



Students plant trees in Hill for Arbor Day

Last Wednesday was Arbor Day in Richmond Hill and Mayor David Schiller and Town Arborist Eugene Storozinski, addressed students in two schools, Beverley Acres Public Schools and St. Mary Immaculate Separate School.

At Beverley Acres, five green ash trees were planted on the municipal boulevard in front of the school by the students under the supervision of the forestry section of the Works Department. These trees were to replace trees vandalized over the winter.

Principal of Beverley Acres, Doug Ford, suggested the trees be replaced as part of the town's celebration to promote the benefits of trees.

Students had a fund raising sale to finance a trip to Black Creek Pioneer Village early in April and it was agreed the surplus amount of \$45 would be used to replace the damaged trees.

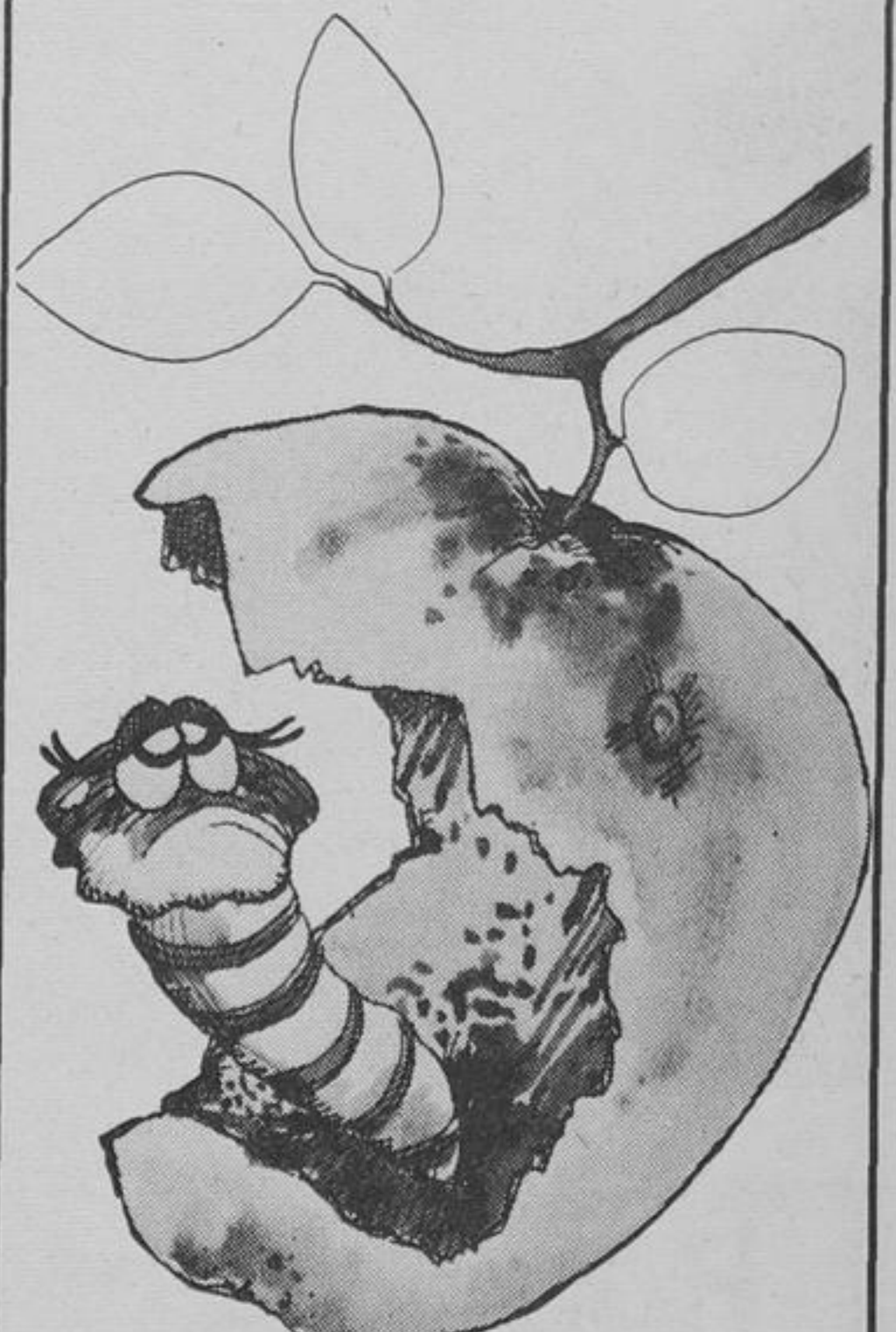
Mr. Ford said he hopes involvement of the children in the purchase and planting gives a feeling of responsibility. "We expect they will feel most protective towards them," said Mr. Ford.

