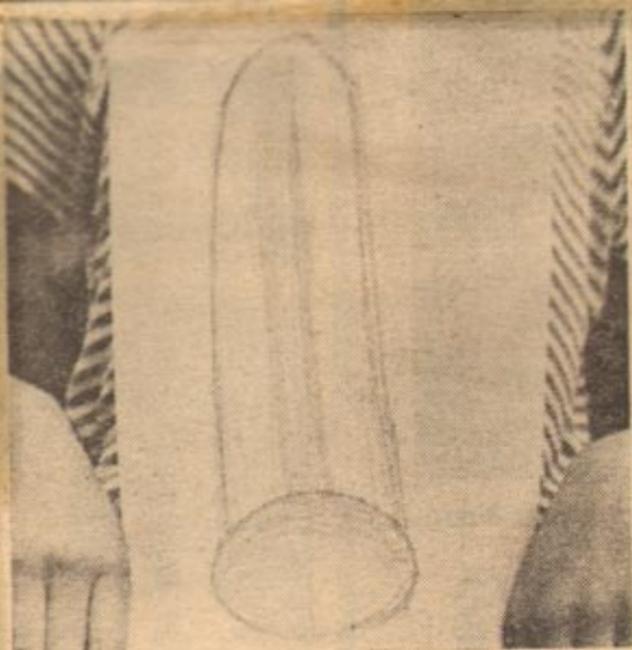


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THE THING as drawn by Nigel Phillips.

THING No 3—The red-hot Space pokers terrify Tinker

A PUBLIC inquiry is to be held to find out just what frightened Mrs. Dora Horlock's black cat, Tinker. The council wants to know. So does the Royal Air Force. For "The Thing" that terrified Tinker, Mrs. Horlock said is "a blood-red ball of light." It hovers in the sky and

revolves until it appears as "twin glowing pokers with a black space in between." Then, as suddenly as it came, The Thing vanishes.

The Thing last appeared at 3.45 yesterday morning when Mrs. Horlock let Tinker into the garden of her home in Cromwell-gardens, Warminster, Wilts.

Drawing

Tinker scuttled into hiding under a bush—and stayed until The Thing went. So far it has been sighted on four occasions—once by the wife of the vicar at Heylesbury, Mrs. Patricia Phillips, and her 12-year-old son Nigel. Later, Nigel made a draw-

ing of it. The first time it appeared weird crackling sounds were heard. Now it is said to have made people ill, killed flocks of birds in its path, and stunned animals in the area.