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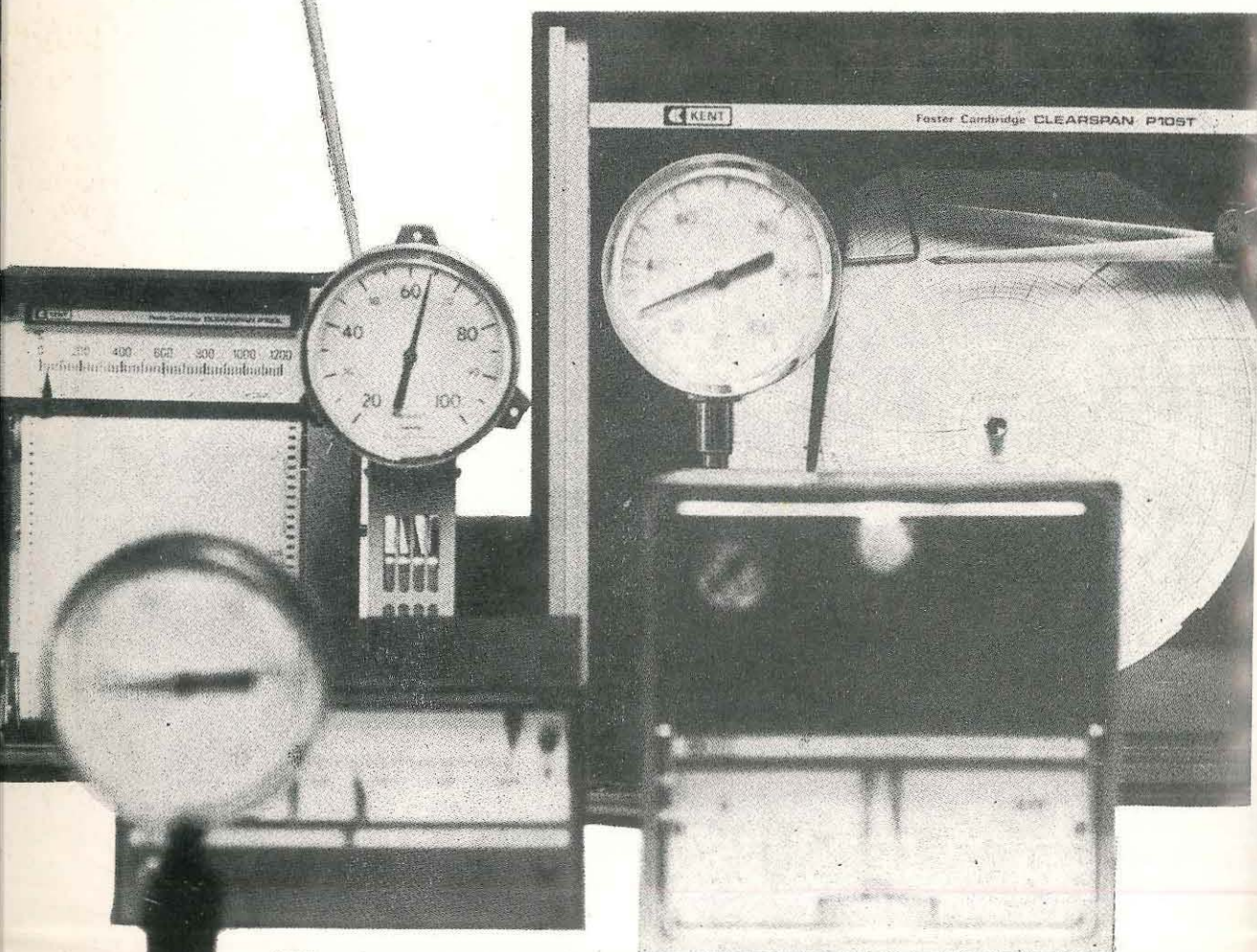
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NEWSLETTER FOR DECEMBER 1978

We apologise for the late issue of this months magazine due to unforeseen circumstances.

This month will see the normal full round of activities at the Club. These will stretch the clubs resources to the full and we hope members will appreciate that we may not be able to meet all requests for staff and hire stores.

The other problems which are likely to be experienced are car parking and access to the Club. Please observe any restrictions placed on the use of the car park; at peak periods park tidily so as not to block other members in and be prepared to park outside the Club premises in Suriwongse Road. The Narai Hotel has a busy function programme this month and members are advised to make use of the Suriwongse gate especially in the early evening periods.

