

Make moving arrangements well before the big day

You've sold your home, bought a new one, and the possession date is quickly approaching. You know moving is a big job, but you've decided that there are more important issues which take precedent and you'll make moving arrangements later.

But don't wait too long. The longer you put off making moving arrangements, the harder moving will be on you. The key to a smooth move is good preparation, well in advance of the moving date.

There are a number of choices your family can make concerning the move. If you are a 'do-it-yourself' person, you may want to rent a truck, pack the goods, load the truck, drive it to your new home, and unpack by yourself.

Other families sometimes choose to have a moving company drive the moving truck and unload all the belongings, while family members pack all boxes.

The easiest, albeit more costly, way to move is for professional movers to handle, the move from start to finish. For a price, professional movers will pack all your clothes, dishes, etc. into boxes, load and unload the truck. All you are responsible for is supervising the move.

If you have decided to arrange your own move, your first and foremost concern is organization. Ensure you have packing aids like markers, tape, scissors, inventory notebook, filler paper, plastic bags, dry cleaner

bags, mattress bags, foam padding and cartons on hand.

Small cartons should be used for dishes and books, as they are easier to lift and less likely to be overloaded. When packing dishes, wrap each separately in newspapers. 'Fragile' should be written on the top of each box containing delicate items. The contents of each box and the room they belong in should be marked on the top of every box. Component parts and small hardware should be kept in plastic bags or envelopes taped to their parent item.

One final tip: It always takes longer to pack than you think. It doesn't hurt to get started weeks in advance.

Ensure the truck you choose is large enough to hold all of your cartons and furniture. When loading the truck, make sure the plants and pet care items are the last cartons on the truck and the first boxes to come off the truck. As well, mops, brooms, and cleaning materials should be easily accessible in case you want to clean before you unload at your new home.

Although it's doubtful if anyone actually enjoys moving, as long as you are organized and well-prepared, your move should run smoothly with few problems. The key is careful planning.

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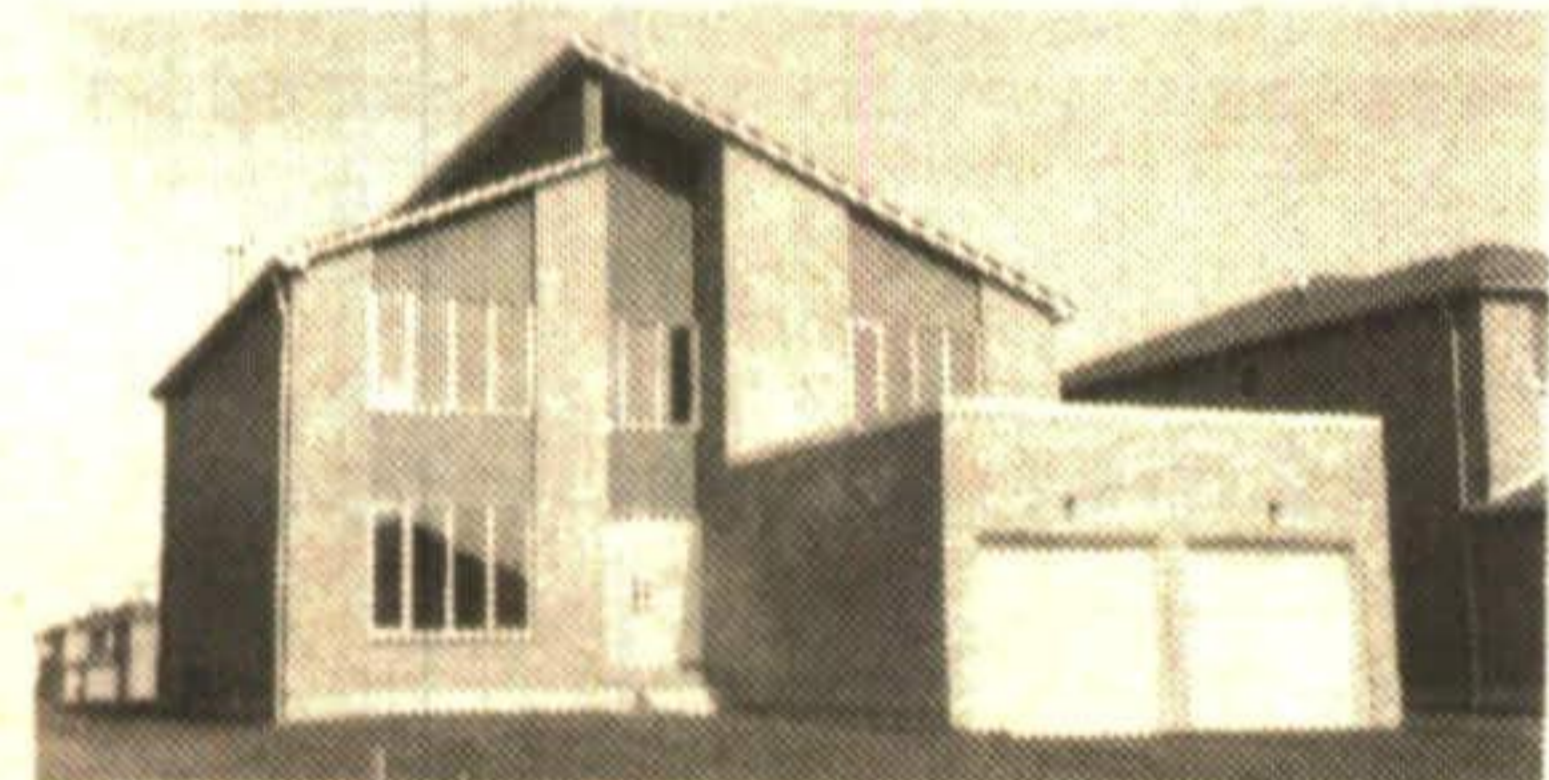


