

THIS LIFE-SIZED HOUSE is built entirely of cardboard. The unique structure is one of the features of the Packing Conditioning and Presentation Exhibition at the Portes de Versailles Hall in Paris. It's pretty enough, but would become soggy and crumpled in Rupert's rain.

Much-Decorated Cavalryman Happy To Be on Move Again

CAMP PETAWAWA, Ont. (CP)—A soldier who enlisted in the Royal Canadian Dragoons in the cavalry days a quarter-century ago is looking forward to another trip overseas.

Winner of the Military Medal in northwest Europe during the Second World War, Sgt.-Maj. E. W. Douglass, 42, now hopes to see service in Korea. His squadron of the Royal Canadian Dragoons (1st Armored Regiment) is scheduled for a tour of duty in the Far East beginning early next year.

Since he enlisted in the Dragoons at Toronto as a youth of 17, Sgt.-Maj. Douglass has served under 10 commanding officers.

He says the greatest change was the switch from cavalry to armor. The unit first converted to motorcycles in 1940 and then was reorganized as an armored car regiment. It served through-

out the Sicily, Italy and northwest Europe campaigns in a reconnaissance role. The regiment now is equipped with Sherman and Centurion tanks.

In 1939, the Dragoons supplied mounted escorts for the King and Queen at Ottawa, Toronto, Hamilton and Niagara Falls. They were also famous for their musical ride, staged in full dress—scarlet tunics, brass helmets with black plumes, white gauntlets, high jackboots and lances with red and white pennants.

In addition to his M.M. and Long Service Medal, Sgt.-Maj. Douglass wears eight campaign stars.

Small Holdings

Seigniories in old French Canada were subdivided among tenants with average plots of 100 to 400 acres.

Stronger Voice in Senate Urged For Opposition MPs

OTTAWA (CP)—The Commons has heard two suggestions on the future of the Senate: Abolition, or reforms to give the opposition a stronger voice there.

When Argue (CCF-Assiniboia) said this week that "the best reform that can be brought about is abolition." Harry O. White (PC—Middlesex East) said the opposition should have

at least one-quarter of the Senate's 102 seats.

Mr. Argue described the Senate as "famous only for delaying progressive legislation sent to it by the Commons."

He withdrew the remark at the request of Speaker Rene Beaudoin, who said it was "exaggerated." The CCF member said later, however, that in 1926 the Senate had held up passage of old age pensions legislation.

Mr. White said the Senate, with its predominance of Liberal members, is not properly protecting minority rights, and suggested that regional political trends be reflected by permitting provincial governments to appoint some senators.

The opposition should have at least one-quarter of the Senate seats and preferably one-third or one-half.

Liberals hold 81 seats in the upper chamber and Progressive Conservatives eight, with 13 vacancies.

Mr. White said the Senate's original purpose was to serve as a balance against "radical" legislation. Now with the growth of centralized powers in the federal government, "individual rights seemed to be forgotten."

The two members spoke during the throne speech debate in the Commons while the Senate continued its own throne speech debate.

Harold E. Winch (CCF—Vancouver East) said 217 persons committed suicide in Vancouver between Jan. 1, 1948, and October of this year and most were old people on pensions "who decided life wasn't worth living."

He described their deaths as "murder by an economic system supported by the three other parties in this House."

Smoke Issue In Vancouver Stated Urgent

VANCOUVER (CP)—One of Vancouver's top experts on air pollution terms the smoke situation here "deplorable and of some urgency."

Dennis Critoph, chairman of the smoke committee of the Community Planning Association, said that in 1950 about 330 tons of solid matter per square mile was deposited in Vancouver—"and anything over 260 tons is bad."

Mr. Critoph said approximately 35 to 50 per cent of Vancouver's smoke is domestic due to the burning of volatile bituminous coal in haphazard fashion by householders.

Sawmills account for a considerable amount, largely due to disposal of so-called waste which in Sweden is of economic value. Other sources are shipping in the harbor, factories, hospitals and other buildings.

He said the problem should be attacked at the grate, by regulating fire-burning equipment in all places where smoke emanates.

