

The Kelso Well Story — 3½ Years of Development On Newest Water Source

A group of local citizens appearing before Milton Council on Monday to protest the ban on lawn and garden watering, accused council of unnecessary delays in getting the new town water source at Kelso operating.

However councillor Norman S. Pearce objected to their charge, and proceeded to outline some of the red tape and legal entanglements involved in such an immense (total cost — \$193,650) project as this one.

For the benefit of readers, The Champion presents "The Kelso Water Story" and details the work in developing the new water source.

Milton's present two wells on Walker's Line in the north part of Burlington can supply the town with 1,000,000 gallons of water a day. Both were developed in the 1950's.

Following a particularly hot and dry summer in 1960, council was alarmed about the apparent need for a new water source, and International Water Supply Co. was asked to make a study of possible sources in the Milton district, at a cost not to exceed \$5,000.

December 1960—The firm made its first resistivity tests in the Kelso Conservation Area, at a point now covered by the large Kelso Dam and lake. In 1960 the dam was not planned there, and a suitable source of water was found some distance below the surface.

April 1961—The Sixteen Mile Creek Conservation Authority gave permission for the drilling of a test well at Kelso.

March 1961—International reported to council they were studying the area downstream from where the Kelso Dam was to be located. Meanwhile, the firm had conducted tests at other locations in Kelso, at one spot right in town, at a point on Milton's north corner near the present County Administration Building, and as far away as Hornby.

October 1961—International said the Kelso source looked best, and began testing the wells at Kelso.

January 1962—Council asked the Conservation Authority for drilling rights on the Kelso property, when International reported there was sufficient water there for a town source.

September 1962—The town asked the solicitor to arrange a lease of the Kelso drill site from the Conservation Authority, and seek permission to take water from the test well.

The same month, the Ontario Water Resources Commission granted Milton permission to take water there.

January 1963—International reported to council they had gauged the water levels in Kelso area once a week during 1962, to determine if the well water had any effect on the flow of the Sixteen Mile Creek, and there was no effect. The firm decided at least 750,000 gallons of water per day were available from the well, and assured council drawing this much water would not deplete the aquifer as the aquifer was being constantly recharged by rain, snow and natural causes.

April 1963—Hopes rose as a new water source was found at the CNR property in Lots 10, 11 and 12, Concessions 3 and 4 Esquimaux. However subsequent tests showed that although the water was good, there was not

sufficient supply for a town source. International proceeded with further tests at Kelso, under authorization by council.

July 1963—Council's water committee was instructed to engage R. V. Anderson and Associates as consulting engineers on the well and pipeline.

September 1963—Council received a letter from J. W. Kirk of International, pointing out he had surveyed water sources in the Milton area in the spring of 1962, and at that time predicted that when Milton needed additional water, the Kelso area should be the first to be investigated.

February 1964—A build up of lime in the Walker's Line No. 1 well was lowering the well's capacity, so council ordered a clean-out. The job was done immediately and gave the town well an extra 120 gallons an hour output.

February 1964—The town received permission from the O.W.R.C. to construct the well and watermain to town. Discussions were held on the route the 12-inch main would take, and after three or four decisions, a route along Highway 401 to Highway 25 and south to the town mains at Martin St. and Base Line Rd., was agreed upon.

March 1964—An agreement was signed with International Water Supply to proceed with construction of the well, at an estimated cost of \$49,200.

May 1964—While solicitor K. Y. Dick had been attempting to arrange easements over the properties of four landowners along the route of the water main, it was in May that a meeting of the water committee and landowners was called. Council finally agreed to pay \$3.75 per rod for the easements. The work involved a lot of legal searches of the deeds. The easements have yet to be signed and legally executed, although the landowners have given verbal consent to the price.

June 1964—Council is presently having drawings of the proposed pumphouse prepared. These have yet to be approved by the Conservation Authority. Drilling of the well began on Tuesday of this week, and by Saturday it is expected International will be test pumping from the well.