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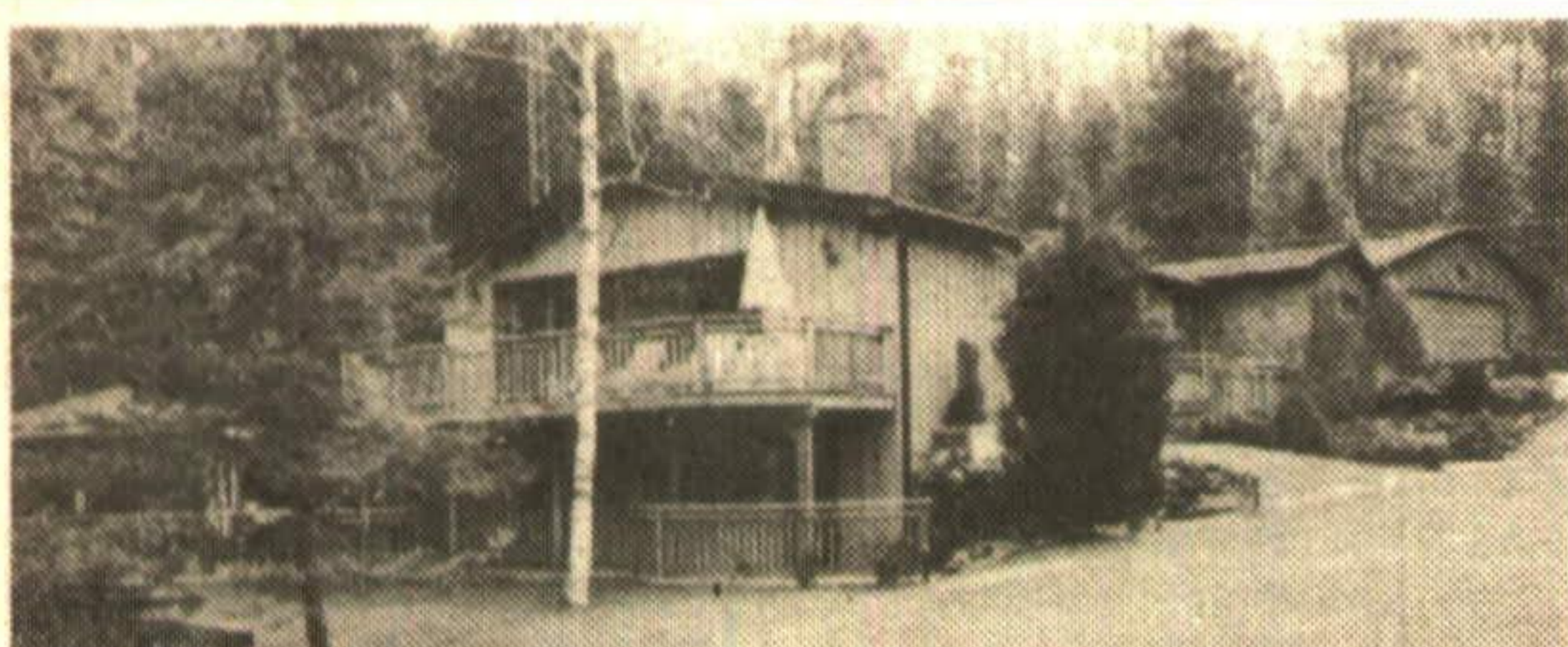
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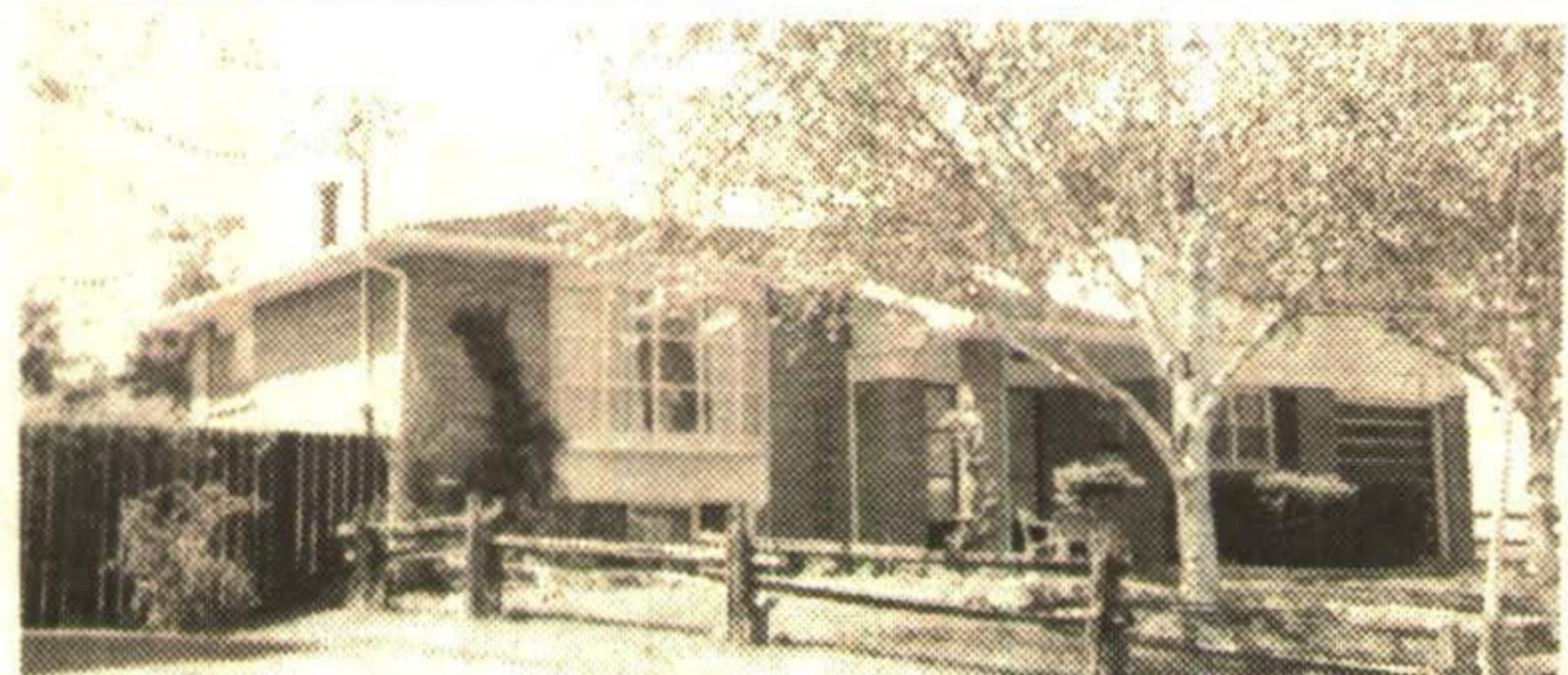
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Turf Tips



