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Remember the Russell Leader? The "only weekly paper in Russell County", it ceased publication in 1942. For nearly thirty-three years, we haven't had our own paper, but now, at last, we have! Meet the Russell Review!

Some things have changed in thirty-three years (McArthur-Warner General Merchants advertised seven pounds of flour at 23¢ and ladies' dresses for \$1.00), but some things don't really seem all that different. The Picadilly Theatre offered "My Favorite Blonde" starring Bob Hope and "The Spoilers" with Marlene Dietrich and John Wayne. Dr. C. E. L. Morrow advertised office hours from 2 to 5 p.m. while George McIlraith (yes, the George McIlraith) advertised his law office in Ottawa.

Something else has held constant, too, and that is the spirit of the community. There may be new houses, new names and new faces, but the sense of involvement, co-operation and activity is the same as ever, and that is why a local paper simply had to come back. The Review staff expected community support, but the overwhelming response has shown us clearly that the Review is an idea whose time has come.

Publishing will occur on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month. Your deadlines for bulletins, news, articles or advertising would be the first and third Thursday of each month. The numbers to call for submissions are: Mrs. Catherine Pelot 445-2889 and Mrs. Joyce O'Reilly 445-2008. We will handle all Community Bulletin Board items free, and will accept personal advertising at 5¢ per word.

Watch in future editions for a History of Russell, library notes, club columns, Recipe of the Month, a Wildlife column, Senior Citizens' notes, and maybe, (with any sort of luck), the occasional letter to the editor.

Last, but not least: While circulation is free to residents, many "ex" residents would enjoy receiving the Review. Let us know who they are, and we'll do our darnedest. As I said, some things never change.