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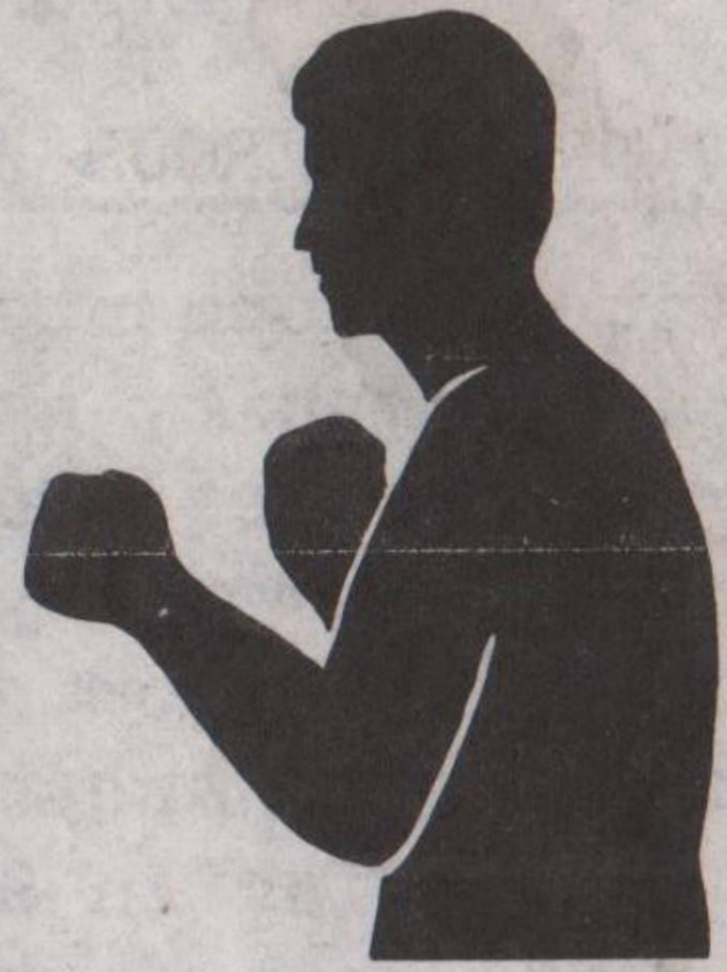
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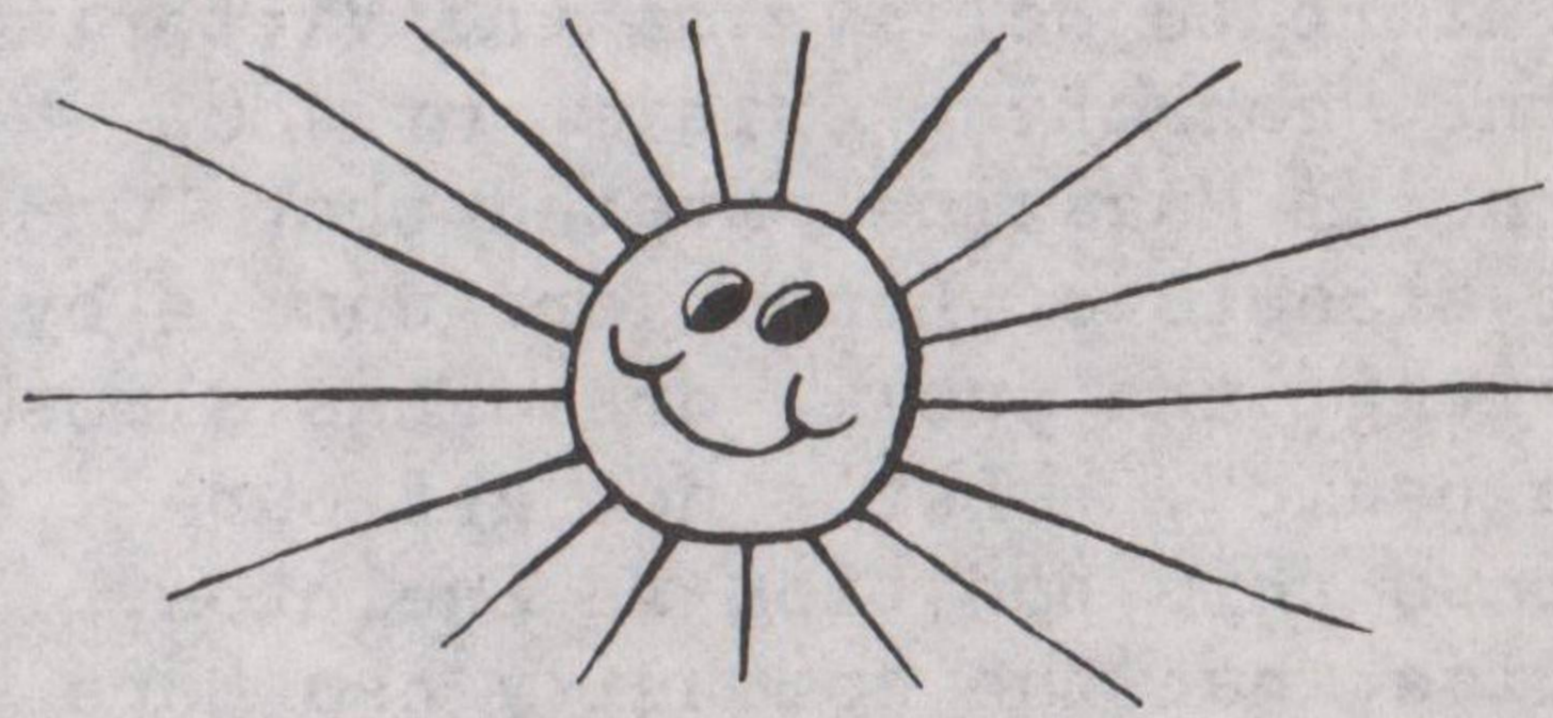
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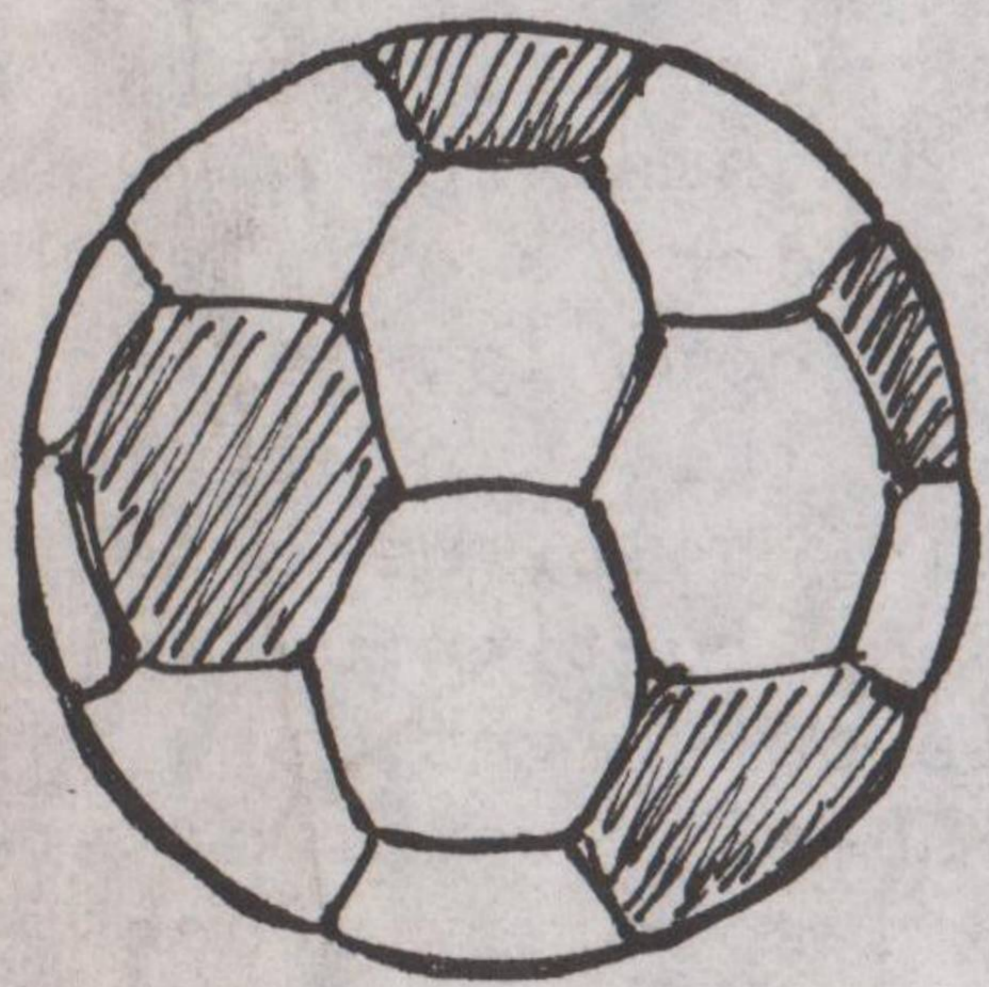
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RECREATION



