

LANDMARK



SURVEY

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IDENTIFICATION

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Map and Parcel: 47-43
Census Track & Block: 9-202
Present Owner: John R. Ponton & Kathryn B. Ponton
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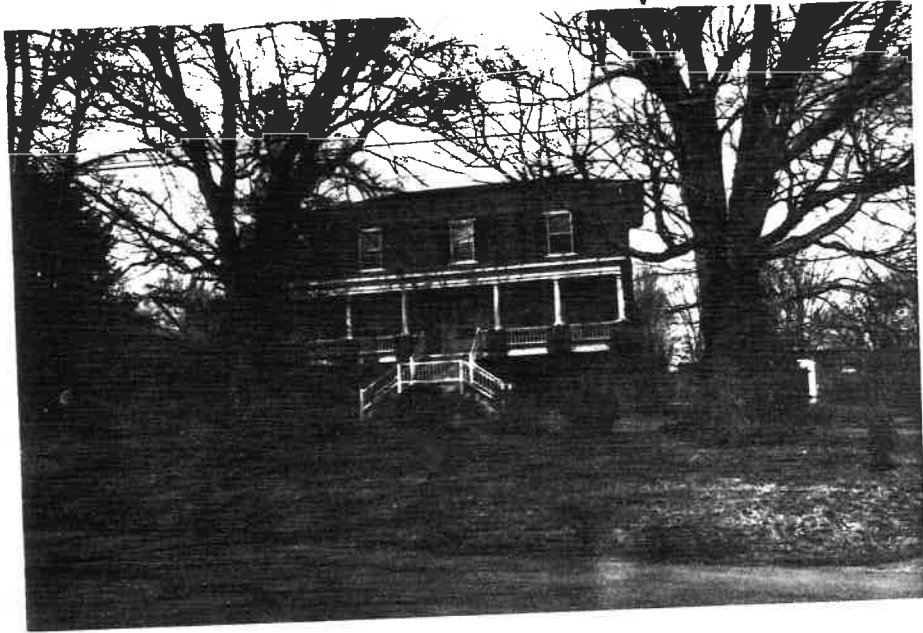
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Doorway side lights over panels,
Transom light over door, + over each
side light, separated
glass - clear, leaded panes

Windows - six over six light

Colonial Revival full

Porch - later porch across front of house
Tuscan columns on pedestals, plain
frieze w/ dentals. Balustrade w/ turned
ballusters straight run
Recent stair change from full width
central column spacing to
double stair half way up to landing,
then straight run (slightly narrower) to
porch level.

Servants quarters next door

Ponton Hse
47-43

1860

603 Watson Ave

Pres Own.

Ponton, John Rbt + Kathryn B
603 Watson

9-26-58

DB 208-243 p + 30-138

DB 301-473 Remodeled

Burman, Frank J + Charlotte C.

1-8-51

DB 158-192 DB 30-138

Case, Albert H

DB 142-275

lot 132.3 x 221 avg

land 13000

imp 55000

tot 68,000

Rt Porch remodeled 11-10-72

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DB 208-243, 25 Sep 1958

fr. Frank J. Curran + Charlotte C. (w)
to John Robert Ponton + Kathryn B. (w)
"Enderly", lots # 3, + parts of 1+2
plat DB 30-138

DB 158-192, 8 June 1951

fr. Albert H. Case + Sarah A. (w)
to Frank J. Curran + Charlotte C. (w)
"Enderly", lots # 3, + part of 1+2
plat of Park Place Development Co. DB 30-138

DB 142-275, 3 Jan 1949

fr. W.R. Wilson + Annie N. (w)
to Albert H. Case + Sarah A. (w)
"Enderly", lots # 3 + part of 1+2

off conveyance of rear portions of 1+2,

DB 107-438, 12 Aug 1941,

fr. W.R. Wilson + wife
to Louise P. Neuman.

