

Lowery: "Watt reaction do you get from your ohm brew?"
Geiger: "It has a good load factor but it don't phase me!"

"Ah, a loose washer," said the plumber as he watched a window cleaner fall from the seventeenth storey.
—Stone Mill.

SISCOE MILL NOW BEING VERY THOROUGHLY TESTED

Strength in the shares of Siscoe Gold Mines, Limited, during the past few days has undoubtedly been due to reports from the north that the 100-ton cyanide mill was approaching completion and that already preliminary experimental operations had been conducted. It is expected that next week will see the end of testing operations and the mill should be treating ore regularly by the middle of the month. The mine underground has been prepared for the regular supply of ore tonnage, it is said. Due to the necessity of preparing underground workings for mill operation and the need of supplying an unusually large amount of air for these purposes, underground work has been somewhat slowed up during the past few months. From now on, however, ample air will be available for an aggressive campaign of deep development, the programme for which has already been decided upon. A diamond drill was recently purchased and is already in operation. It is proposed to keep this drill constantly at work throughout the winter months to explore other known ore zones on the property. Unless unforeseen delays occur the first shipment of gold should be made before the first of February. Finances of the company are said to be in good condition.

BETTER VALUES REPORTED AT GOLD HILL PROPERTY

According to reports from the Gold Hill property at Boston Creek, better results are being had in the east drift on the 1,100-foot level than the average on upper levels. Values, it is said, are more consistent. Underground work is now being centred on the 1,100-foot level. The vein, which was encountered about 25 feet north of the shaft, is being opened up and most of the drift east from the crosscut has been in commercial ore. This vein lies against a syenite dyke to the north, and it is stated widths are much better than they were on the No. 1 vein at the 800-foot level in the corresponding location. A crosscut has been started south from the east end of the present drift to intersect what is believed to be an important vein, lying about 40 feet to the south. It is expected that this vein, where encountered will be in contact with a large body of syenite lying south of the vein. It is the intention to drift on this formation, as well as to further develop the north showing.
—Northern Miner

Mail and Empire:—The automobile has brought former distant places closer and closer together, including our house and the poorhouse.

Wawaits Wails in the Canada Northern Review

The following paragraphs were among the notes in the last issue of The C.N.P.C. Review, under the heading of "Wawaits Wails":—
Our new superintendent, Mr. William Keizer, is searching the plant, presumably for 1,000 K.W. that got away on him while system operating at New Liskeard.
It was reported that they were last seen headed north, probably for Wawaits, being the bigger and better plant on the Mattagami. The district sleuth, Mr. Chulack Ohms, has a theory that they made a suicide pact and lay down on the T. N. O. tracks, dying miserably—of exposure.
Our Mr. Jack Hayes finds that playing poker with a Lancashire accent has its drawbacks. His "mek't into five" when raising a bet is sure indication of the kind of hand he holds, and a signal for the rest of the players to pull out.
A lady member of the staff missed the boat back from Timmins. This would not be remarkable except that she is from Scotland and it is almost unheard of for anyone from there to miss anything.

The size of Wawaits plant is not generally appreciated. For instance, Dick Donnelly, seeing it rain at the front end of the plant walked through to the north end, by which time it was snowing. Dick is no slouch by the way, but . . . ! !

Dick caught some white fish
Put 'em in a box
Placed it in the water
Behind some rocks.
When the box was opened
(There's not much more to tell)
Dick's box now has fifteen locks,
And Dick is sore as can be.

Pat McNaughton is to Timmins for two weeks, painting the town red and making the inhabitants green with envy. Pat thinks nothing of buying six chocolate bars in a night. He comes from Belfast which is in Scotland, but don't use this information in your examination papers.

Mr. H. Hamilton just returned from his holidays is not looking quite so cheery. Oh, Henry! Why this thussness? Hustle the parson, and clamp on the ring, boy. It's the only cure.

Catching a perch the other day, Earl Murphy was seen to gently unhook it and put it back into the water. Asked, "Why?" he replied, "I wouldn't think of choking anything but a herring." Earl hails from Prince Edward Isle.

Dick the teamster has lost a horse. The poor beast died of paralysis which started in the hind legs. This only goes to show how important it is to work a horse at both ends. Dick is Scotch, but economy can be carried too far.

Wawaits Falls wishes every member of the family a very merry Christmas. The good ship "Foch" still plies her daily round.
Her coming joys, her going sorrows shed.
The river's course is clear, but now who knows
When old man Winter's icy coat will spread.
"See you to-morrow, Bill," we wave farewell.
The skipper grins. We idly speculate. He waves reply and shouts "You will like nothing.
This is the last for 1928."