Mugging in Sneinton ~

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FACT OR DANGEROUS MYTH?

Recent developments, in that certain sections of our community have begun to hold 'anti-mugging classes' for the elderly at the Hermitage Community Centre deserve our attention and comment. The questions that must be asked are the following.

- (1) Is mugging in Sneinton a major problem that deserves this form of action?
- (2) Does the publicity that has been given to mugging lead to a situation where potential assailants are encouraged to 'have a go'?
- (3) What is the role of the police in this?

There can be no doubt that crime has become an emotive issue. Whilst one accepts that crime, including mugging is a "serious social problem" attention must be given to the actual figures on the ground. Otherwise we will start to believe as the Victorians did in the "garroting crisis" of 1860 when the 'Cornhill Magazine' stated that "Once more the streets of London are unsafe by day or night, the public dread has almost become a panic". Let's not get ourselves into this position in Sneinton, and realise that the community has more positive aspects to it rather than run the risk of being labelled a 'crime area' by the media.

It is also worth noting that according to a government research study by the Home Office (1981) that three things are certain about mugging. It is greatly feared; It is extremely rare and few mugging victims are seriously injured. In addition, research carried out by 'Age Concern' shows that the majority of mugging victims are between the age of 17 and 30! All people of course fear mugging, but the sort of activity we see in part of our community now will induce an even greater fear, and may even deprive the elderly of their liberty, by forcing them to remain at home.

Sneinton is not an area where a large number of muggings take place. The majority of elderly people in our area are neither in a position nor careless enough to carry large amounts of money when going out. Every mugging is one too many, however, let's get the whole thing in perspective for Sneinton. According to the latest figures provided by the constabulary mugging is not such a serious problem in Sneinton as drunkenness or burglary.

Therefore let's as a community state our concern about crime but in an informed manner and not make knee-jerk reactions to the way in which newspapers create anxiety about a particular 'problem'. Let's follow the Sneinton tradition and be realistic, rational and careful.

Green X

Letters

Dear Ed.,

I believe that a recent repair programme, carried out by the City Council Housing Department deserves comment and commendation.

I reported the complete collapse of my garden wall to the Department on a Tuesday morning; the debris was cleared away the same afternoon.

The next morning saw the commencement of work rebuilding the wall, by a bricklayer and his mate, which was completed by Thursday afternoon; just two days after the initial notification of the collapse of the wall. Considering the Housing Department's prompt action, and the high standard of the workmanship involved, I believe it is only fair that the Repairs Section of the Department should be commended for such an expeditious reaction.

A Satisfied Council Tenant
on Elford Rise

Dear Editor,

I would like to protest at the way the Department of Environment handle some of their business affairs. When I, together with some neighbours and a member of TRACS asked for advice of how to get the debris of a wall removed which had come down after the frost and ice this winter, we, instead of getting help, were send a warning notice instructing us to clear the rubble ourselves, rebuild the wall as it used to be or alternatively put up a boundary fence within 21 days, or court action would be taken.

Is this the usual procedure of this department??

AN IRATE RESIDENT

Traffic in Sneinton

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A recent meeting organised by TRACS in conjunction with Nottingham County Council to discuss road safety in Sneinton clearly illustrated that many residents are deeply concerned about the situation.

After a brief introduction by Councillor George Chambers, Mr B Gallear went on to outline the Council's proposals for the improvement of road safety in central Sneinton. The three Council proposals, (as described in 'Sneinton News'), involve:

- A) A loop system stopping all traffic moving along or crossing Sneinton Boulevard.
- B) Street closures and banned turns diverting traffic away from central Sneinton.
- C) 'Limited Entry' signs being placed on some side streets to limit traffic moving between Sneinton Dale and Sneinton Boulevard.

Proposals A and B met with strong objections because, although traffic along the Boulevard would be reduced, there would be an increase in traffic on Sneinton Hermitage and Colwick Road.

Residents also expressed reservations about proposal B because, although it reduces traffic through central Sneinton whilst allowing local drivers to move through the area, it does make access to West Bridgeford and the Meadows more difficult.

Proposal C, involving limited entry to some side streets between the Dale and the Boulevard was felt by most people to be ineffective.



After a lot of careful planning and research TRACS have come up with a scheme of their own based on proposal C but also including narrowed, cobbled entrances to side streets, the provision of parking spaces for residents and the planting of trees and shrubs to make streets more attractive for residents. Similar plans have worked in West Bridgeford, Bulwell and Netherfield because, whilst making side streets visually attractive, through traffic is discouraged.

All in all, the meeting was well attended and many useful points were raised which, Councillor Chambers said, would be considered by the Council when making the final decision. V.F.

