

On the Leavell

With Helen



evening at a St. Patrick's Dance. They received framed certificates for outstanding contribution to the organization for the past year. The presentation was a surprise to the two men.

Well, another March break has come and gone, both the schools and for editor/hubby Gord. As usual, he's returned from Florida with a terrific tan, which makes pale me look even paler.

But his tan reminded me of the week following March break when I was in school. (yes, another reminiscing story).

In my high school in Collingwood three types of students return from a week's vacation. There were those who either stayed home all day, or worked, but nevertheless still had the winter whites on their faces. And there were those who could afford to go to Florida, or even farther south, and had a gorgeous tan which they always flaunted in gym class (the white socks really made the brown skin stand out). And then there were the skiers. At first sight, it was difficult to tell the travellers from the skiers, until 8:30 class.

You see, spring skiing can give a tan just as dark, if not darker than Florida. Unfortunately, it is only on your face.

I fell into the skiing category. Eight hours a day of skiing, for nine straight days, made me look much healthier than normal. And because I wore glasses my goggle marks were not as pronounced as those who had nothing to cover up the white streaks across their faces.

Another drawback was that with a turtleneck sweater on, we looked funny because the tan only went to our chin. So while we were wearing-out our sweaters, those who had been in Florida were wearing shortsleeved clothing to further rub it in to the rest of us.

But we who had spent the week skiing and not lazing in the sun had lost a bit of weight, had firmer muscles and had much better stories to tell. We also had a longer vacation because the only travel-time involved was the 10 minute drive to the ski hills and back each day.

But, this is 1984, not 1970, and I have neither the time, money nor energy to go skiing anymore. My Florida trips are confined to off-season months when I can stay at my parents' mobile home for nothing, so—just call me pale face.

Plans are in the making for the annual Mental Retardation Week Campaign May 6-12. Last year \$2,800 was raised in Acton. Anyone interested in canvassing is asked to call 877-5557.

Last month's Indusmin Link, an inter-company news-letter for the quarry company had a picture of the local firm's Santa Claus parade float and a picture of the participants. The short story accompanying the pictures mentioned the float came in first in the Industrial section of the float competitions.

Michael O'Leary and Fred Buchanan were each named Knight of the Year by the Knights of Columbus Saturday

Rotary backs Easter Seals

Envelopes and seals have been sent out all over town by the Acton Rotary Club seeking donations for the 1984 Easter Seal drive.

Ron McKnight is the chairman of the local service club's campaign. Cheques should be made payable to the Easter Seal Fund and this year's Easter Seal appeal is a joint project of the Acton Rotary Club and the Easter Seal Society.

Donations can be returned to the Bank of Nova Scotia in Acton by using the envelope accompanying the seals or deposits can be made at the bank to the Easter Seal account.

Quilters preparing for 1984 fall fair contest

The Acton Fall Fair is still a long way off, but many exhibitors will already have started on projects for the September show. And quilters are no exception.

The addition of the Madalena Braida Memorial Grand Champion Quilt Special, donated by the Brent Marshall family will be awarded to the maker of the grand champion quilt for 1984.

While many individuals enter the contest regularly, such as Mrs. Carrie Allen, groups such as Trinity United Church and the Dublin Women's Institute have very talented quilters who have made a name for themselves in the community.

As usual, the annual Canada Packers Championship Quilt Competition will be held in conjunction with the annual convention of the Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies. Quilts must be at least double bed size (72" x 90") and entries must be quilted by a group or individual who is an exhibitor of a local Agricultural Society.

The winning entry of September's contest will be sent on to the District Annual Meeting competition. If this same quilt happens to win the championship at another fair, the other fair enters their reserve champion (second best of the show) in the district competition.

Only the first place quilts from the District annual are eligible to enter the Canada Packers Championship Quilt Competition at the annual convention. Canada Packers will purchase the winning quilt at this level for about \$700, and it will be added to the Canada Packers Quilt Collection.

