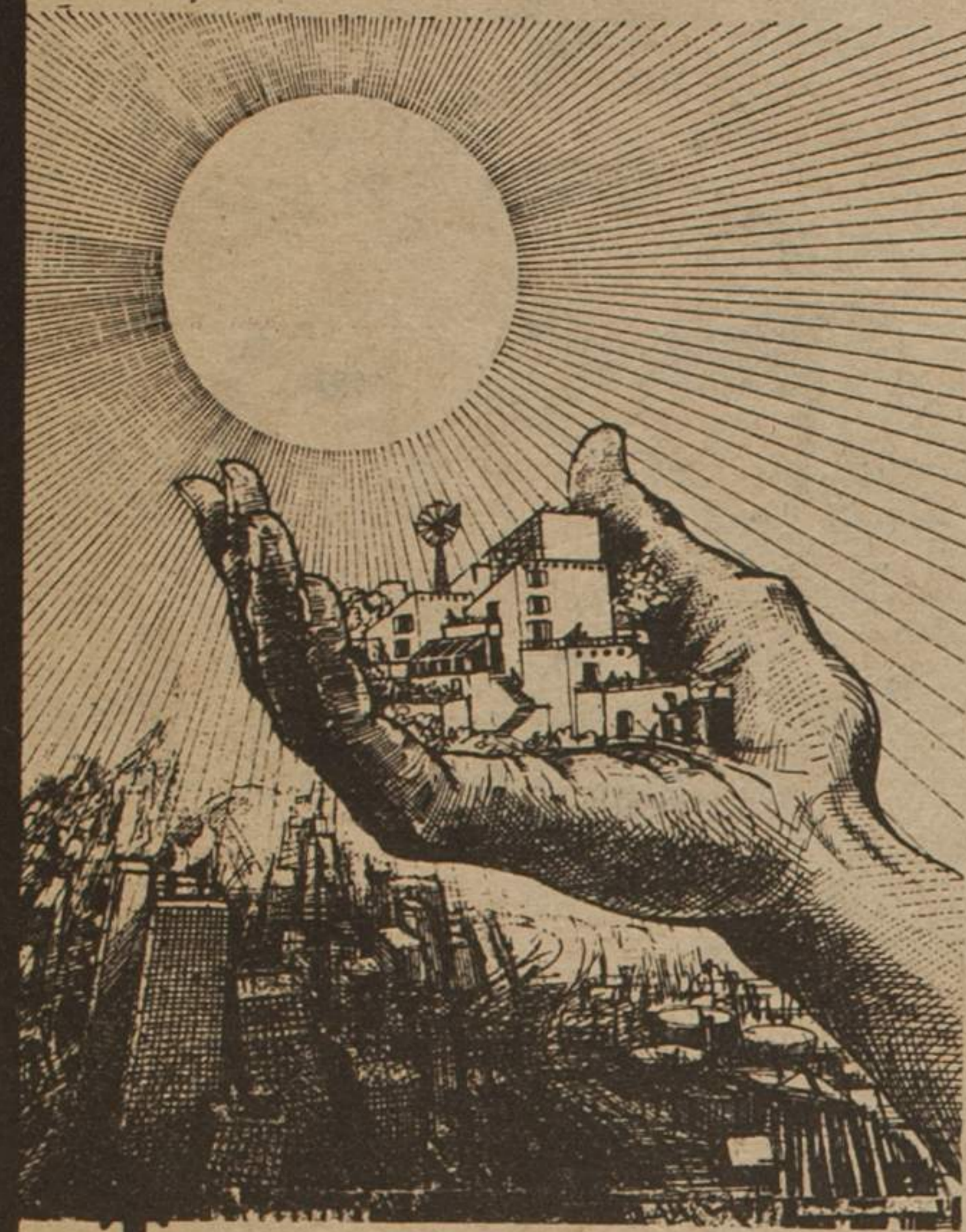


SUN DAY IS MAY 3



water pump through a windmill. Rainfall becomes electricity through a small hydroelectric dam. Wood becomes warmth through a wood stove. Our planet will never have an energy crisis as long as there is a sun--if we begin to harness the sun's power.