AFFILIATIONS

The affiliation with the KELAB TAMAN PERDANA (Royal Lake Club), KUALA LUMPUR has been confirmed. Details of the terms of this affiliation will be circulated to all members during December.

STAFF ASSISTANCE

Members are requested to make bookings with the Office and not with Staff members direct.

Members are reminded that Staff are rarely if ever available at lunchtimes, especially at weekends.

HAMS FOR CHRISTMAS

We will be arranging on behalf of interested members the provision of hams again this Christmas. The hams average between 5 and 6 kilos. Price, depending on size and whether the ham is required cooked or uncooked, will be in the region of Baht 70 per kilo.

Full details will be circulated in due course.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

At the service held on Sunday 12 November at the British Embassy, Mr. L.V. Vize laid a wreath on the war memorial on behalf of members of the Club.

POPPY FUND APPEAL

The sum of Baht 1659 was donated by members in the Poppy Fund appeal. The money has been passed on to the Royal British Region.

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MAGAZINE AUCTION

Ten bids were received for the magazines offered.

The result of the draw was:

Mrs. M. Watson (W54)

Harpers and Queen (the lot)

Country Life (April 1978)

Mr. T. Smith (S49)

Country Life (the lot less April 1978)

Mrs. W.G. Griffith (G18)

National Geographic (the lot)

The members concerned can collect their magazines from the office.

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THE BANGKOK ST GEORGE'S SOCIETY

At the AGM of the St George's Society, held on 22 November at the British Club, the following were elected to office for 1979:

President:	Mr. H. Creasy
Hon Secretary:	Mr. C.H.P. Edmonds
Hon Treasurer:	Mr. R.W. Wilmott-Pilgrim
Members:	Mr. M.D. Thacker
	Mr. B.W. Heath
	Mr. G.B. Sewell

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NEW MEMBERS

The following were elected to membership of the Club in November 1978.

Ordinary

Mr. B.J. Blundell	Chartered Bank
Mr. C.E. Boothby	Bata
Mr. J.J. Dickson	SMEC
Mr. J.K.R. England	UN
Mr. J.R. Foulis	Shell
Mr. D.M. Harbour	Australian Embassy
Mr. W.A. Lewis	PO Box 566
Mr. I. Pearson	Chulalongkorn University
Mr. A.G. Phipps	SGS (FE)
Mr. T.J. Prendergast	Pfizer
Mr. D.D. Tarrant	Borneo Company

Non Voting

Mr. A.E. Curran	UNDP
Mr. D. Clarke	Metal Box
Mr. J.S. Laird	Advance Media

Ladies Privileges

Mrs. M.L. Bielser	Sukhumvit 42
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NEW MEMBERS NIGHTS

New Members will be invited to meet the Committee in the Reading Room at 5.30 p.m. on the following days:

Tuesday 12 December (Closing date 9 December)

Tuesday 9 January (Closing date 6 January)

Candidates and sponsors are invited to bring their wives to the New Members Night which will take the form of an informal drinks gathering. Dress: Tie (but no jacket) or Safari Suit.

SATURDAY MORNING ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AT THE BRITISH CLUB

Bring your child along to the Saturday morning activities to be held at the Club once a month starting 6 January 1979. Initially the activities offered will be:

Football	open to children 5 years and over
Chess	open to children 6 years and over
Cricket	open to children 7 years and over
Sewing	open to children 5 years and over
Tennis	open to children 8 years and over
Stamp collecting	open to children 7 years and over

Children are only allowed to sign up for ONE activity and it is suggested that they keep to the same activity for a number of months. There are organisers arranged for each activity but we would welcome any additional help and parents are most welcome to stay and help run the different groups.

We propose to maintain the same activities from January to June and the 'Activity Morning' will be held on the Saturday immediately prior to the Swimming Gala, which is always held at the Club on the first Sunday in the Month. However, the activities may either increase or vary to those initially offered according to demand. The age limits on each group are only placed to facilitate the running of each activity. The sessions are aimed at children of school age.

Please sign up on the activities sheet by the swimming pool before 1st January 1979 to give our organisers and helpers some idea of the numbers for each group.