DB 38-363, 4 Aug 1921

fr. H.M. Wilson, and W.R. Wilson + Annie N. (w)
R.T.W. Duke, Jr + Wm Eskridge Duke, Trustees
to

DB ~~38~~ 38-362, 4 Aug 1921

fr. R.T.W. Duke, Jr., Trustee under below D/T
to W.R. Wilson & H.M. Wilson
lots 1, 2, & 3 of R.P. Dev Co.

DB 30-135, 2 Apr 1917 D/T

fr. Park Place Improvement Co.
to R.T.W. Duke Jr. Trustee
lots 1, 2, & 3

DB 30-204, 9 May 1917

fr. The Park Place Improvement Co., Inc &
E.G. Haden & M.D. (irs)
to W.W. Keenan (who assumed above D/T lien)

DB 30-138 - PLAT, w houses shown.

(603 & next door, barn, carriage house)

DB 29-1, 31 Jan 1916

fr. Mrs M.J. Henry & J.F. (irs)
to The Park Place Improvement Co, Inc
"Enderly" 7a., adj. Judge T.B. Lyons estate &
vacant lot of R. Bruce Davis.

Alb Co.

DB 152-473, 21 May 1913

fr. Mrs. Mary M. Garnett + Jas. W. (in)
to Mrs. M. J. Henry
"Enderly" 7a.

~~unpittable~~

DB 152-118, 18 Feb 1913

fr. Jas. W. Garnett
to Mrs. Mary M. Garnett (in)
+ "Enderley" 7a.

~~unpittable~~

DB 128-460, 2 Jun 1904

fr. ^{was} Jennie J. Watson, Mrs. Mamie H. Williams + F.W. (in)
Mrs. Ella W. Johnson + James F. (in), Hallie V. Watson,
to Jas. W. Garnett.
Daisy DuVal Watson, +
Norton Watson

"Enderly" nearly 8a

WB 30-280, 8 Sep 1896

fr. W.A. Watson
to wife Mrs. Jennie J. Watson

DB 69-758, 1 Jul 1878,

fr. R.K. Flannagan + Silvia J.
~~Geo.~~ Geo. Perkins, Tr.
to W.A. Watson
7a.

DB 63532, 15 Sep 1868

fr. Mrs. Nannie W Gordon + W^m F Gordon, jr (wrs)
+ Robert M Kent Tr.
to Richard K Flannagan
"a home plot near, Cville called "Enderly"
nearly 8 a.

DB 57-380 5 Jan 1859 Deed of Gift

fr. James M Morris + W^m Morris
to W^m J Robertson in trust for their sister
Nannie W Gordon, wife of W^m F Gordon

DB 61-120, 26 Dec 1863

fr. W^m J. Robertson, trustee for Nanny W Gordon
to Richard O Morris, Trustee "

Conveyance of Trusteeship, including "a parcel
of land near to The Town of Charlottesville,
containing seven acres, one rood, and twenty two
perches or thereabouts, upon which buildings
have been erected out of The Trust fund.

DB 58-534, 29 March 1860

fr. Charles Minor + Lucy W (wrs)
to W^m J. Robertson, trustee for Nanny W. Gordon.

7 a, 1 rood, 22 perches

\$140 an acre

Possession Taken 20 May 1859

Handwritten gift



TUFTON — on Route 732 1 mile from Sunnyfields. Patented by Peter Jefferson in 1755, Tufton remained in the Jefferson family for over 70 years. Thomas Jefferson Randolph added a story-and-a-half stone addition in 1817. The brick portion which forms the present front of the house was constructed in 1833. The house has a typical mid-18th century design: three floors of two rooms each, with spacious center halls between. The main rooms are beautifully lighted with large windows and are charmingly furnished. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Grandquist, residents.

LANARK — Estate of about 1,000 acres, 3.5 miles south of Ashlawn on Route 627. The present house was completed in 1961. Its architecture is classical Georgian adapted to the demands of contemporary living. Careful attention has been given to detail, creating a gracious setting for rare 18th century antiques. Perennial borders, cutting garden, pool and poolhouse, platform tennis court with log cabin, guest house with own fountain garden, and greenhouse and potting shed. Mr. John G. Jones, owner.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

(no admission fees)

INFORMATION — The Rotunda, (804) 924-7969 or 924-3239. **PARKING** — University Hall, \$.25 — bus pass to The Rotunda and Pavilions, \$.25.

