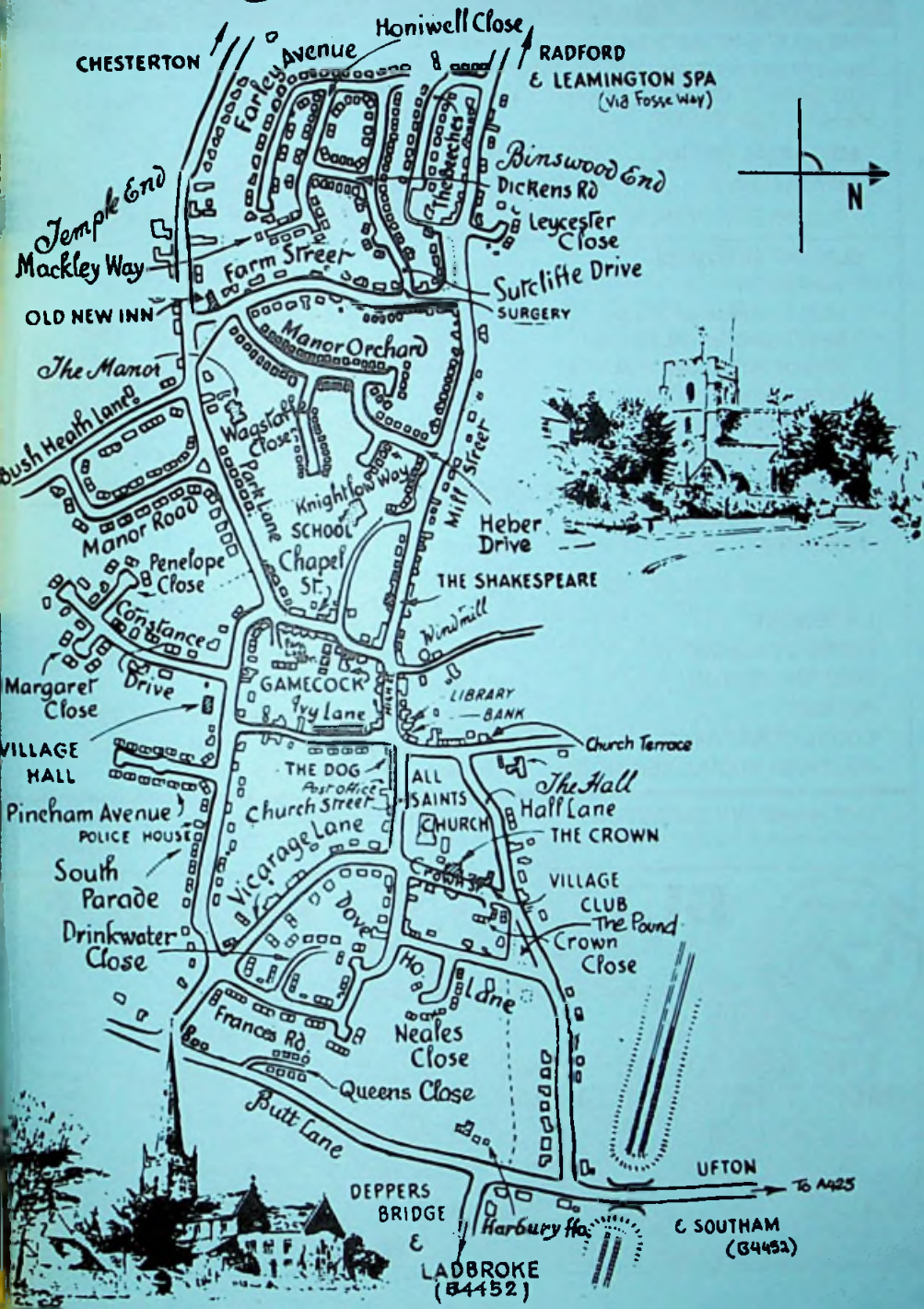


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Holy Communion 8 a.m.
 Sung Eucharist 10.30 a.m.
 (except 1st Sunday of month:
 Sung Eucharist 9 a.m.,
 Family Service 11.30 a.m.)
 Evensong 6.30 p.m. (except 3rd Sunday)

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Holy Communion with Hymns 9 a.m.
 (except 1st Sunday of month:
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Argument rages - is this the start of a new decade or it it next year? One thing is certain - there will still be a Harbury football match on Boxing Day, and Mike Bloxham will be there to record the excitement. We have actually included the photograph because it shows Gary Lowe moving at speed. No one in the Cricket Club will believe this without the pictorial evidence!

Seriously, December was a sad month for many people because of the flu epidemic. The Harbury Doctors have been very busy indeed since a high proportion of children have been ill, and a large number of older people. We are lucky to have such a friendly, efficient and local medical service in Harbury.



We give thanks for the lives of Edward Hudson (formerly of Ladbroke), Stan Smith, Tom Tyler and Edward Bracknell, and extend sympathy to their families. Stan Smith was the Harbury cobbler for many years and Tom Tyler served as Postman for a long time.

The Editors would like to wish all readers a very Happy New Year, and thank all those in the two villages who have maintained such a high level of support for our magazine. We would be very pleased to see all those with an interest in the Harbury & Ladbroke News at the A.G.M. at 8pm Monday 19th February 1990 at the Shakespeare Inn. The current group of Editors believe that there is a need for replacement of the existing team, and they would be keen to hear from anyone interested in participating in the production of the 'News'.