Car Maker Assails Rivals For 'Horsepower Rat Race'

PETERBOROUGH (CP)—D. C. Gaskin, president of Studebaker Corporation of Canada Limited, has criticized rival automobile manufacturers for what he called a "horsepower rat race."

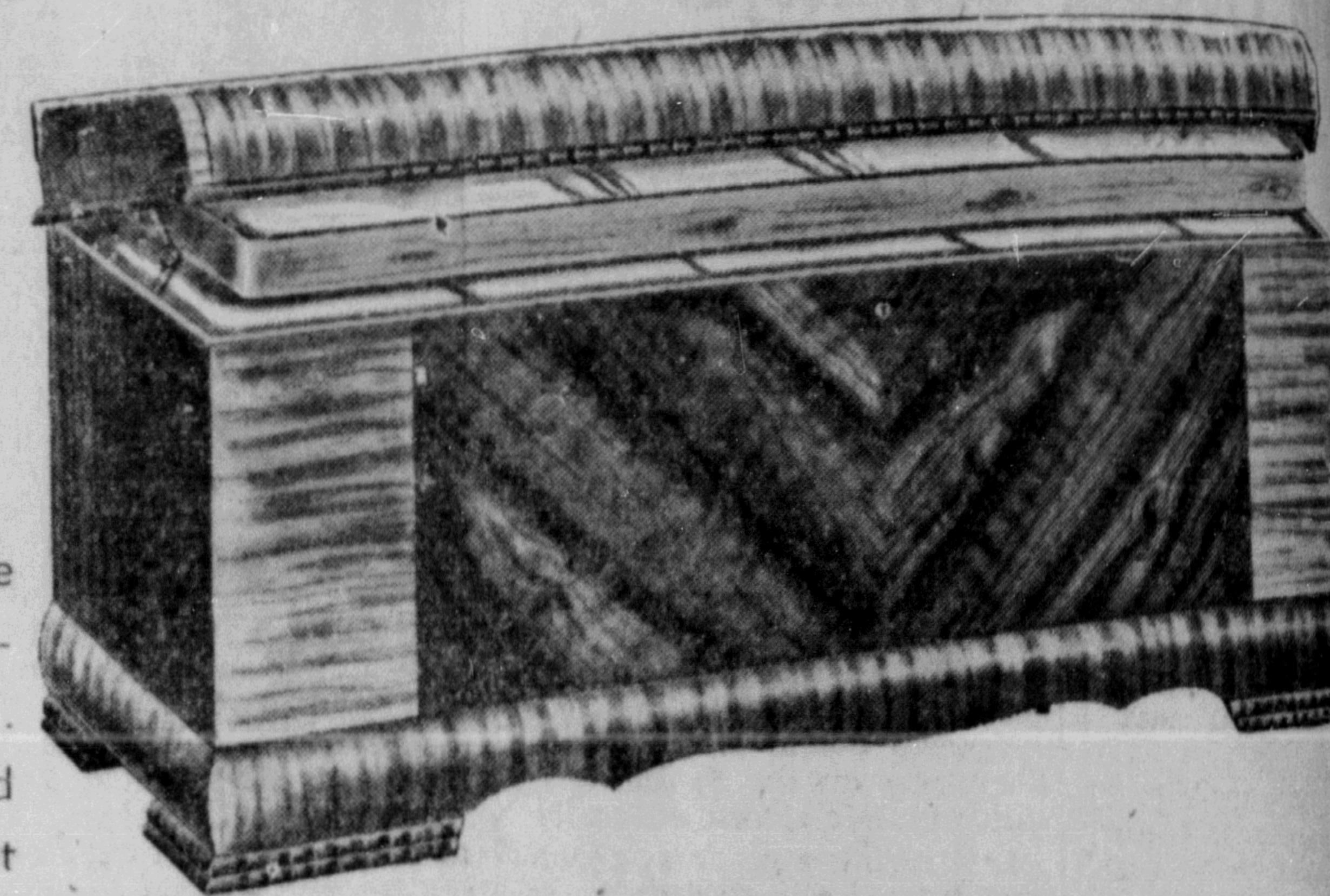
Addressing the Peterborough Sales and Advertising Club, he said cars now being produced with 200 horse-

power or more still will have that power 10 years from now when their steering, brakes, tires and other means of controlling them have become worn. He said they will probably fall into the hands of youthful buyers who may not realize their danger.