PAVILION GARDENS — restored by The Garden Club of Virginia with proceeds from Historic Garden Week, open daily during Garden Week. Tours available.

PAVILION HOMES — National and Virginia Historic Landmarks.

OPEN MONDAY APRIL 20, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

PAVILION V — West Lawn, Professor and Mrs. David A. Shannon

PAVILION X — East Lawn, Dr. and Mrs. William H. Muller, Jr.

OPEN TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
PAVILION I — West Lawn, Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth R. Crispell
PAVILION IX — West Lawn, Dr. and Mrs. Norman J. Knorr

OPEN WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
PAVILION II — East Lawn, Professor and Mrs. Edwin E. Floyd
PAVILION VI — East Lawn, Professor and Mrs. Robert D. Cross

THURSDAY, APRIL 23, — Candlelight Tour of Lawn, 7 to 9:30 p.m. Leaving South Portico of the Rotunda every 15 minutes. Student guides in 19th century costumes.

OPEN FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
CARR'S HILL — Corner of Rugby Road and University Avenue. Home of President and Mrs. Frank L. Hereford, Jr.

MOREA — 214 Sprigg Lane, off Emmet Street. Built in 1835 by John Patten Emmet, one of the first professors chosen by Mr. Jefferson for the University of Virginia. The spacious brick house was given to the University as a residence for distinguished visitors. There is a beautifully landscaped botanical collection started by the Albemarle Garden Club in 1964. It consists of flowering native trees and shrubs as well as many beautiful hybrid lilacs, tree peonies and spring bulbs. House and garden open. Present occupants are The Honorable Richard Parker, diplomat in residence and Mrs. Parker.

LAWN ROOMS: West Lawn -- Number 27, Catherine Powers; Number 55, Art Coleman
 East Lawn — Number 18, Scott Blackwell; Number 50, Leslie Eliason

OTHER AREA PLACES OF HISTORIC INTEREST

OPEN DAILY

MONTICELLO — Home of Thomas Jefferson — Route 53.

HISTORIC MICHIE TAVERN — Route 53.

ASHLAWN — Home of James Monroe — Route 795.

CASTLE HILL — Home of Dr. Thomas Walker -- Route 231.

INFORMATION CENTERS

Western Virginia Bicentennial Center
 Route 20 South and Interstate 64
 Charlottesville, 22902 — (804) 977-1793