HARBURY DIARY

JANUARY

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| Sat | 6th | THE EPIPHANY: 9.45am Holy Communion, 7.30pm
Young Teenage Party |
| Sun | 7th | EPIPHANY I: 9 am Sung Eucharist, <u>10.30am</u> Family
Service (note new time) 6.30pm Evensong |
| Mon | 8th | Word of God 7 Penelope Close at 8pm
Prayer & Praise in Church |
| Tues | 9th | Senior Citizens Committee 8.30pm in Village Hall
Village Hall Committee 8pm in Village Hall
2.15pm Mother & Toddler Service |
| Wed | 10th | Baby Clinic in Village Hall
Youth Club in Village Hall |
| Thurs | 11th | Thursday Club in Village Hall
W.I. 7.45pm in Village Hall |
| Sat | 13th | SCOUTS JUMBLE SALE in Village Hall Doors open 1 |
| Sun | 14th | EPIPHANY II: 8am Holy Communion, 10.30am Sung
Eucharist, 6.30pm Evensong |
| Mon | 15th | Prayer & Praise 12 Park Lane |
| Tues | 16th | Carnival Committee meets in Village Hall
Prayer Meeting 7pm
Holy Communion 7.30pm
PCC 8pm
M.U. Faith Supper 5 South Parade at 7.30pm |
| Wed | 17th | Youth Club in Village Hall
Julian Meeting in Church 8pm
(WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 18th - 25th) |

- Thurs 18th Whist Drive in Village Hall
 Sun 21st EPIPHANY III: 8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer), 10.30am Sung Eucharist
 Mon 22nd Word of God 26 Manor Orchard at 8pm
 Prayer & Praise, Hessle Cottage
 Tues 23rd Parish Maps Group meets at Wight School 7.30pm
 Wed 24th Youth Club in Village Hall
 Harbury School Parents/Governors Annual Meeting at 7.30pm
 Thurs 25th CONVERSION OF ST PAUL: 9.45am Holy Communion
 Parish Council 7.30pm in Village Hall
 Sat 27th P.T.A. JUMBLE SALE in School Hall 10am-Noon
 Sun 28th EPIPHANY IV: 8am Holy Communion, 10.30am Sung Eucharist, 6.30pm Evensong
 ALL ARTICLES FOR INCLUSION IN FEBRUARY'S ISSUE TO EDITORS BY 6PM TODAY PLEASE
 Mon 29th Conservatives AGM 7.30pm in Tom Hauley Room with free refreshments. All paid up members welcome Tel: 612915
 Prayer & Praise Lullington Lodge
 Tues 30th Harbury Society Social in The Dog with Supper and entertainment from The Jug Band Tickets £3.50 from Linda 16 Farm St (612792)

FEBRUARY

- Fri 2nd PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE (CANDLEMAS):
 7am Holy Communion
 Sat 3rd W.I. Dance in Village Hall
 Sun 4th 9am Sung Eucharist, 10.30am Family Service, 6.30pm Evensong
 Mon 5th Word of God, 46 Farley Ave at 8pm
 Prayer & Praise in Church
 Tues 6th Horticultural Society in Village Hall 8pm
 Wed 7th Youth Club in Village Hall
 M.U. 2.15pm in Tom Hauley Room
 Thurs 8th Thursday Club in Village Hall
 Folk Club in Lounge of Old New Inn at 8.30pm

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REGULAR DIARY DATES

HARBURY ADVENTURERS, Tom Hauley Room, 10.30am Sunday
UPHOLSTERY CALSSES, Wight School, 2-4pm Mondays.
GYMNASTICS, Harbury School, 6-7pm (under 7s & beginne
7-8pm (7-10yrs) 8-9pm (over 10yrs) Mondays.
GUIDES, Scout Hut, 7pm Mondays.
BINGO, Village Hall, 8pm Mondays.
TODDLER GROUP, Wight School, 10-11.30am Mondays &
2-3.30pm Wednesdays.
PLAYGROUP, Wight School, Tuesday to Friday mornings.
NURSERY SCHOOL, Village Hall, Tues to Fri mornings.
LUNCHEON Club, Village Hall, 12.30pm Tues & Fri.
DANCING CLASSES, Wight School, 4-7.45pm Tuesday,
Wednesday & Thursday.
BROWNIES, Village Hall, every Tuesday evening.
SCOUTS, Scout Hut, 7.45pm every Tuesday & Thursday.
BADMINTON, Village Hall every Tuesday.
HARBURY FRIENDS, School, 8pm, 2nd Tuesday of month.
BABY CLINIC, Village Hall, 2-4pm, 2nd & 4th Weds.
YOUTH CLUB, Village Hall, 7.30-9.30pm, Wednesdays.
DANCING CLASSES for Children & Adults, Farley Room,
Village Hall, 4-9pm Wednesdays.
HEREBURGH MORRIS DANCERS, School Hall, 8pm Weds.
ROSARY & PRAYERS for Persecuted Christians,
4 Sutcliffe Drive, 10am, 3rd Thursday of month.
THURSDAY CLUB, Village Hall, 2.30pm, 2nd & 4th Thurs.
CUBS, Scout Hut, every Thursday.
W.I., Village Hall, 7.45pm, 2nd Thursday.
CHOIR PRACTICE, Church, 6.30pm every Friday.
BELLRINGING PRACTICE in Church, 7.30pm every Friday.
THEATRE GROUP, Wight School, 8pm last Friday of month.
COFFEE MORNING every Saturday Wight School in aid of
Church Special Fund 10 - 12.00.
CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU over Southam Magistrates Court
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FROM HARBURY CHURCHWARDENS

So many events have taken place over the last month!
The Tom Hauley Room has been officially opened, see
report, is now in use and how super it is. The
Christmas Fair was a great success with a very good
attendance giving a most pleasant social
occasion. Counting some donations, the total sum
raised was £1000 and we are grateful to Ken Hughes
for masterminding the operation and of course to all
those who put so much effort in to ensure that it

was successful. The proceeds are being split between the Church Urban Fund and Harbury Church funds (there is much maintenance work to be done on the Church itself) Mike Bloxham's photo shows Santa Claus arriving past a guard of honour.



The Christmas services were as usual, well attended, with the carol services topping all previous attendance records. We are grateful to all those who prepared the Church and contributed to the special services.

So now we look to 1990 as a year of opportunity when we can expand the activities of the Church in Harbury, using the Tom Hauley room as a base. We pray for guidance and the strength to grasp the opportunity firmly.

A happy and blessed New Year from

BERYL & JOHN

MEMORABLE OPENING OF THE TOM HAULEY ROOM

With its emphasis on praise and thanksgiving --- 'To God be the glory!' -- the joyously uplifting opening and dedication of the Tom Hauley Room on Sunday

3rd December was a memorable occasion. More than that, it was a fitting tribute to the life and foresight of the gentle Christian man whose bequest to his church made the new room possible so easily.