Town Clerk-Manager E. J. Costigan, who supplied the above information from his files on the Kelso water source, reported International expects to pump the well for a whole week, 24 hours a day at a rate of about 2,000,000 gallons of water per day. The town has permission from O.W.R.C. to pump 1,000,000 g.p.d. to the town, however for the test International will pump double that amount.

The water pumped from the well will be piped into the Kelso Lake nearby.



—Staff Photo

THE MAY CROWNING of the Blessed Virgin Mary took place at Holy Rosary Church, Milton, on Friday evening. Shown during the crowning ceremony are Susan Sosnowski, who crowned the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary with a wreath of roses, Marjorie Geist who carried the crown on a white satin cushion, James Cassidy who carried a sheaf of lilies to the shrine and Kevin Merritt who placed the sheaf at the shrine.

HARLEY...to HALTON

The past week has again been a controversial one, mainly revolving around the flag issue. I am sure that everyone has by now seen the new flag design, three maple leaves on a white background with blue borders.

I have seen now a photograph of this flag flying and to me, it is certainly acceptable. It has a distinctive design and is easily recognized as Canadian because of the maple leaves.

Mail is now pouring into Ottawa and I understand the Prime Minister's mail is approximately two to one in favor of such a distinctive Canadian flag. It is likely that discussion of the flag will start the middle or end of next week. The debate will probably continue until completion without interruption, although it is very difficult to predict what will happen or when it will happen.

Non-Confidence Motion
The past week has seen another non-confidence motion in the House of Commons. The Liberal government survived as usual, the N.D.P. and Thompson's Social Credit Party splitting and supporting the government. This

noted specialist on high blood pressure, Dr. Genest.

Dr. Genest is supported in his work by federal grants, provincial grants and private donations, in space donated by the hospital, therefore he is an independent investigator. He is one of the more noted high blood pressure specialists in the world. His facilities were grossly inadequate, outmoded, old-fashioned and archaic. His working space was here and there, on four different floors and very inconvenient and cramped. It is amazing that a man doing such research could turn out work in such conditions.