Chamber of Commerce

Commonwealth Building

Preston Avenue and McIntire Road

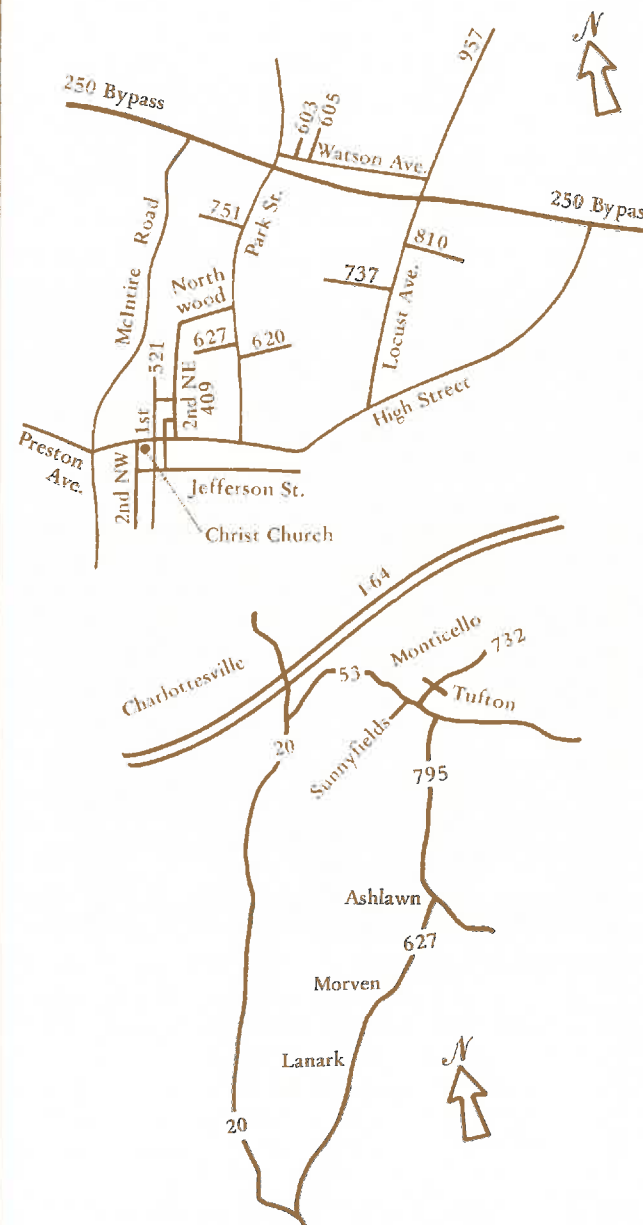
Charlottesville, 22901 — (804) 295-3141

HISTORIC GARDEN WEEK
 Charlottesville-Albemarle County
 Information and Advance Sales: Mrs. Linton R. Massey,
 Kinloch, Keswick, VA 22947; Telephone (804) 296-6201

Chairmen:

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10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Ten Charlottesville. Block tickets \$5, \$2.00. Block tickets are NO BUSES ON NORTH SECOND STREET N.E. uses park at Christ Church Street between Jefferson

be open and the women light lunch from 11:30 to 1:00 p.m. Reservations required for buses. Christ Church is on High Street between N.W. and North First



Locust Avenue. This handsome city lot was built in the 1850s. The original buildings, including the one still standing. On the lot and a specimen dogwood tree. Several years the owner has the Albemarle Club's test collection of plants. Mr. and Mrs. L. Smith, owners.

Brick Victorian structure. Renovations begun in 1975. The rebuilt kitchen features mahogany woodwork and cabinets, and punched tin cabinetry. The ceiling decoration and hand cut stencil decoration on the ceilings throughout the house. The recently re-landscaping the garden and ponds, and completed. Mrs. William H. Conn,

957 LOCUST AVENUE — This brick house is both the home and studio of an interior designer, and shows it is possible to live and work in a rather small area without overlapping of activities. The different rooms serve distinct functions, and are furnished with both contemporary and traditional furniture. Sally Worthington, owner.

605 WATSON AVENUE — The house was built in 1859 as part of the Enderly Estate, and contained the servant quarters and summer kitchen. Originally a rectangle consisting of two rooms over two, the house was increased to its present size during World War I by adding four rooms to the front. The present owners are continuing restoration of the house as well as major landscaping changes. Mr. and Mrs. James L. Camblos, owners.

ENDERLY — 603 WATSON AVENUE — Built about 1859, Enderly is a typical three storied brick dwelling of the period. There has been little structural change in the building, though the original front stoop was replaced with a porch that extends across the entire front. The house is furnished with antique furniture with emphasis on Early American. It is surrounded by handsome old trees, with plantings of tulips and azaleas. Mr. and Mrs. John Robert Ponton, owners.



KELLER HOUSE — 751 PARK STREET — This frame Colonial Revival residence is the only one of its kind in the downtown Charlottesville Historic District. The Georgian facade contrasts with picturesque roof treatment. The spacious interior with twin parlors set on either side of a wide hall retains much of its original fabric including a fine open staircase. The dwarf evergreen garden remains colorful throughout the year. Other special perennial gardens emphasize spring and fall bloom. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fishbane, owners.

627 PARK STREET — A traditional house of the Edwardian period, set among a profuse variety of shade and ornamental trees. The handsome fan window over the front entrance and the vertical windows to each side are repeated at the inner doorway. The house is furnished in eclectic fashion combining a gracious tradition of fine antique furniture with notions of contemporary living — the qualities that have made possible the renaissance of downtown Charlottesville's residential district. Mr. A. E. Dick Howard, owner.

