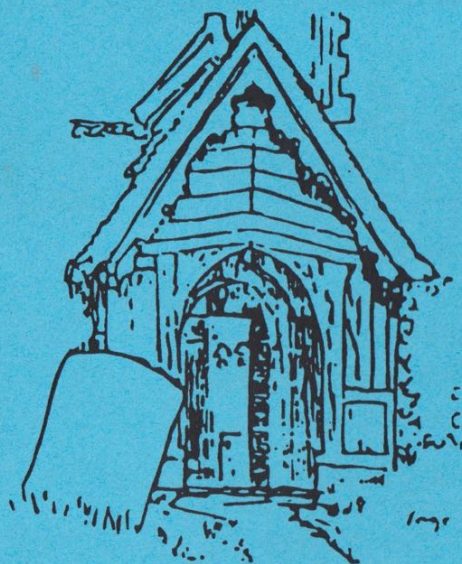


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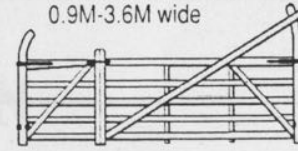
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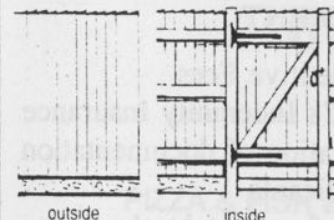
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My Dear Friends

On Monday the 29th June 1998 the Bishop of Dover re-licensed me as Priest in Charge of the eight Parishes of the Benefice. With the support of Paul Filmer and the wardens, readers and local church leaders we hope to move forward. To achieve this we are actively seeking the help of the Diocese to establish local ministry teams or link groups. Whenever it is possible, Paul and I will be working with the layleaders of the church and seeking to encourage the use of the gifts of local leaders both within the Sunday Services, and in pastoral care and teaching.

The response, so far, has been very encouraging, however we recognise that the churches will develop in different ways and at differing speeds.

Paul and Judy Filmer and the family have now moved to the Hastingsleigh Vicarage and have begun to settle. They appreciated the help and support they were given in their move, from Stelling and Hastingsleigh, and throughout the Benefice. We wish them all well.

The Lambeth Conference, as I write, is in full swing. Many people from the Benefice are involved and some are hosting a bishop. There will be, afterwards, many reflections to offer by those who have been able to take this opportunity.

In His Service

Richard Bateman

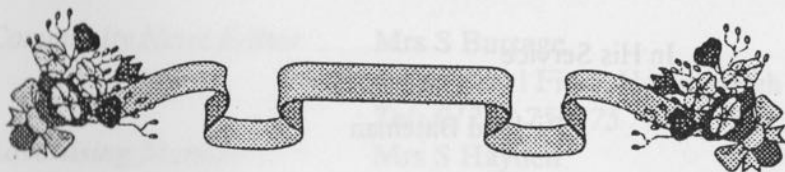
## HASTINGLEIGH ANNUAL VILLAGE FÊTE

We woke up on Saturday 27th June to a grey, gloomy wet day and extreme pessimism over whether we could use the garden of Tamley Cottage for the fête. It was still raining at 11.30a.m. and so we had to site lunches, teas and most of the stalls in the village hall. When the rain finally stopped at lunch time, the remaining activities planned went ahead in the garden after all, including the sale of plants, the display and access to the telescopes of SEKAS (South East Kent Astronomical Society), the scarecrow competition, the raffle (with its superb prizes acquired by Tracey Block) and the various games, competitions and booths.

Success was snatched from the jaws of defeat. Although bright sunny weather would have helped things swing along even more, there is no doubt that the day was successful both as a social occasion (enabling villagers to meet and enjoy themselves) and financially (more than £800 was raised). The proceeds will be used to improve the amenities and facilities of the village as opportunities arise. If you have ideas on this please let Trevor or Dot Wye have them.

We hope to run the event annually, so if you have suggestions for activities to be included, please let us know. Next year it will be held on May 8th - so start getting your scarecrow ready well in advance! Meanwhile a big thank you to all those efforts made this year's fête possible, not least to Trevor and Dot Wye for making their beautiful garden available.

G.E.



## EVINGTON GARDENERS

The sun came out for our Summer Show on Saturday July 18th, too late for the exhibits of Sweet Peas that would have improved with a hot sunny week and far too late for the gladioli class for there wasn't a bloom in sight! The roses, however, seemed to have put up with the damp weather.