One hundred dollars will be given to the local Agricultural Society to be used as prizes the following year. Canada Packers will also pay prize money of \$25 for first place, \$15 for second and \$10 for third to exhibitors of winning quilts at each district competition.

Full rules and regulations of the competitions are available in the Prize Book for the upcoming fair.

Eden Mills Friendly Seniors meet

by Mrs. W. MacDougall

The vice-president of the Friendly Seniors, Mrs. Katie Atkinson, presided at a recent meeting with 19 members present. There were readings by Katie and Irene Burrows. Cards and refreshments were enjoyed.

Mrs. Jeannette Montgomery has returned from a nice vacation with her daughter Gail, son-in-law and two grandsons in Austin, Texas. Jeannette also enjoyed a visit to Fort Worth and Dallas.

Rev. Carrie Doehring officiated at the marriage of Miss Deborah Niven, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Niven of Brampton and Ian Fairley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Fairley of Toronto on Saturday, March 10 in Eden Mills Presbyterian Church. The maid of honor was Debbie's sister, Miss Patricia Niven of Brampton and best man was Don Crowder of Toronto. Mrs. Marg Blacklock presided at the organ for the wedding music.

It was a rather cold day but the bride and groom were escorted to and from the church in a quaint little wagon drawn by two cute ponies. A reception followed at the home of the newlyweds and a highlight of the evening was the sweet sound of a barber-shop quartette from the Guelph chapter.

Congratulations and best wishes to Ian and Debbie for many years of health and happiness.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. Agnes Davison, daughter Gail and son-in-law John Bouwmeester and children in their bereavement of a dear husband, father and grandfather, Mr. Gordon Davison. Mr. and Mrs. Davison were the first owners of Eden House Nursing Home which is now run by Gail and John.

Friends of Mrs. Jim (Betty) Kirby were saddened to learn of her passing in Oakville. Sincere condolences are expressed to

daughter, Liz, her husband Peter Campbell (former Acton OPP member) and their son Joshua in their loss of a dear mother and grandmother. Betty was predeceased by husband Jim. The family were former residents of the village.

Congratulations to Donna and Travis Clifford on the arrival of their first grandson, courtesy of daughter Trudy and husband Paul Alger.

Obituary

Theresa Roy

Father Ralph Diodati officiated at the funeral of Theresa Roy, who died in February in St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph following a three-week illness.

Mrs. Roy was born on March 9, 1918 in Cobalt, Ontario and attended Cobalt Elementary School. On February 11, 1937, in Timmins, she married Norman Martin Roy. The couple have lived at 173 Tidy Ave. for the past 15 years. She was a member of the Legion Ladies Auxiliary. Mrs. Roy enjoyed gardening.

Left to mourn her loss are her husband, daughters Jacqueline McColl, Vancouver, Norma Mahannah, Trinidad, and Denise Byrne, Mississauga, a brother Philippe Thibeault, Sarnia and a sister Antoinette Toner, Evain, Quebec.

Cancer Month

April has been proclaimed Cancer month in Halton Hills. The request was approved Monday by council and came from Bill McNally of the Georgetown cancer unit.



Charlotte Ironside, left, was one of three judges for the recent Convention of the Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies for the provincial Canada Packers Quilt Competition. Besides Mrs. Ironside of Acton, the other judges included Mrs. Telfer, Paris, (Centre) and Mrs. McBean, Mooretown.