MARKA TRAVEL

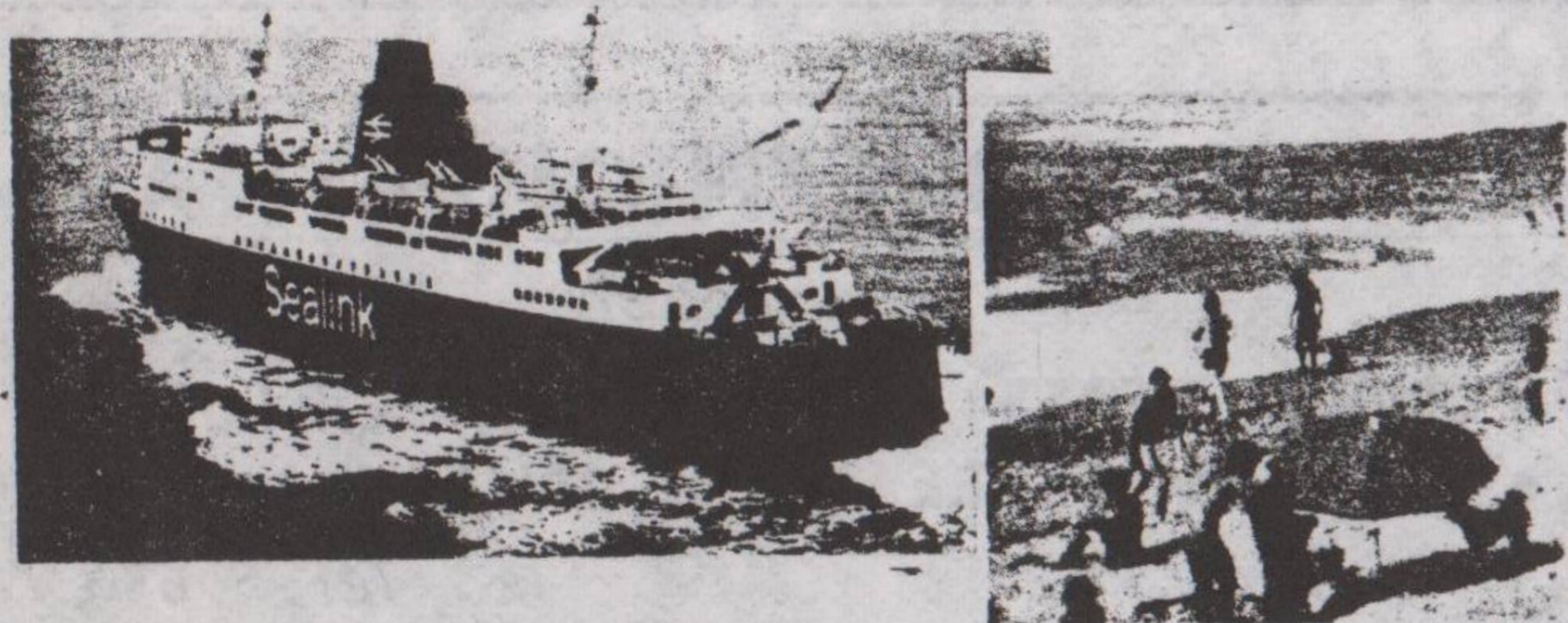
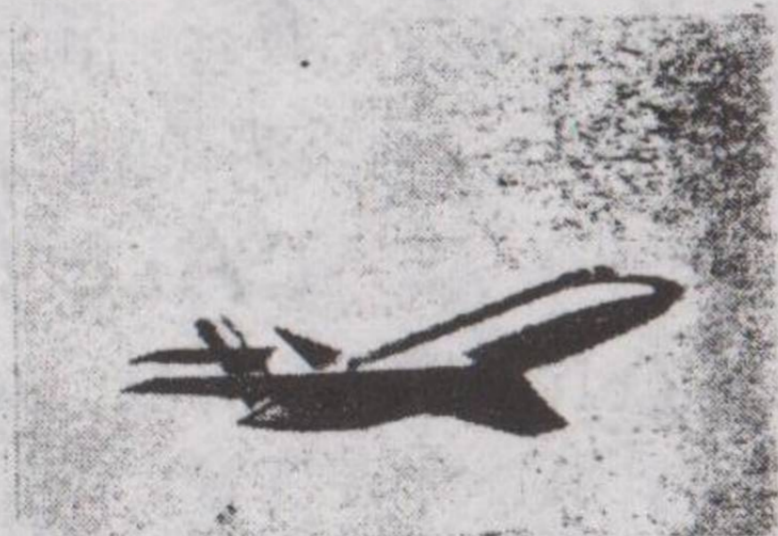
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Housing in Sneinton - (Part 2)

HOUSING IN SNEINTON - PART 2

(Further details from the report, calling for the Sneinton Central Housing Action Area, follow).

a) TENURE

The current housing comprises:

Owner-occupied	275
Privately rented	81
Council owned	23
Housing Associations	39
	<u>418</u>

Compared with other Housing Action Areas (HAAs) SNEINTON SOUTH has a high proportion (66%) of owner-occupiers. However almost a third of all properties lack amenities such as fixed bath, inside W.C. etc; the number of such properties being 128. In addition the area contains 25 short-life dwellings.

b) IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES

Completed schemes comprise:

Council properties	12
Nott'm Community Housing Association	19
Metropolitan Housing Trust	2
Private Owners (with grant aid)	64
	<u>97</u>

There has been a very low rate of grants paid since 1969 and, based on their examination of the area and the relevant statistics, the reporting officers conclude that SNEINTON SOUTH might deteriorate relatively to the rest of the district. Consequently they consider it necessary that the Sneinton Central HAA be declared so that improvement in the area can be accelerated.

c) SNEINTON CENTRAL HOUSING ACTION AREA.

The report proposes that the Nottingham Community Housing Association should work with the City Council in SNEINTON CENTRAL HAA, and as the Association has an office at 39 Sneinton Hermitage which serves two existing HAA's, this office would also serve the Sneinton Central HAA.

d) GRANTS

As in other HAA's, house renovation grants and improvement loans will be available. Readers interested in these, once the Secretary of State has authorised the declaration of a HAA, should contact the appropriate council office which would be either the Housing Department or the Planning Department depending on the nature of the work i.e. house improvements or renovation.

The Voice will publish details of the Secretary of State's decision as soon as possible.

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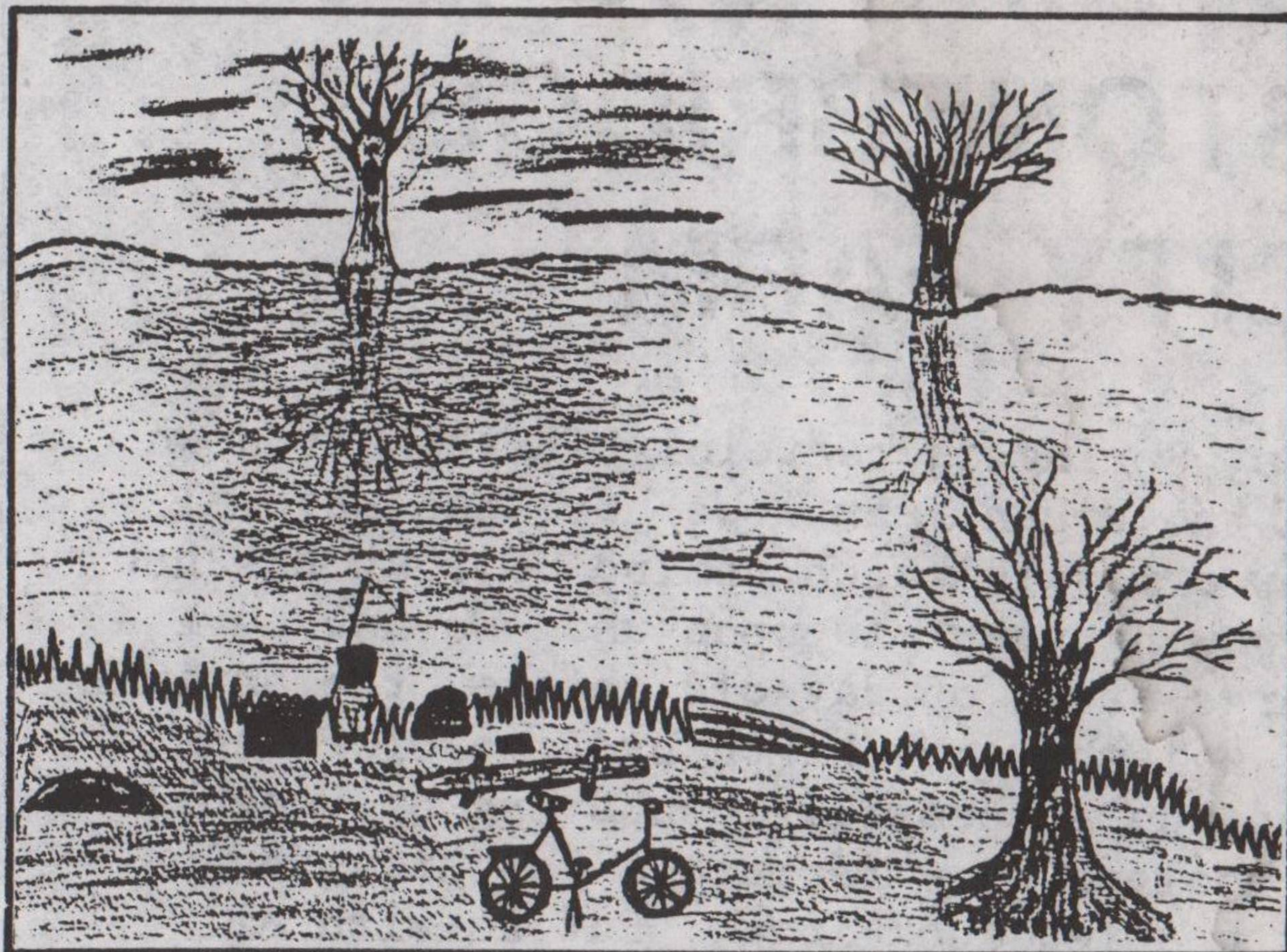
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DRAWING COMPETITION

