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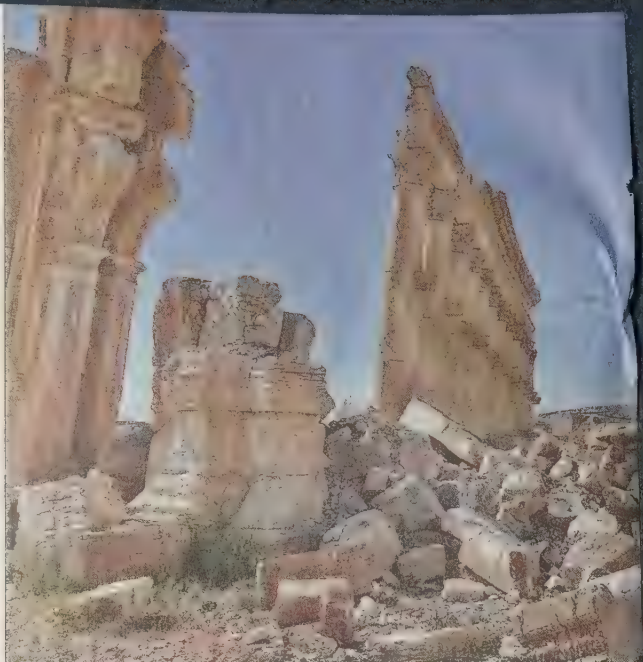
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There is so much potential in our youth — potential that can be unlocked by the power of generosity and education. Today, at 91, I look back and recognize that I am a man blessed beyond measure — and I owe all of it to the people who went out of their way to provide opportunity where I thought there was none and who opened doors through the power of education. It is my responsibility — our responsibility as a community — to do the same for others.

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These are the types of educational opportunities that the youths in our community deserve and need. But it’s only possible through the generosity of each and every one of us. We all have something to give — whether it’s volunteering in a classroom, mentoring a child or providing financial resources to students and schools in need.

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Heller has pleaded not guilty to first-degree reckless homicide charges. Rachel and Will attend all the hearings.

There was one on Thursday. Rachel watched Heller come into the courtroom, dressed in blue garb, handcuffed between two deputies, eyes to the floor.

Rachel says their eyes never meet. She tries to imagine why a woman would do such a thing. Why?

"Why Finley," Rachel says. "Why any baby?"

There is no "why," she's decided. Nothing explains it.

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When Rachel and Will got home from the hospital that day, she pumped her breast milk. Actually, she doesn't think of it as *her* breast

milk. It's Finley's milk, she says.

She couldn't bring herself to throw it away. She poured it into packets for storing breast milk — each packet holds 5 ounces — and put them in a freezer.

She already had a two-week supply. And so she began to add to it. Packet by packet.

Pumping breast milk is not exactly a treat. Even less so when the milk only accumulates. No baby to watch grow. Only a growing supply of frozen packets.

Then she heard about Mothers' Milk Bank of the Western Great Lakes, which provides pasteurized human milk to hospitals for premature and critically ill babies and provides support to mothers who are able to donate their milk because their babies have died.

The milk is an elixir, says Cindy Ruz, a nurse and lactation specialist at the Women's Pavilion at the Aurora West Allis Medical Center, where Finley was born.

And there is never enough.

Rachel went through the milk bank's extensive screening process and continued to save her milk, one 5-ounce packet at a time.

On Thursday, after Heller's hearing, Rachel loaded her packets of milk into a blue cooler and met Ruz at the hospital.

The hospital is a depot for the milk bank. Ruz took possession of 89 packets.

"Such a wonderful gift," Ruz says. "Such a loving act."

As she drove to the hospital, Rachel says, she didn't really think Heller. Finley would have turned months old that day. Instead, she thought about that.

"I know she would have been crawling," Rachel says. "I imagined crawling, with Ryder leading way, laughing."

Rachel dropped off the milk, then drove home.

