

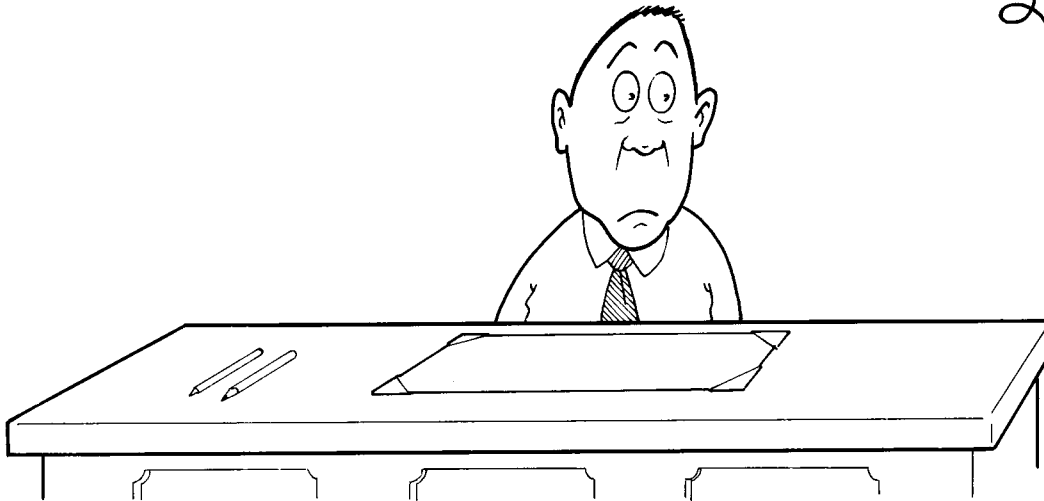
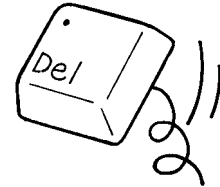
# This is the Plant that Jack Built

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This is the plant that Jack built.

This is the key that blew up the plant that Jack built.



This is the man who pressed the key that blew up the plant that Jack built.



This is the message in characters small  
That seemed to make no sense at all  
To the hapless man who pressed the key that blew up the plant that Jack built.



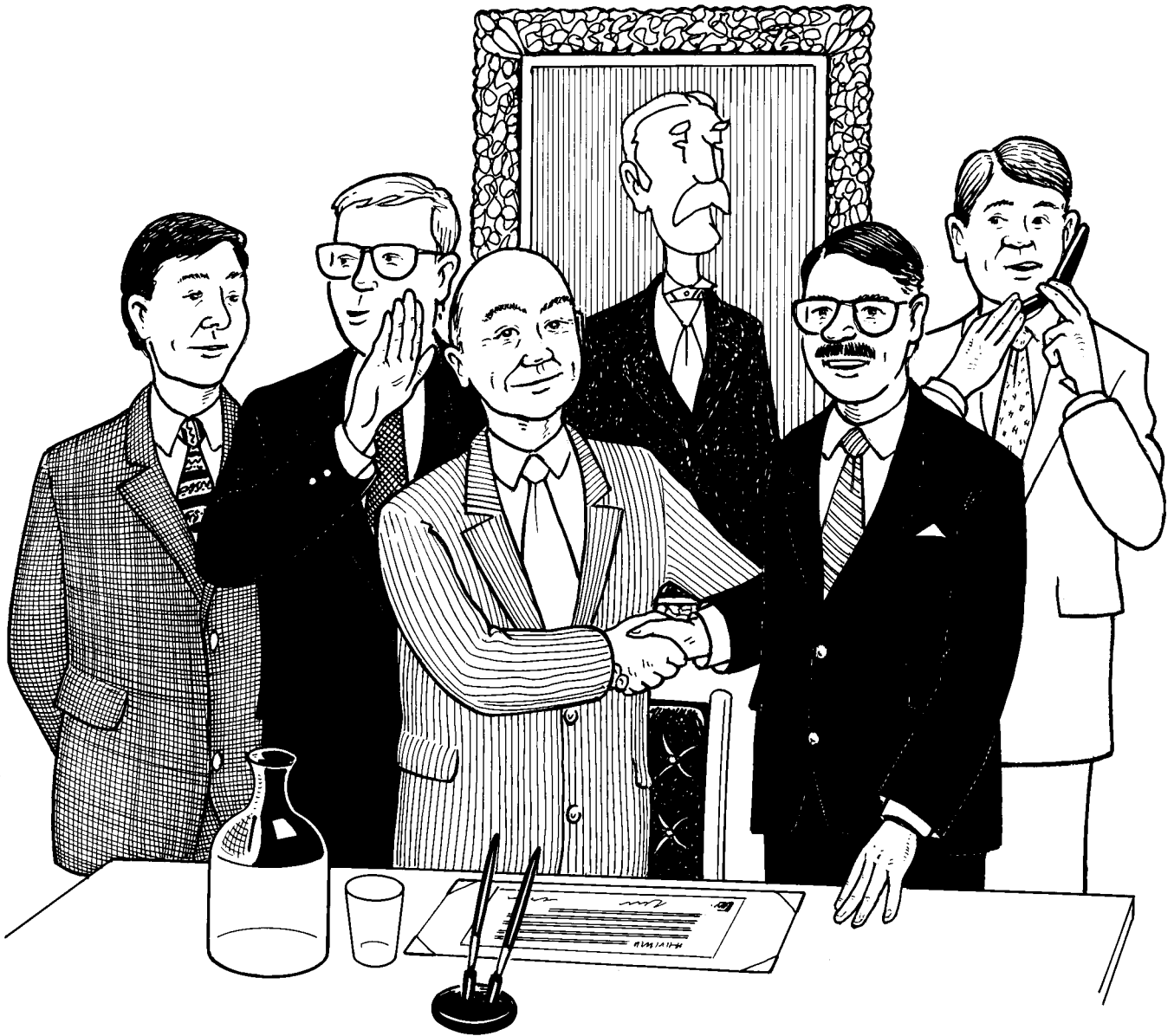
This is the tester ever so keen,  
Who tested the software but missed the screen  
That displayed the message in characters small  
That seemed to make no sense at all  
To the hapless man who pressed the key that blew up the plant that Jack built.



This is the coder, unshaven, unshorn  
Who worked on the module till 3 in the morn  
That the tester tested, with diligent care,  
But failed to find, on his screen so bare  
The message displayed, in characters small  
That seemed to make no sense at all  
To the hapless man who pressed the key that blew up the plant that Jack built.



This is the meeting the manager faced  
Who produced the spec. that was placed in haste  
On the desk of the coder, unshaven, unshorn  
Who worked on the module till 3 in the morn  
That the tester tested, with diligent care,  
But failed to find, on his screen so bare  
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This is the contract the MD signed  
That got the costs in a bit of a bind  
That led to the meeting the manager faced  
Who produced the spec. that was placed in haste  
On the desk of the coder, unshaven, unshorn  
Who worked on the module till 3 in the morn  
That the tester tested, with diligent care,  
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These are the Requirements, clearly stated  
Whose sufficiency was overrated  
But were part of the contract the MD signed  
That got the costs in a bit of a bind  
That led to the meeting the manager faced  
Who produced the spec. that was placed in haste  
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