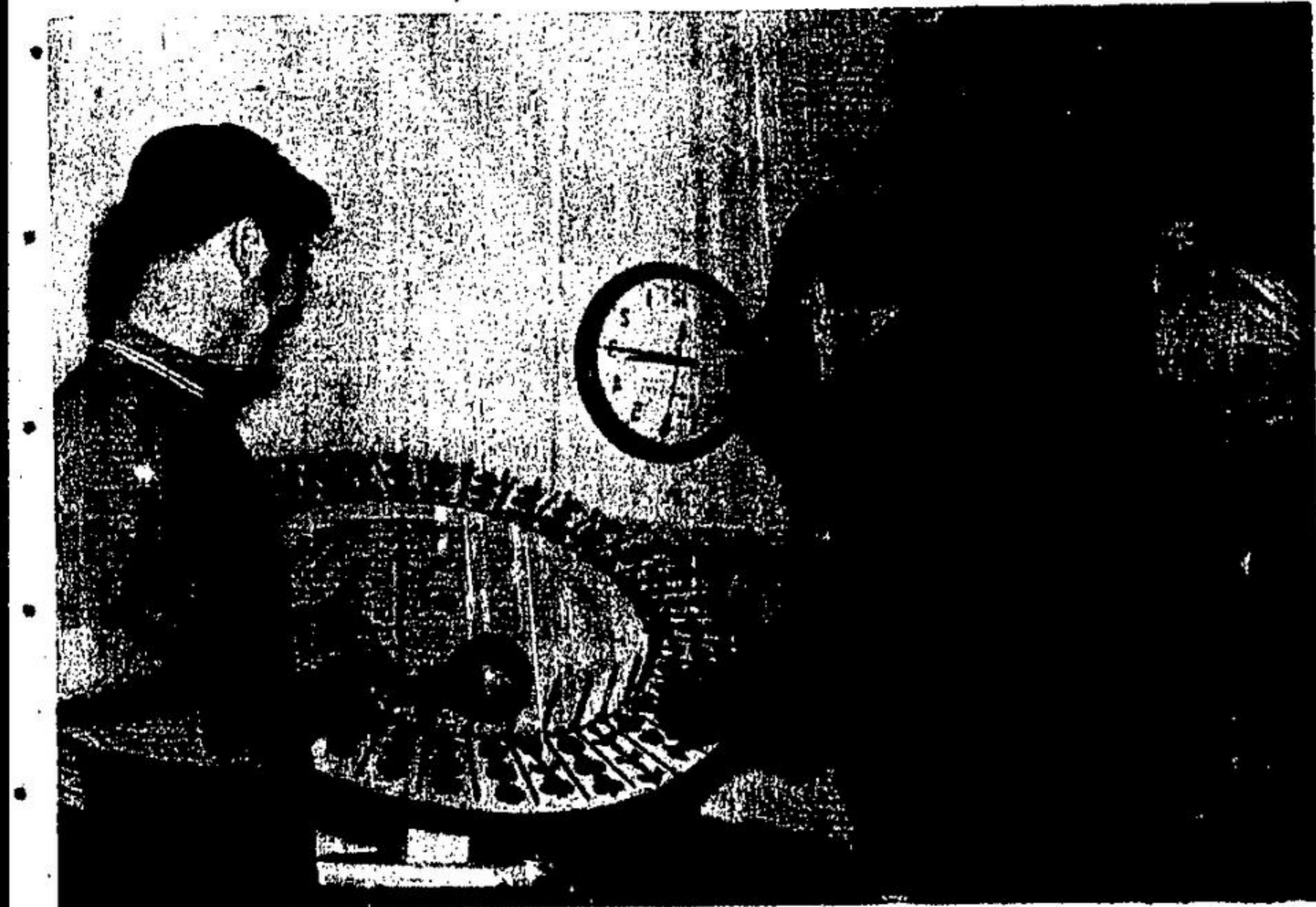
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