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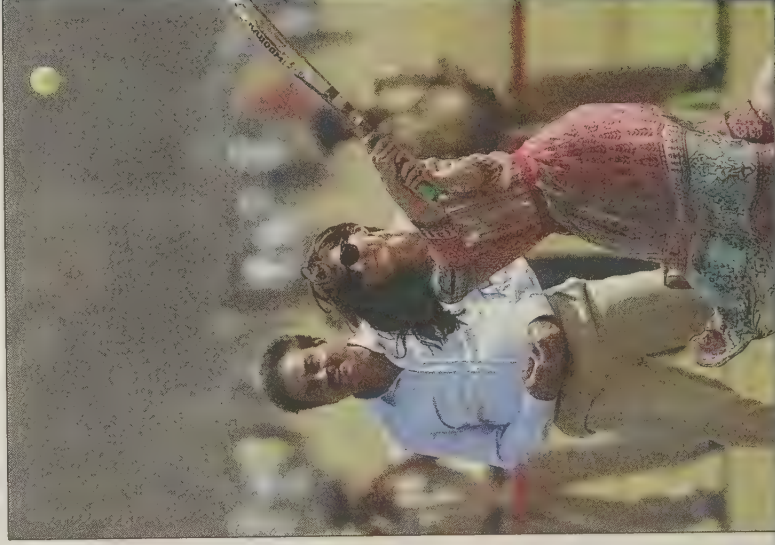
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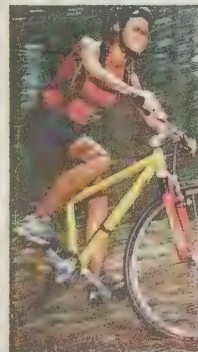
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