HAD WRONG WORD TAKEN OUT OF LABOUR MINUTES

"As I see it, the use of the word Xmas, instead of Christmas, is most unseemly, not to say unchristianlike, and I move that this word be expunged from the minutes and the proper word, Christmas, inserted in its place." In this manner Delegate Duncan, at the meeting of the Allied Trades and Labour Council last year, voiced an objection, at once sustained by all the delegates, to the use of the word Xmas which occurred in a certain portion of the minutes of the previous meeting.

"It is the birth of the lowly Nazarene, the Christ who came to save mankind, that we celebrate at Christmas," said the delegate. "Xmas conveys no meaning and should not be used."

MANY ARTICLES LOST AT THE HALLS IN TIMMINS

Many complaints are made these days in regard to hats, scarfs, overshoes, rubbers, and even coats being lost at the halls here during dances and at meetings of social and fraternal societies and clubs. In some cases the word "lost" is not the correct one, it being apparent that some of the articles are deliberately stolen. In some cases, no doubt, rubbers or overshoes, or other articles, may be taken by mistake, but in such cases it would appear that the error would be discovered later and effort made to correct it. In the cases where articles are stolen it seems a particularly mean form of theft and one that will no doubt be adequately dealt with if the offenders happen to be caught as they are almost sure to be. Those who do not respect the property of others should take warning before they encounter serious trouble. Any who find they have carried away articles by mistake should notify those in charge so as to avoid the suspicion of deliberate theft.

Occasionally some one forgets some articles of clothing in one of the halls. The goods are always held for the owners in case they are discovered by anyone in authority. At present there is a silk scarf left in the hall after the Sons of England dance. This scarf may be secured by the owner upon calling at 52 Messines avenue.

Another Discovery on the Grimston-Porcupine

Good values were obtained last week in a test pit ten feet in depth at the Grimston-Porcupine property, according to President Digby Grimston in an interview with The Toronto Mail and Empire. The vein was the whole width of the pit at that point, he said, and neither wall had been reached. It has been traced on surface for about 400 feet, but values did not begin to come in until several shots had been put in. Assays at the bottom of the pit, after allowing for free gold, gave \$27 and \$35 said, Mr Grimston. During the past Summer a surface campaign was conducted and it is now the intention to put in a small development plant and later a two-stamp Tremaine mill. Three miles of road were built by the Government this year, so that the company now has a motor road right to the property. The holdings consist of five claims, and are the original development in Garrison Township. The company is capitalized at 1,000,000 shares of \$1 par, of which 465,000 shares were issued for the property and some 60,000 shares additional are in the hands of the public. A second vein, 1,500 feet to the north, has been traced for 600 feet. Owing to surface oxidation it was necessary to sink a pit to a depth of 15 feet here, but at that point the formation was four feet wide. Mineralization was opened up in several places between the two veins and will be further explored later.

CHRISTMAS CARDS ONLY SOME EIGHTY YEARS OLD

The origin of Christmas trees, Christmas stockings, present-giving and other Christmas features being a matter for concern at this season of the year, it is only to be expected that someone should enquire as to the origin of Christmas cards. The Christmas card idea is only eighty-two years old, according to the most authentic accounts of the matter. In 1846, at Christmas time, Sir Henry Cole, K.C. B., of the London Record Office, conceived the idea of having the season's greetings printed on a card with a suitable decoration, to send to his friends. Mr. J. C. Horsley, a Royal Academician, was the artist who designed the card. The idea proved very popular and was adopted the next Christmas by hundreds of people. The popularity of the Christmas card idea is now such that literally millions of them are now used every year in Canada alone.

RECIPE FOR MAKING OF FINE WHITE FRUIT CAKE

A lady reader of The Advance sends in the following recipe for white fruit cake, apparently clipped from a daily newspaper:—
"Three-quarters pound butter 1/2 pound fruit sugar, 6 eggs, 4 cups flour (sift first and then measure), 1 1/2 tea-spoons baking powder, 1/2 pound sultana raisins, 1/2 pound citron peel sliced in shreds, 1-3 pound crystallized cherries. Cream the butter and sugar well, then add the eggs, one at a time, and beat well after each addition. Sift baking powder with flour and add. Flour the fruit and add last. Grease and line with greased paper two loaf cake tins. Fill about three-fourth full with the mixture and bake in a slow oven 2 hours. (If this recipe is followed precisely it makes a very delicious cake). If the eggs used are extra large a little more flour may be required."

