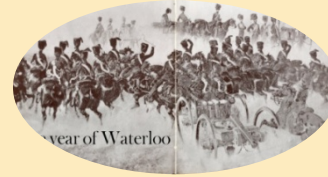


St Margaret's Works in 1897



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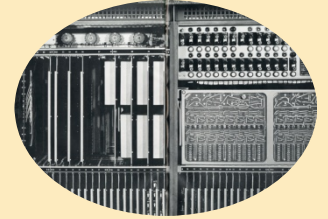


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These artefacts are associated with the Corah knitting factory of Leicester, which operated from 1815 through 1999.

Artefacts were chosen to explore aspects of the social life of the factory, and are arranged according to themes to encourage comparison, questions, and the formation of your own ideas and conclusions.

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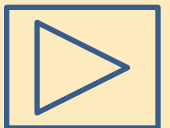


Linking

There was no systematic training at Corah until after World War II, when large numbers of women who had left the factory during the war did not return. By the time of the 1960s, Corah training programmes were being offered at the Leicester College of Technology and Commerce (now DeMontfort University).

Linking

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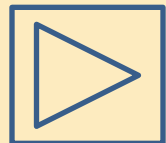
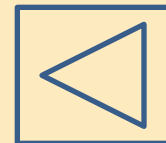


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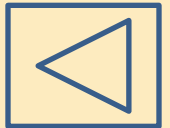


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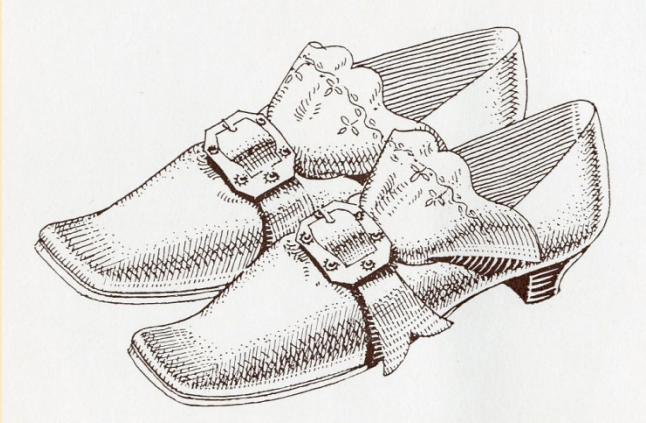


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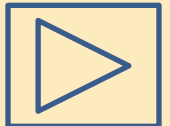


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Shoes, 1871

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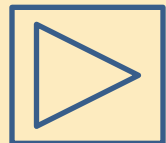
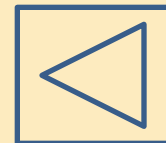


Fashions



Styles of 1890s

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“THE ST. MARGARET'S GEM.”

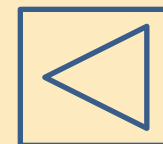


A NEW ELASTIC, PERFECT FITTING COSTUME in Stocking Web Cloth, designed specially for Children from two to twelve years of age. Its consists of Jacket and Kilted Skirt in one, and is trimmed with rows of Plain or Coloured Braid, as shown in the Illustration.

It is suitable for Tennis, Seaside, or general use, and can be supplied in all Colours and in six sizes at Prices varying from 12s. 6d. to 17s. 6d.

DEBENHAM & FREEBODY,
WIGMORE-ST. & WELBECK-ST., W.

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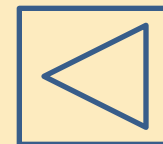
BOYS
NAVY BLUE JERSEYS FOR SEA-SIDE WEAR.
AGES FROM 2 TO 12.

N.C.S. & C.
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PRICE	4/6	5/-	6/-	7/-	8/-	8/6	EACH.

THE BEST THING THAT CAN BE WORN TO PROTECT THEIR CLOTHING.
"EACH JERSEY WILL BEAR THE MANUFACTURERS TRADE MARK N.C.S. & C."

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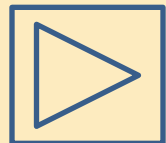
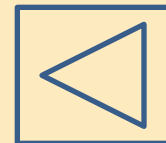


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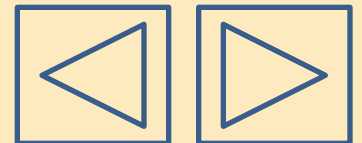


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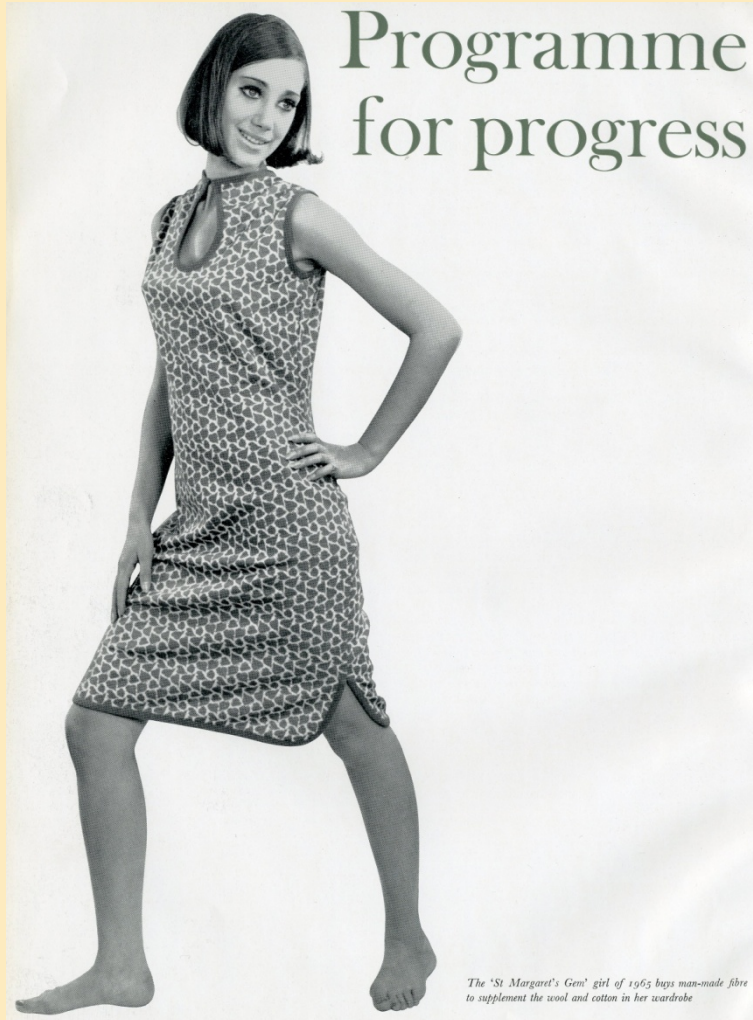


