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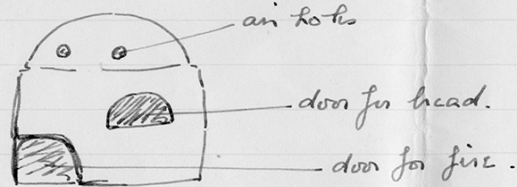
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 among the flies. the oven is like this —




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 pleased as she  
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 on her own while

the oven is still hot after the bread is finished  
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 fine flavour imparted by this oven.

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 here yesterday to get Joey going again. he was  
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 & I was very pleased to hear his merry chug! chug!  
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[  ] (air holes  
 door for bread.  
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