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In Remembrance by Margaret Doring

At this time of year, two religious events are commemorated. The oldest is the Passover; the other, the Lord's Last Supper.

In the Book of Exodus, Chapter 12 is the account of how and why the Passover was instituted by Moses. It was to be commemorated each year in remembrance of the *Grace of God* in freeing the Jews from bondage in Egypt.

The Passover story, according to the Hagadda, states that three things are essential for the feast: the Passover lamb (Pesach), unleavened bread (Matzo), and bitter herbs (Moror).

According to the Mosaic laws, sacrifices and offerings can be made only by the Priests in the Temple at Jerusalem.

In A.D. 70 the Temple and Priesthood were destroyed by the Roman conqueror Titus, and the Jews were scattered over the world. As a consequence, the Passover, according to Mosaic law, had to be discontinued.

A NEW COVENANT

In the Book of Jeremiah, Chapter 30:31 is a prophecy of a new covenant to be made with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. The new covenant differs from the Passover covenant.

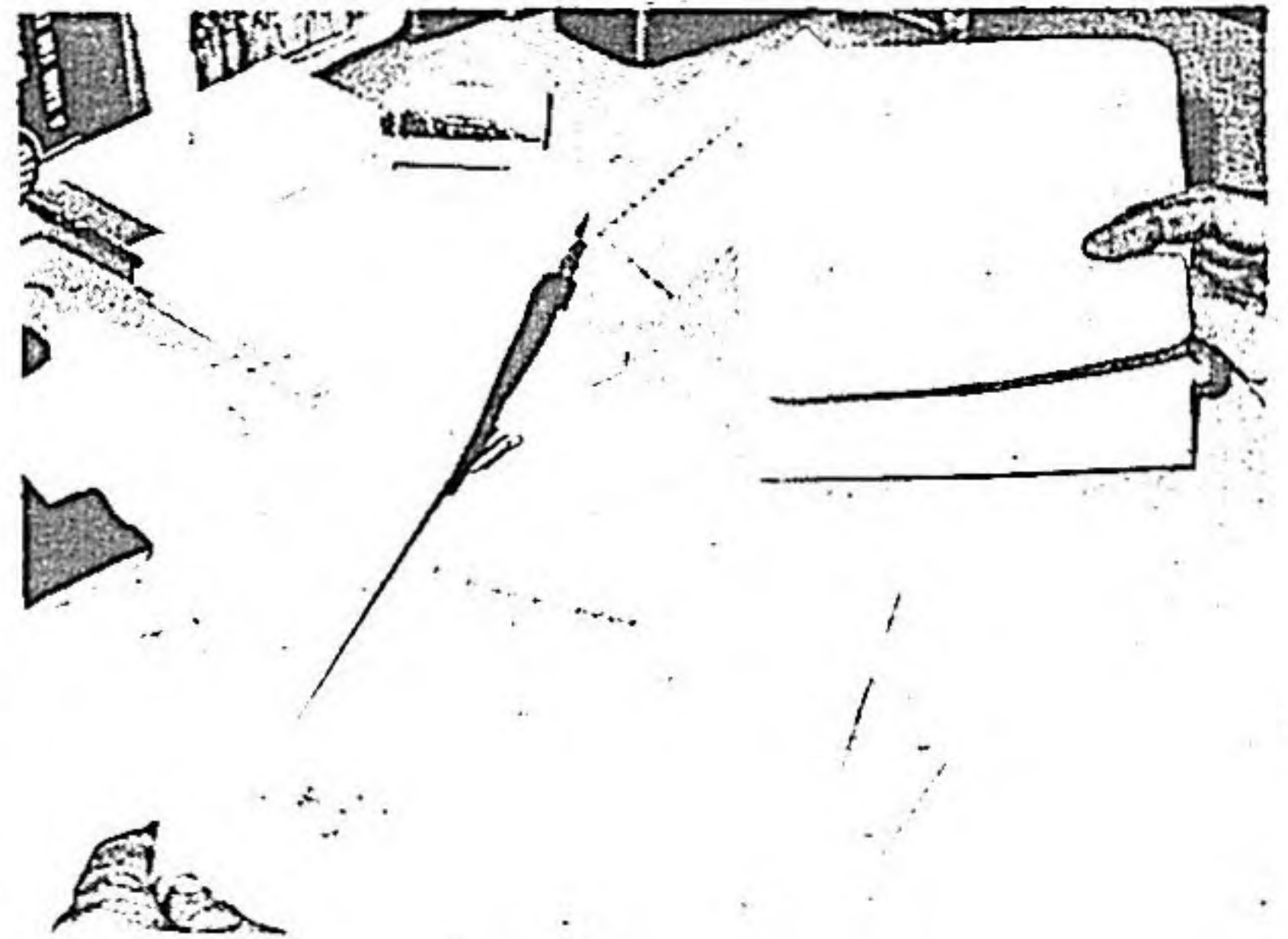
The Lord said: *I will put my law in their inward parts and will write it in their hearts.* He also said: *I will forgive their iniquity and I will remember their sin no more.*

A new covenant was entered into when the Lord's Last Supper was instituted.

First having observed the Passover feast, the Lord Jesus brake the unleavened bread (Matzo), blessed it and said: *Take and eat, this is my body which is given for you, this do in remembrance of*

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A New Look



Have you seen our new Degree Lesson continuation request envelope that accompanies all Degree Lessons being sent from Headquarters to members in the United States? It is another step in Astarā's efforts to serve you more efficiently, while staying away from the impersonal computer.

On the envelope itself, you'll notice a space where you can recommend a sincere seeker who may be interested in and benefited by Astarā's teaching. We'll be pleased to send along a Scroll and membership information to this special friend or loved one.

Your Qualities

It is only essential that you use the equipment now available in your life . . . every physical quality you possess, every inner quality of mind and emotion. Use these as a true delegate of God on earth and you are man in all his majesty.

—Awaken Your Higher Potential.

Swami Parampanthi New Editor



Members of Astara, along with Earlyne and Robert, welcome Swami Parampanthi as editor of the *Voice*, beginning with the June issue.

In addition to his years of academic training in religious and spiritual matters, and his experience as teacher and personal counselor, Parampanthi has written a number of books and treatises on many subjects. One of his books, *The World's Great Religions for Junior and Senior High School Students*, was used in Denver schools as a text for courses in comparative religion. He has lectured at universities and at religious convocations in 35 countries.

OTHER DUTIES

Parampanthi has become associated with Astara as a staff member with several responsibilities. Not only will he edit the *Voice*, he will also speak at least one Sunday every month, and conduct week night classes on a variety of subjects, Friday evenings at present.

Another field in which Parampanthi excels is personal counseling. He is available for help with personal problems of every kind, or for private instruction in meditation, yoga and similar subjects.

Classes Continue

Dr. Parampanthi's classes on Friday evenings at 7:45 during the month of April are on the subject of *The Mystical Wisdom of the East*.

The schedule is:

April 6: The Occult Wisdom of Tibet

April 13: The Taoist Wisdom of China

April 20: The Zen Wisdom of Japan

April 27: The Hindu Wisdom of Maya

Tuition is \$2.00 per class.

New Meditation Tape

Swami Parampanthi leads you step by step to the practice of meditation. The foundation is beneficial to the beginner and to the advanced student.

The technique he recommends is easy to follow. Everyone who is interested in attaining peace, wisdom, and illumination would benefit from this tape.

See Cassette Order form.



Intro Tape

If you own a cassette tape player, and would like an introductory tape about Astara to play for your friends, you may have one for the asking. Simply request the *Presentation Tape*.

This tape was originally recorded by Dr. Robert to introduce Astara to interested persons who, in response to announcements in magazines, sent \$1 to receive it.

A number of members then discovered it served as an excellent way to tell their friends about Astara. Therefore, if you wish a tape for this purpose, you are welcome to receive it without charge.

Youth Group

Meetings held the 3rd Sunday at 12:45 in the afternoon in the Museum Room.

Mini-Meditations

a continuing series by Hildegarde Olsen

Let's consider the *White Light of the Christ* for our Mini-Meditation this month.

Some Astarians have been concerned because they don't see this Christed Essence during their prayers or meditations. One need not see it, any more than one need see the invisible forcefield which draws iron to a magnet. It is a substance so subtle that it can't be detected by our five physical senses, nor by any system of weights and measures. But it's there.

The Light isn't carried on the air we breathe, it's in it. It's all around us. It permeates our atmosphere, directed to us from the heavenly realms for our use to help adjust inharmonious situations, or to achieve our highest aspirations. But it requires our efforts to direct its flow into the areas of our lives which need its ameliorating, healing or inspirational effects.

No, one doesn't see the White Light through his physical eyes—although there are some who perceive it through the extended vision of the Third Eye. Most of us "see" it through our faculty of imagery . . . of imagining its sparkling brilliance encompassing a problem, a person, a situation, a hope or dream.

Earlier I mentioned the invisible forcefield of energy which attracts metal to a magnet. Let us put this idea into practice for our Mini-Meditation on the Light.

You Are A Magnet

Imagine yourself to be a magnet (which you actually are through the forcefield of the aura you emanate). But think now in terms of *being* a magnet. See yourself drawing silvery-white, brilliant streams of Light to you. Now they

surround and enfold you. Either mentally or vocally express your need or hope, or your prayer . . . whatever is on your mind which is unsettled and, at the moment, perhaps is beyond your capability of realizing.

If there's a problem concerning others, direct the Light to them, mentally "seeing" it enfold the situation. Send this thought form off on wings of love—for these are the only wings the White Light knows. Divine Love expresses through the Christed Light, always at our service if we will but call upon it through our own prayerful, mental efforts.

Lesson Tuition

The tuition for some of Astara's non-degree lessons must be raised slightly to equalize the ratio between their production costs and tuition.

This tuition increase will go into effect with publication of the new lesson catalog, approximately April 5. The following lessons may be ordered at the present lower tuition rates until that date.

