Soapboxes Make A Comeback....

Peter Jones Photo

"YES SIR, HIGH TEST OR SPINACH??"

- **THE SOAPBOX LIVES AGAIN.** Soapbox may not be the tag the junior carpenters apply to their home-made Ferraris, but wherever they're taking them during this most recent arrival of an age old conveyance they are the current status symbol among the young crowd. And if you're a two soapbox man WOW! Here But and Ray's Service Station attendant Gary Roberts of 9 Campbell Gate look for the gas cap on a cart piloted by Al Crane, 9 Gairey Dr. which just pulled into the pumps. Better he should supply a can of spinach to the motivation name of Steve Nevin's of 240 Delrex Blvd.

LAST IN 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 LOL 245. The lodge found the account so absorbing that they submitted them to the Herald and part of a letter appears below as the last article of the series.

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The Terrace of the Elephants and the Terrace of the Kings was a good display in carvings but the most interesting was the Terrace of the Leper King. Legend has it that one of the kings was a leper, and so had a secret passage constructed from the palace to the site of a temple or hunting lodge. (the experts are not sure which as, being built of wood, it has long since disintegrated) along which he could walk without being seen. Leprosy does not seem to have been very popular in those days either.

There were a lot of little temples and palaces in this area, but most of them are now either a pile of rubble or a bare platform of stone. Much of the superstructure, having been built of wood, succumbed easily to termites, rot and the crushing effect of the jungle.

The third trip was to a group of temples known as the Lesser Circuit. One of these temples, Ta Prohm, was a most amazing maze of collapsed galleries, courtyards and long winding passages. Unfortunately, the fellow in charge of the reconstruction project has announced that this labyrinth of stone will not be restored but will be left to show what effect the jungle has on a stone structure.

In one place there was a large block of stone imbedded in the trunk of a tree and about ten feet above where it had been placed. As the tree grows the stone will rise even further. Some day the tree will die and topple and this block will be deposited on the ground fifteen or twenty feet from where it was placed. This time, a whole massive temple can be reduced to a glorified rock garden.

The fourth trip was to two of the outlying temples, Banteay Samre and Banteay Srei. The latter place was 23 kilometres (about 15 miles) of the worst roads in the world (not excluding Saskatchewan). It was worth it. Banteay Srei was small, but the carvings were perhaps the best of the lot. I would have liked to have brought one or two home, but the curator was hovering about too closely.

The fifth trip was to the start of it all, the Rolues Group which included the brick towered temple of Bakong. The stone tiers had been built without cement, but the bricks had been stuck to one another by resin. The fact that it was still doing its job nearly 1100 years later, speaks well for the ancient glue makers.

The sixth trip was to a collection of temples known as the Grand Circuit. This included Pre Rup, dating from 961 which had, as part of the attraction, the old Royal Bathroom. Put where the Angkor kings were cremated. After they were dead, of course. Also on this trip was the East Mebon originally a temple on a small hill in the middle of a man-made lake. The lake is now farmland although I understand that it gets a bit soggy during the monsoon season.

I was rather surprised to find out after visiting all of these temples that Angkor gets all the publicity, but there are two other areas in Cambodia (words are large in extent and almost as rich in ruins) that have not as yet been cleared by the archaeologists or descended upon by the tour buses.

Well, this is all for this letter and I am afraid that this will be the last of the series. I shall be visiting Japan on my return and shall be able to tell you a bit of what I see there at the September meeting. I hope that I have not bored you with these letters.

Have a good time on the Ghost Walk!

Albert Carter

Coral Glads, White Mums Norval Wedding Setting

For her marriage to Douglas Bruce Jarvis which took place in Norval United Church on June 22nd, Cheryl Ruth Colley chose a wedding gown of silk organza and Alencon lace. The floor length gown had a bodice with scalloped neckline of Alencon lace reembroidered with seed pearls and sequins and long pointed sleeves of lace.

The bouffant skirt of silk organza had appliques of Alencon lace also reembroidered with seed pearls and sequins. Her full length veil of tulle illusion was held in place by a coronet of seed pearls. She carried a cascade of red sweetheart roses.

The bride who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Cooley of Norval, was attended by the groom's sister Mrs. Lois Worthy, Brampton as matron of honour and by her sister Diane and cousin Brenda Hagan of Lake Simcoe as bridesmaids.