Among the robed clergy were the Archdeacon of Warwick, the Ven. Peter Bridges; the Revd Frank Marriott, then Rural Dean of Southam, together with the man who was to succeed him four days later, the Revd Kenneth Phillips; the Revd Peter Snow, newly retired to Harbury from All Saints, Emscote, Warwick; and from our linked parishes of Ryton-on-Dunsmore and Bubbenhall, the Revd Trevor Sykes. And to everyone's great delight the Revd F R Mackley, Vicar of Harbury for more than a quarter of a century, came up from Surrey to play a part in the proceedings.

The congregation of more than 250 included clergy from some of our neighbouring parishes and, most importantly, strong representation from our sister parish of Ladbroke, cementing the warm relationship being steadily built up.

In his personal welcome and introduction the Rector recalled how the idea of a church room and essential facilities was born and developed, and how its realisation had become possible more quickly than anyone imagined because of the Tom Hauley legacy and a magnificent parish response to the special appeal and fund-raising events. He expressed thanks to all who had played a part in bringing the project to completion so successfully, and on time.

Captain Andrew Smith of the Church Army gave the address, appropriately since he reminded us that it was the Church Army Mission -- Quest '87 -- which served to underline the need for a meeting room attached to the church, and to concentrate minds.

The procession to the North Door was led by the cross. There Mr David Clarke of the builders handed the keys to the Rector who performed the opening ceremony, this being the unanimous wish of the Parochial Church Council in gratitude for his leadership of the project. Then followed prayers contributed by the Rector, the Archdeacon and Father Mackley as the room was dedicated.



Mike Bloxham's photograph shows from left to right: David Clarke, Harry Windsor, Fr Mackley, Canon Rowe, Ven Peter Bridges and Beryl Checkley at the North door.

The Hauley Room was immediately brought into use after the service when everyone present for this great landmark in the history of All Saints Harbury remained for a splendid buffet supper. As one regular worshipper commented "It seems so natural to walk straight through the north door into the Tom Hauley Room; it feels as if it has always been there." And so it does!

THE TOM HAULEY ROOM - BOOKINGS

Whilst the Tom Hauley room is intended for use primarily by Church groups, it is available for use for any suitable activity.

Bookings are being handled by Joan Smith, 613680, who also has the key. Booking the room will automatically cause the heating to be set (when the weather is cold) and allows use of the kitchen facilities - which are almost finished.

Joyce and Harry Windsor (612504) who have both been very active in bringing the room into use, also have a key and can answer 'technical queries'.

J.B.M.

FROM THE RECTOR

It was a great joy to see so many people come to church over the Christmas period, and especially, on Christmas Eve at Harbury where it was necessary to bring in extra chairs for the Village Carol Service and at Ladbroke on Friday 29th December. Over the last four years, this particular occasion has brought together people of all ages and has proved a fitting affirmation of the meaning of Christmas. The atmosphere is delightful and the whole tone is set at the beginning by the Bidding Prayer. The words very simply and effectively remind us of the whole purpose in keeping this festival and captures the very essence of God's great gift to the world. It provides us with an opportunity of rejoicing and hope, and yet it does not ignore or blind us to the world as it is, with misery and sadness and so much in need of reformation and reconciliation. And as we remember the Nativity of Our Lord, as the days of the old year draw to a close and as a new year begins to dawn, I realise how wonderfully that Bidding Prayer expresses what we all probably would wish and pray for at a time when friends and relatives gather together. By the time you read this, Christmas 1989 will be behind us, but the New Year of 1990 stretches before us. May I wish you all a good and happy year when your hopes and prayers will not be disappointed and when we shall all rejoice in seeing peace more firmly established and injustice and inhumanity more decidedly cast aside. Perhaps you will remember the words we used at the Carol Service and pray again for a new beginning.

Beloved in Christ, at this Christmas-tide let it be our care and delight to hear again the message of the angels, and in heart and mind to go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, and the Babe lying in a manger.

Therefore let us read and mark in Holy Scripture the tale

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And because this would rejoice his heart let us remember, in his name, the poor and helpless, the cold, the hungry, and the oppressed; the sick and them that mourn, the lonely and the unloved, the aged and the little children; all those who know not the Lord Jesus, or who love him not, or who by sin have grieved his heart of love.

Lastly, let us remember before God all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore, and in a greater light, that multitude which no man can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom in the Lord Jesus we are one for evermore.

May God bless you and keep you.

ANTONY ROWE

THE CONFIRMATION 1990

The Bishop of Coventry, the Rt Rev Simon Barrington-Ward will be coming to Harbury this year for the Confirmation on Sunday 13th May. Confirmation instruction will commence in February and the Rector would be pleased to receive the names of those who wish to be prepared for this Sacrament. It is always a joy to see young people making this commitment, but equally we are delighted to have adult candidates. Some adults hesitate, wishing to be confirmed, yet feeling that perhaps the step ought to have been taken long ago. Please do not let such inhibitions stop you; decide that you will delay no longer and that 1990 is the right and proper time for you. Other adults may be completely unsure of where they stand or what they truly believe. Confirmation instruction is an opportunity to test uncertainties and doubts and commits no one to take a step of which they are unsure. Details of meetings will be published in the next issue, but if you would wish to discuss the matter before then, please do not hesitate in talking it over with the Rector.

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HOLY BAPTISM

Sunday 10th December:

ALICK ELIZABETH daughter of Patrick George Edward and Julie
Clarke, 32 South Parade.