Clergy Comment

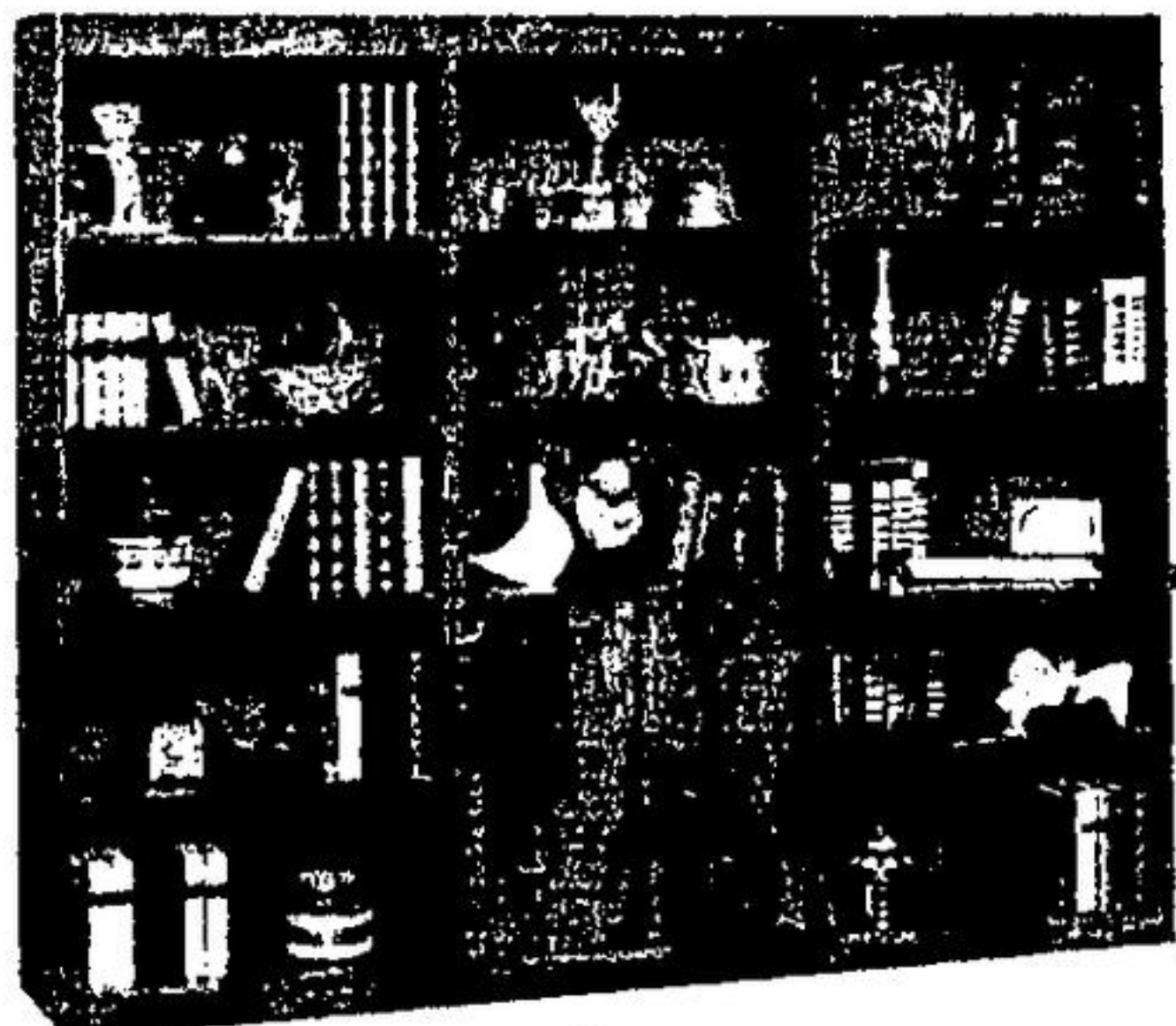
by Captain Wilson Perrin

I happened to be just thumbing through one of the Bibles that I have, and I came across a bookmark, which is very different from other bookmarks I possess. It contains some beautiful thoughts of encouragement—perhaps they will encourage you in the same way.

