



EVERYONE in this picture is a Saxon. In back are Peter's father, Charlie Saxon, 74; brother Roy, 37; brother Noel, 29; Carol, 14 (Brian's daughter); brother

Terry, 34, holding daughter Jenny; brother Brian, 32, and Peter Saxon, Acton resident; centre row, Helen, 11 (Roy's daughter); Geoff, 11, of Acton; Jim, 12, of

Acton; Janet, 12 (Brian's daughter); Antony, 9 (Brian's son); Steve, 9, of Acton, and Mother Saxon; in front, front row, Nicholas, 8 (Terry's son); Michelle, 7

(Noel's daughter); Andrea, 4 (Noel's daughter); Lucy, 6 (Roy's daughter); and Robert, 2 (Roy's son).

TRIPLE 'N' ONIONS

Find Hospitality Is Unbelievable

By CELIA SAXON
STOCKPORT, England—After 18 years, Peter Saxon was reunited with his family.

When Peter left home at the age of 12, his baby brother Noel was only 11. He is now a policeman, with two children of his own.

The second youngest, Brian, who was 14 when Peter left, now has a 14-year-old daughter.

One thing that amazed Peter was the fact that there has been so very little change in Stockport (especially in the people) in 18 years.

The most notable progression is the increase in traffic. But the roads are very primitive and very narrow.

Expressways are just beginning to be built and roads are being widened. Many of the roads are still brick and cobblestone. The roads are jammed with cars.

People here are very slow to adapt to change, especially the older folks. But even the young ones don't want to try anything new.

It was so funny. We wanted to try triple 'n' onions. Peter requested them for Sunday dinner at his brother's, Noel.

And everybody we mentioned it to exclaimed: "You can't have triple 'n' onions on a Sunday."

So we got traditional Sunday tea.

If you live in England, you have to have roast beef or chicken for Sunday dinner, between noon and 1 p.m., and at supertime you have tea. That includes the leftover meat from dinner and a bunch of greens.

We finally got triple 'n' onions on Tuesday, but we needn't have bothered. It doesn't have any taste as it feels like eating worms.

NOT BACK HOME
You can't go into any restaurant and eat at any time like back home. They only serve at special times. If you don't eat between noon and 2 p.m., you're out of luck until supertime. All the places close at 2 p.m. and re-open two or three hours later, at next mealtime.

People here are very set in their ways and won't change their routine for anyone.

Everybody knows who goes where and on which days. Most people don't have telephones but they always know when you're in or out.

For instance, Aunt Ada comes here every Wednesday for tea (supper) and her routine never changes. Peter's mom and dad go to market every

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10. I've Had It

I've had It was acclaimed as "Reviewers Choice" by the voting audience on Party Rock. The hit by Fanny downed two other new releases, "Almost Killed A Man" and "Eyes of Silver." Now that Fanny has taken the number ten spot, there will be three new records to review on this Fridays Party Rock.

Congratulations to Cathy Beckitt on correctly guessing the correct count of how many times "bird" was mentioned in the song Surf'n Bird. Bird was mentioned a total of 99 times.

More prizes are to be given away on this week's edition of Party Rock. Don't miss out!

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Monday and every Friday at the same time and come home at the same time. They visit Aunt Somebody Else every Thursday, and so on.

It's a panic. They know everybody's routine in town. So they can tell us whom to visit at which time.

The boys are getting a big charge out of the language. It's almost like learning a new language. An interpreter is needed for some things.

A popsicle is an ice lolly. A lollypop is a taffee lolly. The hood of a car is a bonnet. The trunk is a boot. Candies are sweets.

A store is a shop. Men are blokes, and boys are lads.

An umbrella is a broolly. A washroom is a loo, a hat is an 'at, and a television set is a telly.

A camper is a caravan, a baby carriage is a cot or a pram.

A roast is a joint. Underwear is knickers. All school children wear uniforms, and the boys hate that.

Motorists drive on the wrong side of the road, but they especially like self-serve petrol stations.

Every house has a brick wall or an iron fence around the front.

T-SHIRTS
We brought Canada t-shirts for all the cousins and presented them at a "bit of a doo" (a party) that was held for us the Thursday night after we arrived, when the boys met all their English cousins for the first time. There are 10 grandchildren besides our three.

The local newspaper was supposed to come around but didn't show up. So I had to take the picture through the window, teetering on one leg. It was raining out so they just wanted me to snap it quick and get it over.

It isn't too bad under the circumstances. But I couldn't hobble about and get press shots, I just had to sit with my leg up.

We brought baseball bats, mitts and balls, one for each family. They didn't know what to do with them. They've never seen them before. So our boys, Jimmy, 12, Geoff, 11 and Steve, 9, are teaching the English chums how to play baseball.

Every kid in town comes around and joins the baseball games. They think it's great.

In return the cousins have brought us a cricket bat and ball and are teaching our guys to play cricket.

I took some pictures but since I can't get around I have to depend on someone else and everybody's too busy. So today I bought some chemicals and will develop my own films as soon as I snap them and then I can send off the negatives right away.

Last night the English Saxons were introduced to a typical Canadian barbecue for the first

time. We were afraid they might not like it. But they were surprised and so were we.

Peter's brother Roy, the second oldest (Peter is the oldest) said: "We did get a shock tonight. I never expected anything as excellent as that!"

They don't have hamburgers or hot dogs here and very few people eat steak.

