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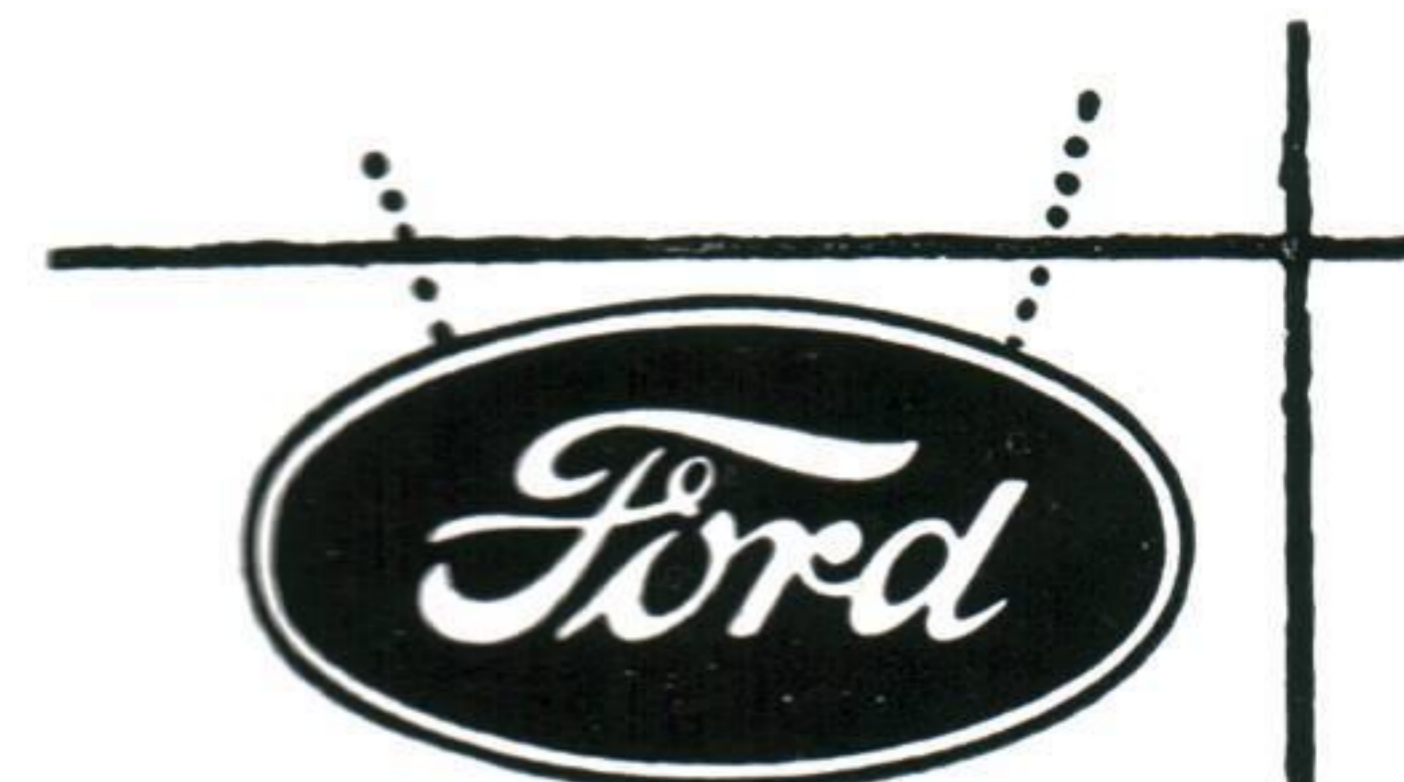
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Darlene Alp, Grade 10 student, Rhine Valley Park School, presenting Xmas packages to two of the 160 children. The brother and sister shown here escaped with their father. Their mother was caught during the escape and is at present serving a prison term in the eastern zone of Germany.

A dreary Christmas at Malschbach refugee camp was brightened a little through the efforts of the students at Rhine Valley Park School. A total of DM 683 was contributed by the students to provide a little Christmas cheer for the 160 children of the refugee camp.

Each child received a gift bag containing an article of warm clothing, two oranges, and assorted packages of nuts, candies, and cookies.

Approximately fifty students and staff members journeyed to the camp on Dec 17th to present the gifts personally. The students met the refugees in the meeting hall of the camp. Christmas greetings were exchanged and several carols were sung together. The refugees were particularly pleased to hear the Canadian students sing in German. After the Carol singing each child came forward and received his gift from one of the Rhine Valley Park students.

The senior students at Rhine Valley Park School witnessed a rare exhibition of gymnastics when teams of German girls and boys from Ludwig Wilhelm Gymnasium, Rastatt, under the direction of Herr Otto John, Physical Education teacher, visited the school in December.



Pictured above is one of the visiting students as he performed a series of front and back flips executed with the form of a professional.

The visit was one of a series of activities undertaken by the Canadian school to promote a better understanding between the two nationalities. After the display the visitors had "cokes" with their hosts and toured the school.

Ontario Driver Point System

Effective the first of this month the Ontario Department of Transport instituted a system which will be a definite factor in the prevention of loss of life and limb through traffic mishaps. Through the Point System negligent and accident-prone drivers will be warned of their faults and, if necessary, suffer loss of driving privileges.

The main advantage of this system will be that traffic violators will no longer be able to forget about their misdemeanors once their more-or-less token fines have been paid into the courts. Points will be added to the driving record of a motorist upon conviction for driving offenses in accordance with the schedule below.

The accumulation of twelve points within a two-year period will bring suspension of a driving license for three months. An additional 12 point accumulation within a one-year period will bring a six-months suspension.

A driver with six points will be advised of his record and asked to improve his driving habits.

When nine points have accumulated, the motorist will be asked to report and show cause why his license should not be suspended. The driver may be required to undergo a re-examination to determine his ability to drive. He may be placed on probation or have his license suspended if his attitude reflects indifference to the responsibilities of operating a motor vehicle.

Points are deducted from the record 2 years after the date of conviction. A motorist whose driving privilege has been suspended will begin with no points against his record after the period of suspension.

It can be seen from the points system scale below, that the penalties are similar to those being imposed on personnel of this Wing at the present time. All drivers should also familiarize themselves with this chart to see the comparative seriousness of each infraction of the traffic rules. In addition it will be of particular interest to personnel who are returning to a station in the province of Ontario.

Points System Scale

12 points	Criminal negligence involving the use of a motor vehicle
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12	" Driving while the ability to drive is impaired
12	" Obtaining license under misrepresentation
9	" Failing to stop at the scene of an accident
5	" Careless driving Racing
5	" Exceeding the speed limit by 30 m. p. h. or more
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2	" Failing to stop for school bus
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2	" Following too closely
2	" Improper passing of streetcar
2	" Improper opening of vehicle door
2	" Pedestrian cross-over violation
2	" Any other driving offence while vehicle is in motion

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Cologne

FOOLS' GUILD

at Baden

The visitors from Cologne provided an interesting evening at the Kurhaus.
 (Photo: Kühn) ↴

The merrymaking is over for another year, and all that is left of Fasching 1959 are memories of zany activities. One of the events that will remain in the local populace's minds for many months to come is the visit of the Cologne "Narrenzunft" to Baden. On Wed 21 Jan 155 Cologne "fools" held their winter review in the spa city, watched by a crowd of 10,000 of the local populace. The three stars or "Dreigestirn" were His Excellency Prince Ferdi III, the lovely princess Vera, and farmer Heinz. This is the first time the Dreigestirn left their native city, and the people of Baden ensured they were met with suitable honour. Most shops were shut because of the early closing rule on Wednesdays, but many firms also closed so their employees could witness the parade.

One hour before the visitors were due to arrive the Baden-Baden Narrenzunft, complete with band, made their way gaily to the railway station. There they welcomed the visitors from Cologne and the colourful procession made its way through the Baden-Baden streets. The guests performed many traditional dances and charmed the crowd with their grace and versatility. The "Roten Funken" added pomp and colour with their red uniforms.

That evening Prince Ferdi and his guild held court in the Kurhaus and the assembled throng enjoyed a very amusing session.

Baden-Baden people were very sorry when the time came to say "farewell" to the Cologne "Narrenzunft".





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HOUSING

This article is designed to give information on housing in PMQs and on the economy.

There are 400 apartments in the PMQ area, approximately 23 being for senior officers. An additional half a dozen are reserved for people holding certain positions specified by Air Division HQ. The remaining apartments are divided between Jr. Officer, Sr NCOs and WOs, and CPLs and ACs, with the CPLs and ACs allotted the greatest number, and the officers the least. There is a waiting list for each of the groups for 2, 3 & 4 bedroom apartments.

Bldg 25, which has 18 one bedroom suites, is reserved for airmen with no children. CPLs and ACs have 12 of the apts and WOs and Sr. NCOs have 6.

Apartments are allocated according to a points system, which is as follows:

- (a) Two points for each completed 12 months of paid full-time service in any of the Commonwealth Forces.
- (b) One point for each full 12 months of receiving marriage allowance, since October 1946.
- (c) Ten points for each child.
- (d) Due to schooling and difficult bus schedules, an additional 10 points is given to servicemen having children 5 yrs of age or over. This does not mean 10 points for each child of schoolage, but 10 points for the complete family if more than one is 5 or over.

Here is an example of how it works: A CPL entered the service in April 1942 was released in Dec 1946, rejoined in Sep 1952, was married in Jun 1944, and now has three children whose ages are 12, 10 and 3. He has 66 points, on the following basis:

(a) Service Apr 42 to Dec 46	= 4 yrs 8 mths	
Sep 52 to Dec 58	= 6 yrs 3 mths	
Full 12 month periods	= 10, giving	20 pts
(b) Marriage allowance Oct to Dec 46	= 3 mths	
Sep 52 to Dec 58	= 6 yrs 3 mths	
Full 12 months periods	= 6, giving	6 pts
(c) 3 children at 10 points each		30 pts
(d) 2 School age children		10 pts
		Total 66 pts

So that all personnel who have requested a PMQ should know where they stand, a waiting list is published in DROs during the first week of each month.

