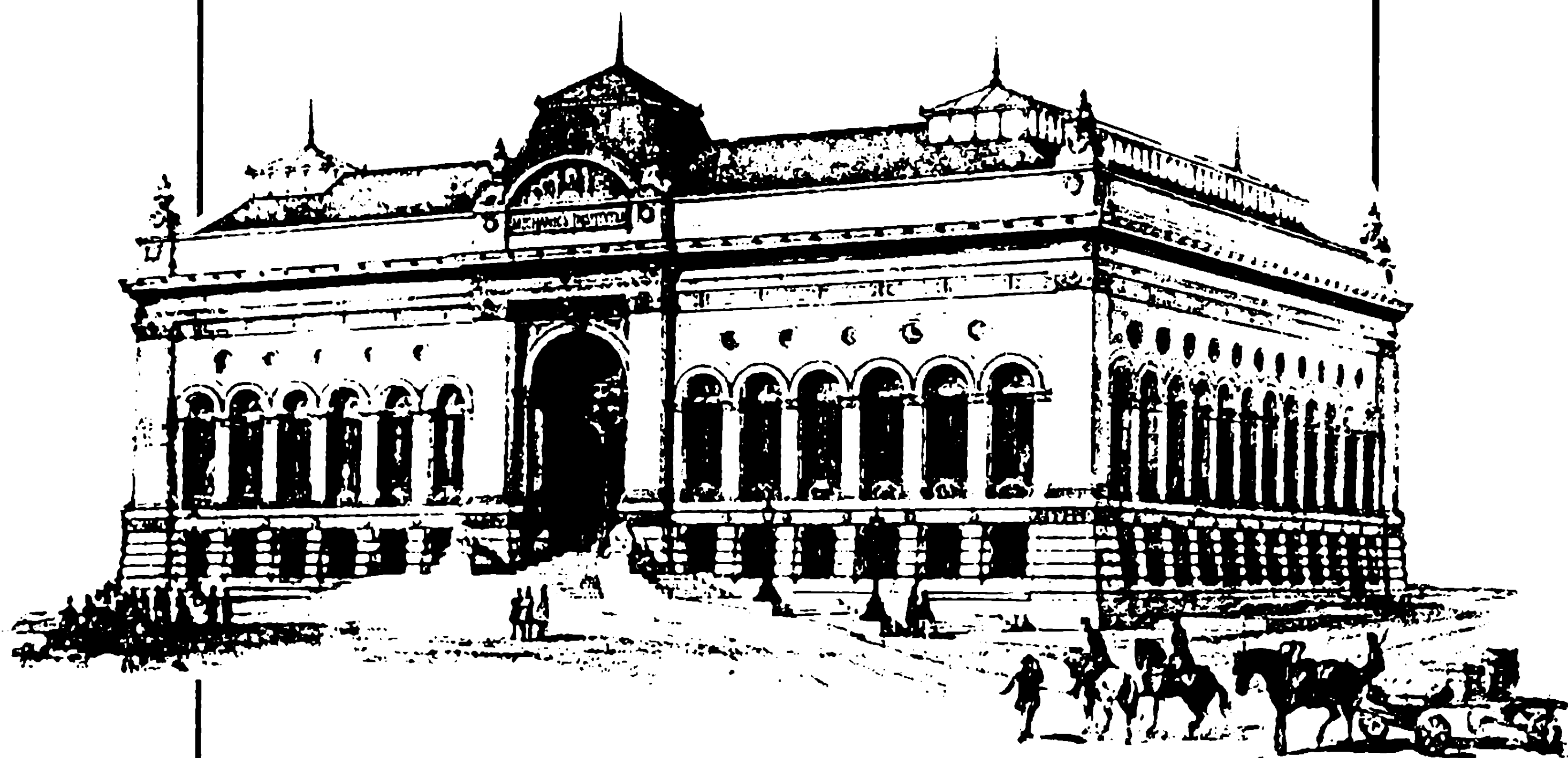


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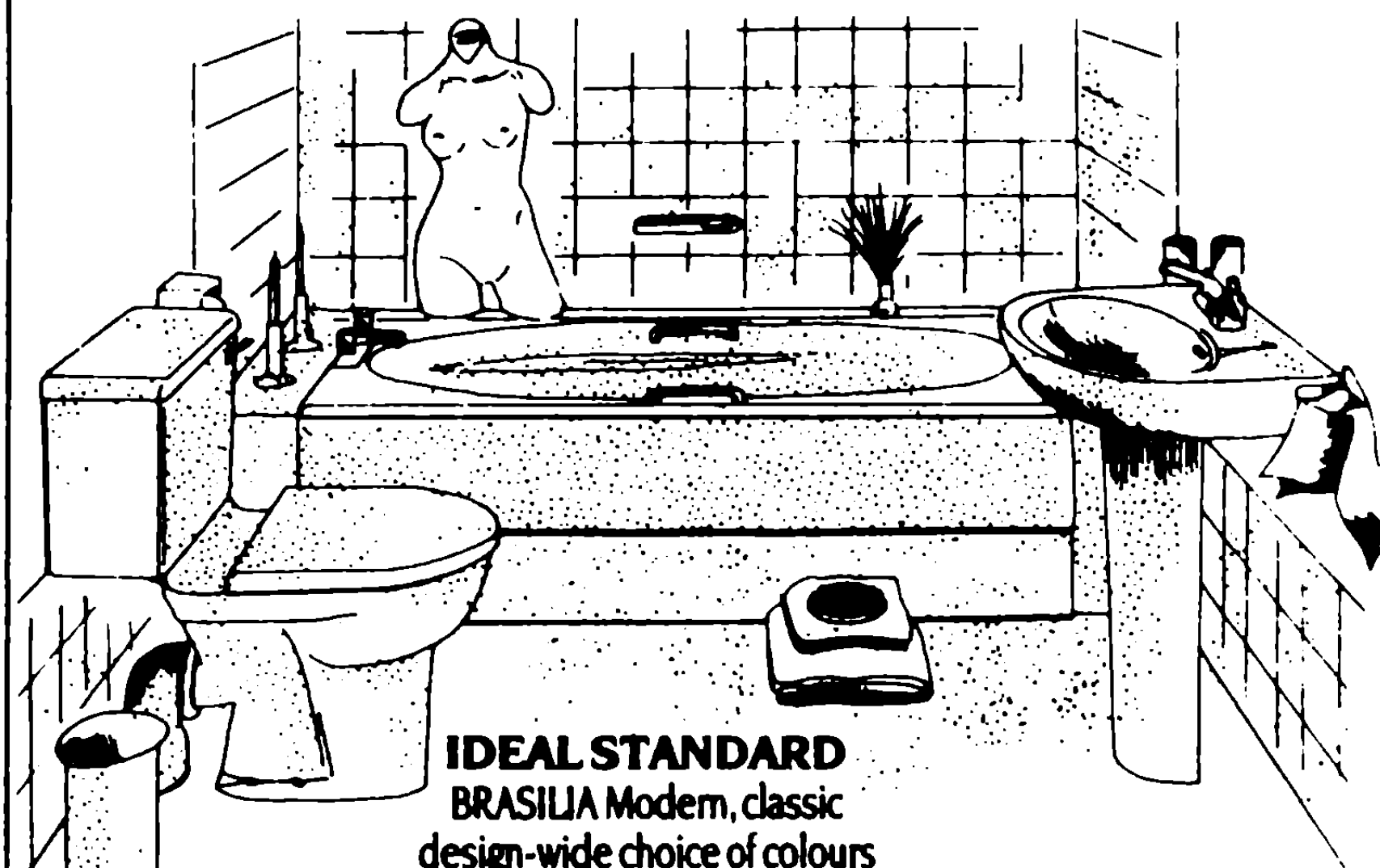
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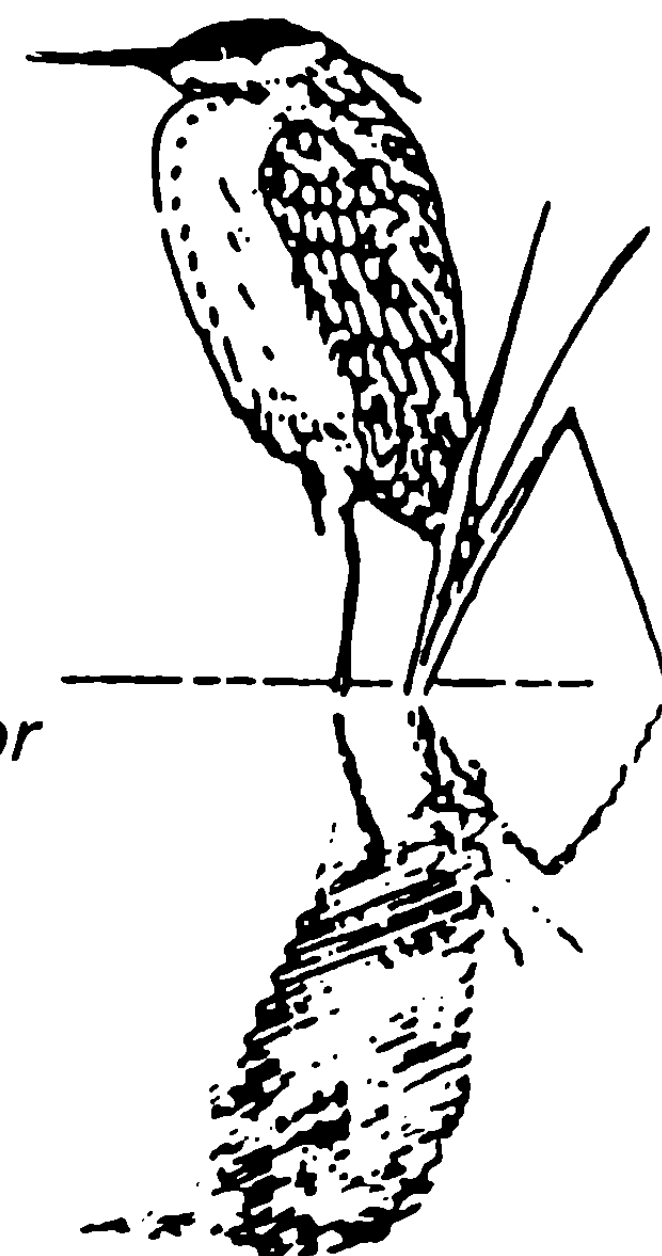
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DUKE of ALBANY, husband of Goneril	GORDON CARLIN
