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A memorial to Chancellor Heathcoat-Amory
who lowered the price of beer.

◀ INVADERS REPELLED

GOOD NEWS from Sudbury Hill. The BLACK HORSE in Harrow Road has re-opened after a top-to-bottom refurbishment in Taylor Walker livery. Not only is manager John Angus serving top-quality Taylor Walker bitter as well as Burton Ale but Taylor Walker have experimented by removing all amusement machines from the pub.

◀ MORE MARLER'S

THE FORMER PENTON ARMS in Pentonville Rd, N1, has been re-opened as a free house by the Marler/Martin people, who run a couple of pubs to the north.

Marler's have a reputation for putting the odd pence on a pint of beer. But our man on the spot swears that prices at the pub actually fell after opening night! The cost of a pre-Budget pint of low-gravity bitter was around 55p.

◀ AND MORE CLARKE BAKER

ANOTHER FREE HOUSE for Clarke Baker, this time in Maida Vale. We make the TRUSCOTT ARMS, 55 Shirland Rd, W9, the fourth real-ale pub owned by the group. Manager Brian Lee has moved across from the BRICKLAYER'S ARMS, in EC2 and the range of about 10 beers includes the Clarke Baker bitter, brewed by Bourne Valley

Brewery, and a special Truscott beer whose origins are at present unknown.

We have heard a rumour, incidentally, that Clarke Baker are likely to sell the SHIP in Borough.

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