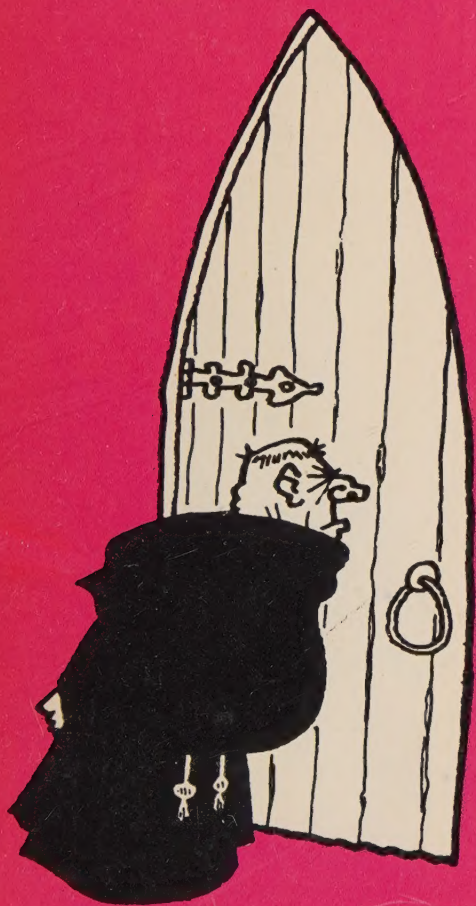


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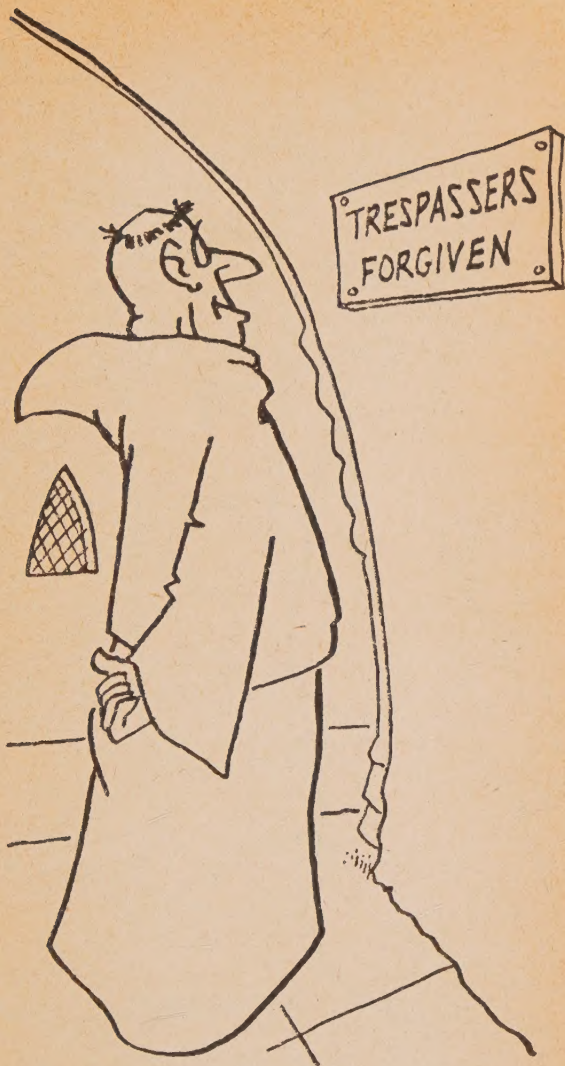
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