

# A Tourist Outfitter's DIARY

June 20—We have a mighty good cook at camp this year, a retired farmer's wife. She gets quite a few tips. She received another five dollars this morning from one of the satisfied fishermen who was on his way home. "Well", said her husband, "I made eyes at the girls, and they didn't give me any tips." "Ha," cook answered, "You don't need to make goo-goo eyes at this girl, because you are not going to get any of this tip." Whereupon she stashed it down her ample front where I suppose women are wont to hide their Noloney.

June 23—We have a young married couple in camp this week; the girl is a redhead, very attractive, very vivacious, a pleasure to watch in her enjoyment of life. She and her husband went fishing this afternoon out in a boat but didn't get anything except a couple of rock bass. She left one on her fishing pole over the edge of the dock while they came in to eat. When they went back after dinner, a not-bad-sized pike about seven pounds had taken the rock bass and was still on the hook. They came up all excited to clean their fish, but had taken the precaution of putting another rock bass on the hook in the meantime. Lightning isn't supposed to strike twice in the same place, but fish often do. Sure enough, when they returned to the dock, they had another pike, a really big one this time, he was a good twenty pounds. They tried to land it in the net but it broke through. They finally got it onto the dock and there was a mad scramble and much squealing as they tried to subdue that fish. They hit it with the handle of the landing net, they threw rocks at it; how they ever held on to it I'll never know. Finally, the girl came running up to the lodge with this great slippery pig of a pike in her arms, her flushed face almost as red as her hair. They were mighty pleased with their "catch".

June 26 — Today the magic words "school's out" ring across the province with the last school bell and echo in the hearts of parents everywhere; nowhere is the sound more poignant than in the territorial districts of the north. Here we have no schools. We have the choice of teaching the children ourselves (for which we have no time or talent) or driving them to school (impossible if you live 60 miles from high school) or boarding them in the city (the only solution in our case). What bothers me though, are the boys and girls who live outside a high school area as we do but whose parents can't afford to board them. There must be hundreds of students who have to drop out of high school every year for this reason. It seems to me that a country that can afford millions of dollars yearly through the Canada Council to promote culture should be able to provide a high school education for every student with the ability and incentive to graduate.

## Veterinarian At Summer Course

Dr. F. C. Nelson of New Liskeard, Ontario, has recently completed an intensive short course at the Ontario Veterinary College in the diseases of swine and sheep. The course was attended by Doctors of Veterinary Medicine from many parts of Ontario and several Canadian provinces. The special course was designed to bring veterinary practitioners up-to-date on recent developments in the disease and nutritional problems of sheep and swine.

Under the direction of Dr. C. K. Roe and Dr. D. J. Campbell, the week long course consisted of lectures, motion pictures, autopsy procedures, clinical demonstrations and discussion periods during each evening. This short course is part of the extension program of the Ontario Veterinary College.

Well, its good to have the kids home for the summer. Plenty of old-fashioned chores to keep a couple of active teen-agers out of mischief here. And what do you know, now we'll get the garbage emptied regularly. Might even be able to slip away and go fishing myself.



# Keep Provincial Police Cobalt Petitions Council

Cobalt Council is meeting with strong opposition to the plan for replacing the present OPP municipal policing with a town force as an economy measure.

A petition has been circulated during the past week, and its sponsors advised the Speaker that more than 800 signatures have been obtained. The petition will be presented to Council at its next meeting.