Firstly, it contains a Bible verse at the top of it; taken from Romans 8:28; "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to those who are called according to his purpose." It goes on to include 12 statements, which can be a simple guideline for each day of our life. "Today—1. I will begin and end each day with prayer. 2. I will treat my body as the temple of God. 3. I will appreciate and enjoy life's blessings. 4. I will live by faith, not fear. 5. I will laugh each day. 6. I will think the best of others. 7. I will practice the Golden Rule. 8. I will bring happiness to some poor unfortunate. 9. I will return good for evil. 10. I will harbor no resentments. 11. I will meet situations as they come. 12. I will leave the future to God.—Try this for a week and you will be surprised."

After I read this I thought, if we tried to set these goals for our every day living, what a better world we would live in.

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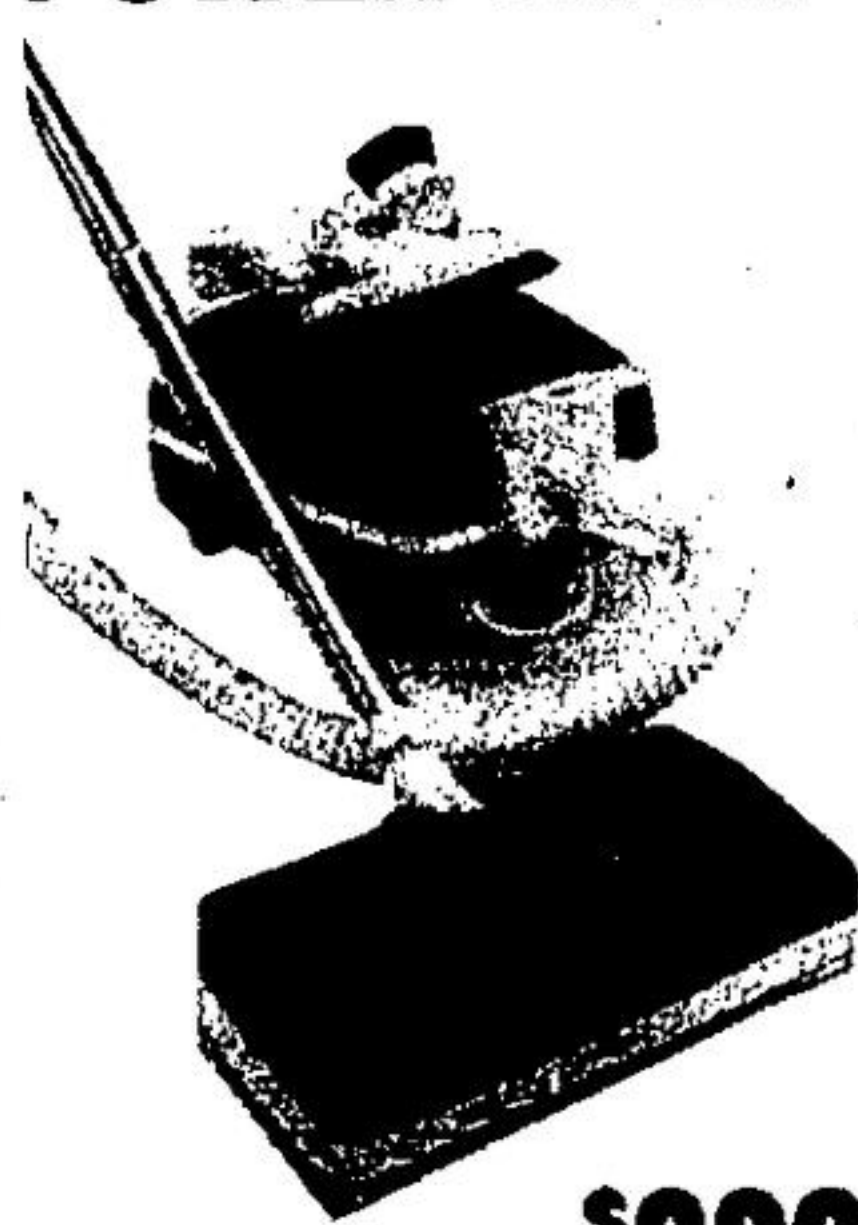