The Chairman Tim Bowes presented the cups and prizes and although a certain couple made a very embarrassing clean sweep of the cups, everybody pulled out the stops to get over last year's fiasco of a cancelled show through lack of entries. The cookery class was very well supported with Avis Ball taking the honours, her reward, £5. and the wooden spoon. Have we got it right? I thought the wooden spoon was something our sportsmen and women get for coming last! Not that the ladies had it all their own way in the cookery classes, 'Master Baker', Bill Gardener got firsts in both brown and white bread.

Our next Show will be September '99. The best onions come from seed sown in January, so gardeners don't put your feet up for too long and we hope to be ordering seeds this autumn.

M.W.B.

## GUIDED TOUR OF CANTERBURY

If anyone would like to do a guided walk of Canterbury, I plan to take one on Wednesday 9th September (free)! Car lifts can be arranged.

Please contact Roz. Bacon, City & Cathedral Guide, Tel. 750.237



## EVINGTON CRICKET CLUB REPORT

The start of the season has suffered greatly due to the inclement weather, the Cricket club missing out on games against Mersham and Selsted. However, once the rain had stopped, a promising start was made. Our results so far are:

### Great Chart (Home)

Evington 211 for 5 (A. Harrison 44, F. Moon 51, B. Southen 37, G. Hill 73 n.o. Great Chart 110 for 8 (J. Martin 5 for 31)

Match Drawn.

### Whitstable Labour Club (Home)

Evington 145 all out (J. Martin 57) R. Hawkins 17. Whitstable Labour Club 119 all out. (K. Southen 3 for 4, B. Southen 3 for 8) Evington won by 26 runs.

### Bilsington (Away)

Bilsington 56 all out (B. Young 3 for 17, B. Southen 3 for 11). Evington 60 for 2. (K. Tame 22 n.o. T., Smith 19.n.o) Evington won by 8 wickets.

### Folkestone Equitables (Home)

Evington 164 all out (K. Tame 46, K. Southen 46) Folkestone 166 for 7 (B. Young 4 for 37) Evington lost by 3 wickets.

### Charter (Home)

Evington 155 for 3 (S. Wood 36, B. Southen 36, G. Hill 55 n.o. ) Charter 74 all out (K. Southen 4 for 20-, J. Martin 3 for 22) Evington won by 81

### Whitstable Labour Club (Away)

abandoned after 1 innings (K. Southen 63 n.o.)

### Matches for August.

|                           |                        |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 2nd - Detling - Away      | 9th- Southfleet - Home |
| 16th - Bossingham - Home  | 23rd Stowting - Away   |
| 30th - Etchinghill - Home |                        |

B.S.

## Affairs of The Heart:

Recently, we arranged for the resuscitation officer from the local hospital to come and teach our staff what to do if someone collapses unconscious and how to do Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). At first, some of us were a bit shy but in the end, with the help of several dummies, everyone was down on the floor having a go. During our meeting, we discussed the recommendations from some recent British research on heart attacks. The study found that many heart attack victims had no idea that their symptoms were heart-related and so, delayed seeking help. The research showed that it is vitally important that heart attack victims get fully equipped medical help quickly, that means ringing 999.

I should like to take this opportunity to help you to recognise the symptoms of a heart attack and what to do. The main symptom is chest pain lasting more than 15 minutes, which is often described as crushing or like a band and sometimes confused with indigestion. The pain may spread to the jaw or arms and may be associated with nausea, sweatiness and shortness of breath. Remember, though heart attacks victims are more likely to be over 40 years old, to be male, to smoke and may have had a heart attack or angina before; heart attacks can affect anyone, even those who thought themselves fit.

The reason the British Heart Foundation advise patients to ring 999 is that the severity of a heart attack can be reduced if treatment is started early and if the victim develops a chaotic heart rhythm and collapses then Advanced Resuscitation can be used, that is CPR and defibrillation using an electric shock.

If someone develops chest pain as described above, do not feel guilty about ringing 999 - heart attacks are emergencies! Having called an ambulance, it is worth giving the patient a single 300mg aspirin tablet. It has to be aspirin, not paracetamol, as it helps reduce the "blood stickiness" and together with hospital treatments reduces the severity of the attack. In this situation, aspirin can be given to anyone who is not allergic to it and who is not suffering from an active duodenal or stomach ulcer.