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TURF TIPS RECAP

Now that we are half way through the 1992 Lawn Care Season, we thought this would be a good time to briefly recap each of the topics covered so far in "Turf Tips".

1. **Spring Clean Up** - a thorough raking each spring will get your lawn off to a good start.
2. **Spring Lawn Care** - the pink coloured grass in your lawn is called Snow Mold - a vigorous raking will minimize damage.
3. **Spring Lawn Rolling** - rolling will only flatten small bumps - remember to wait until June.
4. **The Fertilizer Recipe** - there are three main elements: Nitrogen for colour; Phosphorus for roots; Potassium maintains strength.
5. **White Grubs** - they'll be back in July or August.
6. **Why Aerate Your Lawn?** - aeration controls thatch, moss, compaction and increases water retention.
7. **Preparing Your Lawn For Seeding** - remember to rake and lightly roll the soil to make it as level as possible.
8. **Seeding A Lawn** - apply 4-6 lbs. of seed per 1,000 sq. ft., and keep moist for 30 days.
9. **Mowing Your Lawn** - a lawn cut at 2-2 1/2 inches with a sharp mower blade will enhance its beauty.
10. **Regulating Pesticides** - every product registered in Canada is regulated under the Pesticide Control Products Act.
11. **Coping With Water Restrictions** - give your lawn 3/4" of water twice weekly. Watering in the morning is best.
12. **It's Not Too Late** - weeds take up valuable space, nutrients and water in your lawn - treatment at any time is beneficial.
13. **Crabgrass** - crabgrass tends to grow near driveways, sidewalks and blvds. Treat in the spring or summer.
14. **They're Coming** - chinchbug damage occurs from late June to August, it often resembles drought like conditions.

