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Laterna player (laternatzis)

Laterna is a type of musical instrument, consisted of a box in which there is a mechanism that performs musical pieces.

The laterna player (laternatzis) used to walk around the neighborhoods and play well-known musical pieces.

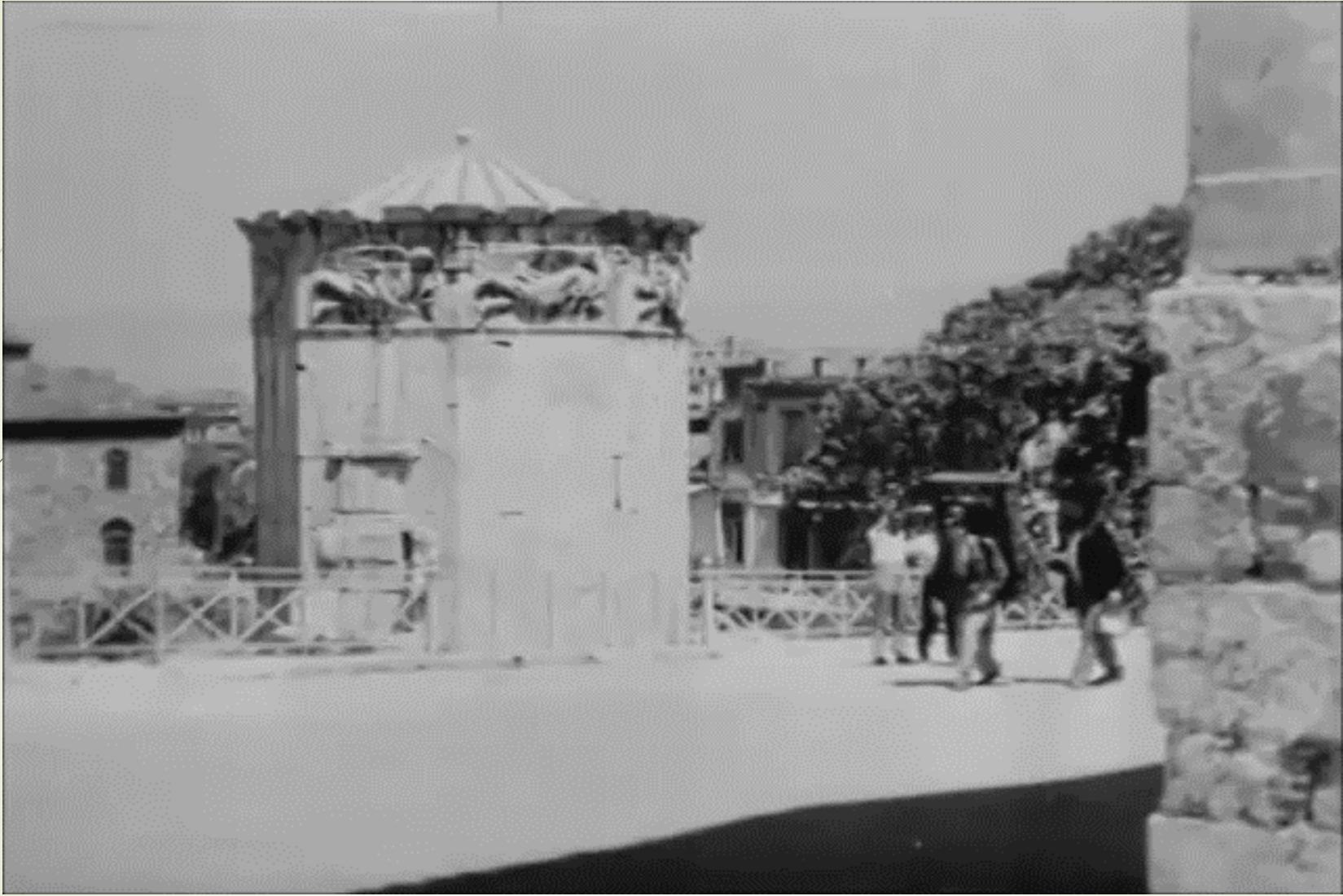
The crowd was gathering to listen to the melodies

And if they wanted they dropped coins to the upside-down hat of laternatzis.



When the radio and the gramophone appeared, laterna started to disappear. Today there still some laterna players, mostly in the historical city-center of Athens.





Loustros

Loustros used to paint and clean the shoes of the passers by in streets.

He used to walk out of cafes, shops and also at various central points of the streets in order to find customers. His equipment was a wooden case with side pockets that he had his paints and brushes.