Personnel living in PMQs, generally have two types of complaints (a) plant unserviceabilities which include lack of heat, broken windows, washing machines, etc, and (b) differences of opinion with neighbors. The former complaints should be given to the Housing office and to facilitate this, work orders have been or will be shortly, distributed to all sections on the station and to PMQs. When reporting washing machines, serial numbers must be given. The second problem (differences with neighbors) should be taken up with the neighbor first, then failing agreement, the Community Council representative should be consulted and if this fails, the Housing Officer should be asked to intercede.

To return items to the supply section the following procedures are required:

- a) Lamps, transformers, irons and toasters may be exchanged, any working day except Monday, at Barrack Stores which is in the main Supply Building.
- (b) Other items must be returned to Repairable stores which is situated near the ME section. These things must be covered by an E 47 (Return Voucher). Repairable stores are open Wed and Thu mornings only.

When items are desired from Supply, they must be demanded on an E 42. This is taken to the main entrance of the main supply building. When the paper work has been completed, the supply section will send out notification that the items can be picked up at barrack stores.

The primary job of the Housing Office staff is to administer the PMQ area. They are also to give as much assistance as possible to individual occupants but should not be expected to spoonfeed anyone.

Now For Civilian Accommodation. — The Housing Officer has no authority to order anyone in or out of apartments on the economy, nor can he demand that a landlord lower his rent. He does however, because of his position, have a fairly good general knowledge of rent values and local rental customs. Because of this, he is in a position to make suggestions, and if personnel will work through him, a more sensible and uniform rent level can be achieved. In other words, people living on the economy should consult the Housing Officer before moving into an apartment.

Generally speaking, rent in the city of Rastatt is about 50 to 60 Marks per room. Kitchen and bathrooms are not included in the number of rooms. A furnished apartment with two bedrooms, living room, kitchen and bathroom, and the suite being self contained, should run approximately 150 DM to 180 DM for Germans. At present some members of the RCAF pay as high as DM 350 for such places. Since Canadians cannot get apartments, without paying a higher price than the local Nationals, the Housing office is trying to achieve the following general levels.

- (a) Two bedrooms, living room, kitchen and bathroom, up to DM 250,—.
- (b) One bedroom, living room, kitchen and bathroom up to DM 180,—.

The condition, quantity, and modernness of furnishings, congeniality of landlord, and number of extras included (or excluded) would determine how near the above figures the rent for a particular place should be.

Rent in Baden-Baden is generally higher than Rastatt, but should be a little lower in the smaller towns.

There is a rent control agency in Germany, but its staff cannot take action without being requested to do so. Then they merely appraise the accommodation and make a professional suggestion as to what the rent should be. They cannot order the landlord to lower the rent, so if people are willing to continue paying more than their accommodation is worth, it is up to them. However, if they wish to pay only

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Contemplating on increasing headstones in Boothill,
But although it is felt he's got in a rut
He still throws out his breastbone and so proudly struts.

Like most dudes however who dream of the ranch
He can hardly sit still on the seat of his pants,
This weakness appeared in an incident rare
When he fell one night out of a mess-hall chair.

T'was at a mess dinner one Friday night
That ole "Honest John" experienced this plight,
He was nipping quite heavy when to everyone's glee
He toppled from his chair like a rat from a tree.

He squirmed all around to get up from the floor
Like a bronc-busting cowboy in a grand rodeo,
He finally made it like an old squashed-out peach
And climbed up in his chair to deliver a speech.

But John tries too hard to be gallant and bold
Like the fancy dressed cowboys in the days that are old,
Never mind John don't look so dejected and forlorn
As heroes are made and really not born.

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the amount specified by the rental appraisors and the landlord is not satisfied with that, he (the landlord) must instigate court action for an official ruling. There are many ramifications in the German Rent Control Law but in most cases, the court upholds the rent control office. Before requesting rent control board action, every effort should be made to come to a mutually satisfactory agreement with the landlord. One of the most important factors is a willingness to try to understand the position of our host nation. Landlords should be treated with respect and courtesy.

The present rent level is the result of a number of factors not the least of which has been a tendency among Canadians to outbid one another for accommodation. This is another factor that can be controlled by working through the housing office.

There are few apartments of a standard comparable to Canadian housing, but there are many comfortable suites and gradually, by concerted effort, and by being fair to one another and with the German landlords, a satisfactory solution can be found.

For the good of everyone who is living, or may in the future live, on the economy, it is requested that personnel report to the Housing Officer before making an accommodation move. With your assistance he will do his best to ensure that families obtain comfortable and reasonably priced accommodation.



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## Out of the Mouths of Babes . . .

by Cpl Jim McCovern

Most of us are aware of the fact that there exists, in the Air Force, a very definite vocabulary or lingo, which to the average civilian, would sound like so much gibberish. Quite apart from this line of chatter, is the vocabulary any married airman must learn when his children are learning to talk. From my own experience, I have learned of a wierd new approach to this oddity known as the "King's English".

Take the recent holiday season for instance. About three days before. Christmas, my two year old daughter became aware of the fact that there was a KIFFINCE TEEINNA LEVY YOOM. Now to anyone who does not fall in the category mentioned above, this statement makes little sense, but to an old pro like myself it means CHRISTMAS TREE IN THE LIVING ROOM, See? There's nothing to it!

Now, in our house, as well as a LEVY YOOM, we have a BAFFOOM, a KISHIN, and two BEDOOMS. Follow me? Now in the BEDOOMS we have CUBOOTS (Cupboards) where we hang our OVACOATS and put our SOOS (Shoes). In the BAFFOOM we have a BAFFTUP, a sink, and a TODY, and various grooming utensils known as HAIR BUS, SAVING BUS, and TOOF PASHTE.

Most interesting however, is the KISHIN, where any two year old can, for the price of one charming smile, obtain such delicacies as a DINKA MUK (Drink of milk), PEED BATTOO SANICH (Peanut butter sandwich), a dish of ICE KEEM, or a KUPPA HOT CHOKUT.

When driving through the countryside, one can, by looking out the WINNROWS, see many wonderful sights such as BOATS INNA WADOO (Boats in the water), TAINS, many colours of busses — BUE BUS, BOWN BUS, and YALLA-BUS, and a never ending parade of BICYKOOS and MOTOCYKOOS.

One of the duties of a proud parent, is to read aloud four or five times a day, various nursery rhymes like LITTA BOY BOO, POLLY PUTTA KETTA ON, BABA BACK SEEP, HEY DIDDOO DIDDOO CAT ANNA FIDDOO and many others too numerous to mention.

I often wonder what it costs in dollars and cents to maintain and fly our wing's three squadrons of aircraft, because according to my daughter, I own them all. Each and every sabre or CF that lands or takes off is automatically DADDY'S PANE.

I must admit however, that occasionally, these little characters throw you a curve and it takes many a troubled hour to figure out what it is they are actually trying to say. During this period of bewilderment, the task is made more difficult by the constant repetition of the phrase in question, accompanied by that look which says "Oh father, how can you be so stupid?" Like the time her ladyship informed us "NOT FELLING GOOT — — HAFFA TEKA ASHPIN" We pondered over this one for the better part of an afternoon and finally hit on the correct translation — — "Not feeling good. Have to take an aspirin".

But every happy day must come to an end, and little two year olds must eventually TEK OFFA KOSE (Take off the clothes), Say a few Prayers — — BESS MOMMY BESS DADDY, BESS NANNY, — — say GOONITE, and drop off to slumberland INNA BIG BED INNA DARK BEDOOM UNDER ALLA WARM BANKETS.

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Well, I finally got enough time to write you a letter. It is pretty difficult to get any spare time with all this Fasching going on around here. I'm glad that Lent has started now, and I can afford to get my car fixed up. I was parked outside of the gast houses around here last week, and some fellow put a bag of sugar in my gas tank as a joke. Some joke, but I must admit most of the fellows around camp had a pretty good laugh when they heard about it.

I have been on some pretty good shindigs around home in my day, but I'm telling you, I'll never see parties like the ones I've been on this last little while. These people always seemed to be so grim about everthing concerning money, but boy, they sure surprised me when they started drinking for Fasching. We have been going all over the country-side to every little town there is, and it seems that no matter where you go there is something going on. Most of the time the women are not with their husbands and vice-versa, so there are lots of dates floating around. I got talking to one of them a few nights ago, and after a while I wanted to dance. I never paid much notice to the music until we got up on the dance floor, and then did I ever get a shock. It took me quite a long time to get on to the beat of it, and then it came to me that it was just like marching only a little faster. It really wasn't too bad after I got used to it. Another time I was sitting talking to a fairly well built woman for quite a while, and was getting to know her pretty well when this dame comes over and asks her for a dance. She says something about not having seen him all night, and then he, or she, or whatever the devil it was started laughing at me and then I caught on. It is sometimes hard to tell about a thing like that, because some of the women here are pretty hefty, and then when they all wear masks for the parties it makes it even worse. I think I'm going to get used to all this about one month before I am going home.

You were asking me a few questions about Karen in your last letter and I'll try to answer you the best I can. She is only a year or two older than me, though she looks more, and her father is a sausage stuffer in Rastatt. He was in Canada for a couple of years near the end of the War, and the whole family talks a little bit of English. I'm trying to get her to write to you herself, but I'm going to have to get her to talk to me again first. She got pretty browned off a couple of times when I didn't show up for dates because of the parties I've been on, but I hope she will get over it. She should be a little more liberal about this Fasching because after all it is more of a German custom than mine. All the Germans do it, especially the ones who have been married a long time.

