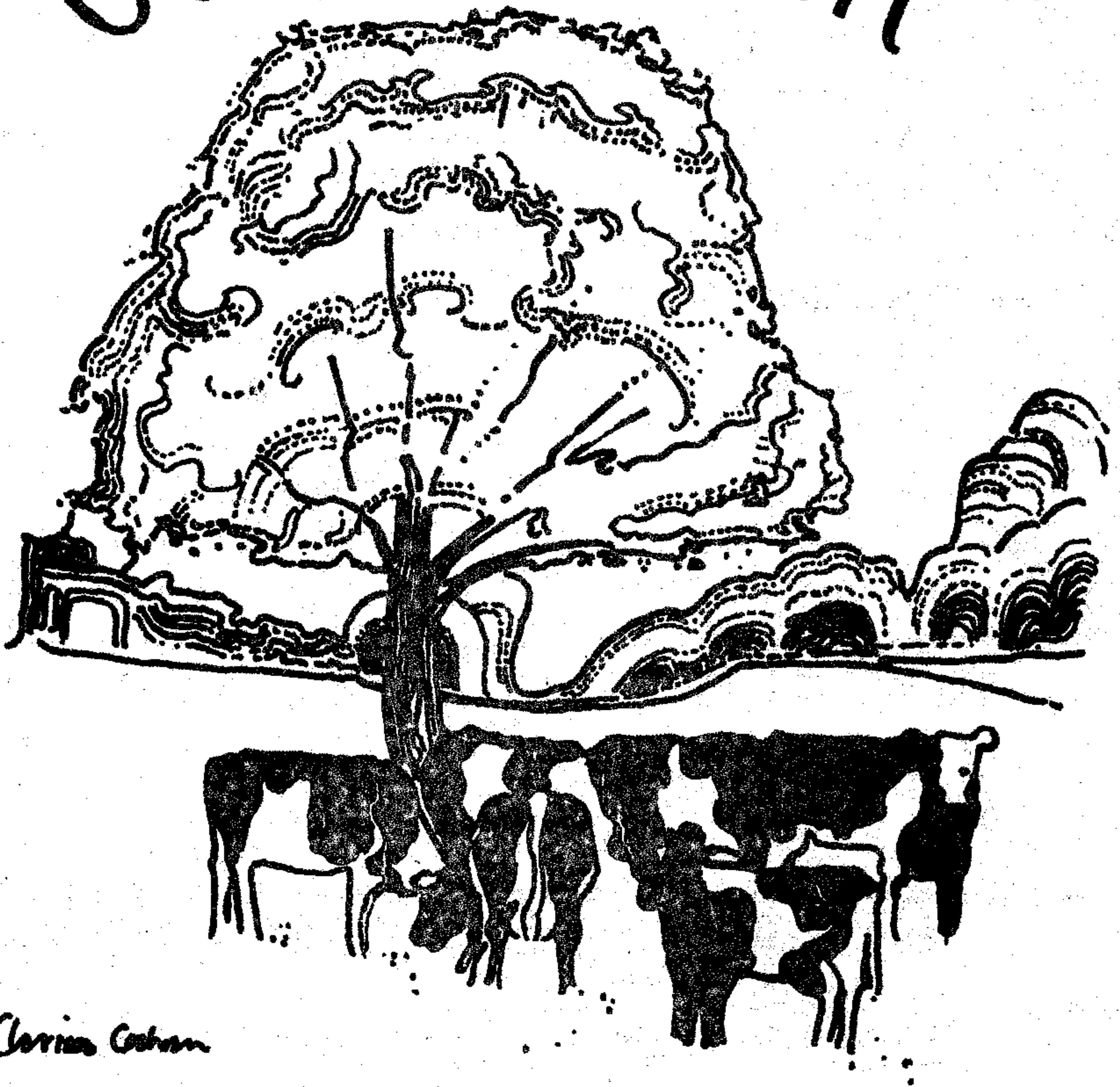


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COMMUNITY MAGAZINE

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EDITORIAL

August 1983

This month's issue is nearly a skeleton one, and next month's will be also. Last month's magazine included a list of new Village Centre Committee members from our new Vice-Chairman. Unfortunately, three names were left out - those of Joyce Harrison, Albert Johnson and John Robinson. Apologies to them for this omission, in fact they are such stalwarts of village life that it was probably felt to be unnecessary to even mention them!

