

Comment

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A community without a newspaper often lacks the vitality to support one.

The Review is a clear indication that Russell is alive and well even if at times it seems to matter to residents only and nobody else.

As far as the Review is concerned, the village's main reason for being is its residents. This is hopefully reflected in the paper's sometimes-thin body.

Let's face it, the Review cannot possibly cover the momentous political decisions taken daily outside the village but which affect all of us. At best, it can comment on them periodically.

With true humility, the Review must leave the "big stuff" to the larger dailies and weeklies.

It's the local stuff that concerns this paper: newcomers, bake sales, fairs, food specials, church services and opinions on aspects of village life.

Local stuff may be, but not little stuff. These are the things which are important to our village life and give it its vitality.

With occasional contributions from all residents, the Review will continue to reflect this vitality.

O.F.A. News Release

"Not enough attention is being paid to the role which food prices is playing in keeping down the cost of living", said Gordon Hill, President of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture.

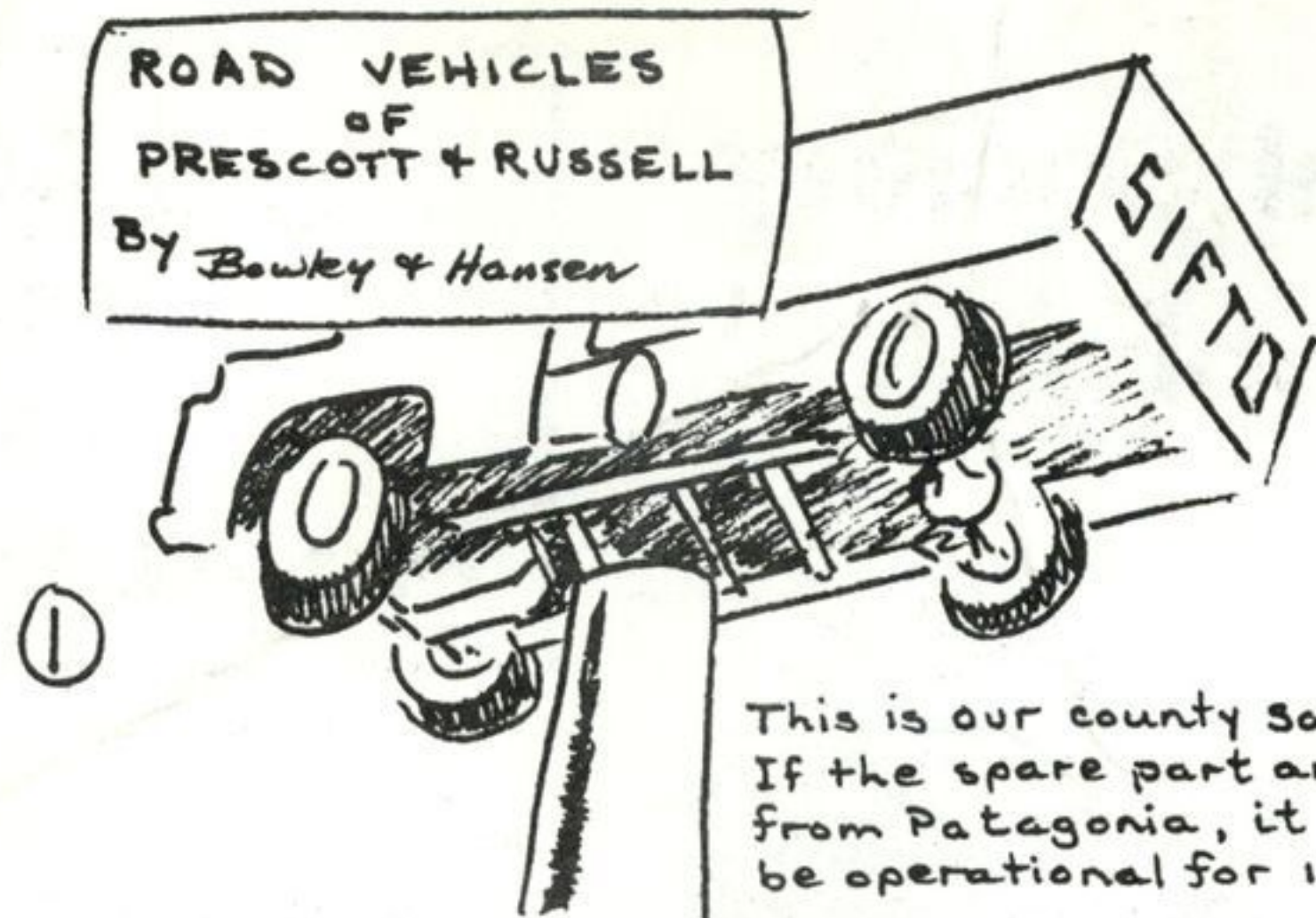
Mr. Hill explained: "Food prices have decreased while the prices of all other major consumer items have increased. From September 1975 to September 1976, housing (including utilities, furniture, appliances, etc.) increased 11.2 percent. Clothing increased 5.8 percent and transportation increased 10.1 percent. In the same period, food at home decreased 2 percent and total food decreased 0.5 percent."