Karen got me started on the German classes on the station here, and I am really beginning to enjoy them. They have a little record player that plays German language and you are supposed to read out of a book the same as the guy on the records. It isn't as easy as it sounds though, because they have a lot of queer syllables that we don't have. I found out that old Benny Schwarz's name is Black in English. One thing I don't understand is that the German they teach you

at this class is not the same as the German they speak around here, because even Karen don't understand me. She says that they talk like that in Hamburg and Berlin, so maybe I'll still take the lessons in case I ever get posted near there.

I don't know where uncle Mike got his information about the Air Force folding up if they don't buy that Arrow. I think he must be reading too many newspapers. It seems as though the only people who aren't worrying too much about the whole situation are us guys in the Air Force. Every time we get a newspaper from Canada it is on the front page, and one was even edged in black. We don't have to worry, because after all, they are still flying some of the old Lancasters they used in the War, and I imagine they will be using the CF 100 just about as long. If they don't stop making parts. You can quit worrying about me coming back home out of work. Even if Uncle Mike was right, TCA can still use Aircraft mechanics. Your son and heir,  
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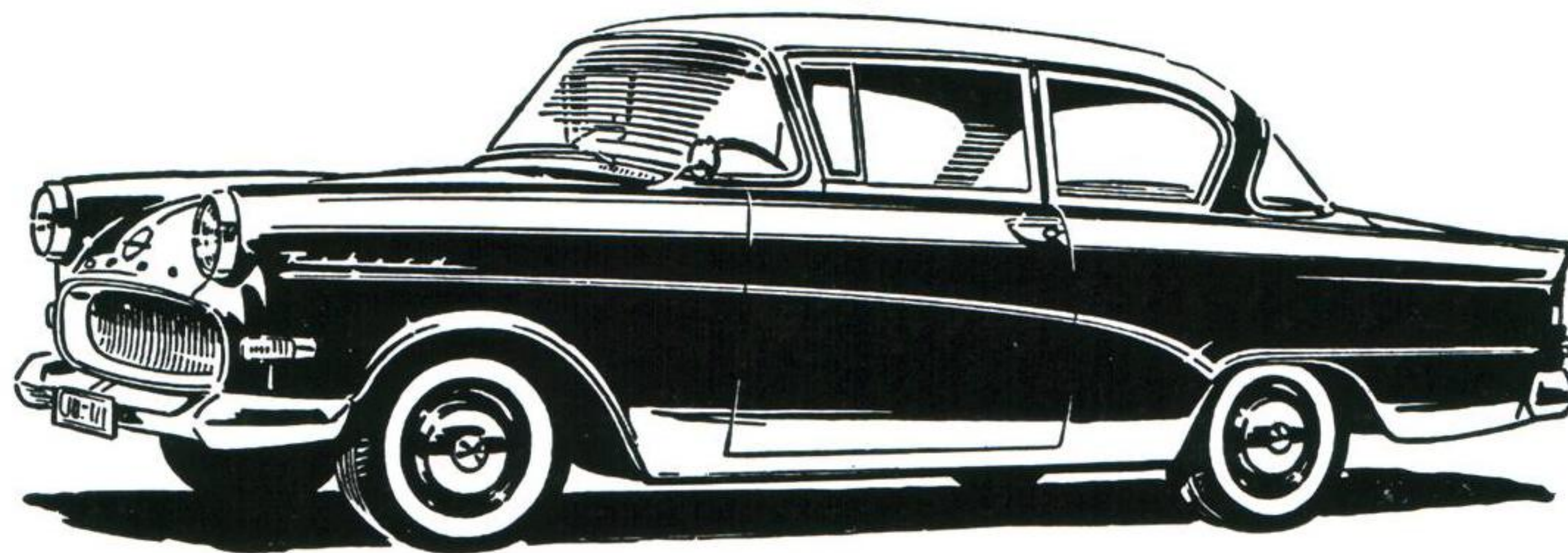
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Dear Cousin Elmer:



I'm writing to thank you for the grand time you gave me at your Wing in Europe, during the Xmas holidays. Thanks for the money you were able to scrounge to get me back home. You must have done a lot of fast talking to pass it off as sport. As you said if we'd struck a week later we may have missed the boat, since the new ruling that as many activities as possible must now be self-supporting may have meant that you would have had to bleat louder and longer.

Yeah, I know all about the hockey deal — 10 cents a throw ain't it? Soellingen Wall Street financiers had just tacked it on the week before I arrived to enjoy yer hospitality. Don't laugh Cous. 10 cents is 10 cents. Some guy by the name of Wrigley down in the States got rich just collecting nickles for pieces of old tree gum.

Gee, I sure did have a good time with you in Doitschland (dig that German eh?) Oh, a real bit of news for you El. — remember the song the erks in that sacred (sorry) secret squadron you have there, wrote about that driver Bill Tooley, well its caught on like wildfire over here, only they call it Tom Dooley here. Anybody can see what's been done with the name, can't you? Who you betting on's getting the royalties — I'll guarantee it ain't going to no Squadron orphanage fund. If you want my opinion I'd say watch a small wizened little character in a ---'s section. By the way how's old "Ricochet" coping these days? Where did you say he got his military training?

I'll never ferget Yu fer that trip through the Kyber Pass down to Rome. Wasn't old lover boy Mr. Information, the guy we met in the Colosseum quite the boy! Remember what the smart "A" said to you when he was giving us a run down on the Christian Martyrs — remember how he just looked you straight in the eye and said **you** will remember this period because yak, yak, yak. Anybody could see yu aren't even old enough to draw a service pension never mind remember the bull sessions between gladiators, and fights between white men and hungry lions in the pits. Oh well it was all good clean sport eh? — beatin, our way around Rome I mean.

You sure phased me in Genoa, El. I guess you knew what yu was doing when you said lets hit the Ito. Riviera. Remember all those babes on the beach that were wearing nothing, yu said nice folk down yer way call Bikini suites. Yer suggestion about getting a "G" string for ourselves instead of a bathing suit so that we wouldn't be overdressed if ever we hit Genoa again, sounded good when I was down there

with you. Howbeit an so as to be ready should you ever be able to pick up a little excursion money again, I decided to shop around to see if I could pik-up a "G" string. Well d'yer know I went to every music store in town and havin looked at all their "G" strings I decided to buy a dozen just in case. These look just a bit brief Cous. but I suppose it's all in the way you wear em te. he! (P. S.) I noticed something similar on a piece of equipment they call a gettar. If the dozen I bought are as strong we'll be able to play a tune on em as well as wear em. Gee, that sure was a good trip though.

I sure liked that trip you fixed fer me to make around the Squadrons on yer unit El. In case you don't know I figure I should tell you, while making the rounds I heard a lot of subversive and dirty talk about some guy by the name of BOMARC. Those guys that drive the gun platforms were particularly bittar. The way I have it doped out from what I heard, though I sure don't claim to be an authority on Air Force peculiarities, is that BOMARC is probably a senior officer who may be transferred to your outfit almost anytime. This boy may well bear watching until he settles down. Steer clar of him especially if yu learn he's just been made up.

Say that was quite a deal they had at the hospital day before I left At first I thought it was a relief line — not what yer thinking Cous. nor anything to do with the Relief of Lucknow but one of those disorganized groups that waits three hours in the cold to get a bowl of soup. They sure had me fooled — everybody looked half starved with the cold. One woman who was already blue in the face I ast to give me the score said she was waiting to be done by the S. M. O. against the Black Plague: As a matter of fact there was a slew of them waiting to be done by the S. M. O. and they had all the kids with em too!

Say what gives wit the grub in the mess — remember the one we were in that day? You should get that cook's autograph. One airman said he's sure the guy comes from the Russians school of psychological warfare. That guy's mortally deadly! Give him my best, please, and tell him I was fine after taking four bottles of strawberry medicine.

Well Cousin I could write a book about the good times I had with you during my stay but there's the cows to milk, and the horses to clean out, so will say "Auf Wiedersehen".

Your devoted Cousin Clem.

P. S.

There's a new babe over at Hog's Hollow I want to meet so I'm gonna wheel over there tonight. They say she's stacked nicely but got injured recently by the gasoline engine driven washing machine which has no automatic shut-off fer when things get going through you don't want to. She's better now though I think. Wish me luck Cous.

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German Beer

One of the most popular beverages in the world is, as you might well guess, one which is extremely popular in our own messes. It is that nectar of Fasching, German beer — the beverage which seems to be in evidence wherever people gather for entertainment, or as is the case here in Germany, whenever people gather for any reason.

As the fame of the German brew has spread around the world, a certain amount of misconception has been spread with it. Many people are under the impression that the reason for its popularity is its very high alcohol content. This is an absolute fallacy. In fact, the alcohol content of most German beer is only from 4 to 5 0/0. There are bock beers with 5 to 6 0/0, and some districts may produce a beer ranging as high as seven per cent, but these are not widespread. We, in Canada, have some beers with up to 8 0/0 alcohol content, so the German beer is not that much stronger than what we are used to.

It is most probable that these erroneous figures have risen from confusion with the Stammwürze percentage of the beer. This is the amount of the sugar solution used in the manufacture of beer, which through fermentation produces the alcohol and carbon dioxide which give the beer its taste. In practice, the actual alcohol content is only about a third the percentage of the Stammwürze content.

German beer has had widespread popularity for almost twenty centuries in Europe. In the early days and through the hundreds of generations following, every household had as part of its fixtures a huge vat which was kept full of brewing beer. Monasteries were prodigious producers and consumers of the bitter brew, and it is known that each monk and visitor at the monastery was allotted at least one gallon per day. This probably was the reason that monks were usually depicted as robust and barrel-shaped fellows.

At the peak of its popularity in Germany, which was around the turn of the 20th century, the average German was drinking an excess of thirty gallons of beer a year. That figure declined until this past decade, when it rose in accordance with the economy of the nation. It is estimated that some 90 0/0 of the people here in West Germany drink beer. This is a tremendous figure when compared with the fifty percent or so of the Canadian population who drink beer. Last year alone, the Germans drank enough beer to float a hundred large passenger liners.