Mr. Storozinski, from the town office, is also hopeful this will aid in reducing vandalism to the town's street trees.

Students are also involved in two follow-up activities to Arbor Day. Science classes are keeping diaries on the trees, each week measuring and recording growth, and an essay contest with the subject "What trees mean to me".

The prize for the essay contest will be plaques presented from the town to commemorate Arbor Day, 1978.

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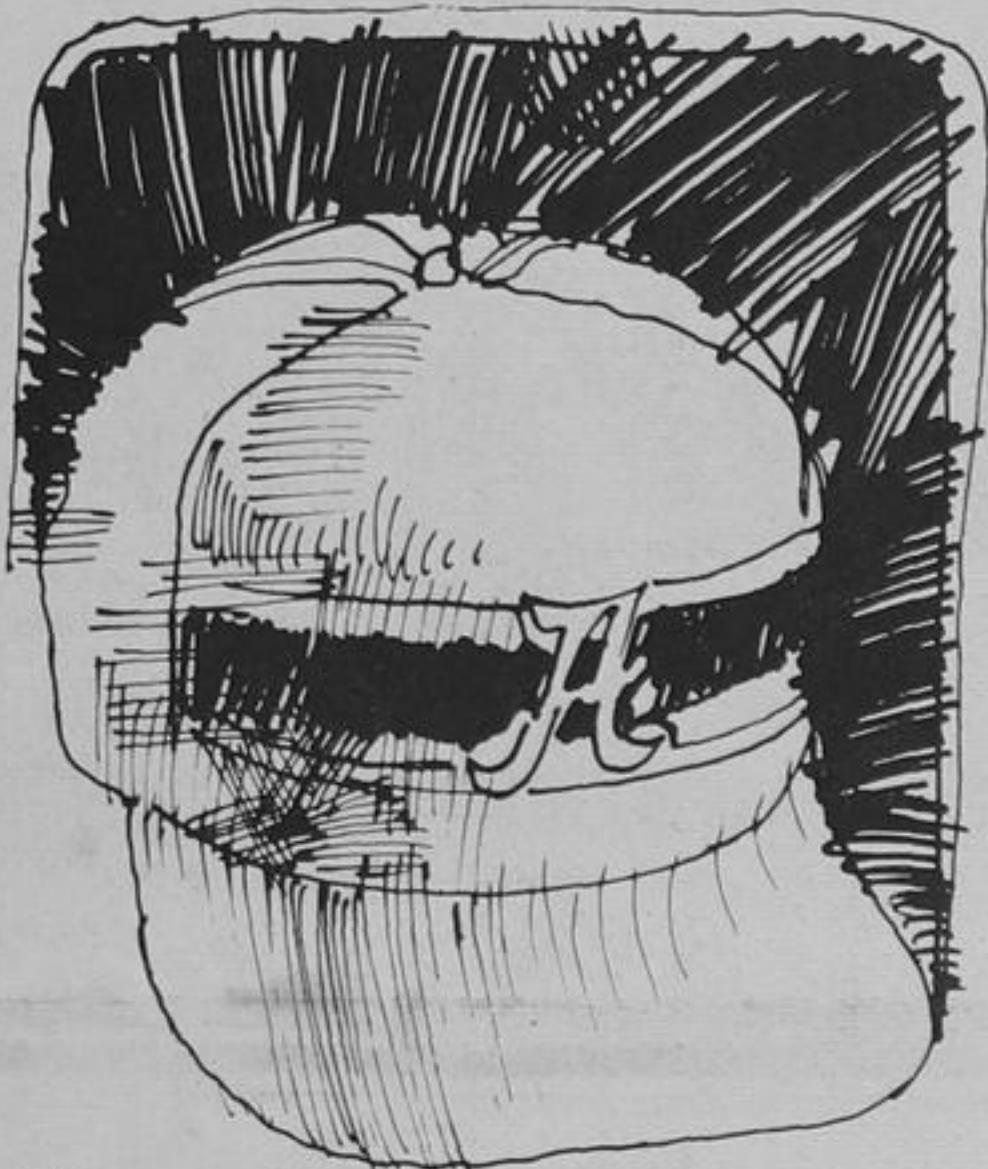


