

Winning Essay

(This is part of the essay by Miss Rolande Turcotte, grade 12 student at Booth Memorial High School, which won the contest recently sponsored by the Prince Rupert Retail Credit Grantors' Association. Entitled "Credit—and what it means to me," it is carried here because of the interest it holds as a student's expression on a matter that affects all.)

RESPONSIBILITY is of major importance in everybody's life, and there is no better way to assume and carry out this responsibility to its fullest than by using the power offered to every responsible person today—credit.

This credit is with us every day. It is a way and means of living for many people. . . . If the individual takes credit in its highest standing, and carries out the responsibilities which credit holds, he will benefit from it, not only on the standpoint of convenience, but also as a luxury. If otherwise, credit will just be abused and will not be a help to people as it was intended.

The term "Magic Buying Power" may rightly justify credit. Through this magic power or force, all the good things of life are put in the reach of responsible people. These people may buy now and pay their account when it is more convenient for them to do so. It is these responsible people who benefit from the good things of life day by day. Sometimes even necessities of life for some people are hard to acquire, and this is where credit comes into their lives. There need not be worries or fears of not being able to finance or carry on as before. If the responsible person has any trouble just getting along, he need not have any of these fears or worries if he recognizes and uses credit as it was meant to be used.

Credit to me personally is an asset. I think that I have been fortunate to have been able to learn and know about credit, as it is a source of many things which I may not have been able to get otherwise. Even though sometimes a person does not need to use credit, it is a wise gesture to do so as it establishes a firm foundation of good credit standing provided it has been used properly.

I think that it is a privilege to have some creditor trust me enough to let me buy what I want now and pay for it when it is convenient for me to do so. It is a personal satisfaction and gratification to know that I can use credit any time I wish because I have established a good credit standing which can be recognized by creditors anywhere I go.

Ray REFLECTS and REMINISCES

Dwellings recently erected at Kitimat aroused a lot of interest, and to be honest in spinning this yarn it can hardly be said that what one heard or read, was hardly complimentary. But this is no staggering surprise in a job like this.

It appears that in Sydney (Australia) a film was shown in the same times in four months. Of course they have TV over there!

An old fall-bird is too often merely a mature specimen of a young night-hawk.

Money doesn't talk these uncertain and hazardous days—it merely goes without saying a word.

An exchange remarks that women can keep a secret, as well as men, though sometimes it takes more of them to do it.

There are still a few square rigged sailing ships. A big wind-jammer from Japan called at Prince Rupert not long before the last war, and the occasion was made the most of. And now comes word of the arrival in Boston of the four-masted Spanish Navy craft Juan Sebastian Elcano, named after one of Magellan's captains. She is being used to train midshipmen. Her



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OTTAWA DIARY

By NORMAN M. McLEOD

One brief and largely unnoticed interlude in last week's House of Commons was packed with almost a whole world of significance. It threw into sudden and sharp relief the sort of world in which we are living today and the things we have come to accept philosophically as just standard practice—although they would have shocked and startled us not too many years ago.

It occurred when the Prime Minister, in the course of the debate on security precautions, remarked that "quite a number" of men had had to be dismissed from Canada's post-World War II army because they were not considered good security risks.

These were Rt. Hon. Mr. St. Laurent's words:

"It is unfortunate we have to assume that there are efforts made by foreign powers to obtain through espionage or intelligence services information we think they should not have. And so we have to be on our guard."

The Prime Minister spoke in the normal tone of voice which he employs for any statement that is just routine. And the House received his remarks as just a routine statement. There was no reaction or unusual interest, and no recognition of a possibly sensational state of affairs.

The whole incident was in striking contrast to the storm of excitement which a few years ago greeted the exposure of the spy ring centred in the Soviet Embassy here. It showed how far parliament had travelled in the interval in accepting threats to security as just part of the normal pattern of life, and in accepting espionage activities as also something to be taken merely for granted, without getting too shocked or indignant about them.

The M.P.s generally took it for granted that Soviet Russia was the foreign power which had been trying to infiltrate its espionage agents into the Canadian armed forces. But about the only effect this knowledge had upon them was to make them somewhat more critical of the sale of Canadian canned pork at a reported price of 19 cents per pound behind the Iron Curtain. Some 8,000,000 pounds of this canned pork went to Soviet dining tables. It cost the Canadian taxpayer 60 cents per pound in the cans.