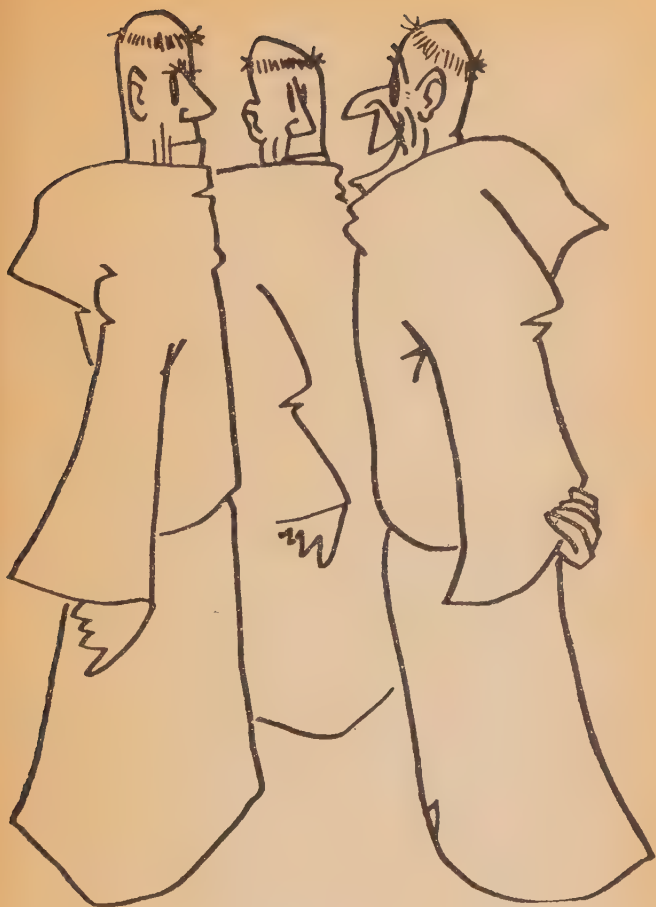
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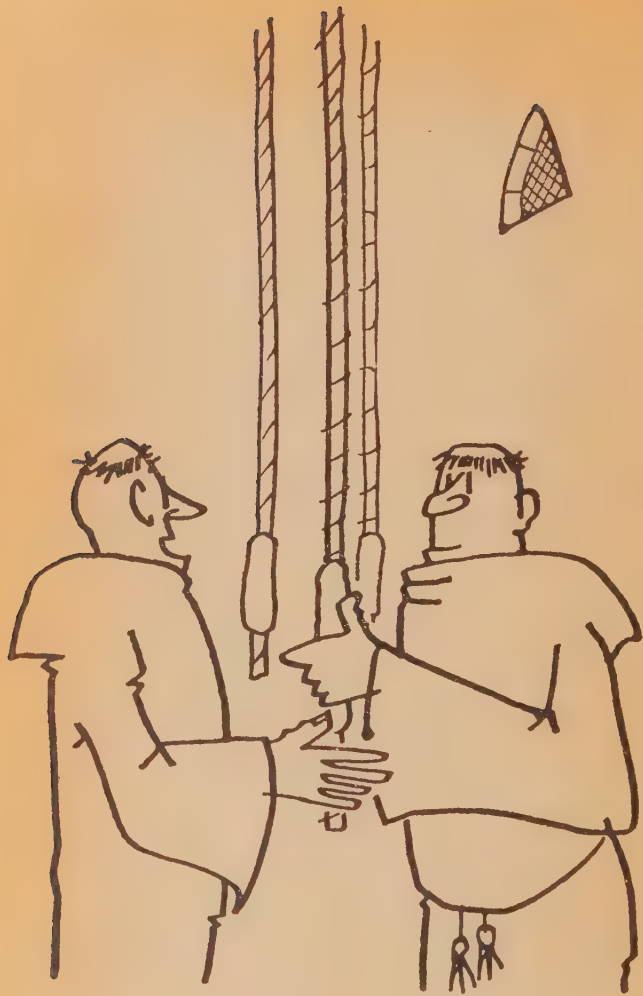