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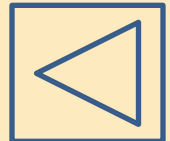
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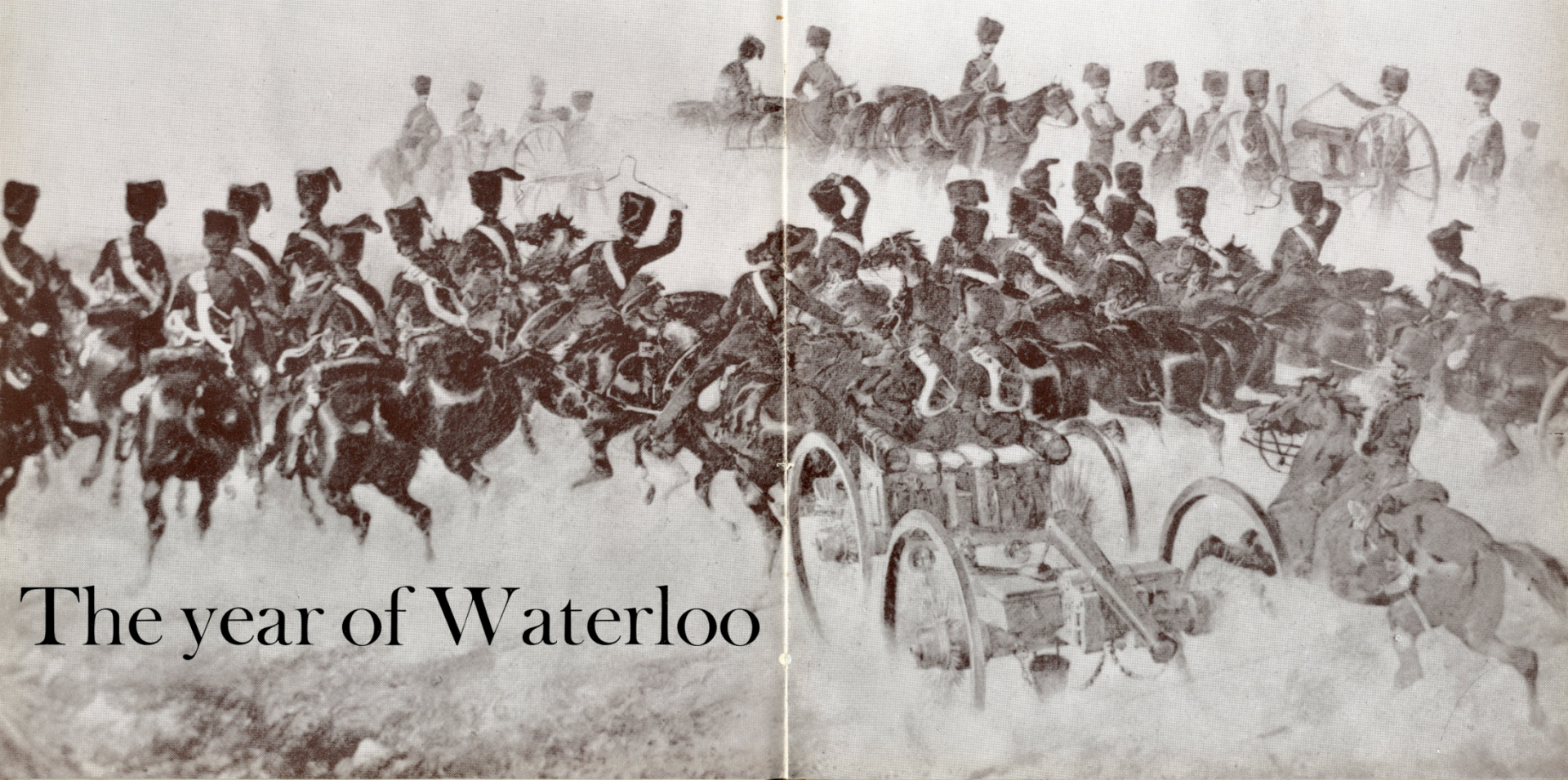
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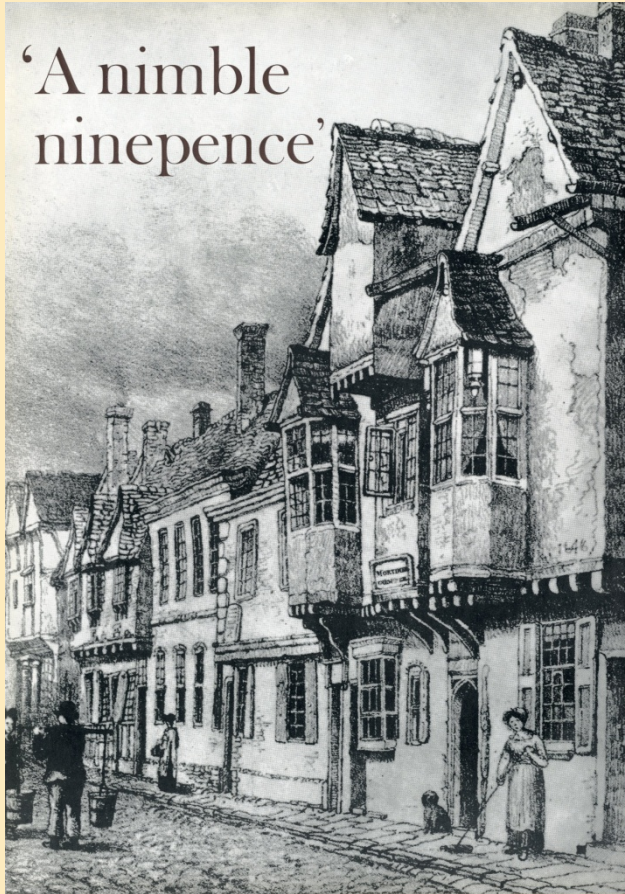
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The year of Waterloo