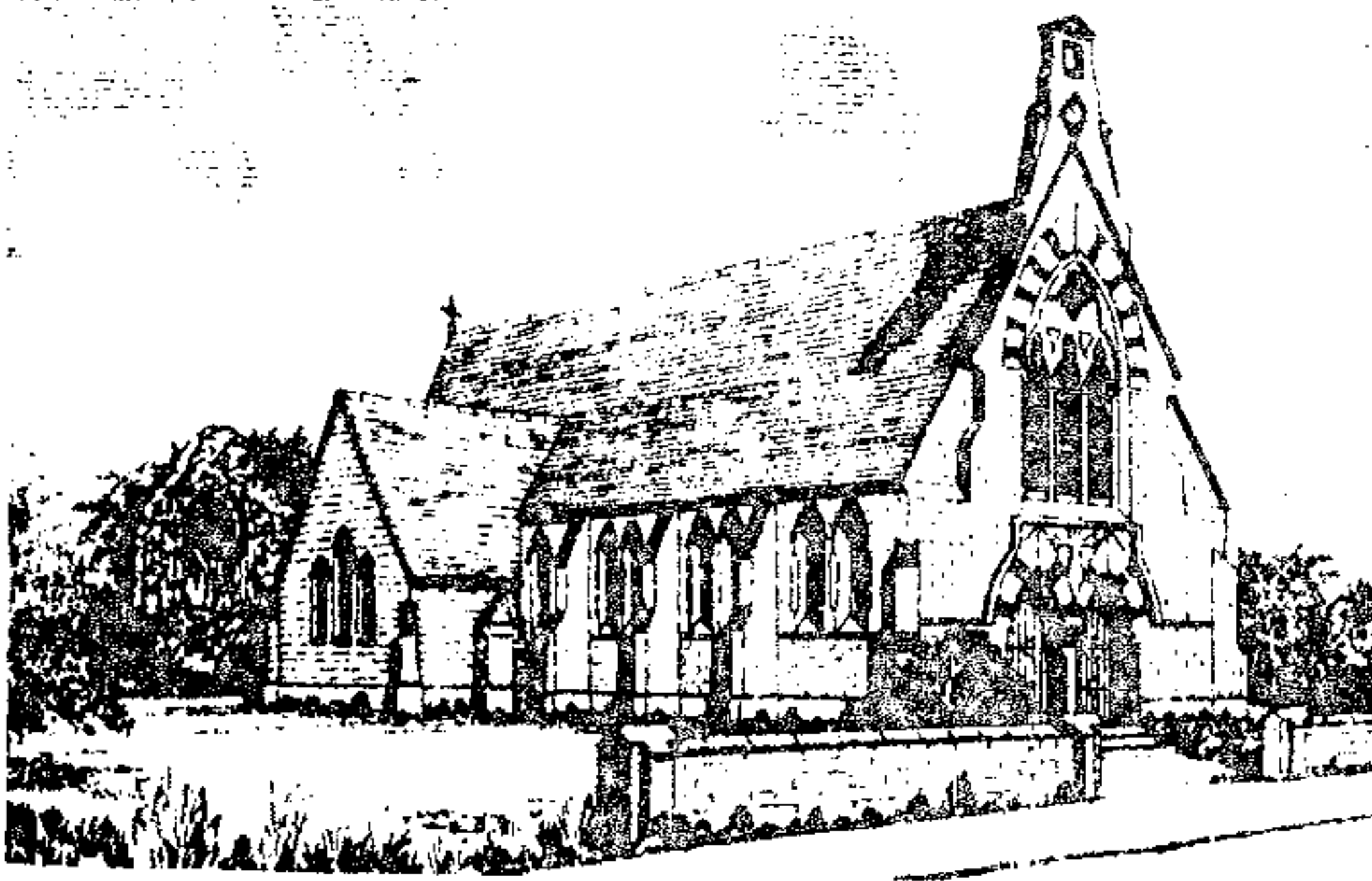
A few months ago I mentioned the proposal for improving The Hythe and generally making it a more attractive part of the village. In order to carry out this work, a team of volunteers is needed, particularly amongst the youths and men of the village. Work would be initially clearing the area of weeds, and afterwards maintaining it on a rota basis. Please would anyone who feels able to offer their services sign a list in the shop as soon as possible, so that the project can be organised before the summer is over.

Marcia Thorburn of Greenview has kindly given me six negatives of pictures taken on Reach Sports Day. If anyone would like to come and look at them and order prints, I will be glad to get them printed. Some of the children who I can make out are:- Jane Sargeant, Peter Jordan, Mostyn Clarke, Dominic Johnson, Amanda Stern. the Summers sisters, Sara Parkes, Claire Harrison. Of course there are others who I cannot quite make out. Best wishes this month to Mrs Nixon who is at present convalescing with her mother, also Mrs Nixon at Swaffham Road. She has recently spent six months in hospital after a nasty accident when she was attacked by a rat.

Joyce Harrison and Ray Folkes would like to thank everyone in the village who sponsored them on their recent walk for Magpas. They raised the magnificent sum of £125.

Kay Pote





# *St. Etheldreda and the Holy Trinity*

*Reach*

## **FROM THE VICAR**

A fascinating article has just appeared in a journal I take on the subject of Televised Worship and the Pastoral Ministry by J.G.Davies, Prof. of Theology at B/ham University. He has in mind the growing number of Christians in England who, realising clearly that the breaking of the bread is the centre and spring of the church's mind and life, try to make a point of watching a eucharist on Sunday whenever one is televised, which is increasingly frequently, but are nevertheless prevented from making their communion by the fact of being house-bound. As a BBC producer has said, 'the point to which the liturgy is moving, the climax of the event itself, is the moment when TV viewers are left most stranded and aware of their isolation'.

So the problem is, What to do? As so often in the past century, the solution has been found by going back to the practice of the early church. E.G., we know that 'from the 2nd century onwards communion at home by the private individual was permitted'. Justin Martyr, who taught at Rome, and was executed in 165 after being denounced as a Christian, said in his first Apology, or Defence of the Faith, written about 151 A.D. - (he's describing what happened at an early eucharist) - 'those whom we call deacons give to each of those present to partake of the bread and the wine mixed with water over which the thanksgiving was pronounced, and they carry away a portion to those who are absent.'