Due to the large number of excellent drawings handed in for the last issue (Theme: SNEINTON) we have decided to show you some more.
Next theme: A TREE

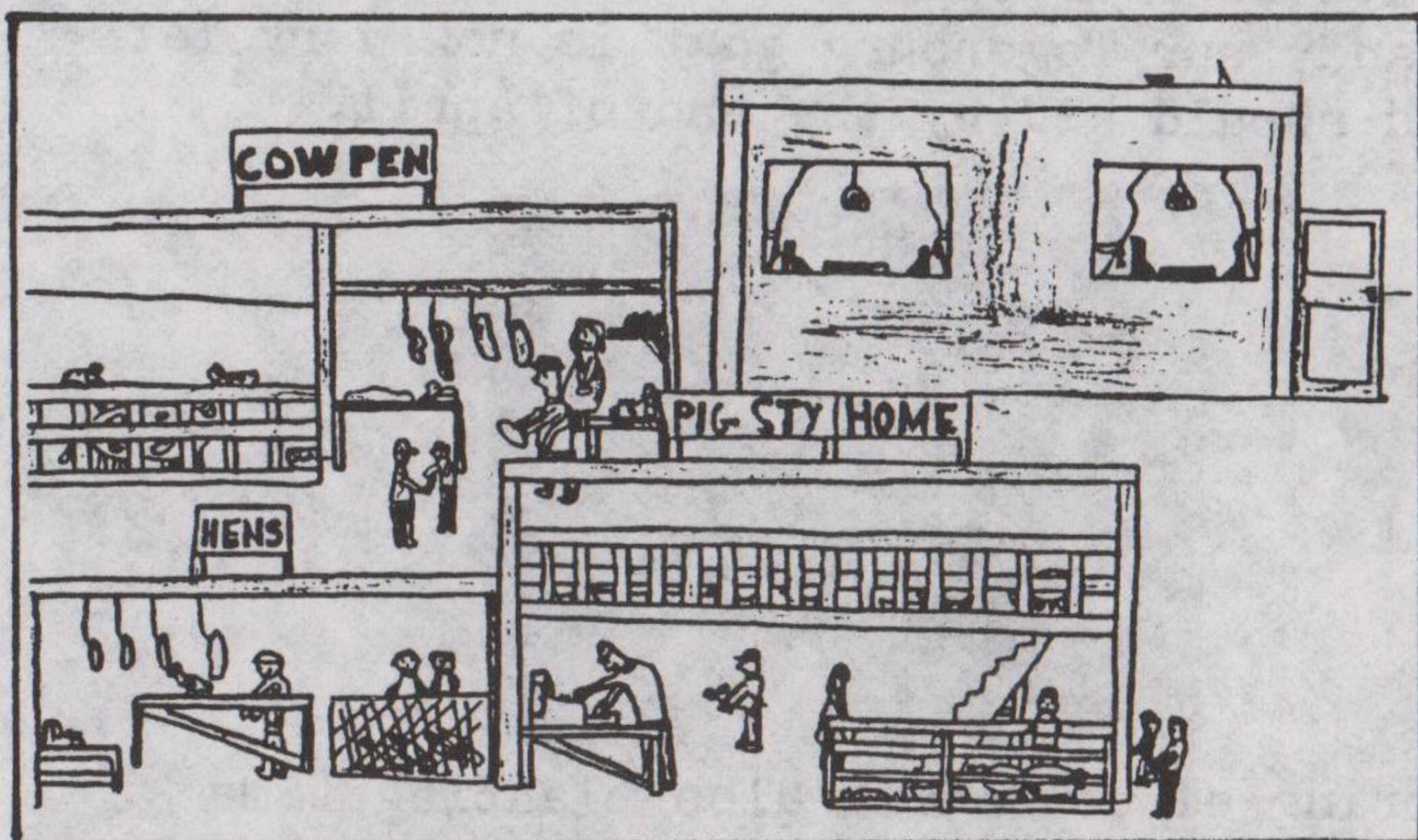


by Joanne Beach, 10 years

Life is Sweet

Behind the darkest clouds there peep eyes that beam so bright, that drives a path to walk along on the darkest dreary night. When troubles hit home hard and heart sheds tingling pain, the sun that warms to set things right drives away the rain. Up and down the hills of life to take with greatest strides, reaching summit, then down again to trust again abides. When tackling the grimy hill, breathe deep with sure feet, and when you reach the top to find that life is something sweet, silence becomes a friend amidst shouts and joys of all.

H.B. DAVIES.



by James Hebb, 11 years

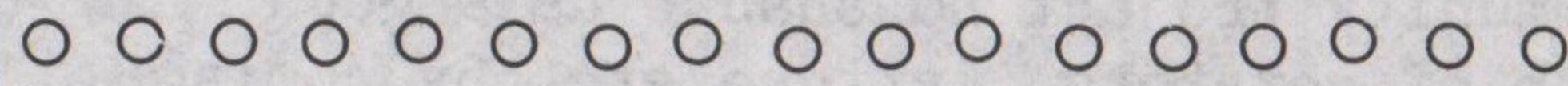
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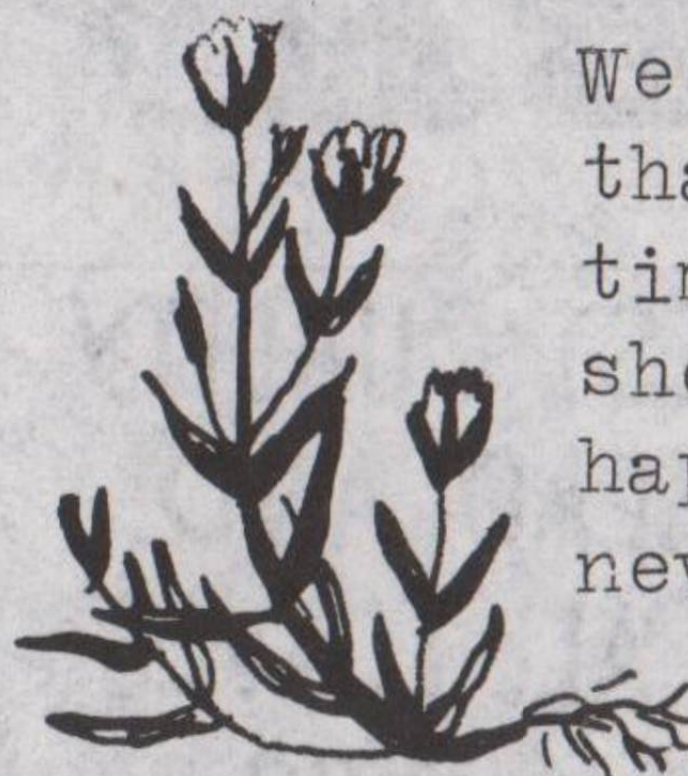
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Acknowledgment



Brigitte, Christopher and Adrian would like to thank all their friends and neighbours, especially on Sedgley Avenue and Rossington Road for their kindness and many expressions of sympathy after the tragic loss of our Jennie. Thanks also to teachers, parents and children of Greenwood Junior School, our friends in TRACS and the VOICE.