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St Nicholas Street, Leicester, in which Nathaniel Corah, the founder of the Corah knitting factory, lived in 1815

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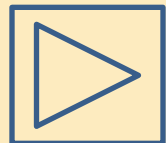
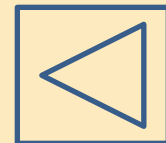


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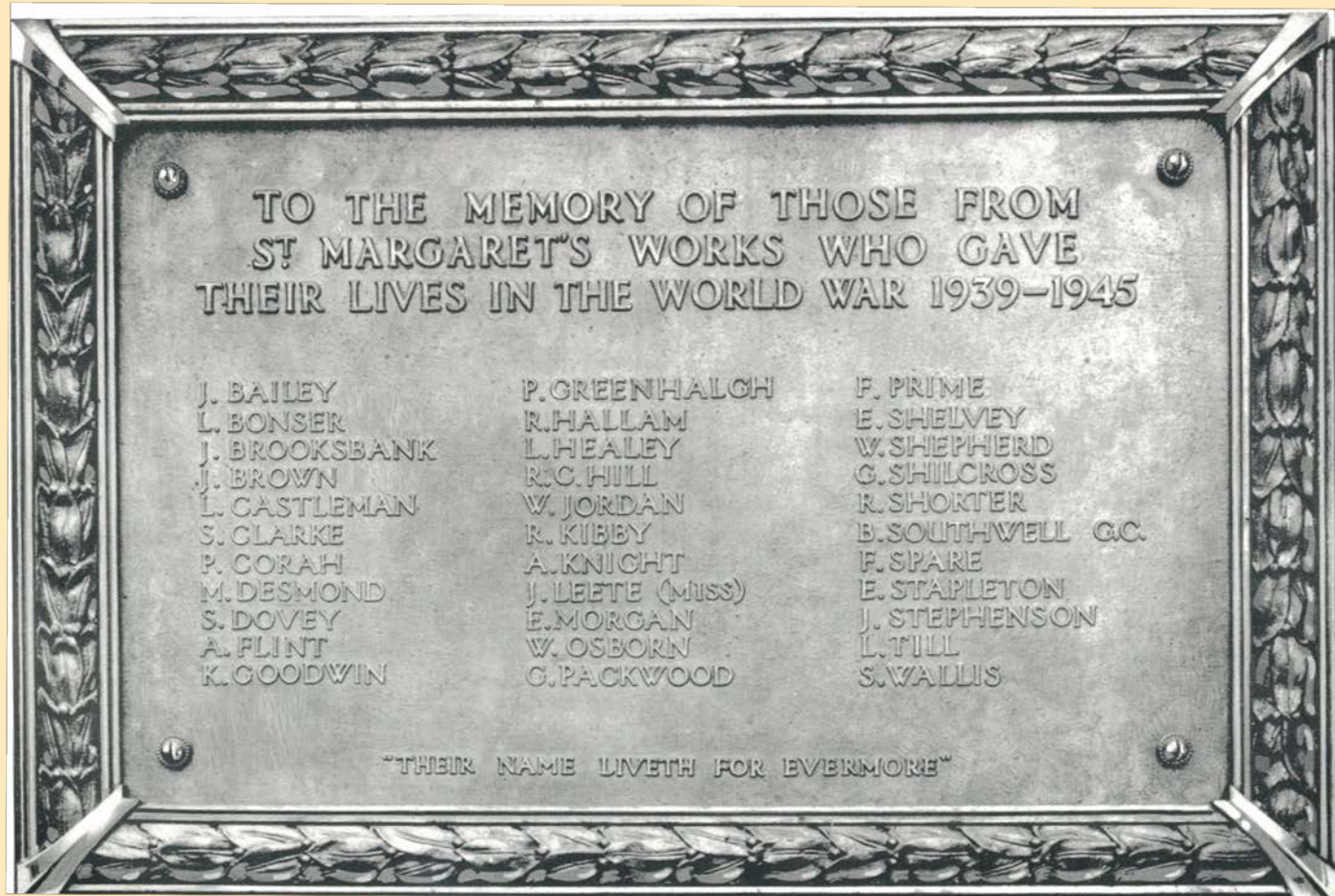


King George V and Queen Mary visit the Corah factory in 1919.

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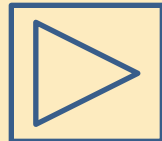
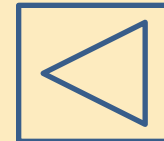


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Memorial plaque to the memory of Corah employees who died in World War II.

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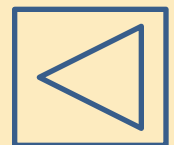


