

Get your pool in shape early

As warm weather approaches, swimming pool owners should be planning ahead, to assure themselves that the coming months will be enjoyed with a minimum of maintenance problems. Few pool owners, however, know as much as they should about pool maintenance. Yet this knowledge can save time and money, and make summer swimming a pleasure.

First remove any protective winter covers from pool and equipment. If pool was drained, sweep the inside and surrounding areas clean of debris and dirt. Then inspect exposed surfaces to determine if any cracking of walls or floor has occurred or if painting or refinishing is needed. Examine all valves, controls, and pipes for obvious deterioration.

If all seems proper, turn on water to fill empty pool. Again examine all exposed valves, controls, and pipes for leakage. Dried packings and gaskets may cause minor seepages that will stop by themselves as they absorb water and expand. If not, tightening with a wrench or replacing packing will be necessary. If any major leaks are observed, turn off the water and call for professional help.

While pool is filling, check the filtration equipment for operational readiness. Follow the manufacturer's recommendations for oiling and cleaning required prior to putting your pool filter into operation, which can be done as soon as water reaches the filter intake pipe. Start up filter, as prescribed by the manufacturer.

According to Johns-Manville, a major manufacturer of filter aids, filters of the diatomite type call for proper precoating of the filter elements with a

filter aid that assures an efficient operation and crystal clear water. This water quality is obtained by circulating a slurry, or mixture, of diatomite and water into the filter to provide a coating about 1-16 of an inch thick on the elements.

A supply of diatomite should also be placed into the filter's body feed apparatus, if one is used. The body feed is a means of adding small amounts of diatomite at frequent intervals or continuously during the filtration cycle to separate slimes and other dirt and prevent them

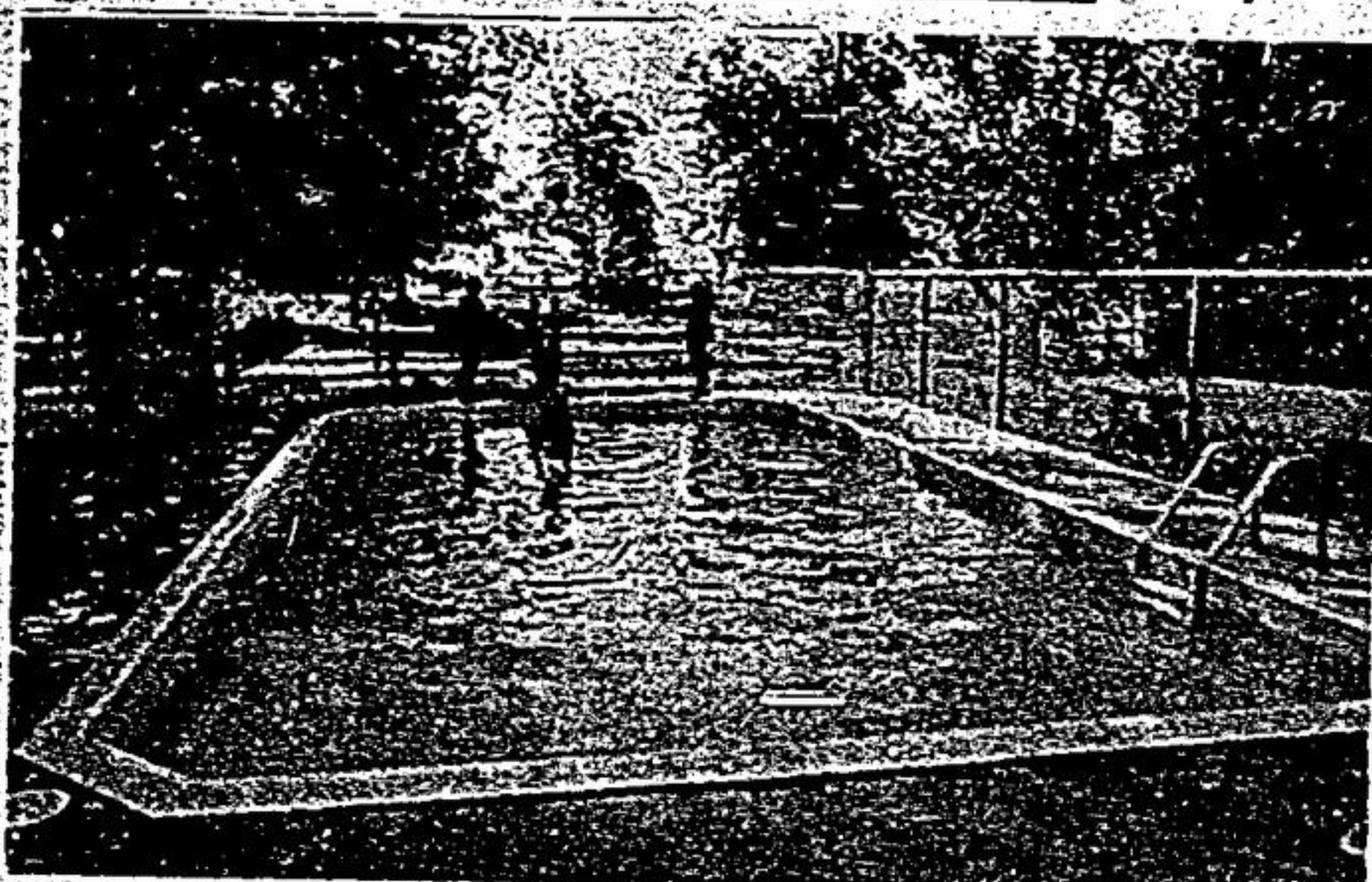
from clogging the precoat layer.

