

This was found inside a book and appears to be JBC's notes supporting the theory that The Secret of NIMH was indeed based on his work.

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Following the original notes is a transcription of those notes. I highlighted in yellow any words or phrases I could not make out.

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Attached Notes on 1982 re  
relevance of JBC research to Mrs Fröby &  
The Rats of V.I.N.H. → film "The Secret of V.I.N.H."

Mind & Morals

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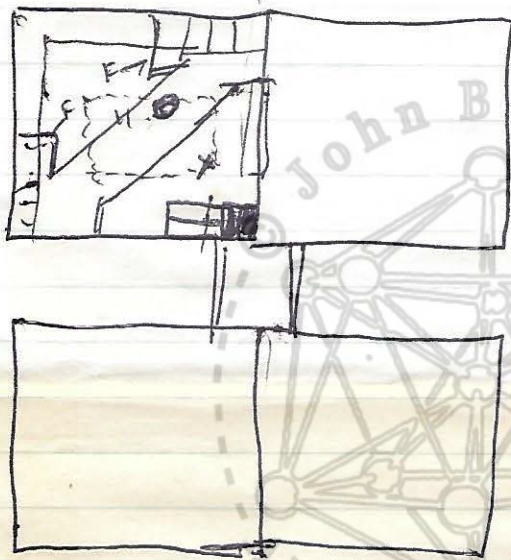
Malice & Magic

Parody?

humans & lions

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rats & humans



Modern Aesop's Fables

Cooperation .

Rats moved Mrs. Brisby's cinderblock home.

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Wild rats & albino mice

Cinder block

Double life span

spiral staircase

dominance stands = dia

N = 12

Gathering cove

Culture as DNA

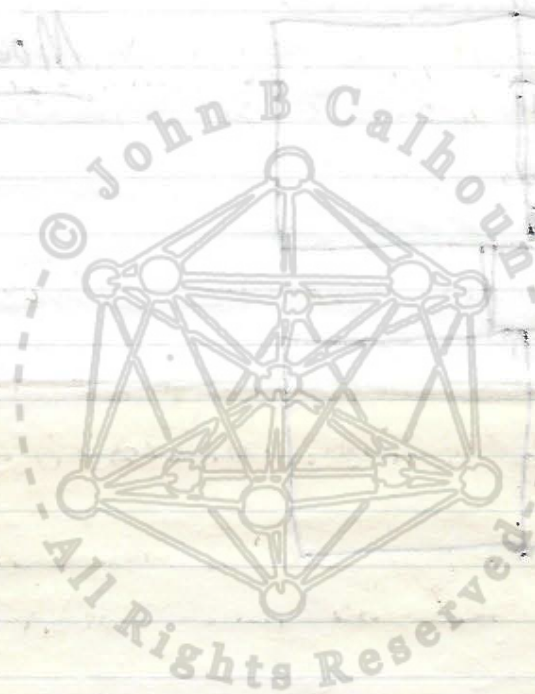


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Puzzle Solving  
Genealogy

Psp.





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p.4 "... a short tunnel through the earth connected the two rooms."

p.26 "My ~~name~~ name is Jeremy." -- The crew (Jorry wheels, ?)

p.29 Moving day = Right after frost --  
Was that when O'Brien-Carly visited?  
Spring 65 or 70

p.31 The Shrews -- Could I have said something about shrews re prog of  $N_b = 12$

p.32. Re The right question (key) to solve problems.  
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(Did I mention great-horned owl in the  
wooded bass of Bldg 112?)

p.45 Owl - Title of Chpt

p45. "Sun winked over the mountains beyond the meadow"

p45 "a gray-brown sower the size of a postage  
stamp" -- Did author see the  
aerial photo of our meadow, (on Mrs  
Osborn's garden?)

p.50 the owl: "We all help ~~each other~~  
one another against the cat."

p: 52 "Now" said the owl, "you may state  
your problem." -- Did I ask the author  
to state his problem.

p53 "from the garden patch -- to the edge  
of the patch by the stream."

p54 "My house is near the store."

air conditioner fan?

that's when the candy  
block still is 1982 (was  
in 1986) -- we used to  
prop the back door of bldg 112.

p. 55 Jonathan Frisby - John Eberhart?

Was the owl the author?

p. 56 "You must go to the rats."

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NAB at town, mud don't - wheel?

p. 57 Nicodemus

guard at rosebush door - Justin

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p. 65 Thorns - on rose bushes.



p. 67 = re tunnel: "its floor was lined with stones"

p. 69 Brutes at door to tunnel.

p. 69 Nicodemus.

p. 70 Mr. Ags - one leg bandaged  
= over Rabb. & Sniffles.

p. 72 Re Nicodemus -  
~~the~~ Re Secret.

p. 73 Justin - with Mrs. Frisby  
& Jonathan killed by the Cat.

p. 74 "the Plan"

p. 75 darkness as in 2nd floor of bldg 112

p. 76 "a long white hallway"  
as to Red room in Bldg 112

p. 76 recessed lights - red one at window  
overhead.

p. 77 Stealing of XMAS tree light  
- Did O'Brien come out in Jan 69  
p. 70 over 71?

p. 77 light set in ceiling - as in V 105, 128

p 78 Stannway = Ramps?  
Small door = Patel?