DUKE of CORNWALL, husband of Regan	JIM YOUNG
KING of FRANCE	MALCOLM BROWN
DUKE of BURGUNDY	MICHAEL CROWLEY
EARL of KENT, later disguised as Caius	TREVOR MONEY
EARL of GLOUCESTER	IAN FAIRBRASS
EDGAR, son of Gloucester, later disguised as Poor Tom	LES WORMALD
EDMUND, bastard son of Gloucester	STUART MITCHELL
OSWALD, Goneril's steward	DAVID JARRETT
LEAR'S FOOL	DAVID MALLINSON
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	CHRIS ROWLEY, MICHAEL BROOKSBANK
OLD MAN, a tenant of Gloucester	GEORGE TEALE
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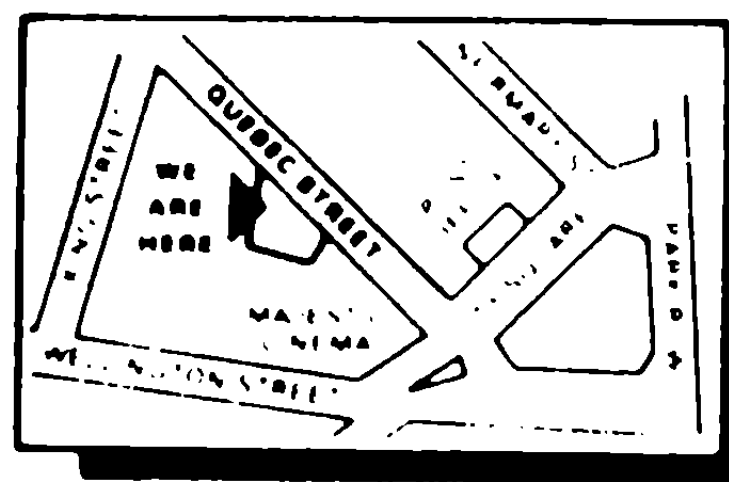
