

## A TUBE-SUPPORTING "FORK"

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IT HAS LONG BEEN A PROBLEM with anaesthetists to support the weight of the tubes, angles, "Y" pieces, and so on leading to the anaesthetized patient, in order to ensure stability. Many ideas have been tried. Here is another one which is effective, simple, non-corrodible, easily cleaned, and easily portable. It consists (Fig. 1) of a fork with a T-shaped end made of  $\frac{1}{4}$ " and  $\frac{3}{16}$ " stainless steel.

It is used in the following manner: the T-shaped end is trapped between the operating table and the mattress. The three prongs stick out and allow the corrugated tubes to be supported (see Fig. 2). Other items may be hung on if desired.

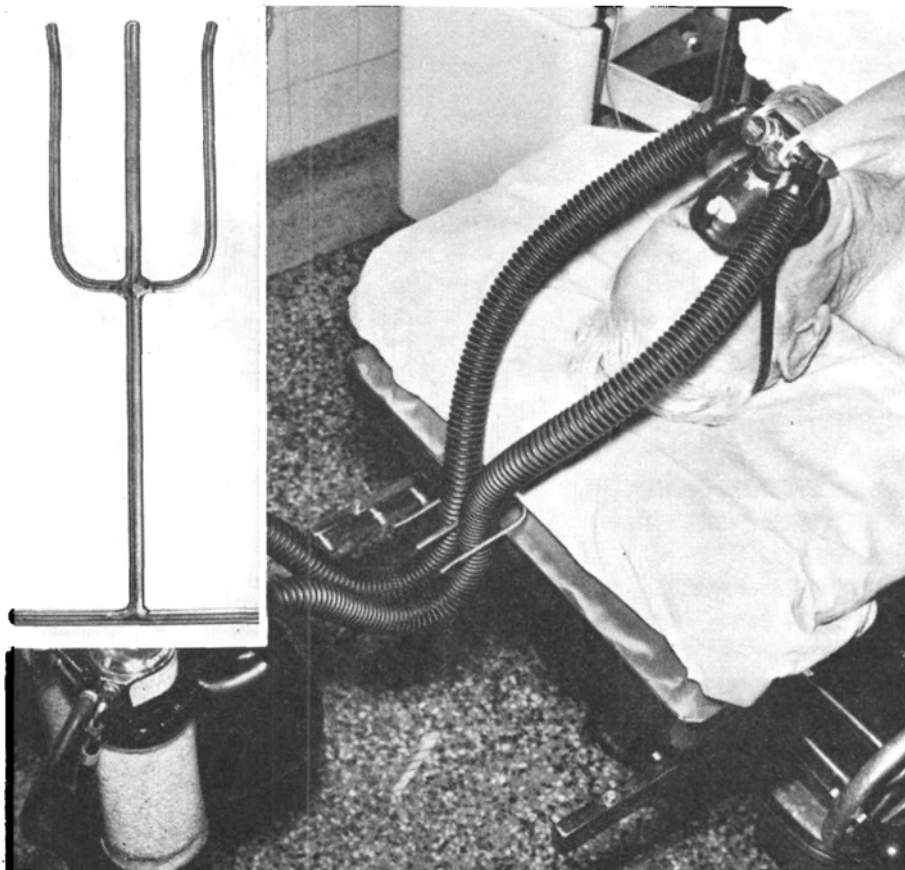


FIGURE 1 (inset) and FIGURE 2 showing the fork in use.

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