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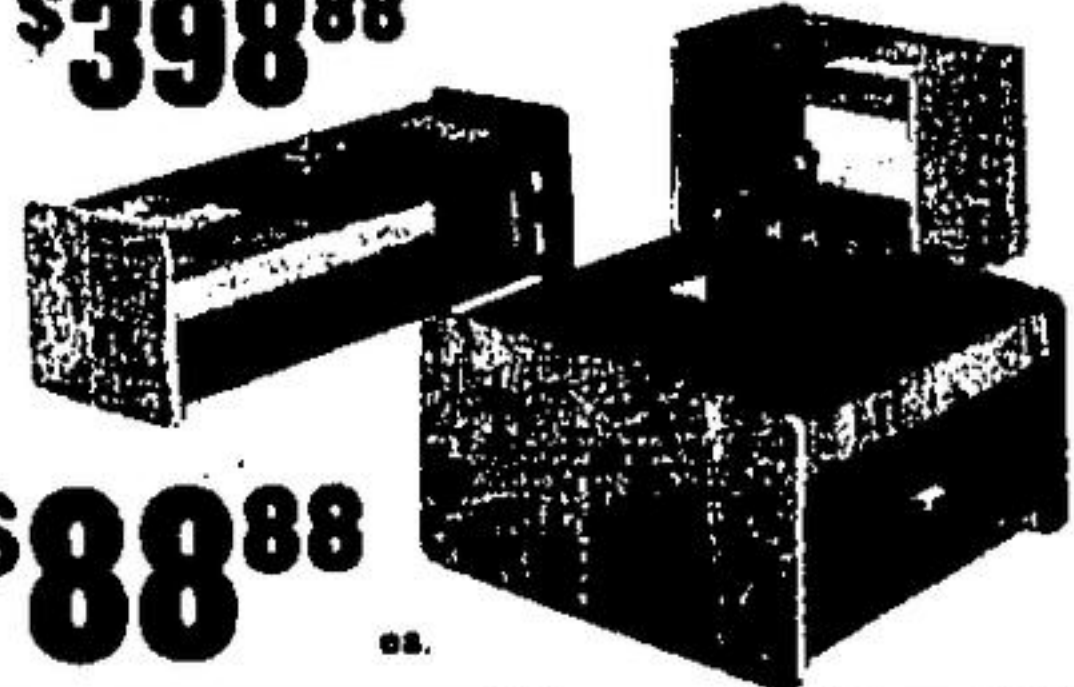
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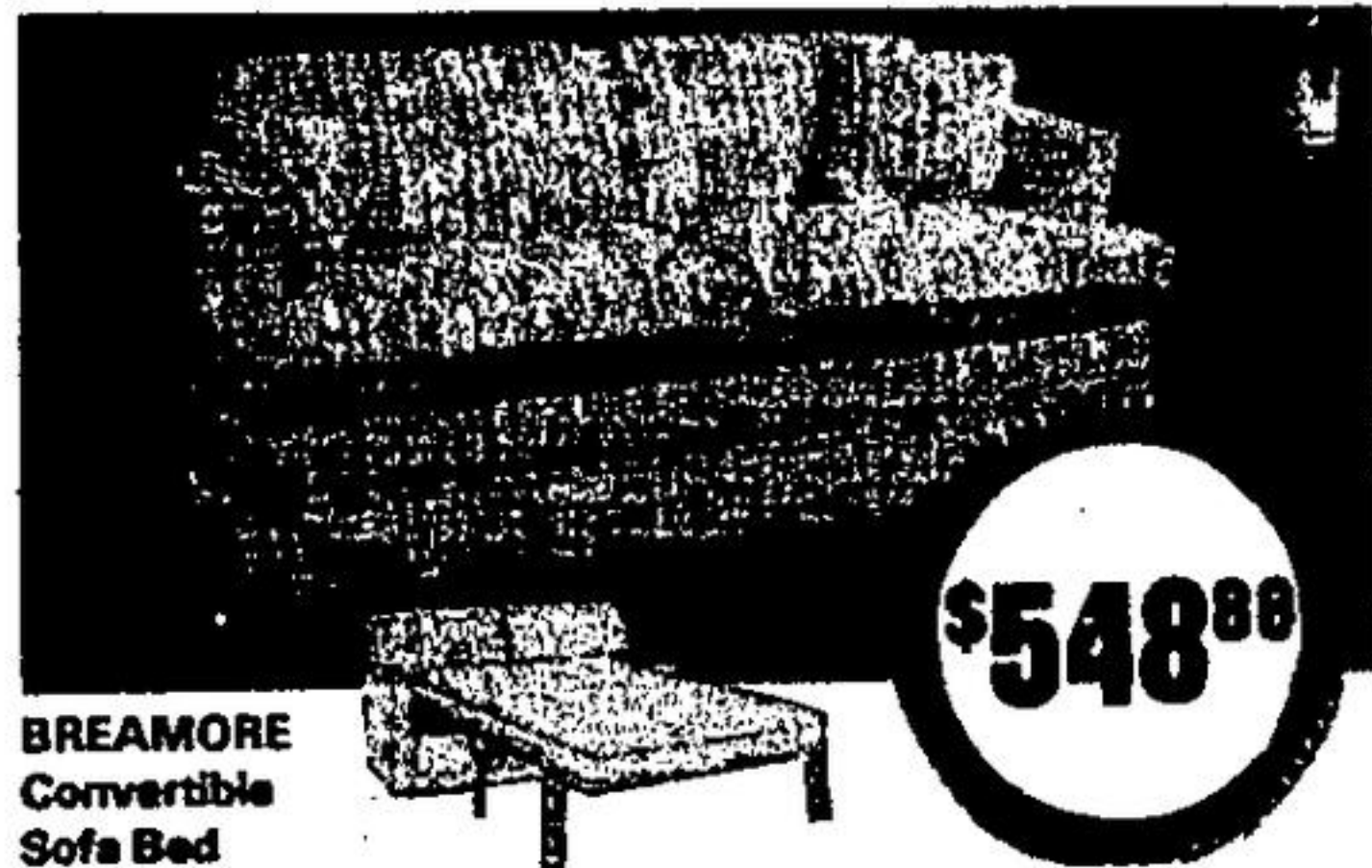