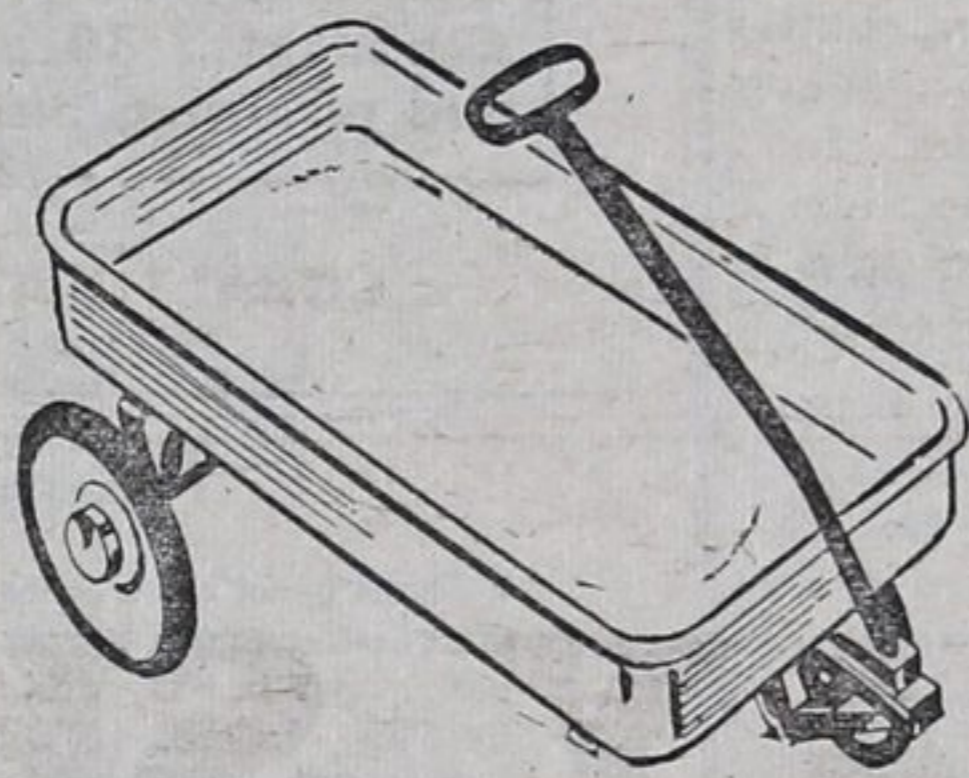
Mayor Fulton Purdy said that the town certainly had no complaint to make about the service given by Provincial Police officers stationed in the town. "It is strictly an economy measure," he said, "and a two man force will make a substantial savings for the town."

In addition to those who have signed the petition, the Chamber of Commerce is throwing its weight into the fight to retain the OPP.

It is the opinion of Chamber members that the saving would not be compensation for a watered down protection service.