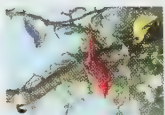
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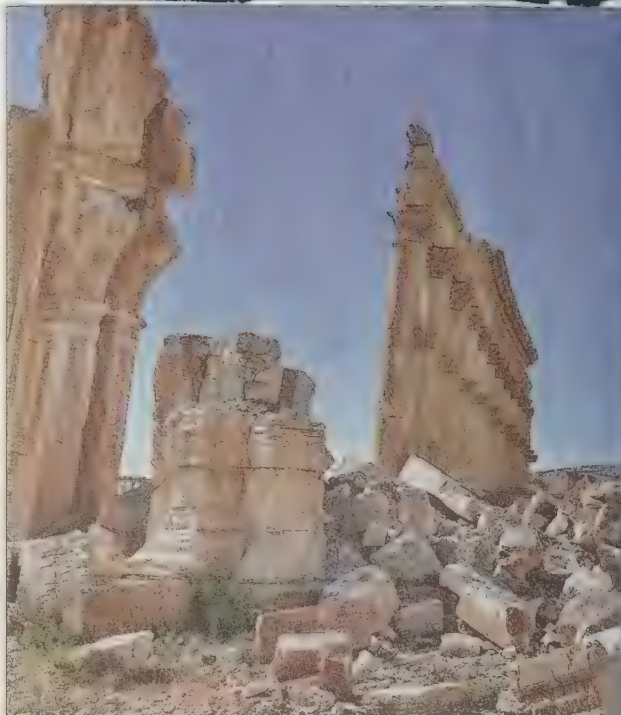
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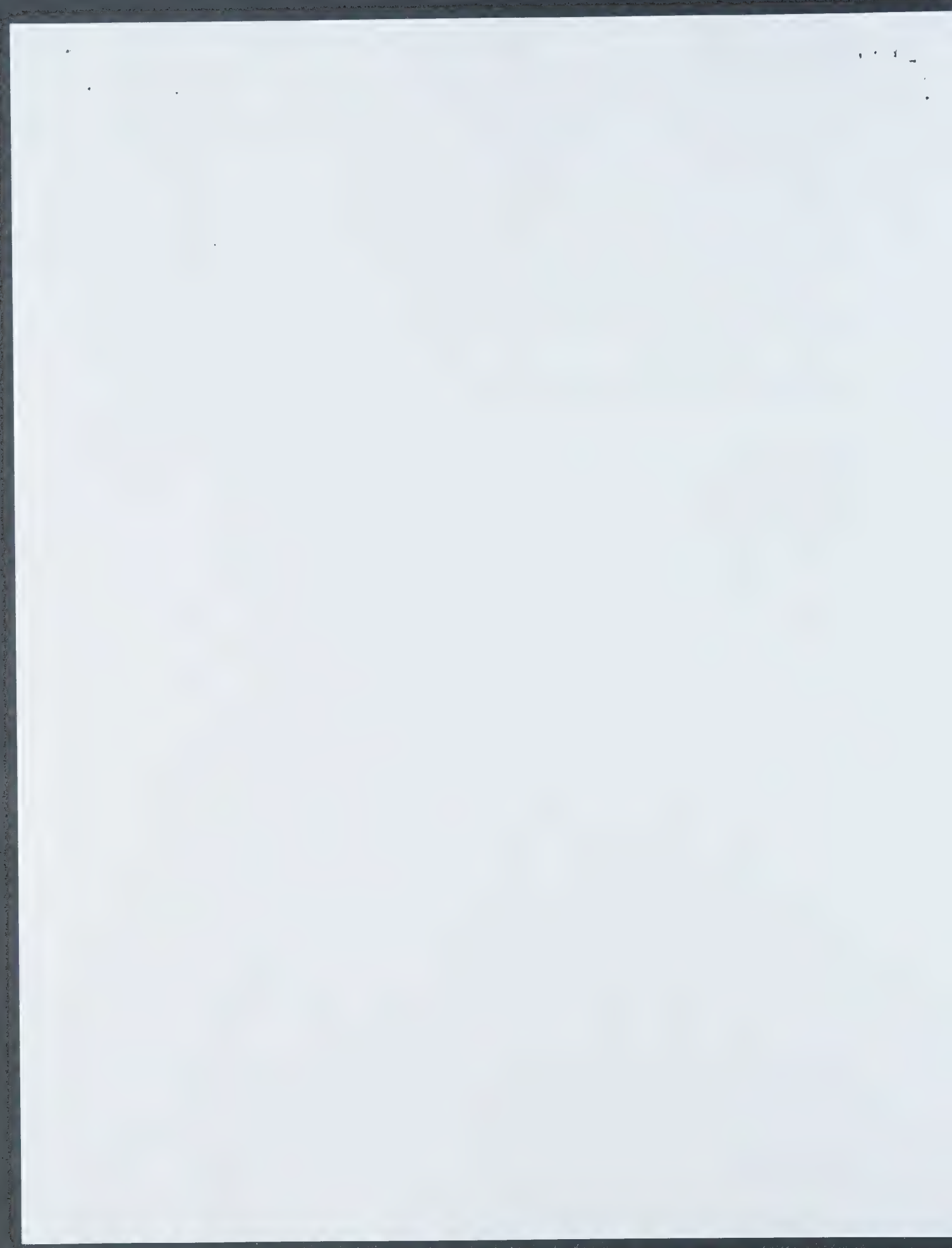