FUNERALS

Wednesday 6th December (at Oakley Wood):

EDWARD JOHN HUDSON (formerly of Ladbroke & Harbury) aged 83yrs

Thursday 7th December (at All Saints' Harbury):

STANLEY GORDON SMITH 4 Vicarage Lane, Harbury aged 77yrs

Thursday 21st December (at All Saints' Harbury):

JAMES THOMAS TYLER 22 Binswood End, Harbury aged 81yrs

Friday 22nd December (at Oakley Wood):

EDWARD TALLIS BICKNELL 'Three Ways' Bushheath Rd,
Harbury aged 87yrs



LADBROKE NEWS

JANUARY DIARY

Wed	3rd	Holy Communion 10.30am
Thurs	4th	Men's Society 7.45pm
Sun	7th	EPIPHANY I: 10.30am Family Service & Communion
Wed	10th	Holy Communion 10.30am
		Women's Fellowship 2.30pm
		Ladbroke Village Festival - Progress Report 7.30pm
		Village Hall
Sun	14th	EPIPHANY II: 9am Holy Communion with Hymns
Wed	17th	Holy Communion 10.30am
		Parish Council Mtg 7.45pm Village Hall

(18th - 25th January WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY)

Sun 21st EPIPHANY III: 9am Holy Communion with Hymns,
10.30am Children's Church, 3.30pm Evensong

Tues 23rd Whist Drive

Wed 24th Holy Communion 10.30am

Thurs 25th THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL: 7 pm Holy Communion
W.I. Meeting

Fri 26th Friends of Ladbroke Church - Cheese & Wine 7.30pm

Sun 28th EPIPHANY IV: 9am Holy Communion with Hymns

Wed 31st Holy Communion 10.30am
Ladbroke Youth Group 7pm in Village Hall

FEBRUARY

Sun 4th EPIPHANY V (PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE):
10.30am Family Service & Communion

LADBROKE CHURCH

Our Candlelit Carol Service was held on Friday 29th December, when more than 100 people sang carols and listened to the readings. A lovely evening, finishing with wine and mince pies.

At the beginning of 1990, may I remind you that the Family Service is held on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am, so we would be delighted if all the girls and boys would bring their mums and dads along to this shortened version of the Service.

FRIENDS OF LADBROKE CHURCH

At the A.G.M. held at the home of Mr & Mrs Norgate, the following members were elected to form the new Committee:-

President: The Rector Chairman: Francis Badman
Secretary: Gwynne Badman Treasurer: Bob Moore
Committee Members: Pam Barnett, Gill Moore, Susan Moore, Beryl Ross.

Diary Dates Pearl Edwards is organising a Whist Drive on 23rd January at 7.30pm at the Village Hall, with proceeds to the Church Restoration Fund.

26th January - A Cheese and Wine with Competitions Evening will be held at the home of Jean & Jim Clewes. Those of you who came last year will understand why we are putting on another one - by popular request.

A Progress Meeting for the Village Festival, to be held in September, will be held on Wednesday 10th January at 7.30pm at the Village Hall. Do come along and give your support.

GWYNNE BADMAN

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, LADBROKE

CHURCH RESTORATION FUND

Total Contributions and Pledges to Date
(29/12/89) amount to £46,228

Sincere thanks to all the many people who have helped to make 1989 such a successful and encouraging year - All Good Wishes for Happiness in the New Year.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Although in the middle of the flu epidemic, nine members met in church for a short service. Five lessons were read and four hymns sung. We all welcomed the short time of quiet in the rush leading up to Christmas. Afterwards, we went to Nancy's home for refreshments. Thanks to Beryl and Jane for the mince pies. We then drew the raffle for the crocheted blanket made by Mrs Sheila Bugg from Harbury M.U. It was won by Mr Matthew Sharples and £17.50 was handed over to the Treasurer for the Restoration Fund. Our sincere thanks go to Mrs Bugg for this.

Our next meeting is on Jan 10th and will be at the home of Helen Sullivan 8 Ladbroke Hall, when we shall welcome Violaine Junod to tell us about her time spent recently in Africa.

NANCY STUBBS

THE BELL

Our local Hostelry 'The Bell Inn' attracted a lot of interest in its now annual Village Competition. Ladbroke adult residents were invited to submit a caricature. The prize of a three litre bottle of Whisky was won by Penny Jenkin. She offered the prize for a Christmas Eve raffle, which raised £64 to be divided equally between the Village Hall and the Church Restoration Fund. The children were



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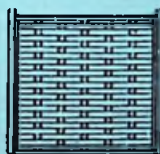
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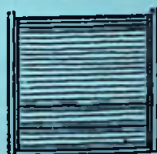
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asked to write a poem and prizes were awarded to Sloane Jenkin, Emma Derrick, David Hart and Polly Liverton.

Now is the time to start planning a successful campaign for the Best Kept Village Competition. Ladbroke is planning to enter this year, so now is the time to tidy up front gardens etc. "Church Cottage" is leading the way with its smart new fence, we may be in with a chance this year!

KATE LIVERTON

LADBROKE & DEPPERS BRIDGE W.I.

This year the usual outing arranged for the Hatton patients was a trip to the Southam Pantomime 'Rumpole Stiltskin' and although only a few patients arrived due to many having gone down with the dreadful flu, it was voted a success and thoroughly enjoyed.

On December 6th our Christmas Party took place at 'The Cottage' Ufton with a traditional turkey meal and this indeed saw a good turnout of ladies all dressed up in their best 'bib and tuckers'. Quite an amusing end to the evening was Gwladys Gould mistaking my coat for hers, thankfully I retrieved it as she was just leaving the car park as my car keys were inside the pocket, and I had visions of walking back to Ladbroke!

The next meeting will be on Thursday 25th January 1990 and our guest speaker will be Bill Leech from the Royal National Lifeboat Institution. New members are always welcome, and if anyone wishes to come along as a visiting member with a view to joining please do so.

KAY CONSTABLE

MOTHERS & TODDLERS SERVICE

The January service is postponed until Tues 9th January when the older children are back at school. We now have a growing group of mothers and children. Do come!! If you have not yet tried, the atmosphere

is very informal and a noisy child is no embarrassment - we like them to be lively! The service begins at 2.15pm, tea, orange and biscuits are served afterwards - over in time for collection of those at school.

FAMILY SERVICE

The next family service, at 10.30am on February 4th is likely to be lively to say the least. It will be taken by the church Youth Fellowship Association of St Paul's, Leamington - a group of about 30 young people, aged between 14 and 18, who meet weekly.