CPR is something that everyone can and ought to learn, you never know when you might need it. We would like to help you learn CPR and so we are planning a series of early evening sessions to teach you. Please ring Wye Surgery (01233 812419) to find out the dates and to book in - I think smaller groups are less intimidating and more fun, we'll provide the coffee and biscuits. Alternatively, you could ring Kent Heartstart (01227 265899) and find out about their training sessions.

from Roz Waller,  
Wye Surgery.

## EVINGTON MILLENNIUM COMMITTEE

Various events are proposed to be held in the Bodsham, Elmsted, Hastingleigh vicinity in 1999 and a Carnival in July 2000

26th June 1999: Feast and barn dance

5th November 1999: Bonfire

31st December 1999: Family Party

July 2000: Carnival (date to be advised)

We would be very grateful for any feedback on the proposed events or any other events that anyone feels that would be suitable to celebrate to the lead up of the year 2000. If you have any comments please would you place them in the box at the village shop during the next 4 weeks.

## ELMSTED CHURCH HASSOCKS

Thank you to everyone who has started, or is contemplating, working a tapestry kneeler for the Elmsted Church Millennium project. A completed canvas is now on display at the back of the church for encouragement. I have prepared canvasses and plenty of wool for anyone who would like to try.

Any artistic suggestions for the designs would be most welcome, flower, geometric patterns, Ecclesiastic symbols, inspiration from St. James. Advice and encouragement will be happily proffered by Alice Enderby (01233 750 286) or myself (0181 858 1561)

Anne Burton.

May I also take this opportunity to thank you for the prayers and good wishes for Michael during his course of treatment. All is going smoothly and life should return to normality at the end of August.

## HASTINGLEIGH WITH ELMSTED W.I.

Vi Foad presided as Freda Nancollas was away.

The Group Quiz night was a great success and a letter of appreciation had been received from June Owen. Mrs Foad thanked those who had worked in the kitchen, especially Edna Young. This Institute tied for second place.

Marion Collins reported on the Chartham birthday party which she and Vi Foad had attended. The food was very good, including strawberries and cream. The evening ended with Line Dancing which they enjoyed very much and Marion is hoping to arrange a session in the Evington Hall for 16th October.

Members were surprised at how much there was to learn about Canterbury and its Cathedral when Roz Bacon took them on a quick tour, with the aid of slides and explained some of the history and architecture of the various buildings around the city including, of course, the Cathedral itself. She also spoke of some of Canterbury's famous sons and daughters, Chaucer, England's first poet, Marlow, of course, who might have been a writer to rival Shakespeare if he had not tragically died at 29 and not perhaps so famous, but nevertheless read by several generations of children, the woman who invented Rupert Bear is buried in St. Martin's churchyard. The Black Prince, whose tomb is in the Cathedral, is responsible for the three feathers being the emblem of the Prince of Wales having adopted them as his insignia while fighting in France. The three blackbirds on Canterbury's coat of arms are really Cornish Choughs chosen by the City Fathers because their nickname is Becketts. Barbara George proposed the vote of thanks to Mrs. Bacon.

Barbara George and Eileen Parrett were both given maximum points for their entries in the competition for a Home-made Book Mark. Jean Bowes won the Flower of the Month and Vi Foad was the raffle winner.

E. Parrett.



## SERVICES IN AUGUST

### St. Mary the Virgin, Hastingsleigh

Sun. 9th Aug 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion  
10th after Pentecost (ASB) (Rev. J. Hewes)

Sun 23rd Aug 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion  
(BCP) Rev. D. Venables)

### St. James the Great, Elmsted.

Sun 2nd Aug 9.30 a.m. Family Service  
4th after Pentecost (Rev. P. Filmer)

Sun 16th Aug. 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion  
11th after Pentecost (ASB) (Rev. A. Soar)

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Sun 30th Aug. 9.30a.m. Benefice Service  
Family Communion - Stelling

Mid-week Communion - Wednesdays 5th & 19th Aug.  
8.15. a.m. Elmsted Church

NB There will be no Sunday Seekers in August.