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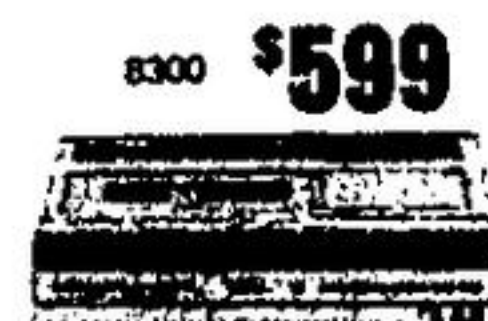


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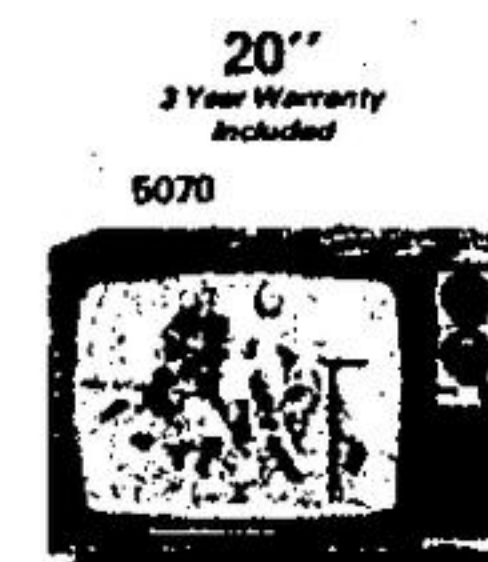
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