Unfolding the Third Eye

Occult Hypnotism

Transmutation

The Essenes

Psychometry—The Sense of Psychic Touch

Clairvoyance—The Sense of Psychic Sight

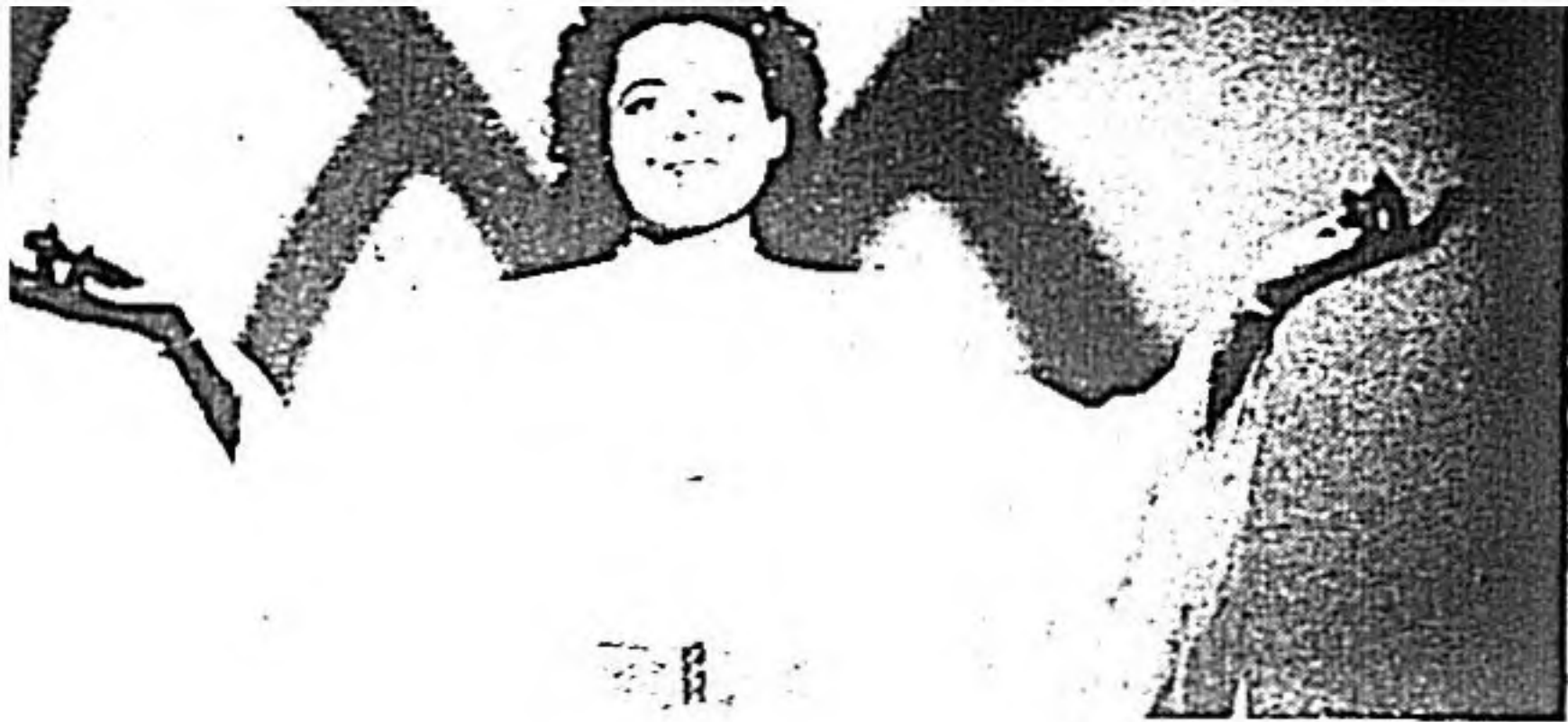
Intuition—The Sense of Inner Perception

God's Place in ESP

Think on New Levels

Awaken Your Higher Potential

This announcement is made now so you will have the opportunity to order any of the lessons you wish before the tuition increase takes effect.



An Astarian in Need Never Walks Alone

He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds. (Ps. 147:3)

HEMORRHAGE COMPLETELY STOPPED

Dear beloved Sita,
and also Robert and Earlyne:

Thank you so very much for the healing garment which you sent to me, and for your prayers, dear Robert and Earlyne, for I have been helped so much by your living healing auras. When I held blessed Sita's healing remnant of her garment up in the darkness of my room at night I could see the healing aura of Love extending more than six inches from it. After placing it over my chest, the hemorrhage has completely stopped, and I have never felt better in my life. Your Brother and always your friend,
O. S., Joplin, MO

ASTARA'S CONCERN FOR AN ASTARIAN

Dear Robert & Earlyne:

First I want to say how glad and proud I am to be an Astarian. I have never been happier and more content in my life.

I have sent in two petitions, in both of which I had full faith. One was for my mother who can walk better now, and her blood pressure seems to be in control, also her heart.

I also sent one for myself because I had a complete hysterectomy, and my incision broke open in several areas and became infected. Four days after sending my petition, it was like a miracle, it began to heal beautifully.

I want to thank Robert, Earlyne and all my fellow Astarians for their aid, and our beloved God. With much gratefulness,

B. A. S., Watertown, NY

I KNOW IT WAS GOD'S WORK

Dear Astarians:

It has only been two weeks since I sent a healing petition for myself. I had been to my doctor for a complete physical to find out I had a lump in my right breast and my left ovary was enlarged with a very sizable cyst. Of course my thought immediately was of cancer. I was told to return within a specified time. In the meantime I wrote to Astara and surrounded myself in the Healing Light.

When I returned yesterday my doctor, nurse and I were completely surprised. There was no lump to be felt in the breast and he said he couldn't even find my left ovary, no enlargement and no cyst. The doctor said maybe it was my hormones but I know that it was God's work. Because of this incident even my husband and the children and I are a closer knit family.

Thanks to all. Mrs. J.D.H., Lancaster OH

STOMACH ULCER HEALING

Dear Earlyne and Robert:

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your healing petitions, and thanks to Master Zoser and others for helping me.

I went into the hospital December 4 for a stomach ulcer, the doctors thought they had to operate. However, I felt so good after a couple of days, they took more x-rays and found healing had set in. Within a week I was home on a diet, doing wonderful. My headaches are still there, as it is from an arthritic condition in the neck. However, I have faith that in time this will be cleared away too.

Thank you so much and may God bless you and yours always. Love and blessings --

E. M., Detroit, MI

Announcing!

Lesson 22-4th Degree

Lesson 1-5th Degree

With the issuing of Fourth Degree Lesson 22 and Fifth Degree Lesson 1, the student marks another milestone in his or her unfoldment.

It is the transition from the Fourth Degree into the Fifth Degree. You now will walk a higher pathway.

The road is always upward and the end can only be another victory in Light.

The following are excerpts from Fourth Degree Lesson 22—*Love in the New Age*.

What is the basic solution for earth's problems?

As earthians learn the true meaning of love, will the problems of earth find solutions? Every human problem is directly or indirectly linked with love.

Love takes a thousand forms. Love is life and life is love.

What causes mutual response between persons?

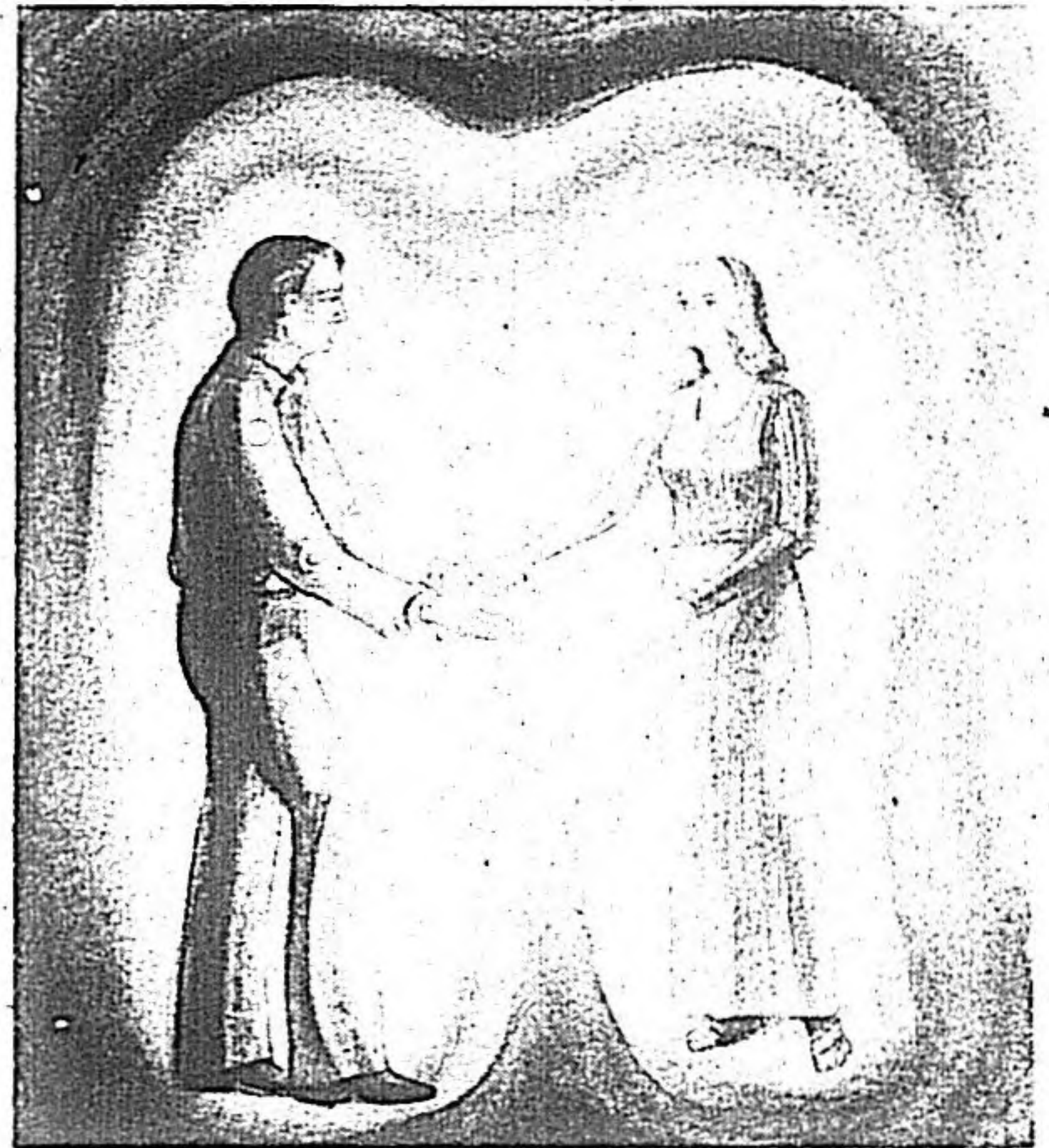
When the age of intuition becomes more fully unfolded in earthians we will "feel" beyond our physical responses. We will instinctively and intuitively recognize one whose vibrations harmonize with our own on all levels.

Loving is a contribution to the emotional and spiritual growth of the participants. For love is indeed a science produced of a mysterious chemical and expressing as the most powerful of all man's instincts.

Fifth Degree Lesson 1, *And the Pendulum Swings* answers these questions:

Will the forces of freedom win?

What dulls human compassion?



Why are these the best days of my life?

What is the difference between me and a puppet?

Of what practical personal use is the Light?

Do the stars really have an effect on my life?

Why is astrology more than just "my own chart"?

Why is knowledge of Astro-science valuable to man's progress?

Why must principles be learned?

Why is my soul development not exempt from "laboratory exactness?"

To what Root Race do I belong?

What characterizes a Sixth Race soul?

What makes a soul "old"?

Is there actually a "Christ Sphere of Glory"?

Students who have completed Lesson 21 of the Fourth Degree are eligible to order Lessons 22 of the Fourth and 1 of the Fifth Degree.

An order form is attached to the book list.

ASTARIAN healing petition

1. Fill in the Petition.
2. Concentrate a moment upon the Astarian Symbol.
3. Hold it between your hands with a prayer . . . then send it to us.
4. Each day sit in meditation for a few moments, visualizing yourself in an aura of White Light.