Mrs. Worthy wore sky blue organza over taffeta with lace bodice and a double panel of lace on the back of the dress. She wore white accessories and carried a bouquet of white and blue poms. The brides maids wore coral sari peau over taffeta accented by a separate piece of sari peau streaming from the waist to one side of the skirt. They also wore white accessories and carried bouquets of white and coral poms.

Standards of coral gladioli and giant white mums decorated the church for the 4 o'clock ceremony. Rev. Theo Freel officiated and Ronald Landlaw was organist.

Arthur Swezie was groomsman. Leonard Bream of Lefroy and Simcoe and Norman Nelson of Shelburne were ushers. Mr. Cooley gave his daughter in marriage in the double ring ceremony.

The bride's mother received at a reception in the church basement wearing a blue and white print sheath covered with blue chiffon with match ing over coat. Her accessories were white with a corsage of light bronze mums.

For a honeymoon trip to Muskoka the bride travelled in a pewter blue and white linen sheath with a box jacket and wore a corsage of red sweetheart roses which was detached from her wedding bouquet.

Mr. William Bantham and Mrs. A. Cooley grandparents of the bride were among the wedding guests who came from Islington, Haliday Beach, Lake Simcoe, Shelburne, Toronto and Norval. Norman Cooley, the bride's brother, is serving with the RCAF in France and was unable to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis are living in Norval. Both are employed in Brampton, he with American Steatzer of Canada and she with Struppt Tool & Machine Co.

LEGION NOTES.....

By DON N. PLATT

Stumps and Bumps, No Umps Rough Diamond, Pure Baseball

Several times in the past few weeks it has been suggested to yours truly that the Legion procure a piece of property, suitable for the making of a baseball diamond, and sponsor a Pee-Wee baseball league in Georgetown.

The Legion does as much and probably more than any single organization toward catering for the sporting needs of Georgetown's junior population. This has been true in the past and Branch 120 will certainly endeavour to make it true in the future.

A question that comes to mind on hearing such requests for financial and organizational assistance is who requires the organization, kids sure don't. A baseball game takes as long to get started as it takes to find a bat and ball.

Many parents appear to have the idea that a baseball team composed of any number of players other than nine is no baseball team at all. Any eight year-old will advise on the contrary that a baseball team consists of half the kids wanting to play. The other half is the opposing team. He will at the same time wonder quietly why anyone would ask such a stupid question.

Baseball is just as much fun with three a side as it is with fourteen a side. About the only things that can spoil a good game are: the player who owns the ball is called for supper, the first two calls are ignored, or a busybody father decides to be a sport and comes over to umpire.

Contrary to parental belief a rough, holey, hilly, lumpy, stumpy, grassy field is just as good, in fact better than a prepared diamond for baseball. How else can a 3 foot 4 inch, 60 pound batter sock a home run out to 13 fielders unless there is a chance of the ball becoming lost in the long grass or a ground-hog hole?

The gentle caress of a bulldozer is unnecessary in preparing a ball field. A stump, a stick and a stone make excellent markers for first, second and third bases. The pitcher's box need not be marked being obviously the place where the pitcher always stands, and an unused jacket makes an excellent home plate.

Mothers and fathers tend to lose sight of junior having a good time while he develops his abilities. They prefer to parade what ability he has to the rest of the neighbourhood. The quality of the uniform seems to have supplanted the quality of the performance. A conversation at the park may sound like this. "Natural" Norquminster types playing baseball in the junior edition of the minor pee-wee league. Look at the lovely uniform and all the beautiful equipment he has. Dad went without false teeth for six months to buy all that."

This pint-size fashion plate of the playground set, arrives at the still-to-be-paid-for ball park, descends from the old man's car, of which the finance company owns everything but the horn, and struts toward the dugout (said dugout painted coral and turquoise). His torso is wrapped in the finest of raiments, emblazoned with brightly coloured lettering proudly proclaiming him to be a member of some exalted team such as the 'New York Mets' or the 'Kookamunga Kooks'. Of course the kid can't hit a ball but who cares? Think of the enjoyment we get from just looking at him and the enjoyment he gets from being looked at.

The situation has not yet degenerated to this point, however, the future holds great promise. We shudder to think of junior sneaking out for a couple of innings of black market baseball while poppa paces the floor at home waiting to take him to the glorious, state-operated game at the beautiful civic stadium.