*'I regret to say I had rather an enjoyable day!'*

וְיָרַד מִן הַשָּׁמַיִם  
וַיְהִי כִּי יִרְאֶה אֱלֹהִים  
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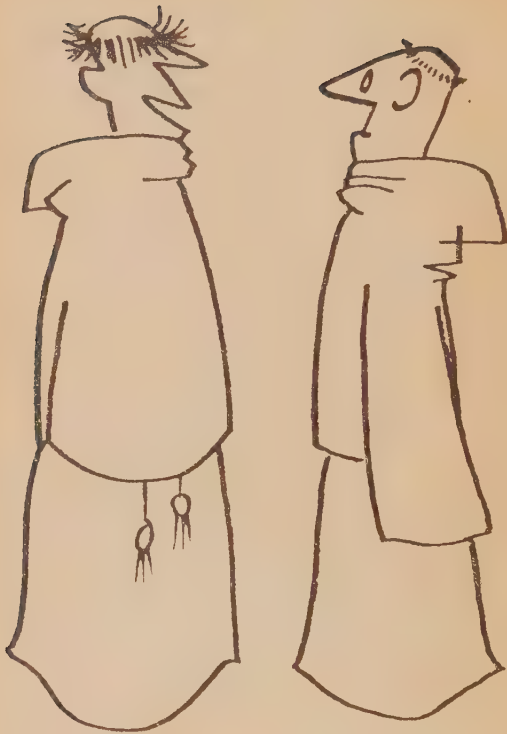




*'If you need anything, just ring'*



*'Cold snap or not — hot water bottles are out!'*



*'I washed it last night and I can't do a thing with it'*





*'What — can't you foresee anything at all?'*



*'For ever and ever Amen. Full Stop. Paragraph. Big Roman R with gilt bits round the edge. . . . .'*



