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Diary of a Vagabond

BY DOROTHY BARKER

GET TOGETHER ALMOST FALLS APART!

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Customs and traditions are collected by families like pictures in an album, family heirlooms, old silver or a squeaky rosewood chair that belonged to great - grandmother so - and - so. They hold a place of affection in the hearts of most family connections.

Our pet custom is the family get - together on the each year of our senior member. She lies propped on her pillows beneath the cretonned canopy of her bed, a pert pink ribbon confining her white curls, her shoulders swathed in yards of hand woven mohair, receiving her guests including grandsons great grand children and their pets, toys and books lovingly preferred by the very young as amusements for our matriarch of many summers.

Because this date falls close to the festive season of Christmas we have another custom. At this time we exchange lists of gifts we would cherish. The children old enough to write or print their desires, jot down requests for things reasonable and totally unreasonable. The women folk with hardly an exception list personal wants -- perfume, lingerie, gloves, hose; the exception being the homemaker in the younger of the two families who is still enamoured with the desire for fry pans that need no grease for cooking and do-dads for her coffee table.

When I read this year's requests on No. 2 son's list I chuckled. He wanted, above all things, a bell from a steam engine, the request being beamed directly at the CN's Vagabond! He promised in writing that it would have a place of honor at his summer retreat.

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NEVER TOO LATE!

This request was so unusual it reminds me of an acquaintance of mine who once asked for a saw for Christmas. Nothing so hilarious about this really, except that my friend was 88 years old and a mite of a woman four feet tall who, soaking wet, wouldn't weigh in at more than 90 pounds. She got her request and until the last days of her active life, that stretched into her middle nineties, she found endless uses for her gift.

These were the sort of reminiscences that traveled through my mind as I cut up sandwiches, arranged the relish dishes and added the last candle to the birthday cake.

In the excitement of first meeting I had forgotten Buffy, the orange kitten and certainly given no thought to the fact she had never seen a dog in her short lifetime. It was while I was brewing the tea and mentally seeing Grandma Boycroft sawing suckers from her apple tree with her shiny new saw that all hell broke loose. Holly, the visiting children's dog was chasing Buffy over chesterfield and under tables, across beds and finally into the bathroom where the kitten took refuge in the toilet, choosing death by drowning rather than be devoured by the jaws of a great bounding collie.

CRAVING SATISFIED

The uproar subdued, dog tied and cat dried, I returned to the kitchen. There on the floor, surrounded by half chewed birthday candles, smeared with icing and looking as though she was about to be horribly ill, was the youngest member of the family group. Lori, just turned two, had taken advantage of the confusion to satisfy her longing for sweets. With grandmotherly secretiveness I wiped her face and hands clean, scraped icing from her brand new pinafore, put my finger in her mouth and retrieved the last stub of tallow and sat her on the kitchen stool while I tried to figure out how I could replace the cake and make it all seem probable.

In the cupboard was a can gold labeled and decorated with Christmas seals, a very special gift from The Canadian National Railways to me because I would not be vagabonding between December 18 and January 4 when this now famous CN plum pudding would be served aboard every passanger train to holiday travellers. There were recipes for both hard sauce and custard sauce printed on the label in French and English.

While Lori watched, looking quite angelic but not the least repentant, I opened the can, whiffed the spicy aroma with an assured feeling, sliced it into servings for each member of the family, dabbed them with hard sauce stuck a small candle in each rosette and announced supper. I triumphantly bore my lighted, fruit laden inspiration up the stairs accompanied by a retinue of four children singing,a little mixed up and completely out of tune, "Happy Birthday".

I wish I could solve the decision of gift giving and satisfy the several requests on those family lists as easily as I did the crisis of a mutilated birthday cake intended to brighten the day of an 86 - year - old invalid.

Petit De Grat

We are sorry to hear that Gustave Landry, manager of the Liquor Commission in Arichat, was taken to the City Hospital in Sydney, where he underwent a serious operation. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

David Steele and Douglas McIntyre of Little Bras D'or were guests of Rev. J. J. MacDonald at the Glebe House, during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon M. Landry motored to Sydney on Friday. They were accompanied by Mrs. Xyste Landry.