## FLOWER AND CLEANING ROTA.

|                             | <u>Elmsted</u>             | <u>Hastingsleigh</u>            |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Aug 1st & 8th               | Mrs Calcutt<br>Mrs Green   | Mrs Burrage<br>Mrs Voigts       |
| Aug 15th & 22nd             | Mrs Enderby<br>Mrs Wright  | Dr. & Mrs Lawson                |
| Aug 29th &<br>September 5th | Mr. Nicholson<br>Mrs Hulme | Mrs Bacon<br>Mrs Gorrell-Barnes |



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### August

Tues 4th Hastingsleigh Parish Council Meeting  
Evington Hall 7.30 Pm

Thur 6th W.I Meeting - Ev. Hall 7.30 p.m.

Wed 26th Chiropody Clinic Ev. Hall

## FRIENDS OF CHURCHES SPONSORED BIKE RIDE

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## CHURCHYARD MOWING ROTA

### Elmsted

#### Week Commencing:-

|           |                            |
|-----------|----------------------------|
| 3rd Aug.  | The Jeffery Team           |
| 10th Aug. | The Calcutt/Nicholson Team |
| 17th Aug. | The Wright Team            |
| 24th Aug. | The Nichols Team           |
| 31st Aug. | The Browning Team          |

### Hastingsleigh

|                     |                |
|---------------------|----------------|
| 2nd - 15th Aug.     | The Rusts.     |
| 16th - 29th Aug.    | The Harrisons. |
| 30th Aug-12th Sept. | R. & N. Young. |

## ashford access group

Working to improve access for disabled people in the Ashford Borough  
and promote "Access For All".  
From the Chairmans Office.

Dear Friends,

June, 1998

Organising the programme/ Agenda, for our Special General and Open Meeting, on the morning of October 24th., at St Teresa's Catholic Church Hall, Ashford, kept me well occupied during early June, and we will start the meeting, with speakers from the Bridgeway Centre and The Ashford Citizens Advice Bureau. These will be followed by Access Group business, when I hope our membership will approve and adopt the new Constitution I have drawn up.

During the morning, and supporting my "Outside Hall" theme of Transportation for Disabled Persons : a matter I am often questioned about by our Members and prospective ones, I have arranged for Foscab, of Park Farm( 0956 295082 ) to be present in the Hall car park, with - subject to not having too many bookings that morning - their London Metro Cab, which is modified to take wheelchairs. Out and About, at Dover H.Q. ( 01304 827309/827995 ), will bring along one of their wheelchair transporters, and Canterbury Mazda ( 01227 783399 ), hope to bring along a couple of adapted cars. Each of these companies, will be pleased to talk to our visitors and explain their services and costs. So please support this considerable effort to help our disabled to go about their normal business, by coming along yourself.

On Monday June 8th., we had a meeting with the management of the Ashford Public Library, to discuss their own access audit, to make the Library in Church Road, as accessible as possible for disabled persons. We will be carrying out our own audit and comparing notes, to ensure " Access for All ", by our public.

A busy game, this Access business!

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## Kent Police working with the Community.

Most of the readers of this column will never come into contact with the police in any formal capacity and their knowledge of Police procedures will be limited to what is shown on television. That is not a criticism, just a fact that, unfortunately, the police are often only closely involved with the public at times of personal upheaval or trauma. Fortunately such incidents are few and far between for most people.

That is why I wish to take the opportunity to clarify with you what a 'Police Caution' is when we deal with people who are first time offenders. Some people say its just a telling off however that is far from the truth. Caution to most people does mean a warning of some sort and for that reason I believe it is a bad term and wished they had used a different word, but unfortunately they did not.

The reality though is, when an offender is Cautioned he/she will have their fingerprints and photograph taken. Depending the offence they are likely to also have their DNA taken. These procedures often have a very sobering affect on an individual. All this data is held on computer files for future checking of crime scenes by our forensic officers. The Caution, as I explain to offenders, is to all intents and purposes a Criminal Record. True it does save them going to court and there is no fine or other punishment handed down, however if though they do commit another offence they will go to court and if convicted that Caution will be taken by the Magistrates as a previous conviction when they are assessing punishment. The truth again though is that the vast majority of people Cautioned never come to the notice of Police again and we use Home Office laid down guidelines as to which offences can be cautioned and which cannot. By not giving a person a Criminal record at this stage we are allowing them a final chance and as stated the vast majority, over 70%, recognize this and never come into contact with the Police again. So a Caution is not a telling off. It can though be a realistic way of dealing with people who have NOT been dealt with for a criminal offence before.

