



BOARD OF HEALTH

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BOARD OF HEALTH MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday
March 17, 2015
Central One Federal Credit Union, 2nd Floor
40 South Street
5:30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of Meeting (February 17, 2015)
2. Director's Report (February)
3. Sanitarian's Report (February)
4. Health Inspector's Reports (February)
5. Old Business
 - A. Scott Knox - Wayside Mobil Park - 5:45 pm
6. New Business
 - A. Proposed Probation Policy for Foodservice Establishments
7. Director's Issues
8. Adjournment



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Minutes of Board of Health Meeting March 17, 2015

The regular Board of Health meeting was held on Tuesday, March 17, 2015, in the Community Room at the Central One Federal Credit Union, 40 South Street. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Acting Chairman Ehrlich. Present: Member Walsh, Director Baccari, Sanitarian Gauthier, and Inspector Gilchrist. Absent: Federici

Minutes of the meeting held on February 17, 2015, were approved.

Director's report (Feb.) was discussed and approved.

Sanitarian's report (Feb.) was discussed and approved.

Health Inspector's reports including part-time Health Inspector (Feb.) were discussed and approved.

Old Business

At 5:45 p.m., the Board met with Scott Knox, President of the Board of Directors of the Turnpike Park Cooperative, for an update on the progress of the trailer park's connection to town sewer. A meeting with the lenders is scheduled for April 2nd or 3rd. There is still no firm date for construction to begin. DPW is on board with the work to be done by the contractor. Minutes of all the cooperative meetings are distributed to all residents. Mr. Knox will return next month.

New Business

Proposed Establishment Probation Policy

Director Baccari explained the proposal. A number of food service establishments have required numerous re-inspections because of frequent and numerous violations. The staff is proposing a more structured probation policy that would, among other things, implement an administrative fee for every re-inspection. That fee would equal the establishment's annual permit fee. The establishments would also be placed on a one-year probation that would require quarterly inspections. If they improve, they'll be taken off probation. Failure to improve will result in a hearing before members of the Board of Health. Administrative hearings conducted by the Director would be used for warnings prior to a hearing before the Board.

Acting Chairman Ehrlich recommended that a decision to place an establishment on probation should be conducted during a BOH meeting with the owners present. He would like the Board to make the determination. Probation status should be established at a board meeting; it would have more impact.

Member Walsh said the BOH's website would be a good place to display the restaurants that have received certificates of merit along with those restaurants that have been placed on probation.

Acting Chairman Ehrlich said he would like a full board present before a vote is taken. Chairman Federici will be present for next month's meeting and might have some suggestions or comments to add to the policy.

Any establishment that is already on quarterly inspections will not have to pay the fee. Any new establishment will be informed of the policy during their administrative meeting.

The policy will be implemented July 1st.

Director's Issues

Recent inspections at Mirchi and Mayuri Indian Cuisine continue to find multiple repeat violations. The establishments may be the first candidates for the probation policy.

The Annual Town Meeting concluded in one day (Saturday, March 11th). An amendment to the Town's General Bylaws regarding kennel licensing passed (Article 21). The article requires a kennel to be inspected and approved by both the animal control officer and the BOH before a kennel license can be issued. The article was submitted by the BOS.

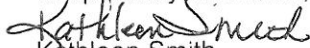
The DPW has received complaints about a sewer-like odor coming from the Mill Pond area and those complaints were passed along to the BOH. This is an occurrence that has happened in the past after a cold, snowy winter. The heavy snow accumulation, along with the thick ice on the pond, prevents light from reaching the plants and fish causing a lack of oxygen. Water becomes stagnant and as the ice starts to melt, it releases a very strong odor that is described as sewer-like or a rotten egg smell. The odor is temporary and usually lasts just a few days.