Mr. and Mrs. James LeBlanc of Pondville, formerly of this place, were visiting here during the week, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bertis LeBlanc.

Mr. and Mrs. Remi S. Boudreau returned home after spending a few weeks in Kentville at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Brewster.

Leon A. Landry, arrived home from the Lakes on Thursday to spend the winter months with his wife.

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C. W. L. Meet

Feted President

Thursday, November 23rd. marked the twenty-fifth wedding anniversary of Mrs. Anita Fougere, President of St. Joseph's Council. The members celebrated the feast by first attending a special Mass of Thanksgiving for the jubilarians, when Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Fougere renewed their marriage vows in the presence of the Parish Priest.

The evening was marked by a festive gathering at the Parish Hall, again to pay honor to those, 25 years wedded. Among the specially invited guests were the parents of the president, Mr. andMrs. James Goyetche who recently marked their 52nd wedding anniversary. Early in the evening, Mrs. Louis A. Samson, past president of the C. W. L., delivered an address which read in part: "We want tonight, to thank God for his blessings on you and your husband for 52 years of happily wedded life." We thank God for the children you have mothered; —the jewells that will always shine brightly in your crown of glory in heaven". Mrs. Samson continued: We wish to express God's blessing on your Silver Jubilee, we wish to thank you for you and we pray to God, our common creator, to abundantly shower spiritual joy in the hearts of you, your spouse, and your children.

After the address the presentation of an engraved silver, sugar and cream set, was made by Mrs. Fougere The balance of the evening was well occupied with the playing of games under the skilled chairmanship of Mrs. Leon Landry and which the majority took part in. Toward the end of the evening a delicious tea was served, and it was this time the guests of honour cut their anniversary cake and shared with all present.

Mrs. Amadee Boudreau,
Press Convenor

Little Anse Home and School

The September meeting of Little Anse Home & School Association took place on the 19th. Chief business of this gathering was a review setting of objectives for the of last year's work and the present term.

It was decided to request fire-fighting equipment, the installation of a telephone and a science kit from the Municipal School Board.

To continue our fish liver oil program 9000 capsules were to be distributed to all pupils.

When a date had been set for the executive meeting to preceed the regular October reunion the meting adjourned.

The reading of the Creed served as the opening for our October meeting. The minutes of the previous meeting and the treasurer's report were adopted.

A report was then given regarding requests made to the Municipal School Board. On the whole they had been favourably recived.

Five delegates were then named to attend the Fall County Council at St. Peter's.

Mrs. Anita Martell was appointed social convener.

Rev. J. J. MacDonald, P.P., gave a talk on the possibility of organizing a Home Economics Class for the older girls at our school and a Sewing Class for the ladies.

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SUGAR and SPICE

By Bill Smiley

Whoa, there! Slow down. Relax. Get that frown off your face. Don't look so strained. It's not a funeral or a wedding, or even a threshing you're getting ready for. It's Christmas. Remember?

I know. I know. "It's a trying time for all of us" and "Christmas is getting too commercialized" and "it's not what it used to be" and "we can't afford all those presents" and "Christmas is just a big pain in the neck" and "I don't enjoy Christmas any more, I'm simply worn out". I've heard them all.

Poppycock! Piffle! It's not Christmas that's a big pain in the neck. It's some of the so-called Christians who celebrat it - worrying, complaining, grabbing, sweating pushing, whining - in a perfect frenzy as the glorious day approaches.

* * *

For myself, I find Christmas, and the weeks approaching it, a demanding but exhilarating experience. Each Christmas sason, around our house presents a challenge that brings out the best in me. And don't anybody, please, remark that the best is none too good.

The reason is that, each year, about the time other people are wrapping gifts and addressing Christmas cards, we are up to our ears in a Domestic Project. For some reason, we become involved, annually, in the most stupendous household upheaval. just before the festive season. It's not my doing. Every year about the first of December, theChief Engineer gets hallucinations of grandeur, and we're for it.

