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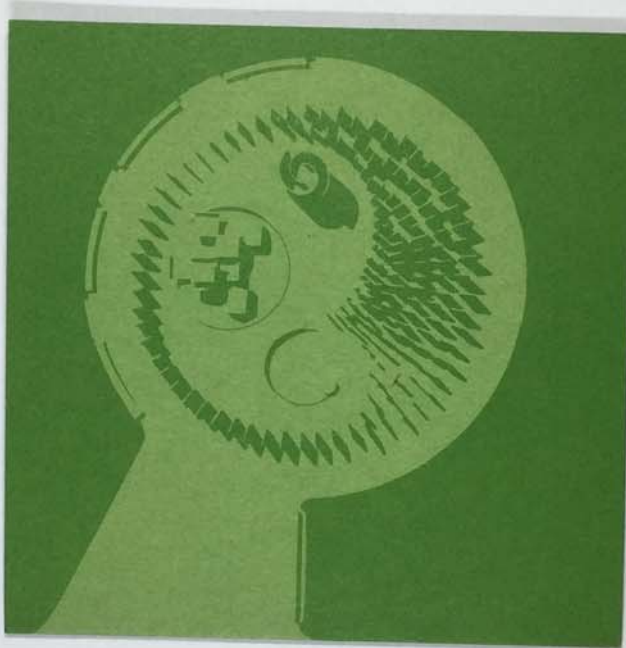
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Linden Boulevard and Euclid Avenue
Brooklyn
Thursday, May 18, 1967
4:00 P.M.

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Now, at last, the first of our experiments is complete. The sponsors believe that Cypress Hills represents an important step forward in the union of aesthetics and practicability with the pursuit of that simple but difficult-to-obtain goal: a playground that children will enjoy and continue to use.

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