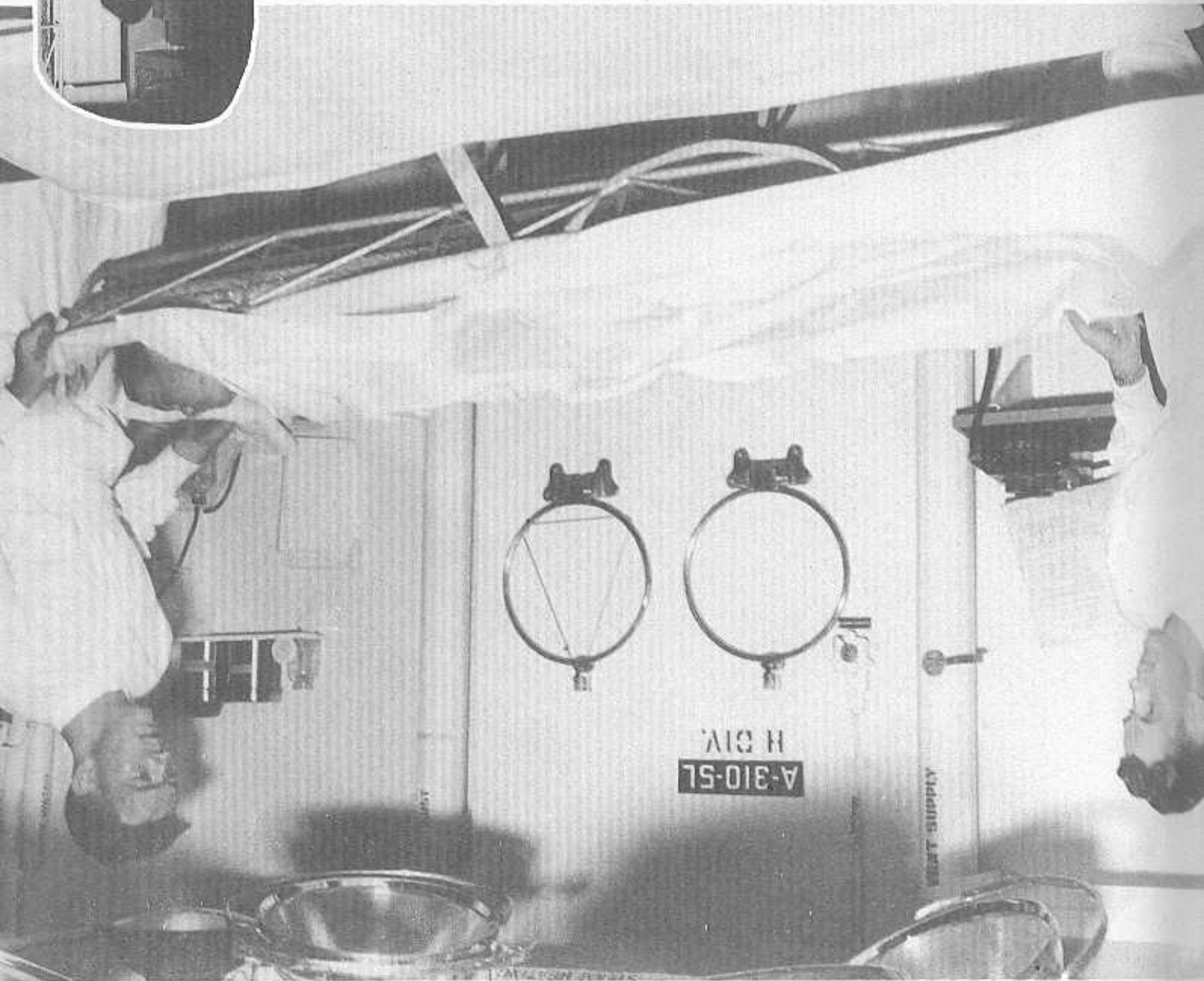


MEDICAL DEPARTMENT



Commander Stephen J. Ryan, U.S.N., a native of Providence, R. I., is the Senior Medical Officer. Dr. Ryan was formerly attached to the Advance Medical Base, MOB 3, in Samoa.

The department has a fifteen bed sick bay and a four bed isolation ward to care for seriously ill patients. There is a large operating room and surgical equipment is provided to carry out any major surgery that might be required. There is a modern well-equipped laboratory to do bacteriological, microscopic, and chemical examinations. There is also an excellent X-ray machine and darkroom. The Pharmacy is operated by a registered pharmacist. There are corpsmen assigned to the ship in the capacity of pharmacy, X-ray, operating room, and laboratory technicians.