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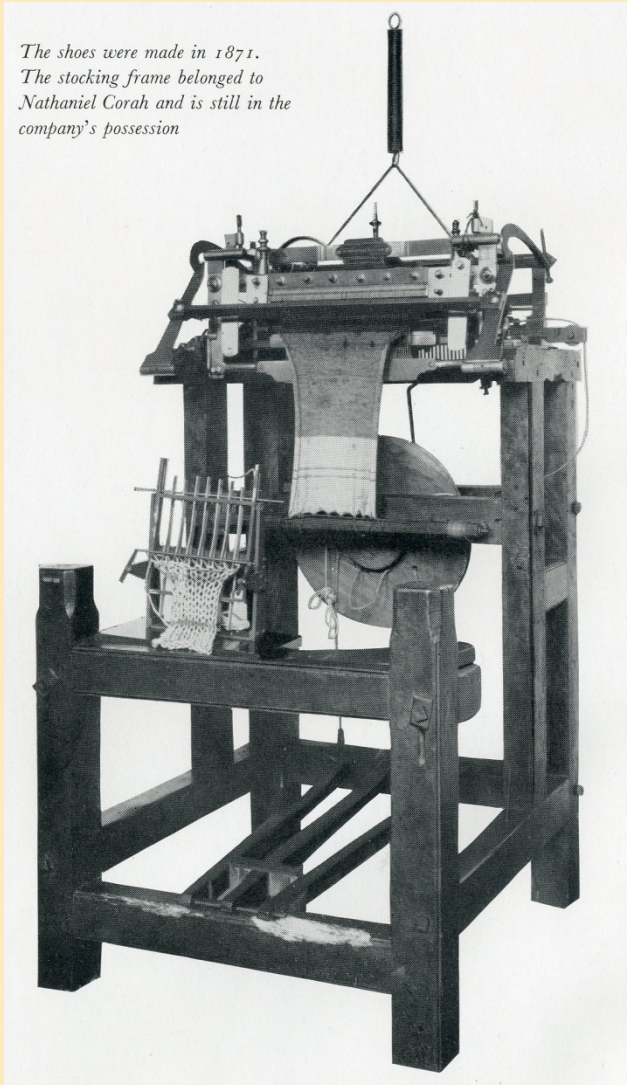
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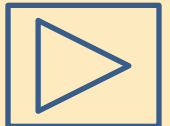
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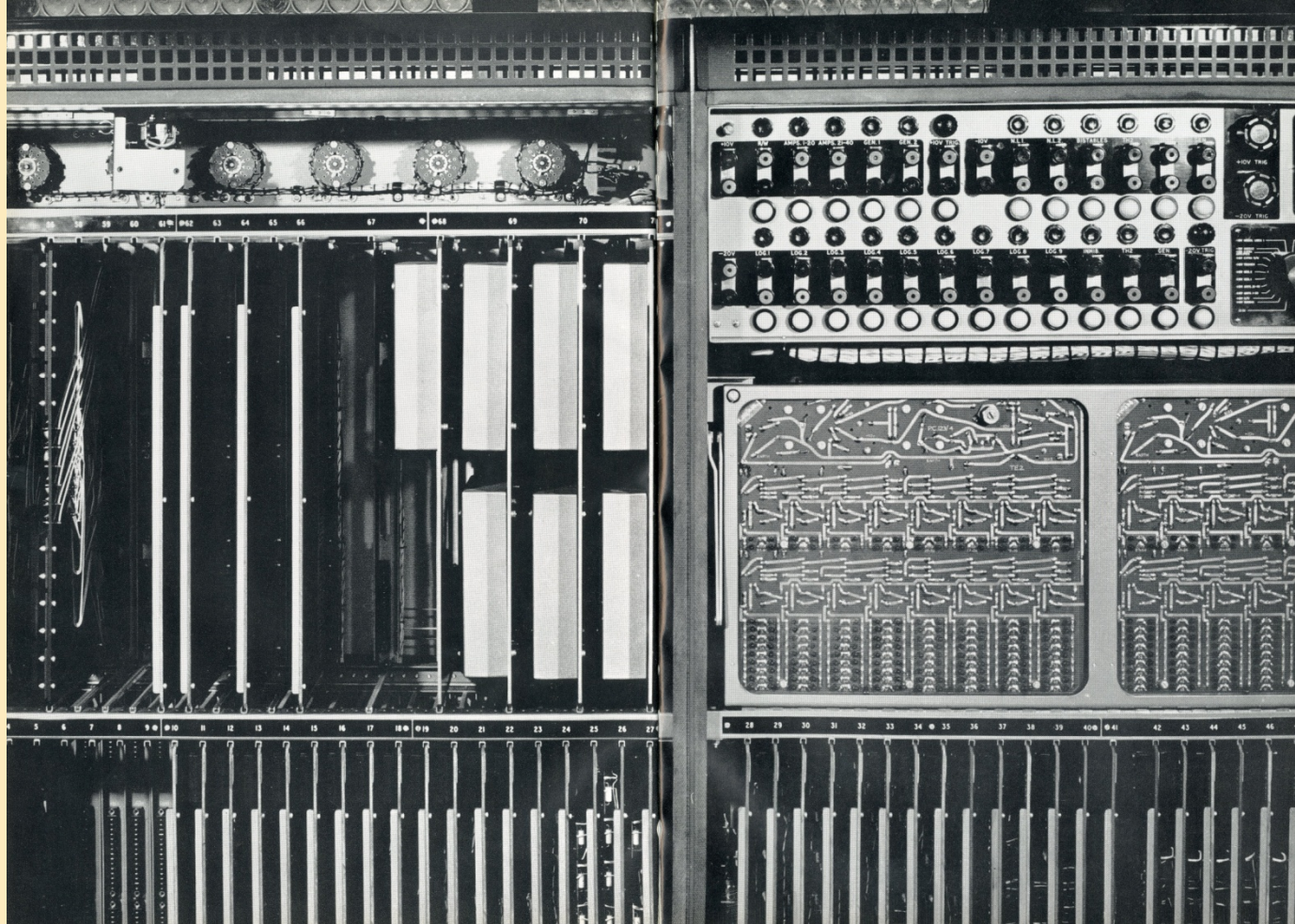


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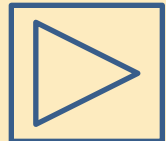