Arbor Day in Richmond Hill

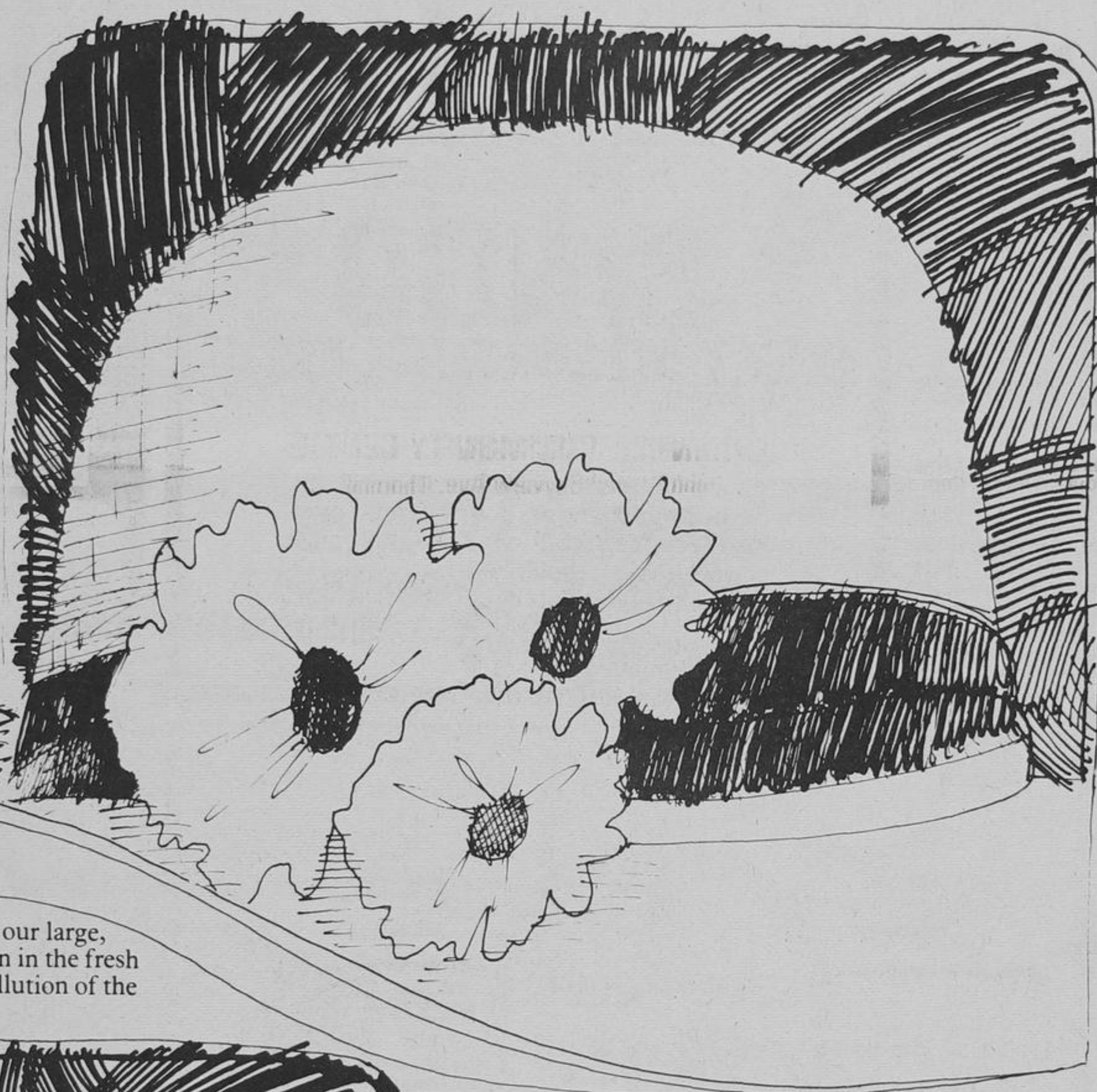
Students from Grades 4 and 5 at Beverley Acres Public School are watching their Arbor Day project grow. They planted the tree last Wednesday. (Liberal photo by Shaaron Hay).

