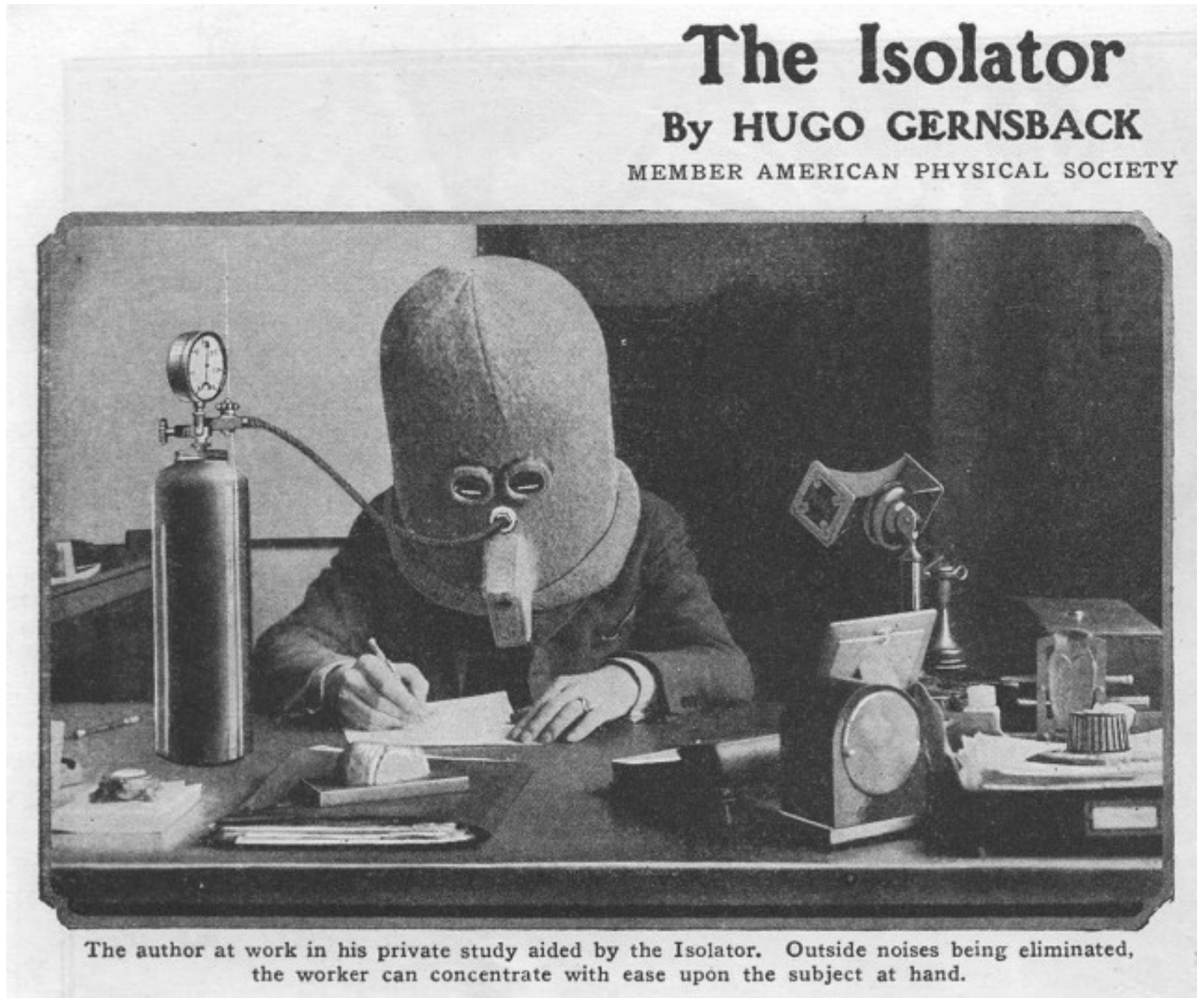


# The Isolator, A Bizarre Helmet Invented in 1925 Used to Help Increase Focus and Concentration

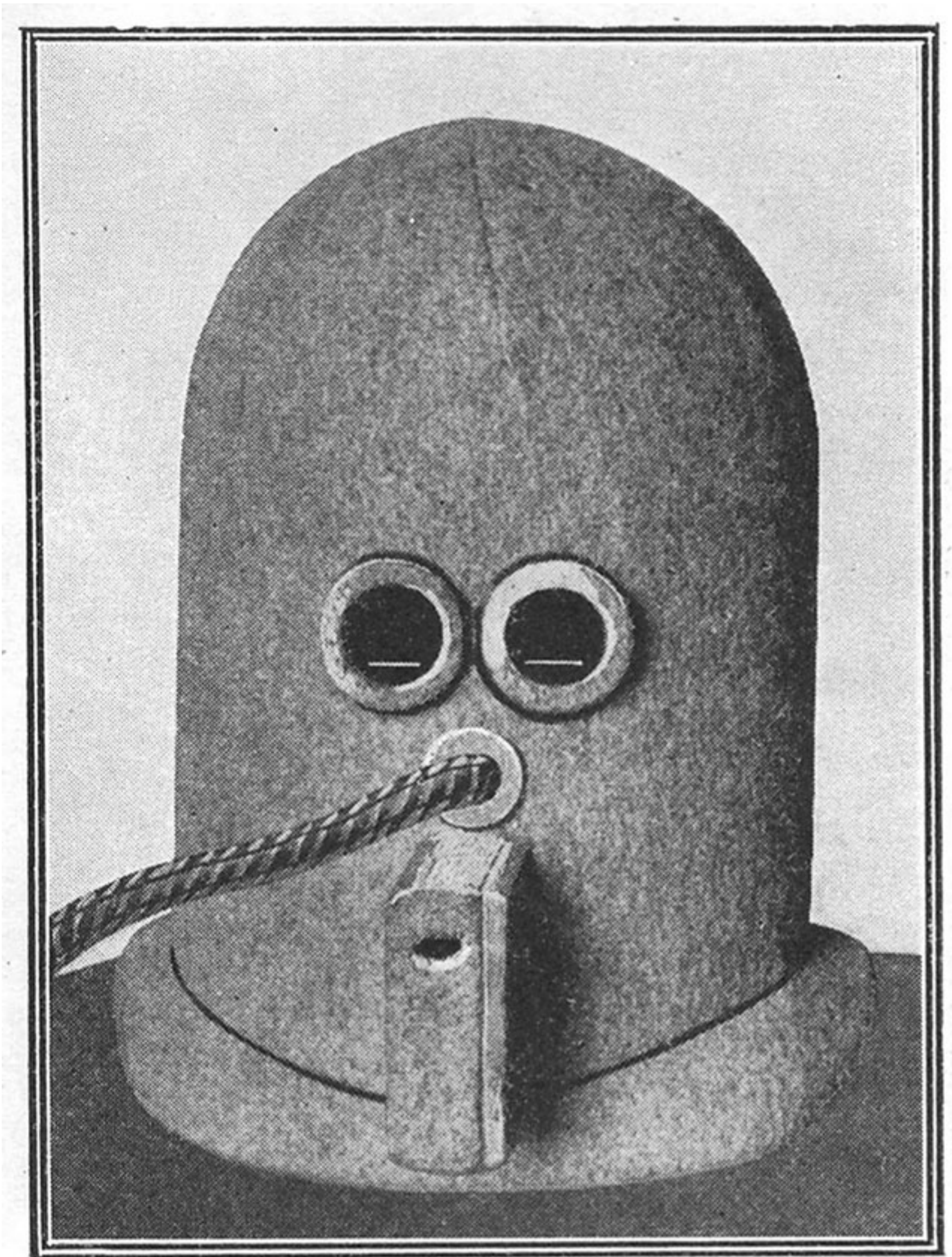
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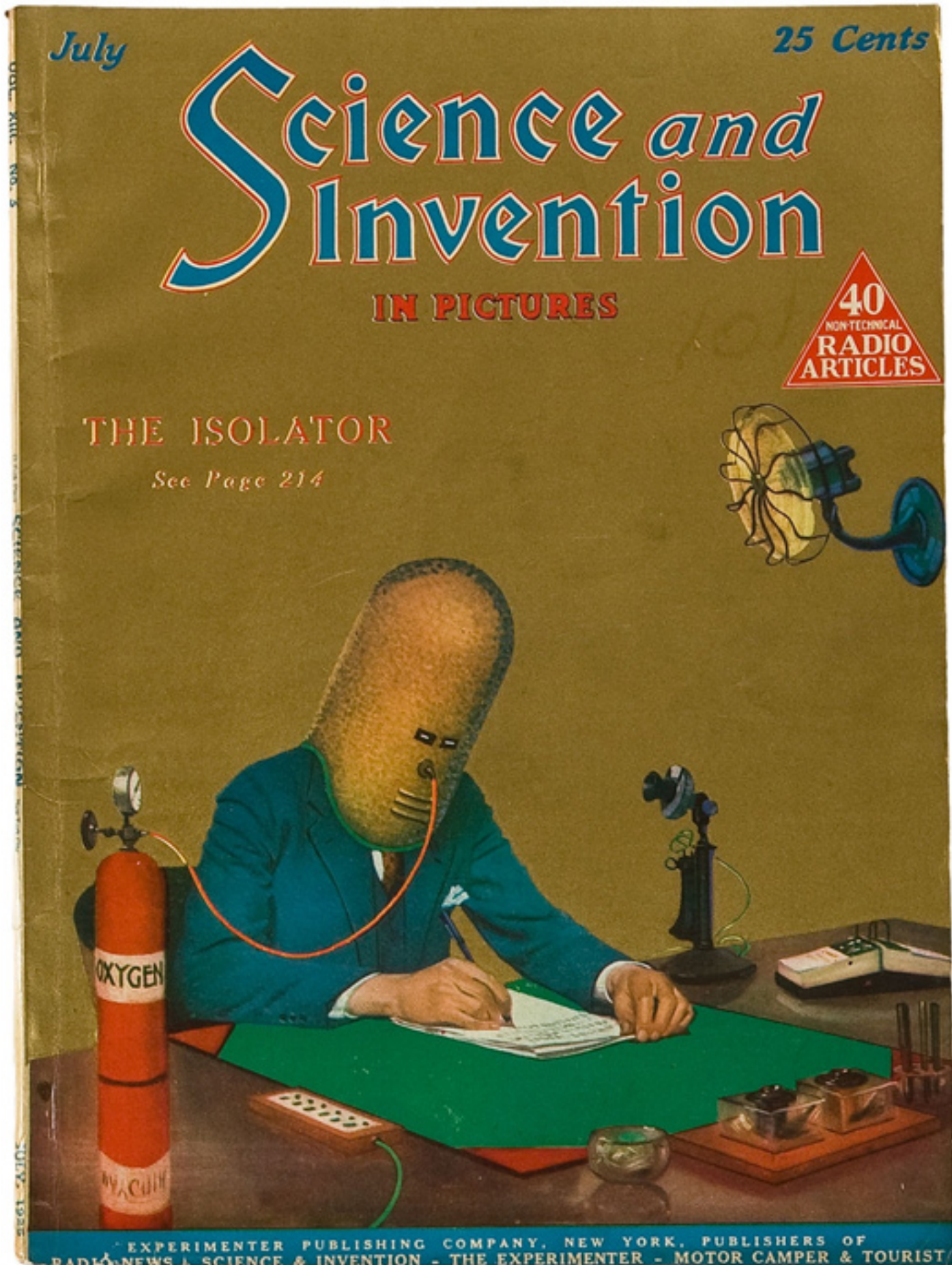
[The Isolator](#) is a bizarre helmet invented in 1925 that was used to help increase focus and concentration by rendering the wearer deaf, piping them full of oxygen, and limiting their vision to a tiny horizontal slit. The Isolator was invented by [Hugo Gernsback](#), editor of *Science and Invention* magazine, member of “The American Physical Society,” and one of the pioneers of

science fiction.



The above photograph shows a close-up view

of the Isolator helmet. The oxygen supply enters the helmet via the tube shown.



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