Services taken by the group in the past have consisted of a challenging mixture of dramas, music, prayer and the spoken word, with a sprinkling of chaos to keep everyone on their toes!

Although it is a family service, taken by teenagers, this should not be seen as an age limitation - all ages will be most welcome to join us.

S.NEILL

CHRISTMAS AT HARBURY SCHOOL

It has been the usual frantic finish to the end of Christmas term. We started with the First School Christingle Service at All Saints' Church on December 7th. It was a lovely service in which we were joined by a large number of parents and relatives.

Our Middle School Panto "Babes in the Wood" was a resounding success to which we owe thanks to so many people, particularly Mr Thorburn and Mrs Sharpe, parents and children. We have received many messages of congratulations, the children thoroughly enjoyed taking part and they obviously gave a great deal of pleasure to a large number of people.

The school choir sang at the Thursday Club Carol Concert, much to the delight of the older inhabitants of the village. The final high spot was the First School Christmas Party on Monday December 18th, and each child had a gift from Father Christmas before the end of the afternoon.

Again our sincere thanks to all the mums who helped on this occasion. Finally may I wish everyone a very Happy and Peaceful 1990.

N. C. OLIVER

FIRST SCHOOL END OF TERM ACTIVITIES

We have been very busy in the last few weeks. We had our Christingle Service in the church, and we acted out the Nativity story. At the end of the service we lit our Christingles and held up our stars during the last Carol. We put money in a bucket for the N.S.P.C.C. We have all made lots of decorations including Advent Calendars, paper chains, Christmas Trees and Table decorations.

Yesterday we had our Christmas Party and played games such as Musical statues and bumps and pass the parcel.

At tea time Father Christmas came to give us presents and wish us a Happy Christmas.

As told to Mrs Harris by CLASS Y2

HARBURY MIDDLE SCHOOL went to a new play at Warwick Arts Centre. This is an account, as it was written into the computer, by Y4. Every child in the class wrote at least one sentence.

The Witch and the Magic Mountain

It was about three children called Cato, pzazz and Nitwit who were looking for the bird of light. Their mother, the Queen, had seen the bird and had fallen ill. She wanted to see the bird of light again. They had thirty days to find it. The children turned their mother's ring three times. A magician appeared, he told them to go to the wood of night where they would find the three robbers. To cross the sea of serpents and climb the magic mountain. They chose one thing each to help them. They chose the napkin, purse and belt. In the wood they met three robbers Crik, Crack and Crook. They were trying to get the napkin the purse and the belt. When they had finished with the robbers they went on to the sea of serpents. There they met the fisherman. And the fisherman told them the secrets of how to get across the sea of serpents.

Every time the fisherman told them a secret he took one of their gifts. He gave his boat to them to cross the sea of serpents. He gave them a box which he told them to open when they got to the other side. When they opened it they saw their gifts. Then they started to climb the Mountain. They saw the witch and she turned Cato into stone, then Nitwit arrived. Nitwit told the witch a story. The witch liked Nitwit's story she wanted Nitwit to stay with her. The witch told her that she would free her brothers if she told her another story. She set them free, then Nitwit and her brothers told a story. The story was Hansel and Gretel. Then the witch told the children the story of the bird of light. They called the bird and it took them home to their mother. When their mother saw the bird she was released from the illness. And they all lived happily ever after.

HARBURY & LADBROKE CHURCH MENS SOCIETY

The final winner of the Society's 100 Club draw for December was Kate Bedford. The Society would like to thank all those who became members of 100 Club, which contributed directly a very welcome £840 to the All Saints' Church Harbury Special Fund.

The December guest was Capt Jack Harker, a senior British Airways pilot who gave a talk about his duties as the officer in control of a Jumbo Jet on international passenger routes.

The January speaker will be Mr Steve Browning of Rugby who is a Mater Bowman and will give an illustrated talk on Archery.

PETER TOWELL

LUNCH CLUB

We are in urgent need of four volunteers to help with Lunch Club on Tuesdays. We have someone coming to Lunch Club this month who is wheelchair bound and obviously needs extra help which we are unable to give her at the moment.

If there is anyone, a married couple or two friends who have approximately 75 minutes to spare on one Tuesday every month, I would be very pleased to hear from them. Please telephone Sue Ingram 612418 if you feel you can help.

HARBURY THEATRE GROUP

I hope that elsewhere in the magazine there will be a report on our pantomime "Frankenstein the Panto".

We would very much like to thank all those who helped with this production, especially Mr & Mrs Lindop for selling our tickets, the Guides for selling the ice-creams, and the Old New Inn for lending us some of their tables and stools.

We overheard two separate parties talking on leaving, one said "how do they do it on their resources" and the other "Gosh, look at all those people, they must make a fortune"!!

For this pantomime we did sell a lot of tickets so our income was much higher than normal, but so were our expenses! The licence (copyright) was about £80 and the village hall has to be paid for - both those expenses are known before we even start to rehearse. The Wight School, although reasonable, has also to be paid for, 2-3 times a week for 10 weeks. Lin Hayes made practically all our costumes, mostly with new material bought especially - the Dame alone had 8 changes.

Wood, as anyone who does D.I.Y. knows, is also very expensive and there were many new props to be made for this production, Alf Wren, Robert Waterman and others spent many Saturday mornings hammering and sawing to make the clock, a "flight" of stairs, a bed and many others. Bob Hodge made our superb "Blockbusters" board, with lights and wire and wood and coloured gels. Bob works out most of our lighting and this year he was very ably assisted by William Stringer.

When we had balanced all our figures, and paid for everything we found that we did make a small profit, and so we decided to give 50% of it to charity, one third each to the N.S.P.C.C., The Ethiopian Appeal and the Rag Doll Appeal at Warwick Hospital. The 50% that we are keeping will be used to finance our next production in March.

We would like to wish you all a Happy Theatre Going 1990.

CAROL PERCIVAL
Chairman

FRANKENSTEIN - THE PANTO

Frankenstein was enjoyed by many people in Harbury and those who didn't see it missed a real treat. The show was a great success. We thought the show was fantastic, the way that the Harbury theatre group urged the audience to join in, and made it a real family panto. There were many funny parts from whacky jokes to people's heads being sawn off, and everyone played their part to perfection. We're sure that everyone thoroughly enjoyed it.