One year it was a new sink in the bathroom. Translated, this means I wound up with a complete new bathroom which took me about two years to pay for. Another year, she thought we'd sand all the floors. The result looked like Lake Superior on a choppy day. One pre-Chrismas, we got into the painting and whenever the family met at mealtime, it resembled a war-gathering of the Six Nations.

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On still another occasion, we had to build a chimney a couple of weeks before Xmas (No, Virginia, it wasn't for Santa Claus to come down. It was for the smoke to go up, for a change, instead of just hanging there.) Anyway, the man said the bricks were too wet, or something, so we wound up with about 8,000 bricks piled, to dry, in the kitchen.

During these ordeals, the old Trouble 'n strife is about as easy to get along with as a cobra with a hangover. That's why I took on the annual Project as a challenge. If we can get through a couple of weeks of this without anyone picking up an axe, Christmas is a breeze.

When the last snarl of the sander fades, or the last brick is slapped into place, or the last splatter of paint is tuppentined off, I know that Christmas, peace on earth and goodwill toward me and the kids, are practically upon us.

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Each year the Project has acted as a safety valve for the Old Girl. You know what women are like with Xmas, coming on, normally. They run around in ever decreasing circles as they try to cope with turkey and tree and trimmings, pudding and presents and pies. After a couple of weeks of painting, or running around the brick pile,my old lady was always so whacked out that getting ready for Christmas was a pleasent change in comparison.

That's why I was a mite alarmed this year. You see, we're living in a rented house, and there's no outlet for that pre-Christmas project. The lady is restrained by law from ripping off all the wallpaper or launching into a linoleum- laying orgy. All she can do is eye it longingly.

But I needn't have worried Unable to create alarm, confusion, chaos and open warfare in the house, she has gone further afield. To church. As organist, she's facing her first Christmas with all the extra and special services. There's panic aplenty. That kid spends more time at church than at home. We have carols coming out our ears.

But it's a good thing, I say. Here's the program: three services the day before Christmas, including a midnight: a service Christmas

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Of Many Things

By AMBROSE HILLS

SOUR GRAPES OR FOOTBALL

The CBC is broadcasting a great number of football games this year, sacrificing many other programs in order to do so. Whether this American football was provided in response to strong public demand is doubtful. It appeared, rather, that the C BC's promotion of the other American games was a childish reaction to the fact that private broadcasters had secured television rights to the games in the eastern division of the Canadian Football League. Now the CBC has developed an audience appetite forAmerican football.

The CBC could have had the Canadian games. The private operators offered to let the CBC have them for any area not already served. The offer seemed generous and public spirited. The CBC rejected it. Chester Bloom, parliamentary press gallery reporter, commenting on the CBC refusal to carry the games, wrote, "It is a disappointment that the CBC, after refusing such an offer in a spirit of injured pride, should then turn to American football as a palliative."

Surely it is time that the Board of Broadcast Governors, which has power to con-

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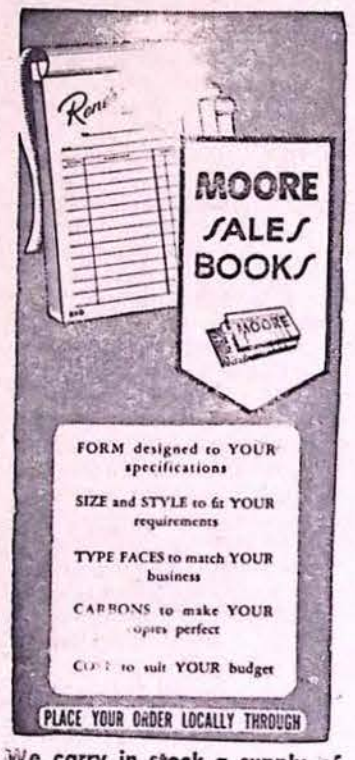
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Where I wandered as a child,
There I found some pretty objects
Laid by creatures of the wild.
In a basket made of rushes
From the stalks of swaying reeds,
There I gently placed the ovals,
That encased the duckling seeds.
They were carried with great caution
To that chicken house of mine
And beneath a broody Betty,
Patiently they waited time.
Then one morning after daybreak
Something sounded like a quack,
As I peeked beneath the chicken
Proved to me it was a fact.
Pretty yellow downy creatures
Clustered there like little kings,
Seemed to me like future monarchs
As I touched their golden wings.
Proudly Betty was rejoicing
From her master work of art,
When she saw the wabbling ducklings
Satisfied her she was smart.
When they got their little sea legs,
Mother watched them as they strolled
Down beside a meadow frog pond,
There the fluffy things got bold.
Visions of that sluggish water
Filled their little hearts with glee,
As the little yellow sailors
All at once put out to sea.
Foster mother raced the shore line,
Frantically she called them back,
But the little yellow tug boats
Answered with a farewell quack.