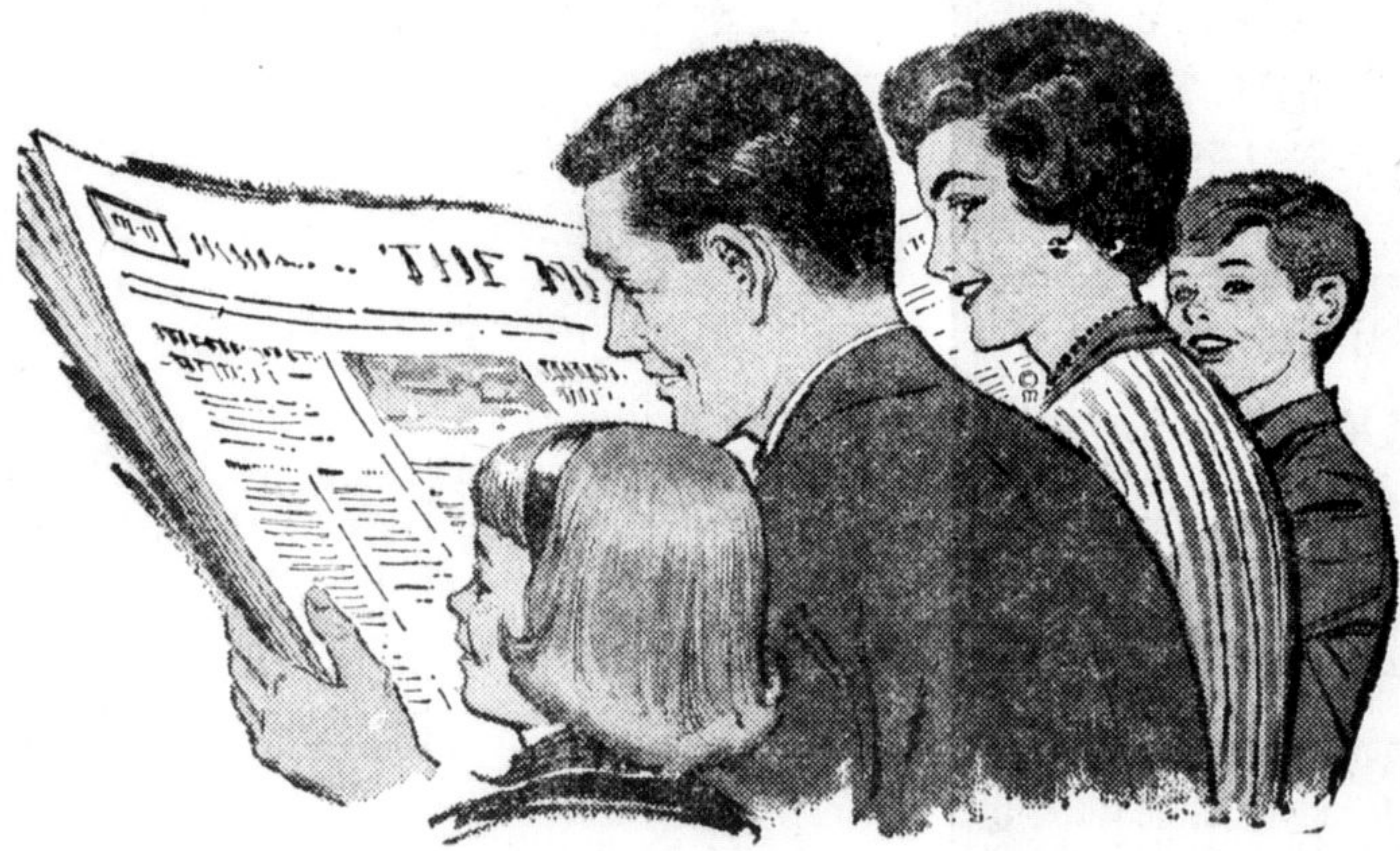
Spends Little
Canada spends a very small total sum on medical research of an independent nature. Gone are the days when research could be carried out in spare time and in small quarters with no equipment. With the advances in technique, cost has become very great if one is to compete with others in this work.

Under such circumstances, it is easy to see why skilled personnel in experimental and clinical research go to the United States where funds are greater and more readily available.

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Let's Talk About Recreation

Question, Answer on Recreation

By Robert Browning,
Recreation Director

What is recreation?

Basically it is physical, social and mental. Any activity can have one or all three influences within it. Recreation is a basic human need and along with work and education, it makes up a full life.

It is re-creation of known skills and interests, the regeneration of past abilities and interests still needed in present leisure times.

It is also creation of basic skills and interests, especially in the child. This new creation may encompass all aspects of the work recreation.

What does recreation include?

Recreation implies not only sports, although they are an important part of physical recreation. It also includes creative, cultural entertainment and most important, the social aspects of recreation. One would think of oil painting, arts and crafts, dancing, ceramics, millinery, literary classes, drama, teen groups and many, many others.

What value has recreation?

At its best recreation must be a challenging, stimulating and satisfying experience.

It creates a fellowship and a community solidarity. These are points which are very necessary in our society today. Recreation attracts industry. It provides a constructive form of leisure to meet aggressive tendencies of human behavior.

Is all recreation created at the municipal level?

Definitely not. Many worthwhile organizations provide opportunities for recreation. Families sometimes plan their own system for leisure time. Our job is to co-ordinate the various opportunities and create a balanced recreation program.

Is recreation a trend?

It is not new, it was prevalent in ancient Greece. The work week is dwindling and medicine provides longer life. This creates more leisure time. The wise

management of our leisure time will have a great bearing on the future of our western society. If you have any suggestions or comments about this article or recreation in general, please call 878-2531 or write Box 1243, Milton Post Office.