Please direct your prayers and spiritual healing energies to:

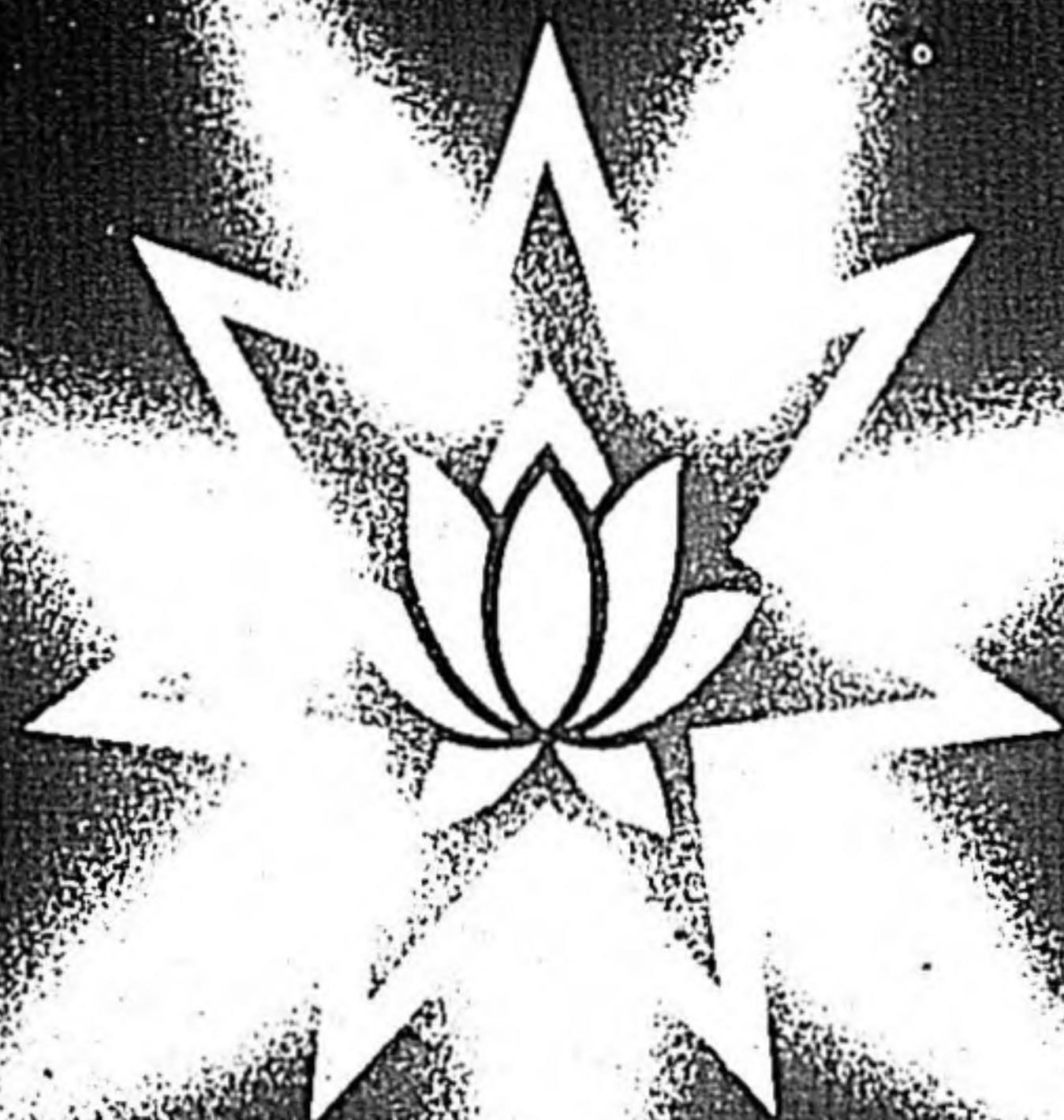
Name _____

Address _____

for the following difficulty: _____

NOTE: When requesting healing for someone else, write your own name and address on the back of this Petition. This is *IMPORTANT*.

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THE ASTARIAN AFFIRMATION

I am surrounded by the Pure White Light of the Christ . . .

Nothing but good can come to me . . .

Nothing but good shall go from me . . .

I give thanks!

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After teaching meditation methods to thousands, Parampanthi offers this instruction for the first time on tape. Methods for both advanced students and beginners.

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**DOES YOUR PET
HAVE A SOUL?**

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TO FREEDOM**

A mystical view of the
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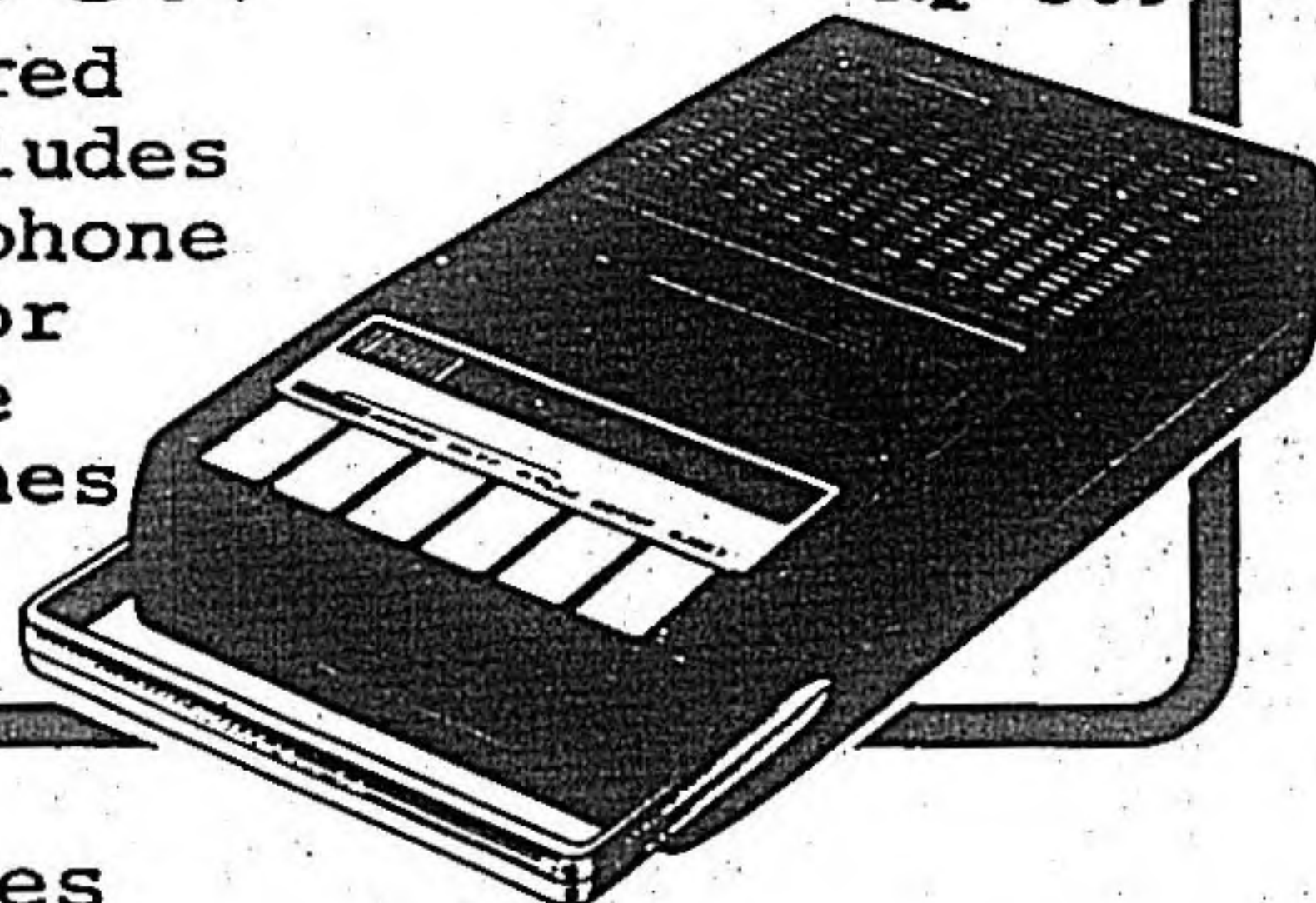
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Cassette Order Form

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- ☐ #103 From Swamp to Stars - Transcendental Consciousness
- ☐ #104 Miracles of Coincidence - View From the Outside
- ☐ #105 Does Your Pet Have a Soul? - Souls on the Way to Freedom

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- ☐ #304 Melodies for Inspiration
- ☐ #305 Meditations: East to West

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- ☐ #602 Where is Astara Bound?

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Suggested minimum donation for cassettes in series - \$5.95 for one cassette, or two cassettes for \$10.00.

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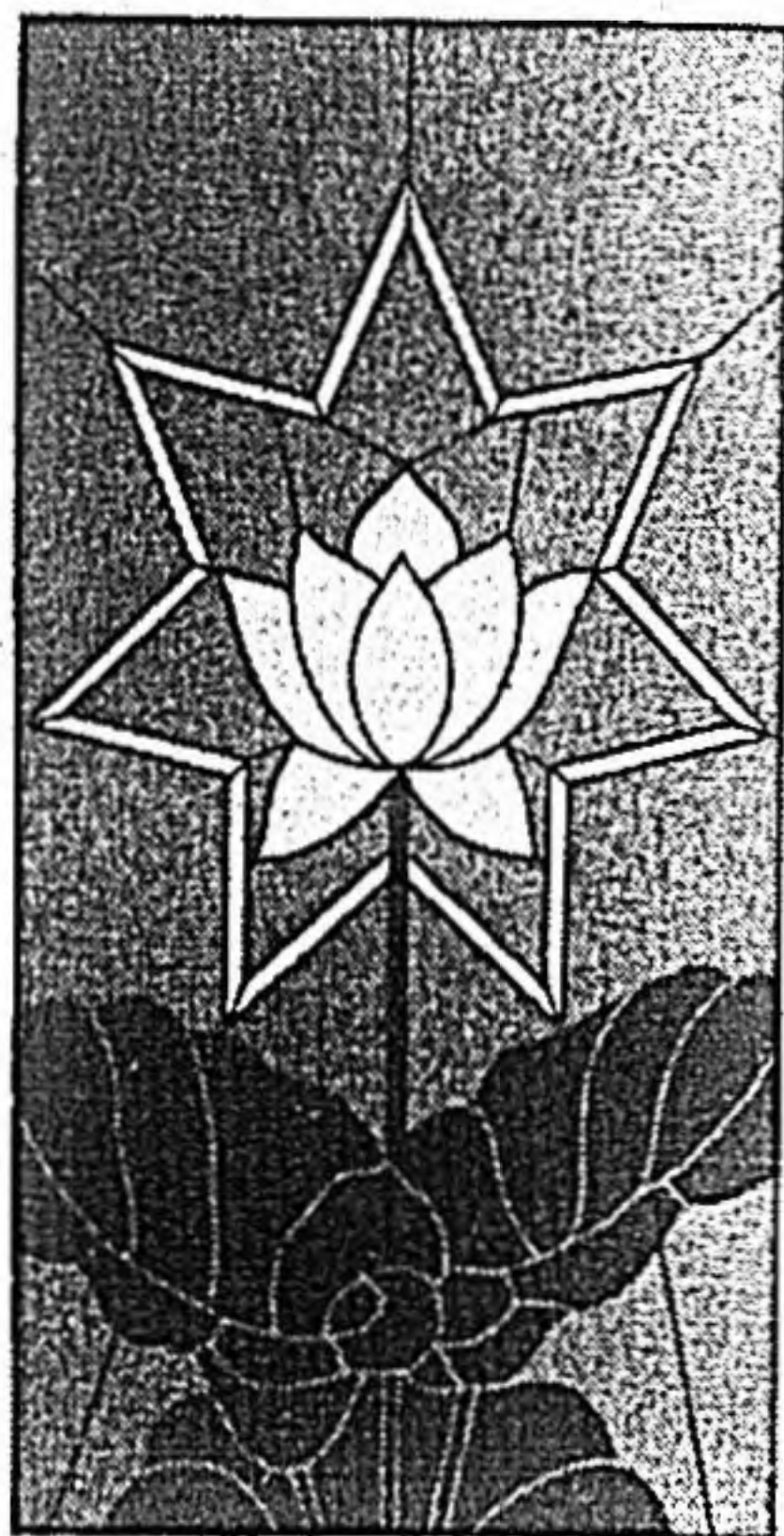
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Please allow three weeks for delivery in U.S.