When a filter goes into operation in a newly-filled pool, the advantages of proper filtration can be observed in a spectacular fashion. The water, though perfectly fit for drinking, may at first be cloudy and uninviting. As a result, the first few filter cycles may be shorter than usual.

As filtration progresses, the improvements in clarity and sparkle will be amazing. Complete filtration of the pool's contents may take up to 24 hours.

POOLS

16' x 32'
Inground
Pool

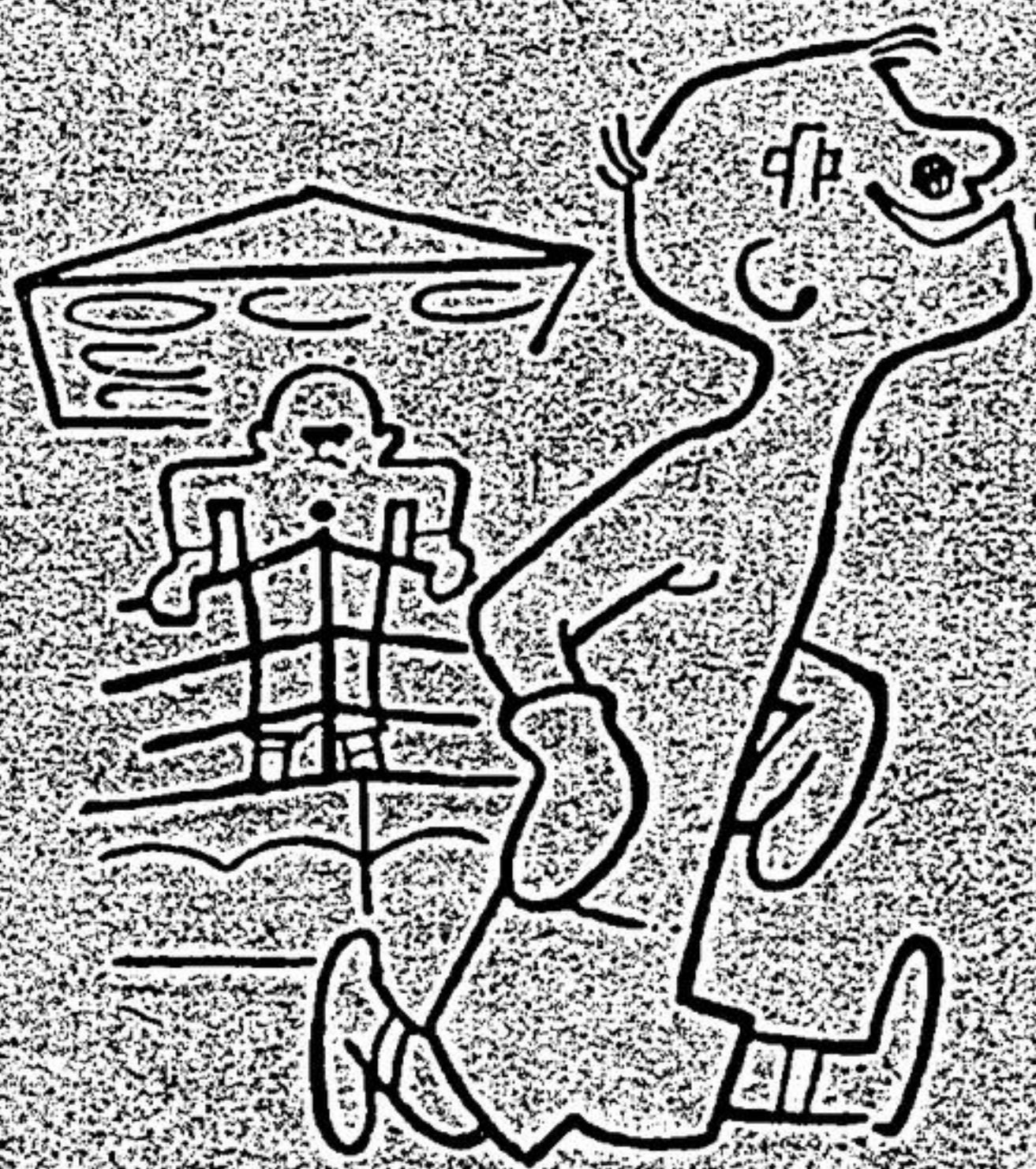


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