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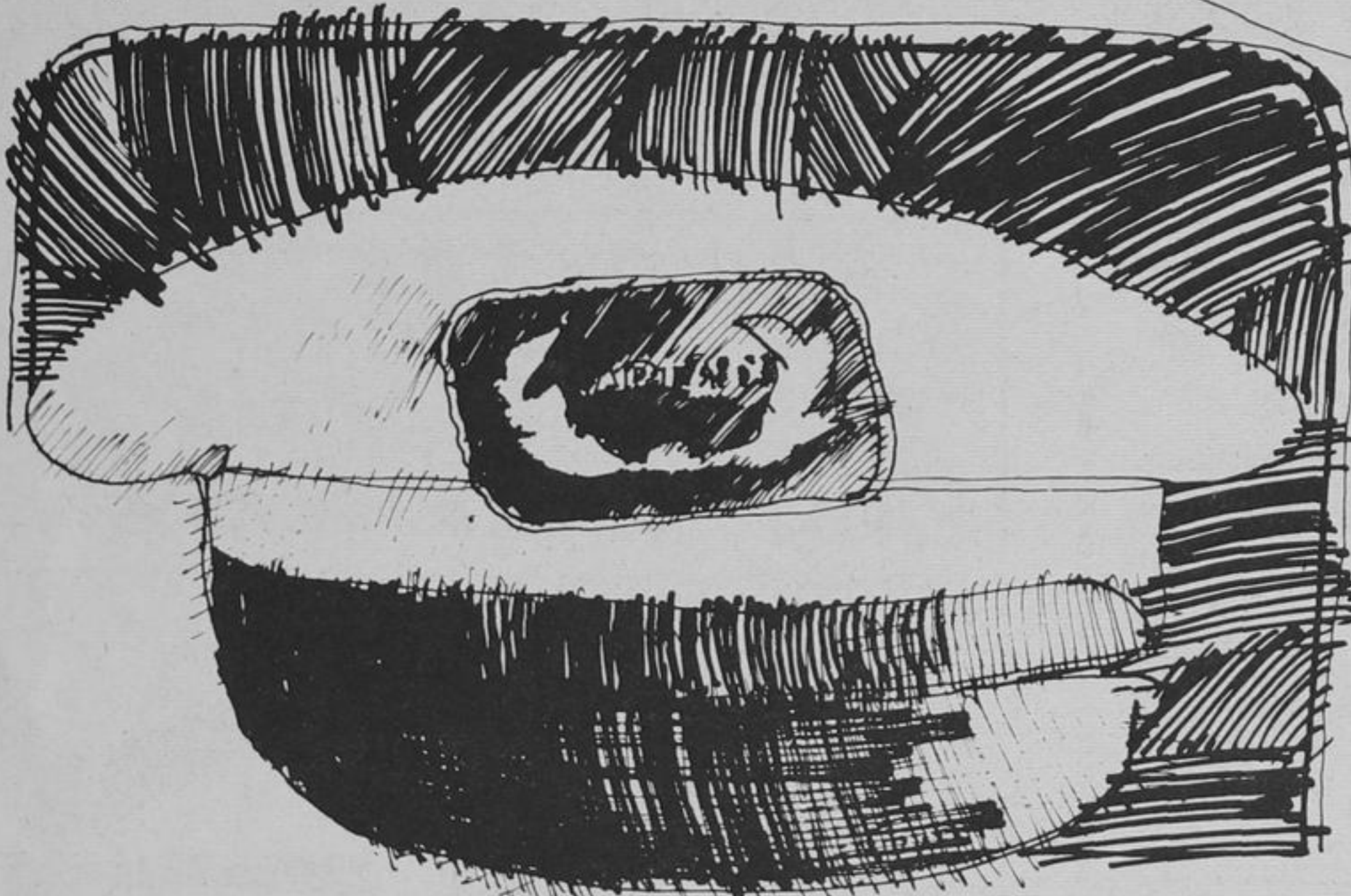