The famous Roman lawyer, Tertullian, who died about 220 A.D. takes us further by making it plain that what we call 'reservation of the Blessed Sacrament' in private houses was by then the normal custom: i.e., not only did people make their communion in their homes, if it was brought to them by the local deacons, but they were allowed to keep a small quantity of the consecrated bread and wine in their homes for the purposes of communion when they wanted it.

Even more detailed and fascinating are some remarks by another influential writer of the Roman church of the early 3rd century, Hippolytus, the author of the Consecration prayer which is at the root of all our modern services: 'let every one of the faithful', he says, 'be careful to partake of the eucharist before he eats anything else.... for it is the Body of Christ and not to be thought lightly of'. He goes on to speak of the equal care required with the cup of wine which incidentally is blessed by the communicant himself, and consumed after receiving the sacred bread'. It is interesting to know that the sacrament was kept in a little box, known as an 'arca', i.e., a secret, special box, some of which have actually been found in the Roman catacombs, lying on the breasts of the dead.

'The application of all this', Prof. Davies says, to televised Communion services at the present day is relatively simple, since what is proposed could be regarded both as a continuation of the practice of the early church and an extension or addition to the pastoral ministry already being exercised in the form of home celebrations or of communion from the reserved species. The local minister, knowing that a TV transmission is to take place, and having compiled a list of those wishing to communicate but unable to be present at church, has only to take or arrange for the delivery beforehand of the reserved sacrament so that it may be consumed at the same time as the act of communion in the church building witnessed on the screen. This would be in accordance with the early church precedent, and is theologically justifiable. It could well become a normal feature within the exercise of the pastoral ministry.

This last point, about joining with those who are communicating in the church being televised, is, of course, an important part of the re-discovery of the meaning of true eucharistic life which has been going on now for the past sixty years: the fact that the eucharist is not a private, but essentially a corporate act, an act of the whole church gathered together, so that the act of communion is a sign not only of communion with Christ but with each other.

And one last, very interesting point. The BBC has been giving thought to that now large element in our life who like to watch such services, but are not communicants. They have therefore produced a book called *This is the Day* specially for such people, which includes a sermon, a meditation, and the breaking of the bread, this last action being regarded as a symbolic gesture of fellowship.

This sounds a bit strange, but is all suddenly made sense of when we are reminded of the custom in the Orthodox Church whereby the celebrant, before the service begins,

sets aside a certain quantity of bread and blesses it, so that it can be consumed afterwards by non-communicants or by non-Orthodox visitors, so as to provide an element of participation and fellowship.

I commend these thoughts to you.

J.K.B.

You will be glad I hope, to hear that the proceeds of our recent Art Exhibition and Garden Party came to a total of £559, £293 from the Exhibition and £266 from the Garden Party. So we offer a warm Thank you to the many people involved in these two enjoyable events, and to all who supported them.

J.K.B

From the Registers

Baptism:

Richard Peter, son of Peter Albert and Denise Lesley Rust, of Sea Rivers, Swaffham Road, Reach.

FROM THE CHURCHES

Worship in August: St Mary's and Reach

6th. TRANSFIGURATION of our LORD  
8.00a.m. Holy Communion (St Mary's)

7th TRINITY X  
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (Reach)  
9.30 a.m. Matins & Eucharist (St Mary's)  
6.30 p.m. Evensong (Reach)

14th and 21st: TRINITY XI & XII  
9.30 a.m. Parish Communion (St Mary's)  
11.00 a.m. Family Communion (Reach)  
6.30 p.m. Evensong (St Mary's)

24th S.BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE  
7.30 p.m. Holy Communion (St Mary's)