MARSHALL-RUCKER HOUSE — 620 PARK STREET — Late Victorian brick residence built in 1894. The most notable architectural features are five porches representing three building styles and a three-story octagonal tower. The wide gable of the garret is accented by a triple Romanesque arch. The spacious yard contains plantings of native shrubs and trees. An unusual garden beneath a large sugar maple features random paths and borders designed to fit between the large surface roots of the tree. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd T. Smith, Jr., owners.

409 SECOND STREET, N.E. — This two-story weatherboard house built in 1892 was enlarged and extensively renovated in 1975. A new rear wing was added which contains a large modern kitchen with master bedroom suite above. An open deck overlooks the garden which was landscaped by Neil Roberts and contains a treasure of plantings which provide color and beauty from early spring through fall. Extensive use of ground cover makes for easy maintenance. Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Richardson, owners.

521 NORTH FIRST STREET — Residence built in 1859, basically Federalist in form and Greek Revival in style, with unusual Italianate cornice brackets. The house was undoubtedly designed with the help of a builder's handbook. Of particular interest are the large exterior pilasters. The interior has been renovated to reflect the present owners' needs and varied activities. Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Vickery, owners.

MORVEN — Open Saturday April 18 through Saturday April 25 — 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission \$2. Private estate on Route 627, four miles south of Monticello. A picturesque drive through natural woods of pine, dogwood and redbud leads to the magnificent house, built from plans drawn by Thomas Jefferson. The gardens, superbly restored in 1930 to the original design, are on two terraces with rolling hills and a vista of Monticello in the distance. A charming cottage built in 1796, the old kitchen, carriage house

with collection of horsedrawn vehicles and the gardens are open. A Virginia Historic Landmark. Mrs. Whitney Stone, owner.

LUNCH

Box lunches will be served by The Women of New Bethel Church at Ashlawn from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Saturday, April 18, through Saturday, April 25. (Advance reservations required for buses.) Telephone (804) 296-1159 or (804) 296-7020.