Spiral staircase, as a busy form.

Southern room = Bldg 112 rows 9x9 & 12

Elevator:



to pick up "papers"

p 79 Corners radiating out  
i.e. from octagonal center room & U 105

raised platform at the end = octagonal  
dominance stands

79-80 Nice Jones scan for - blind in left eye  
= Fuzzy face?

81 rat real living quarters -  
radiating outward.

81 Room level & shelves - Books

81 Plan + particulars p 82

THE PLAN OF THE RATS OF NIMH

DID O'BRIEN get the London papers  
on 4 parts of Evolution.  
Mammalian.



p 84 4 groups of 10 rats

= 4 all of Casey Universities?  
+  
Storage in rat Monographs.

p 87-88 Janner

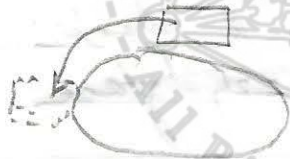
88 Plan for the future

p 89 Justin -- captain of the Guards

Arthur -- "chief Engineer" -- Horace? Casio

p. 90 Nicodemus "When I lost my left eye,  
I also damaged the right one --  
"what can I do to help you?"

90-91 Mousetrap to be of rock where  
it would be missed by the plane.



Mowers behind Bldg 112  
missed S end of  
Arr combatives.

p 91 -- "They had it" combative "tied on top of the  
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(as it was also used in top of  
lid to air condition -- earlier of  
Bldg 112)

92 Put sleeping powder in cat's food

p. 58 "down the corridor past several more doors"

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shelf at Bldg 102

maybe

p. 59 "ber with dial" - computer?

99 + story of NIMH rat begins

99 "Farmers" Market, a great <sup>square</sup> ~~square~~ a place"

Center 1946-47 study blocks  
in Baltimore (see J.W.M.)

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(pipe entry to harborage box  
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(As described in rat Monograph-1963)

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101 "garages that bordered the river."  
(My 1941-2 SWM study?)

102 "white trunk of an odd, square  
~~shape~~ shape"

N1H white square trunk used  
to transport animals =

! "on each side of it were four small  
bells. N1M1H"

102 "men w. <sup>the</sup> nets" = caribou nets  
for catching muskrats?

See US 168.1 LABS DEVELOPMENT.

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(8 sided figure) ← dominance (??) stands = dies (??)

N=12

Gathering cage

Cultan (??) as DNA

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Pigs

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p.77 stealing of xmas tree light – did O’Brien come out in Jan 69 or 70 or even 71?  
p.77 Lights set in ceiling – as in V105, 128

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p.78 Stairway = ramp?  
Small door = portal  
Spiral stair case, as at Casey farm  
Store room = Bldg 112 rooms 9x9x12

Elevator



= to pick up "papers"

p.79 Corridors radiating out ie from octagonal center pen & V105

raised platform at one end = octagonal **dominance stands**

p.79-80 Nicodemus scar on face – blind in left eye = Fuzzy face? I think JBC started writing a children's book about Fuzzy Face

p.81 "rats real living quarters" – **radiating outward**

p.81 Room lined with shelves – Books

p.81 Plans & particularly p.82

"THE PLAN OF THE RATS OF NIMH"

Did O'Brien get the **London** paper on Environmental Control over four Major Paths of Mammalian Evolution

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p.84 4 groups of 10 rats = 4 cells of Casey Universes? + Storage in rat monograph

p.87-88 Jenner

p.88 Plan for the future

p.89 Justin – captain of the guards

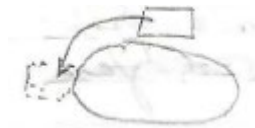
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Mowers behind Bldg 112 missed S **(south?)** end of Air conditioners



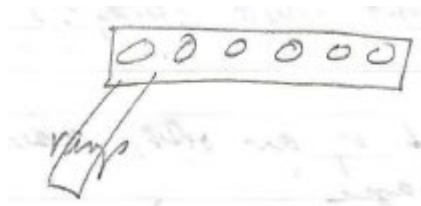
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p.95 "down the corridor past several more doors"

shelf at Bldg 112



p.99 "box with dials" = computer?

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p.99 Farmers "Market, a great square of a place"

**??** 1946-47 study block in Baltimore (see J.W.M.)

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p.100 "old brother Gerald" = Gerald Wheeler

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p.101 "garages that bordered the square" (My 1941-7 JWM study?)

p.101 "white truck of an odd square shape"

NIH white square truck used to transport animals =

! "on each side of it were four small letters NIMH"

p.102 "men with nets" = our bulirfly nets for catching mice & rats?