The individual requirements for each activity are suggested below:-

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| Football) | - a football if the child has one |
| Cricket) | Suitable - a Boy's bat |
| Tennis) | Clothing - each child should bring own racquet |
| Chess | As many children wanting to play/learn should bring a set and board of their own wherever possible. |
| Sewing | Materials will be provided if possible, however if any child has a specific project they would like help with it is suggested they bring it and relevant equipment along. |
| Stamp collecting | A suitable book to start/increase the child's own collection. |

Activities will be held from 9 a.m. until 10.30 a.m. to be followed by a short break and then CHILDREN'S FILMS from 11 a.m. A small charge will be made for each activity inclusive of a drink and the film. The programme will end by 12 o'clock.

The Activities co-ordinator is BARBARA DEVLIN. Please contact her (391-3663) if you have any queries and/or wish to help with the children in any way.

PLEASE SAVE ALL YOUR CHRISTMAS STAMPS FOR THE STAMP COLLECTORS. THEY ARE BEGINNING THEIR COLLECTIONS AND CAN USE ALL YOUR OVERSEAS STAMPS BOTH FROM AT HOME AND FROM THE OFFICE.

PLEASE SAVE USED BUT SERVICEABLE TENNIS BALLS FOR THE TENNIS ENTHUSIASTS.

PLEASE LET US HAVE ANY PIECES OF MATERIAL SUITABLE FOR THE CHILDREN TO MAKE THINGS WITH IN THE SEWING SESSIONS.

You can drop any of these items at the British Club office marked for the attention of:

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|----------------------|--------------------|
| Mrs. Barbara Thomson | - Stamp Collector |
| Mrs. Grace White | - Tennis Organiser |
| Mrs. Joan Sewell | - Sewing Organiser |

CHILDRENS PARTIES

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 5 years and under
(Cartoon film) | Wednesday 13 December from 4 p.m. |
| 6 to 9 years
(Magician) | Thursday 14 December from 4 p.m. |
| 10 to 13 years
(Barbecue/Dance) | Tuesday 19 December from 7 p.m. |
- Full details have been sent to all members by circular

WINE

This months wine specials will be:

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| Cotes du Rhone | Baht 125.- |
| Blanc de Blancs | Baht 120.- |
| Mateus | Baht 110.- |

Revised prices are due to the recently increased purchase costs.



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BRITISH COUNCIL CENTRE ENGLISH COURSES
DO YOUR COLLEAGUES AND EMPLOYEES NEED BETTER ENGLISH?

As some of you know, the British Council runs evening and Saturday morning English courses. Some of these are general courses, and others are aimed at specific groups, mainly various areas of business. The Council is starting a new programme in the New Year, beginning on Monday 29th January. Courses scheduled are as follows:-

English for Business:	Monday, Wednesday, Friday 4.30-6.30 p.m. 16 weeks, total 90 hours
Advanced English for Business:	As above
*English for Commerce:	Saturday 8.30-10.30 12 weeks, total 24 hours
*English for Business Correspondence:	Saturday 10.30-12.30 12 weeks, total 24 hours
*General English Intermediate 1:	Tuesday, Thursday 4.30-6.30 p.m. 12 weeks, total 48 hours
*General English Intermediate 2:	Saturday 8.30-11.30 12 weeks, total 36 hours
*General English Advanced:	Tuesday, Thursday 4.30-6.30 p.m. 12 weeks, total 48 hours

Courses marked with an asterisk will be followed by a second term. All course applicants will be pre-tested to ensure they are at the right level. A full prospectus of these courses is available from the British Council. In addition to these courses, specialised courses for individual companies and institutions on a package deal basis can be arranged.

For further information and prospectuses, please contact Tom Cowin at the British Council, 428 Rama I Siam Square, Bangkok 5.



CHRISTMAS BALL 1978

FRIDAY 22 DECEMBER

from 8 p.m.

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EVENTS - DECEMBER 1978

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS/EVENTS IN TOWN

Mon 4 - Fine Arts Auction (Christchurch)

Tue 5 - HM THE KING'S BIRTHDAY

Mon 11 - CONSTITUTION DAY

WEEKLY CLUB EVENTS

Monday BRIDGE 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday MODERN BALLET 2 p.m.

Thursday BACKGAMMON 7.30 p.m.

Friday CLASSICAL BALLET 2 p.m.

HIRE STORES

Bids for hire stores are normally very heavy in December. Members who bid for these stores are requested to observe the condition of hire that all items are returned by 10am the day after use.

