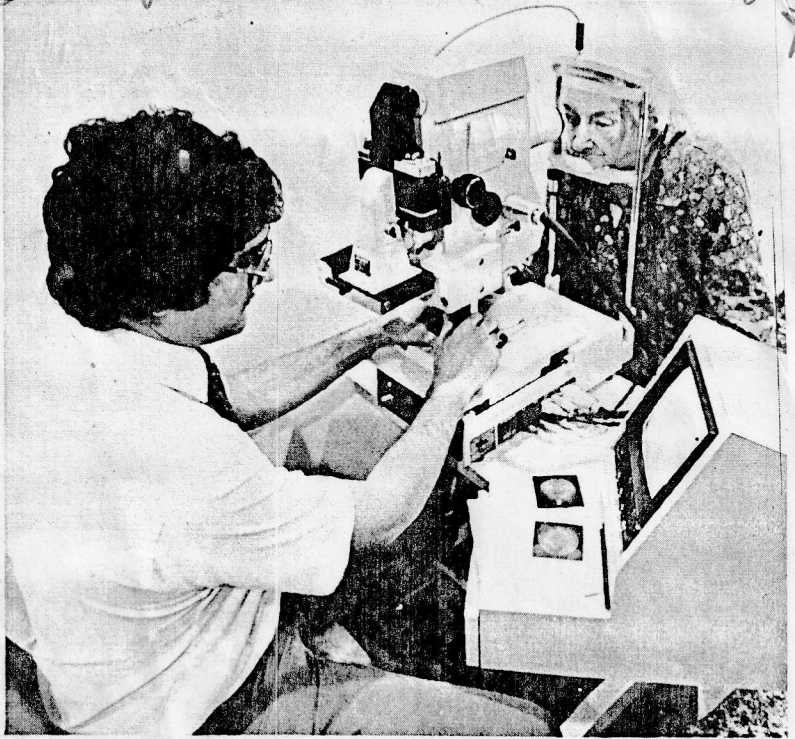


*Dr. Streifeld uses this in his office*



**Dr. Stephen Streifeld uses the non-Mydriatic Retinal Camera to examine a patient's eyes.**

## **New Diagnostic Instrument For Eyes Comes To Town**

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Doctors Leonard and Stephen Streifeld of 224 Bellvue Avenue, and 40 Boston Avenue, Egg Harbor, are the first to recently acquire a non Mydriatic" Retinal Camera, one of the latest diagnostic tools for eyes available.

The term "non-Mydriatic" means that no drops are necessary to dilate the pupil of the eye during an examination. This eliminates a potential allergic reaction to the drops, and the discomfort and inconvenience that having the pupil dilated would cause, according to the doctors.

The patient is instructed to look into the viewer and the lights are dimmed. An infrared light is used to illuminate the retina (the back of the eye). The eye is not sensitive to this

light so the patient should have no problem with blinking or blurred vision. An image of the retina is projected on a TV monitor and a photograph of the retina is taken, the doctors explained.

Using the non-Mydriatic Retinal Camera, also helps the doctors better diagnose both the state of the eye and the state of the patient's health. By observing the blood vessels and nerves, diabetes and high blood pressure can be diagnosed.

Perhaps the best advantage to this procedure is the permanent record of the state of the eye that now becomes available, the doctors said. Future photographs can be compared with past photos to detect any changes in the eye that could be potentially dangerous. This type of record was previously unavailable.