

Beware of fraudulent T.V. repairmen, warns OPP

Cases of building frauds perpetrated in the Midland area are now before the courts but building frauds are only one type in a myriad of frauds.

Another popular method of fraud is that of

the television repairman says O.P.P. Constable Chuck Colson. Consumers can easily be conned into this if they are not careful about the company they deal with.

There have been cases where a T.V. repairman

picks up your broken set and instead of doing the repairs himself he takes it to a legitimate dealer who does the work. The fraud artist then pays the

dealer and returns your set with the bill increased far above the dealer's

price. Constable Colson also warns consumers to be leary of service people who enter homes to make repairs where none were needed to the resident's knowledge. Sometimes these phony repair people

take away carpets, fridges, etc. and the owners never see them again.

Other times these people may enter homes under false pretenses with the intention of robbing later.

Children are sometimes unknowingly used in frauds too. A young child is asked if he would like to make \$5 or \$10 in an afternoon and canvass an area for charity. The charity may have a new phony name or use a well known name, it doesn't

matter to the person perpetrating the fraud as long as he gets all the money collected.

These are just a few of the kinds of frauds which keep the Anti-Rackets Branch of the O.P.P. in Toronto busy.



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Industrial land inventory

Municipalities cooperating in the Area Industrial Commission are in the process of drawing up an inventory of all industrial zoned or designated land within their respective boundaries as the first step in

a joint effort to attract industry to the Tiny-Tay area.

Lists from the municipalities will be submitted to the Tiny-Tay Planning office which will be responsible for preparing an overall industrial lands' map.

Appointed representatives from the five member municipalities of this joint industrial commission established in early April are:

Midland - Mayor Moreland Lynn; Penetanguishene - Mr. Gil Robillard; Victoria Harbour - Mrs. Ann Connelly; Tiny Township - Reeve Morris Darby; Tay Township - Deputy-Reeve Bruce Tinney; Port

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Number of rabid animals up in 77

The number of rabid animals in Simcoe County is up considerably this year according to Dr. Peter Watson, associated medical official with Simcoe County.

In the first five months of this year 75 cases of rabid animals have been reported compared to 20 for the same time period last year.

Cases have been reported among pets and domestic animals, particularly cattle said Dr. Watson. It is believed the rabies is being spread by foxes and skunks.

Rabid animals act peculiar. They may be nocturnal animals and come out in the day time and will eat things they are not in the habit of eating. At the advanced stages the rabid animal froths at the mouth and is likely to attack anything regardless of its size. Eventually the animal dies.

Dr. Watson advises people make sure their pets have up to date rabies shots and children should stay clear of stray animals.

An ounce of prevention could really help here. Anyone suspected of being bitten by a rabid animal must undergo 14 abdominal needles which are followed by three boosters.

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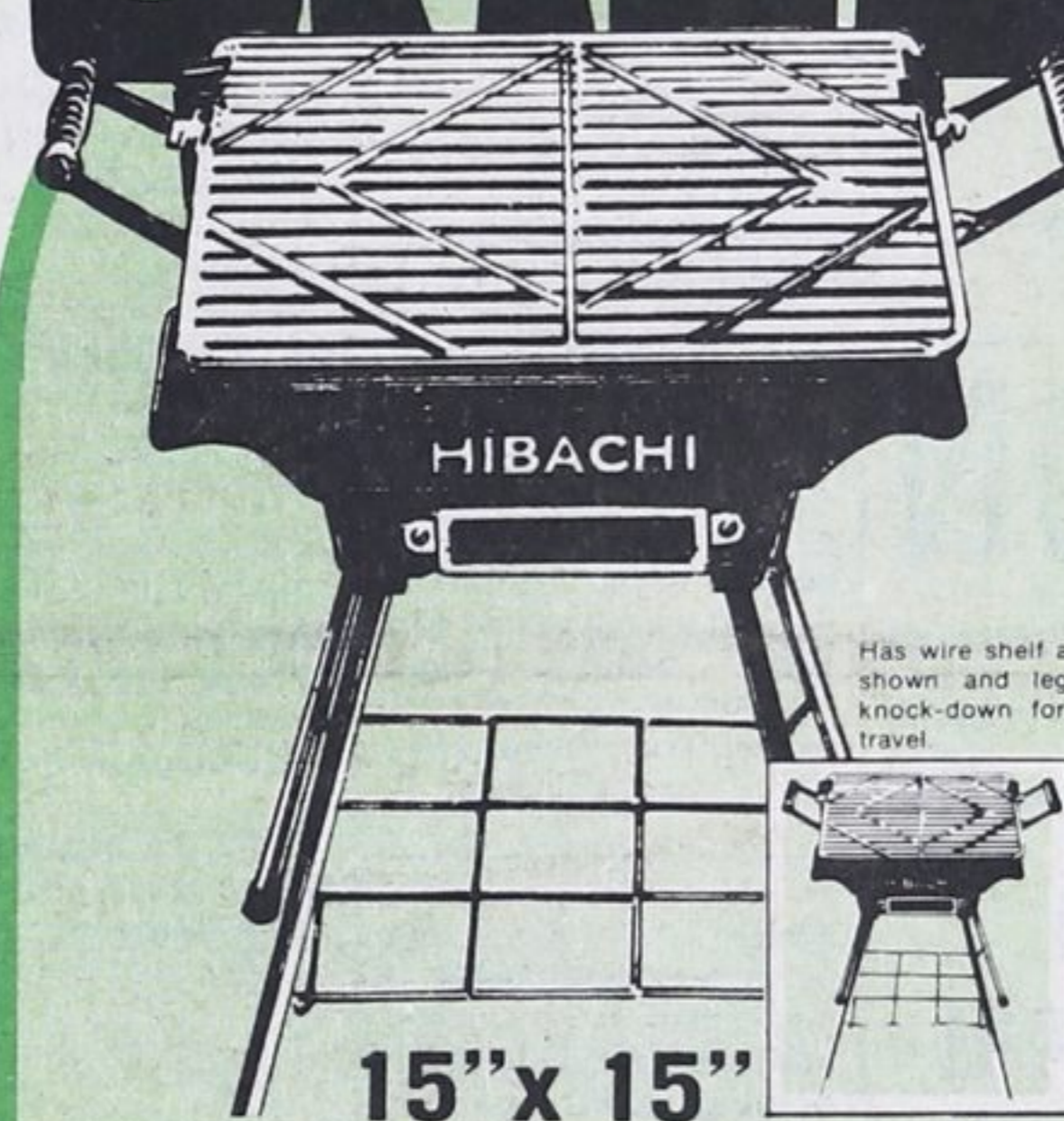
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