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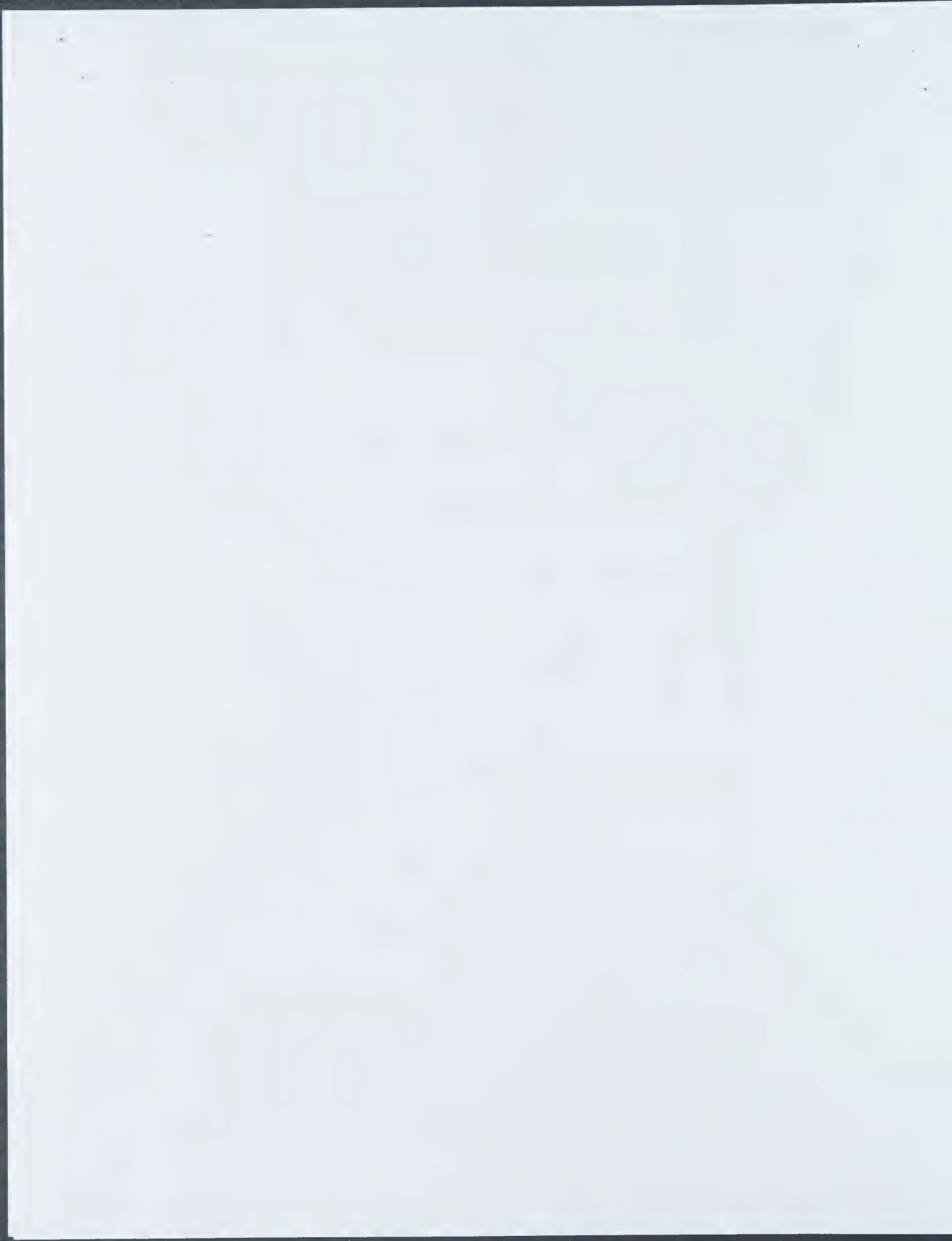
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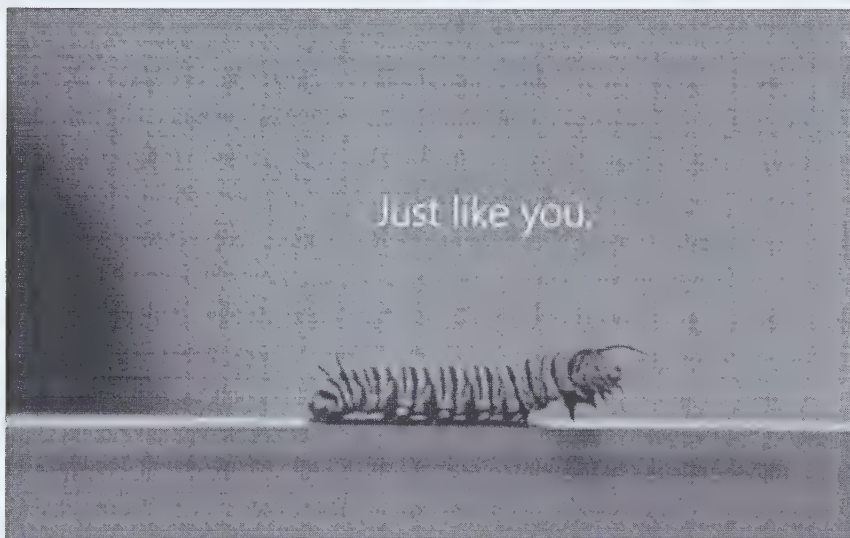