ADVANCE ASTARA'S WORK IN THE WORLD

Easter marks a momentous turning point in the year. It is the beginning of the striving toward perfection. It is this Holy Season that presents the greatest possible opportunity for us to feel our humanity. If we can impart something of our goodness to others, how much more so the presence of God in our lives.

If you would like to help Astara help others by spreading the Light of Enlightenment, your material donation will be gratefully received, and will go forth in its spiritual mission from your heart to hearts and minds around the world.

Donations Serve That Minds Might Grow

To my Brothers at Astara:

Here is my Easter donation to help Astara bring true light to the minds of men everywhere. This gift of \$ _____ is sent with my love and blessings.

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ROBERT AND EARLYNE SAY THANK YOU . . . "We know that your Easter Gift is from your heart. And in the same spirit we say thank you for your thoughtfulness and your desire to help Astara help others."

ASTARA'S BOOK LIST

Summer 1973

Compiled by Irma I. Mills



☐ BORN TO HEAL.....\$6.60

- From documented records of seemingly miraculous cures, Ruth Montgomery tells the inspiring and astonishing story of "Mr. A" who achieved his healings through the ancient art of healing with life energies. (new, hard cover)

The Book
of Books

☐ THE BOOK OF BOOKS.....\$4.70

- Annalee Skarin, author and mystic, gives a spiritual majesty to her words, "Incentive is the first step toward unfoldment," and, "Enthusiasm is the living spark of the soul that lights the Path of progress." Her

dedication of purpose, and insight, lend an added emphasis to this book as a guide toward the unfoldment of the dynamic way each Promise of God is fulfilled.

BEYOND MORTAL BOUNDARIES - Skarin..\$2.85

LOST BOOKS OF THE BIBLE - Anon.....\$3.75

THE GOSPEL LIGHT - Dr. Geo. Lamsa..\$6.60

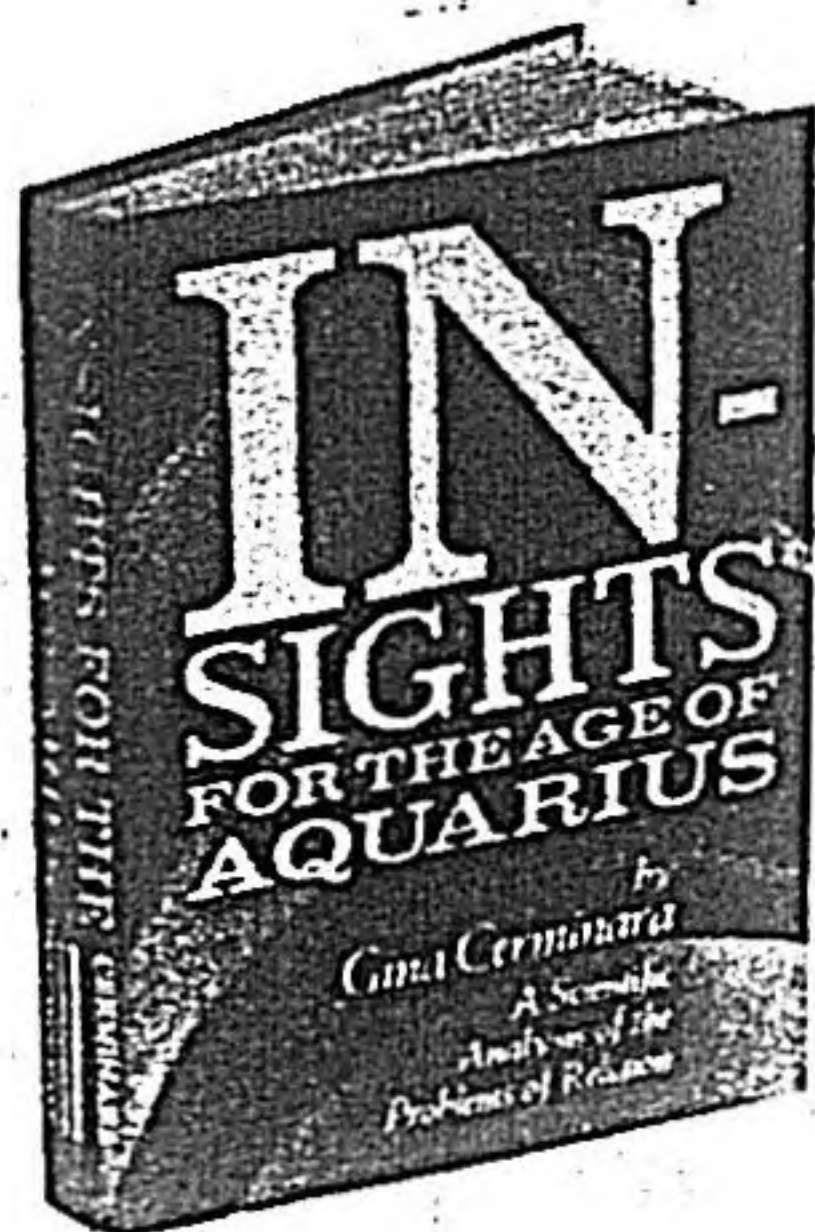
Comments on the miracles and wonders taken from the teachings of Jesus.

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Comments on New Testament subjects, words, idioms and customs of Jesus and his apostles. Translated from the ancient Aramaic language by Dr. Lamsa.

Degree Lessons Continuation Request

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☐ INSIGHTS FOR THE AGE OF AQUARIUS.....\$7.50

• In this new book, noted author, Gina Cerminara, has vigorously criticized religious doctrines. She applies the principle, "no statement is true in all cases" to the basic tenets of several major faiths. Her humor and in-

sight show the reader how to overcome problems of doubt, fear and intolerance by putting them into a proper perspective.

☐ THE INNER LIFE - C. W. Leadbeater.\$10.00

- A study in depth of the inner life of the aspirant and the invisible worlds; and the Great Ones who help.

☐ MYSTERIES OF THE HOLY GRAIL.....\$2.40

- Corinne Heline relates many of the mystical truths of the Christian faith through the legend of King Arthur and Knights of the Round Table.

☐ COSMIC MEMORY - Rudolf Steiner....\$1.95

- A treatise on Atlantis and Lemuria; life of the sun, moon, and earth.

☐ THE NEW MAN - Maurice Nicoll.....\$1.95

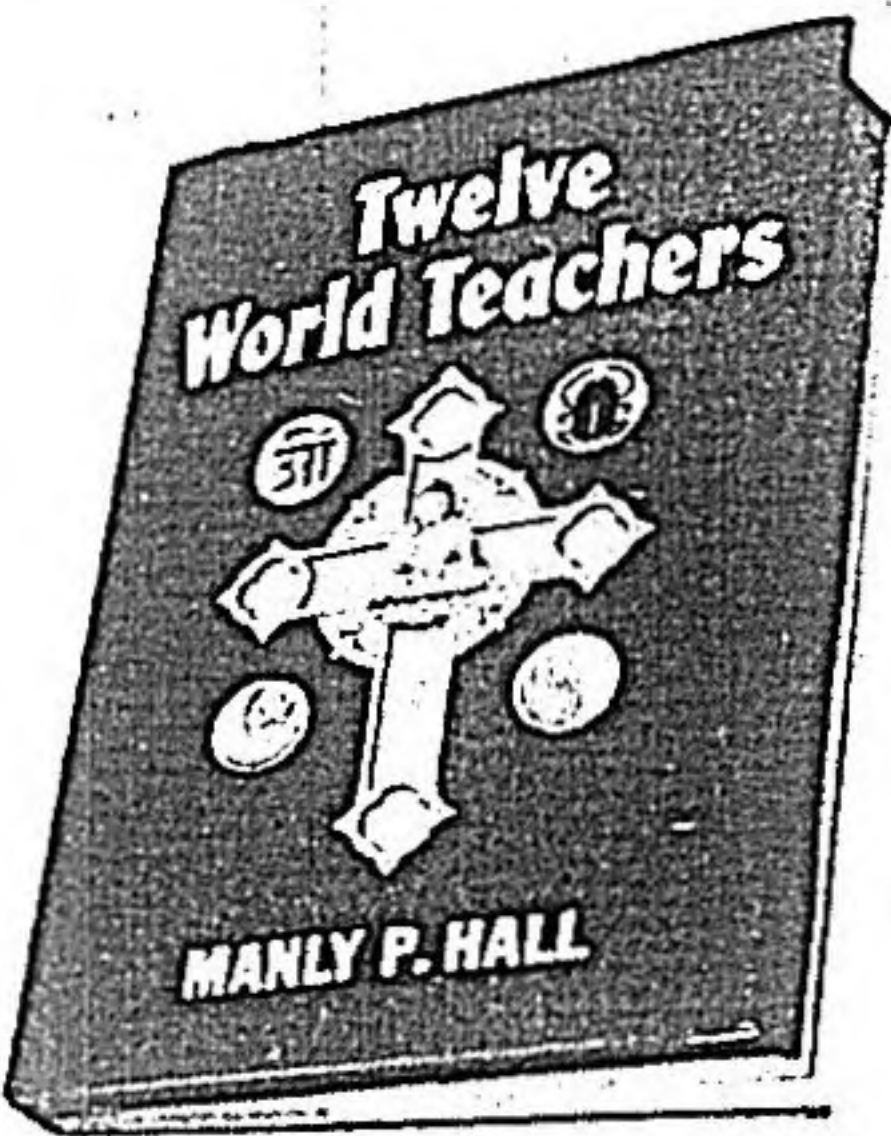
- An interpretation of some of the parables and miracles of Christ.

Titles by, Dr. Puragra Parampanthi

☐ • MYSTERY & MEANING OF REINCARNATION.....\$1.00

Explains the historical universality, basic principles, and the cosmic rational of reincarnation in the light of modern needs.

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☐ TWELVE WORLD TEACHERS.....\$4.75

- Author, Manly P. Hall, has drawn wisdom and philosophy from the lives and teachings of Great Ones: Akhenaten; Hermes; Orpheus; Zoroaster; Buddha; Lao-Tse; Confucius; Plato; Jesus; Mohammed; Quetzalcoatl; Padmasambhava.

☐ FREEMASONRY OF THE

• ANCIENT EGYPTIANS - M. P. Hall.....\$4.75

Interprets doctrines of the Egyptian priests relating to life, death, and the resurrection of man. Among subjects included are: Egyptian magic, The Osirian cycle, Secret doctrine of Egypt, and the initiation of Plato.

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• COSMO CONCEPTION - Max Heindel.....\$3.35

A treatise on man's past evolution, present and future development. Explains visible and invisible worlds; four kingdoms; Genesis; the Christ.

☐ THE LIGHT OF THE SOUL.....\$3.35

- Its science and effect. Taken from the Yoga Sutras of Patanjali, with commentary by Alice A. Bailey.

☐ THE SOUL'S AWAKENING - G. Hodson.....\$2.85

- Answers many important questions. Chapters include The Human Monad; The Ego; The Causal Body; The Serpent Symbol in Religious Art.

☐ KUNDALINI: An Occult Experience.....\$1.75

- G. S. Arundale describes the awakening of consciousness as "the serpent fire" moves from its base in the human body through the force centers, causing illumination and a realization of the Infinite.



○ How many Candidates in the Mysteries were raised to enlightenment in the chambers of the Great Pyramid? What eternal truths were brought to light in the seeming darkness of that man-made symbolic cavern?

We moderns will never know its full, fascinating history. But we do know that it was a symbol of and a place for man's initiation into the higher Mysteries.