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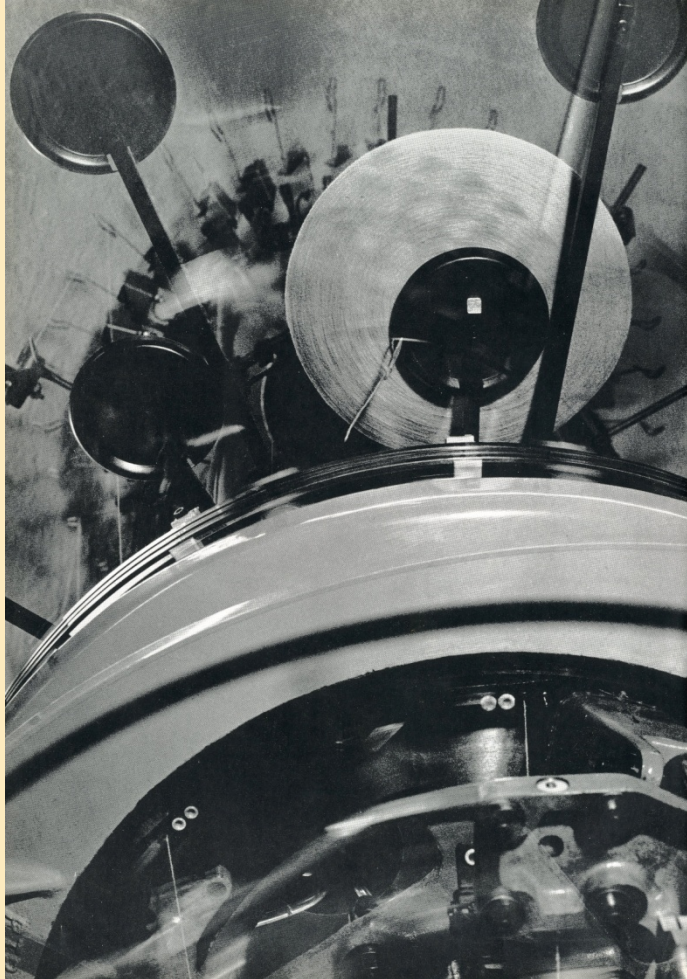


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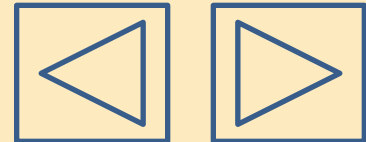


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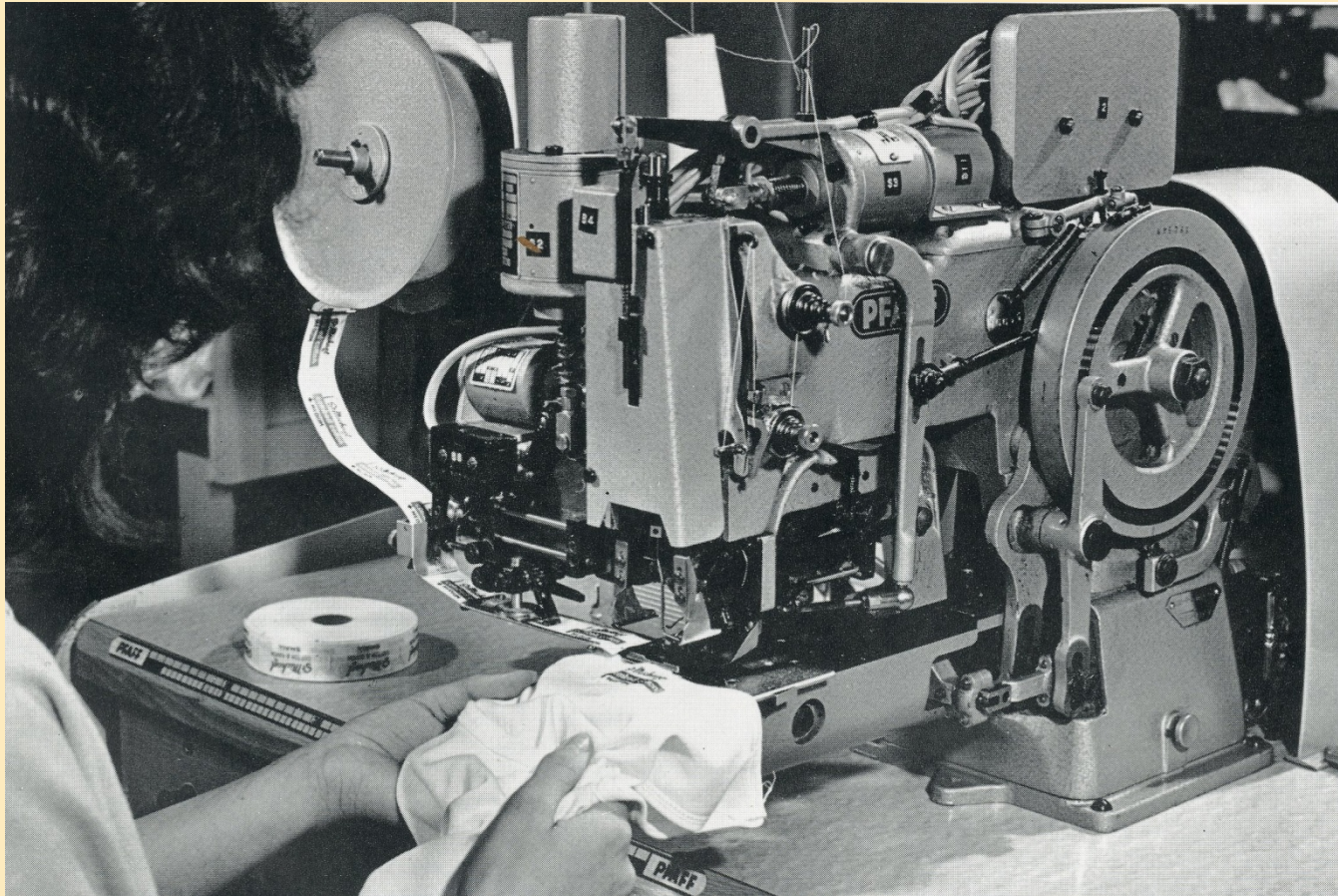


High speed knitting machine

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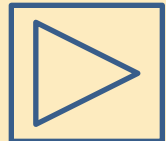


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'Modern tabbing'

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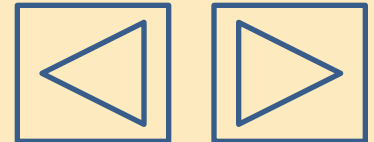