By Harvey A. Burton

(The above poem was composed by Harvey Burton a former resident of Arichat and a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burton. This particular poem which had a local flavour, appealed to us and on request Harvey gladly consented to allow us to publish and we look forward to more contributions from his large collection.—Editor.)

LITTLE ANSE HOME AND SCHOOL

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Mr. Anthony Samson, our School Secretary and Mrs. Rose Anna Benoit, President, were appointed to take care of these matters.

Then the question of transportation for three pupils of our section attending school at Petit de Grat arose. A letter was to be sent requesting that the Municipal School Board and the answer to these were read. Three of four requests had been granted. It was decided to carry on further negotiations concerning the installation of a telephone.

A membership drive was carried on and has proven successful. We have surpassed our membership quota.

Money was voted to provide a treat for the children of the section at Christmas.

For the program 2 pupils who had taken part in a program at Petit de Grat Hall on Novmber 8h in observance of the 80th birthday of Pope John XXIII, read the compositions which they had presented on that occasion. Four other pupils read compositions on Remembrance Day.

A vote of thanks was extended to the pupils.

The meeting then adjourned with THE QUEEN.

SUGAR AND SPICE

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morning; then jump in the car and go haring off a hundred miles across country to Granny's, for Christmas dinner. With a session like that to get frantic about, she hasn't time to drive us all crazy "getting ready for Christmas."

PETIT DeGRAT NEWS

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Born to—Mr. and Mrs. Amos David, at St. Anne's Hospital, Arichat, a son.Congratulations!

The Variety Concert held in the Parish Hall on Sunday Evening, Dec. 4th., sponsored by the Young Talent of the Parish, under the supervision of Fulbert Boudreau and his Orchestra was a huge success. The hall was filled to capacity and was greatly enjoyed by all. Much thanks was extended to two new players, Francis Fortune and Lloyd Bourinot.

Nazaire Samson, teacher, of the Consolidated School Staff, is on the sick list this week. Mrs. Cyril Boudreau is substituting in his classroom.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon M. Landry, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Landry and Leon A. Landry, motored to Sydney on Monday to visit Gustave Landry, who is a patient at the City Hospital, returning same evening.

Mr and Mrs. Rennie Landry accompanied by Sylvia and Carmella Landry, motored to Sydney on Sunday, to visit their father, Gustave Landry, who is a patient in the City Hospital. They report very good news, as Gus is off the danger list and improving satisfactorily.

RANDOM CUTTING of Christmas Trees

At this time of the year many persons from towns and cities make a trip to the country to cut their Christmas trees.

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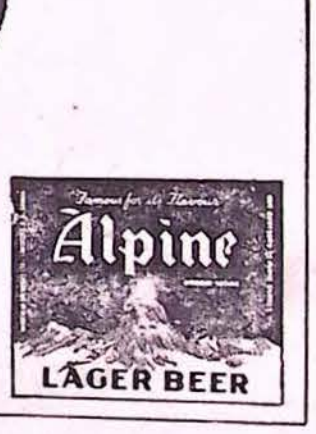
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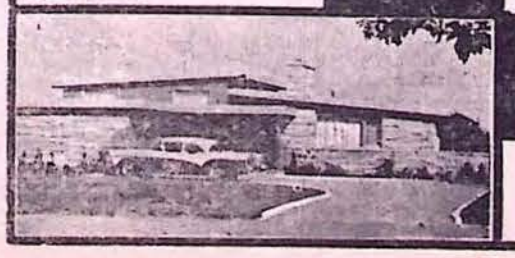
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NEWS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY



PETIT DE GRAT

Banns were published of the forthcoming marriage of Dr. Herman Samson, M. D., son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Samson, of this place, to Madeline Elizabeth Crossland, of Roxboro, P. Q. Wedding to take place in the near future.