There is a pyramid in each of us. It is the cave of the heart. In a unique way it is a symbol of and a place for our journey to a higher status of enlightenment...our initiation.

As you create your destiny, knowledge is the principal ingredient.

Degree Lessons Continuation Request

Postal delivery requires three to four weeks in the U.S.

For your convenience and saving, you may wish to send advance tuition for more than one month's Lessons. Check your preference in the squares below.



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I have checked below the tuition payment I prefer. Please send the Degree Lessons to me accordingly.

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Send 2 each month.

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Send 2 each month.

save \$2 ☐ I enclose \$18 for ten Lessons.
Send 2 each month.

save \$1.20 ☐ I enclose \$14.80 for eight Lessons.
Send 2 each month.

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Send 2 each month.

save 20¢ ☐ I enclose \$7.80 for four Lessons.
Send 2 each month.

☐ I enclose \$4. Send next two Lessons.

When requesting more than two Degree Lessons, they are mailed to you two at a time on the first of each month.

Lessons are usually sent via Third Class mail requiring up to four weeks for delivery in the continental United States unless you request First Class mail.

☐ Please send the Lessons I have requested via First Class mail.
I enclose an extra 50¢ for each two Lessons (50¢ for 2; \$1 for 4; \$1.50 for 6, etc.)

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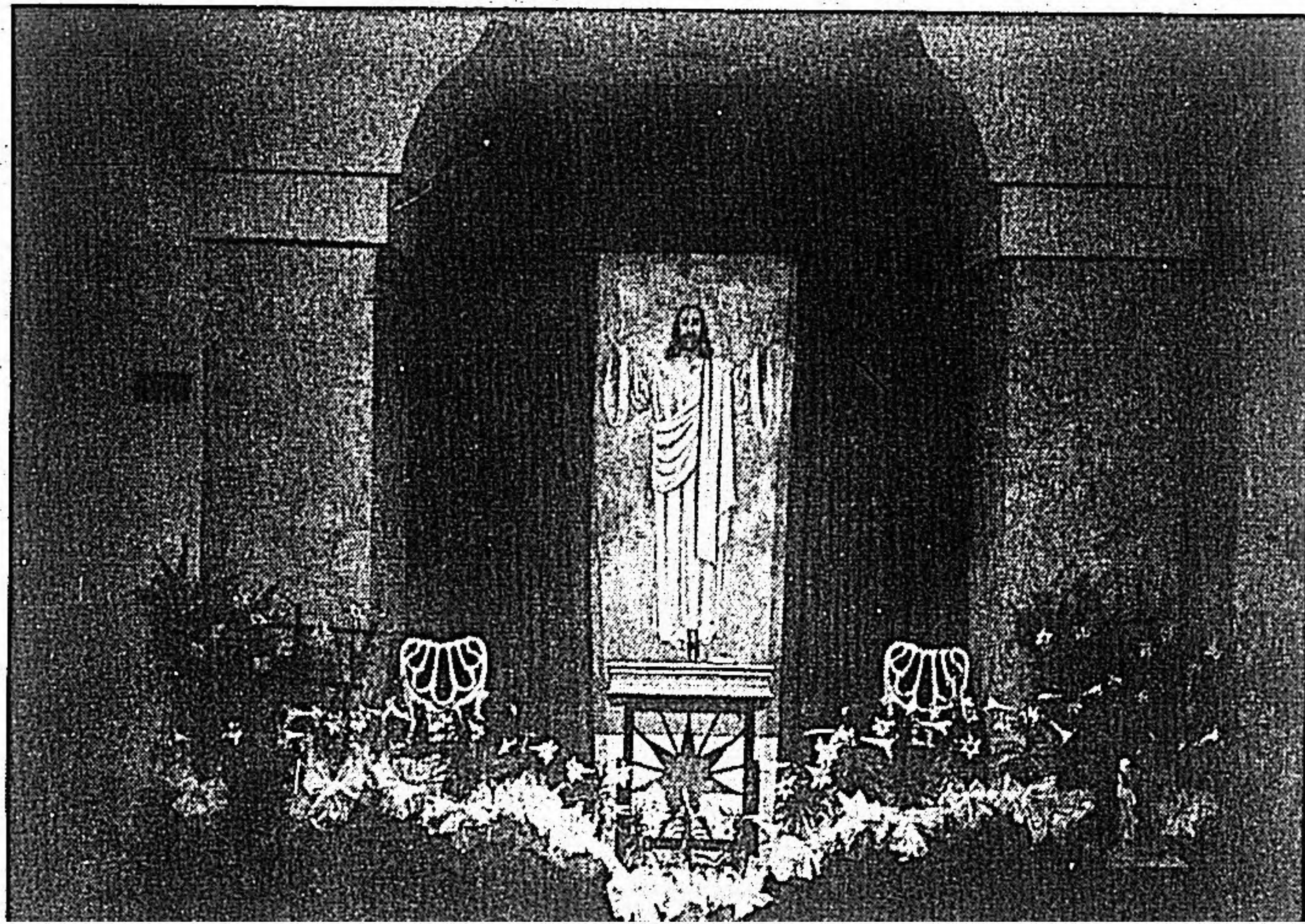
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From _____

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261 South Mariposa Avenue
Los Angeles, California 90004

April, 197

Dear Fellow Astarian:

Many years ago I used to teach an adult education class in public speaking. To help students learn one of the secrets of the art, I would challenge them to name any article of furniture or equipment in the meeting room which I could not use in a verbal illustration of some kind, created on the spur of the moment.

For example, consider a door in your home -- any door. Think about it a moment, and about how you would use it in an illustration if you were delivering a lecture.

Still others would regard it as a symbol of security, protection against intruders and evil doers -- or a shield against the outside world and creator of a quiet inner place, a sanctuary.

In Biblical times, the door had its mystical meaning. The Jewish Passover, observed this month, commemorates the occasion when the Angel of Death "passed over" Jewish homes because their doors had been marked with the blood of a lamb. The door is a symbol of trust in God and the security which faith provides.

In Christianity, the stone rolled away from the tomb is a door opened -- the Easter door to a greater life -- symbolizing the potential to overcome limitations, and the liberation of the enlightened or resurrected consciousness, the eventual victory of Spirit over matter.

So a simple door, when concentrated upon with a spiritual consciousness, begins to come alive with meaning. The next time you spend a moment in meditation, select an object and explore its very special meaning to you ... a lamp, a book, a sturdy table or chair, a phone, any object will do.

Between you and me, I may have selected a door to illustrate this idea because on the title page of a book, *The Gospel of Emerson*, given me by a friend, appears the words: "Be an opener of doors."

In one way or another, I think that's what Astarra is all about --

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the "Best wishes," text.

P.S. Spiritual Frontiers Fellowship is presenting its Western Workshop-Seminar at the Sheraton-Anaheim Hotel in Anaheim, April 15 through 19. I'll conduct two Workshops -- *Hermetic Principles and Psychic Development*, and *Mysticism and Longevity*. Let us know if you are interested in attending. We'll send a descriptive folder. SFF is a door opener too!

Movie Schedule

The Story of Astara, a color movie about Astara's past, present and future, will be shown and narrated by Dr. Robert in the following cities. Members of Astara are invited to attend and may bring guests if they wish. There is no admission charge, but an offering is taken to help defray expenses.

MIAMI, FLORIDA

Tuesday, April 24, 1973, 7:45 p.m.
Marriott Motor Hotel
1201 NW 42nd Ave., Miami 33135

ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA

Wednesday, April 25, 1973, 2:00 p.m.
Holiday Inn—North
5005 34th Street N., St. Petersburg 33714

TAMPA, FLORIDA

Wednesday, April 25, 1973, 7:45 p.m.
Holiday Inn—Downtown
111 W. Fortune, Tampa 33602

ORLANDO, FLORIDA

Thursday, April 26, 1973, 7:45 p.m.
Holiday Inn—South
4049 S. Orange Blossom Trail, Orlando 32805

MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

Tuesday, May 15, 1973, 7:45 p.m.
Holiday Inn—Downtown
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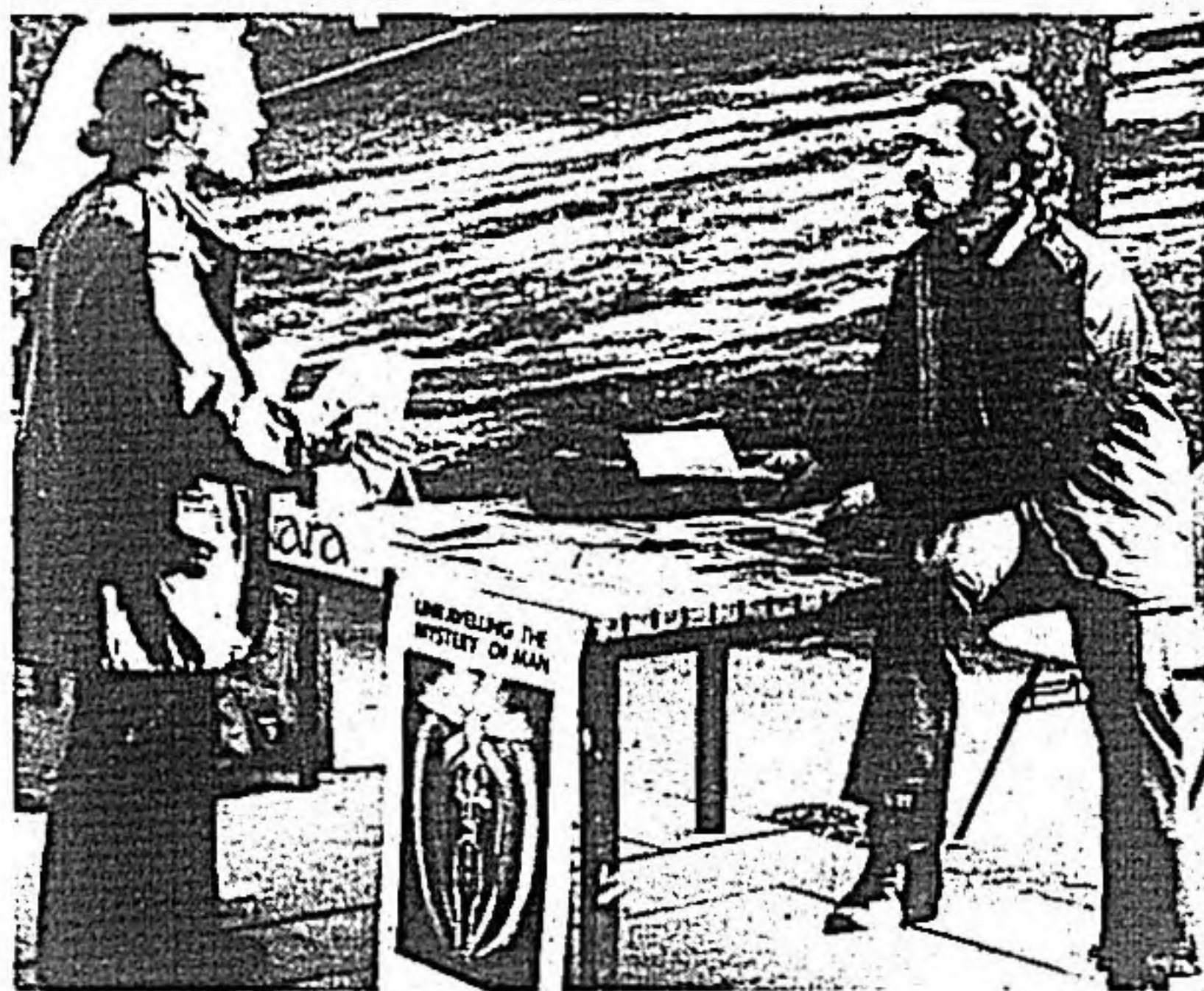
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Other cities in which the movie will be shown include Washington D.C., Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, Hartford, Boston, Cleveland, Columbus, Atlanta,

Toronto, Buffalo and Pittsburgh.