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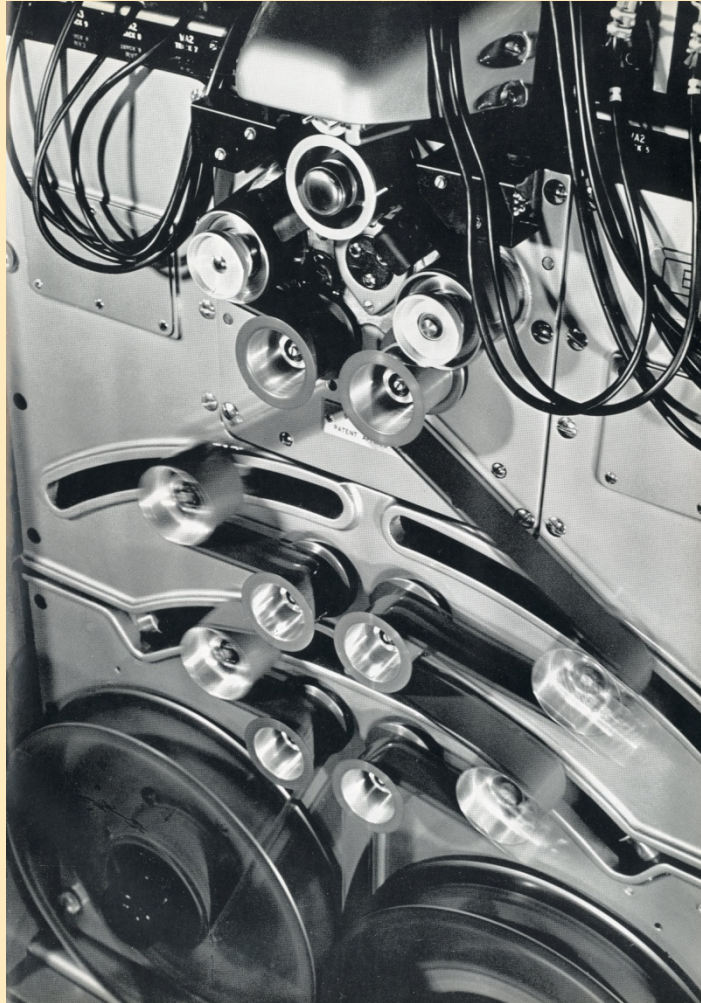


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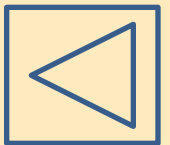


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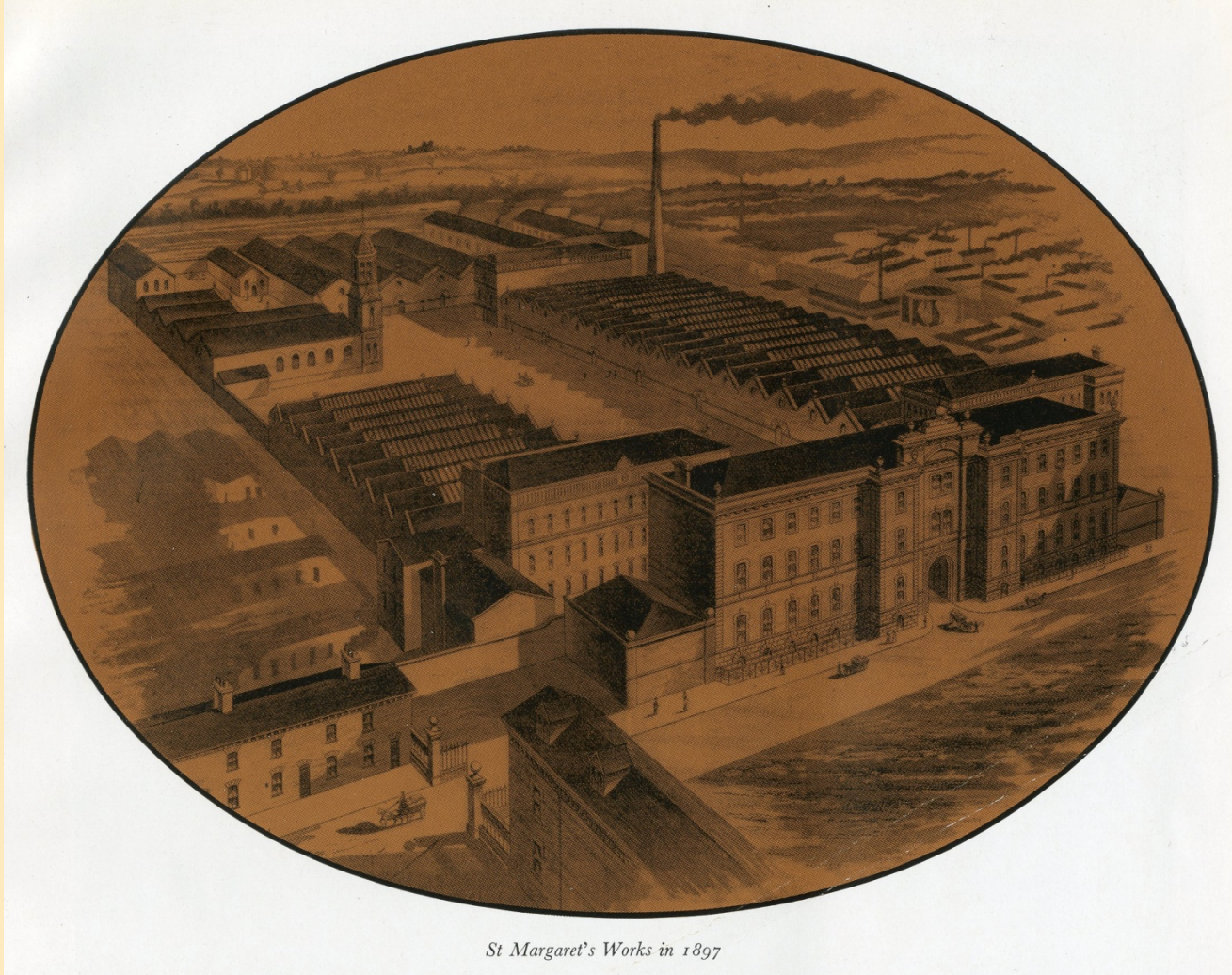


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St Margaret's Works in 1897

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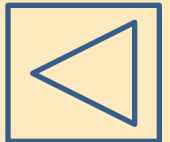


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New building works, 1964

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Drawing depicting Corah annual ball

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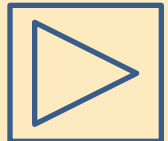
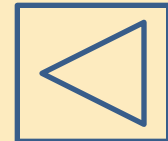


