

Ski Watch

Lakeridge offers wide variety of runs for skiers

Though it may sometimes be hard to tell by looking outside, ski season is just around the corner. And when it arrives, Uxbridge's Lakeridge Ski Resort will be ready.

With a state-of-the-art snowmaking system, Lakeridge is already building a solid base of snow on its 12 different runs and two half pipes for snowboarders.

Located on Durham Regional Road 23, north of Hwy. 7 and south of Uxbridge, the resort is entering its second full year of operation, and Lakeridge's Ski School Director Paul Walker said everyone is looking forward to the start of the season.

He said that with 12 different runs and a 300-foot vertical drop, Lakeridge offers satisfaction for every level of skier from novice to expert.

The runs are wide and there's lots

of variety," said Walker. "We have everything to satisfy beginners to experts."

Lakeridge's runs are also fully illuminated, making for great night skiing.

Walker said skiing is a great way to spend an evening.

"It's nice to come out and ski after a tough day at work," he said. "You can enjoy a night of skiing without having to face a long drive home."

Also, with Lakeridge's quad chairlifts, and an uphill lift capacity of 5,560 skiers an hour, long waits are not a problem. Along with the skiing, there's a 15,000 square foot chalet, fully licensed, to relax in after hitting the slopes.

Rentals of all equipment, including snowboards, is also available, along with lessons, in both downhill and

snowboarding.

"We have 50 to 60 instructors at the ski school, all certified by the Canadian Ski Association," said Walker.

With its two half pipes, Lakeridge offers plenty of fun for snowboarding enthusiasts.

In the past, snowboarders have taken some heat among the traditional skiing community, but Walker said the criticisms are a result of people being unfamiliar with the sport.

"They (snowboarders) are an easily identifiable group, so if one snowboarder causes a problem somewhere they all get criticized," he said. "They're being given a bad rap. As long as the snowboarders have a place to play in (the half pipes) they're happy."

While there's plenty of excitement about the upcoming season at Lakeridge, Walker said the recent mild temperatures aren't posing a problem for the resort.

"We've got great snowmaking

equipment and November is still early," he said. "I would be worried if we didn't have the snowmaking, though. But that's the reality of ski-

ing in southern Ontario. If you're open by December, that's a bonus."

For more information on Lakeridge, please call 686-3607.



Lakeridge Ski School Director Paul Walker stands beside one of the resort's powerful snowmakers.



NOTICE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UXBRIDGE BY-LAW NO. 79-1

DEPOSITING SNOW AND ICE ON TO TOWNSHIP ROADS

The Corporation of the Township of Uxbridge wishes to inform its residents of the By-Law to prohibit the depositing of snow or ice from private property on to Township roads.

1. No person, firm or corporation shall deposit or cause or suffer to be deposited refuse, snow or ice on any highway or bridge within the boundaries of the Corporation of the Township of Uxbridge from any private property.

2. Any person, firm or corporation contravening the provisions of this By-law shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a penalty for each offence.

This By-law will be strictly enforced.

W.E. Taylor, A.M.C.T., C.M.C.
Clerk
Township of Uxbridge



NOTICE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE PARKING CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UXBRIDGE BY-LAW 89-52

The Corporation of the Township of Uxbridge wishes to remind the residents that the maximum allowable parking on all streets and parking lots is as follows:

ON STREETS: Maximum 3 hours unless otherwise signed.

IN PARKING LOTS: No overnight parking allowed in Municipal Lots during the hours of 12:00 o'clock midnight and 6:00 a.m. from November 1st to April 1st.

This By-law will be strictly enforced.