No schedule for these showings has been set up at this time. Equipment purchases have been a financial drain and the movie showings in these cities must be delayed until finances are available. Trips to all these cities will be scheduled as soon as practical.



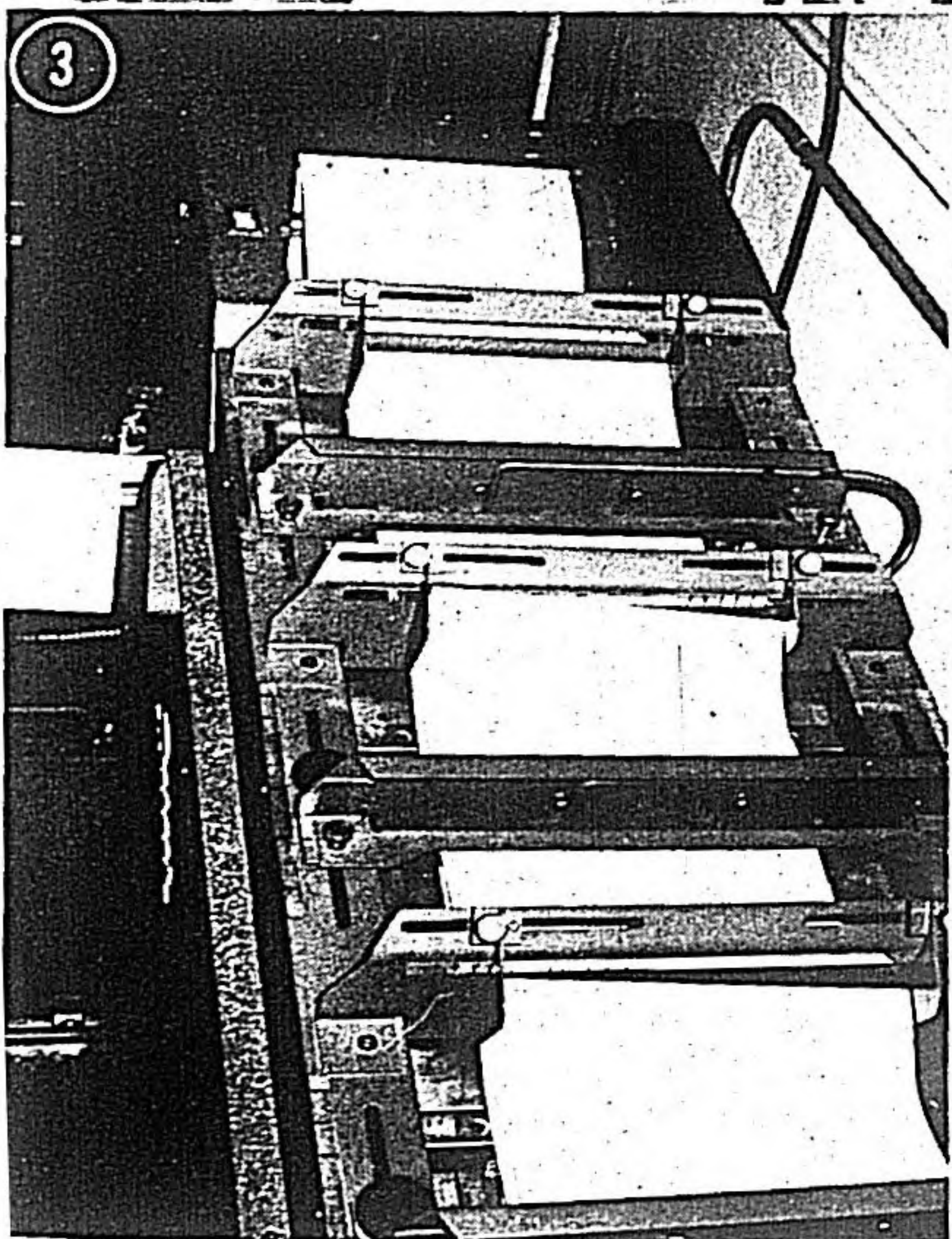
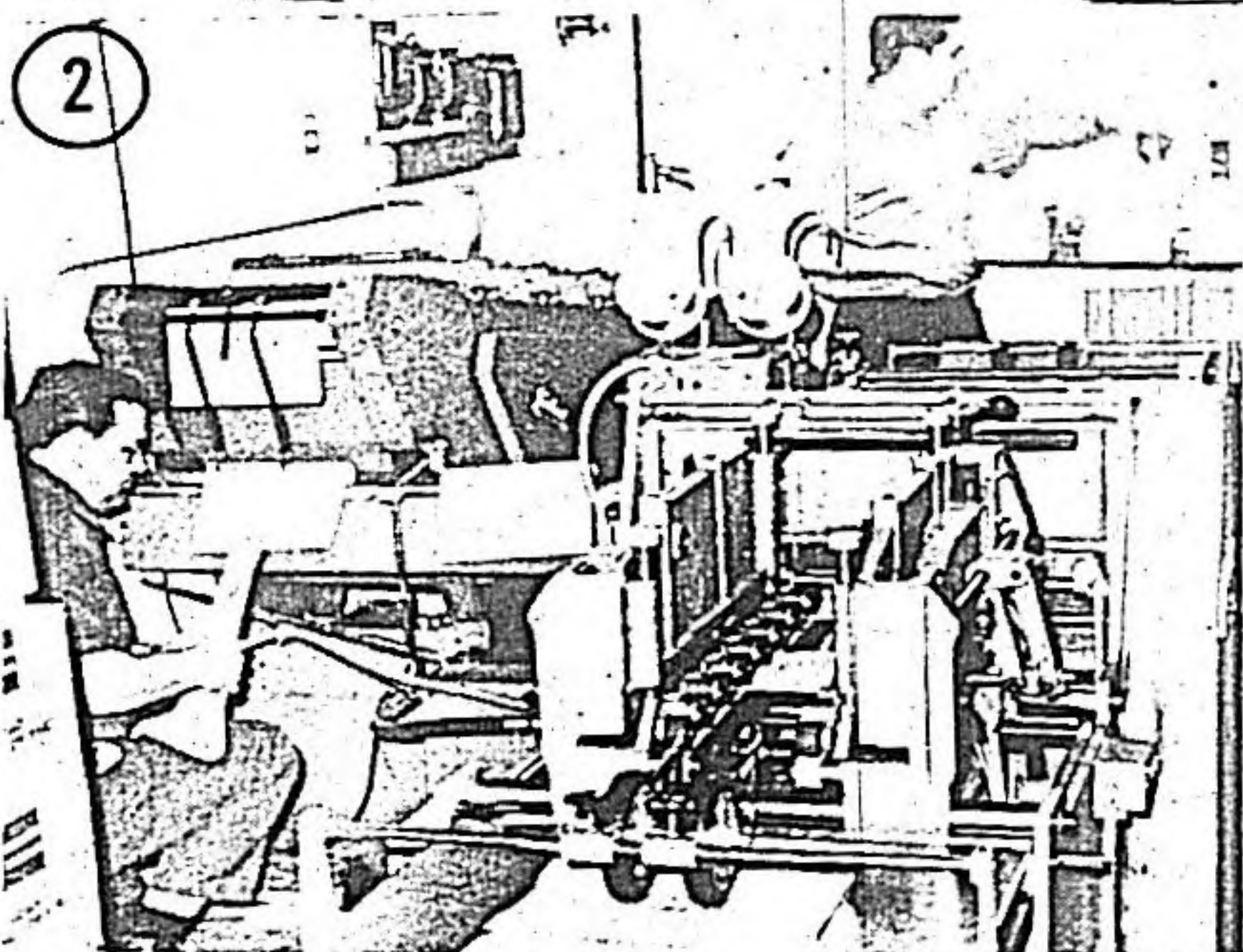
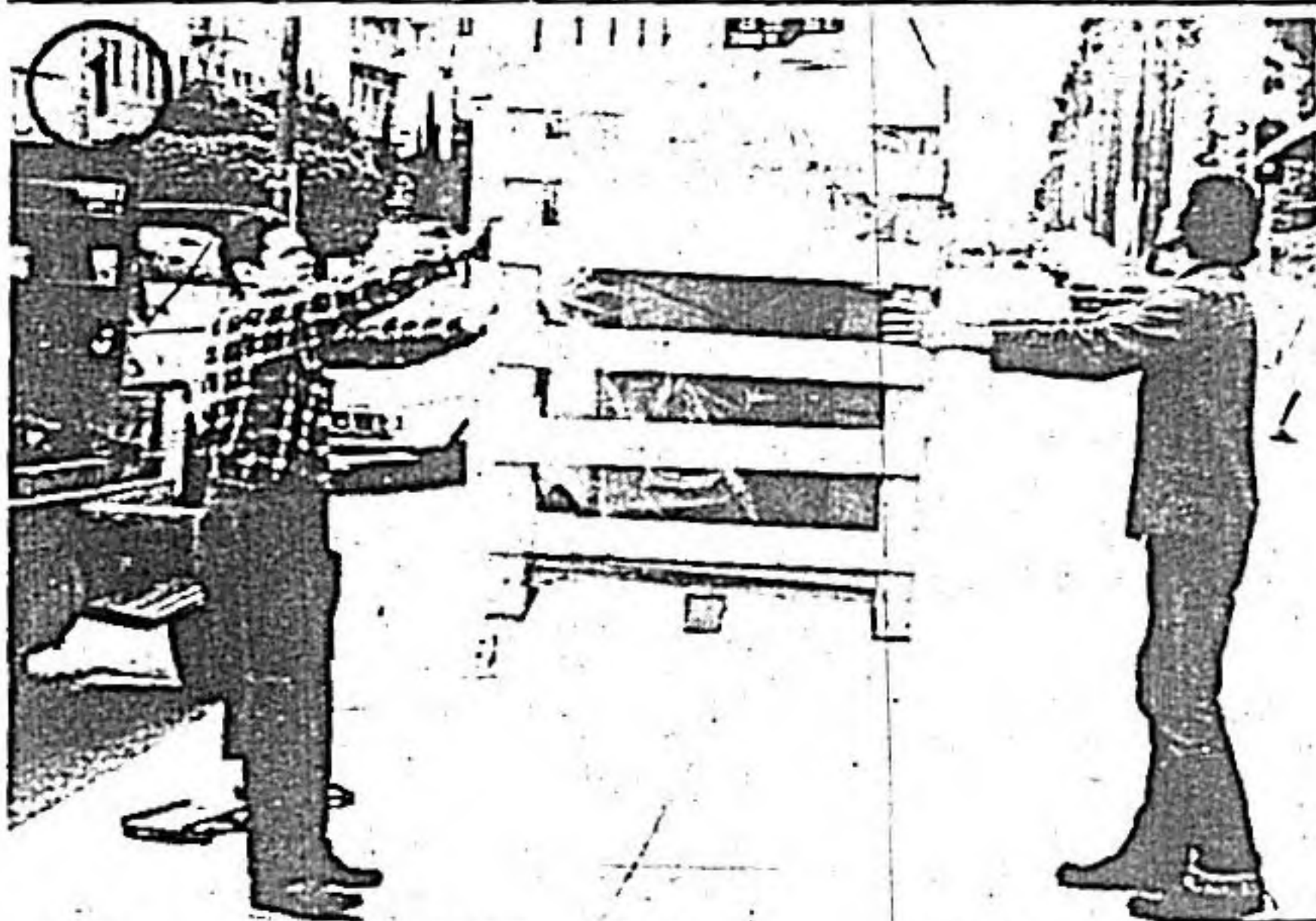
Astara At UCLA

Astarian Alfredo Ruiz has set up an Astara literature table on the Bruin Walk at UCLA. He has discovered a tremendous interest in Astarian introductory literature expressed by faculty as well as students. Thanks to Alfredo for the time and effort he expends in thus introducing Astara to others.

