

Castor Earl

Long-winded in Long-johns

Dang nab it!

It sure is tough to get my brilliant opinions into the Castor. First they tell me they want me to write, then they ain't so sure, then it's no, then yes again.

Then they stop puttin' my pieces in the paper. They say they ain't got enough space, that they got too many writers better than me. So I say: "Throw out Beaver Bob and make room for me." And they say: 'No way, turkey." I says to them: "I'm writin' the that.

dang things and you're goin' to put them in. My loyal reader is countin' on it." They says to me: "Make us, dingdong."

So I lie a little and say that the - Press and the Record are fightin' for my services because they want to jack up their circulations.

Earl. Anythin' you want. You can write your own ticket." Well, maybe it weren't quite in them words but it went somethin' like

So away we go again. Lordy, you poor folks sure missed a lot of good columns I was thinkin' on over the last while. For instance, I had a mind to write all about the wart I had on the big toe of my left foot but it's gone now so there don't seem much point. And I had They panic and say: "O.K., a notion to describe Bingo's attack of mange but it's all cured now. Bingo's my faithful dog, just in case some of you don't recollect.

Speakin' on warts and mange,

what did you all think of the way the federal vote went? Weren't that just a shame the way the good ol' Tories got run out of office just when they were gettin' the hang of governin'.

Awhile ago, I was sittin' beside the ol' woodstove in my longjohns ruminatin' on the election outcome. I had the trap door open so the heat would go up. That's the trap door in the ceilin' I'm talkin' about.

And I'm thinkin' that maybe if the Tories hadn't done so much flip-floppin' on the issues they might have got back in. They were about-facin' as often as I change my longjohns...about once every two weeks.

Now, don't get me wrong. I'm a dyed-in-the-wool Tory, true Blue to the quick. Always have been. it?

Why, you know them longjohns I keep bringin' up? They were red in color and givin' me one awful rash. I got the missus to dye them blue and dang if the rash didn't disappear.

But I can't help thinkin' anyhow that the party is in bad shape and needs patchin' up. Joe Clark is a nice enough young lad; a little slow on the uptake, but nice enough. But he ain't no match for Trudeau who could smooth-talk a rattle-snake out of bitin' him.

The party needs a powerful figure to lead it into the next election and I've got just the fella. Me. Now, that thought may be a little hard to digest at first, but think on it.

Give it a whirl...vote Castor Earl. Has a nice ring to it, don't

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Spring is a good time of the year to perform vaccinations before horses come in contact with other animals through horse shows and country fairs.

Post script from Pinetree Stables - don't forget to have your fecal examinations done.

Correction-Krista did not buy her horse from Zande Sharpe but from Zane Thorpe.

Russell Reinsmen

Members of Russell Reinsmen 4-H Horse Club are warned that the April meeting will be the ending of this project. Demonstrations will be judged and project books collected - so please be prepared.

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Russell heritage worth celebrating? a mystery, the efforts to dig it up

Even if 1980 is not Russell's centennial, why not celebrate village heritage anyway?

That's the attitude of Russell Postmaster Pierre Robinson and others who are tossing around the idea of celebrating heritage day, weekend, or whatever, possibly this summer.

The idea is an offshoot of unsuccessful efforts to pinpoint the date of the village's christening as Russell. Although the efforts are ongoing, it seems that the date when the pioneer name of Dun-

canville was dropped in favor of Russell may be lost forever, said Mr. Robinson who is coordinating the research.

Information which surfaced a year ago suggesting that the name change was made in 1880 and that, therefore, this year was Russell's centennial, has not been substantiated. It has been determined that Russell was given police village status in 1898 but there is evidence that the name was official before that.

Mr. Robinson said that, while the village birthday might remain

revealed a colorful history and a widespread interest in local heritage that could form the basis for a celebration. "Even if Russell is not 100 years

old, it's pretty darn close and there's no telling what people could come up with when they start going through their attics," he said. Although still just an idea, he

envisaged a celebration consisting of among other things, exhibits of old pictures, antiques and artifacts and demonstrations of pioneer arts and crafts by local residents in period costume.

"There's no end to what could be involved once people set their minds to it," he said.

He hoped residents would express their thoughts on the idea. One way would be through letters to the editor of the Castor Review. he suggested.

Those who wish to enroll as riding students at Pinetree Stables — I am preparing my spring schedules now. Please contact me as soon as possible so that I can determine the size of my classes etc. Anyone who wishes to participate in our activities during the March break please call 445-2976. — Lola Wood.