We would like you to know that Jennie did not have time to feel any pain when she died -- everything happened so fast. We shall never understand WHY she left us so suddenly, but we know that she was happy when she did.

Her memory will stay alive in our hearts

SPRING ON STONEBRIDGE CITY FARM

Yes, Spring is certainly in the air down on the Urban Farm. We have had several new arrivals which remind us that the new 'growing year' is upon us. We now have a large stock of day-old chicks, the arrival of 4 lambs, the birth by Lisa of 2 kids, and the successful incubating by Rosehill School of some farm eggs has provided us with a few ducklings. But as with all young'uns - they grow fast, so hurry down to see the new arrivals. Hopefully these won't be our only additions to stock as Brandy our Togenburg goat is now very fat and should kid by the end of April.



Spring of course is also planting time and so we need as many people as possible to come and help - we have the seed, we only need the manpower. Remember this is a community project so ensure us a good crop of potatoes, lettuce etc. by coming and help plant some.

We open every day and so if you want to, come for a visit, buy some milk or eggs, or to do some 'work', then please don't hesitate - we are situated on Stonebridge Road, St. Anns, behind the Co-op on Carlton Road. Come along soon and experience spring in the city.

Ian

FOOTBALL



NOTTS COUNTY 0 MIDDLESBROUGH 1

This was County's worst performance of the season against a 'Boro side who seem destined for division 2 next season. Their strange formation included three defenders, five in midfield, leaving McCulloch and Chiedozie as the front runners. It proved unsuccessful as County struggled throughout the ninety minutes.

Even Middlesbrough's simple football was too much for County and it was no surprise when MacDonald scored the only goal in the 63rd minute.

Certainly one game the players and supporters will want to forget.

NOTTS COUNTY END IN DEFEAT

County, hoping to improve on recent home performances, had Aki Lahtinen and Trevor Christie in the line-up against lowly West Bromwich Albion.

County again had an uphill task as MacKenzie scored from a free kick in the opening minutes, the free kick being given when Hunt was penalised for a tackle on Regis.

Regis scored their second goal as he beat County's off-side trap, whilst in-between, Chiedozie claimed his first goal at Meadow Lane.

Albion proved to be a very physical side which resulted in bookings for Wile, Bennett and Owen. Owen eventually being sent off in the final minute.

A disappointing end to a season which has seen County compete with the best in the league.

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ICE HOCKEY



VICTORY FOR PANTHERS

Panther's 9-3 triumph over Southampton Vikings in the semi-final of the Southern English League on Saturday 15 May was very welcome after their 2-10 defeat at Streatham on 2 May.

Coach Les Strongman, who has decided to retire at the end of the season, should be particularly happy with this result. Just 5 minutes into the first period Dwayne Keward and Darryl Easson had produced a goal each, and it looked as though the Panthers were going to have an easy match until Viking's M. Lewis hit back with two goals.

With the score at 2-2, the second period saw another four goals from the Panthers. It also saw five of the Panthers in the penalty box, but at least one of these penalties seemed undeserved; can accidentally knocking the goal out of place warrant a 2 minute penalty for 'delaying the game'?

By the third period it was generally felt that the match had been won, but the Vikings still put up a struggle, scoring another goal whilst the Panthers succeeded in knocking in 3 more to win 9-3.

The 'Man of the Match' awards went to the thoroughly deserving netminders G. Vasicek (Vikings) and Frankie Killen (Panthers). Congratulations are also due to Frankie on his election to the 'All Star' line-up for the 1981/2 season, organised by the Ice Hockey Review.

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WALKING

This is a cheap and easy pastime for young and old, especially when you consider that only one leg at a time is in use. And where better to practise the exercise than in Colwick Park.

Access by vehicles or walkers is available from near Colwick Hall, taking the race course road near the Colwick Road level crossing; or from the entrances with car parks - one near the Starting Gate pub, Colwick Road, the other on Mile End Road, about half a mile further along. Buses 80 and 81 take passengers to Colwick Crossing; Trent bus routes 313, 314, 321/2, 323 stop at the Starting Gate.



Entering the Park at the latter entrance, with car park, one finds a childrens play area. Bearing left there is the Loop - a historic feature since it is the remnant of the old river which bypassed a weir years ago. Then comes another play area with a childrens' boating section in which paddle boats are to be introduced soon. This is a protected area of the main Colwick Lake, on which fishing is the most popular pastime, and on which there is a special area for model boats which is used every Sunday morning in summer by a Nottingham club.

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FOOTBALL

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CITY GIVE NOTTS THE BLUES

Birmingham entered this game knowing that they needed three points to pull themselves clear of the relegation zone. Notts County kept the side which successfully defeated Stoke in midweek.

Birmingham opened the scoring in the first minute when Phillips scored with the simplest of chances, after a cross from Van Mielo deceived Avramovic.

In the 12th minute County drew level. A quick throw by Christie found McCulloch and he raced forward into the penalty area to lob the ball over the goalkeeper. In the second half City again surprised Notts as Evans restored their lead in the 49th minute.

Harford increased Birmingham's lead in the 68th minute, following a centre by Evans which eluded the home defence. McCulloch almost reduced the deficit five minutes later when his shot beat the keeper but hit a post.

City completed the scoring nine minutes from the end when Evans headed in unmarked.

County were deservedly beaten by Birmingham who recorded their first away victory since November 1980.

Greg



ICE HOCKEY

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Panther's manager Gary Keward can have few complaints about the Panther's performance on Saturday as the whole team displayed determination, confidence and skill.

Let us hope that we will witness a similar victory next Saturday over the Dundee Rockets, to whom the Panthers lost 2-15 in a challenge match last January.

Val

WALKING

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Moving on in the direction of Colwick Hall, we find the West Lake on which sail boards, Kayaks and dinghies are seen in profusion on fine days. After this, another play area appears and for the energetic, turning down the path beside the ruined tower of St. John's Church leads to a nature trail - complete with ruins! - which returns the walkers to their starting point. The wardens and staff at the Park are helpful and knowledgeable, and have proved themselves to be resourceful during a number of mishaps which have occurred since the Park opened.