Prism Of Consciousness

... the prism of man's consciousness differentiates the Divine Light. Impulses from the Infinite, or from your High Self, enter your consciousness and are then transmitted into your thoughts and acts according to the composition of your consciousness. In the prism of consciousness, some emanations from the Infinite or from the High Self are inhibited, others are emphasized. This prism of consciousness differs from person to person.

—*Ten Steps to Self-Fulfillment.*



New Equipment

To increase the speed and decrease the cost of producing Lessons and the *Voice*, Astara has just added a "Three Knife Trimmer" to the print shop equipment.

Actually the trimmer is a \$9,313.50 attachment to the collater which assembles the pages of Lessons or the *Voice* and "stitches" (staples) them into booklet form.

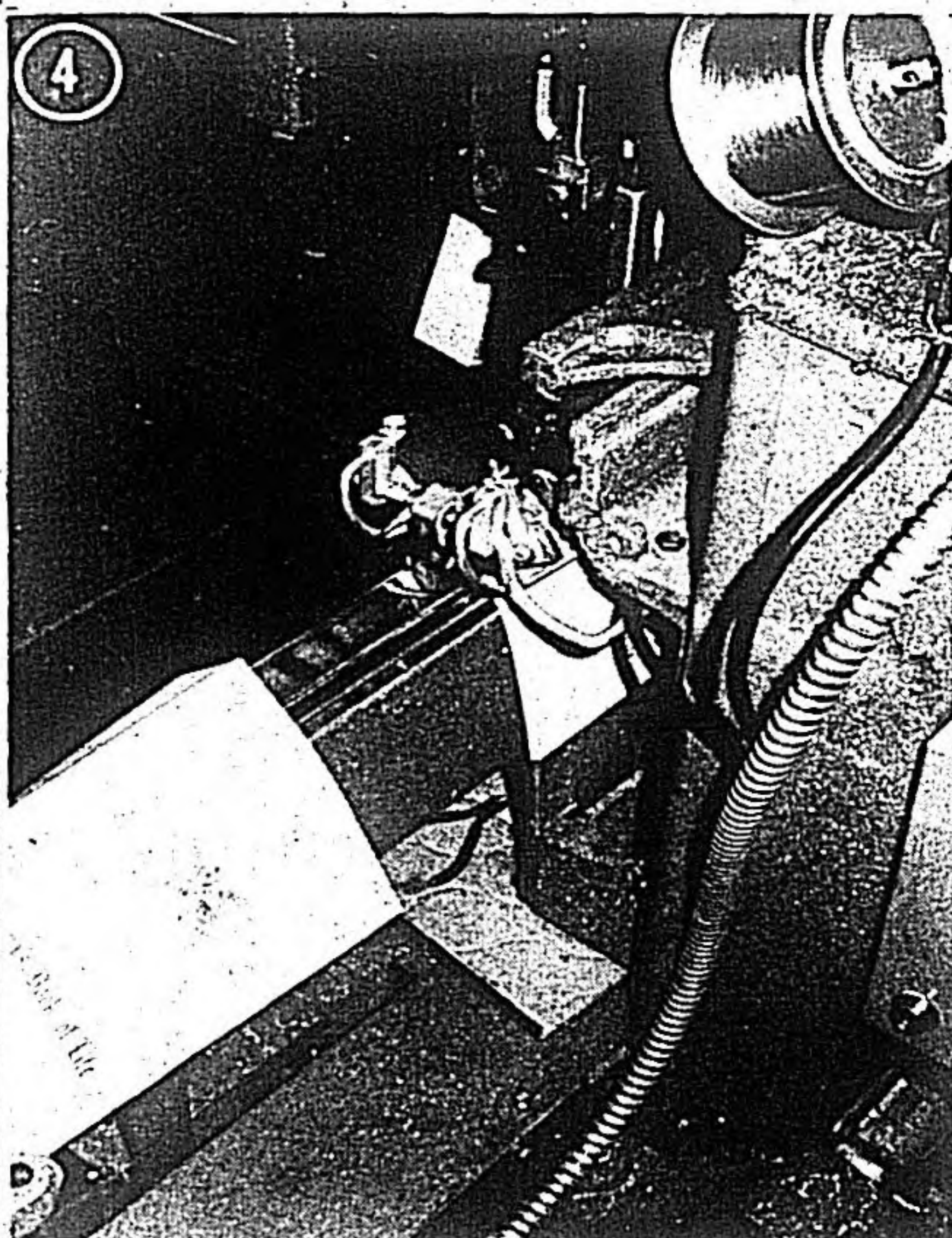
By connecting the trimmer to the collater, we are now able to put the folded pages of a Lesson, for example, in the hoppers at one end of the unit and remove stapled and trimmed Les-

(1) *Trimmer delivered*

(2) *Units being synchronized*

(3) *Lesson "signatures" ready for gathering*

(4) *Gathered Lesson ready for stitching*



Installed

sons from the opposite end, ready to be packaged and mailed to you.

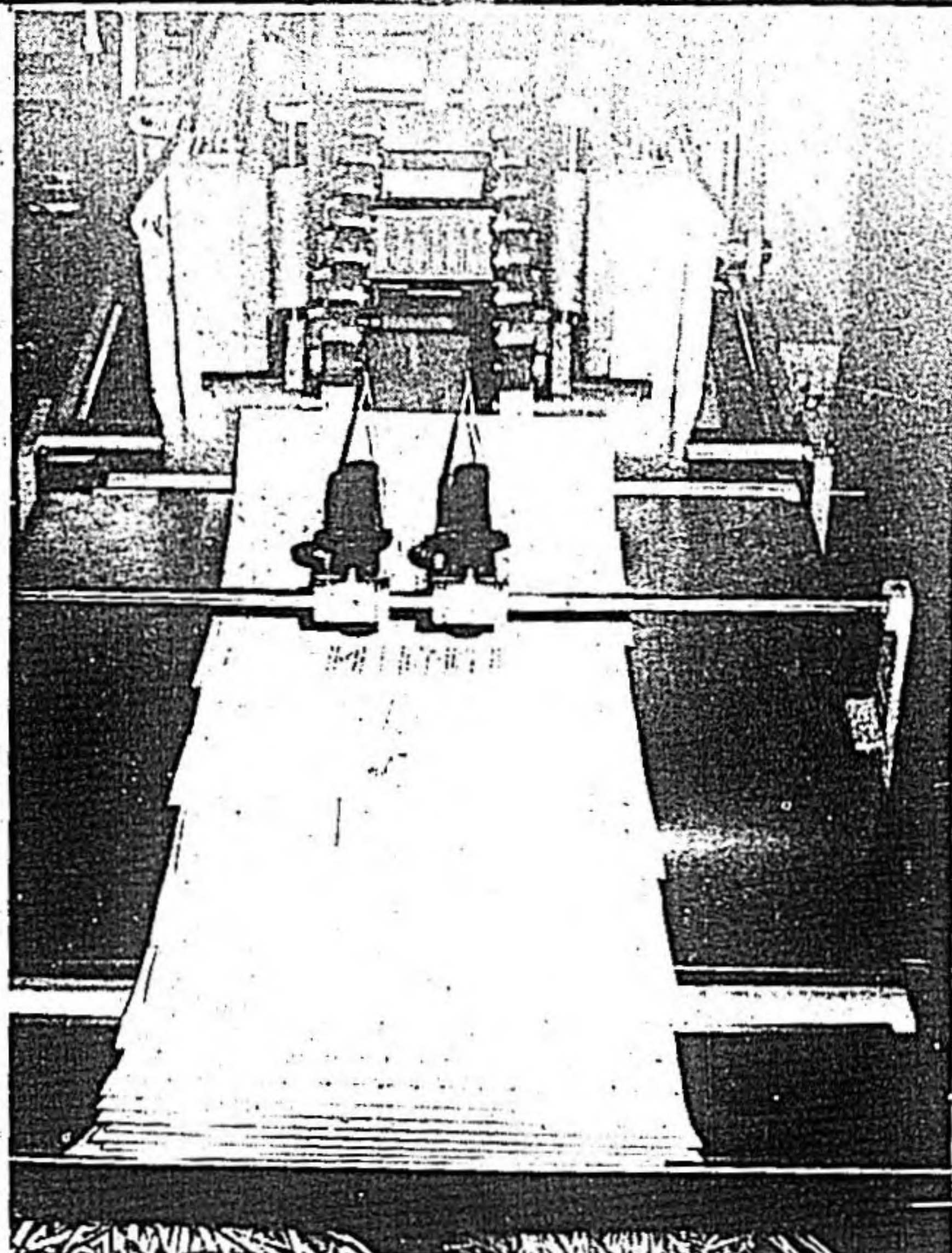
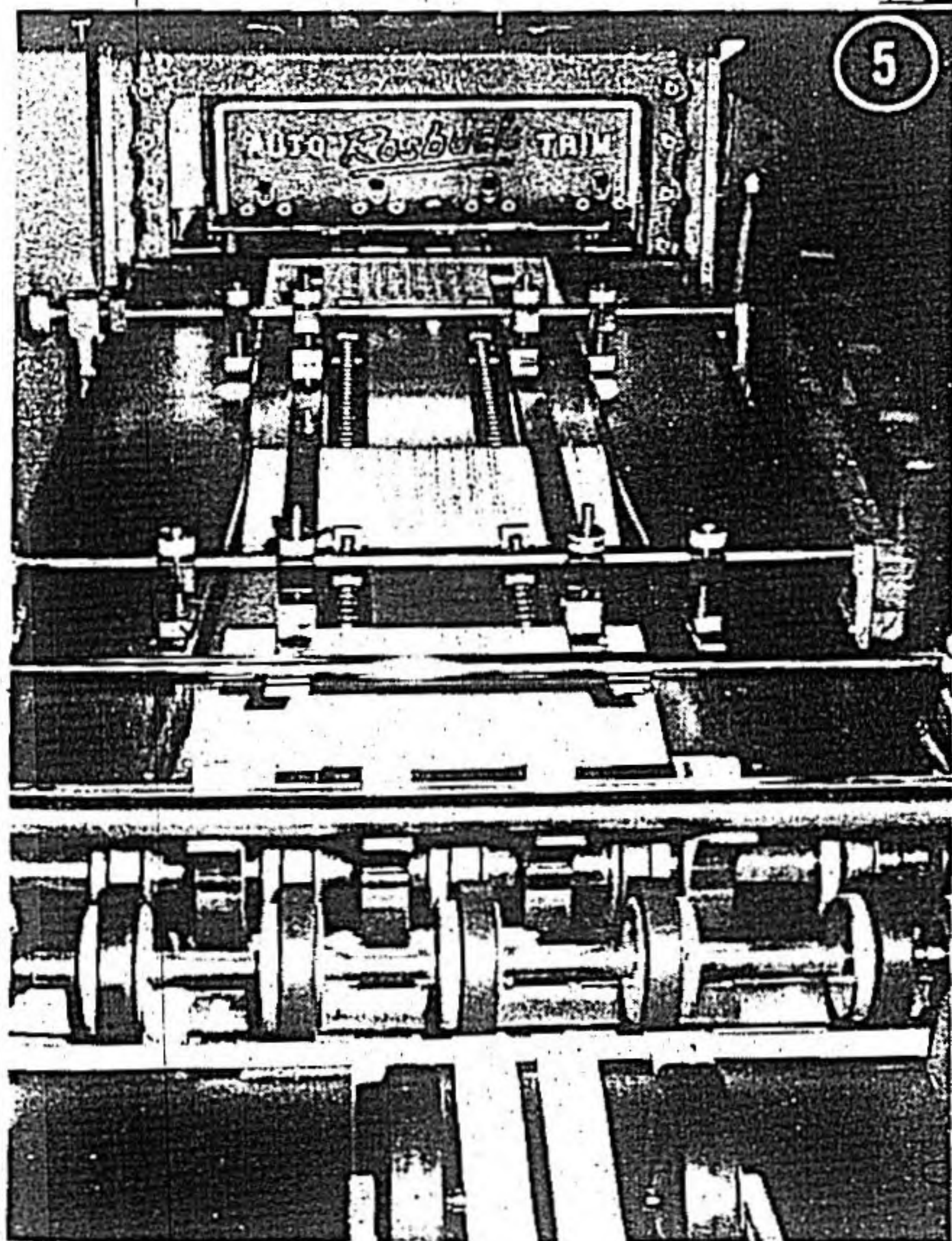
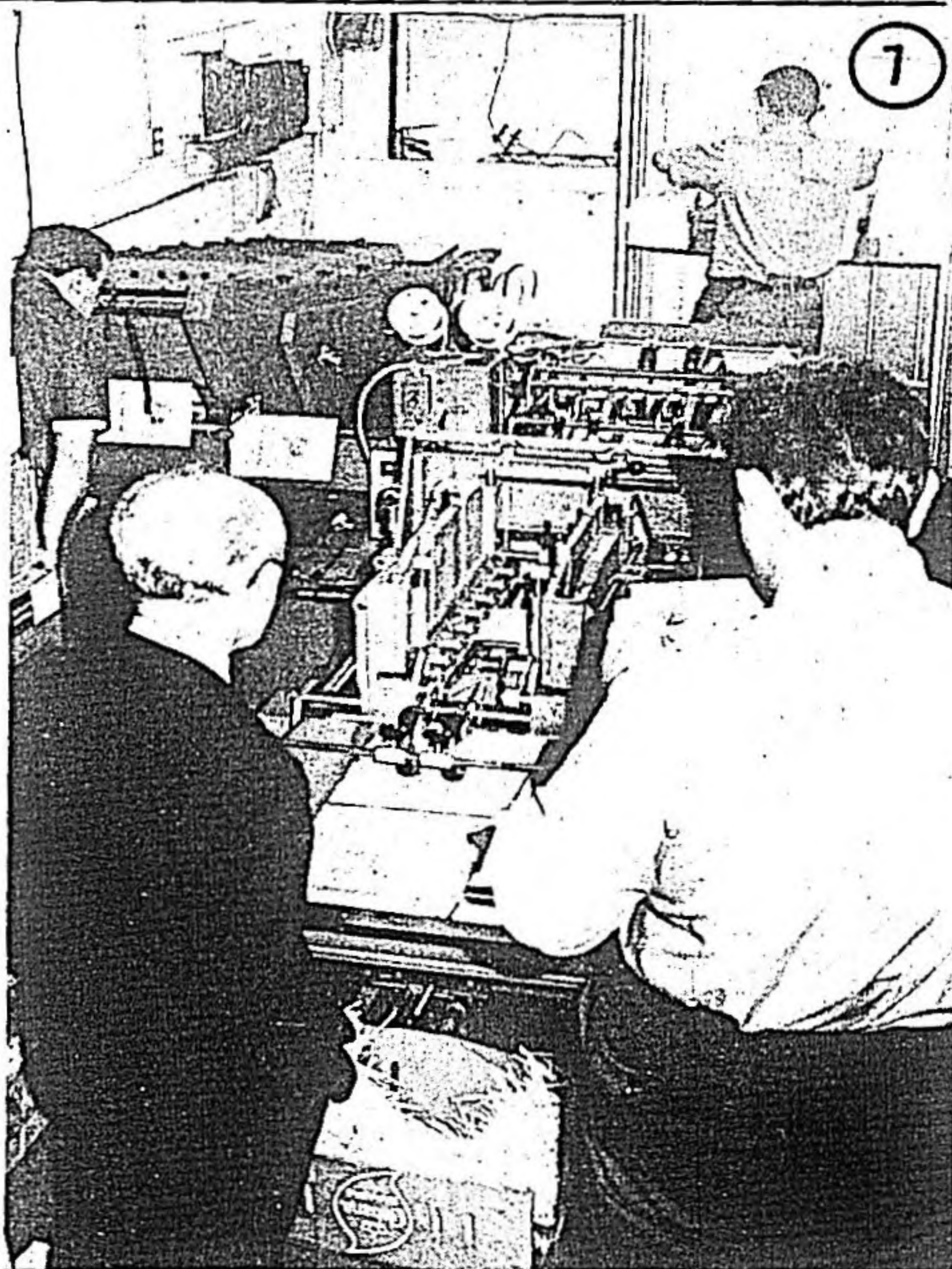
The new unit is called a Three Knife Trimmer because three heavy blades trim the pages of a Lesson at the top, bottom and side simultaneously. The unit saves handling the Lessons during three separate previously required trimming operations on an electric cutter.