NEXT WEEK: They're Here!

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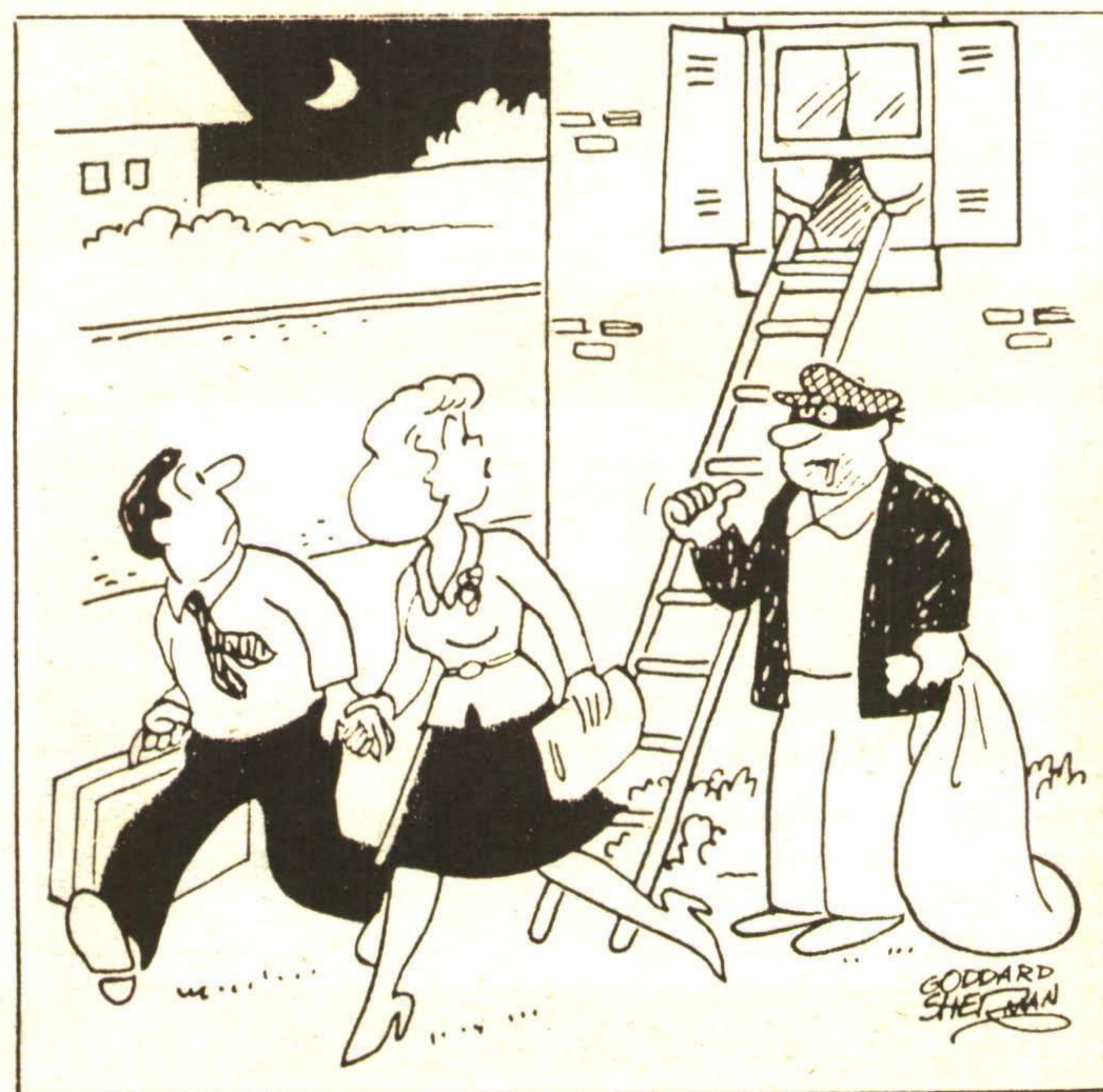
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