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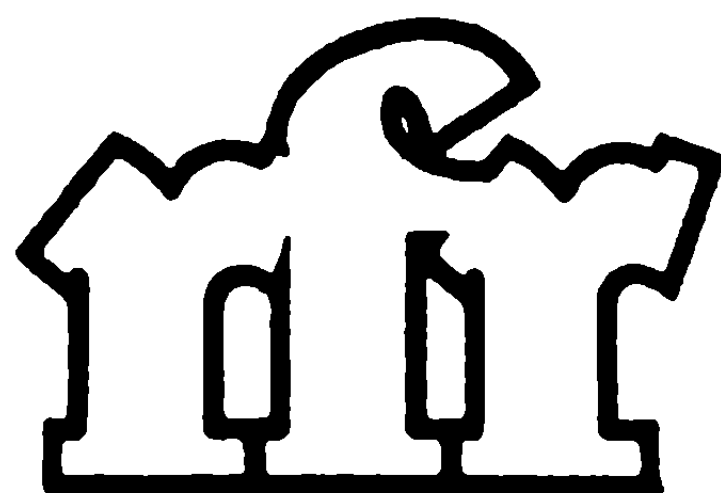


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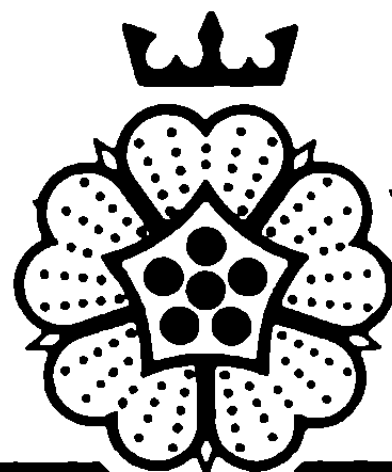


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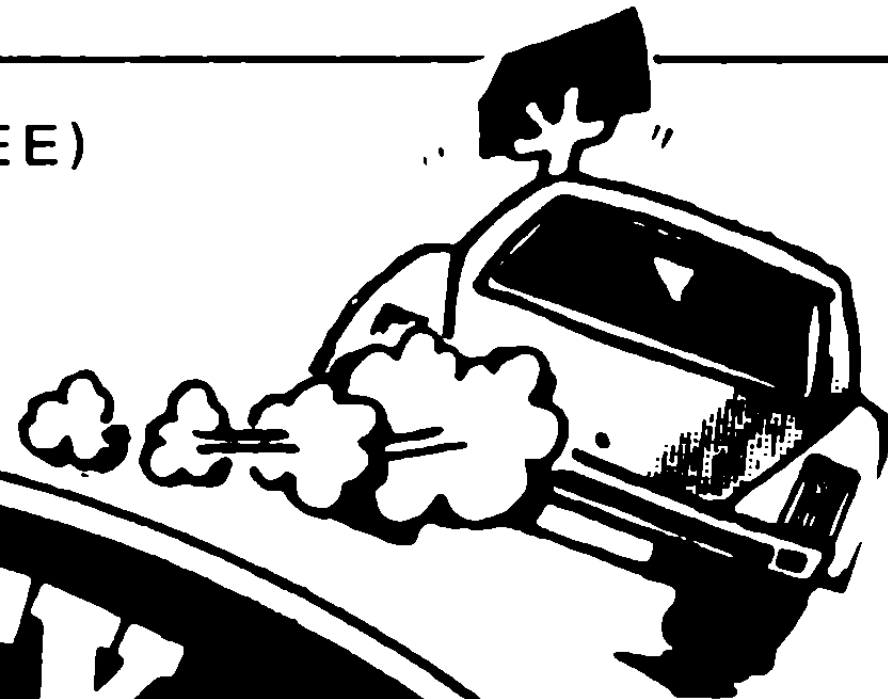
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