If you are making a donation to Astara in this month's donation envelope, and wish to have your gift applied to the purchase of this equipment, just write the word TRIMMER on the envelope.

(5) Lesson going through trimmer

(6) Completed Lesson on conveyor

(7) Back view of Dr. Robert and Bob Smock watching the operation



Financial Report

Many Astarians like to know how their donations are used at headquarters. We all know that many material needs are required to distribute spiritual values.

We are very serious about our responsibility as stewards of your gifts and offer the following regarding recent major equipment purchases and needs, as information for those who are interested.

Davidson Printing Press: . . . \$7875.00

Paid in full!

Three Knife Trimmer: 9313.50

Balance due 6652.50

Gestetner Mimeo: 1102.50

Balance due 551.24

Lesson Storage Shelving: . . . 898.36

Balance due 369.16

VAN NEEDED

Our station wagon is breaking down under the heavy loads of mail delivered to the post office and even heavier loads of supplies transferred from Print Shop to Mailing Department.

We have obtained bids from auto agencies for supplying a van for this heavy job. The lowest bid, \$4,136.86, will be taken up as soon as sufficient funds are available.

MORTGAGES

Of the three pieces of Los Angeles property Astara owns, there is a mortgage on only one. The property and buildings occupied by the church auditorium and some of the offices still have a mortgage of \$5853.80 which we expect to pay off by the end of 1974 at the latest. The present payment rate is \$123.00 per month.

Your assistance in meeting these essentials, in any amount at any time, is always appreciated and responded to by our gratitude.

IN REMEMBRANCE *Con't. from Page 1*

me. Blessing the cup (wine) He said: Drink ye all of it, this is my blood, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

Until the year A.D. 70, both the Passover and the Lord's Last Supper, which was also called the Christian Passover, were observed by the disciples and Jewish converts.

CHANGES IN THE PASSOVER

The abolition of the Temple and the Passover left an intolerable void in the religion of Israel. That void had to be filled by a kind of Passover which was not tied inseparably to the Temple and Priesthood that were no more.

The Lord's Last Supper—the Christian Passover—completely answered this purpose. With some changes and embellishments, it was incorporated into the Jewish religion by some of the Jewish leaders. The Passover became what is now the most sacred religious occasion of the Jewish home—*The Seder*.

THE DRAMA OF THE SEDER

The requirements for the Seder, according to the book of rules (Shulchan Aruch), are *four cups of red wine* and *three matzos*.

Nowhere in the writings of Moses or the Rabbis is there any mention of wine being essential in keeping the Passover.

The rules now say there must be *red wine* to represent the blood of the lamb; that is, the *Pesach* whose blood saved the Jews from physical death and the *Lamb of God* whose blood is shed for the remission of sins. The Lord Jesus said "Drink ye all of it." He made no exception.

The three Matzos placed one on top of the other represent God the Father and Creator, God the Saviour and Redeemer, and God the Holy Spirit. The three

Astara's Building Fund Honor Roll

A special thank you to persons listed on this Honor Roll. Since the last issue of the Voice was printed they have contributed to the cost of purchasing and remodeling Astara's newly acquired property.

Repeat names are members who have made additional donations.

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and Hank Tamillo

aspects of God in One.

During the Seder ceremony, the middle matzo is given a special significance. It is called the "Aphikomen" and represents the Lord Jesus and the Passover Lamb (Pesach).

The person who conducts the ceremony breaks the middle matzo into two pieces. This represents the body of Jesus broken on the cross. The larger piece is wrapped in a cloth and hidden. This represents the body wrapped in grave clothes and placed in a tomb.

At the close of the ceremony the body is resurrected—the Aphikomen is recovered and shared with all who are present, just as the lamb (Pesach) was eaten by all at the close of the Passover.

The *Aphikomen* which represents the Lord Jesus is a Greek word meaning *I came*. In this manner do some Jews acknowledge Jesus as the promised Messiah.

For centuries Jewish lips were forbidden to utter the name of the hero of the Seder or reveal its source, but its import cannot be effaced. The promised Messiah was the Lord Jesus, Shepherd and Saviour of Israel, who provided for the spiritual need and sustenance of His people. ➔

Prize Winner

Every donation to the building fund is numbered upon arriving at headquarters; each 50th donor becomes a prize winner. Mattie Lee Bost, Phoenix, AZ is a 50th donor and will receive a medallion containing Astara's emblem on one side and Astara's affirmation on the other.

Intuition

One of the most important facets of human expression which we could accept to our benefit is: *intuition*. This inner faculty, this sixth sense, so often used only unconsciously, can function to an exceedingly high level when you consciously accelerate it.

It is a natural faculty with most children, but as we grow older we use it less frequently and it atrophies. To become conscious of it, and to use it even if only occasionally, will re-focus your life upon areas that are abundant with meaning, pleasure and accomplishment.

—Think On New Levels.

Note: The source of this article is a pamphlet titled, "The Story That Could Not Be Forgotten" by Solomon Birnbaum. Distributed by the Hermon House, 56 Second Avenue, New York, NY 10003.

Speakers At Astara For April 1973

- April 1: THE DEALERS
Rodolfo Silva speaking
- April 8: THE SEARCH FOR SELF IDENTITY
Robert Chaney speaking
- April 15: NO ONE HATH GREATER LOVE
Glen Raymond speaking
Rodolfo Silva, healing service
- April 20: THE LAST HILL
Good Friday Service, 2 p.m.
Rodolfo Silva speaking
- April 22: LIFE IN MANY MANSIONS
Easter Service, 11 a.m.
Robert and Earlyne Chaney
- April 29: THE GOLDEN PATH OF
THE BUDDHA
Swami Parampanthi speaking
Rodolfo Silva, healing service
- May 6: THE SPIRITUAL POLARIZATION
OF MATTER
Robert Chaney speaking

SPECIAL FRIDAY CLASSES

The Mystical Wisdom of the East
by Swami Parampanthi

See elsewhere in *Voice* for class schedule.



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