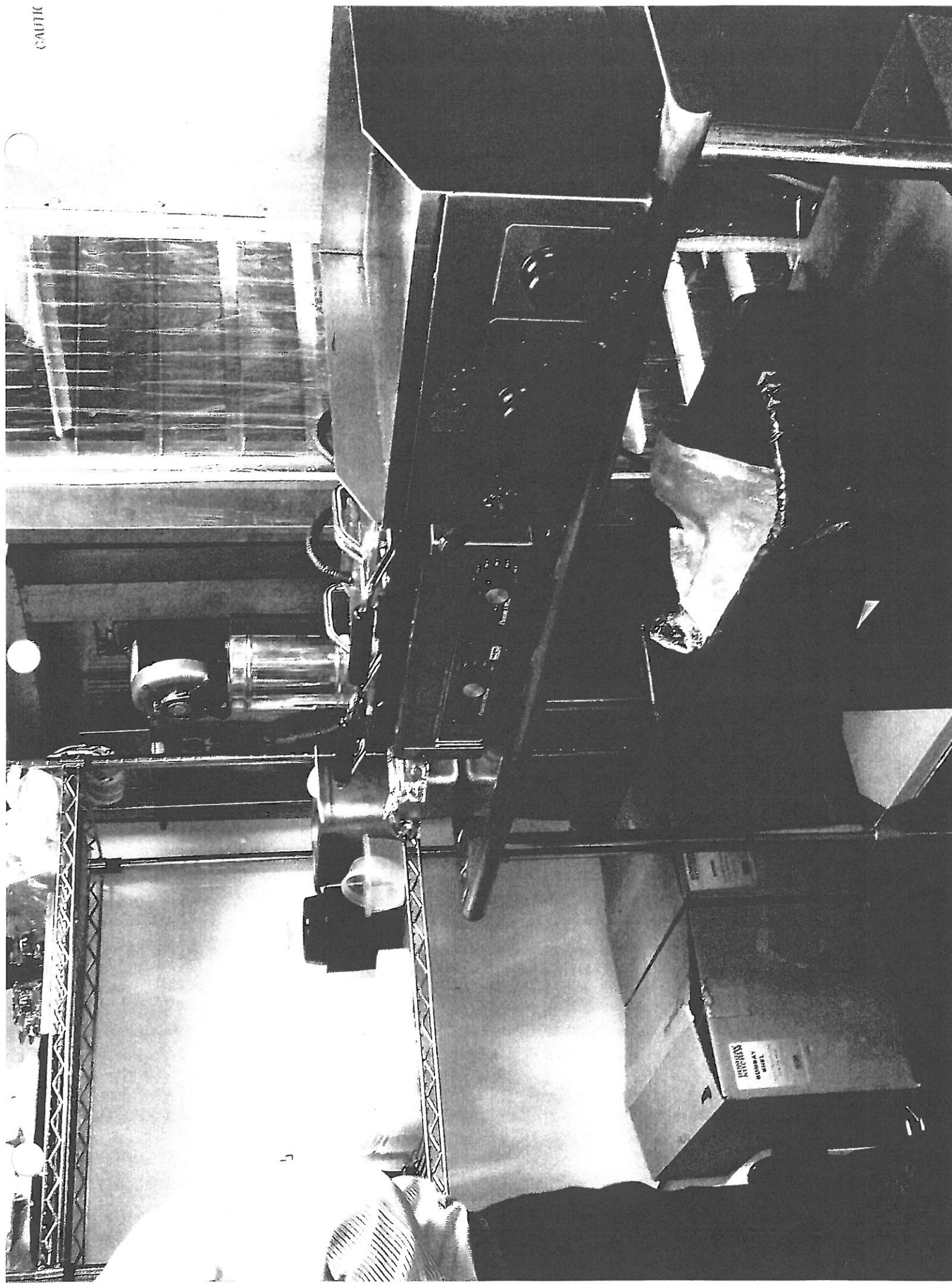
There was discussion regarding implementing a dump sticker policy for residents who have a vehicle in for repair for an extended period of time. Residents don't like to pay for a day or month pass. There is currently a "no-free pass" policy. A few options were discussed. The office will design a pass that will require documentation from the repair facility. The pass will require vehicle information (e.g., license plate number, make, model), along with owner information and dump sticker number. There will be an expiration date on the pass. The transfer station attendant will be notified of the new policy and receive a sample copy of the "vehicle repair" pass.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, April 14, 2015.