Solar technologies are not "exotic"--many of them predate oil, gas, and nuclear technologies that surround us today. Windmills, solar panels, wood stoves and small hydro dams have been with us for centuries. Now they are just waiting to be put to widespread use.

On May 3, 1978, there will be a national celebration of the world's only inexhaustible, predictable, egalitarian, non-polluting, safe, terrorist-resistant and free energy source. It will be called Sun Day.

The sun has been shining now for several billion years, and scientists expect it to keep doing so for several billion more. The sun rises every morning and sets every evening, delivering energy to your doorstep (or rooftop) without powerlines, pipes or a hose. It is the most predictable and egalitarian energy source. Since the sun doesn't foul the air, land or water, it is safe and non-polluting. And there isn't a thing that a terrorist, hijacker, multinational company or international cartel can do to prevent sunpower from reaching you.

Even when the sun isn't shining, its immense energy is at work making the winds blow, clouds form, rain fall, and trees and crops grow. Since the sun transfers power into everything it touches, the proper technology can harness that energy and put it to work for you. Sunlight becomes hot water through a solar panel. It becomes electricity through a solar cell. Wind becomes a



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On May 3, 1978, when the sun first hits the U.S., Sun Day activists will be there. A group is planning a celebration on top of Cadillac Mountain in Maine. Later in the morning, New Yorkers can enjoy a sunrise concert at the United Nations. Some folks in Martinsburg, West Virginia are planning a tour of solar homes, and if you go to Princeton, N.J., you'll be able to see some spectacular movies of the sun itself. In Chicago, plans are underway to build a huge community greenhouse. Farmers in the Midwest will be able to see a traveling slide show depicting agricultural uses of sun, wind, methane, and other fuels available right on the farm. Unions in several cities are considering huge rallies to call for more solar jobs. Several congresspeople and state legislators want to pass solar

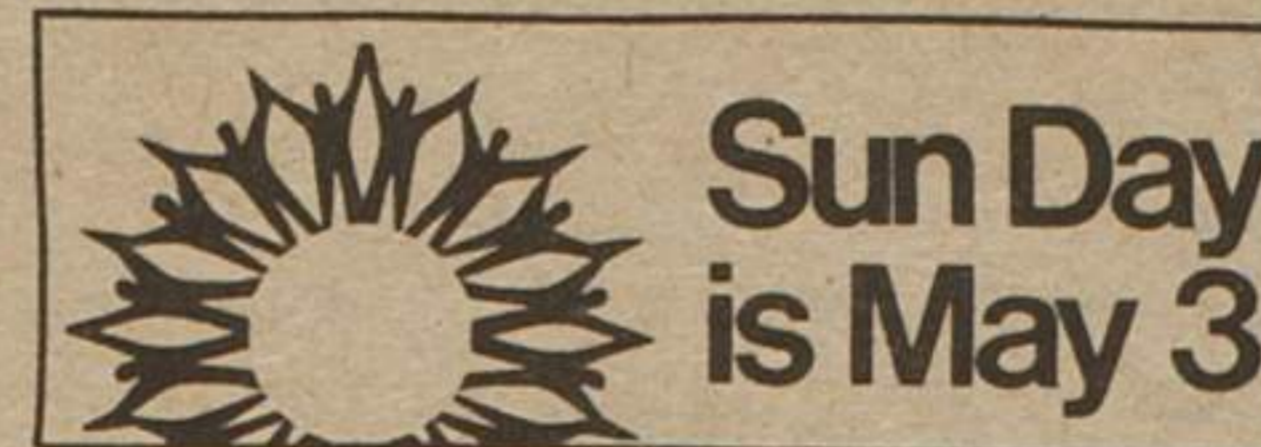
Despite growing citizen interest in renewable energy, the Carter Administration has reduced its commitment to solar energy

Although the Department of Energy's total budget request was increased by 22% to \$12.6 billion, solar energy will be receiving a smaller part of it. The total solar request of \$373.58 million is now only 3% of the total DOE budget, down from 4% last year when the total solar budget was \$389.9 million. There were specific reductions in solar heating and cooling, cut by \$20.5 million, and in photovoltaics, cut by \$400,000. Increases went to wind, satellite power system studies, and operating expenses for solar power towers.