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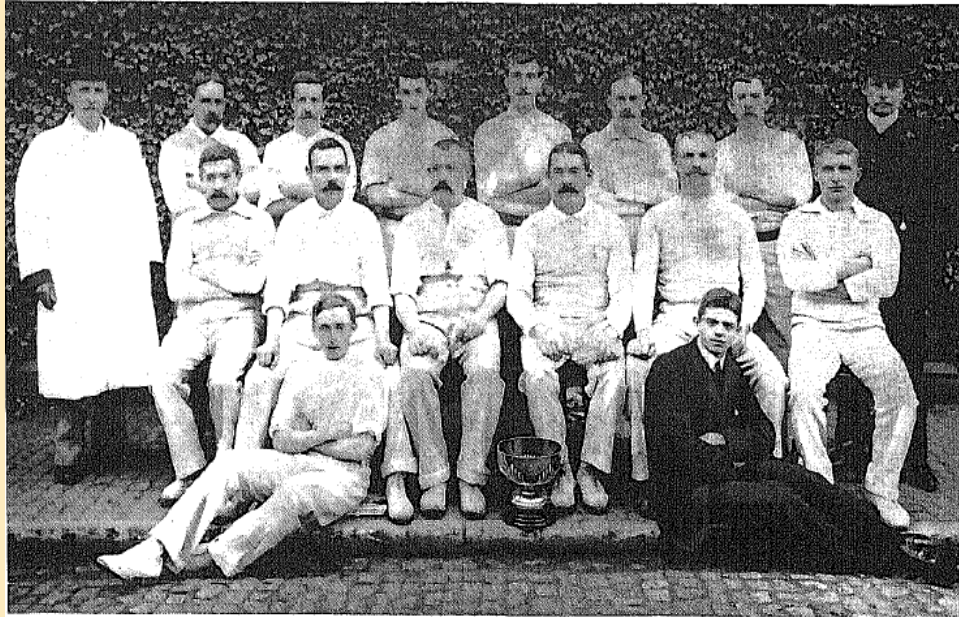


Corah football event

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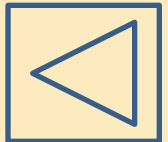


COOPER, CORAH & SONS CRICKET CLUB

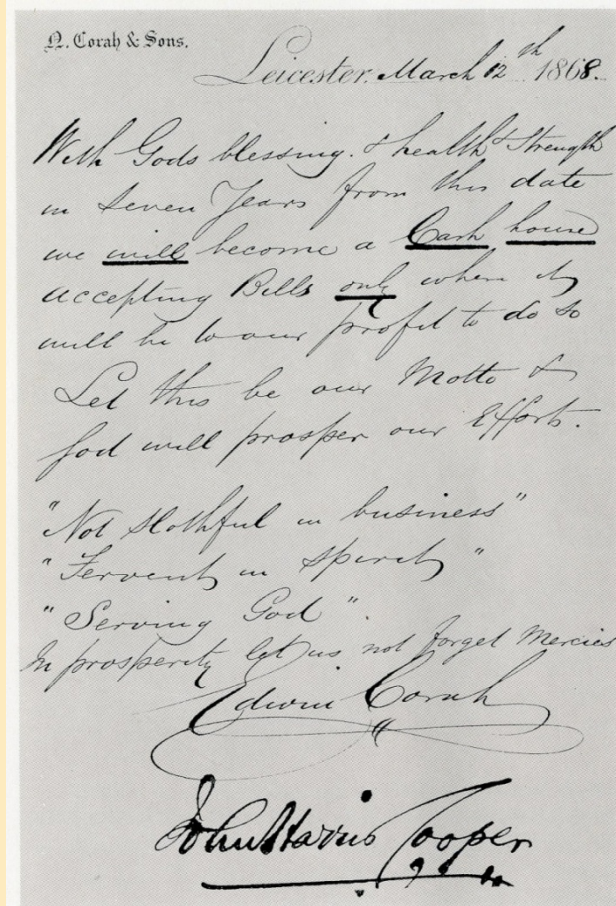
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F. Tomblin (Umpire), W. Beadle, F. Ward, C. Lee, G. Chaplin, J. Adcock, T. Portas, E. James (Hon. Sec.)
H. Rivington, F. Jones, I. York, J. Towers (Captain), W. Perrin (Vice-Captain), A. Shingler
W. Pole E. Burgess (Scorer)

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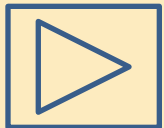
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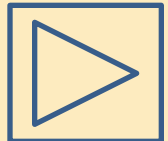