SCHUMACHER SPARKS IN THE MONTHLY REVIEW

The following items, under the heading of "Schumacher Sparks," were in the December issue of the C.N.P.C. "published in the interests of the employees of the Canada Northern Power Company, Limited":—

Among our recent visitors from the South were Mr. Montpetit from Indian Chutes, Mr. Wm. Keizer from Cobalt, Mr. Sims from Head Office and Mr. McKenzie from Montreal.

It was a pleasure to meet and to have with us Mr. Wm. Keizer as Superintendent of Wawaits Falls and Mr. J. B. Bissonnette as Line Foreman. Both these employees were well known on the phone, when both were System Operators at Head Office.

We are sorry to hear that our Line Foreman, Mr. T. Kearns, has resigned and wish Mr. and Mrs. Kearns, Molly and Patsy the best of luck in the future.

Although we will not have the pleasure of hearing Mike Caveney from Sandy Falls, seeing that he has been transferred, yet we hope to hear from him from the Quinze, and we hope Mike and Mrs. Caveney are now settled in their new position and like the change.

Mr. Hallett, our Plant Manager, was around to see us during his recent visit and it is a pleasure to have our officials around at any time.

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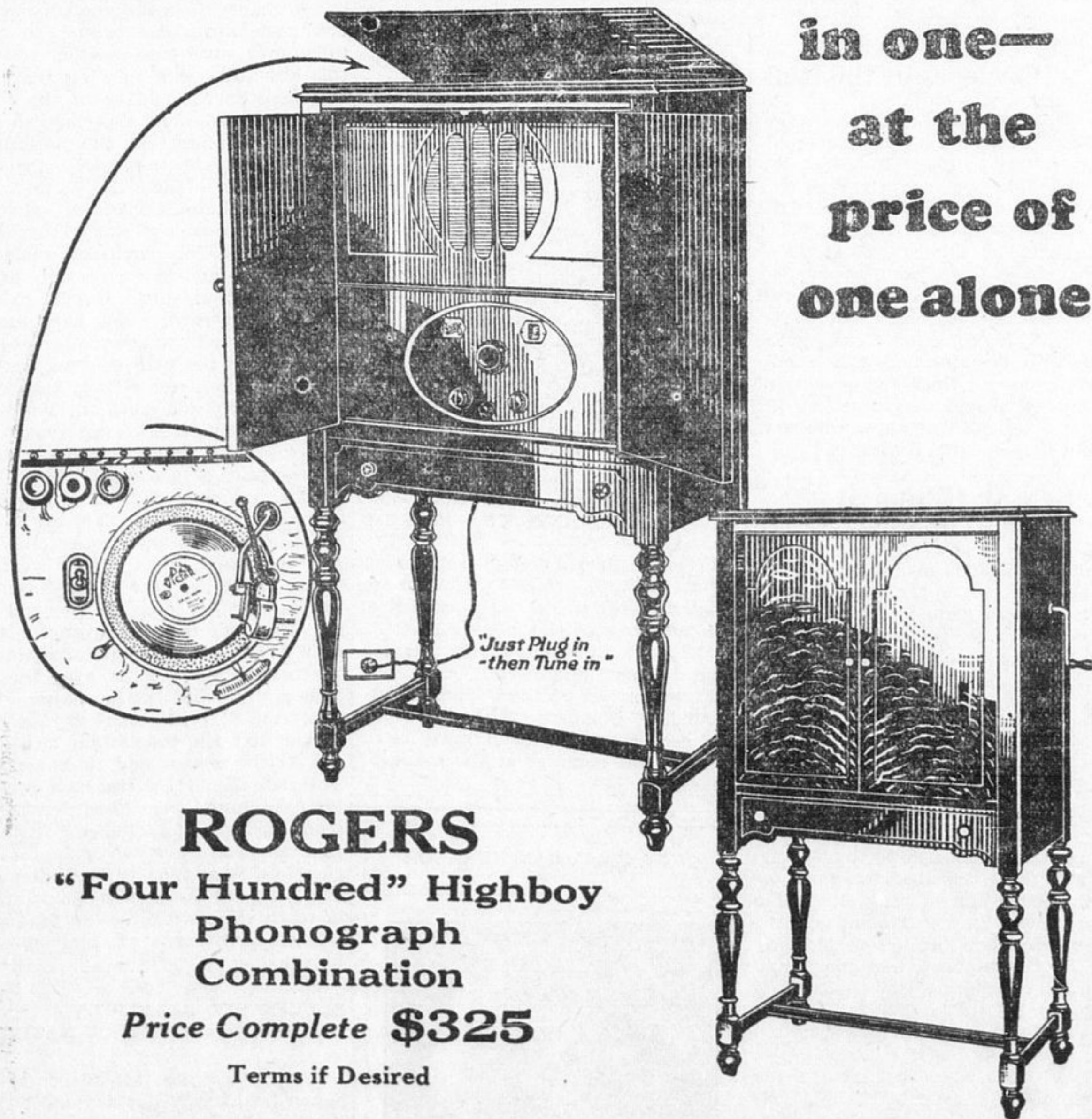
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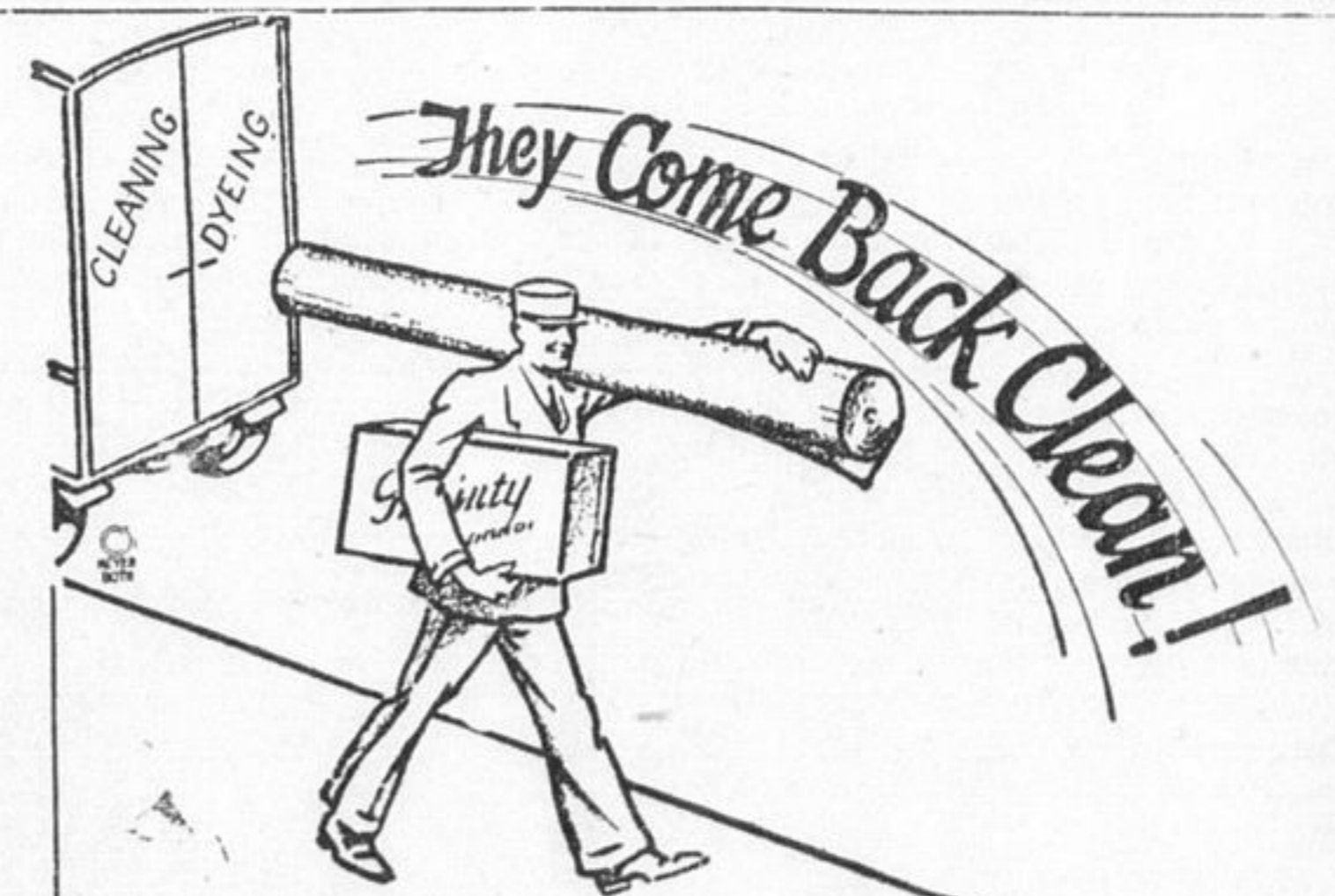
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