

Letters to the Editor

Sports editor's comments on Raider exec annoys fan

To the editor of The Herald:
In response to the Sports Editor's column last week, I take exception to the inferences made by the sports editor to the legitimacy of the interest and involvement by members of the Raider executive.

Naturally, past executive members were invited to the general meeting, as well as persons interested enough in the club's future who wish to be on hand, as well as a public advertisement in the paper the week previous to announce the meeting. This was a solicitation of the public, and I would

say by the lack of attendance, it would indicate that very few people would care to make the mammoth commitment to participate in the running of such an organization.

Most were old faces who have been around the club too long. You are right, there, Mr. Editor, but without the old faces, just who would ice that team this coming year? These are the men who have formed the backbone of this club for many years, keeping it financially afloat, and a weekly source of high quality entertainment for hockey lovers in the area. Does someone suggest you should be fired from your job because you're an old face, at the point when you have learned to do it well?

New blood is needed, as I am sure any of these 14 people will tell you and I am certain that you have no facts to substantiate that it is not being sought out, for I know the contrary to be true. Twenty-five percent of the elected executive were first-year people, for instance.

Fergus resident commends Georgetown Hospital care

To the editor of The Herald:
On May 10, while visiting Georgetown, the writer was taken seriously ill and rushed to the Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital.

After a 14-day stay, I was allowed to return to my home in Fergus. The purpose of this letter is to thank everyone who had anything to do with my stay and to tell the people of Georgetown their hospital, doctors, nurses, etc., are second to none.

I received exceptional, continuous and courteous care from all concerned. Should I ever be unfortunate enough to require hospital care in the future, no matter where in Ontario I might be, I'll suggest to the ambulance driver, "If it's not too much trouble, will you please make it the Georgetown Hospital."

Sincerely,
A.C. Lee,
Fergus.

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South Island tranquility

Christmas in Christchurch

Around the World in 380 Days

Fourth in a series

By STEPHEN FROST
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Denys and I only needed two rides to get to New Zealand's capital city of Wellington, where we stayed overnight in a hostel called Beethoven House. We would have stayed longer if it hadn't been raining, but it was, and Wellington is a most unattractive place when it's raining.

The city itself sits in a bowl or depression that seems to attract clouds, especially the kind with wet stuff in them, so Denys and I bought our tickets on one of the Cook Strait ferries linking the country's two islands.

From Picton, Denys and I decided that in order to miss the crush of hitch-hikers coming off the ferry, we'd take the train down the road a little to the town of Blenheim. We thought we were very clever until we rolled into the little burg and waited all afternoon without getting a ride.

After spending the night in a trailer camp, we were up bright and early the next morning to get a good spot on the highway. An hour and a half later, we finally got a ride all the way into Christchurch, five hours down the road. All told, it took us eight hours to get a ride out of Blenheim, the longest I have ever waited for a lift in New Zealand.

After arriving, Denys and I decided to stay in the Cora Wilding youth hostel outside the city core. It is one of the best hostels in New Zealand and whenever I was in Christchurch, I stayed there.

In the city's centre, there's the one and only Cathedral Square where everyone meets, from the God Squad to the Mongrel Mob (boys who could be described as a bike gang without bikes). The God Squad were young born-again Christians who preached in the square at odd hours to anyone who would listen.

Occasionally, they'd be in the square when a fellow who billed himself as the Wizard was expounding against the evils of organized religion, and when the two camps met, the sparks would fly.

At any other time, the square was a good place to meet fellow travellers before heading off to one of the numerous pubs in the vicinity or to a first-run movie, which cost \$1.50.

I spent Christmas here with John and Denys and assorted other Canadians, Australians and Americans. I bought John a bottle of Johnny Walker Red for Christmas and on Christmas day, I drank it with two other pleasant chaps I had met

at the hostel. Felt bad about drinking JP's scotch, but it was for a good cause, considering international relations and all that.

Afterwards, we had a bastardized game of cricket with Americans, Australians, Canadians, Englishmen, Frenchmen, Kiwis and God knows who else participating. The game was very funny, with the Yanks sliding into the wickets

and trying to tag each other instead of the wicket. They were also terrible at bowling the ball with a straight arm and wrist (which is the legal procedure) and insisted on getting their "base" when they got hit with the ball. Mind you, Denys and I weren't much better, especially after the scotch, but the game was all in fun.

RELIEF FARM

Before Christmas, I managed to find gainful employment with a group called Relief Farm Management. This firm employs young British lads for periods of six or so months, or did until New Zealand started cutting down on the number of work permits it handed out. The fellow who ran the opera-

tion didn't really care too much if John and I had work permits or not, and I'm certain none of the farmers I worked for did.

The firm was great for young men who could drive farm machinery and wanted to travel. Vic, the boss, would get a client who needed a man for three to six weeks and arrange for one of his employees to be there for the specified period. When the job was winding down, all one did was give Vic a call two weeks before the finish and he would supply you with another job to go to. In this way, I got to see parts of the country I would normally not have seen.

My first job was in Hakataramea Valley, which was one of the most beautiful areas of the

country, bar none. It was located at the foot of the Kirkilston range of mountains, with foothills forming the other side of the long narrow valley. A small stream runs through it and flows into the Hakataramea River, which is one of the best salmon fishing rivers in the South Island.

The job itself was cutting and baling hay as well as general tractor work for one of the smaller farmers there. On New Year's Day, I decided to climb (there was no climbing involved really) Kirkilston peak, which is 6,175 feet high. It took me three and a half long hours to slug my way up the mountain and there were times when I thought I had had enough.

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Mount Cook, as seen from the Murchison Plateau, shows the mountain's three peaks quite clearly. The highest of three peaks is on the right and measures 12,319 feet high. The main

feature from this view is the Caroline face, which fans up to the middle peak and has only been climbed successfully six times.

Correction

In a story in last week's edition of The Herald, it was incorrectly stated that each home in the River Run townhouse subdivision has a finished family room in the basement. In fact, only the model suite open for public viewing has a finished family room. The Herald regrets the error.

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