One third of the 2300 breweries in this country are centered in Bavaria where the colourful people have been producing and consuming one third of the beer of Germany for generations.

Why people find this beverage to their liking has been a question asked for some time. The Consumers Research Society asked this of thousands of German drinkers and came up with these figures:

- 36 0/0 drink it to quench their thirst
- 25.2 0/0 like its taste
- 12.6 0/0 find it nourishing and healthful
- 11.1 0/0 aren't sure why they drink it
- 15.1 0/0 have various other reasons

Whatever the reasons may be, you can be sure that as long as Germany produces its wonderful beverage, there will be a tremendous market for it. Especially among servicemen.

R. J. C.

Your Reading Pleasure

To cheer the cold month of February is Jean Kerr's new book "Please Don't Eat the Daisies". It contains sixteen pieces of American humour at its very best with a wit which has brought this, her second book, into the realms of a best seller. The book touches the humour to be found in most subjects, including social and family life. The title to the book is derived from a disastrous dinner party. The author's children were told the activities they should avoid that would spoil the preparations. They found one loophole she had omitted to cover. They ate all the daisy petals from what was to be a beautiful floral display. Domestic slapstick and the never-ceasing battle of wits between the Kerrs as parents and their children has wrought from Jean Kerr this comment "We were here first, we are bigger than they are — and anyway, whose house is this?"

Also on the lighter side is "Around the World with Auntie Mame" by Patrick Dennis, written as a sequel to "Auntie Mame". This book takes Mame from America to Paris via Buckingham Palace with "incidents" on the way, related in Patrick Dennis' usual uproarious manner — a manner which has already made best sellers from both the books and a Broadway play and a film of "Auntie Mame" itself.

A much talked about and much praised novel from America is "By Love Possessed" by James Gould Cozzens. It describes 49 incident — packed hours in the life of a small town lawyer. This long novel, which makes very strong reading was acclaimed by the American press as a masterpiece and is Cozzens' first book since he won the Pulitzer Prize for writing in 1948.

"Two Women" by Alberto Moravia is another equally long and intensely moving novel. It centres around the life of a mother and daughter in wartime Italy, which had its special perils and unforgettable hardships and misery. Leaving their empty shop in Rome, the mother and daughter wend their way southward in search of food and shelter, encountering on the way the inevitable turmoil and riff-raff of war. The daughter succumbs to the temptation of food and new clothes and her mother watches her consequent moral decline with a tragic understanding of the effects of war.

"Wing Leader" by Group Captain "Johnnie" Johnson is the story of its author's wartime experiences flying with the RAF throughout the war until V. E. day. As a civil engineer he tried to join the Auxiliary Air Force "but it was a very select service in those days — you almost had to possess your own aeroplane". However, he succeeded and later served a "flying apprenticeship" to Douglas Bader. Commanding his own squadron he fought over Dieppe and as a Wing Commander he led a Canadian Spitfire wing fighting the German luftwaffe over Normandy, to the Rhine. In terms of enemy aircraft destroyed he was the top Allied fighter ace of the war, with 38 accredited victories. Expert at narrative and description "Johnnie" Johnson makes full mention of the fighter pilots who shared his achievement — among them Group Captain R. W. McNair, now C. O. of 4 Fighter Wing.

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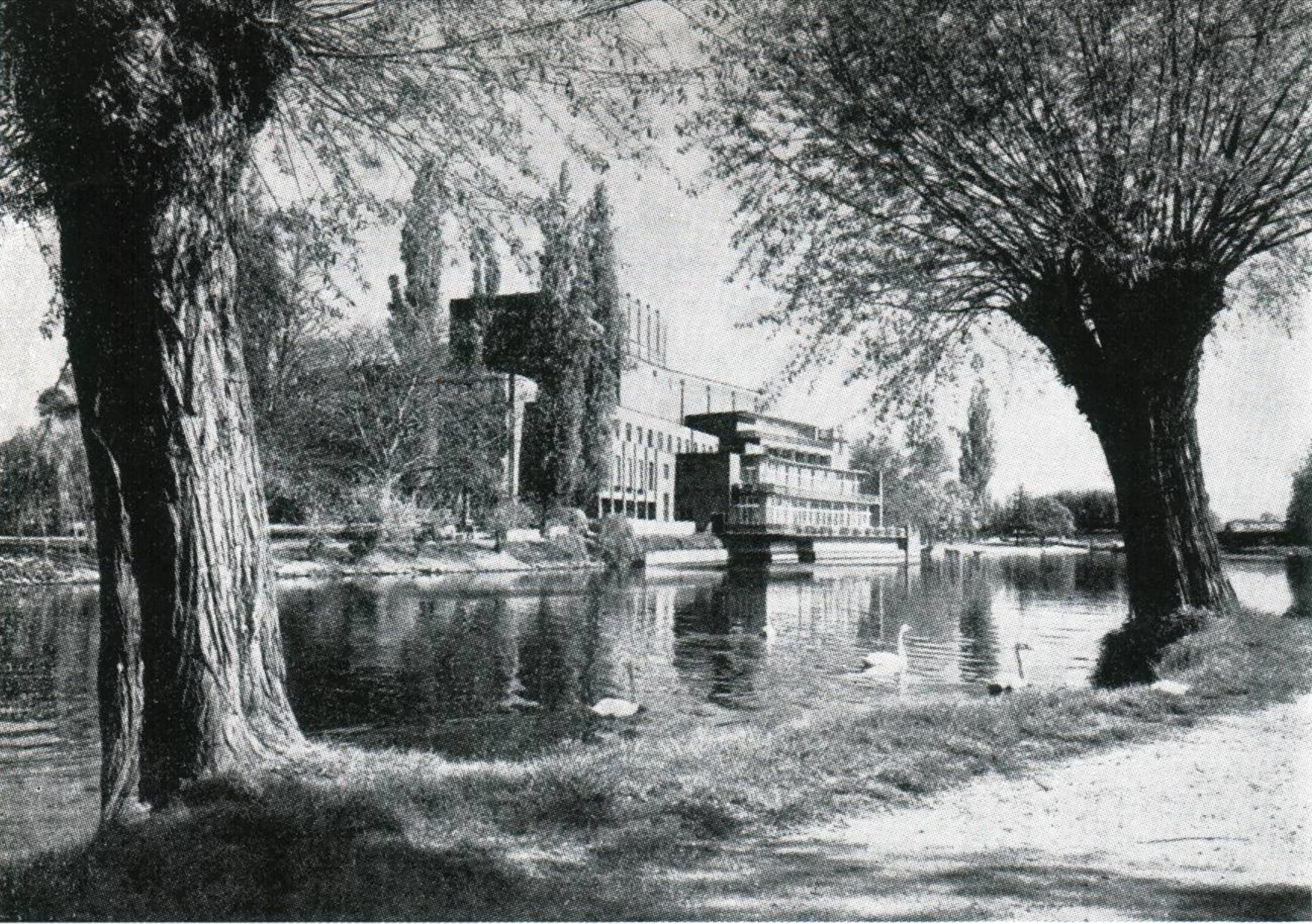
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Journey to STRATFORD

WHERE SHAKESPEARE'S PLAYS ARE PERFORMED beside the river Avon. The Shakespeare Memorial Theatre at Stratford-upon-Avon is the scene, from spring to autumn, of the season of Shakespeare's plays. Opened in 1932 on the site of the original theatre (destroyed by fire), it comprises a restaurant with windows and balconies overlooking the river.

During our tour overseas we have the opportunity, which should not be missed, of taking history out of the impersonal pages of text books and making it live again for ourselves and our children. A great deal of our cultural heritage comes from Europe, especially from Britain, and one trip, perhaps we should call it a pilgrimage, which should be made by everyone, is the journey to Stratford-upon-Avon where the foremost poet and playwright of all time, William Shakespeare, was born, lived, and lies buried. Here is our chance to revolutionize our own and our children's attitude to English literature, and at the same time spend a pleasant holiday. If properly planned the route to Stratford can be as if we are travelling back through time and seeing things as they were in days of yore when our fore-fathers lived under different social conditions and life had none of the hustle and bustle which beset it today. On the way you can visit a royal castle built before the Domesday Book was written and which is still lived in, you can feast your eyes on a thatched cottage village, you can refresh yourself at an inn typical of merrie old England, and pause at little places with fascinating names like Stow-on-the-Wold and Compton Wynyates.