Mr. Norman and Joseph McIntosh of Sydney, were on a business trip here the past week.

Godfrey Marchand and Amadee Boudreau, motored to Sydney on Thursday, on a business trip.

LOSES HOME

We are sorry to report that Mr. Wilfred Babin had the sad misfortune of fire completely destroying his home in West Arichat.

HELD OVER

A report from the D'Escousse Home and School, Lakeside Home and School, account of the Keating-LeBlanc wedding and other news of interest held over for next issue.

L'ARDOISE NEWS

In the L'Ardoise News, we read with deep regret the passing of Kennie MacAskill of Point Michaud and Malcolm MacNeil of L'Ardoise. Both upright and highly respected residents of that district, their passing will be deeply mourned by their rspective families and by many friends throughout the County. To the respective wives and families we extend our sympathy.

Obituaries written by our good L'Ardoise corrspondent will appear in our next issue along with news items of Home and School and C. W. L. News—Editor.

101st. Birthday

Mrs. Angel LeBlanc of Poulamon, recently celebrated her 101st birthday at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McDonald, where she has resided for the past several years.

She enjoys the company of neighbors and friends who call on her quite frequently.

We congratulate her on her anniversary and look forward to reporting the occasion again next year.

FROM HALIFAX

Nicholas Boudreau, son of Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Boudreau of Halifax, was a guest recently at the home of his uncle, Mr. Charles DeCoste.

BUSINESS VISITOR

John N. Morrison, a highly regarded citizen of St. Peters, was a business visitor to town during the week.

LARGE MEMBERSHIP

The President of the Richmond County Ratepayers Association, Mr. Wilfred M. Poirier, has reported to the Record, that the membership in this Association is rapidly mounting and that the present enrollment is most gratifying. Meetings have been held in various districts, with a follow up of other dstricts in the County, outlining the aims and objective of the Association.

Mr. E. C. Doyle, of this town, is the Secretary, of the Association.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rideout at St. Anne Hospital, a boy. (Samuel John.) A brother for Lloyd.

FROM LAKES

Roy Boudreau of Poulamond, and Hughie Martell of Pondville have arrived home to spend the winter months with their parents. Roy and Hugh have, been working on the great lakes for the past few years, and expect to return in the spring.

OF MANY THINGS

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trol the network operations of both the CBC and the private stations, looked into this matter of network affiliation and service. The football fiasco is not the only reason.

For example, the CBC has affiliations with three American television networks. CTV, the private television network, has none. This led to a completely unfair situation when the Mitch Miller program was cancelled for a special broadcast. The CB C had the power to move in and take the special broadcast, leaving the private network to find a replacement for Mitch Miller. The circumstances surrounding such situations ought to be studied.

Fair competition between the CBC and the CTV could result in a better deal for the public. If the CBC adopts a reasonable attitude, there would be no cause for complaint; but if it is acting in a dog - in - the - manger manner, then the public will suffer and the BBG has a duty to bring it back into line.

Page Advt.

Monier Chediac has taken space in this issue taking up the whole of page 4. He carries a full line of furniture, Electrical Appliances, TV Sets, Radios and Furniture. Also a big stock of clothing for the whole family. Mr. Chediac has recently enlarged his store, formerely known as the Charles F. Latimer home.

