

# Shaking up the atomic age



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[/dropcap]nd this week in Mum's Drawer we have some little bombs...

Well, the 1950s was a time full of admiration for the atomic bomb and what better way to 'celebrate' (?) such an achievement than to have a pair of small salt-and-pepper bombs on your kitchen table?

These little bakelite gems were most likely an engagement gift.

By the way, did you know that bakelite is made from formaldehyde and phenol and its formal name is polyoxybenzylmethyleneglycolanhydride?

Keep that one in mind when next playing Scrabble.



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