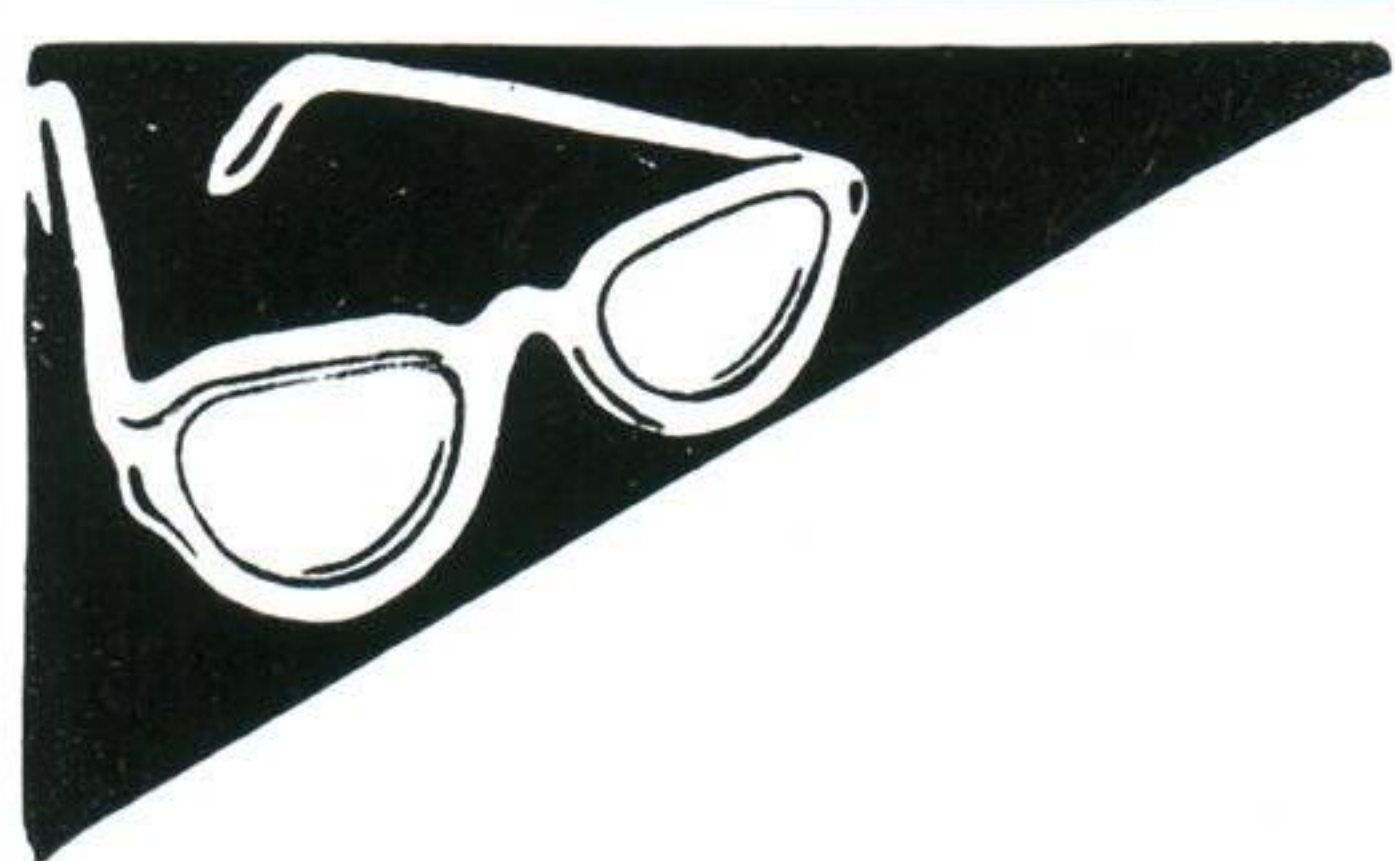
The route shown in the attached map starts from London, which most people head for when they visit England, and turns left off the Great West Road five miles past London Airport. You soon come to Datchet from where you catch your first glimpse of the turrets and battlements of Windsor Castle, rising cliff-like from the surrounding meadows.

Windsor Castle has been a royal residence for nearly 900 years. It is not surprising to learn that it is the biggest castle in the world, for that is just what it looks like. You can wander round quite a lot of it (including St. George's Chapel, the chapel of the Knights of the Garter) even when the Queen is in residence; and when she is away the State Apartments may usually also be visited. From the castle the Long Walk, a dead-straight avenue of chestnut trees, extends nearly three miles into the heart of Windsor Great Park.

On the opposite bank of the river Thames is the town of Eton, where Eton College, the most famous boys' school in the country, founded in 1440, is situated. Here again visitors are welcome to inspect certain of the buildings. The road continues by way of the village of Bray (one of whose vicars is the subject of the traditional old song, and whose Hind's Head Hotel is ranked very high indeed among

Britain's country inns) to Maidenhead, a popular riverside resort situated on a lovely reach of the Thames. From here you can continue to two other riverside towns, Marlow and Henley-on-Thames, which are among the most attractive of their kind in the country. For a glimpse of English countryside at its most characteristic no one could recommend anything better than the road which links them. Make sure to pause at Henley Bridge and survey the stretch of river on which the world famous Regatta takes place in July.

The road now crosses the Chiltern Hills to Wallingford, another old Thames-side town and one that is strongly imbued with the atmosphere of rural Britain. The George



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Farther along is another such town, Dorchester-on-Thames, which has a fine Abbey Church (make a point of seeing the Jesse Window) and, like Wallingford, a notable George Inn. Here a detour suggests itself, for only a few miles to the west is Abingdon — a small town certainly, but one that is very rich in interesting old buildings. Its chief speciality seems to be medieval almshouses, although the most prominent landmarks are the fine parish church and the seventeenth century County Hall.

From Dorchester, the main road makes straight for Oxford, passing on the way the village of Nuneham Courtenay, entirely rebuilt on its present site by Earl Harcourt in 1765. Oxford, of course, is the university city, with a score of



CHRIST CHURCH, the largest college of Oxford University, was founded by Cardinal Wolsey in 1525. In the tower hangs the bell known as Great Tom, on which 101 strokes are sounded each evening.

medieval and Renaissance colleges to be inspected. The cloisters of Magdalen and New Colleges, the dining-hall of Christ Church, and the garden of St. John's will give you some insight into the essential character of this great university.

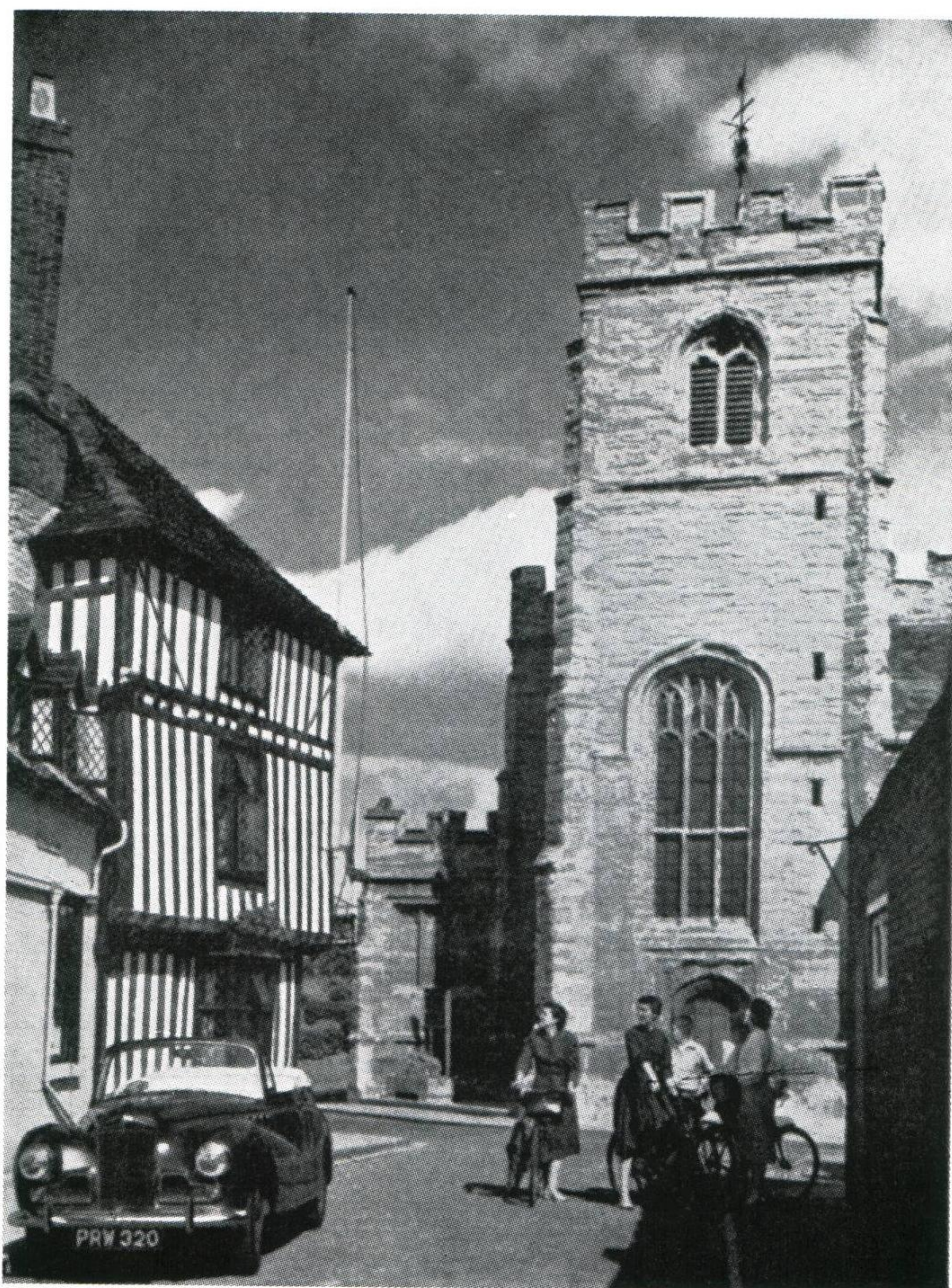
North of Oxford is Woodstock, a dignified old town which presages the approach of the Cotswold Hills by being built almost entirely of the mellow Cotswold stone. The Bear is a good place for a meal, and at the far end of the main street stand the imposing gates of Blenheim Palace, the home of the Duke of Marlborough and the birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill. It is surrounded by one of the noblest parks in Britain. If you walk through the gateway, you can see the great house in the distance. If you are there on a day when it is open to the public, be sure to visit it.