SECTION ACTIVITIES

Fri 1 - Golf. Dinner Dance

Sun 3 - Swimming. Monthly Gala 11.30 a.m.

- Golf. Match v American Chamber of Commerce 9 a.m.

Mon 4 - Squash. Social Evening

9-11 - Golf. Christmas Hamper (Hua Hin)

Sun 10 - Tennis. Match v RBSC (RBSC) 2.30 p.m.

- Swimming. Lady De La Mare Trophy (Away)

Tue 12 - Golf. AGM 6 p.m.

Sun 17 - Tennis

(1) Tennis Day. The "Ashes" 2.30 p.m.

(2) Social Evening. Barbecue 7.30 p.m.

BACKGAMMON

A Backgammon group has recently been formed and is meeting regularly each week. Play is being arranged to cater for the skilled and the learners. If you are interested come along any Thursday evening and meet other players in the Reading Room.



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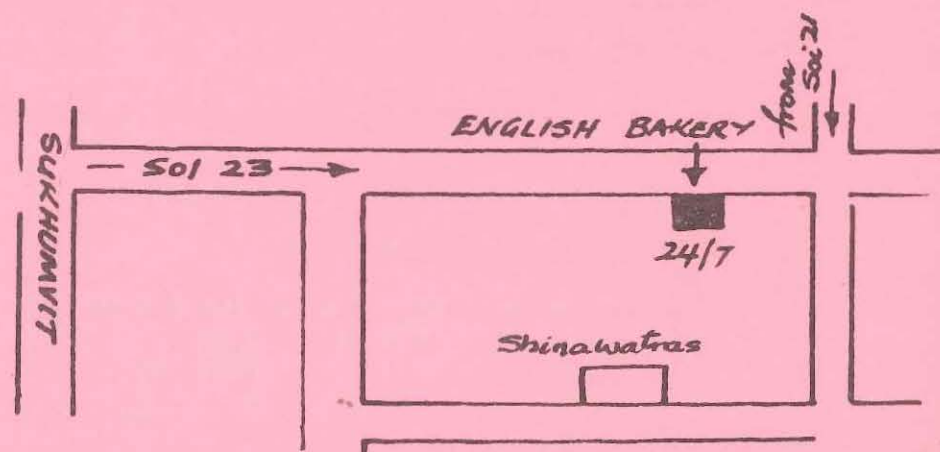
ROLLS

Breakfast, dinner

FLANS, QUICHES etc., etc.

SPECIAL ORDERS PREPARED WITH 48 HOURS NOTICE

24/7, Soi Prasarn Mitr, Sukhumvit Soi 23



GOLF SECTION

November was a very good month for the Golf Section. Many new faces have been seen at the club outings and it is hoped they will continue to attend on a regular basis. Most member's games have improved, there are only six players now with a 30 handicap and by the end of the year they should be well below the maximum.

Winners

The Captain's Prize - 5th November

1st	J. Aitken	Net 64
2nd	P. Farguharson	Net 68
3rd	P. Murray	Net 69

McMahon Trophy

1st	J. Lenaghan	Two Rounds	162
2nd	J. Aitken	" "	174
3rd	J. Weymouth	" "	178

Four-Ball, Better Ball

Rose Garden, 19th November

1st	J. Morin & T. Madar	Net 62
2nd	Mrs. Jurgens & L. Coulson	Net 63
3rd	D. Frost & B. Allen	Net 66
4th	Mrs. Dickson & J. Wells	Net 67



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TENNIS SECTION

Match Reports

We had a good turn out (23 players) for our first Tennis Day in November and it was pleasing to see all four courts in constant use throughout the afternoon. Congratulations to the competition winner Charmian Roux (22 points) who just pipped John Cox (21 points) to win the bottle of whisky. The raffle prize was won by "Tommy" Thomson.

The second get-together with the RBSC at the Club proved to be another successful and energetic afternoon. We went down (heavily) but with all guns firing in the dusk. Tessa Wells and Marie Julius were our successful pair out of the four mens and two ladies doubles fielded.

Programme for December

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| Sun 3 - Free Day | 2.30 p.m. |
| Sun 10 - Match v RBSC (at RBSC) | 8.30 a.m. |
| 6 mens pairs | (note change) |
| 6 ladies pairs | |
| Sun 17 - (1) <u>Tennis Day</u> | |
| The Swan Cup (The "Ashes") | |
| Up Over (UK/Canada) v Down Under (Australia/NZ) | |
| (2) Social Evening and Barbecue. | |

Future Events

Two matches with ISRC in January and February
Club championships in January



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BRIDGE SECTION

Now that the "Swinging Scots" have finished "Reeling", the Bridge Nights will be resumed on Mondays from 7.30 p.m.-10.30 p.m.

