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Wedding Cake Comes Near Stealing the Show at Rites

Memphis, Tenn. (AP)—The wedding cake almost stole the show at the marriage of Katherine Zderad and Kenneth Robbins. "As many had come to see the cake as to see us," the young couple laughed.

Mayer Named French Premier

Paris, Oct. 20 (AP)—Rene Mayer, radical socialist former finance minister, was named premier-designate Wednesday accepting a presidential assignment to try to form a coalition cabinet.

Mayer will go before the national assembly tomorrow to seek a vote of confidence as premier. The 54-year-old financial expert accepted President Vincent Auriol's request to try to resolve the government crisis now nearing the end of its second week.

The former finance minister's "Mayer plan" was credited with saving the inflation-threatened franc in the spring of 1948. He was called in by the president after the failure of Jules Moch to get an agreement by the centrist parties on a new coalition government.

Mayer accepted the bid after getting go-ahead signals from the three main middle of the road parties, the socialists, radical socialists and popular republicans.

Political experts said Mayer might get 330 to 335 assembly votes. His confirmation would require a minimum of 311.

Night Vigil Reveals Appetite Troubles

South Bend, Ind. (AP)—Roberta McCay, nine, is putting on weight again, but there was a time when eating was a chore for the youngster.

Her life was just one unhappy round of visits to the doctor's office, vitamin pills and cod liver oil. The doctors didn't know what was wrong and neither did her parents—Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. McCay. Until one night Mrs. McCay, who had noticed little bald spots on her daughter's head, decided to keep vigil by her bedside for a clue.

Patience, Mrs. McCay watched, while the child slept. Suddenly, Roberta stirred. She touched her head slowly, curled a few strands of hair about her thumb, put it into her mouth and swallowed.

The next day the doctor X-rayed and found a ball of hair in Roberta's stomach. After the operation, an unusual one for humans, Roberta gained five pounds in less than a month.

She now wears a pair of canvas mittens and a hairnet to bed.

Greek Civil War Practically Over

Washington, Oct. 20 (AP)—Secretary of State Acheson said today that the Greek government's war with communist-led guerrillas is practically over. Reduction of American aid to Greece would seem to be an indicated step, he added.

ference that there are only about 2,000 guerrillas left in Greece and they are widely scattered and mainly concerned with a search for food.

Before there is a decision on cutting American military assistance to the Greek government, Acheson said the U. S. will have to find out what the Athens regime proposes to do with its military establishment. American aid has been given for more than two years.

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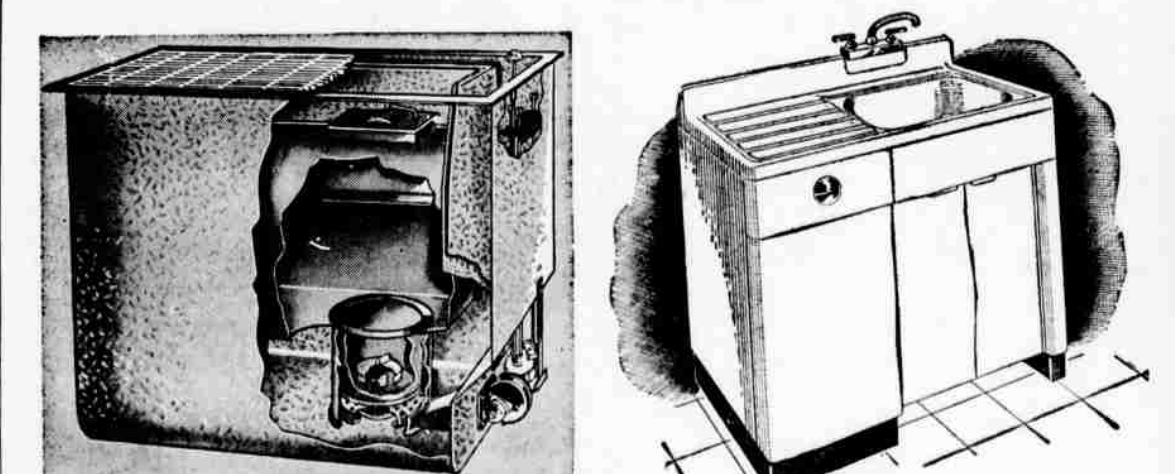
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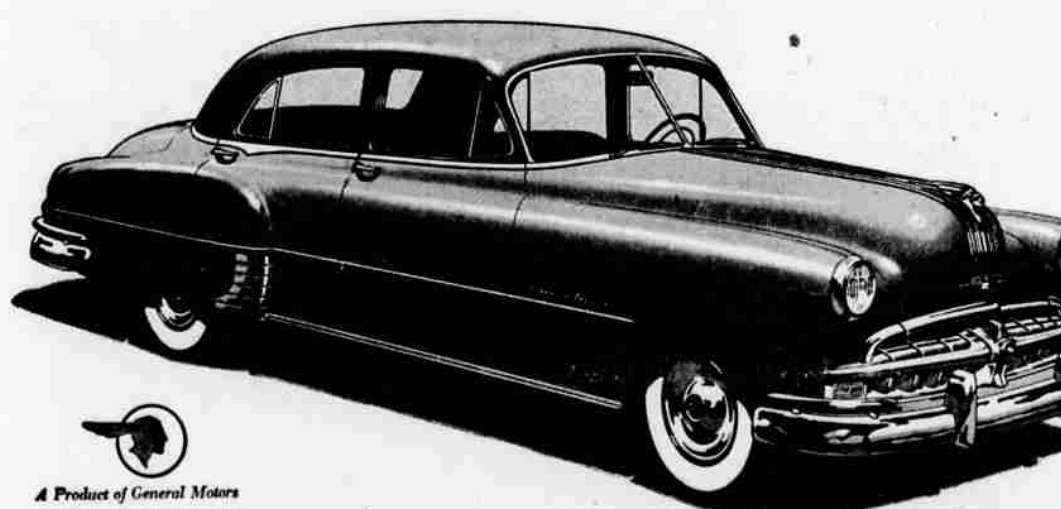
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