28th TRINITY XIII  
9.30 a.m. Children's Eucharist (St Mary's)  
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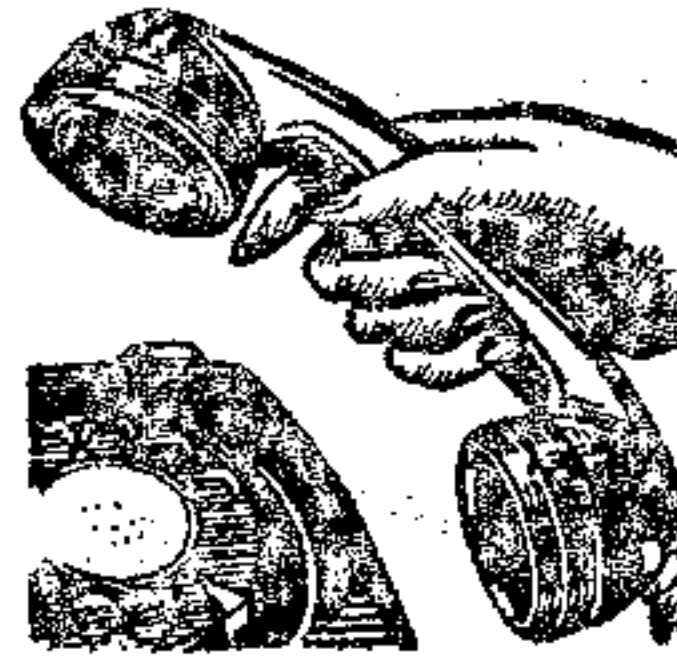
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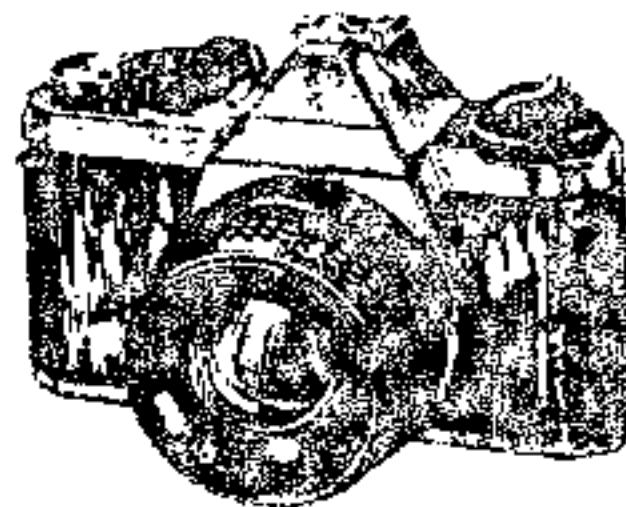
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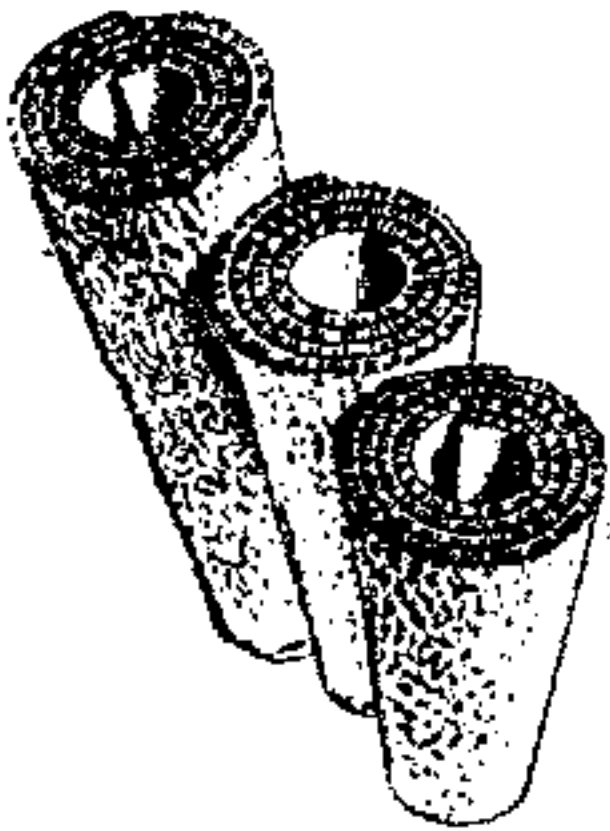
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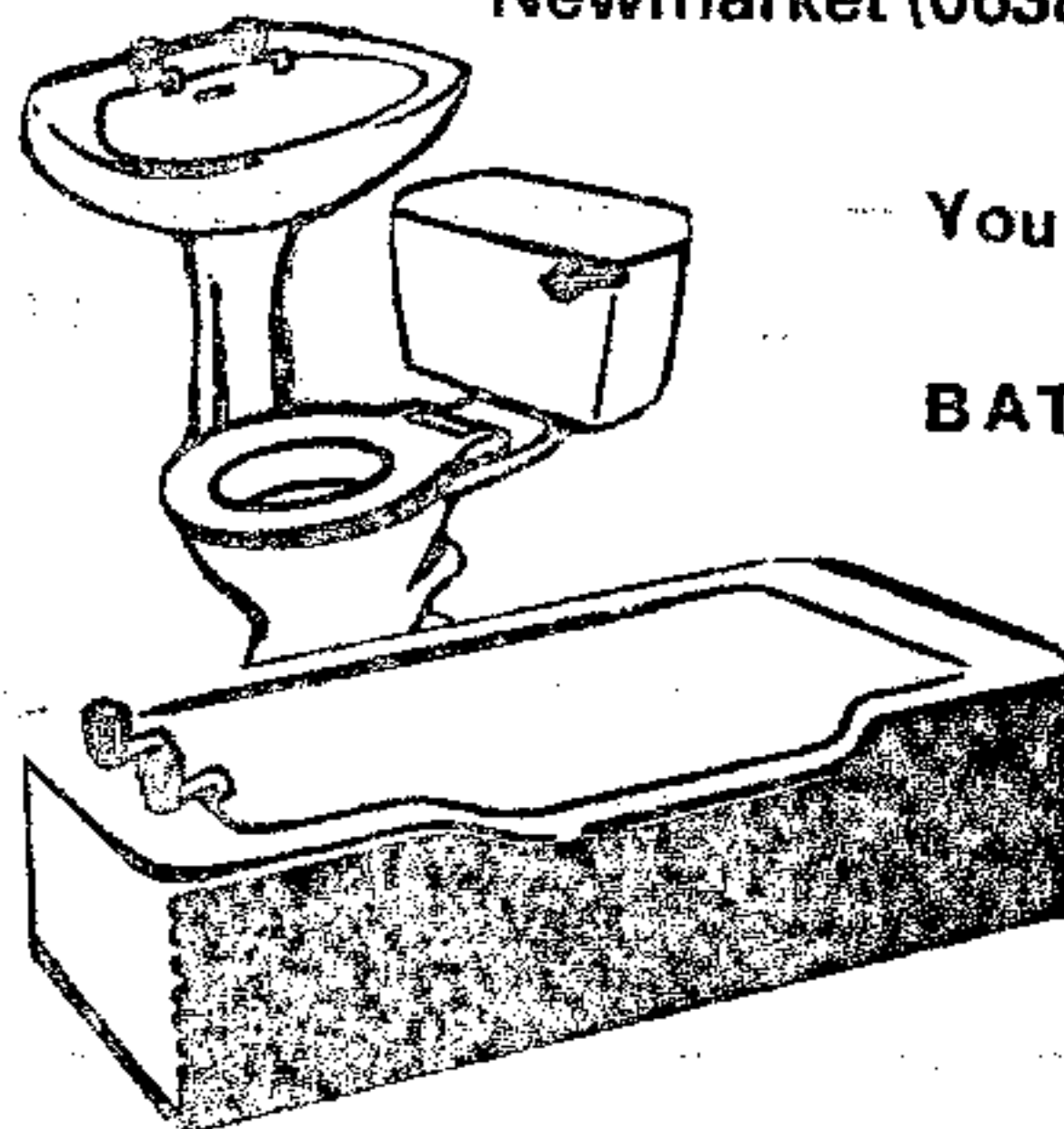
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FROM THE PARENTS AND FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL

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A lot of interest has been shown for the Indoor Bowls which will be starting in school in September (exact date to be announced later). If anyone is interested in coming along, either afternoon or evening, and you do not have to be connected with the school, please let me know (tel Nkt 741790)

The next Committee Meeting has been arranged for Tuesday 13th September at 7.30 p.m.

100 Club Winners

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25	24	S. Taylor	£40
26	2	H. Ward	£10
27	53	Mrs Godlington	£10

1st Swaffham Prior Scout Group

The District Commissioner invested 17 boys as Cub Scouts on 23rd June, 1983, and also presented my warrant, so now we really exist as part of the Scouting movement. The boys are now beginning to work for their Bronze Arrows and for Proficiency Badges.

We entered a team for our first District event, which was a swimming competition at Bottisham Village College on 9th July. The standard was extremely high, with many competitors being members of swimming clubs and used to big competitions. We had no idea what to expect, and in the circumstances I was very proud of all 6 boys who competed. They were Alistair Dolphin, Rupert Raby, Dominic Johnson, Simon, Nicky Cook and Simon Bower. I shall particularly mention Nicky who qualified for the final and came 3rd in his race, and Simon Bower who stepped in at the very last minute as a substitute, and had one of the most difficult races involving swimming in, and discarding pyjamas!

We had a camp fire evening which was a great success. The sausages were devoured with much enthusiasm, and on a hot evening the amount of orange squash drunk was quite staggering. Despite some grimaces at the suggestion, even the camp fire singing was thoroughly enjoyed, although I suspect the content of the songs had something to do with that. We shall move on to a more varied repertoire when the idea

of singing has become less 'sissy'!

On 29th July a party of us are going to the Royal Tournament in London. Most of the boys have no idea what to expect, but I am confident that it will prove a very exciting day, and hopefully we shall be able to repeat it next year.

Lots of activities are being planned for the future. Watch out for us at the Country Fayre on August 29th, and please mark Saturday, September 10th in your diaries. On that evening we shall be holding a cheese and Wine party at Godwin Manor, by kind permission of Mr and Mrs John Harrison.

Next term we shall lose Ferray McMillan who has reached the upper age limit for a cub-scout. We've enjoyed having him in the pack for a few months, and I know he wants to be a Scout, along with several others in the village. The lack of a scout troupe will obviously become more of a problem as time goes by if the Cub Pack flourishes, but the District Commissioner is aware of the problem so I hope he will be able to solve it. Meanwhile we shall look forward to any new boys joining as soon as they reach the age of 8. Perhaps parents could let me know in good time of prospective new members.

Zandra Houston

The 1st Swaffham Prior Scout Group invites you to the two following events in September:

On Monday, 5th September a FIRST AID COURSE covering accidents and emergencies with particular reference to children run by St John's Ambulance from 7.30 - 9.45 p.m. in the Swaffham Prior School Hall. A charge of £2.50 at the door will be made for this two hour course which will include a cup of coffee during the interval. Every one is welcome.

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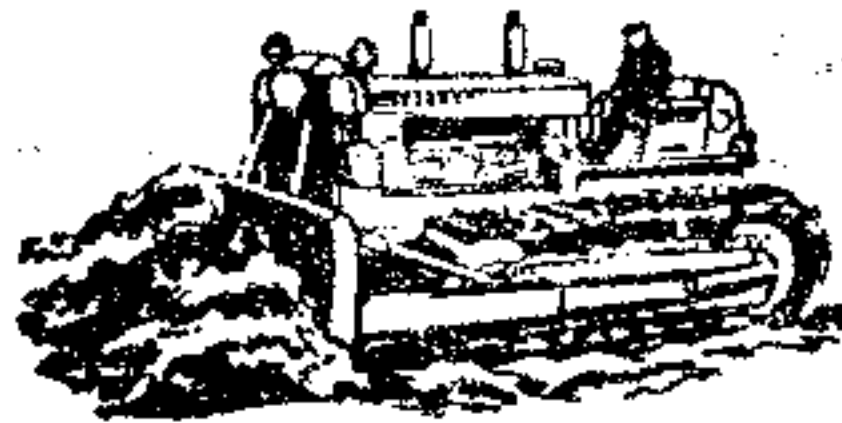
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12 oz cheddar cheese  
3 oz butter or margarine  
salt )  
celery salt ) pinch  
black pepper )  
cayenne pepper ) shake  
  