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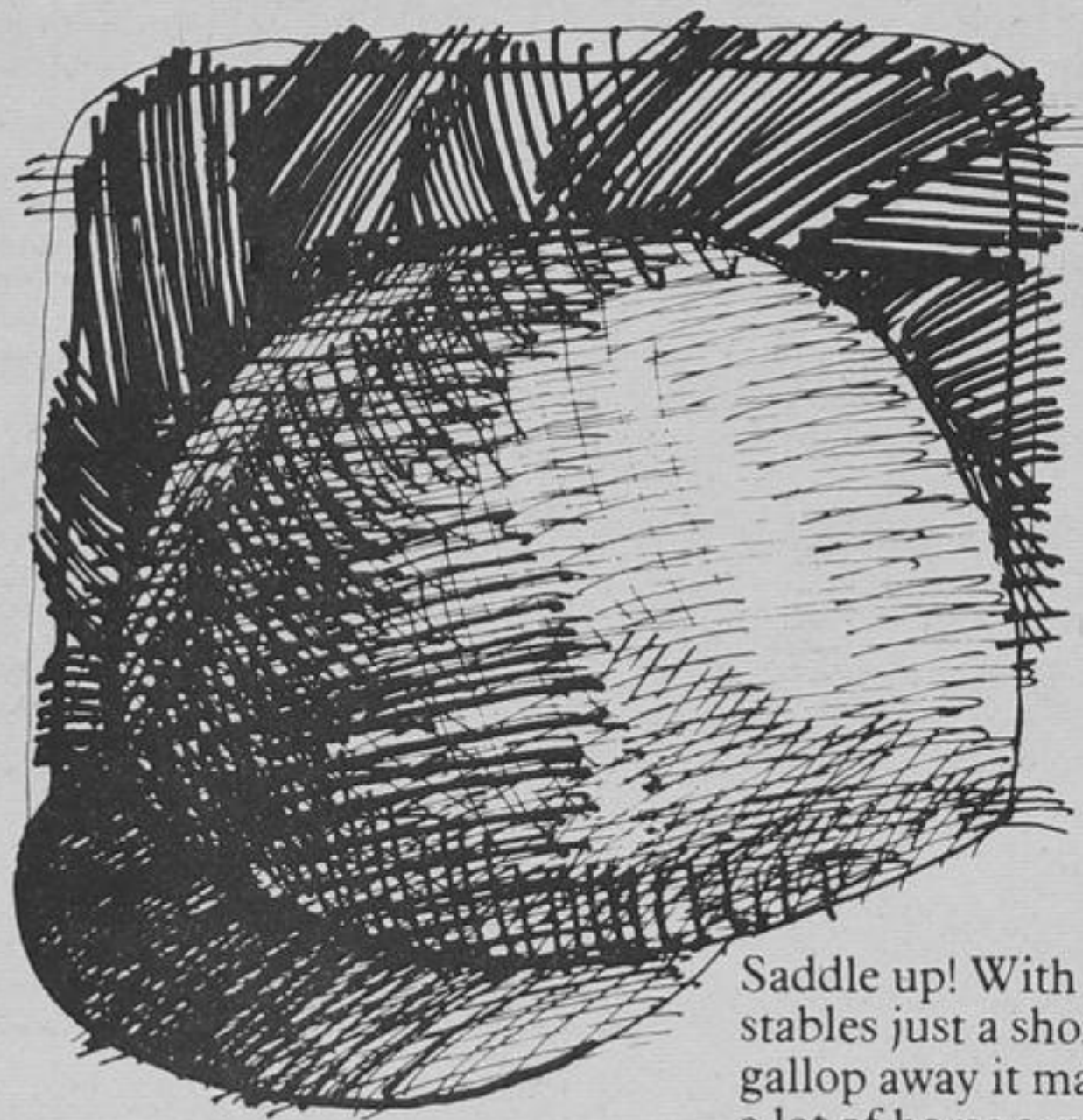
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