"The Carter Administration is not fulfilling its campaign promises on safe, renewable energy," commented Richard Munson, co-coordinator of Sun Day. "Noting the potential for solar technologies, the DOE budget is very disappointing. Many solar advocates felt that at least a doubling of DOE's commitment was necessary to make a rapid transition to a solar era," he continued.

Representatives of various public interest groups are asking citizens to write to President Carter to express their disapproval of DOE's priorities. Moreover, several Congressional offices are making plans to increase the solar funding. A "Solar Coalition" of Congressional staff and public interest groups is also developing a

series of bills to further promote solar energy. Contact Suzannah Lawrence at Consumer Action Now (317 Pennsylvania Ave., S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003) for more information about the Coalition.



legislation on Sun Day. And Californians will be hosting appropriate technology fairs, sun art shows, poetry readings, and street theatre as the sun heads out over the Pacific.

FOR INFORMATION ON LOCAL SUN DAY ACTIVITIES, JUST CALL:

James Mendenhall at 843-9808. or write Solar Assist Corp. P.O. Box 979; Lawrence, Kns. 66044.

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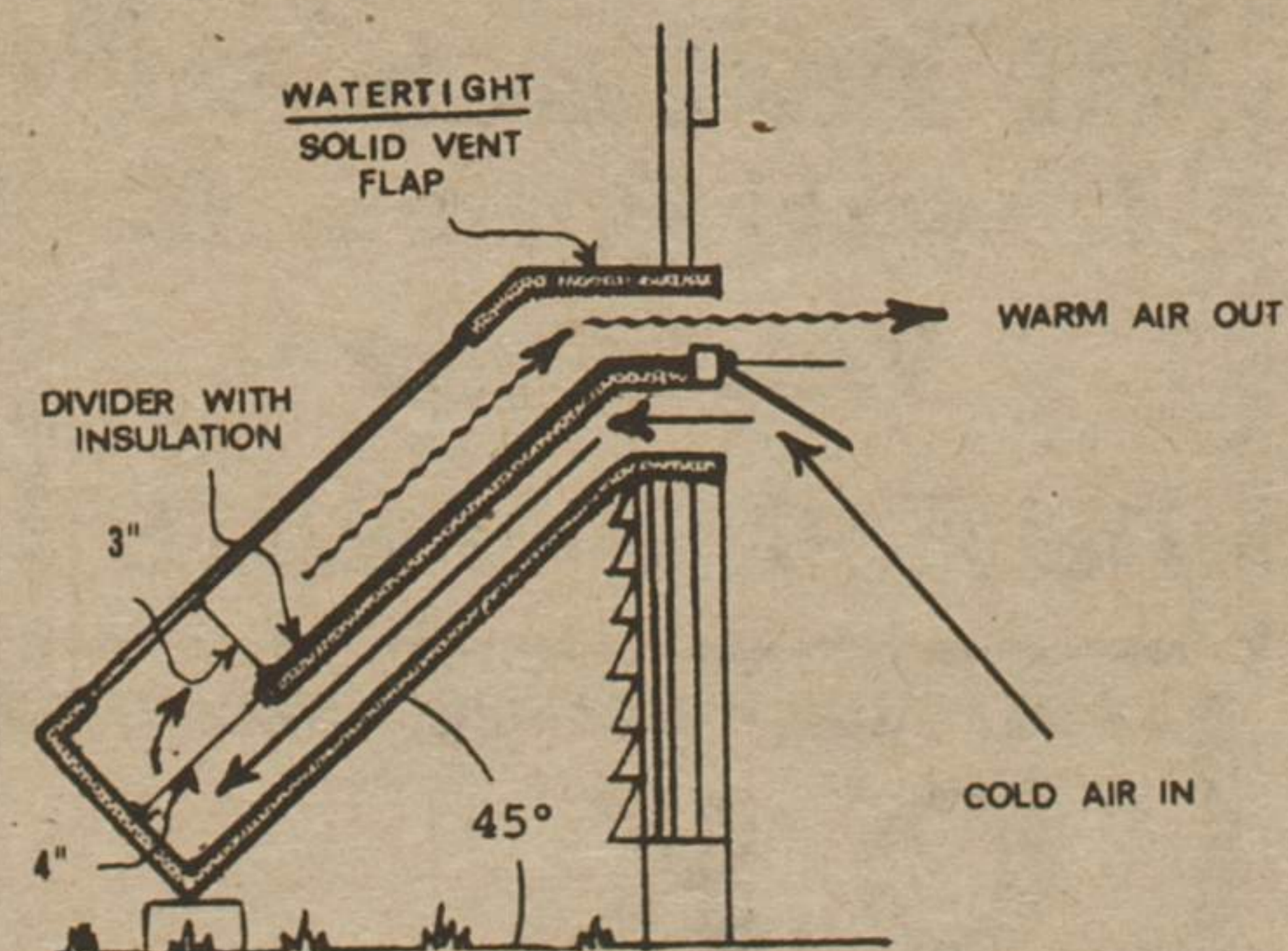
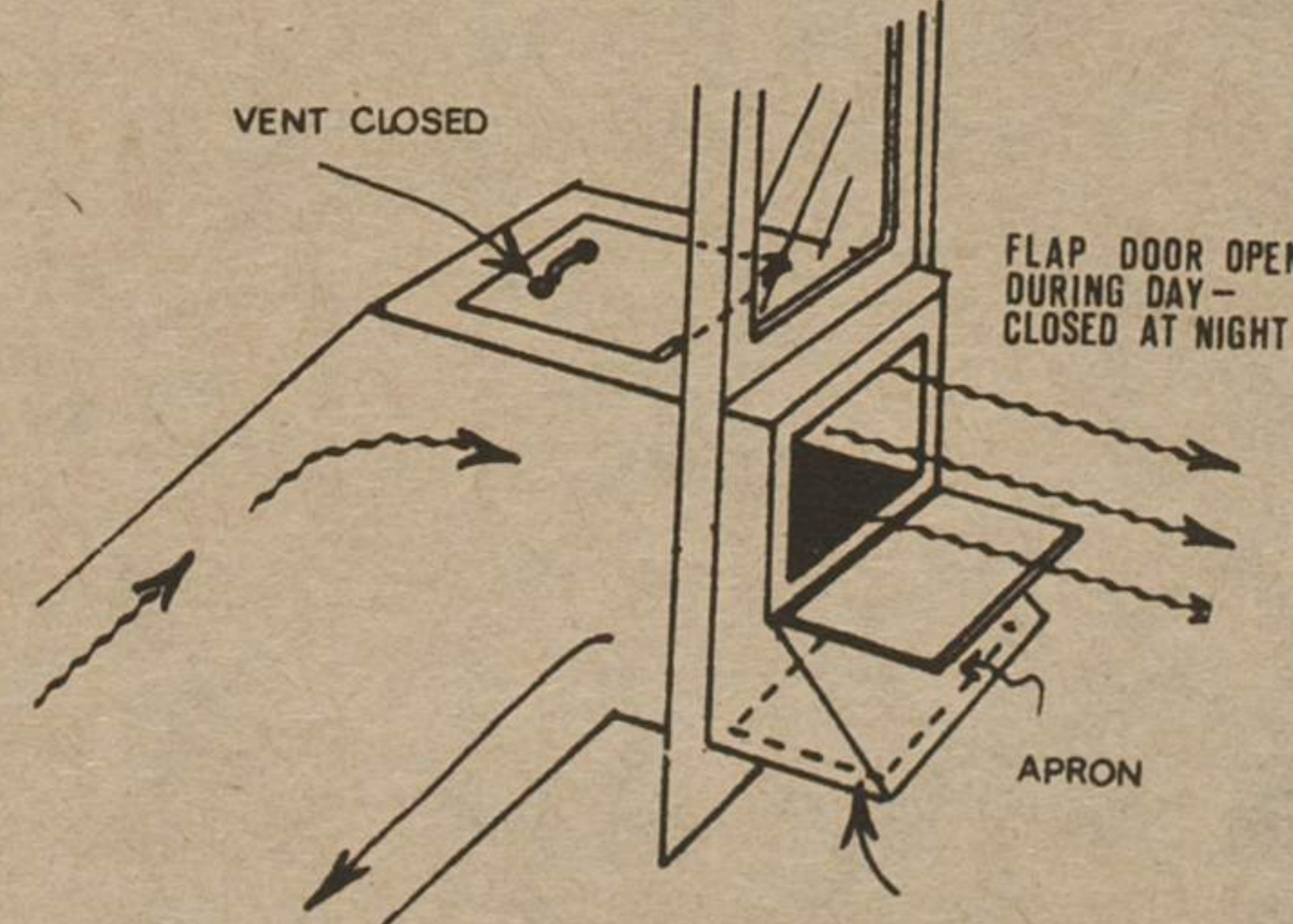
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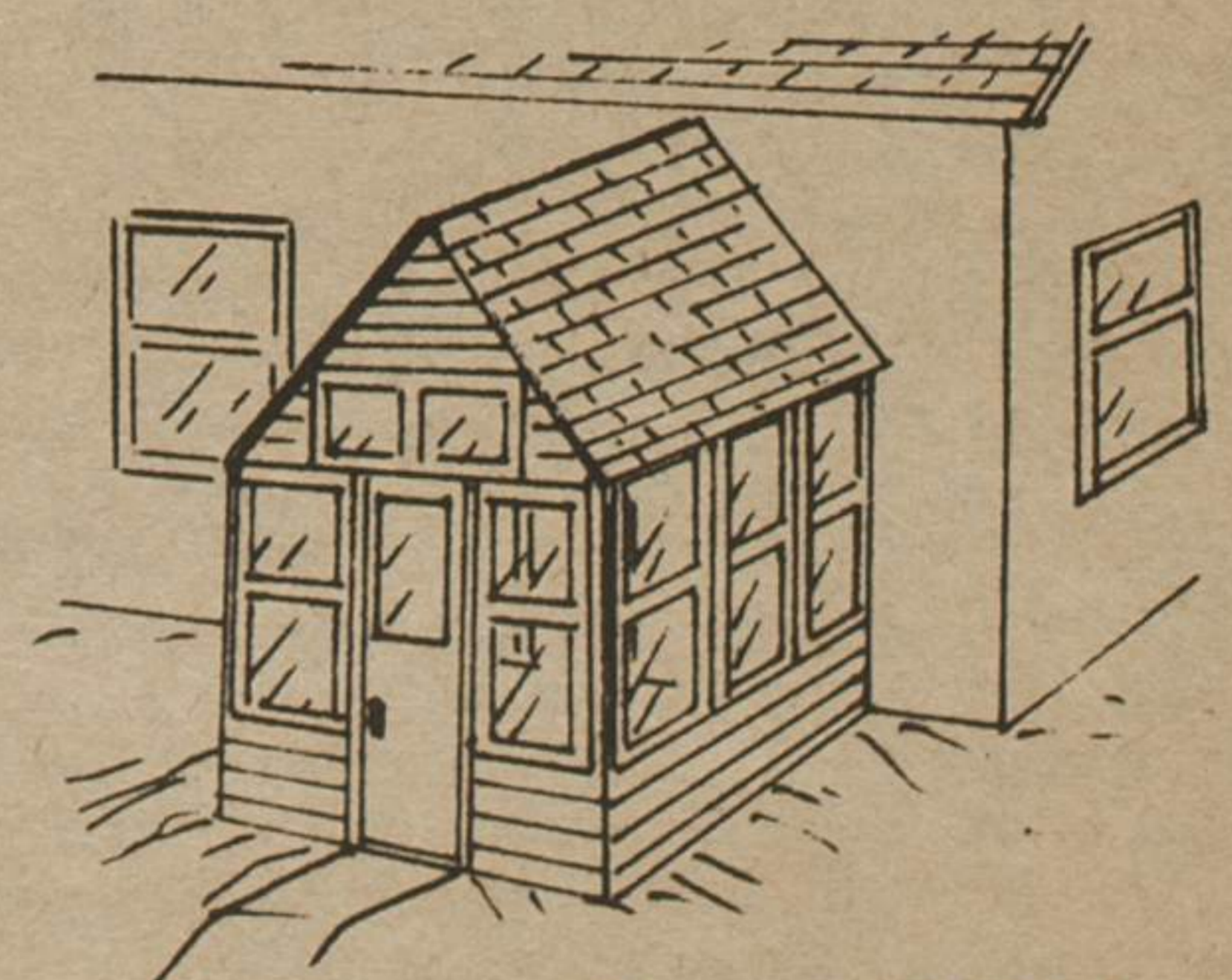
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