Many M.P.s were of the opinion that this subsidy of 19 cents per pound to Communists who had been trying to infiltrate our armed forces with their espionage agents was carrying the principle of trade, or of humanity, or of whatever motive was involved, just a little too far.

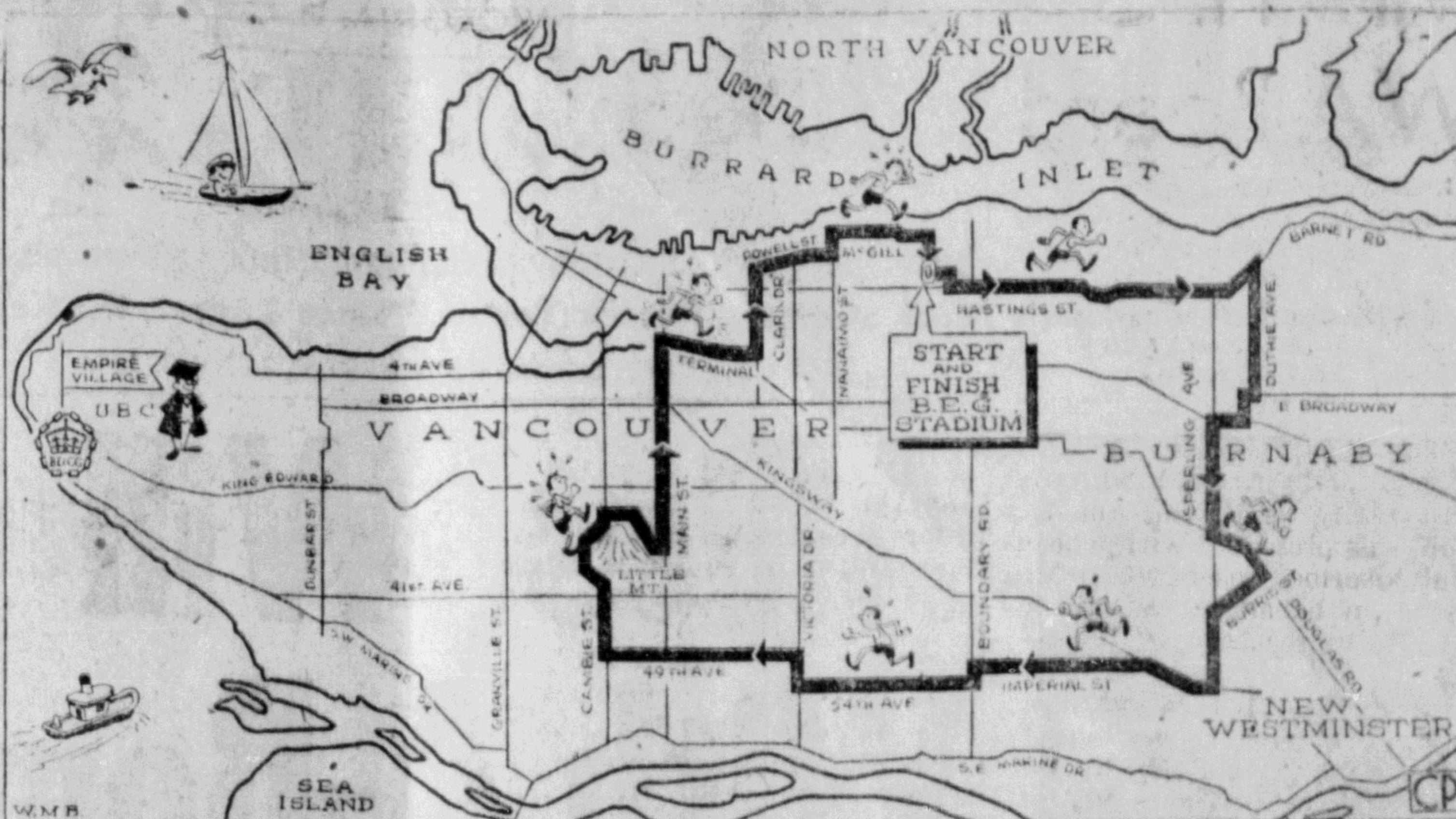
Rival Unions Meet; Plan Joint Group

PORTLAND — Representatives of AFL and CIO sawmill and wood workers, bitter enemies for years, met in amity Tuesday to set up a joint organization aimed at strengthening their hand in pay increase demands.