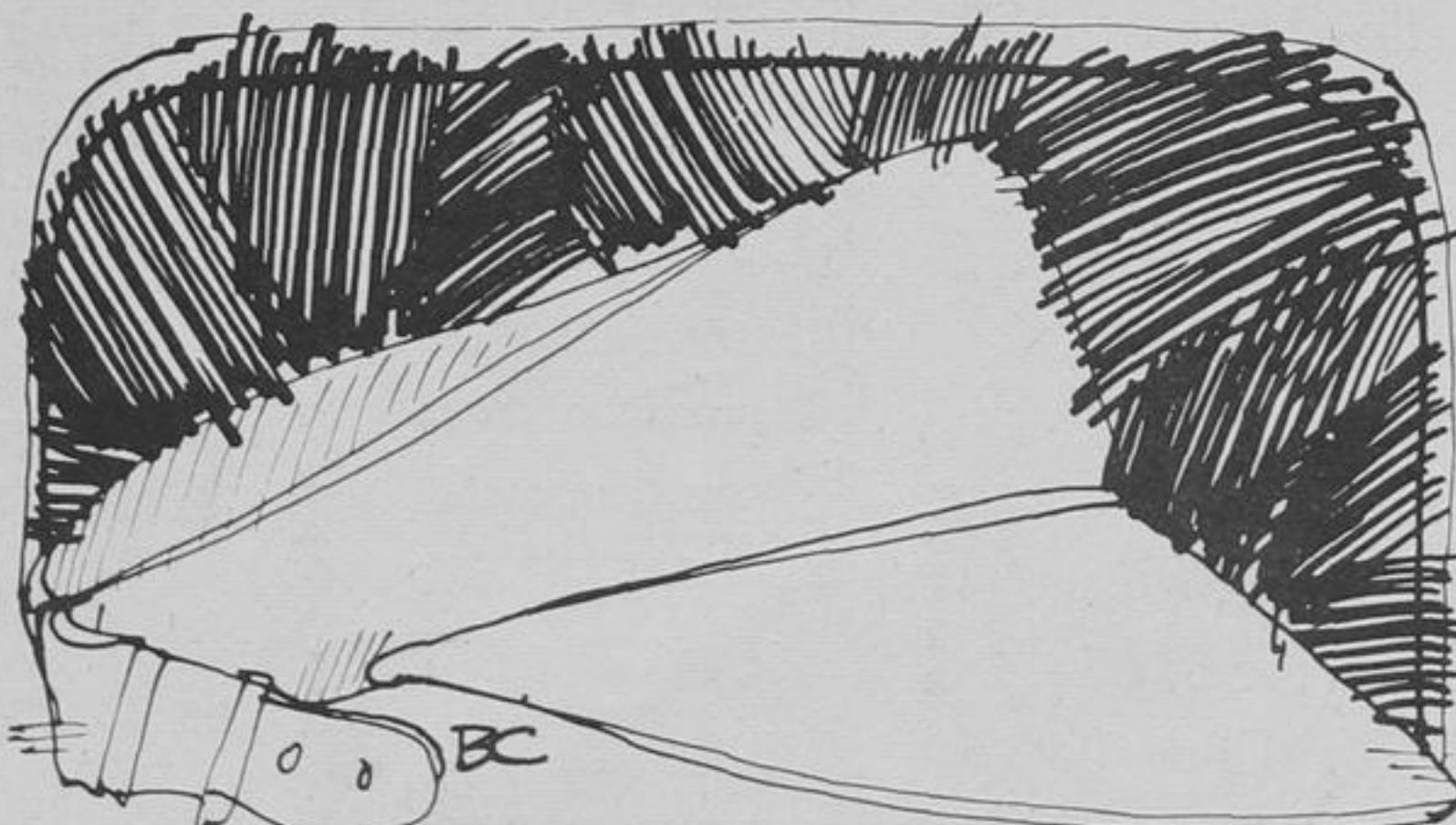
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