2 eggs  
5 tablespoons single cream  
flavouring (see recipe)  
sliced cucumber & peanuts

Crush the crackers. Melt the 1½ oz fat, add the biscuit crumbs, then press the mixture against the sides and base of an 8 inch ovenproof flan dish. Grate the cheese. Cream the 3 oz fat with the seasonings. Separate the eggs. Add the yolks to the seasoned butter, then the cheese and cream. Finally, add whichever flavouring you want and the stiffly beaten egg whites. Spoon the mixture into the flan dish and bake at Mark 1 - 2, 275-300 deg in the centre of oven for about 1 hour, until firm. Serve either hot or cold, topped with sliced cucumber and peanuts.

#### Flavourings

2-4 oz chopped salt ed peanuts & ¼ cucumber (chopped)  
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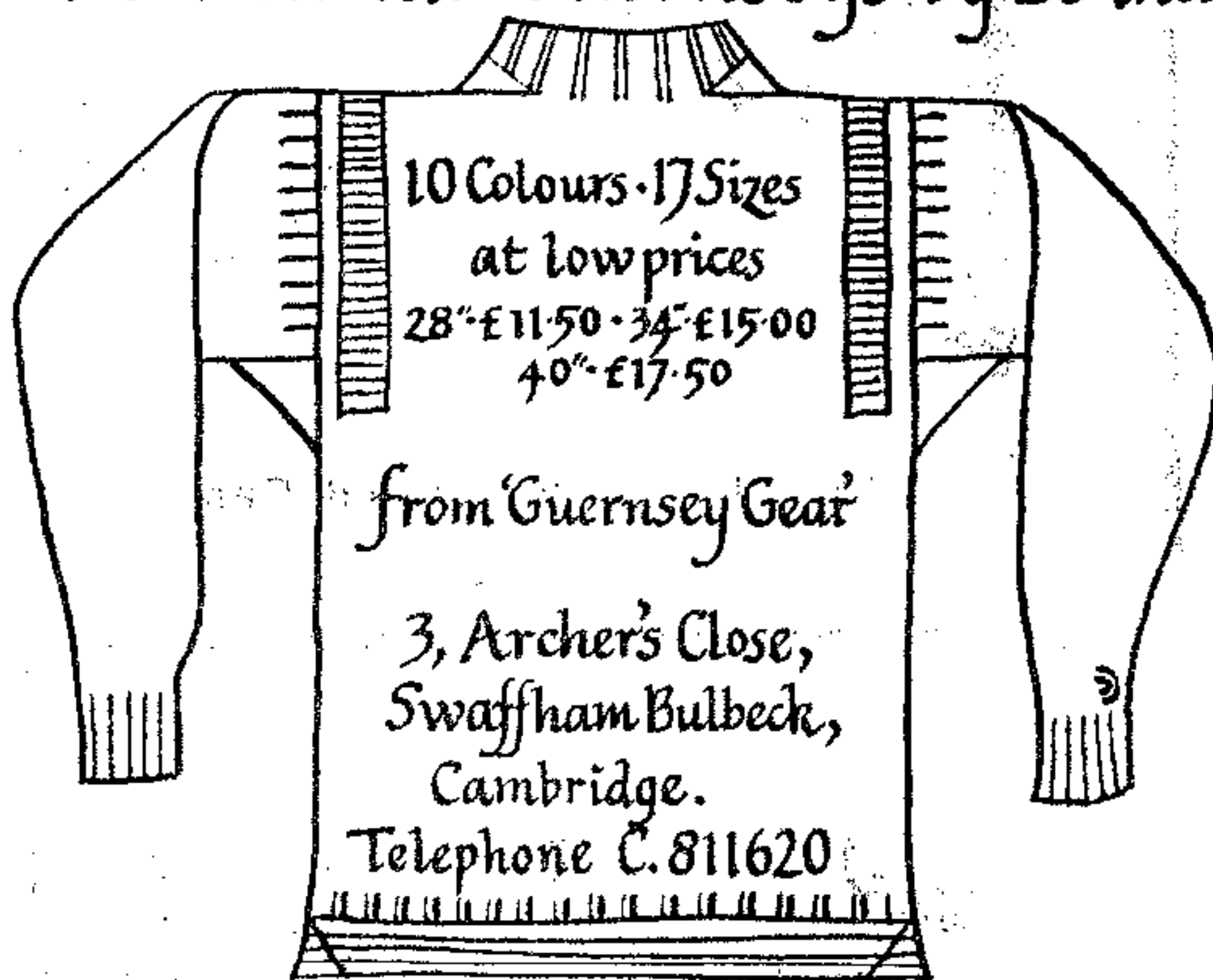
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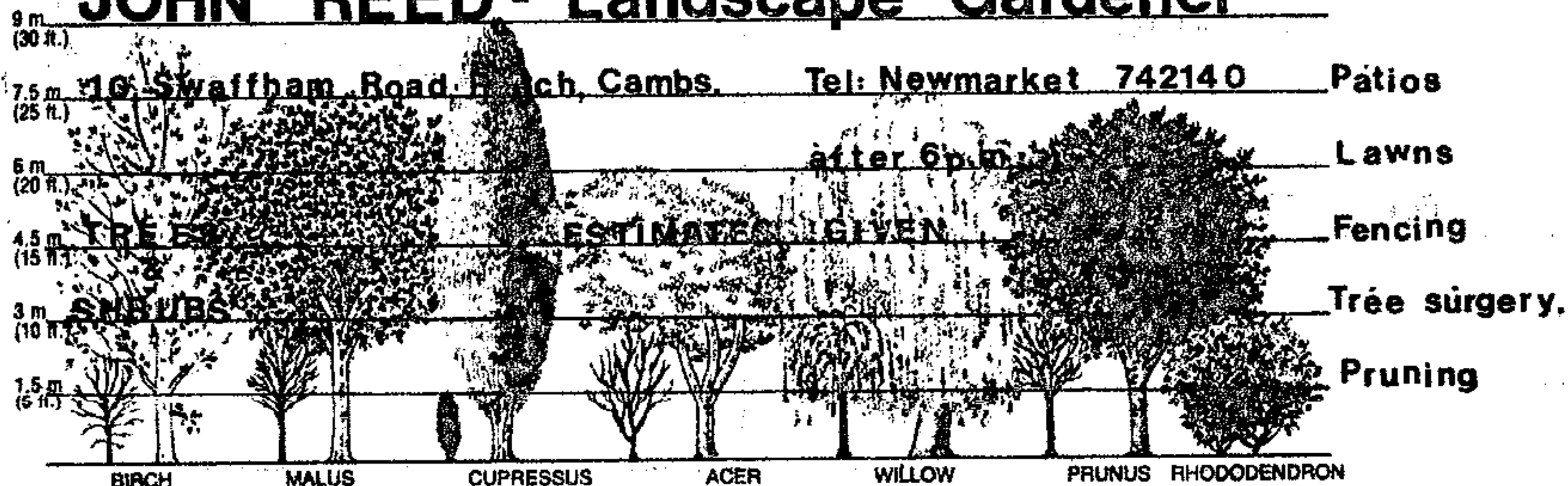
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1. Youth Club 10-13 yrs
2. " " 13-16 yrs
3. Regular Social Evenings
4. Evening Classes
5. Invited Speakers
6. Sports Evenings (rounders, cricket, soccer etc).