"If other prices had stayed the same as they were in September 1975, and only food at home had made its change of -2 percent, the Consumer Price Index would have dropped about 0.5 percent. Instead, it increased 6.5 percent" said Mr. Hill.

"Too much has been said lately about the supposed costs of supply management and marketing boards. These figures show clearly that food prices have not been increasing at an alarming rate and indeed have not been increasing at all. Marketing boards are not villains and they may even be heroes" concluded Mr. Hill.

An Invitation

The Russell Figure Skating Club is sponsoring a Tupperware Party
Everyone is most welcome
Date: November 17th
Time: 7:15 p.m.
Place: The Woolsey House, 12 Eldon Street, Russell. (Directions): First Street East of the swimming pool. It's the only house on the right hand side.
Further Information
Phone 445-2897

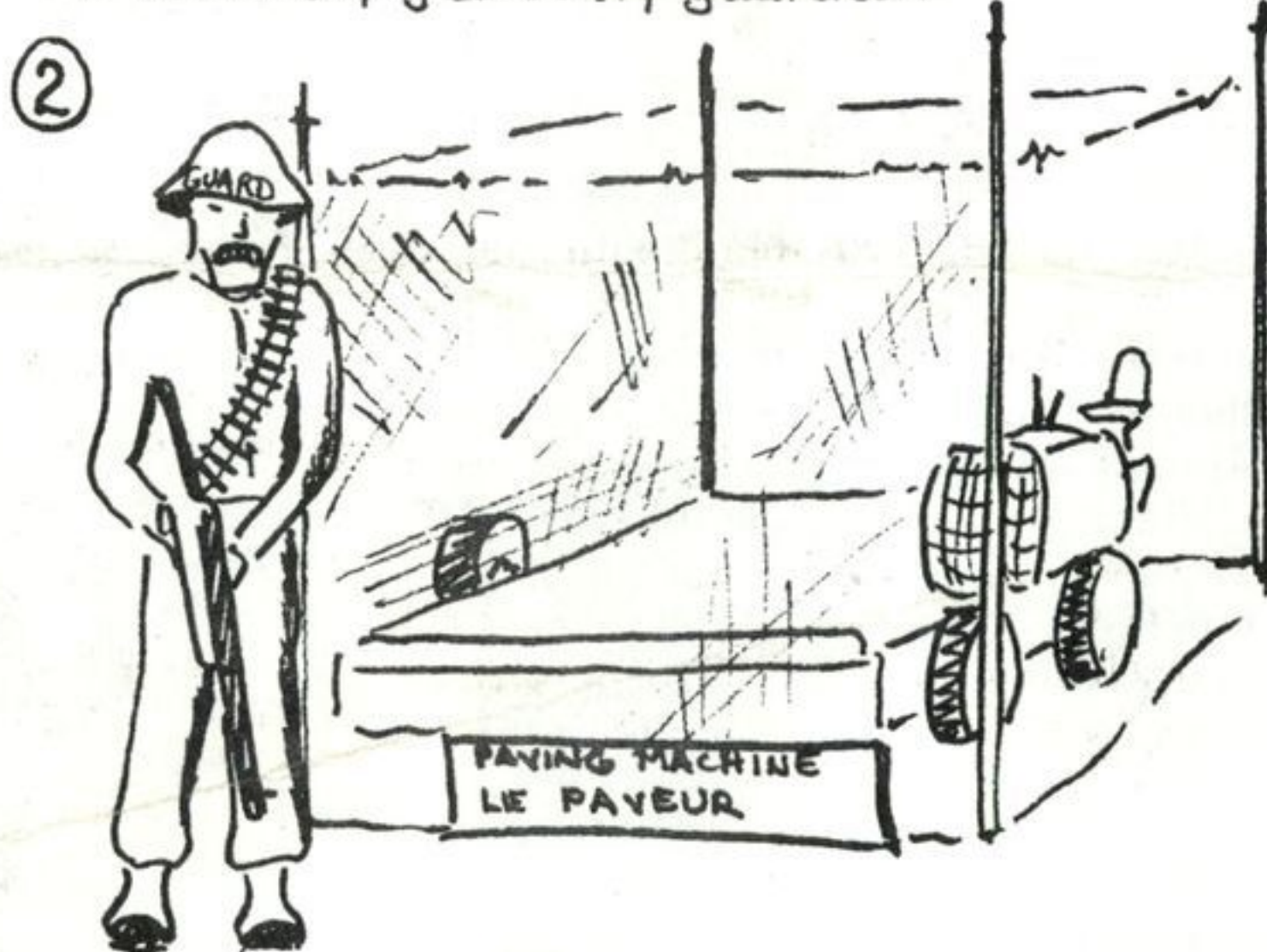


This is our county Salt Truck. If the spare part arrives from Patagonia, it will be operational for 1978.