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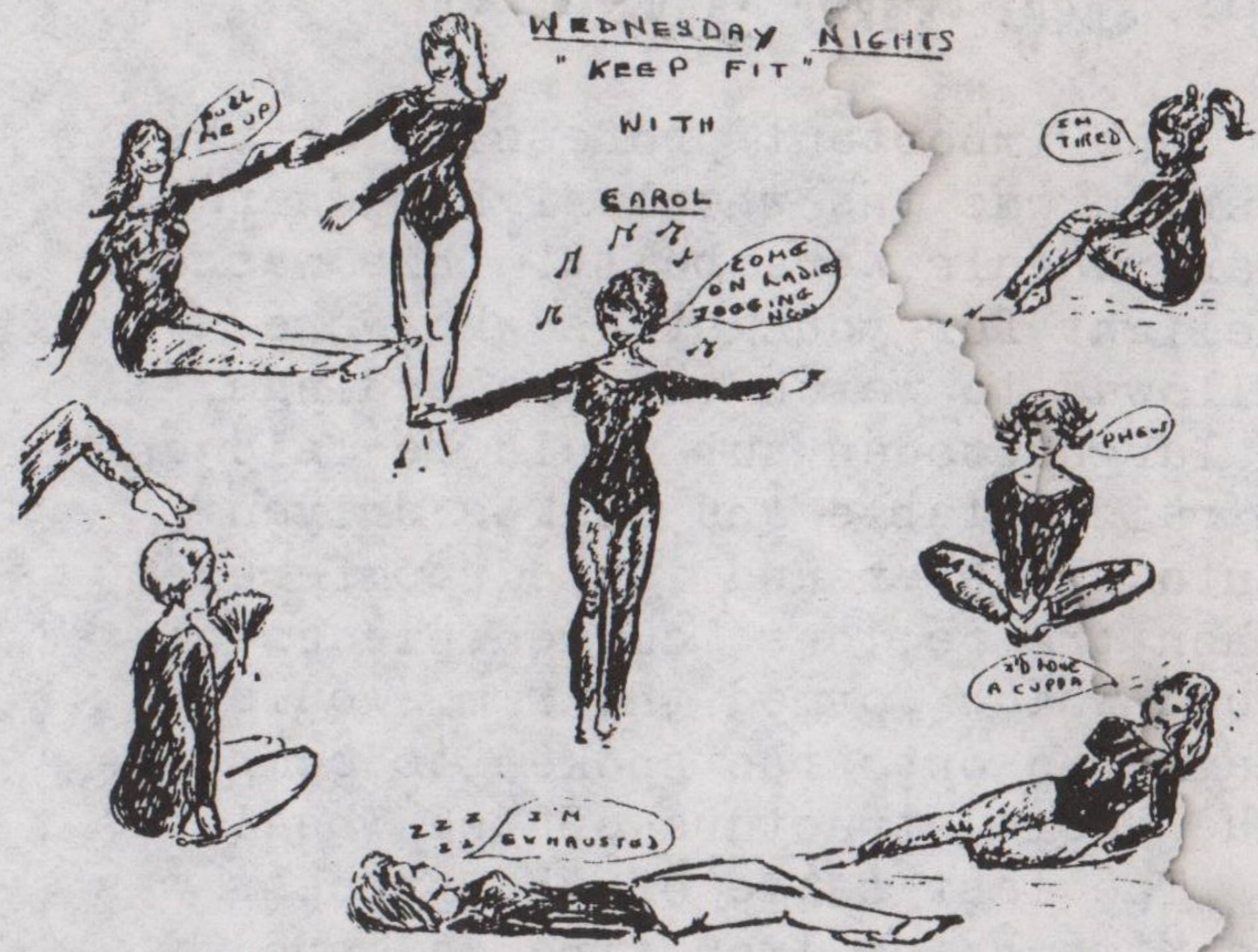
"Fit for à Laugh!!"

"Fold and fling! Fold and fling!"
These peculiar instructions can be heard emerging from the Sneinton Hermitage Community Centre every Wednesday night at about 7.15. p.m.

"Step knee up and kick! Step knee up and kick!" - Yet another burst, accompanied by grunts and groans which could possibly lead you to believe that there was a class on 'self defence by kicking' taking place.

But you would be mistaken. The dozen or so ladies who participate in this weekly activity are neither karate-kicking nor doing origami, but 'keeping-fit'.

Every Wednesday from 7.15 we stand in anticipation in front of the stereo equipment, ready to follow those energetic instructions delivered by some very cheerful, sporty lady whom we never see. Our guiding light is Carol Wilson, who 'runs' the group (literally some weeks when jogging is on the agenda)



We are not super-healthy athletics but a rather mixed bunch really, including a secretary, shop-assistant, and an English teacher. We are all different ages too so don't feel age is any restriction to coming along. The one thing we do have in common is an enjoyment (believe it or not!) of our Wednesday evenings. The exercise is one attraction, but so is the social aspect. It is a cheerful evening where you can 'do your own thing' within reason - which usually leads to a laugh or two, and it provides an opportunity of meeting other people.

Most of the group are local people though some do travel-from Bestwood in one case.

Anyone interested in joining us would be most welcome. The class lasts for about an hour from 7.15-8.15 p.m.

Please contact Carol Wilson at the Community Centre for more details. Classes are also held Tuesday evenings (see Diary on back page)

Carol Wilson.