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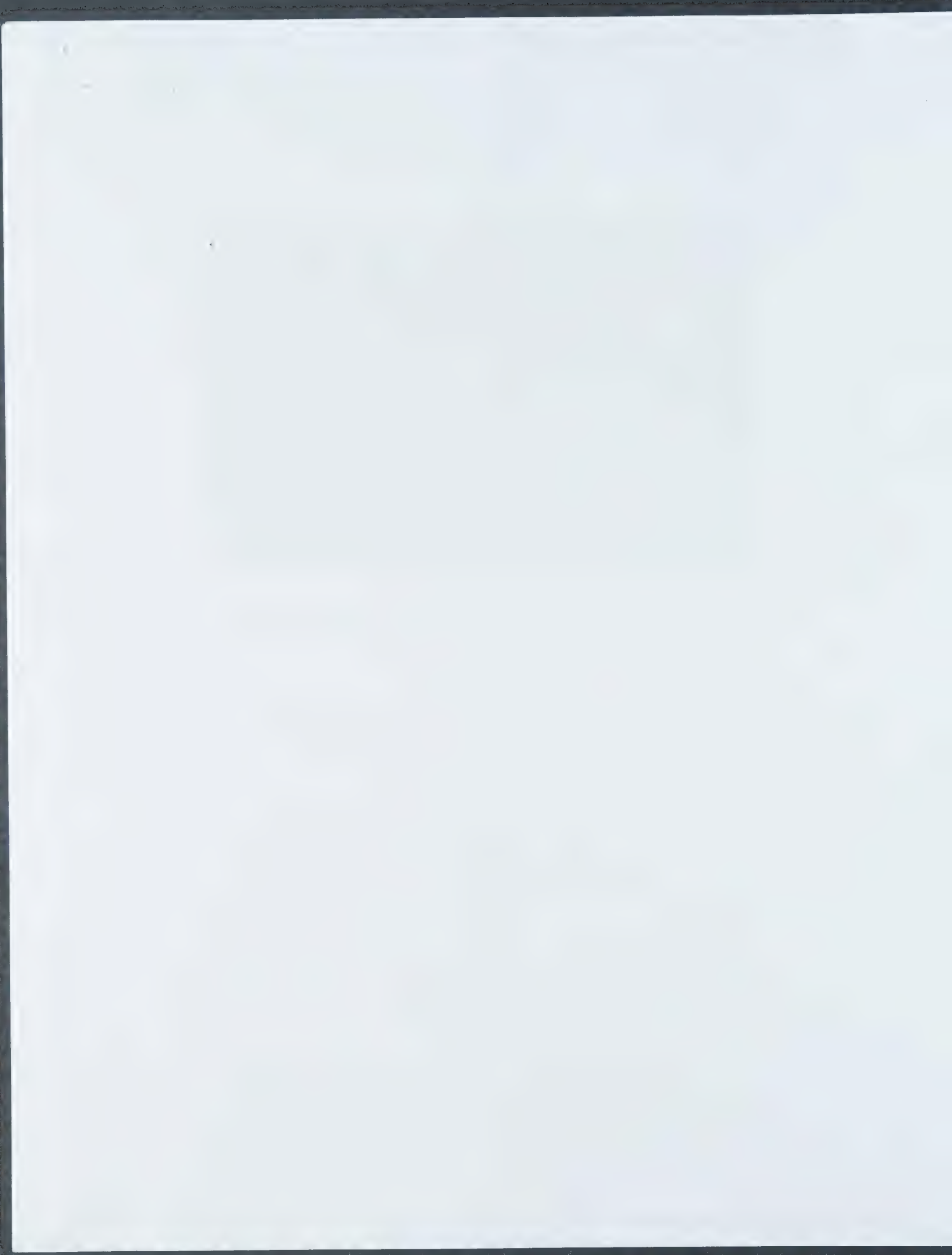
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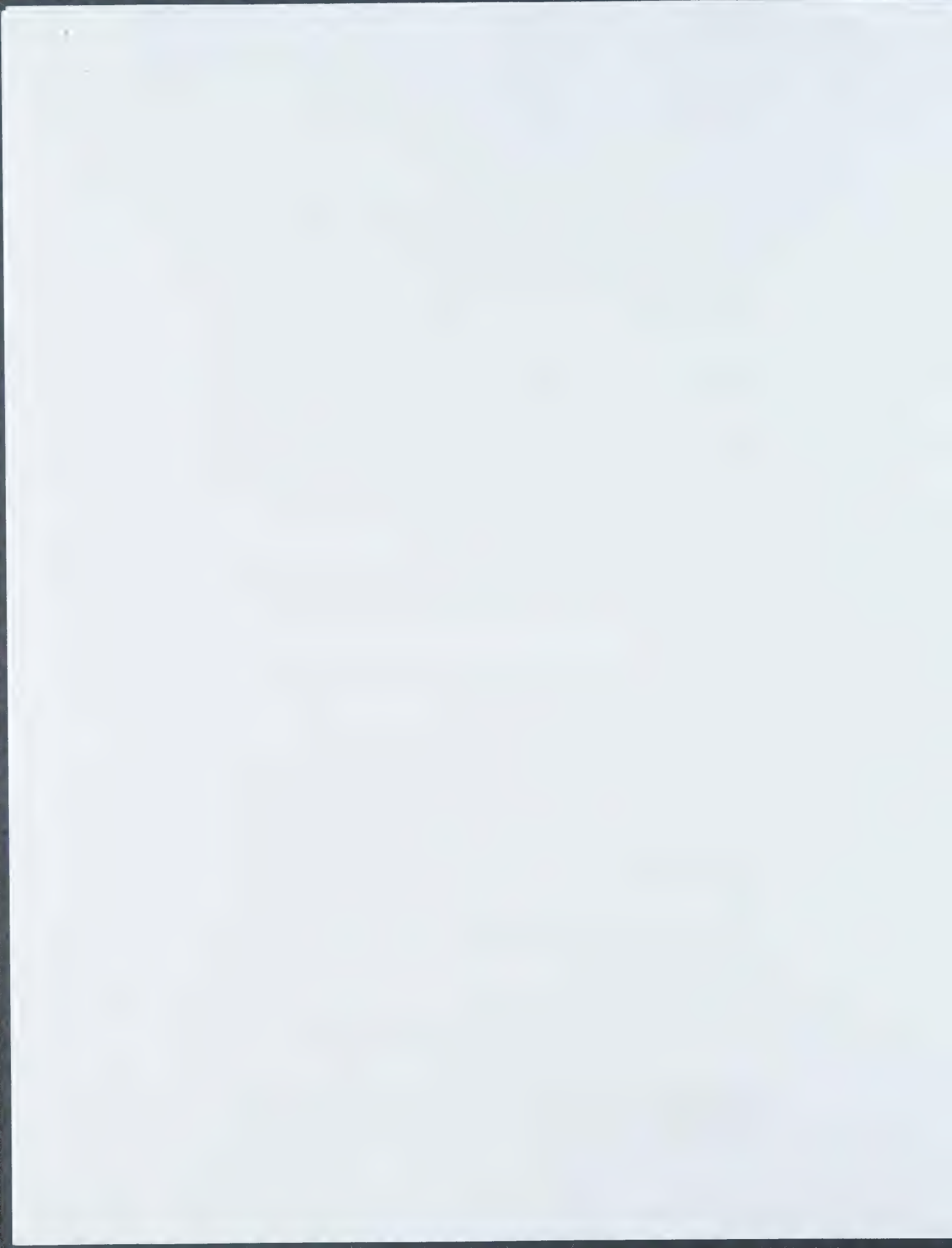
"When I started buying paintings, they were very inexpensive," Bader said.

Asked if stamp collecting prepared him for art collecting, he said with a smile, "Well, paintings are so much more interesting than stamps."



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