SPRING IN THEIR STEP

—Peter Jonts, Georgetown

AND IN THEIR CLOTHES TOO

MODELS ARE AS INTERESTED as the audience in the clothes they wear. Angie Armour, Macintosh, Mrs. William Schnocks and Suzan Wells display their approval of the Spring frocks and little Carny Rosser after their final walk on at the St. Andrew's United Church Fashion Show in Wrigg'esworth Auditorium last Wednesday.

FOURTH OF A SERIES

Letters From a "Trouble Spot"

Letters from a Georgetown soldier in Viet Nam

When he received a posting to the Far East a member of the Canadian Military U.N. delegation, Albert Carter began putting his observations on paper and sending them home to the officers and members of Loyal Orange Lodge 245 of which he is a member. The lodge found the accounts so absorbing that they submitted them to the Herald and part of the first letter appears below as article No. 4 of a new series.

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Food is rationed. Eggs are the essentials we can get are concerned. Luxury items such as pepper, sugar and meat are not rationed. However, there is so much business done by the state stores in these essential items except to the party bigwigs. Cloth is rationed. The ration for 1961 was three square metres — about three and a half square yards — for an adult. This covered everything from socks to suits.

Most of the manual work is done by women of middle age or above, the street cleaning details being 100 per cent women and the road repair gangs are about 80 per cent women. Most of the men seem to be in the army trying to bring "Independence, Freedom and Happiness" to the southern Vietnamese.

There are two bars in the city of over one million. The Continental Hotel caters to the diplomatic staffs of the Communist block countries, the Hoa Binh to the representatives of India, Canada, Great Britain, France and Indonesia. The girls from the hundreds of bars that used to dot the city are all now either in Saigon or in the reeducation camps.

There are some movie houses but the show either Russian and Chinese propaganda films or the usual movies which come to Saigon from Hong Kong. Western movies are shown to our gallant young Canadian soldiers post the curfew at night since the Communist forces have blown up movie theatres and cafes in the Hong Kong area which catered to some young Canadian soldiers who had gone out for the night and had their throats cut from ear to ear.

The Communists are active here trying to build a strong propaganda book store. The local press is 98 per cent propaganda, ten per cent is truth. All over the city there are loudspeakers that are continually blaring forth with music most of it the better music of the decadent west and with shouted slogans, propaganda harangues and what is laughingly called news at the end. One also sees many propaganda banners in the city usually red banners with white printing on them.

Outside my office we have already passed 24 hours per day. The day shift consists of a soldier with rifle and fixed bayonet. For the night shift a soldier with a burp gun is added.

All during August, the workers' militia were busy drilling for the local national holiday, September 2nd. On the street back of our villa they would drill for about two hours each night from around 8 to 10, and each Sunday morning for several hours starting around six. The drilling was usually to the accompaniment of a band consisting of a bandmaster, two bass drums, three side drums and a set of cymbals. There were squads of birds drilling along with the men. Included in the drilling were classes on patriotic song, singing, slogan shouting and spontaneous cheering.

We are not allowed to bring in tape recorders or cameras. I guess that the Communists figure this country is so happy and prosperous that it would break Canadian hearts to take back any permanent records of it.

I don't know where they get the food that they serve us at the villa, but I think that the cook is really a secret police man who has been detailed to poison the lot of us. A rule of thumb — or stomach — in this country is: If you don't recognize it don't eat it. Some of the food we are served probably is not even recognized by the cook who dreamed it up. One local product that I did try, however, and found it not too bad, was roast water buffalo.

Well, this is all for now. The best of health to you all.

Fraternally yours,
ALBERT CARTER

LIMEHOUSE

Receives News of Death of Brother

We extend sympathy to Mr Albert Eelerink whose brother passed away in Holland a week ago.

Mesdames James Noble, Frank Broan and I. Sanford attended the 60th anniversary dinner of the Georgetown W.I. last week.

Seven Limehouse "Vegeteens" met at the home of Margaret Arnold last week. The girls made assorted sandwiches during their lesson period and served them for lunch later.

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Carl Hill on the arrival of their chosen are daughter Miriam Louise.

Mrs Ethel Thompson of Toronto spent a few days with Mrs Mitchell last week.

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Margaret Van Sakker celebrated her seventh birthday with a party for thirteen little friends at her home on Saturday.

Mr and Mrs Chas Mason of Acton visited Mr and Mrs Mills on Friday.

Rev Norman Young conducted communion services at Limehouse Presbyterian Church on Sunday.

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Jim Bailey (nee Kay Norton) who are the parents of a new little daughter.

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The Limehouse Vegeteens met at the home of their assistant leader Joe Patterson, on Monday evening with seven attending. Home Economist Mrs Cussim visited with them. The girls made Garden and Potato Salads and Tomato Aspic and used the results of their efforts for lunch afterwards.

Notice to Creditors

IN THE ESTATE OF Alexander Greig, Gentleman, Deceased.

All persons having claims against the estate of the above mentioned late of the Village of Norval, in the County of Halton, who died at the Town of Brampton, in the County of Peel on the 16th day of January 1963, are required to forward them to us on or before the 6th day of May 1963.

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Georgetown Lawyer President Of County Children's Aid

The members of the Halton County Children's Aid Society met for their annual meeting in the Halton Centennial Manor Thursday evening, to elect officers and directors for 1963, to hear reports from the president, treasurer and director, and to hear an interesting talk from guest speaker Ernest Maury, supervisor of the Peel County Children's Aid Society.