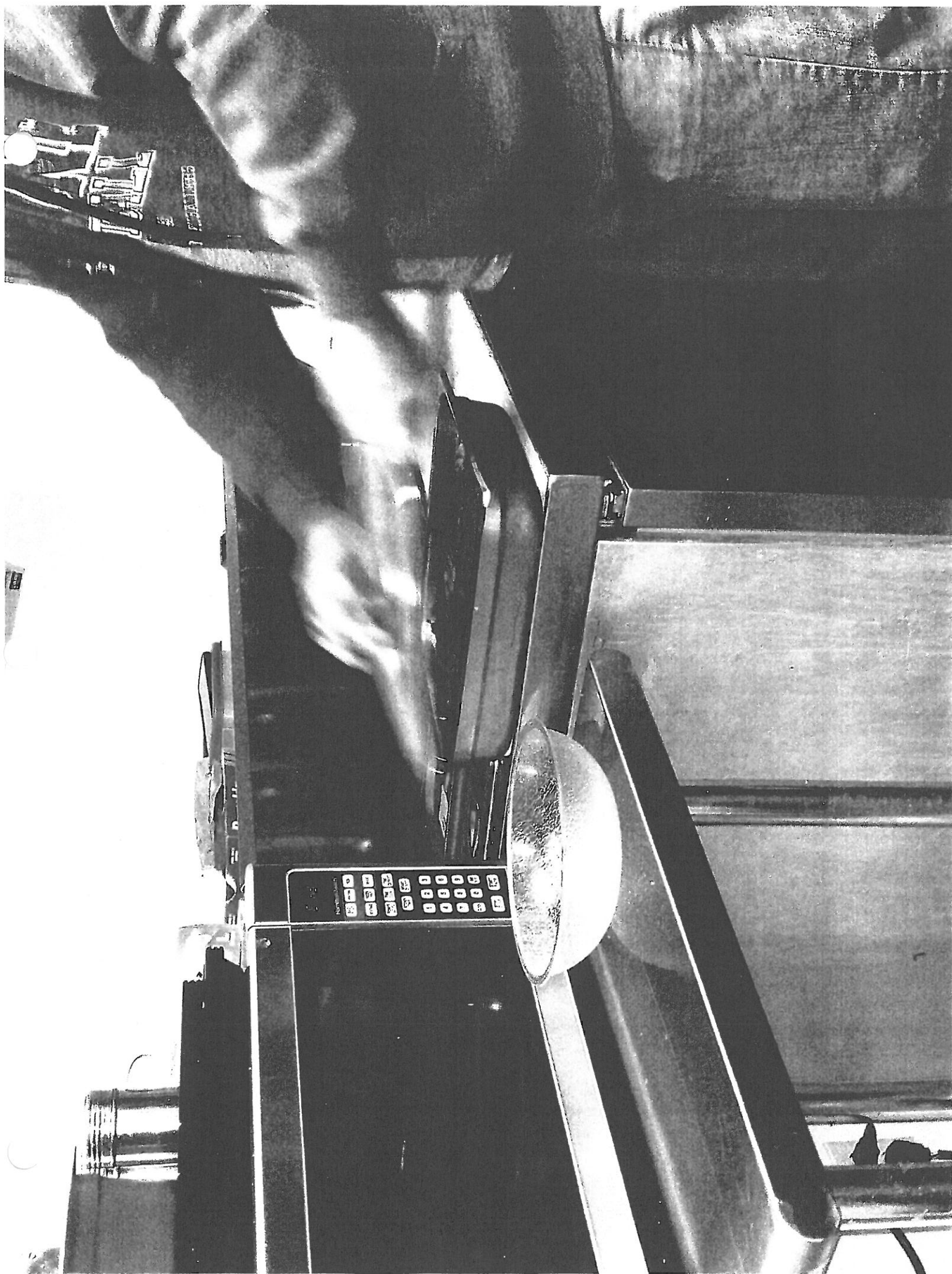
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