"Thank God my company is not in this horsepower rat race," he said.

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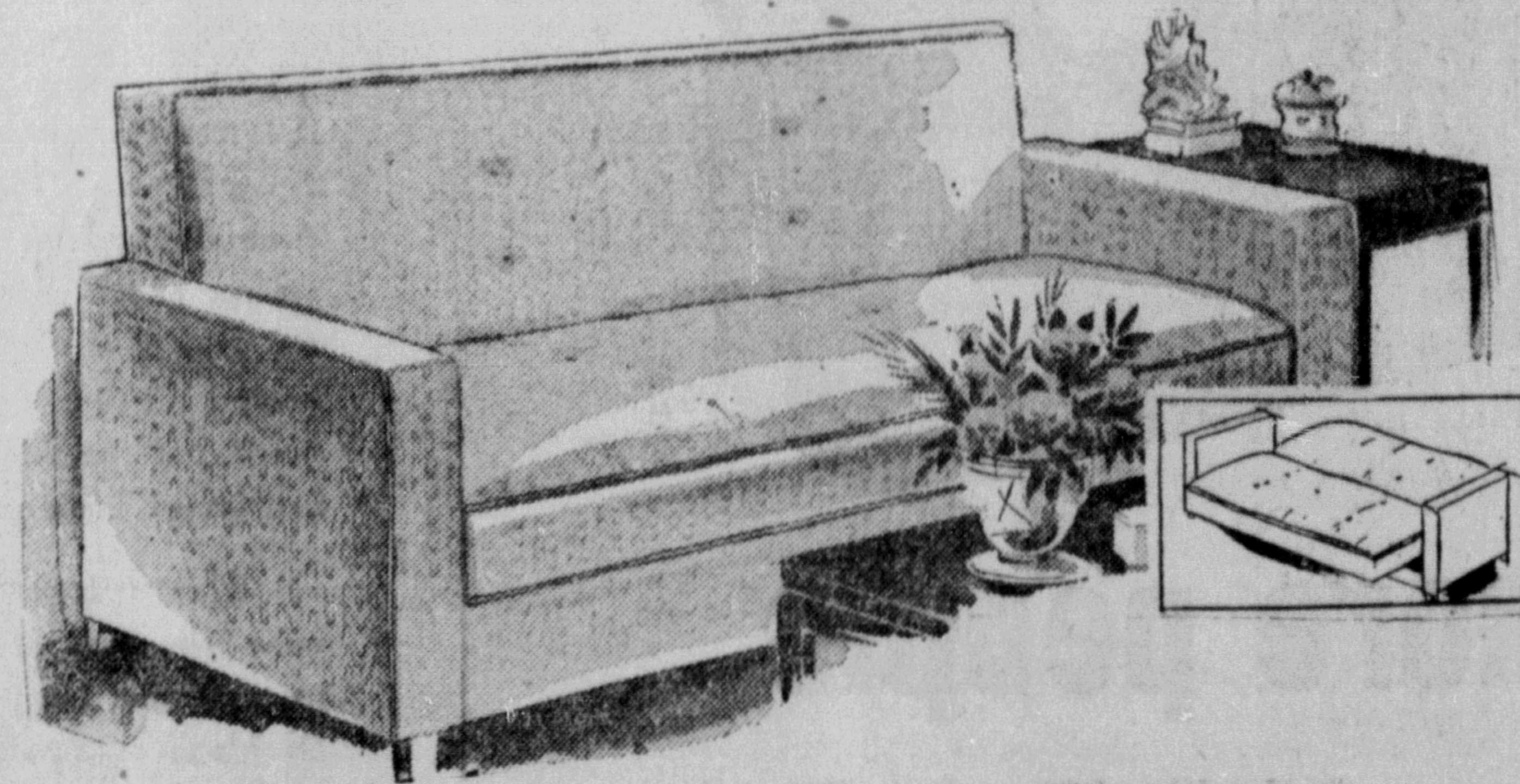
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