

Beautiful Nassagaweya home

Horse barn in his front yard

By Roy Downs

When Peter Saeglitz sold his business in the city and decided to retire to the country two years ago, he purchased a 80 acre parcel of farmland in northern Nassagaweya Township and built one of the township's most beautiful and expensive homes.

The house has a rustic yet modern character, for he knocked down a large barn and built the \$90,000 home on the foundations of the original barn, high on a hill with a breathtaking view. He saved some of the better old beams from the barn and used them in the ceiling of his living room for an open beam effect. Archways were effectively used across the front of the home where the original barn stones were at their best, and the remainder of the original foundation has been stuccoed. There's a large balcony running around three sides of the home on the second floor level.

It is, without a doubt, one of Nassagaweya's most beautiful homes. There is only one drawback.

Barn in his front yard

His neighbor J. Ottaway has erected a horse barn on the corner of the Ottaway property, just 69 feet from Mr. Saeglitz' front door. One horse lives there. Besides ruining the view from their front yard, the barn, according to Mr. and Mrs. Saeglitz, produces hordes of flies and emits a typical barn-like odor.

What's worse, the horse barn is completely legal according to the township by-laws and it does not contravene Department of Health regulations. Mr. and Mrs. Saeglitz are stuck with it, and there is little they can do.

About their only hope is the erection of one very high fence along the front of their property line—perhaps the height of the barn. Behind that they could plant a row of thick trees to hide the new fence from their front yard view.

Their only alternative is to sell the house and move back to the city. They have considered it, quite seriously. The problem is, who wants to purchase a beautiful home like that with a horse barn almost right in the front yard?

Surrounded on three sides

Mr. and Mrs. Saeglitz say they looked around quite a bit for a suitable place to build their retirement home, before deciding on the Nassagaweya parcel. They purchased a U-shaped piece of land, 50 acres in total, on the north-east corner of the Sixth Line-25 Sideroad intersection. Their neighbor J. Ottaway owns a one-acre parcel fronting on 25 Sideroad which the Saeglitz property surrounds on three sides—west, north and east.

Because the barn foundation was in good

shape and the hilltop location afforded a good view of the rolling countryside, they decided to build the house right on the barn foundations. They got a building permit from the township and started construction in the summer of 1969. After the house was under construction their neighbor Mr. Ottaway obtained a permit and started building the horse barn on the corner of his acre of land—the legal distance inside his own property line but directly in front of the Saeglitz home.

In the ensuing discussions between the two landowners some strong words were exchanged and at one point Mr. Saeglitz says he ordered Mr. Ottaway off his property. This summer when the Saeglitz home was completed enough for the couple to move in, they complained to the township building inspector and council about the barn location and to the Halton County Health Unit about the odor and flies.

Perfectly legal

Councillors agreed Mr. Saeglitz had a definite reason for concern but the horse barn does comply with the township's official plan and zoning by-law, so they could take no action. The Health Unit made four inspections between April 8 and Oct. 8 and Medical Officer of Health Dr. J. H. Chamberlain wrote, "we did not find any condition under which we could take action under the Public Health Act or its regulations."

"Legal or not, they have to use common sense," complained Mrs. Saeglitz. "We pay \$800 taxes a year and for \$800 I don't think I want to live with a horse."

Pointing to the floor near the large picture windows in her living room, she said "look at those dead flies. I'm sick of them. I have to pick them up every day, the house is always full of flies." There was another pile of dead flies in the fireplace—her collection from the previous day.

"The flies are really unbelievable," she continued, "you should see it in the summer time." Last week the oil deliveryman had trouble getting the oil to flow through the pipe to their furnace tank. It was plugged solid with dead flies and he had to clean them out before he could get any oil into the pipe.

Keep one side closed

Odors from the horse barn waft through the new house every day. The owners say it's especially bad if the wind is from the south, or on rainy or cloudy days. "We never open the windows on the south side of the house," said Mrs. Saeglitz. "I am sorry we sold our house in the city," she concluded. "We should never have moved out here . . ."



Royal Winter Fair

Feature "Walk in the Country"

How long is it since you walked in the country; smelled freshly mown hay; caught sight of a dairy herd at noonday?

City dwellers can rediscover all the sights, scents and sounds of rural life Nov. 13 to Nov. 21, at the biggest country fair in the world, Toronto's Royal Agricultural Winter Fair. Held in the Coliseum at Exhibition Park, the annual show window of Canadian farming and animal breeding has roots going back to the local fairs that were the friendly fall get-togethers of Canada's early pioneers. It brings together farmers, breeders, equestrian sportsmen and just people, from all of Canada and many parts of the world.