D.B. JONES

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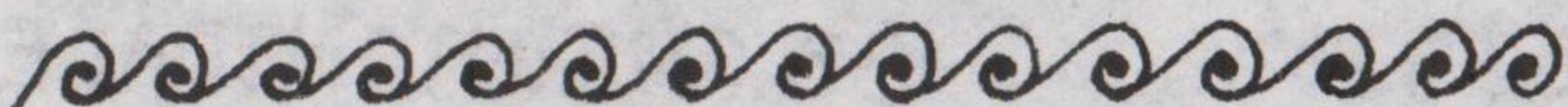
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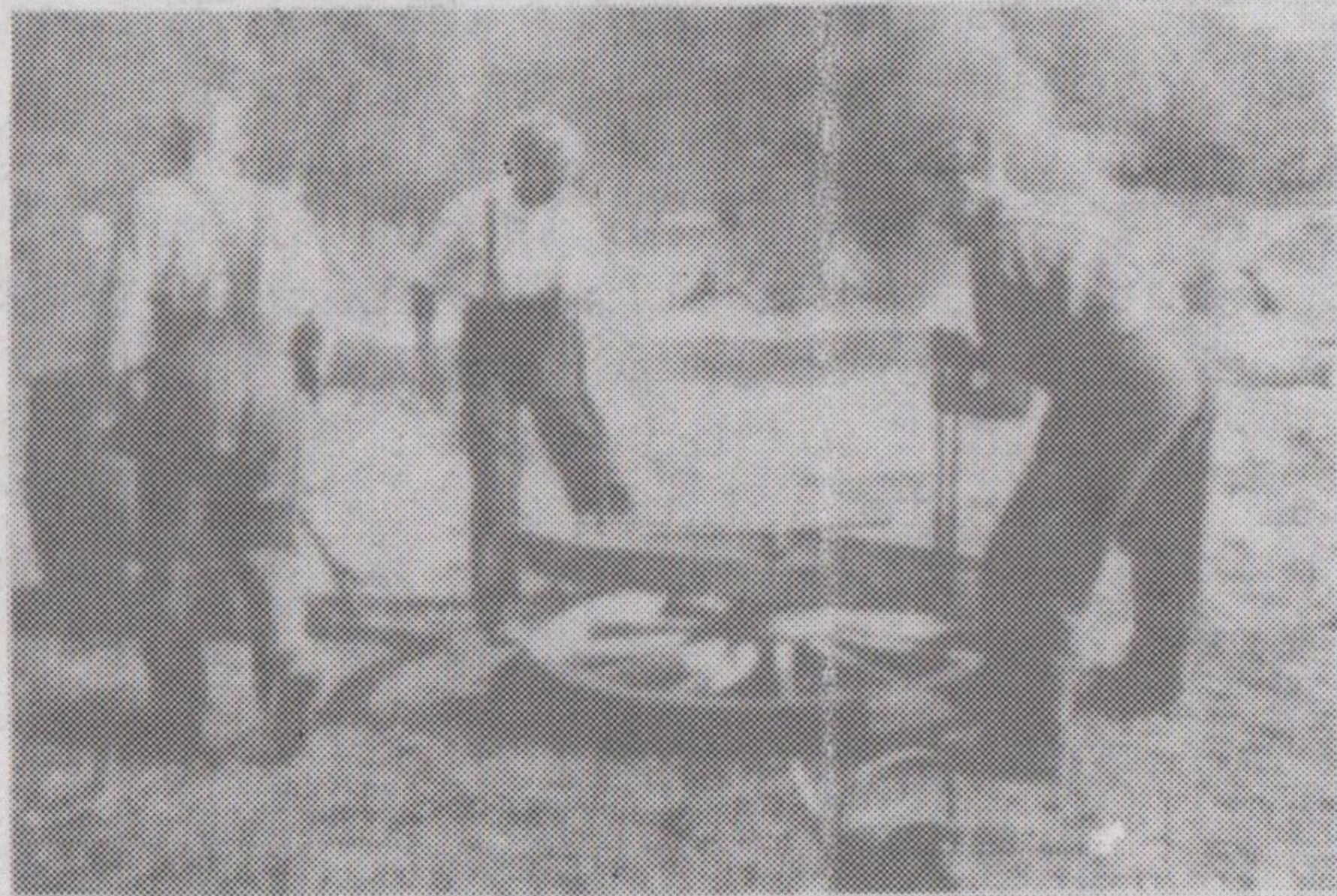
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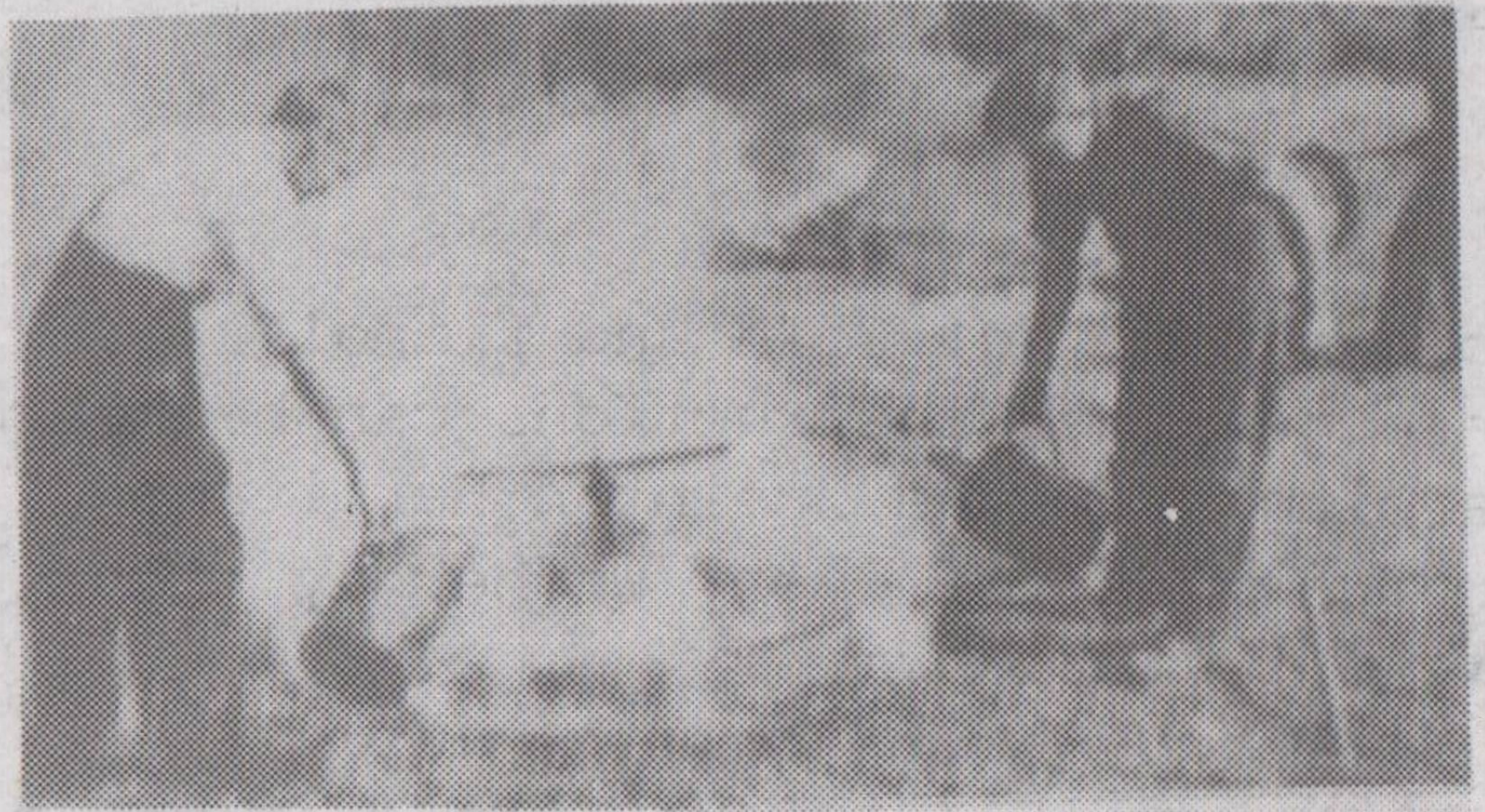
In the 1920's

One important profession of the period was the wheelwrights where cart wheels were built. This was a delight for youngsters who were allowed to watch the proceedings. A large wooden hub would be laid on a raised table and spokes driven into slots around its circumference; then the felloes, curved pieces of wood which formed the rim, would be hammered onto the spokes to complete the basic structure of the wheel.

The last stage of the process was to attach the iron tire, a band of metal three or four inches wide, which would be lying in a bed of red hot coke, glowing with heat, to cause it to expand just enough to enable the wheelwright to force it onto the wooden rim of the wheel.



When the tire was at the right temperature the wheelwright and his mate would grasp it with metal tongs; quickly laying it on the wheel, they would hammer it rapidly down over the wooden rim until it lay flush with the edges. All the time smoke would be billowing upwards as the wood was charred by the heat of the glowing hoop of metal, to be followed by clouds of steam as water was poured over the rim to make the tire contract. As it did so, the wooden sections of the wheel would creak as they were forced inwards under the pressure until they were firmly locked together.



Usually the cooling process would be effected by having a large tank of water beneath the table on which the wheel was built; When the tire was in place a lever was pulled, which lowered the whole table below the surface of the water, giving off masses of steam as the hot metal caused the water to boil.

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(Serves many)

Mr. John Lynch

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Bill: You say you insured your house yesterday. What will you get if it burns down tomorrow?

Jim: About five years.