Inspector Dave Pollard

## COMMUNITY POLICING (SHEPWAY DISTRICT)

August Road checks will be aimed at non-users of seat belts - don't forget to strap in your children.

Previous road checks have resulted in drivers going to court for a variety of offences.

Neighbourhood Watch week was in June and if you are not in a scheme but are willing to set one up for your road, please phone me on 01303 289176 or to the N.H.W. office at Deal 01304 218151

P.C. 6272 Richard Lester.



## VOLUNTARY WORK IN NEPAL



In January of next year I am going to Nepal for five months to carry out voluntary environmental and development work in Nepal. Nepal is a very beautiful but impoverished country - the 6th poorest in the world. It has one of Asia's worst health situations, with a death rate 50% greater than the world average, caused mainly by diseases carried in heavily polluted water supplies. Only 38% of adults are able to read and write. Although only 20% of the land in Nepal is arable (due to steep slopes and thin soils) 90% of its population live in rural areas, dependent on subsistence farming. This means that much of the formerly forested land is being cleared and overworked, causing large scale erosion.

The country was only opened to foreigners in 1951, but since then it has attracted many thousands of visitors each year, offering the impressive backdrop of the Himalayas, including Mt. Everest. Tourism is roundly welcomed by the Nepali people since it is their 3rd largest source of foreign currency, but it has had many less positive effects, mainly through the accelerated, disproportionate "development" that exposure to western culture has brought. Many of the less desirable traits of western culture are being adopted, destroying the traditionally rich, friendly and trusting culture of the Nepali people. Foreign aid funds as much as 30% of Nepal's regular budget, working out annually at nearly US\$20 per Nepali person, but little of this reaches the people it's really meant to help, because it is not well managed, and much of it is diverted into private bank accounts.

Students Partnership Worldwide (SPW), the organisation with which I will be working, aims to alleviate this situation, with the emphasis on education, and not simply provision of aid money. It is different from many other organisations of its kind because an equal number of local students will be trained about ways of tackling the problems, with the British group, so that

they then have the capacity to help their fellow countrymen. This will be funded by money that I and the other British SPW's raise. Following training, small groups of us (both British and Nepali students) will travel to 2 rural villages each, where we will teach villagers on environmental and health issues, and ways of gently improving their standards of living. We will, for instance, give lessons in the construction of low-cost appliances such as smokeless stoves, pit latrines, and solar driers, the aim being to keep to "appropriate technology", so that a strong understanding of the basics can then be built upon in the future.

More large-scale projects, where appropriate, will also be initiated by the members of SPW. These have, in the past, included providing clean running water for the community (80% of all disease is carried in dirty drinking water), initiating afforestation schemes, building classrooms, and providing methods of waste disposal, in close agreement with the villagers. We will also be starting up "green clubs" for the young people in the village, to get them interested in their environment, and allow them to voice their own opinions and suggestions about things that could be done. Whilst carrying out this work, we will be in direct contact with Nepalese non-governmental organisations, who will advise and work with us. This ensures that when we leave each village we can be sure that projects will be maintained and the educational programmes carried on after we have gone.

To fund my work in Nepal I have to raise a minimum of £3000. I have already raised just over £1000, but I hope to raise the rest through work and fundraising events. My aim is to find more than the minimum £3000, because the more I raise, the more I will be able to do for the people of Nepal while I am out there.

One such fundraising event will be a

### **50-50 second-hand clothes sale in Evington Village Hall, on September 5th.**

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## HYMN WRITER OF THE MONTH

Edward Hayes Plumptre., b. Bloomsbury, Middlesex 6 August 1821. d 1891

HYMN 171 Thy hand, O God, has guided  
thy flock from age to age;  
the wondrous tale is written,  
full clear, on every page;  
our fathers owned thy goodness,  
and we their deeds record;  
and both of this bear witness;  
one Church, one faith, one Lord.

Reading Edward Plumptre's entry in either a Croxford or Dr. Julian's Dictionary of Hymnology is to conclude that here was a brilliant and talented man. Gifted academically he studied at Kings College, London, thence to Oxford where he took a double First, and became a Fellow of Brasenose College. After taking Holy Orders his reputation grew both as a theologian and preacher. He held academic posts in both London and Oxford, and was a member of the board responsible for the revision of the Authorised Version of the Bible. His literary output was massive and far ranging. Plumptre knew Kent for, prior to his appointment as Dean of Wells, he held in succession the livings of Pluckley and Bickley.