Kids love baseball. It is a game in which they can run, jump and shout then quit when they feel like it. To the few who wish to carry it farther than just the odd afternoon's entertainment there are numerous 'organizations' the Legion included, that will help them along. We should keep in mind, however, that kids play kid baseball and grown-ups play grown-up baseball. Let's leave it that way. There doesn't necessarily have to be nine to a side.

50-50 Draw

Lucky Winner - Ray Robson
Ticket Seller - Herb Robinson

Trust Firm Compiles Historical Booklet

The architecture of pioneer buildings and trips through Perth and Halton are the subject of an historical booklet published recently by British Mortgage & Trust Company.

Paths of History in Perth and Huron has been produced in story and picture form drawn and recorded by John Martin, A.R.C.A., O.S.A. and arranged and written by Anthony L. Kemsley, B.A., F.R.Met.S.

In both pictures and story, the book illustrates the fact that early buildings were of high architectural standards as their builders used the exemplars drawn up and styles of Barry Lascelles. His system of Gothic orders followed in many Perth Huron buildings.

The materials available at the time pioneer settlers constructed buildings that show evidence of trained workmanship and in excellent proportion, at the same time accommodating the necessities to the rigours of pioneer life.

Mr. Kemsley, a well known Stratford writer, is head of the English Department at Northwestern Secondary School in Stratford. Included in his writing career are regular assignments for The Times, London, England.

To celebrate the issue of Paths of History in Perth and Huron, a reception was held in the boardroom at the Head Office of British Mortgage in Stratford on Thursday, August 1. The original oil paintings, watercolours and black and white sketches used in the book were on display.

Mr. Wilfrid P. Gregory, Q.C., Executive Vice-President and Managing Director of British Mortgage, welcomed the guests. Among them were Mr. Willard Mohr, warden of Perth County, Mr. Walter Forbes, warden of Halton County and Mr. C. H. Morey, Mayor of Stratford.

The booklet is the story of an era which is quickly passing. Even since M. Martin drew the pictures, one of the buildings has been torn down.

Residents of Perth and Huron will recognize the buildings pictured in the booklet and will be interested to see the type of aspects of them pointed out by Mr. Martin.

Town Commercial Places Would Be Fallout Shelters

"Misunderstanding of the activities of the Emergency Measures Organization in Halton County, and elsewhere, is prevalent and unfortunate" Bruce McGregor county co-ordinator said recently.

"Nuclear fallout and other disasters in case of war do not constitute the only duties of EMO.

"Natural disaster of any nature plays an important part in the readiness of EMO to go into action when required."

He said the same facilities would apply in the case of war or peace.

DISASTER

J. C. Clarke, EMO Zone Two field officer, located in Toronto, confirmed Mr. McGregor's statement.

"Disaster is disaster whether in war or peace," he said, "and it has to be dealt with and that is what Halton County and other areas are trying to do."

Mr. McGregor outlined work presently underway to deal with disaster of any nature.

Fallout shelter surveys of all federal and provincially owned buildings situated in the county have been completed. This includes a survey of all municipal buildings and some commercial buildings.

These surveys were conducted to determine the number of citizens who could be accommodated in the event of this area being subjected to fallout.

MONITORING

Radiation monitoring instruments will be located in fall out reporting posts located in various parts of the county and will be in radio contact with county headquarters.

This system will provide information to the residents of Halton County by means of radio broadcasts.

The county emergency communications plan has been approved and provision has been made to place a radio set in each municipality to ensure effective communications in the event of disaster.

The emergency health plan is being developed and co-ordinated with hospital disaster plans. The emergency welfare plan to provide for emergency lodging, feeding, clothing, registration and inquiry is under study and development.

LISTS PREPARED

The county operational plan has been approved in committee and is going forward for county council approval. Studies have been made and lists have been prepared of heavy engineering equipment normally available in the county and this information will form part of the engineering plan.

Although the fire departments in the county have been working on a mutual aid basis for some years, the need for a fire emergency plan was realized and will be in operation within three months.

This plan will provide for the disposition and allocation of equipment and personnel during any emergency and is being produced by the office of the Ontario Fire Marshall, working in close liaison with the fire departments in the county.

In the event of a major disaster it will be necessary to have a traffic plan which will permit the maximum number of vehicles to use selected routes for dispersal purposes.

"It is to be noted," said Mr. McGregor, "that any of the planning that is done or any training that is taken can be equally useful in the event of a natural disaster or nuclear warfare."