It is preferable to come along with a partner, but if this is difficult to arrange, please call one of the following to help find one for you:-

Eileen Card	2860221
Joan/Bill Griffith	3928079
Jean Gundlach	3914923

We need more players, to add variety, spice and spirit to a Monday Night - you never know you may be eligible to come along free the following week (p.s. we charge a small fee of 15 Baht per player to cover costs of prizes etc.)

Chicago or Rubber Bridge is usually played and the standard of bridge played is really up to the individuals participating - not always up to "Championship Standards" - so please come along all you bridge fanatics, for a very enjoyable evening with us every Monday.

SQUASH: NATIONAL COMPETITIONS

H.M. The King's Cup (Singles) and H.M. The Queen's Cup (Pairs) competitions are being held at the RBSC in December.

SWIMMING SECTION

The swimming section is still enjoying active participation from parents and children. Slowly more and more are finishing their 25,000 and 50,000 metres and proudly wearing their badges and T-shirts. The wet season handicap series continues on Tuesday afternoons and seconds are being lopped off times continually.

Meike is concentrating on racing dives and tumble turns with the older children ready for our encounter with the International Club on December 10th when we will be fighting to retain the Lady de La Mare Cup. On that day we will need every swimmer we can muster.

Our gala on November 5th was a great success. Over 50 children competed, many parents were there to time and cheer and participate and one team record was broken; Kimberlie Weymouth bettered her own 6 years and under back stroke record by 0.4 secs, clocking 27.4 secs.

The winners of each section received silver cups

6 and under girls (Leonowens Cup)

1st Kimberlie Weymouth
2nd Alison Kelsey
3rd Rachel Hill and Sarah McCall

6 and under boys (Tom Barratt Cup)

1st Andrew Julius
2nd Christopher Ford
3rd Jonathan Allbright

7 and 8 years Girls (Litespace Cup)

1st Alexandra Weymouth and Laura Dunlop
3rd Cathy de Heer



7 and 8 years Boys (Ross Clark Cup)

1st Matthew Hyde
2nd David Tait
3rd Mark Anscombe

9 and 10 years Girls (Jim Holt Cup)

1st Lisa Bishop
2nd Kendra Collins
3rd Nicola Tait

There were no 9 and 10 year old boys but it is interesting to note there were 14 girls in the same age section.

11 and 12 years Girls (Mel Taylor Cup)

1st Sophie Collins
2nd Cathy Bishop
3rd Harriet Owen

11 and 12 year Boys (Nestle Cup)

1st Jeremy Owen
2nd William Jamieson
3rd Warren Hignett

13 and 14 year Girls (Heath Lane Cup)

1st Leo Bishop
2nd Nicola Hignett

The Win Lapping trophy is awarded to the highest point scorer of the whole day and this year it was shared by Kimberlie Weymouth and Matthew Hyde who both won all their races and had a perfect score of 20 points. We were delighted to have Nigel Lapping there to present the trophy to the two winners.

The days entertainment was greatly enhanced by the novelty events. Looking much easier than it was, the paddling in a tube races for Mums and Dads was hard work for the competitors and provided many laughs for the spectators.

The winners were Meike de Heer - the Mothers race
Norm Stanley - the Fathers race

Apparently Norm was an honorary Weymouth for the day.....
some honour!!!!

The Scots won the Commonwealth race for men and the Australian ladies won their race.

Congratulations to the Julius family for winning the family relay.

Many thanks to everyone for joining in and for donating coins for the kids to dive for, even if there were a few 9 sided 5 Bahts. Thanks to Leonowens for the sweets the little one swam for and to Firestone for the tubes which were so much fun.

KIDS WE NEED YOU DECEMBER 10TH!!!!!!

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR CLUB BILL?



ADVERTISING

Members are reminded that they can place advertisements in the Newsletter at reasonable rates. Notices on the Club notice boards are seen only by those using the Club whereas this Newsletter is sent to all members.

Rates are:

Members Personal Advertisements

Ten line box	-	25.-
Half page	-	50.-
Full page	-	100.-

Business Advertisements (Not on the Covers)

½ page	-	250.-
Full page	-	500.-

EDITORS NOTES

All material for the January 1979 edition of the Newsletter must reach the Office by 18 December.