His published hymn output is slight although it is these that have kept his name within the public domain. In the early part of this century around ten of his hymns were in common use. Today there are now two. These are "Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old," (285) and the hymn already quoted. One that never made the immortality stakes was a harvest hymn specially written for Pluckley harvest festival of 1871. It was published the following year in The Hymnary - a book used by ultra High Anglicans. He wrote hymns for processions, schools, colleges and hospitals. "Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old" was written in 1864 for Kings College Hospital Chapel, London.

Thy hand O God, has guided", subtitled Church Defence, was first published in the 1889 Supplemental Hymns to Hymns Ancient and Modern. Nine years later Basil Harwood composed the tune "Thornbury" for these words for use at the 25th Annual Festival of the Church Choir Association of 1898, appearing in print in the Association's Festival Book. It was not until 1916, in the second supplement of the 1904 edition of Hymns Ancient and Modern, that these words were sung again to Harwood's tune; a tune indelibly linked to these words.

This hymn has remained popular over the years. Its fine tune has certainly helped here, whilst the subject matter of the hymn, the divine leadership and the unity that binds the Church through all its chequered history, bears a contemporary concern. Whether Plumptre regarded the "flock" as the Universal Church or the Anglican fold is not clear. What is evident is that it rings true to the essential unity which many Christians of all traditions hold dear.

R.P.





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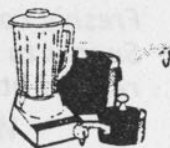
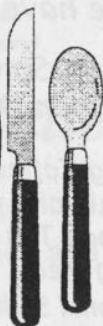
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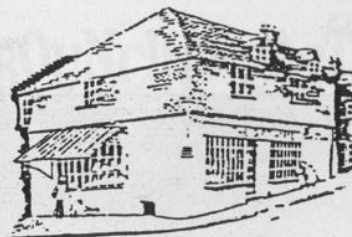
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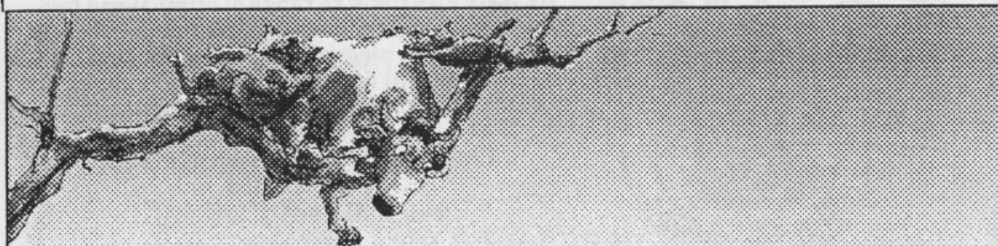
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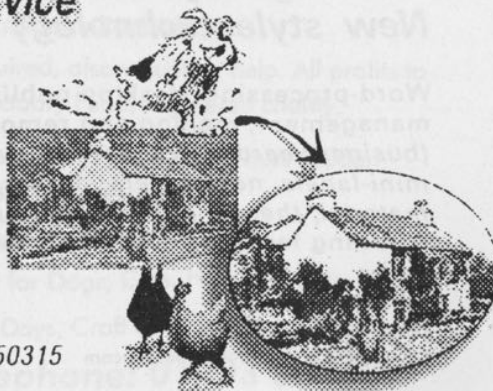


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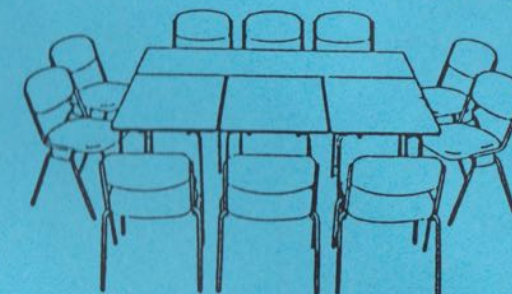
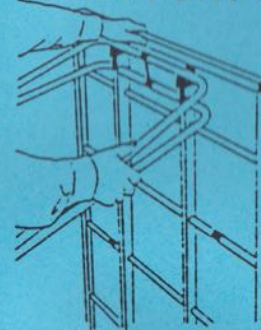
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