Kaplan Joins Ord In Legal Practice

SIDNEY KAPLAN

Sydney Kaplan, a Toronto barrister with over fifteen years experience before the courts in Toronto has commenced practicing law in Georgetown in association with the practice of John D. Ord, Q.C. Mr. Kaplan will continue practicing law in the Carretal Building in the offices where Mr. Ord has been practicing.

Mr. Kaplan has been practicing in downtown Toronto since graduating from Saskatchewan Law School in 1947. He is a specialist in litigation and has conducted cases in all the Ontario courts and before the Supreme Court of Canada.

Mr. Kaplan is married and has four children and his family is at present living in Toronto. He plans to move to Georgetown in the near future. Since the appointment of Mr. Ord as a magistrate he has found that he was unable to spend sufficient time to adequately carry on his private practice. He will be continuing to assist Mr. Kaplan and will remain in close association with the practice in Georgetown.

Kerr Welcomes Legislation for Municipal Loans

George A. Kerr, Burlington Councillor and Progressive Conservative candidate for Halton County today welcomed the news that an agreement had been reached between the Provincial and Federal governments in respect to the proposed Municipal Aid Legislation.

"It was obvious that the legislation as originally drawn would be unworkable and unacceptable to the Provinces. As a result of Premier John Roberts submissions in respect to necessary amendments, the proposed legislation now leaves the administration and control of the fund where it should be, in the hands of the Provincial Government. The fund should make it possible for municipalities to borrow on attractive terms and help finance necessary projects particularly for winter works. However let us hope that it does not necessarily mean a green light for spending not otherwise required."

STEWARTTOWN

Return from Trip To the West Coast

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Hall have returned from a recent trip to Vancouver and Victoria. They travelled C.N.R. west, stopping at Banff and returned C.P.R.

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Mrs. Lena Hodge is at present a patient in Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital. Her many friends in the village wish her a speedy recovery.

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Mr. and Mrs. Eric Blunt and Paul of Scarborough, Mrs. Jean Petteway, David and Ricky and Mrs. M. Patterson of Toronto, were week-end visitors with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Grant. Mrs. Patterson remaining for a holiday.

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Mrs. Edgar and Ruth of Peterborough are vacationing with Mrs. J. C. Murray.

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Happy birthday to Linda Walker who celebrates her 15th birthday on Sunday July 14th.

Steven DeForest who will be six years old and Ross Hunter who will be seven years old on Thursday July 15th.

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Despite the thunderstorm experienced Saturday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Wilson and Ruth enjoyed a camping outing for the long week-end at Lake Simcoe. The storm brought hail stones as large as marbles, but lasted only about half an hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Briggs and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Cash and family spent a few days this past week at Sauble Beach.

Former Principal Visits in Norval

Mr. and Mrs. John Noble of Miller Lake were recent visitors in the village. Mrs. Noble was the former principal of Norval Public School. They visited with Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Ironside, R.R. 1, Georgetown, and called on many of their friends in the village.

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Sympathy of the district is extended to Mr. Victor Hazel and family on the death of Mrs. Hazel in Peel Memorial Hospital, Brampton, following a lengthy illness. The funeral was held in the McClure Funeral Home in Georgetown on Wednesday, July 31 with interment in Hillcrest Cemetery, Norval.

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Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. John Mulder, Elizabeth and Laurie, have returned home after spending an enjoyable week holidaying at 7 Mile Narrows, Georgian Bay.

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Mrs. Tom Wolham and little girls, Kim and Cathy, of Brampton (the former Nancy Grasby) are spending a week's holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Grasby.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Laidlaw, Beth and Paul, spent a few days last week at Glenroy Lodge, Haliburton and enjoyed a lovely holiday. Little Carol Anne spent her holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Goodhew.

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Miss Prairie Maguire spent a couple of days visiting with Miss Florie Jackson of Toronto recently.

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Baseball fans will be interested in the Softball Tournament to be held in Hornby Community Park on Saturday, August 10th, commencing at 12 noon. There will be 15 teams competing and weather permitting, should provide an interesting afternoon and evening.

Playing for the Hornby Hotets from Norval are Jamie Cunningham, Ross Cunningham and Ron McLean. The boys would like to see your there in the cheering section.

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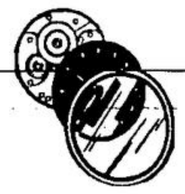

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