RICHARD & DUNCAN HOUSE



This review was written by two youngsters. Mike Bloxham's photo shows some of the young dancers who took part in the Panto.

HARBURY FOLK CLUB

Christmas always comes early at the Folk Club but at least this year, on December 7th, we were as close as we can ever be (on the first Thursday on each month) and still several weeks after the shops declare the start of the season. Surrounded by the decorations in the lounge of the Old New Inn, Pete Grassby made a welcome return to the Club as the guest for the evening, only this time accompanied by Michele. Her sweet, musical voice enhanced several of Pete's songs including the "Old Bazaar in Cairo" and the outstanding "Russians". Pete accompanied the songs on melodeon and guitar and also featured that unusual instrument, the hammer dulcimer, which he used to good effect in his final medley of carols.

The festive evening finished very late because the second half was extended to accommodate all the other singers. The Jug Band were on good form with a special Christmas set and we also had contributions from Phil & Drill ("Reindeer Blues"), Sean (something about poisoning the kids!), Roy ("Hanging Johny") Bren (still knocking on Heaven's door) and me. Bob sang a song to Jackie in his Plum Jerkum outfit, complete with blackened face, and Mike related all of "Albert and the Lion", despite George's efforts to sabotage part 2! But the surprise of the evening was an appearance by a local four-piece group (most of whom appeared to be related to Bren) called C.O.Jones who really took the place by storm.

The raffle raised £24, of which £5 went towards decorations for the Christmas Fair and the balance donated to the Fair itself. By the time you read this, we will have experienced the first Folk Club Awards Evening on January 4th and we'll be looking forward to the guest appearance by C.O.Jones on February 1st. A Happy New Year to all my readers!

PETER McDONALD

MOTHERS' UNION

We all enjoyed David Beardshaw's lively talk on the Offchurch Retreat House and are tempted to try such facilities as a meditative evening making an icon. We were impressed by the range of possibilities on offer. Those interested consult the

programme on the Church Notice Board.

By the time you read this we shall have enjoyed our Christmas Party and will be looking forward to the evening Faith Supper on Tuesday Jan 16th at Wendy Stubbs, 5 South Parade. All members are welcome and are invited to bring any willing husbands. Please bring food and we will share the results. Drinks will be available.

The February 7th meeting will be in the Tom Hauley Room at 2.15pm when we shall hear Honor Braithwaite talking on Church Embroidery.

A Happy New Year to you all. MARGARET RIGDEN

HARBURY W.I.

Our annual Christmas Party was held on December 8th when over 70 members and their guests sat down to a sumptuous meal provided by our own super-cooks. Later the W.I. Drama Group presented an entertainment which was talented and hilarious. Thanks also to the Hawaiian "beauties" for their valued contribution!! Many thanks to all who helped to make the evening such a success.

On December 10th several members took part in a Carol Service at Holy Trinity church, Leamington Spa with members from many other W.I. Groups in the County. It was a very enjoyable occasion, thanks to conductor Wendy Dillon and organist Adrian Moore.

On December 14th our monthly meeting took the form of a games evening. Members exchanged Christmas presents and got into the festive mood with sherry and mince pies. Unfortunately our numbers were reduced that evening as so many had succumbed to influenza.

Our next meeting on January 11th will be a talk on "The Origins of Nursery Rhymes" to be given by Alan Hodge.

On February 3rd there will be a Barn Dance with the Hookey Band. People who came last year will remember what a good evening it was so don't leave it too late to get your tickets, price £4 including supper.

A Happy New Year to everyone.

DIANA BUCK

THE SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY

and - THE HELPERS (Photo's by Mike Bloxham)



CARNIVAL 1990

I know it's early - but it really is time to think about "Carnival 1990". We held our first Committee meeting on Nov 7th and were delighted to welcome two new faces - Margaret Sherrington & Bob Jenkins. Unfortunately we had to say goodbye to Gordon Bennett who due to other commitments is unable to join us this year.

You may have noticed that the number of floats in recent years has decreased. This does seem a pity when there are so many active associations in the village - so what about it - let's have a really bumper Carnival to start off the next decade. It doesn't matter how small - it's all a load of fun. Tim Percival will be delighted to receive your entries later on.

£1700 was raised at the 1989 Carnival and may I thank all who contributed to this success. The money raised this year will provide refurbishment to the kitchen at the Village Hall. If anyone has any suggestions for attractions they would like to see, please contact any committee member as soon as possible.

'90 Committee:- Chairman GILL GURDEN Sec SUE ANDREWS Treasurer JEAN APPLETON. JEAN COX, BOB JENKINS, MIDGE KEEN, JOHN KEMSLEY, PEGGY MIDDLETON TIM PERCIVAL, MARGARET SHERRINGTON & ANNE WINCHESTER.

CARNIVAL DATE SATURDAY JUNE 16th

PEGGY MIDDLETON

HARBURY PARISH COUNCIL - NOVEMBER 1989

The news is bad. The news is very bad. The news is awful. Remember the Mill Street Saga? The disruption, the pot holes, the decapitated lamp-post, the year's wait for resurfacing and the further delay before the road markings were replaced? It WAS bad. It was VERY bad, but prepare for worse. Severn Trent in their wisdom have decided that now is the time to replace more crumbling cast iron mains, not in Temple End or Chapel Street where pressure is low and bursts are frequent, but in Farm Street, Vicarage Lane, High Street and in

CHURCH STREET.

Council sleuth John Drinkwater found no footpath beside the new house in Ivy Lane only a post and chain fence. Mrs Waddell reported the kerbstones replaced and Cllr Keen the Give Way sign installed but not lit.

The "phantom puller" has struck again according to Chairman Bill Middleton. Street signs for Park Lane and Park Lane Terrace suffered last time, now it is the turn of Frances Road's to be uprooted.

No new "second hand" concrete column for Manor Road has arrived yet but the trees obscuring the new Pound lamp are cut. Cllrs will look at replacement lamps but declared that they did not want "twee" antique types.