At Enstone (six miles beyond Woodstock) take the turning on the right which will lead you, four miles away, to the sequestered village of Great Tew. Great Tew, with its thatched roofs and cottage gardens is one of the things everyone hopes to find when they come to Britain. Chipping Norton is a lively country town of considerable character, with several good old inns — and at Stow-on-the-Wold (reached by way of the villages of Churchill and Bledington) you are unmistakably in the Cotswolds, a region where every town and village is a gem of its kind. From Stow on its hilltop take the Tewkesbury road, passing delightful little places like Upper Swell and Ford before descending steeply to the foot of the hills at Stanway. Do not miss the right-turn here for Stanton (another very pretty village) and

Broadway, which everyone finds so hard to leave. Its church, its inns (the Lygon Arms is justly one of the most celebrated hostleries in Britain), its little shops, its mellow houses, all compose a picture that you will not soon forget. But drive up the hill and take the next turning to the left to Chipping Campden — and you will find yourself wondering whether after all, this is not the most beautiful country town in all Britain. If you are tired and need refreshment, visit the Noel Arms.

Ten miles from Chipping Campden, is Stratford.

It is a good thing that Stratford-upon-Avon is so well equipped with good hotels and inns, for it is as replete with interest as its fame would suggest. You should spend a well-filled day here visiting the various places closely associated with Shakespeare (not forgetting the birthplace of Mary Arden, Shakespeare's mother, at Wilmcote, three miles away), and then round it off with an evening at the theatre on the banks of the Avon. The exterior of the theatre may be of an acquired taste but no such reservations need be made about the inside — nor about the quality of the plays produced.



THE MEDIEVAL GUILD CHAPEL AT STRATFORD, with the half-timbered Falcon Hotel on the left. Both these buildings were familiar to Shakespeare, and overlook his garden, which is open to visitors. He died at Stratford in 1616, and was buried in Holy Trinity Church.

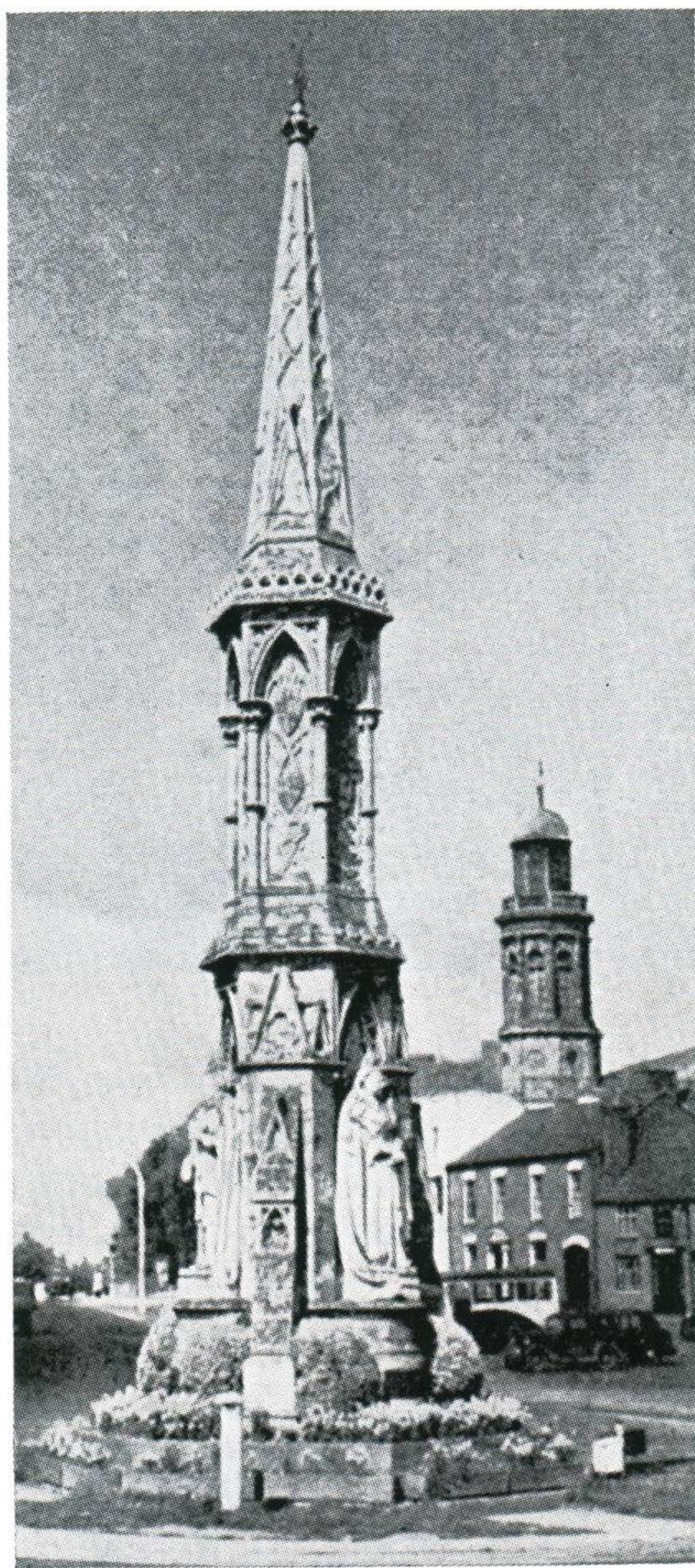
On your return, whether you make it at once or later, visit the historic town of Warwick and the great fortress of Warwick Castle, which is the home of the Earl of Warwick. From here drive the four miles to the north to see the evocative ruins of Kenilworth Castle, where Elizabeth I was so lavishly entertained on her several visits. The castle was dismantled after the Civil War in 1648. Three miles to the east is Stoneleigh Abbey, the stately home of Lord Leigh, which is frequently open to the public.

Leamington — Royal Leamington Spa, to give its official title — is a place of different, but perhaps equally strong appeal. It is a health and holiday resort planned in the spacious days of the Regency, about 150 years, ago, and its white-painted terraces, good shops and hotels (Queen Victoria stayed at the Regent), fine parks and avenues, make it an excellent centre in which to stay. (The late summer illuminations, known as "The Lights of Leamington", are a sight to behold).

From Leamington we drive south to Shipston-on-Stour, four miles to the east of which is the secluded mansion of Compton Wynnyates, one of the homes of the Marquis of Northampton and regarded as one of the most romantic country houses in Britain — romantic in its setting, its architecture and its wealth of secret hiding-places. Banbury, a few miles beyond, has made its name through a nursery rhyme and a particular brand of cake which can be purchased there at its authentic best. It also has the advantage of being situated within easy reach of Sulgrave Manor, the charming old home of the ancestors of George Washington.

Brackley, to the south of Sulgrave, with its stone-built main street surveyed by the Crown Inn, is another little town which will be to your liking; and so also are Buckingham, Winslow, Whitchurch, Aylesbury (order Aylesbury duck at one of the hotels), Wendover, Amersham and Beaconsfield, near which is Jordans, the burial place of William Penn, founder of Pennsylvania.

Follow this route when you go to Stratford, and you can claim that you have seen England as well.



"RIDE A COCK HORSE, TO BANBURY CROSS." So runs the old nursery rhyme, and here is the Cross which stands in the centre of this important Oxfordshire market town. Here you can buy Banbury cakes, made to the original recipe.

Dear J. H. C.

Last month I read with great delight
A poem that you chanced to write.
Though obviously done in haste
It surely didn't go to waste.
In me, a poet came to light,
And hence, some lines for you to taste.

I don't disclose in letters home
The shady girls with whom I roam.
Nor do I ever underrate
The 'low-grade' booze you seem to hate.
My address book's a red-hot tome
And beer has added to my weight.

I'm having fun in Europe, son,
And much the same as anyone
I like to stretch the truth a bit.
With my war stories I'm a hit.
And plus the several fans I've won
My parents think that I'm a wit.

To me an alcoholic end
Is not the worst could happen, friend.
I'm well prepared to meet my fate.
I'm sorry now, but I can't wait
To give this verse a decent end.
With Hofbrauhaus I've got a date.

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If a polster approached you and asked the question "Some people say that the climate of this country has been changed by atomic explosions. Do you believe this or not?", what would be your answer? Steady now, put that coin away. Ever since the death-dealing explosions over Japan in 1945, atomic blasts have become the whipping boy for much of the apparently inexplicable weather changes in many parts of the world. If you too have succumbed to the belief that Mother Nature has been pushed around by man-made blasts, please read on. Early in 1958 World Poll put the introductory question to a variety of people in thirteen countries and the results of the poll follow:

	Believe	Do Not Believe	No Opinion
Austria	62 ⁰ / ₀	25 ⁰ / ₀	13 ⁰ / ₀
France	59 ⁰ / ₀	23 ⁰ / ₀	18 ⁰ / ₀
Italy	58 ⁰ / ₀	27 ⁰ / ₀	15 ⁰ / ₀
Japan	55 ⁰ / ₀	17 ⁰ / ₀	28 ⁰ / ₀
Germany	51 ⁰ / ₀	32 ⁰ / ₀	17 ⁰ / ₀
Norway	47 ⁰ / ₀	29 ⁰ / ₀	24 ⁰ / ₀
Belgium	47 ⁰ / ₀	39 ⁰ / ₀	14 ⁰ / ₀
Brazil	42 ⁰ / ₀	39 ⁰ / ₀	19 ⁰ / ₀
Sweden	42 ⁰ / ₀	41 ⁰ / ₀	17 ⁰ / ₀
Britain	35 ⁰ / ₀	51 ⁰ / ₀	14 ⁰ / ₀
Australia	32 ⁰ / ₀	51 ⁰ / ₀	17 ⁰ / ₀
Netherlands	30 ⁰ / ₀	47 ⁰ / ₀	23 ⁰ / ₀
Denmark	24 ⁰ / ₀	41 ⁰ / ₀	35 ⁰ / ₀

The amount of formal schooling coloured the opinions of many of those asked, and the better educated are more likely to reject the theory that atomic explosions have affected the weather. The following figures from Belgium show the relationship between the amount of education and opinions on the subject.