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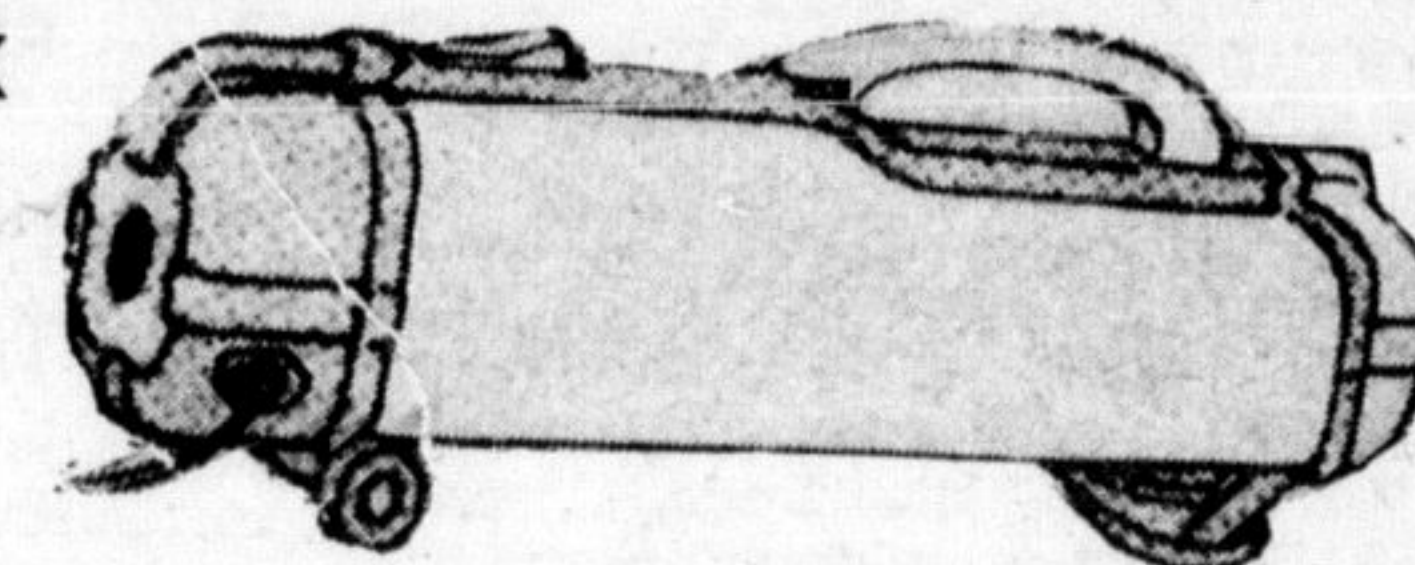
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The Ladies' Aid catered to the luncheon when the members and others who had joined the church in the past year were guests.

New Members

Joining by profession of faith or reaffirmation of faith were William John Anderson, 124 Lydia Ave.; Earl Edward Colgan, Hornby; Russel Ira Connor, 122 Robinwood Cresc.; Scott David Corp, R.R. 1; Miss Jane Denboer, 317 Bell St.; William Robert Dixon, 350 Main St.; Garnet Michael Foran, 375 Main St.; Albert Ernest Jordan, 99 Mary St.; Roderick Ian McKersie, 114 Main St.; Mr. and Mrs. Alan Leslie Strath, 27 King St.; Gordon Edward Timbers, 85 Robert St.; Thomas Wilbert Wilson, R.R. 3; Michael Wood, 316 Elmwood Cresc.; Miss Bonnie Jaqueline Woods, 292

Meadowbrook Dr.; R. L. Brian Wright, R.R. 2, Elora; Marim Gene Caputo, 217 Queen St.; Milton Dean Gray, 74 Miles St.; and Enio Scisizzi, R.R. 1.

Transfer

Joining by certificate of transfer were Mrs. Russel Connor, 122 Robinwood Cresc.; Mrs. Albert Jordan, 99 Mary St.; Miss Charlotte More, Halton Manor; Mr. and Mrs. Sybrand Posthuma, R.R. 6 and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Otis Wright, R.R. 2, Elora.