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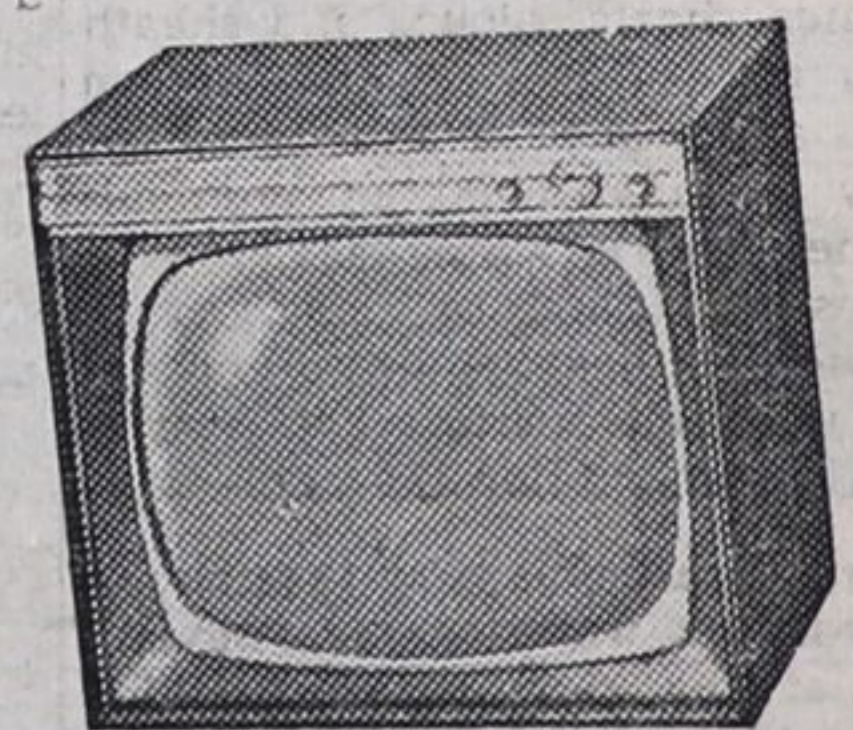
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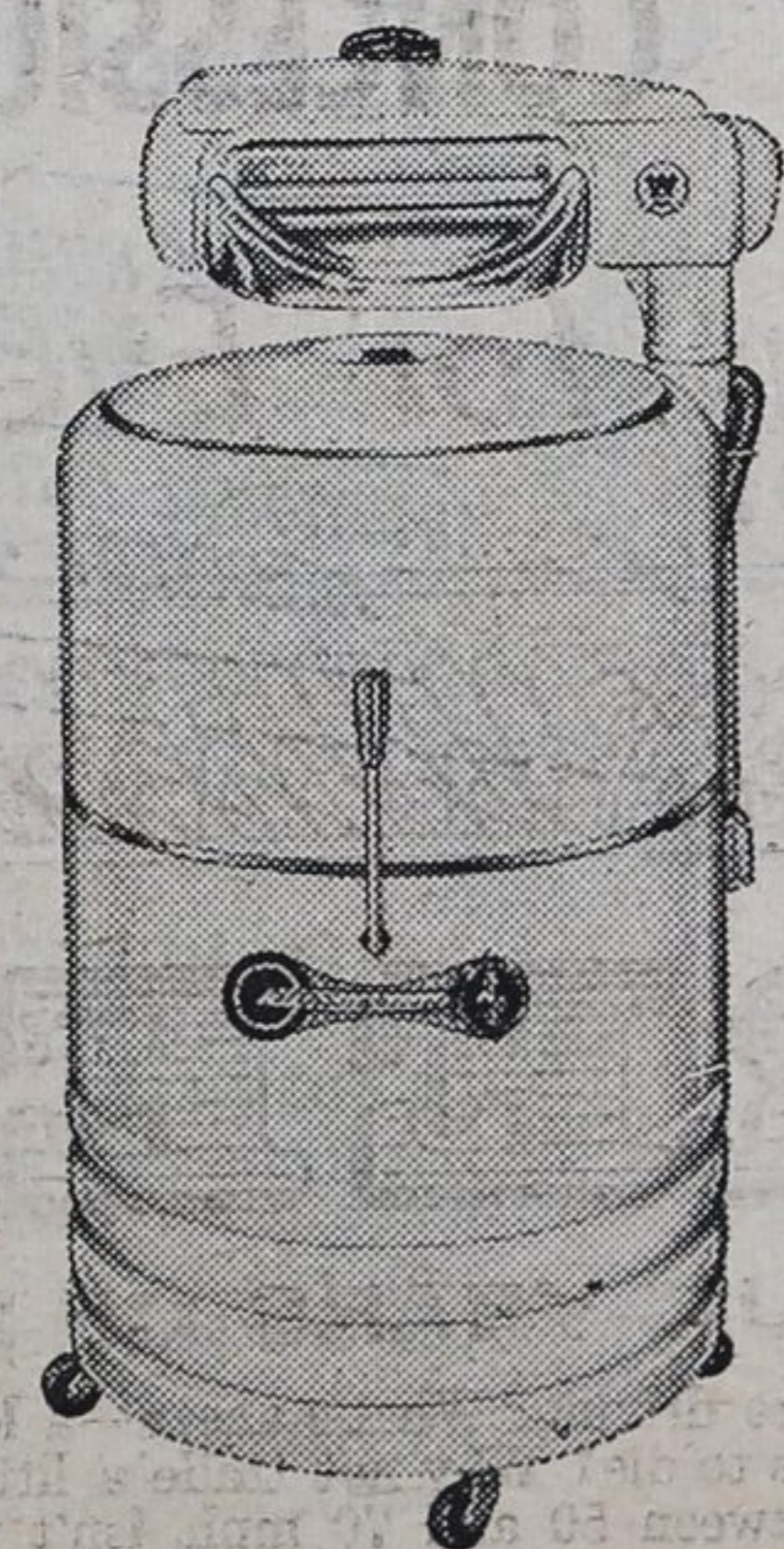
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