A Public Notice Board outside the Village Hall, where the chairman could keep "his eagle eye" on it and remove the old posters was suggested to cut down fly-posting. The children's drawings of replacements for the Fort will be displayed in the Library. Repairs to the Seesaw and Rocket were in hand and the Council took note of complaints about the suitability and safety of the items there. Cllr Thompson costed an Embankment Slide at £300 and thought that such a feature coupled with a bridge at the Mound would give good play value and be safer than a "Death Slide". The concrete exposed beneath the Rocket could be covered with rubber matting.

The Council agonised about undertaking remedial work to the Car Park. Would it prejudice their County Council grant application? Eventually they asked Cllr Drinkwater to find out if the planings from the footpath work at Sutcliffe Pastures could be used for patching up.

All the Bye-Laws prohibiting 'Dog Fouling' have been officially signed and the Parish notices will go up when the District Council erects theirs.

PLANNING

The Parish Council objected to more plans for a Pair of Semi-detached Starter homes at Lullington Lodge, plans for 6 or 8 starters and a detached

house at Harbury Hall and one starter at 23 South Parade because no mechanism was shown to keep these dwellings as low-cost homes. There were also environmental and traffic objections.

There was no objection to Mr Nakkar's plans for 11 fishing lodges at Bishops Bowl Lakes but the Parish Council did stipulate that these must never be allowed to become permanent homes. Plans had been granted by the District Council for extensions at Cranford, Temple End and 20 Binswood End, and for the installation of Calor Gas tanks at Greenhill, Deppers Bridge. Stratford had refused the first application for Starter homes at Lullington Lodge and for elderly persons bungalows at 11 Constance Drive, where there were substantial highways objections.

The Appeal by Mrs Noden against refusal for extensive development on Chesterton Road had been dismissed by the Department of the Environment Inspector.

The Parish Council discussed and raised no objections to plans for a porch at 1 Wagstaffe Close, and for remodelling of Stickle Rise and Forella on Temple End. This latter application they thought improved the property but they were concerned that Fire Regulations for the use of the property as a Guest House were complied with. Proprietor John MacLaughlin assured them that the Fire Officers had been consulted, and Fire Doors and Smoke Detectors would be installed.

LINDA RIDGLEY

When the lights go on again.....

Last month we related the digging out of the hole for the Doctors' surgery. Apparently the site was visited by a group of children from the school, and one of them asked the teacher if the plans included an underground car park. Out of the mouths of babes.....

Since last month building has proceeded swiftly and efficiently but the main excitement has occurred off site. At the end of last month Mill Street residents noticed that the street light immediately outside the building site was not working. Subsequently two men arrived and moved the

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and moved the lamp post five yards along the verge towards the village. This move represents a superb piece of planning since the old position was in the way of the wider entrance necessary for the surgery. Unfortunately the lamp itself is now lovingly surrounded by two large branches of a medium sized horse chestnut tree. Although the tree was partially damaged by the earlier sewage works activity it is still a reasonable tree, and when spring returns it will grow leaves, and the lamp will be obscured. The Harbury & Ladbroke News will be giving a special prize to the first person to complain to the Parish Council about the poor street lighting in Mill Street. The prize will consist of - no not a pair of clippers and a saw - but a pick and shovel so that they can move the lamp post.

The other major feat has been a hole in the road which was at first mistaken for a Christmas decoration because of the flashing lights. However it was filled in fairly swiftly and has produced a feeling of nostalgia for local householders. They have missed the broken and battered surface that followed the sewer laying entertainment. But the new hole has restored their faith in their fellow beings. Since the hole was filled in, there has been a resumption of the regular bump and thud as lorries roar down Mill Street.

Look out for the next exciting instalment.....

I.T.J.

HARBURY CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION

Annual General Meeting

The A.G.M. will be held in the Tom Hauley Room, Church Street, Harbury on Monday January 29th at 7.30pm, with free refreshment.

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CHILDREN IN NEED

Mike Bloxham's photo shows a group of Harbury children with the bell that was used to collect money last month for Children in Need. The charity day was particularly notable for the Church Bellringers who 'appealed' for money.

HARBURY SOCIETY

Members are reminded to book their tickets for the annual Social as soon as possible.

This, the event of the year, takes place on Tuesday 30th January in the DOG INN where there will be supper and a live performance from Harbury's infamous JUG BAND. Tickets £3.50 from Linda at 16 Farm Street (612792).

The new season's programme will include an illustrated talk by Canon Jones on the Leam Valley, an up-date on the archeological finds along the M40 and a trip to the Napton Nickelodeon.

Our thanks once more to all who provided exhibits for our successful Hobbies and Collections evening and a reminder to everyone that our Carnival Stall this year will be Second-hand Jewellery and that we are willing to take any broken or unwanted items off your hands from now on.

LINDA (612792)

A VISIT TO YPRES - WEST FLANDERS November 1989

On our way back to England after four days in the Low Countries Sharon and I spent our last night in the historic city of Ypres (or Wipers as it was known to thousands of Allied troops during the 1st World War). The salient with Ypres at its centre was held, at a tremendous cost in terms of deaths and injuries, for the five years of the War. In all it is estimated that 430,000 British and Allied troops were killed, wounded or missing in defence of the salient - a quarter of a million alone in the 3rd Battle of Ypres which took place in the summer and autumn of 1917. Passchendaele, a village on the high ground about 5 miles north east of the city has become a word synonymous with slaughter.

42,000 bodies were never recovered at all and the names of these soldiers are mainly recorded at Tyne Cott cemetery. On the beautiful autumn day when we visited the place it was difficult to imagine the agony and the squalor of those, now far off times. I looked at the serried ranks of names carefully chiselled in the limestone. The Royal Warwickshire Regiment filled several columns. Remembering the names on our own War Memorial I came across a familiar one - Rainbow F.G. In the book at the cemetery gate I checked his identity. I discovered he was a private from Farley Avenue, Leamington Spa.