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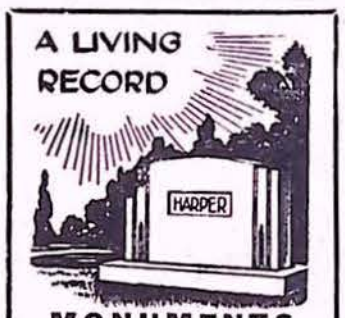
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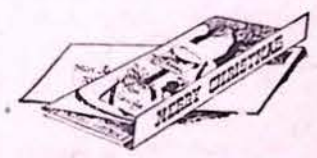
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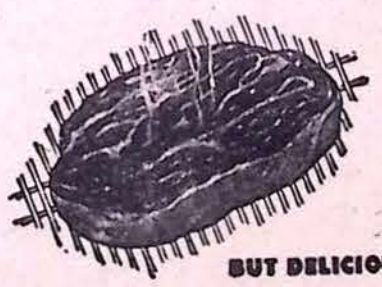
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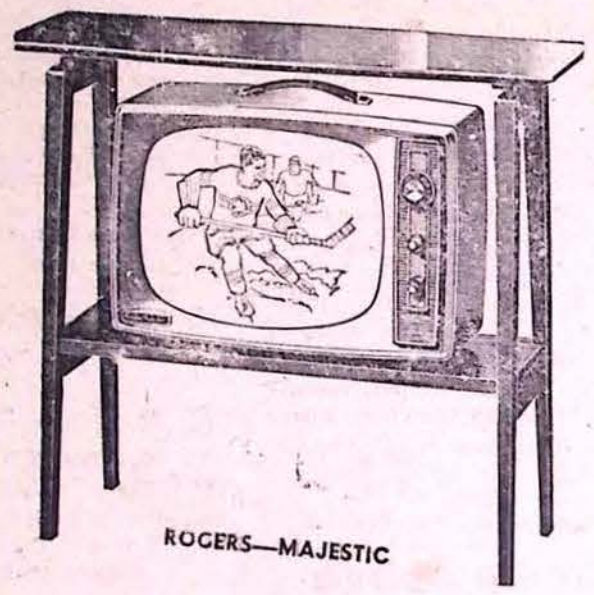
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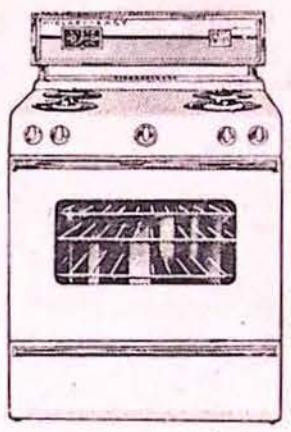
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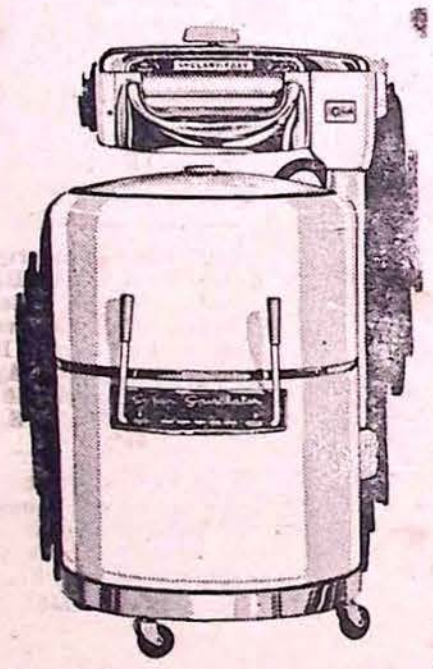
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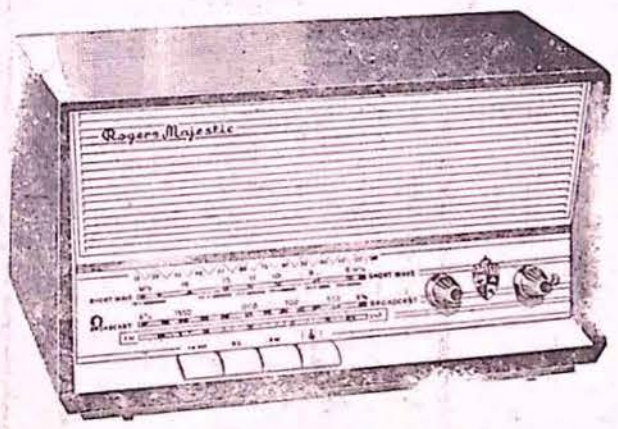
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