	Primary School	Secondary School	University
Believe climate has changed	55 ⁰ / ₀	42 ⁰ / ₀	23 ⁰ / ₀
Do not believe	27 ⁰ / ₀	48 ⁰ / ₀	68 ⁰ / ₀
No opinion	18 ⁰ / ₀	10 ⁰ / ₀	9 ⁰ / ₀

In Japan the University-trained agree with their less educated countrymen. Elsewhere there is little difference in opinion between farmers and city dwellers, even though farmers and others in rural areas are normally more closely affected by weather and weather changes.

In an interview in late 1958, Dr. F. W. Reichelderfer, Chief of the United States Weather Bureau, stated that "there is no evidence that nuclear explosions will produce any consequential changes in the world's weather. In addition he stated that (A) Blankets of nuclear debris in the atmosphere have not limited the amount of sunshine reaching the earth; (B) Rainfall has not been increased due to nuclear reactions; (C) Cloud seeding to induce rainfall has been unsuccessful; (D)

Long-range forecasting still is unattainable with present knowledge of world weather forces.

How about those tornadoes which have been increasing in central and eastern U.S.A., and the hurricanes which have been changing their courses during the past several years?, you say. Well, tornadoes and hurricanes have been around for a long, long time. Their major courses of travel will continue to change, and change again as the years go by. There are other less noticeable changes which must bear remembrance. In the northernmost countries of the world there has been a noticeable warming-up during the last 50 years. In Stockholm, for example, the temperature of the Winter months has risen some three degrees Fahrenheit. In Spitzbergen, ships can now operate for seven months of the year instead of three. Ancient Viking farms in Southern Greenland are being recovered from beneath the snow and ice of the last six centuries. Everywhere glaciers are receding with surprising speed and the level of the oceans is rising very slightly. If all this had started at the time of the nuclear tests we should be claiming that the tests had caused an improvement rather than a deterioration. But the processes of Nature are slower than those of man, and are not easily explained. Temperatures in Canada have risen an average of about two degrees in the last 40 years. Increasingly milder winters have more than offset cooler summers. The exception to this trend is the southern part of the Prairie Provinces which has become slightly cooler. The warming trend applies even in the Yukon and Northwest Territories. In cities the increases in temperature have been more marked, probably caused by the increase of population and resultant heat-producing activity. In the United States there has been a noticeable change in the travel habits of wildlife. Turkey vultures soar in Western Massachusetts, where they were not seen 15 years ago. White egrets stalk the Middle Atlantic marshes. In South Dakota and Minnesota, the cardinal flashes at ever more northerly points. There are reports that moose and polar bear as well as the common opossum are finding haunts well north of their former ranges. Warm-water fish have been moving up the California coast. Warm weather in Eskimo land has been driving seals further north and threatening the economy of the Eskimo. Codfish have been caught ever further north along the Labrador Coast. Birches in Nova Scotia have been losing out to diseases whose effect has been increased with temperature rise. There was a scarcity of Arctic ice in Newfoundland waters in the Spring of 1958. While some of these changes are only short-term, the long-term overall changes must be noted.

Have I affected your opinion just a little? Well let me quote Dr. Lester Machta, a meteorologist addressing the American Meteorological Society in January, 1955 — ". . . the condensation of clouds into rain during the formation of a h u r r i c a n e releases energy equivalent to t w o h y d r o g e n bombs every second."

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DND School	Fri afternoon	27 Feb
Officers' Mess	Fri evening	27 Feb
Kurhaus	Sat.	28 Feb

Here is the background of this well-known Canadian Army band.

The first band of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry was formed in 1921, the regiment having been formed in 1914 for service in the First World War. Capt T. W. James, formerly of the Scots Guards, was the first director of music.

This is the third tour of duty in Europe for the band. In 1924 they played at the British Empire Exhibition at Wembley and were stationed in England during the Second World War.

In 1951 it was decided to enlarge all Canadian Army bands and create new ones and the history of the present band dates from then. It is now made up of 55 musicians, 22 of whom are Dutch and 12 British. The Europeans, all outstanding artists, were enlisted in the Canadian Army after a careful selection in their home countries. They all have extensive experience and many led their own bands at one time or performed in military or civilian orchestras.

The repertoire is extensive including the symphonies of Beethoven and Mozart, the various transcriptions of operatic and show music as well as progressive jazz and military marches. There are many "bands within the band" as combinations are formed to play various types of dance music, concerts, dinner music, etc.

Lt. H. A. Jeffrey, the present director of music, is the band's fifth conductor. He received his early training in the Salvation Army, studied at the Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto and the Royal Military School of Music at Kneller Hall, England. He holds degrees from the Royal College of Music and the Guildhall School of Music in London.

Warrant Officer Class One R. A. Eberts of Lindsay, Ont., is the band sergeant-major.

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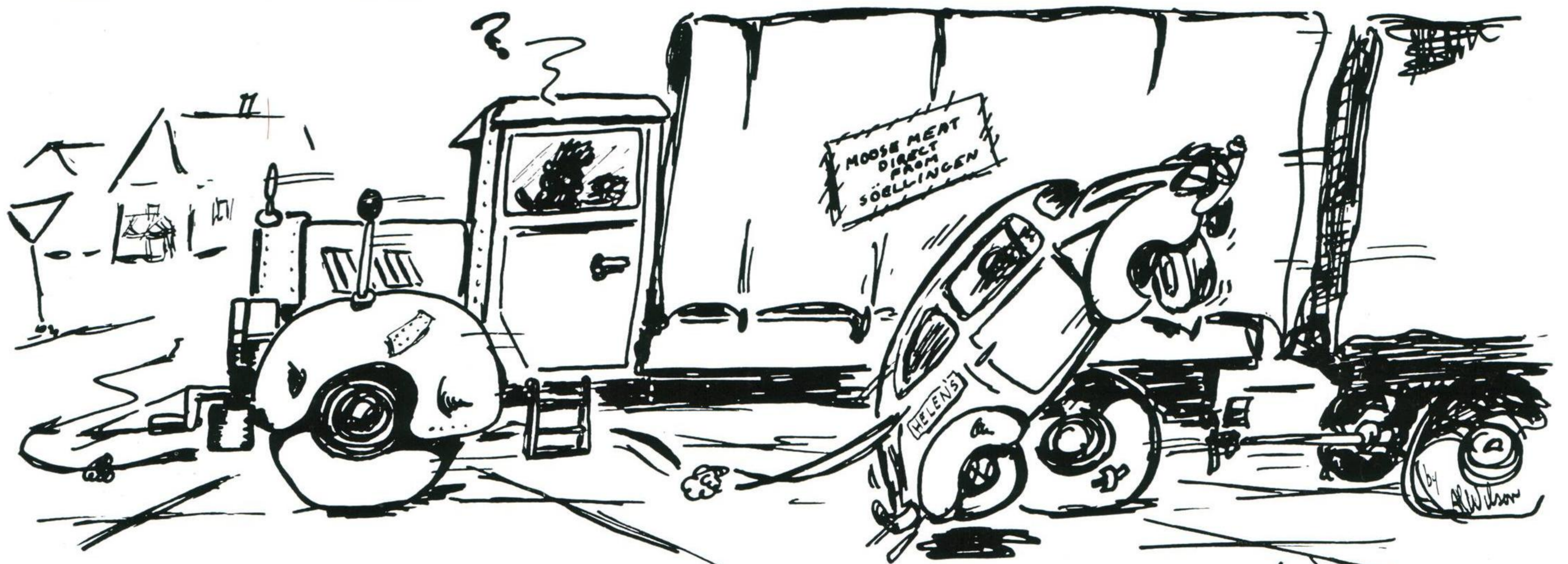
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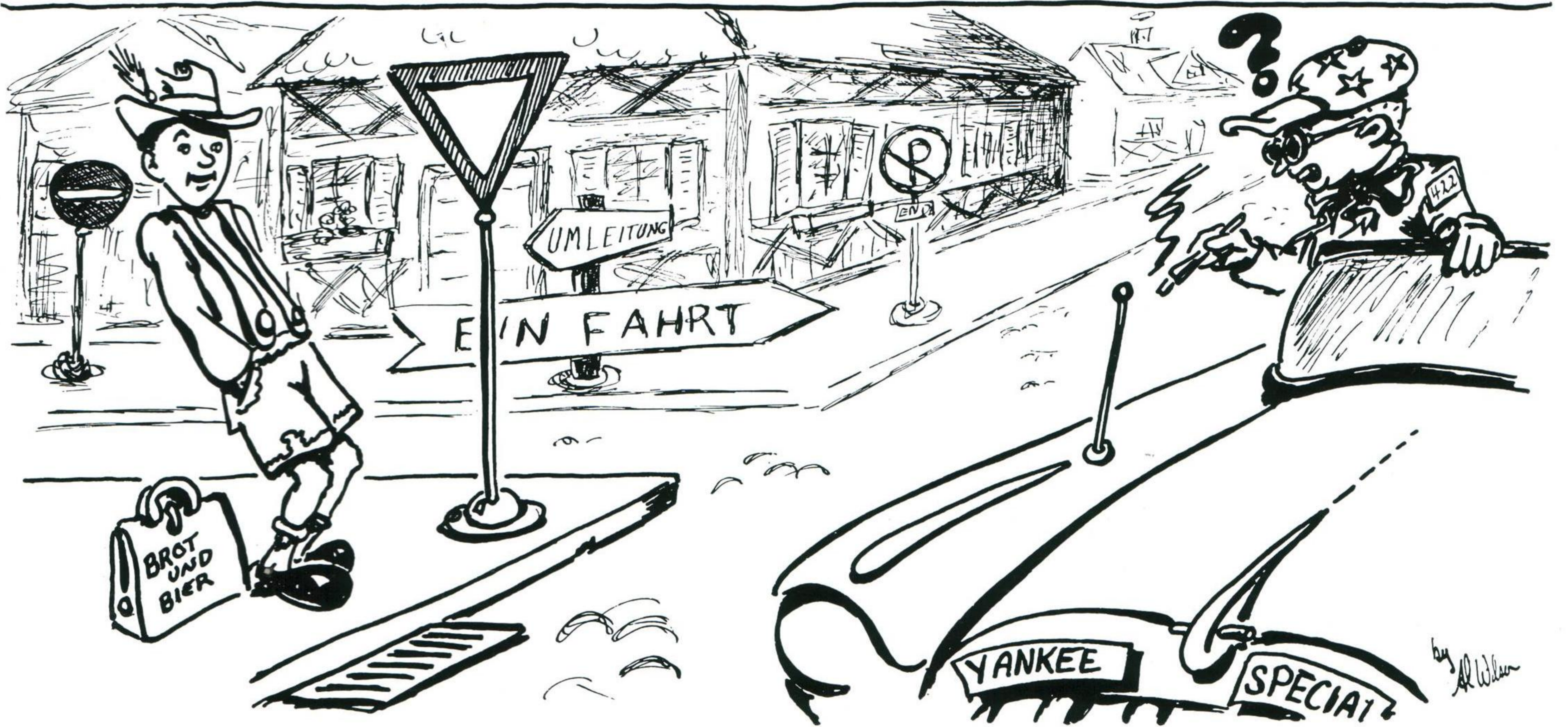
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FEBRUARY ATTRACTIONS