They sell hot dogs in cans or in dry packages that need no refrigeration. They have been around for a few years but just never caught on because people just don't like new things.

CHARCOAL
They sell barbecues but few and far between and charcoal costs 25 cents a pound. The charcoal costs as much as the meat almost.

But just for a special treat we bought a hibachi and all the trimmings and we are going to visit each of his brother's families one at a time and stage a Canadian Barbecue party.

We bought a thick three pound sirloin, and some hamburgers and hot dogs, marshmallows, mushrooms and onions.

Cooking their own wieners and marshmallows was a real treat for the kids. They've never done anything like that before.

Tomorrow we go to Brian's (He's the third eldest). His children are older, 14, 12 and nine. Wonder what reception we'll get there.

Peter's second youngest brother, Terry has his own

variety store - here they all it a newsagent's shop. It's very much like the little variety store on Main St. in Georgetown except that here they take full charge of the circulation for all newspapers.

The newsagent shop hires his own delivery boys. They have about three morning papers, two weeklies, and several evening papers, local and national. Of course none of their papers are as good as ours.

But wait until you see the Sunshine Girls in the Morning Sun. For the blokes in town it makes up for all the rain. I'm saving them up - but you can't print them. Wow!

Last Saturday, July 6, was my birthday and Peter and Terry and his wife, Ann and Peter's old buddy and wife took me out to dinner at the Cop-perfield, an old English Pub-style dining room. We were supposed to go dancing but my mishap cancelled that.

I got a broolly for my birthday (what else) and a pair of crutches (on loan.)

The hospitality in Stockport is unbelievable. People just can't do enough for you. I mean the public. Stores and services are extremely friendly and helpful. They just bend over backwards for you. If they don't have it, they'll direct you to who does and they'll even draw you a map. Because I'm an invalid perfect strangers fuss over me. Back home they'd walk over me, mug me or rape me.

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Third Reading Postponed, Court Action Threatened

Halton Hills council postponed the third reading of a bylaw to close the Third Line, south of Acton after threatened with possible court action.

Brantford solicitor P.A. Ballachey, representing the 10 residents of the line who would be most affected by the closure, presented arguments against the bylaw, which he called "discriminatory."

"I submit that the bylaw is improper and can be impeached and if I'm retained that's what I'll tell my clients and if necessary will take it to court," he told the councillors last Tuesday. "This problem can be resolved in other ways without infringing on the rights of the residents of the line."

The bylaw would close the Third Line, south of the Indusmin Ltd.'s quarry, south of Acton. The road would be re-routed, at the expense of the company, around their property.

Mr. Ballachey suggested that it would be better if the company used tunnels under the road to reach quarrying operations on the other side.

"The bylaw is for the benefit of only one taxpayer, Indusmin and for the detriment of the residents," he continued. "I earnestly request that you consider this matter more fully."

He added that other methods, proper ones are outlined in the Pits and Quarries act. "This bylaw should not be passed at this time," he said.

Mr. Ballachey said that Indusmin's mine manager, Don Murdy, the use of tunnels would seriously affect the future rehabilitation of the land.

"From an aesthetic point of view, the rehabilitation of the

Third Line will be very difficult if tunnels are used," he said. "What you'll have is simply four holes in the ground."

Mr. Murdy explained that the problem started in 1970 when the company asked the former township of Esqueging council if they could divert the roadway. He added that the diversion would give the company three acres of land but they would lose nine acres.

COUNCIL ACCEPTED
Prior to the formation of the new town of Halton Hills last January, the former council accepted the proposal outlined by the quarry company.

"We'll be at the next meeting to provide any information on the project that council may want," he added.

During the discussion, Coun. Len Cox explained the feeling of the former township council. He said they believed the solution of diverting the road was the best for everyone.

"We truly believed that we were doing the people a justice rather than an injustice. We took everything into consideration and felt it would be better to divert the road rather than leave a pathway of barren waste," he said.

The company is allowed to quarry within 100 feet of the 66 foot road allowance, he added, and that a study was performed for Esqueging council which noted that the land could be quarried to a depth of 125 feet.

At this, Coun. Ric Morrow said he would be concerned about the safety of persons using the road if Indusmin quarried on both sides, leaving steep cliffs very close to the road.

"It seems like this would

leave a dangerous cliff which would be very difficult to fence, and I'm very concerned about this," he said.

A motion by Coun. Ern Hyde requested that the matter be held over for more information and a public meeting be scheduled for the next committee of the whole meeting, August 6.

When he was told that the mining was for bedrock, and not gravel, Coun. Hyde told the councillors that "we're not worried about an erosion problem as such anyway."

"But what does concern me is that I was not aware that there was any objections to the bylaw, and we were going to give it third reading tonight. I certainly think we can give the courtesy of a further public meeting," he added.

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No Lowering Seen For Mill Rates

Don Farmer, regional treasurer does not expect the pressure on area municipal mill rates to decrease in the near future.

During a discussion on the possibility of lowering the proposed reserve funds from \$782,000 to \$220,000 and raising it in the future, Mr. Farmer told the council not to expect mill rates to lower over the next few years.

"It seems reasonable not to expect any lowering of pressure on the area mill rates," he said, during the council meeting Wednesday. "I doubt much that Queen's Park will offer as much help as they are this year."

He explained that while area municipalities can complain about the impact of the regional budget, and receive transitional grants this year, in 1975, the province may not be as free with their money.

"I feel that the grants will decrease quickly each year after this year," Mr. Farmer added.

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