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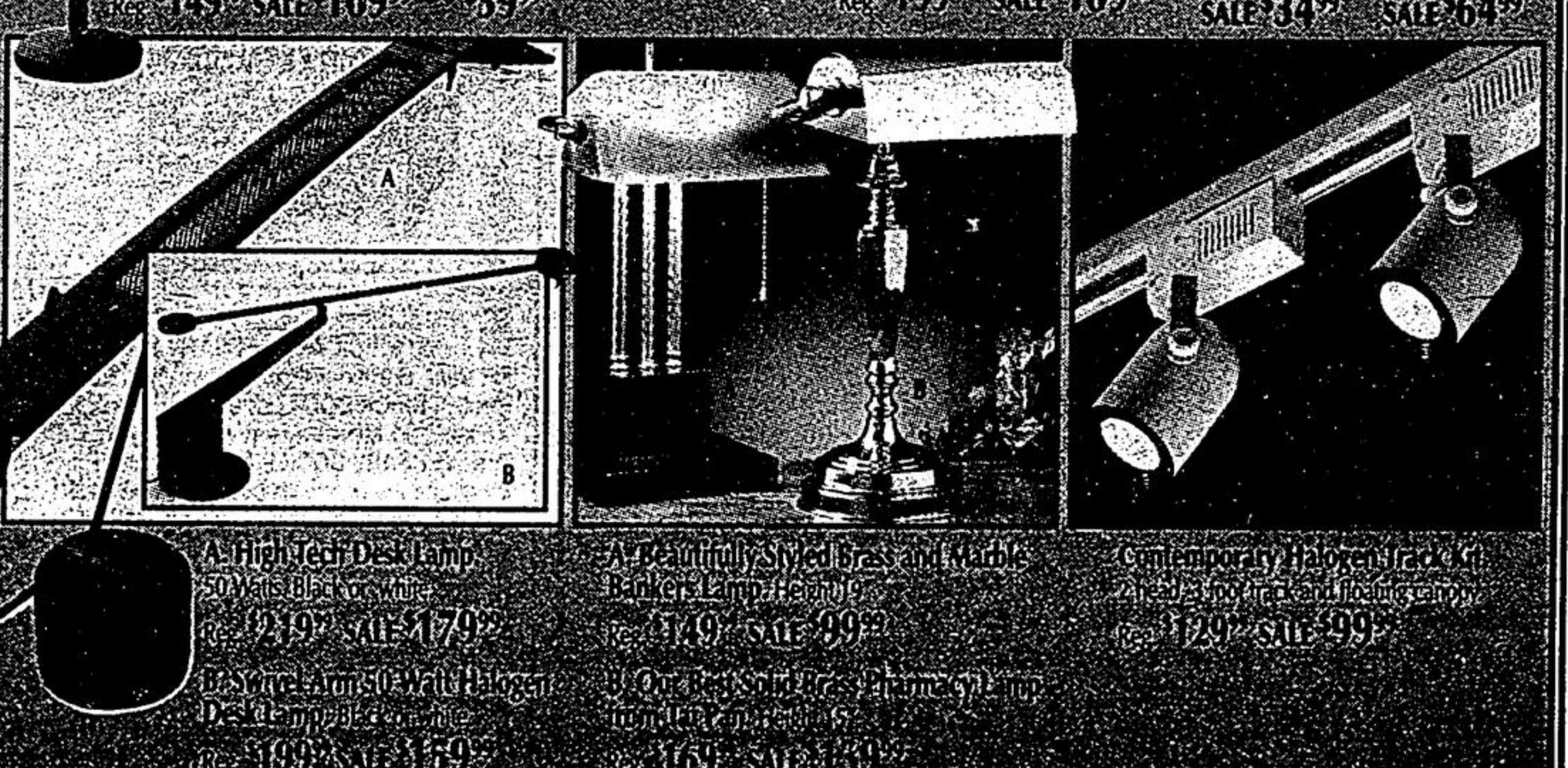
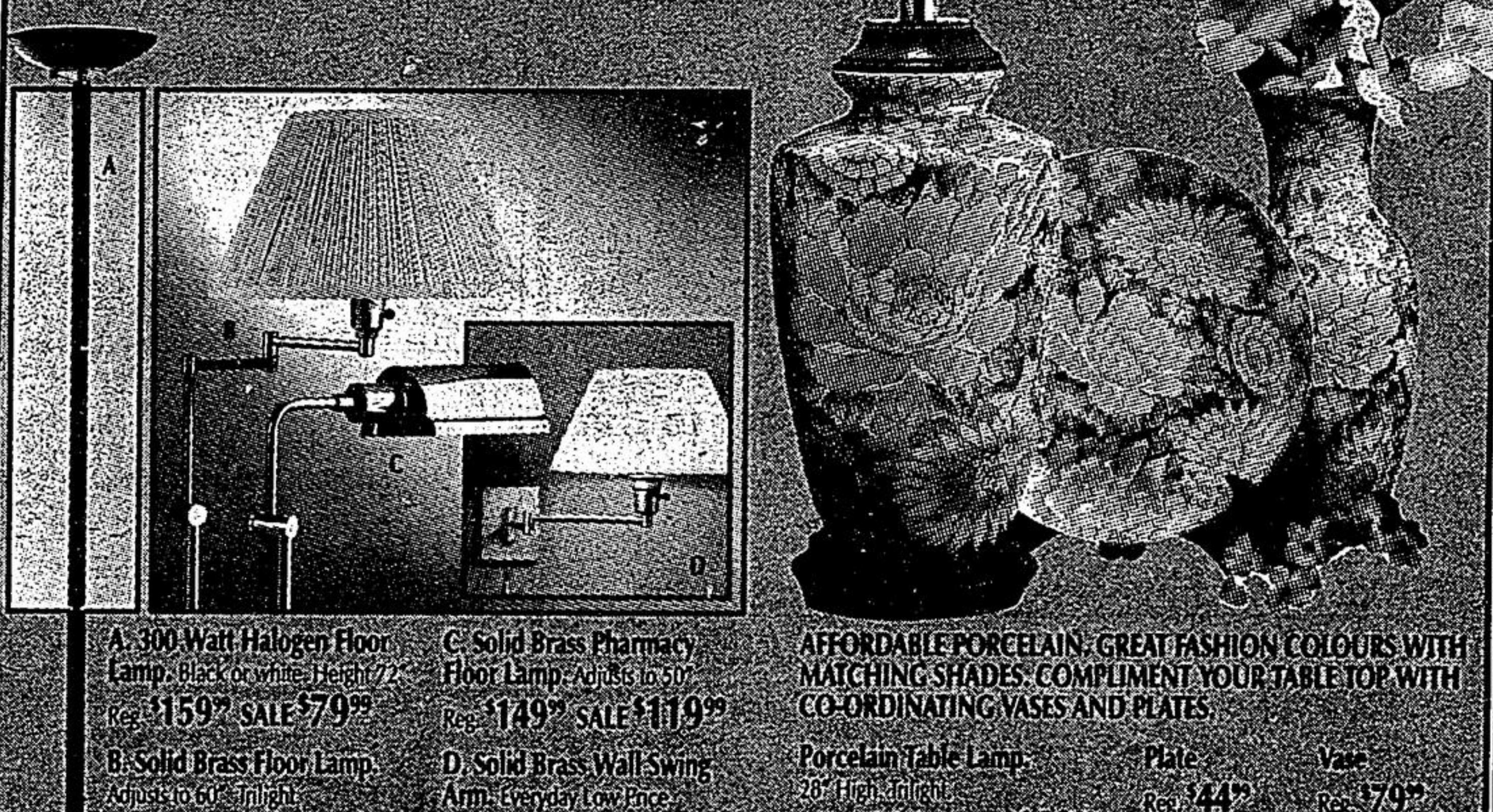
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