

15 York hospital employees top \$100,000 salary level

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With 15 York Region hospital employees bringing home salaries ranging from \$110,000 to \$242,000, hospital presidents insist they must offer competitive wages to recruit and retain high quality staff in the hot Greater Toronto Area health-care market.

At the same time, however, Southlake Regional Health Centre president Dan

Carriere argued the annual disclosure of public employees earning more than \$100,000 is driving salaries upward as workers can easily determine if they are being fairly compensated compared to others in their field.

At \$240,000, Mr. Carriere has the second highest salary of hospital workers in York Region, only slightly behind the \$242,711 paid to York Central Hospital pathologist Dr. John Doucet, clinical director of laboratory

medicine.

The only other hospital employee to top the \$200,000 benchmark was Markham Stouffville Hospital's chief of pathology and medical lab director Dr. Pheobe Shokry, who earned \$221,693.

Mr. Carriere's salary is substantially higher than York's other two hospital presidents.

Dr. Jim MacLean, president of Markham Stouffville, earned \$181,510 last year and York

Central president Frank Lussing was paid \$191,870.

Mr. Carriere's salary for the previous year was \$210,744, while Dr. MacLean's was listed at \$165,009.

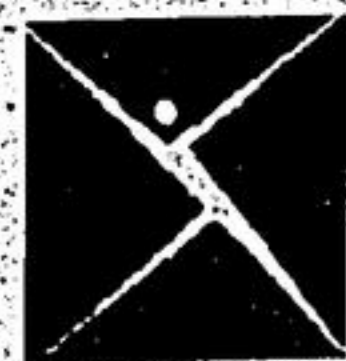
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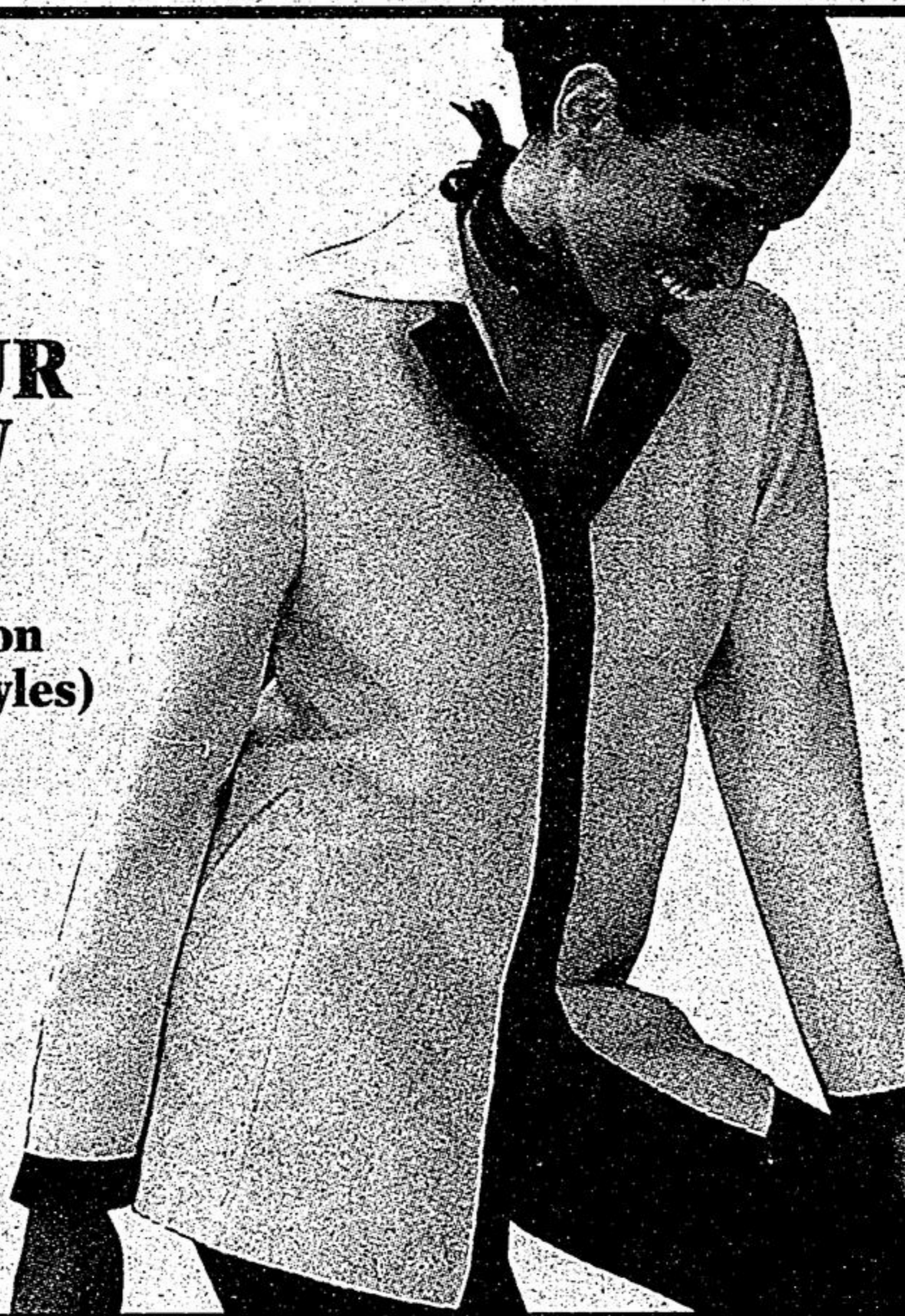
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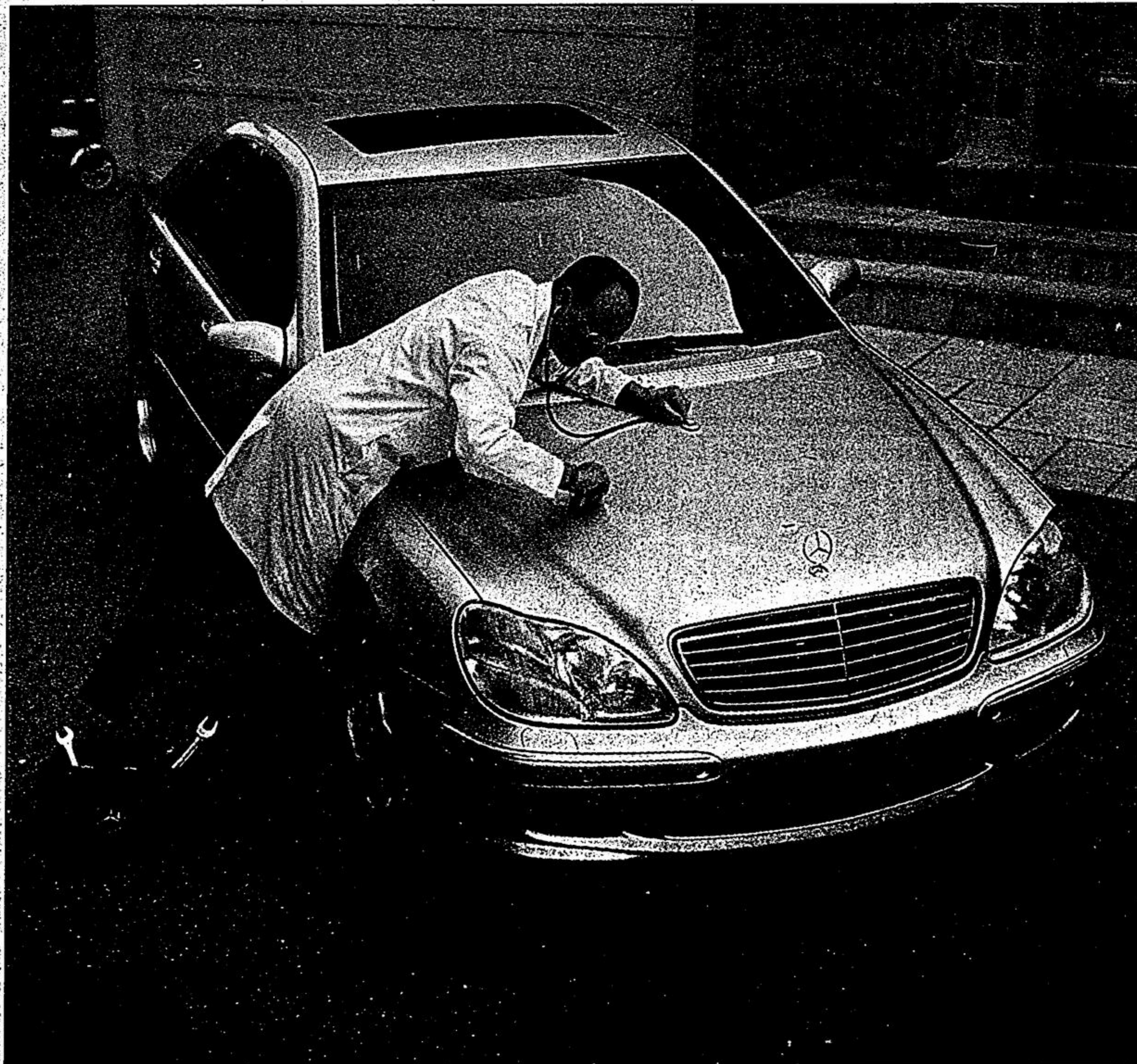
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