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If you have any additional ideas please jot them down.

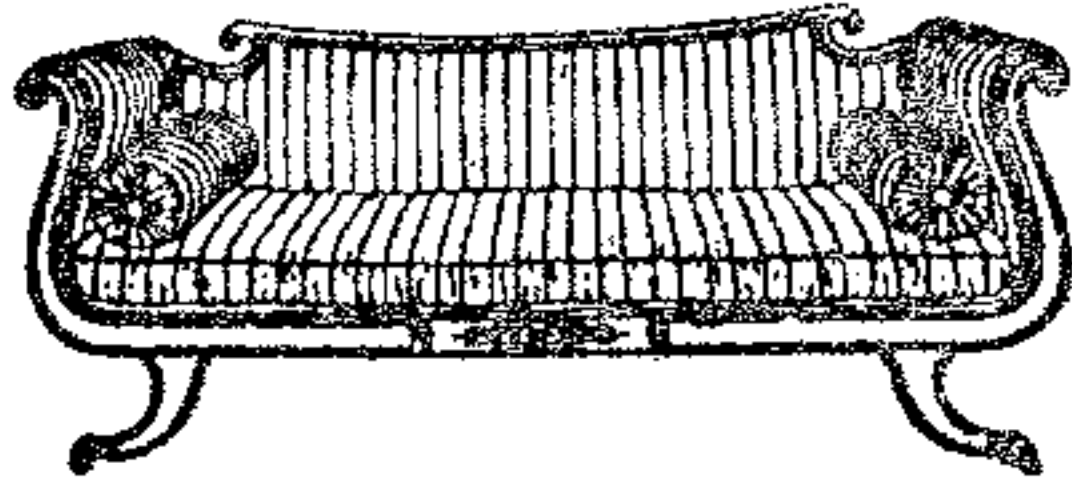
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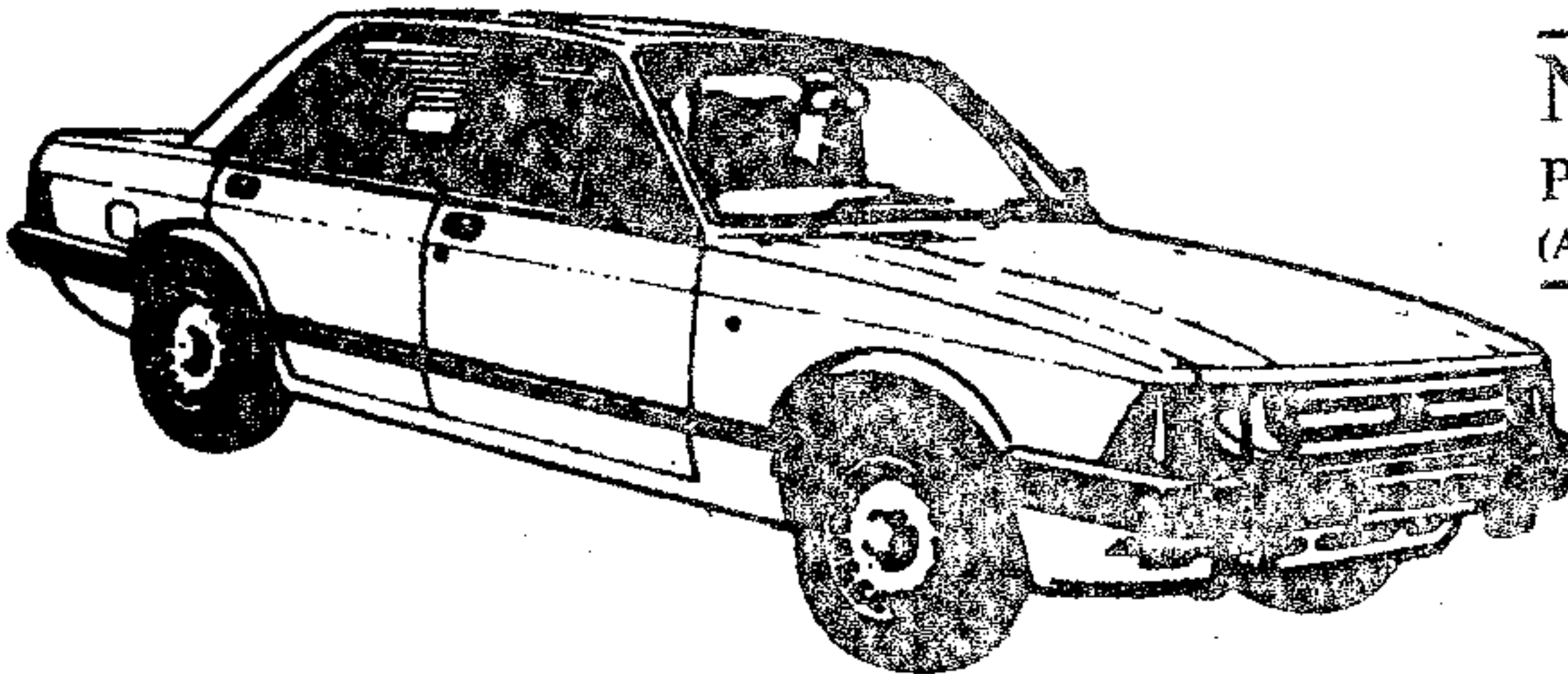