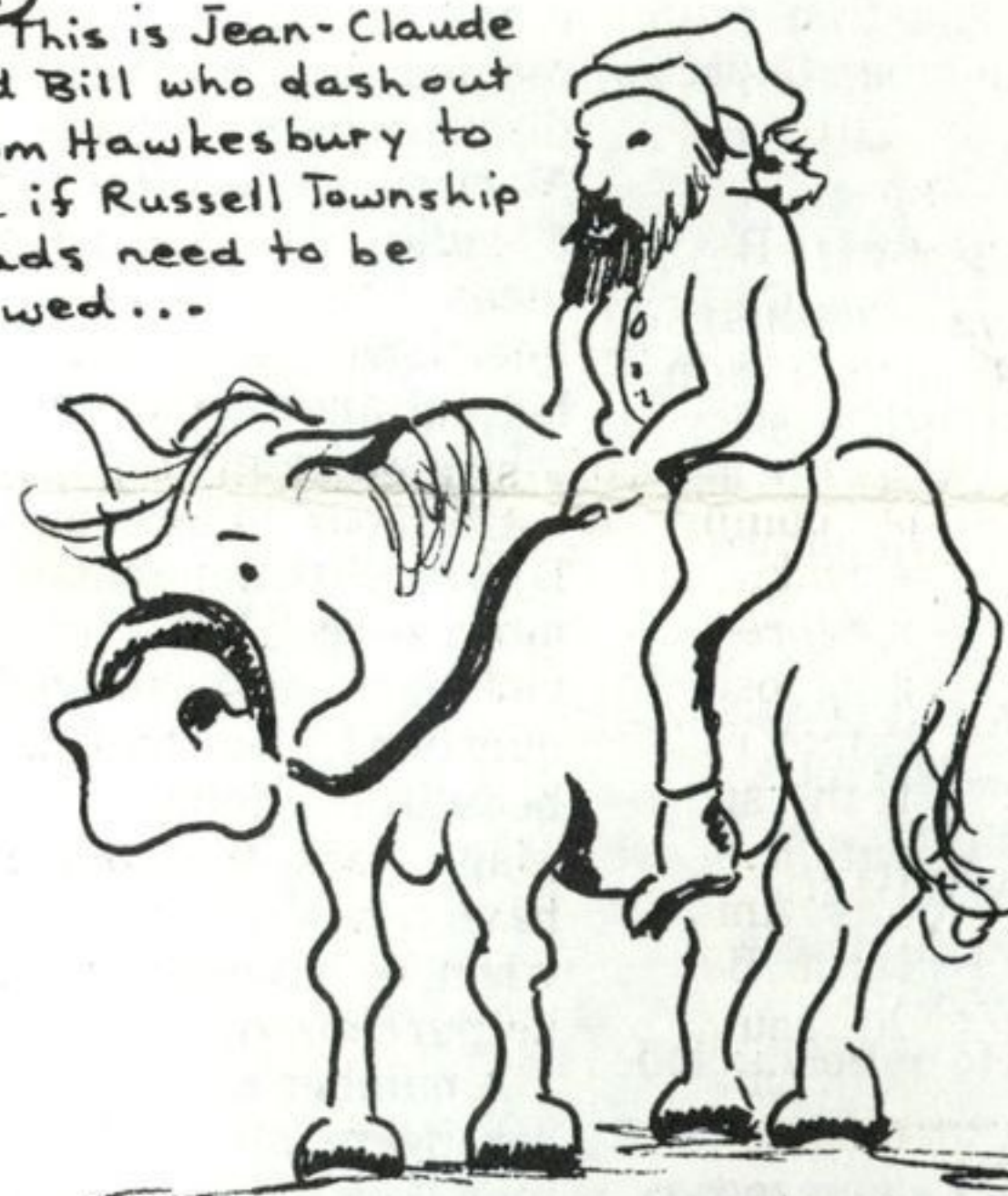


This is the County Snow Plow, and....

Reputed to be the only 1903 Barber-Greene still in existence, this mint-condition beauty is obviously jealously guarded.



... This is Jean-Claude and Bill who dash out from Hawkesbury to see if Russell Township roads need to be plowed...



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