Mr. and Mrs. Connor, Mr. Foran and Mr. Wood were received into adult baptism prior to the reception of new members.

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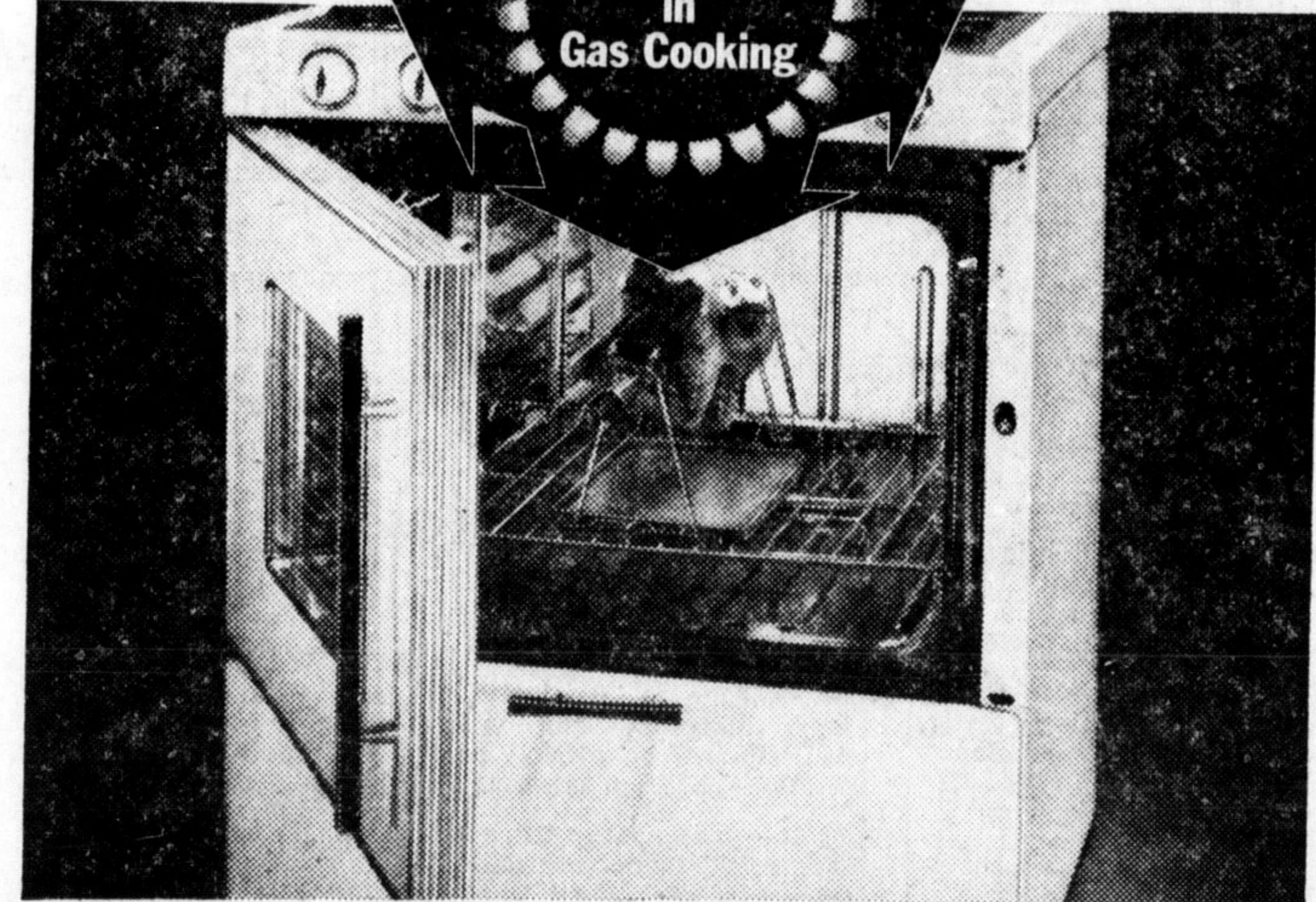
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