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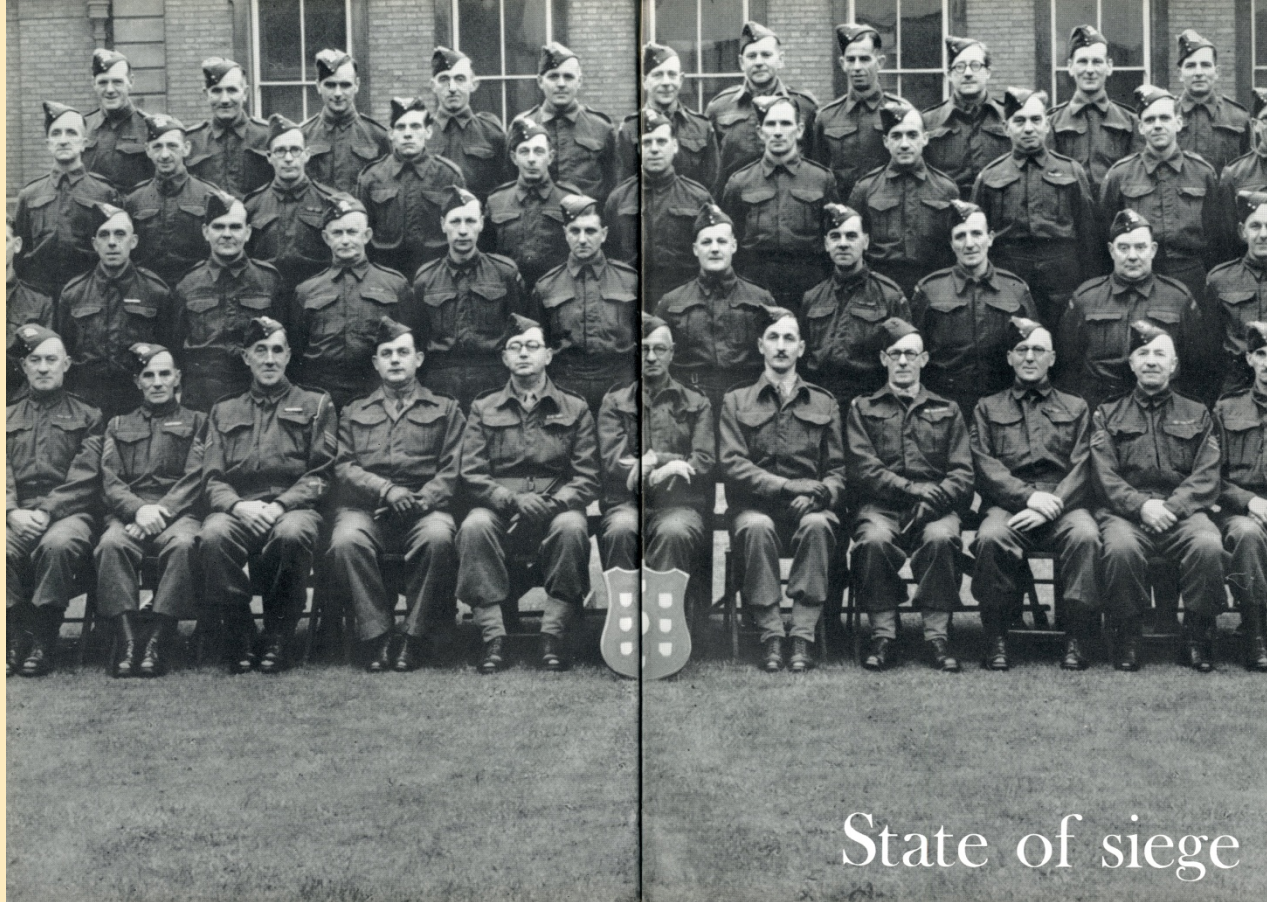


2500 employees in 1911

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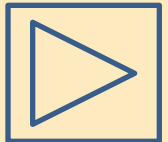
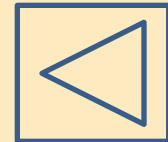


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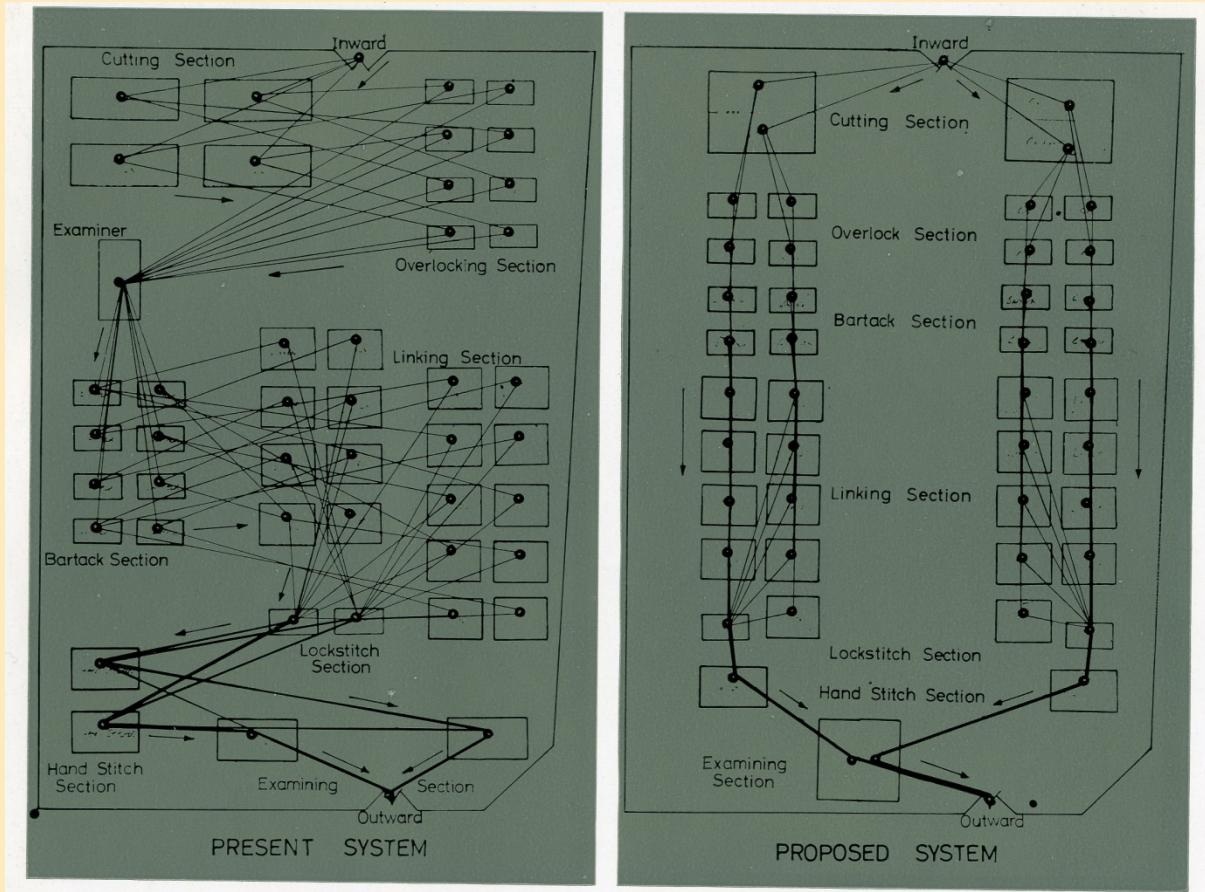


During World War II

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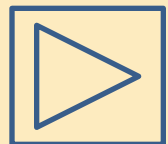
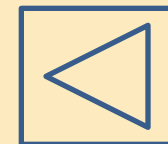


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Workflow study

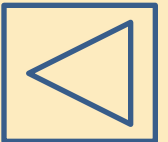
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Corah surgery

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Encore News, the Corah house journal

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