Both unions, negotiating separately, seek 12½-cent hourly pay increases, and both got from employers in six states a firm refusal to do more than renew existing contracts.

The CIO International Woodworkers of America time back authorized a strike. The AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union did the same thing in a vote announced last week.

Not since 1937, when the CIO split away from the AFL camp, have the parent union, have the two groups met in harmony until now.



THIS MAP SHOWS the gruelling British Empire Games marathon course which winds 26 miles and 385 yards through Vancouver. The marathon is slated for August 7, last day of the big Commonwealth sports event. Runners will start and finish in the new Games stadium. Eighty per cent of the first 18 miles are uphill. Part of the route, along Main and Terminal streets, is in the Vancouver business district. (CP Photo)



As I See It

BY

Elmore Philpott

Missing Link

DREW MIDDLETON is writing a series of reports for the New York Times on British-American relations. Like many other North American newspapermen revisiting Britain after an absence of some years, he is appalled by the changed attitude of Britain toward the U.S.A.

It all boils down to this: A very high percentage of the British people of all classes believe that Russia and the U.S.A. are jointly to blame for the present state of world struggle; and most Britons (says Middleton) are inclined to place almost as much blame for this condition on the U.S.A. as on Russia.

The veteran reporter blames this British attitude on the propaganda of the left wing press in Britain. This latter opinion seems to me to be miles off the beam.

WHAT makes Bevanism so powerful a force in Britain (on this matter of British-American relations) is that Nye Bevan is only shouting from the house tops the same things that Tory colonel MPs are saying privately as they sip their whiskies and soda in the clubs of London, or even the House of Commons.

In other words, Nye Bevan is not creating the ground-swell in British public opinion; he is riding up on it. It is the very fact that there is such a ground swell that makes Bevanism a real threat. The vast majority of British people believe either that the U.S.A. is leading the western world in a clumsy and crude fashion, or that there are forces in effective control of U.S. policy which are deliberately heading the whole world toward war.

In the former class are what you could call the disappointed British friends of the U.S.A. In the latter class are the minority who are more or less hostile to the American way of life in general.

THE great American tragedy of recent years was the submergence of the Roosevelt spirit as a basis for international co-operation.

The people of Britain trusted Roosevelt's world aims. So did the people of all the world, including Russia, for that matter. No matter how the lesser men of later times have tried to de-

fame his memory, the fact remains there for all to see that in the days of Roosevelt the whole free world gladly accepted the moral leadership of the U.S.A. on the level of international political action.

He was able to speak right to the hearts of ordinary people everywhere because those same ordinary people everywhere were convinced that he spoke FOR them.

But what is most needed is not another Roosevelt but some common meeting place where the people of western nations, especially, can talk out their common problems, common aims, and above all, hopes for world peace.

The Manchester Guardian recently sent the brilliant Patrick Keatley to try to re-discover the America of Roosevelt.

Pat (who is one of our own Vancouver products) told me on his way back to Britain via Ottawa that if all the people of the outside world could get to meet the ordinary people of the U.S.A. ON THEIR OWN HOME TERRITORY the fears and suspicions that people now have of the U.S. government would disappear as if by magic.

The great missing link is some way to get together.

Youth Leader

MONTREAL — James Ross Archer, retired corporal of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police has been appointed to the staff of the boys' farm and training school at Shawbridge. Archer became interested in the problem of youth while working on the RCMP narcotic squad.

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Cardiff Mooted As '58 BEG Site

VANCOUVER (CP)—A Vancouver newspaper in a sports page story yesterday says the 1958 British Games will be held at Cardiff, Wales.

The newspaper says there will be no official announcement on the venue of the 1958 games for several months but that it has learned from a city track official that Cardiff already has been selected as the games site. The official was not identified. The games, staged every four years, will be held in Vancouver this summer.

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Polio Claim Described as Nonsense

TORONTO — Three Canadian poliomyelitis experts have described as "utter nonsense" an Oklahoma chiropractor's claim in Vancouver that he has found a cure for polio and that the disease may not necessarily be contagious.

Dr. Theodor G. H. Drake, who helped develop food wrappings designed to cut down the fruit fly spread of the disease, said of the claim made by E. R. Dunn of Oklahoma City:

"That is a very dangerous statement for him to make and is positively incorrect."

Dr. Drake, who has done considerable research in the contagious aspects of polio, said that research has proved beyond doubt that polio is contagious.