D. V. Latimer of Georgetown, vice-president of the society for 1962 was elected as the new president for a two-year term. He replaces Harold C. Biggar of Oakville, who just completed a two-year term in office.

Rev. C. M. Mitchell of Burlington was elected vice-president. J. Cheney of Oakville secretary, and Albert Watson of Oakville was returned as treasurer.

In an effort to increase the participation of County Councillors in the endeavours of the Society, the six members of the Children's Aid Committee of County Council were elected to the executive as directors. They are Deputy Reeve W. J. Coulter of Nassagaweya, Deputy Reeve J. Bell of Milton, Reeve G. Leslie of Esquesing, Deputy Reeve G. Gallagher of Burlington and Deputy Reeve W. H. Denny of Acton.

Mayor S. G. Childs of Milton, Mrs D. Taylor of Acton, Mrs L. Wills of Esquesing, Wilfred Harrison and Warren Harding of Burlington and Robert Bornhold and Mrs H. G. Fullen of Oakville, were also elected to the executive as directors.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

In his report, president Biggar noted "with the increase in population in the county, it has been difficult to acquire the necessary number of properly trained social workers, however we were very fortunate in finding William James to fill the position of Executive Assistant."

He suggested the various additions to the staff and the new employees that would be hired in the future would make the Children's Aid office space "entirely inadequate." The 1963 Board" he said "will have to find double the office space we presently have."

Mr Biggar recalled that in 1962 two important auxiliary services were begun, the engaging of a Psychiatric Consultant for one half day each month and the hiring of a Paediatrician for one half day each week. In closing he thanked the Board members, the Executive Director Paul Jolliffe and his staff "for making the past two years a success."

TWO USEFUL CITIZENS

Omer K. Vansickle, treasurer for 1962 reported that during that year the Society had received receipts totalling $135,916.06, over $100,000 of which was received from the County of Halton. Expenses for the year were $134,515.31; leaving an increase in the bank balance of $500.75. Mr. VanSickle noted that "if the money spent in Children's Aid work means the difference between even two useful citizens and two disastrous cases, it is money well spent." He said that the total number of dollars spent on this work totalled less than $1 per capita of the residents of Halton County.

Local Director Paul Jolliffe stated in his report, "In 1962 we were asked to give more service than in the previous year. There were well over 100 more requests for service in 1962 over 1961. Since the last annual meeting, there has been a net gain of two social workers and we can now report that more than one half of our professional staff has received post graduate training in social work."

CHILD POPULATION

"In recent months" Mr Jolliffe continued, "a staff development program under the direction of William James, along with a monthly psychiatric clinic held by Dr Murray McGavern, have contributed greatly to an increasingly effective total service."

Mr. Jolliffe noted that population trends indicate a rising wave of child population in the County of Halton. 42 per cent of Halton's population is now under 20 years of age while 25 per cent is under 10 years of age. He said, "More children of course means more services from an agency created and dedicated to serve children."

"The leadership of the president and the Board of Directors, the efforts of our staff and foster parents, the support of the County of Halton and the co-operation and help of many others have made the accomplishments of the past year possible," he said.

PORT'S EIGHT ADOPTED

Records of the work of the Society in 1962 show they began the year with 92 children under their care and admitted 80 more children into care. 45 children were placed for adoption and adoptions were completed for 48 children. 2 children were returned to their parents and the Society ended the year with 98 children under their care. Of these 98 children, 27 are on adoption probation, 62 are in foster homes, one is in a free home and eight are in institutions.

The Society has also during the year assisted with 33 private or "patent" adoptions, 97 unmarried mothers planning for care of infant, 398 other miscellaneous services and have helped 848 children in their own homes through giving services to 296 families.

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George Price is New Skating Club President

The new president of the Georgetown Figure Skating Club for the coming season is George Price. He was elected at last week's general meeting.

Vice president is Desmond Bowell. Secretary is Mrs. G. Price and Treasurer is A. Skilling. Elected to the Committee were Mrs. K. Malott, D. Unsworth, D. MacLachlan and Mrs Desmond Bowell.

Mrs. Price reported that $300 was netted by the club's Ice Carnival and as a result, the club would be starting the new season one hundred and fifty dollars richer than they started last year.

There was a larger turnout of parents at this meeting than previously, but the executive would be delighted if more parents would attend.

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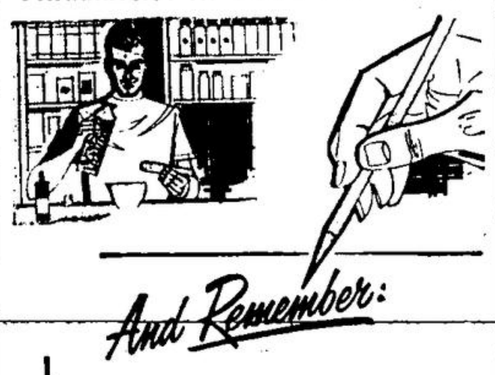

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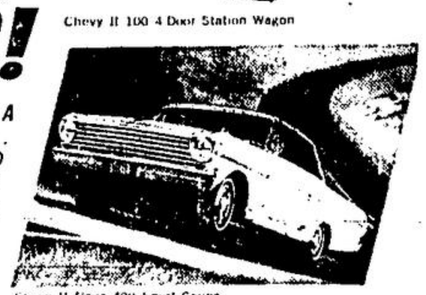

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