*'A very serious thing happened to me on my way  
here tonight'*





*'Is an indigestion tablet cheating?'*



*'Giving up worldly goods was easy for me — I was broke!'*



*'No thanks — I've read it'*



*'Please can Gilbert come out to pray.'*





*' . . . and stop calling me Dad!'*







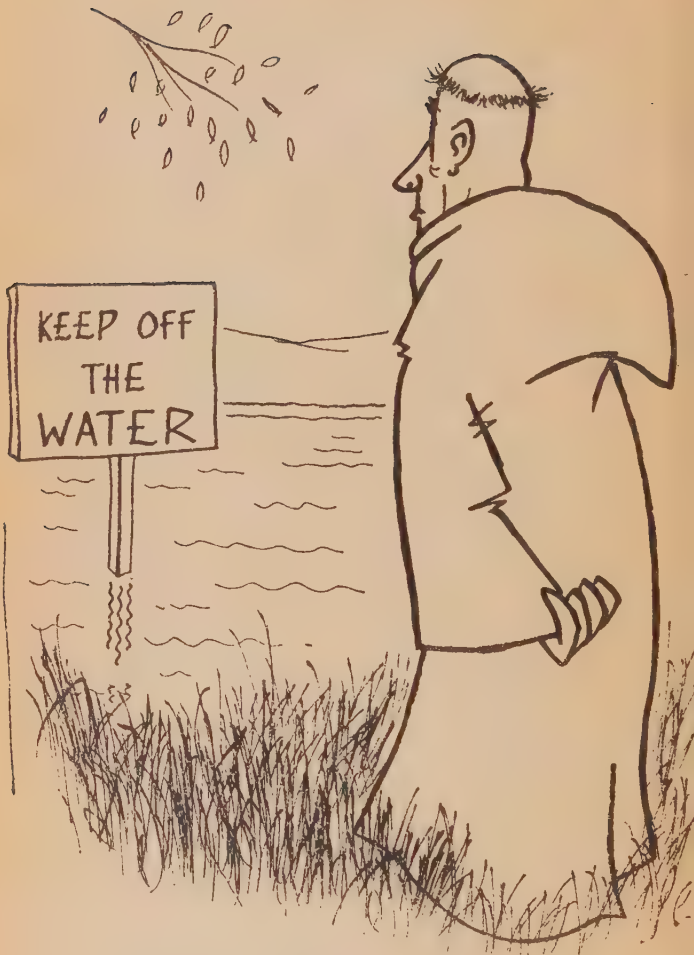


*'Right — Contemplate!'*

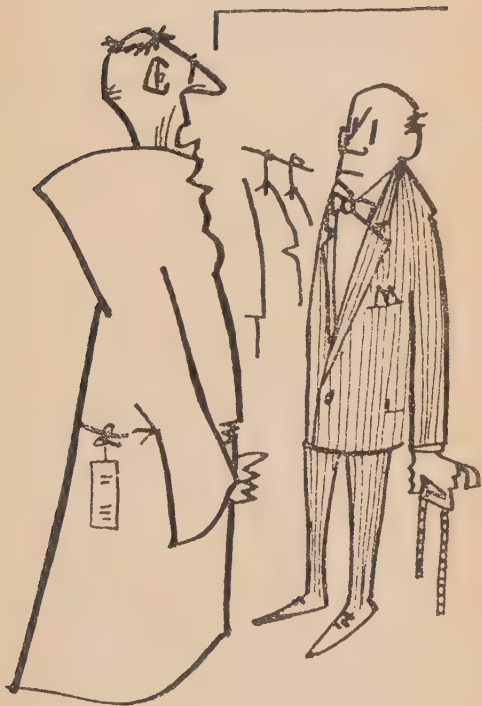




*'Short top and sides, please'*







*'It fits beautifully, but can I have something  
a little more uncomfortable?'*



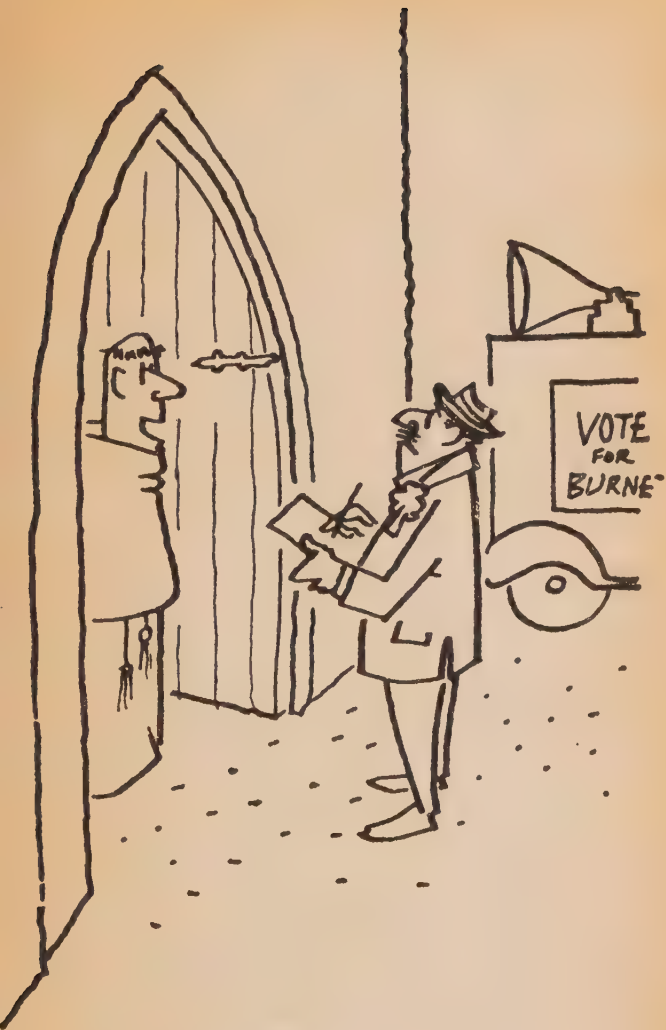
*'Timothy's got some very bad habits'*



*'Good gracious! Oh dear!! Cor blimey!!!'*