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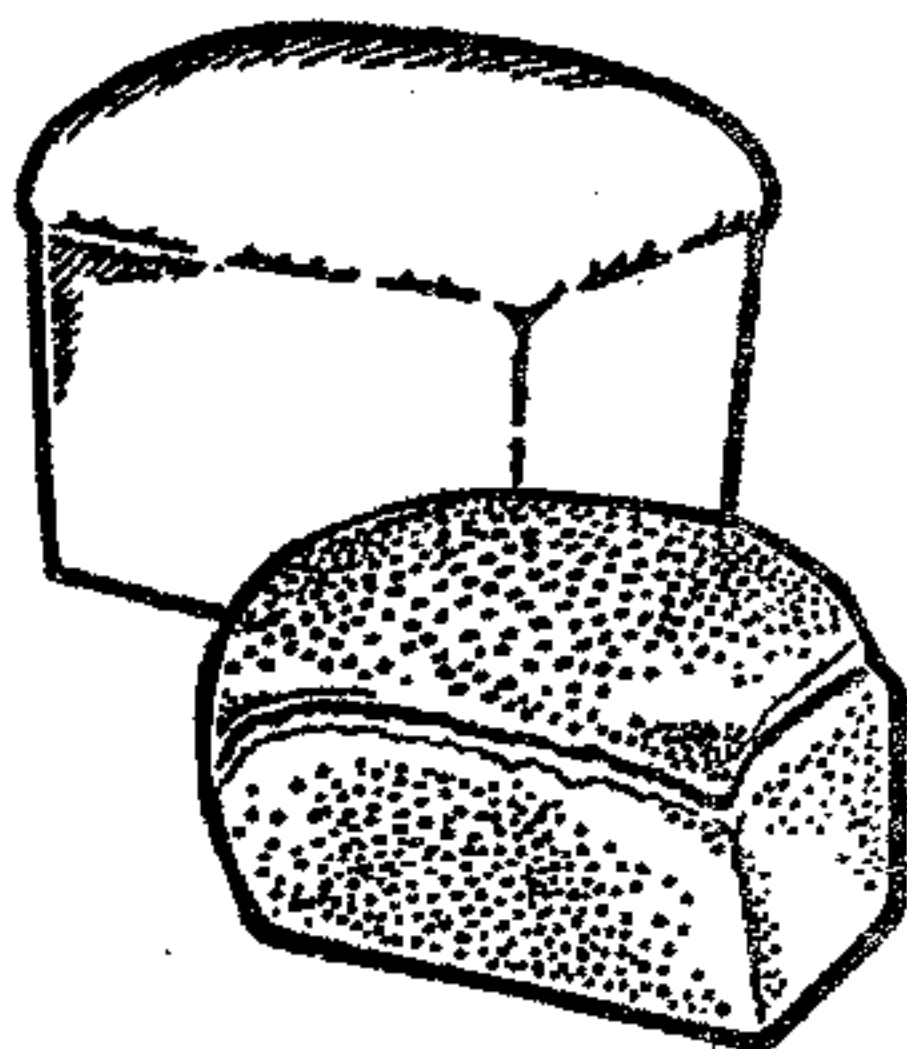
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