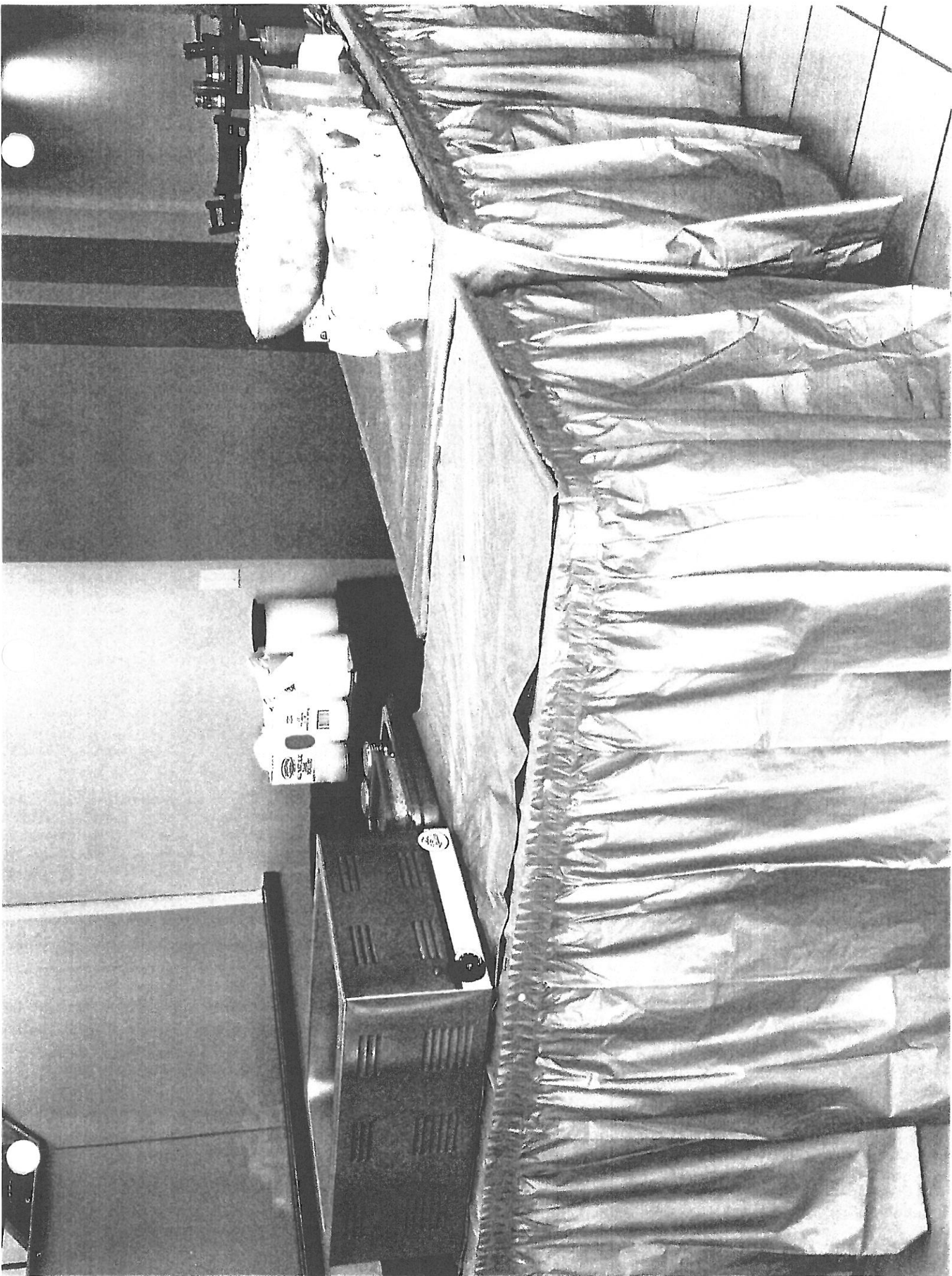