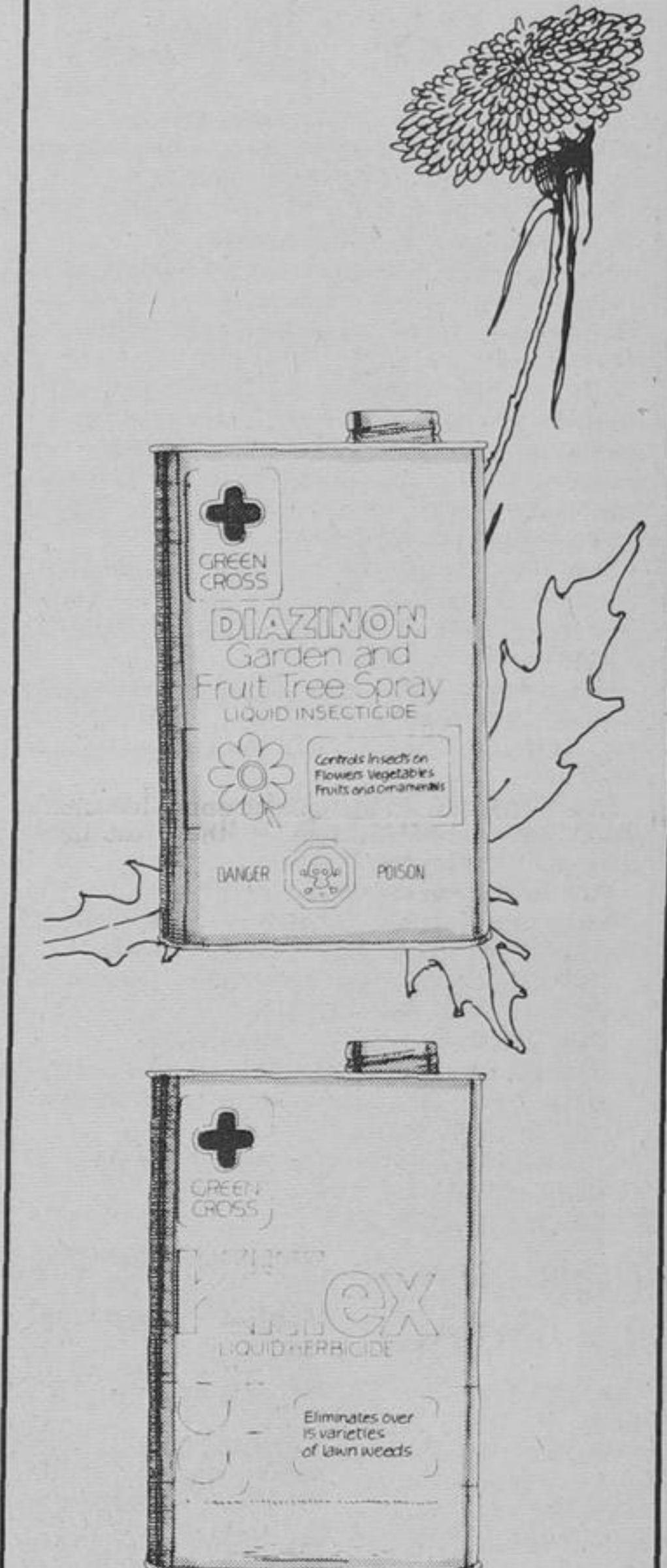


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