Advertisers interested in purchasing the space on the covers of the Newsletter are requested to contact the Advertising Editor.

Classified Ads should be handed to the Club Manager by the closing date for entries published in the Newsletter. Publication fees will be charged to members accounts.

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Editor : John Davis (Tel: 2342592)

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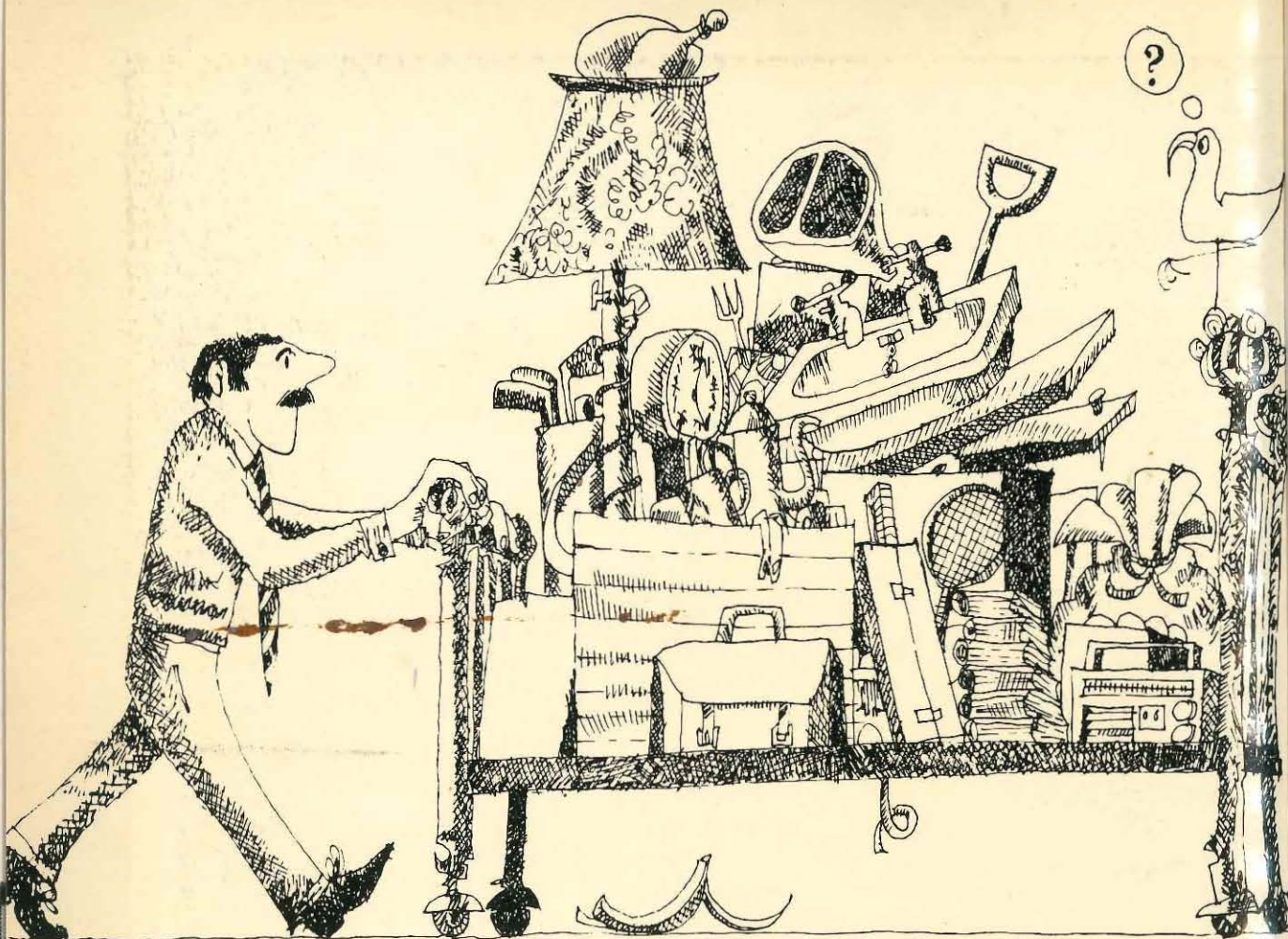
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