OPENING SHORTLY

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FORMERLY SUGAR & SPICE

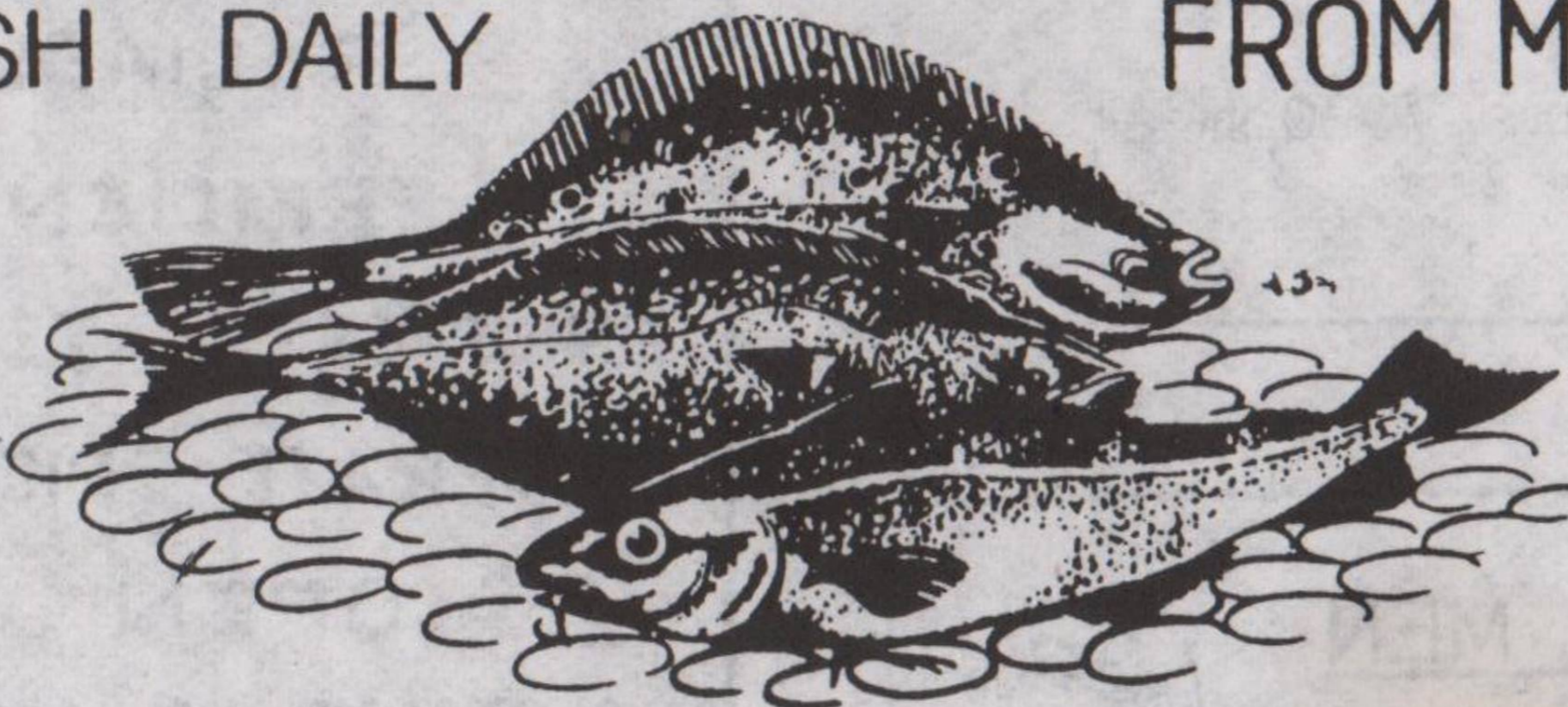
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Sneinton Diary

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 Mum & Toddlers 10am to 12 noon
 Bingo 2pm to 4 pm
 English For Asian Ladies 6.30pm to 8 pm
 Keep Fit 7.30pm to 9 pm
 Modern Sequence Dancing 7.30pm to 10 pm

Wednesday

Coffee Morning 10am to 12 noon
 Whist Drive 2pm to 4 pm
 Keep Fit 7.15pm to 8.15pm
 Whist & Bingo 7pm to 9 pm
 Karate 8.30pm to 10 pm

Friday

Coffee Morning 10am to 12 noon
 Bingo 7.30pm to 9.30pm
 Karate 7.30pm to 10 pm

Saturdays available for bookings,
 Jumble sales, Bazzars, Birthday parties etc.

Social Attractions Saturday, May 29th

Morris Men dancers are dancing in front of the centre at 10.00 am. They are dancing from the Market Square through Carlton to Southwell. It is a sponsor dance to help the 'Smiles don't Stare' Charity. Also May 29th - Fete & Gala at Highfields. The Carnival parade will leave Forest at 1.30 pm passing Council House at 2.15 pm. Programmes available at the Community Centre 10p.each.

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Tel. 584862

- * Advice Centre, 26 Lyndhurst Road
 Tuesdays 6-7pm and Thurs 2-3pm
- * Fortnightly meetings Thurs 7.30pm at
 26 Lyndhurst Road

HAIRDRESSING FOR MEN

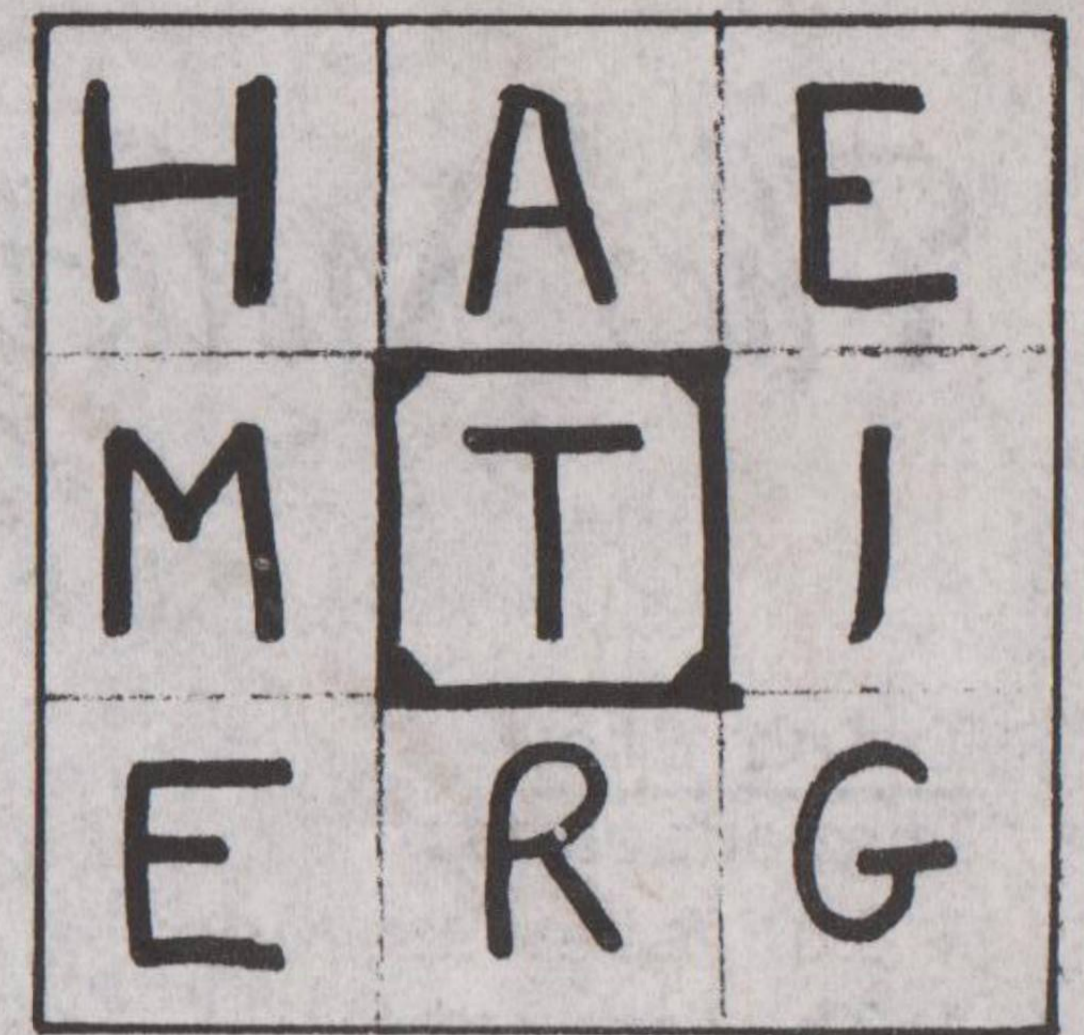
BRIAN W. BUSH, 115 Colwick Rd.

Men from 70p Boys from 65p
 O.A.P. (Mon. to Fri.) from 45p

ALSO MEN'S TOILETRIES AT CUT PRICES!



WORD GAME



Using the letters in this grid, how many words of four or more letters can you make? Each word must include the centre letter and each letter must be used only once in each word. No foreign words or plurals, and there is at least one nine letter word with local connections.

Target: 25 words GOOD, 50 words BETTER, 60 words EXCELLENT!

Solution to the word game in the last issue : The nine letter word was REGULATED, and there were at least 99 possible words in the solution.

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