Dr. Dunn, doctor of chiropractic from the Dunn polio clinic in Oklahoma City, told the Western Canadian Chiropractic Convention today "could be cured by chiropractic treatment involving massage."

Dr. Andrew Rhodes, who has done liaison work between Canada and the United States in the fight against polio said:

"It is not conceivable that true polio could be cured by any type of chiropractic manipulation."

Said Dr. Nelles Silverthorn of

Toronto's Hospital for Children: "It is utter nonsense, we are concerned."



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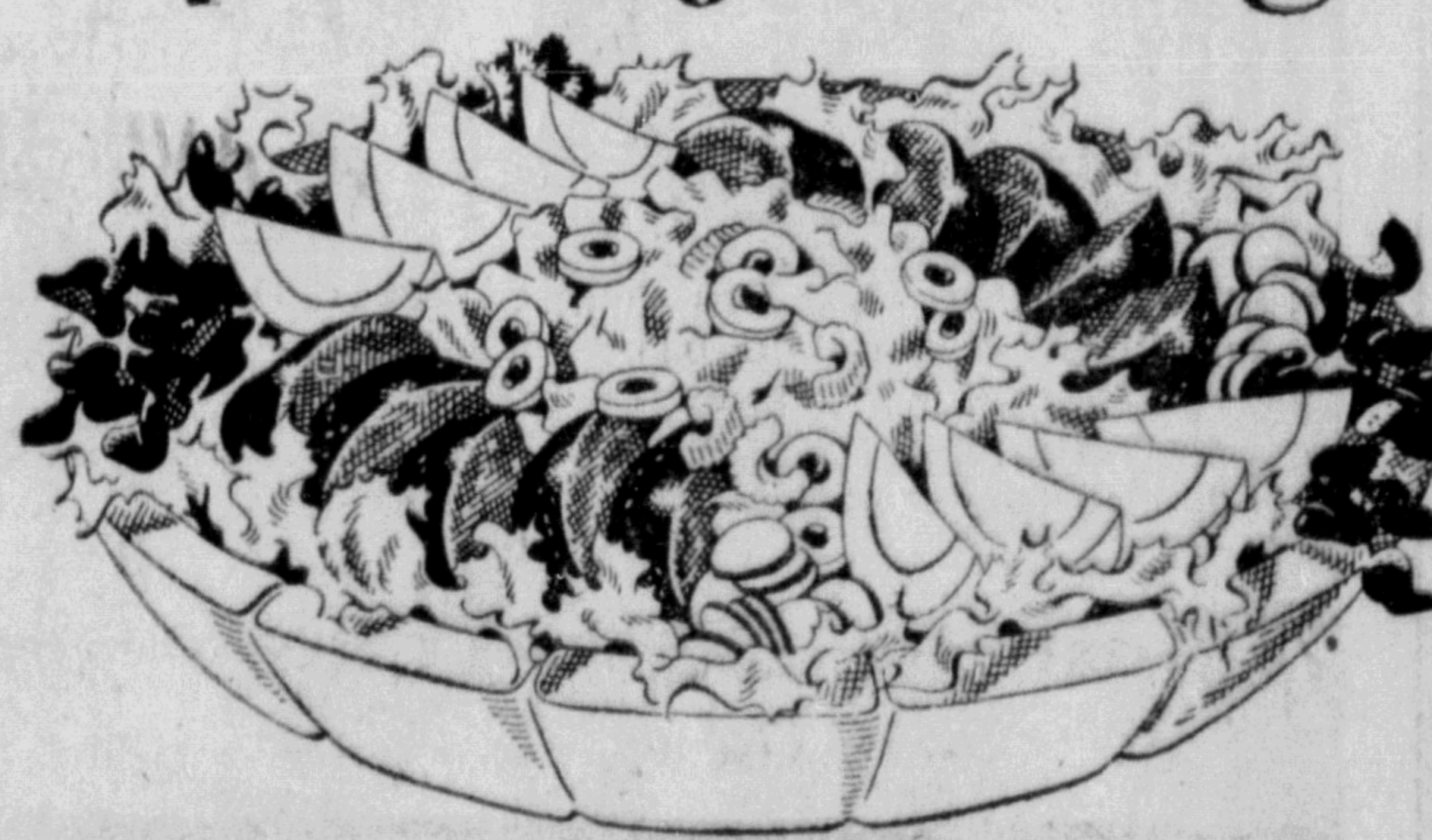
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