*'Are we allowed to enjoy the Abbot's Sunday sermons?'*



*'I'm afraid we're already committed'*







*'At least we can claim a reasonable monopoly  
on peace and goodwill'*

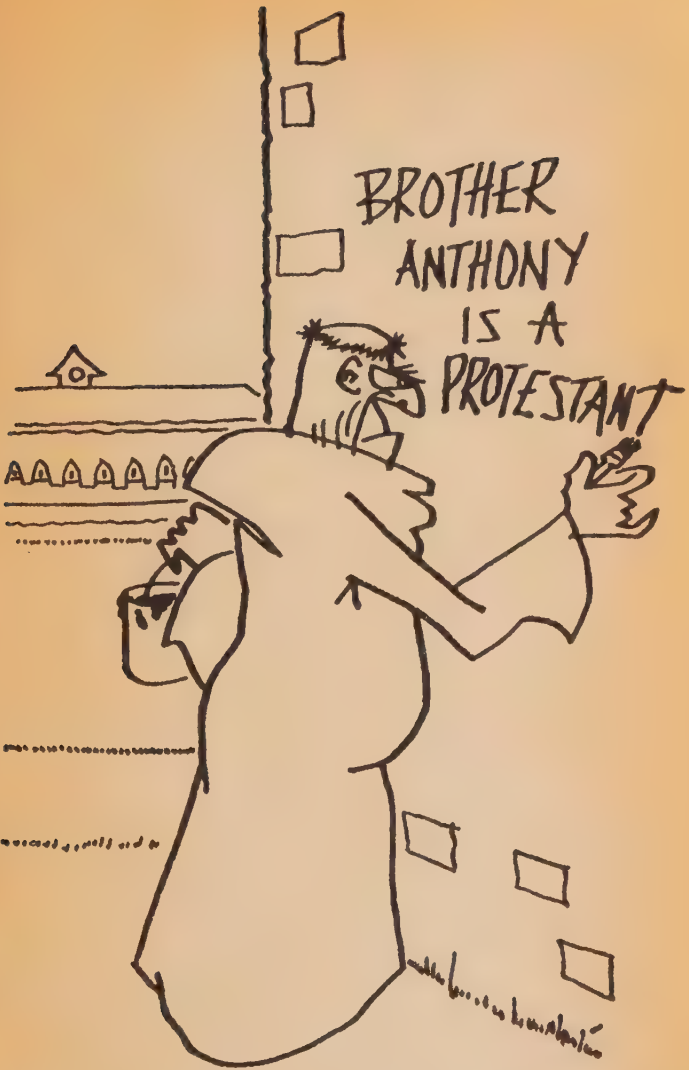




*'Quite frankly marriage guidance isn't one of my  
strong points'*



BROTHER  
ANTHONY  
IS A  
PROTESTANT





*'It was all right for St. Francis-*



*wouldn't know what to say to a bird'*



*'Hot as what?'*



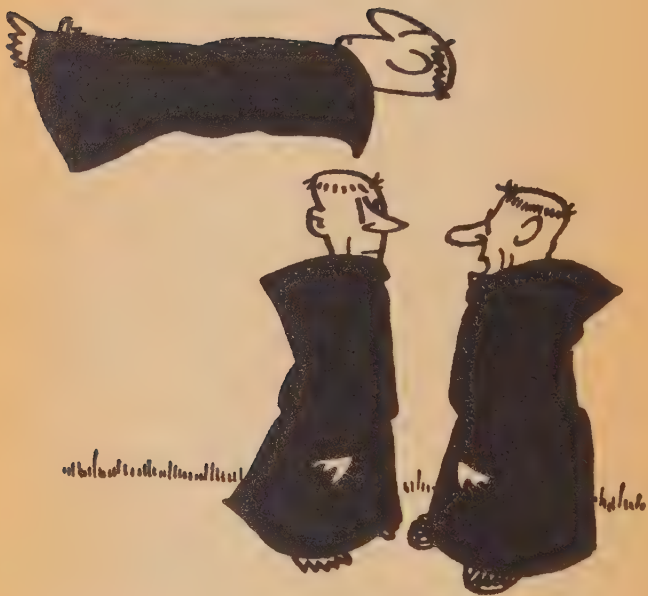


*'I keep dreaming of black sheep'*





*'One lucky break was a rather late conversion  
from the fleshpots!'*



*'Brother Erasmus is mystically inclined'*



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