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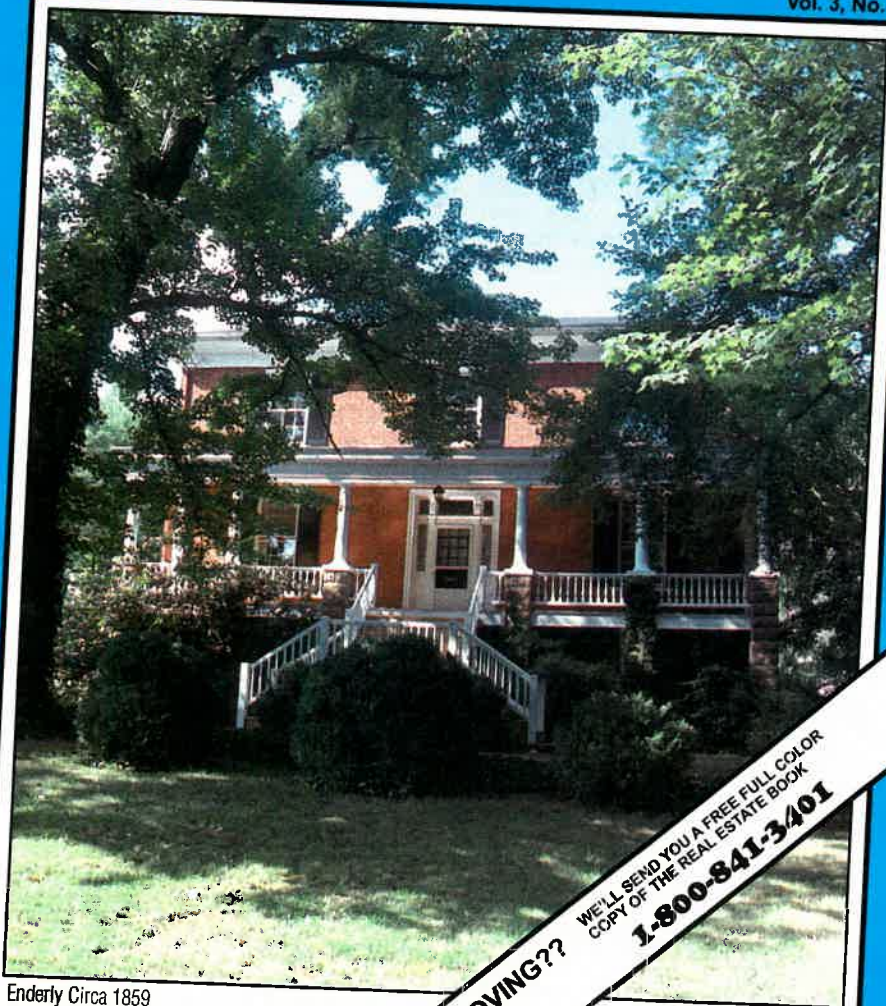
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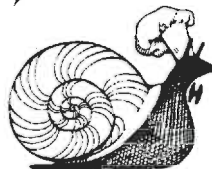
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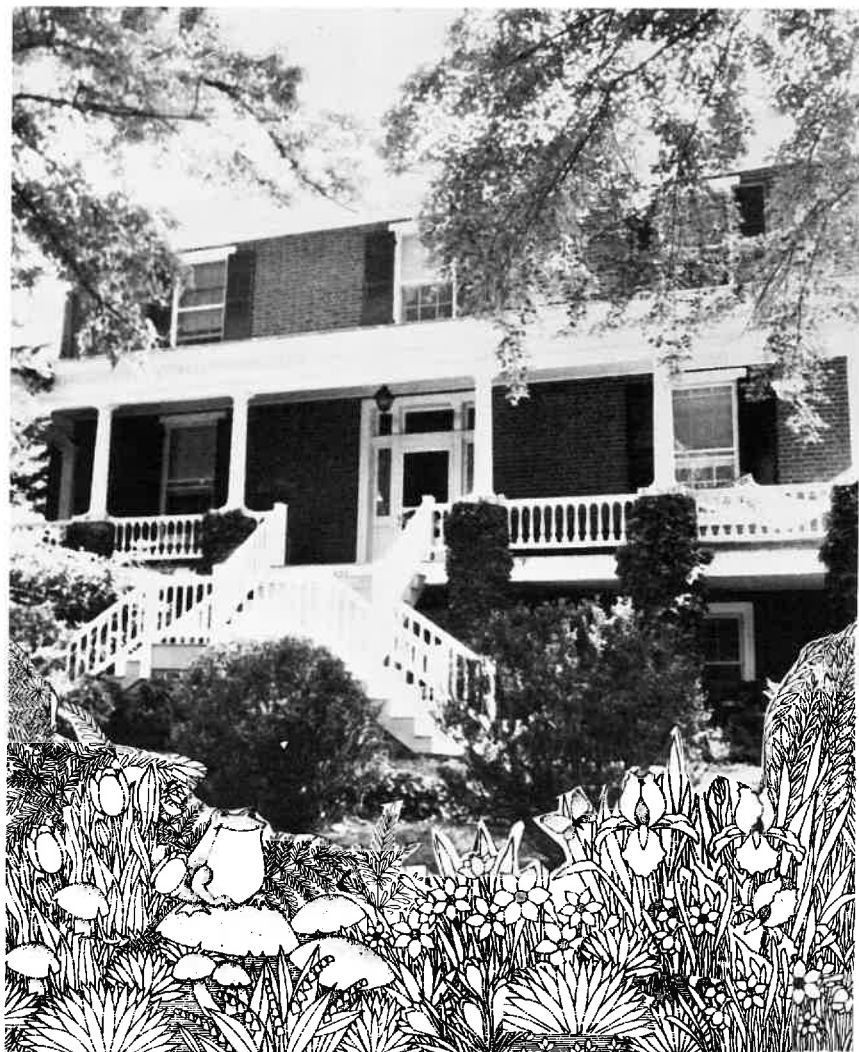
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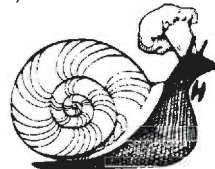
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