It was a sobering day completed with the playing of the last post at the Menin Gate - an act of remembrance which occurs every evening in Ypres and has done so since the 20's. On return to Harbury I attended our Remembrance Sunday service and heard again the names of the fallen....Hawtin... Gascoigne....Gurden....Overton....Padbury..... Rainbow.... 33 in all from the 1st World War, 10 from the 2nd. I visited the War Memorial in Euston Place, Leamington Spa and paid my respects to private F.G.Rainbow sandwiched between 2nd Lt A.E. Rainbow and Cpt H.W.Rainbow.

Perhaps, if they could see that Europe, entering 1990 is on the verge of an historic peace for the first time since it was shattered in 1914 they would be happier. So many times in the years that

have followed the Great War it seemed that they had died in vain.

J. L. HANCOCK

JANUARY IN THE GARDEN

The year has turned, and already the bulbs are showing through and Hellebore Atrorubeus is in full flower. Now, while the garden is showing its bone structure is the time to consider whether its shape and interest as a winter garden could be altered or improved by interesting winter shrubs and plants:- Arum Italium Pictum has showy striped leaves all through the winter - this should be planted close to the sitting room window so as to give full benefit. This also applies to the small early bulbs, aconites, snowdrops and crocuses which are wasted if you have to wander up the garden to find them.

A tar oil wash on fruit trees controls pests, and leaf curl on peaches, and destroys over-wintering spores on roses. Phostrogen plant pins protect indoor plants from disease.

If you have a heated greenhouse you can start off tomatoes for an early crop. After cutting cabbages make cross cuts on the stumps to promote new growth. Always pick sprouts from the bottom upwards.

Remember January can be very cold and be ready to protect tender plants.

E.D.Z.

HARBURY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Our December meeting was a success - and a relief, for we wondered whether the flu would reduce the attendance. Mr Porter from Clow's talked on House Plants, a subject which he declared he found somewhat unappealing. This did not stop him from being, as usual, highly entertaining and richly informative. Come and hear him again on 6th February (Village Hall 8pm) sharing with us his expertise on Propagation.

As usual, the December meeting concluded with a social with refreshments. Many thanks to those who worked hard in preparing the food and obtaining the drink.

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B.A.R.

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He is soon to take delivery of the M40 and will be responsible for keeping the traffic flowing along that too.

His friends and acquaintances were truly thrilled that his worth has been recognised by this honour.

"LETTER FROM AUSTRALIA"

Dear Friends in Harbury,

Here we are now six months on. So much has happened in all our lives in this time. We have grieved with you over the sad losses suffered in Harbury and shared the joys of the happy events such as babies, the Carnival and the Playscheme. We have Harbury pictures and momentos of every kind all over the house. In fact, we feel as though Harbury is just "along the road" it seems so close.

Christmas - you cannot imagine how peculiar it feels struggling around the shops in the heat, seeing them all bedecked with tinsel, artificial snow and winter baubles! Surely Father Christmas was not intended

to be under threat of heat-stroke when his costume was first designed? Luckily the real reason for Christmas is not forgotten and to celebrate the birth of Jesus, "traditional" weather is not important.

We had a long journey via America and Hawaii to Brisbane with many stops, transfers and delays at airports with our 15 pieces of luggage, potty, push-chair etc etc. We did not see a great deal of sunshine even during our 4 days in Hawaii and arrived in Australia in the middle of the wettest winter for many years.

Australia is a magnificent and thrilling country and one of extremes. Whatever happens here, happens in excess. The rains were no exception. Fields became lakes, woodland areas became swamps and roads became impassable. Much of the soil is clay and does not allow water to penetrate so the water collects on top and flows wherever it can.

Gradually we had a few dry days and then before we knew what had happened, the rains had stopped and we saw more sun. Next thing was the soil was cracking from lack of water, plants dying in the heat and hose restrictions in force! We are only allowed to hose at certain times and on specific day according to whether our house is an odd or an even number.

Recently we have been having massive storms, mainly at night. This has greened up the grass again - which had virtually shrivelled away - and given all plants a new lease of life. The lightning is so intense that we pull back the curtains to see this amazing natural show.

We miss you all greatly. Do please keep in touch and bear with us for any delays in replying. Happy Christmas and New Year to all. We will be with you in spirit and thoughts. God Bless.

KAY, MIKE, MARK, KYLIE & GARY PALLOT

Editors note: We have received a very long and interesting letter from Kay Pallot. We hope to publish more of it in future editions.

SOME HIGHLIGHTS OF 1989
(Captured by Mike Bloxham)



Farewell to Akela - (John Small)

...? The only wet day of Summer - the Garden Walkabout





Changes for the '90's - the M40 comes closer

CORRESPONDENCE

FROM MYTON HOSPICE

Dear Mrs Lowe,

Thank you very much for forwarding the Church collection of £60 to the Hospice which I note is in the memory of Mr Stan Smith. This generous donation will be used for the benefit of our patients and the kindness of everyone in the congregation is much appreciated.

With our thanks and best wishes to you and your husband.

Yours sincerely,
MRS PAULINE LITTLE
Administrator

Dear Editors,

Both Maureen and Pauline, nieces of Stan Smith, wish to thank Eve and Derek for their long years of looking after Stan and thank Canon Rowe for his very moving service.

MRS SIMMONS

Dear Editors,

Rene and Dave would like to thank all Tom Tyler's friends who so kindly visited him over the past months and for their kindness to him, also I would like to thank those who so kindly gave me lifts to the hospital.

Thank you to all who sent cards and floral tributes.

RENE & DAVE DELIN

Dear Readers,

After twenty happy years in Harbury, sadly, the time has come for us to move.

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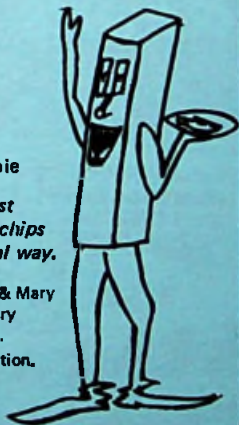


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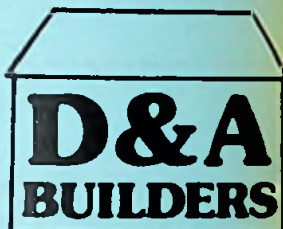
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