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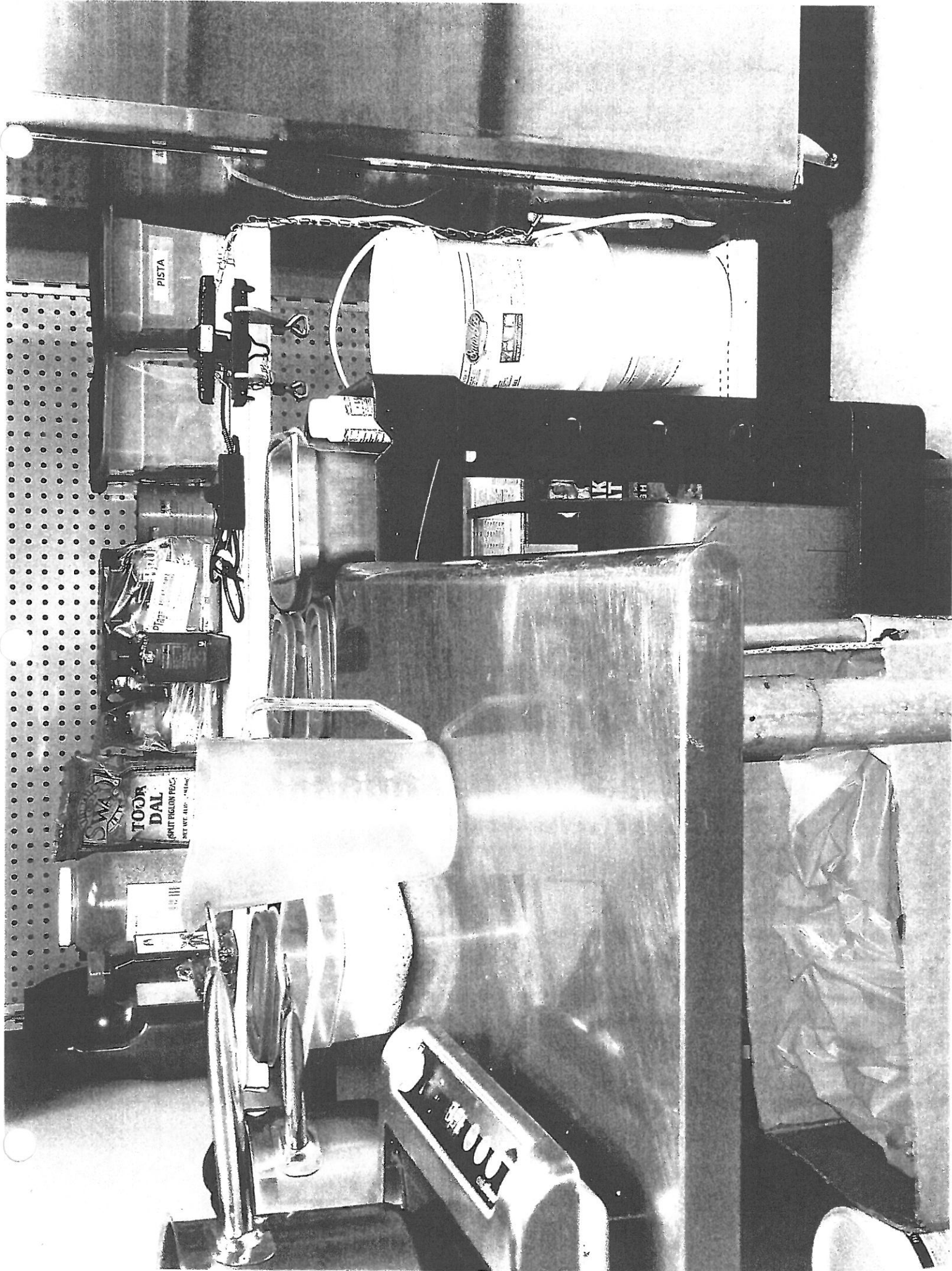


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