Rated on records

In early days livestock was judged on appearance alone. Now the animals must have performance records or ancestors with performance records and are rated on utility as well as appearance.

The shift in population from country to city has not diminished the emphasis on agriculture but has expanded features that appeal to the consumer.

"The Royal is an agricultural fair but we have to move with the times," emphasizes General Manager W. P. Watson. More than 17,000 individual

exhibits, the best in horses, swine, cattle, sheep and poultry, grains and dairy products, fruits and vegetables come to the Fair. Last year, for the first time, results were processed by computer, a time-saver that will be continued again this year.

Perennial favorites like the Flower Show will be back bigger than ever, along with the International Poster Competition, Tropical Fish and Photographic exhibitions. Following the "Walk in the Country" theme of this year's Fair, the flower show is a transplanted country garden with meandering paths through the beauties of four seasons.

The Royal Horse Show, one of the world's top equestrian events takes on added international flavor. For the first time in several years, teams from Ireland and West Germany will be competing with regulars—Canada, the U.S. and Mexico, to make it a five-country match. Canada will be vying for the team championship for the second year in a row.

The "Carousel of Foods" has gone international too. Canadian products are the ingredients for a variety of German, Italian and Oriental dishes. Recipes, free samples, cooking demonstrations and prizes will be featured.

The Canada Department of Agriculture also accents international cuisine. There adventuresome cooks can learn how to prepare the popular "Fondue" four different ways.

To honor Toronto citizens from many lands, and the visiting equestrian teams, Fair officials plan special salutes to their countries on four different evenings: Germany, Nov. 14; Ireland, Nov. 16; Mexico, Nov. 18; U.S. Nov. 20. The Ambassador or other official representative of each country has been asked to officiate at the Horse Show on those evenings.

In addition, Governor General Roland Michener will be a guest Nov. 17 and the Lieutenant-Governor will pay a visit to the Fair Nov. 19.

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Municipality of Esquesing
County of Halton

Notice is hereby given that I have compiled with section nine of the voters' list act and that I have posted up at my office R. R. 1, Georgetown on the FOURTH DAY of November, 1970, the list of all persons entitled to vote in the municipality at the municipal elections, and that such a list remains there for inspection.

And I hereby call upon all voters to take immediate proceedings to have any errors or omissions corrected according to law THE LAST DAY OF APPEAL BEING THE EIGHTEENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1970.

Dated this FOURTH DAY of November 1970

Delmer French, Clerk
Township of Esquesing

Township request

Reconstruct "killer strip"

Gordon Agnew and his colleagues on Nassagaweya Council have won a battle with the Ontario Government. Their requests for action on the "killer strip" on Highway 401 east of Campbellville are at last being met.

Representatives of the Department of Highways and King Paving Materials began reconstruction of a portion of the road—a stretch two miles long.

Safer road

A new and safer surface is being applied and the road is being banked and lifted as much as nine inches in some places. Some work on the shoulder is being done and signs warning of turns are being posted.

Nassagaweya Council recently passed a motion presented by Deputy Reeve Agnew requesting work be done on the highway stretch that had taken so many lives. The resolution came about soon after a fatal crash in July on the road. The motion was sent to the minister of highways, minister of municipal affairs and Premier John Roberts.

He's happy

"I'm very happy to see work is being done. I was surprised to see them out so soon," Agnew commented.

Ironically enough the workers started the work just 14 hours after a man lost his life in an accident resulting from the plane crash last Tuesday night. A

Department of Highways official said the two had no relation, however.

Holsteins to Hungary

The first major shipment of Holstein-Friesian cattle to an eastern European country left Montreal recently aboard the Clausen ship "Cimbria", bound for Hungary via Rijeka, Yugoslavia. The 350 in-calf heifers were purchased through Rockwood International Livestock Limited, Georgetown, and through Global Holstein Export Limited, Gormley, in co-operation with several other exporters.

Specifications laid down by the Hungarians for these heifers were particularly rigid, and it is a compliment both to the breeders and to the exporters that the full shipment could be put together in the short time available.

The shipment is bound for two farms in Hungary, where it is hoped they will prove to be models of productivity. The 80 head shipped by Rockwood International are to join 20 heifers exported last year to the Research Institute Experimental Farm at Martonvasar.

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Everytime you boost Ontario . . . Ontario and Canada get a little stronger.
Government of Ontario (V) John Roberts, Prime Minister.