Sun, 15th. & Mon, 16th. "THE DECKS RAN RED" starring James Mason, Dorothy Dandridge and Broderick Crawford is a gripping MetroScope seafaring melodrama describing a fight between a freighter captain and his officers, and blood thirsty mutineers out to grab salvage money. (A)

Tue, 17th. "A MAN IS TEN FEET TALL" with John Cassavetes, Sidney Poitier and Kathleen McGuire is a stark melodrama about an army deserter's rehabilitation through a brief encounter with a victimized coloured worker. (A)

Wed, 18th. & Thu, 19th. "TORPEDO RUN" is a CinemaScope and Metrocolor World War II melodrama starring Glen Ford, Ernest Borgnine and Diane Brewster. It illustrates a U. S. submarine skipper's relentless pursuit and "killing" of a Japanese aircraft carrier. (U)

Fri, 20th. "THE MAN UPSTAIRS" starring Richard Attenborough, Dorothy Alison and Bernard Lee is a psychological melodrama illustrating a clash between residents in a middle-class boarding house, a welfare officer and the police over a mentally-deranged scientist. (A) A film for the more mature that is **not** recommended for children.

Sat, 21st. Children's Matinee. "WALT DISNEY FESTIVAL" a 1½ hour programme of cartoons and comedy that is recommended for young and old alike. 15 c. all ages.

Sun, 22nd. & Mon, 23rd. "WHAT LOLA WANTS" starring Tab Hunter, Gwen Verdon and Ray Walston is the outstanding film of the month and is described above.

Tue, 24th. "THE BLUE LAMP" starring Jack Warner, Jimmy Hanley and Dirk Bogarde is an outstanding production of the „Crime does not pay" type and is most authentic in many ways. Full of suspense, drama and at times comedy. (U)

Wed, 25th. & Thu, 26th. "HOUSE OF NUMBERS" starring Jack Palance, Barbara Lang and Harold J. Stone is a novel and intriguing CinemaScope "big house" melodrama dealing with a man's efforts to effect the prison escape of his identical twin brother. Full of strong suspense and excitement. (A)

Fri, 27th. "I ONLY ARSKED" starring Bernard Bresslaw, Michael Medwin and Alfie Bass is an Army comedy based on a high-rating TV series dealing with the wild adventures and misadventures of an awkward squad out in the Middle East. (U)

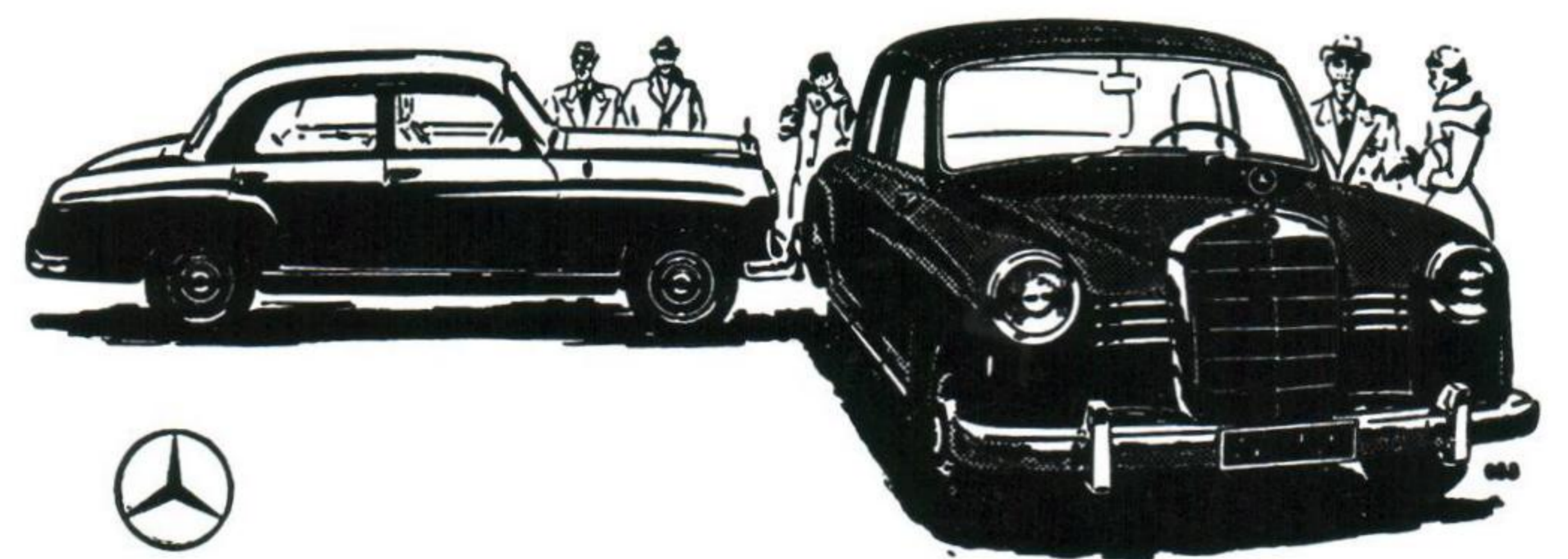
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5 BX and Physical Fitness

Unlike man-made machinery, God's creation in his own image does not wear out with use but does the opposite — grows stronger and more efficient. Anyone who has spent time flat on his back in the hospital will tell you how weak his legs were when he got up. The big muscles had deteriorated from disuse. The extremes of muscle deterioration occur in paralysis when the muscle almost entirely disappears.

By use of his muscles man gives them tonus which can be likened to an elastic, — strong and with lots of spring. This tonus determines, in a very broad sense, how strong we are. Coupled with this tonus are the organic systems — circulatory, respiratory, nervous, and digestive which supply the materials which keep the muscles functioning. The loss or malfunction of any one of these systems will affect the ability of the muscle to do work.

Physical Fitness is not just muscle therefore, but is concerned with total body fitness and includes the organic systems as well. When one realizes that this is fact, then it is not so hard to convince others that they are not as fit as they once were or even as fit as they might think at the moment.

We have all experienced breathlessness after some exertion and this is to be expected, but the real test of respiratory fitness is — How long did it take to get back to normal? If you were "out of breath" for a length of time you can assume you are also "out of shape" too.

Coupled very closely to respiration is circulation. This is the old pump and the miles of tubes and the blood therein. When we breath we are after a number of things but primarily we are after oxygen to feed the muscles. It gets there through the circulatory system. If the heart is inefficient, the network of tubes in disrepair, or not adequate in quantity or size to feed the muscle, then the muscle tires of effort in a short time.

The difference between the amateur and the professional athlete has often been said to be "Desire" which is nothing more than mental attitude. In business the most successful men are said to have this mental drive which puts and keeps them on top of the business world. This has something to do with the fitness of the nervous system. This system also improves with use.

In all things we must keep a balance. We are aware of the business man who indulges his appetite and his muscles while driving his brain and nervous system. They usually lead to nervous upset, ulcers or heart conditions. In most cases these can be avoided or reduced in seriousness.

If one accepts that Physical Fitness is indeed concerned with these areas then the solution to gaining and maintaining physical fitness involves our eating and sleeping habits as well as our mental attitude and physical exertions.

There is a great deal of literature available on diet, nutrition and eating habits. Likewise there are many articles on mental health and physical fitness. They are all available from many sources.

One of the best Physical Fitness publications available today has been prepared by and distributed within the RCAF.

This pamphlet is known as the "5 BX Plan for Physical Fitness".

This booklet has been distributed to all sections of this Wing and will be issued to any one who desires to have a go at getting fit.

The booklet is being issued along with a memorandum containing some instructions. The instructions are intended to help the WRecO keep track of the books and how they are used so that a report can be made on how successful the 5 BX Plan usage is. This report is made in comparative figures or pure statistics. It contains no names because it is intended that all persons following this plan will do so without compunction or coercion. Each person who accepts a booklet will be required to furnish a progress report in the middle and at the end of each month. The progress report is done by a number and indicates the chart and level reached by the individual. These reports will be collected from the sections twice a month and the results tabulated by the Recreation staff and forwarded to command.

Fitness is everybody's business and by the nature of employment, of particular responsibility to the service man. With the pressure mounting every day to have only the best retained in the service, one should not be in a position where it could be intimated that work efficiency is reduced or impaired because of the lack of physical fitness.

Many people, because they have not understood all the many facets involved in physical fitness have been quick to say when approached about doing a fitness program "Not for me" — "I'm fit" — "I can do my job" — "I hardly miss a day from work in a year" — "I play sports all year" etc.

In almost every case these people are kidding themselves and they should stop now and take stock. Even our best athletes find they are not physically fit by the standards set in the 5 BX plan. This does not mean that the 5 BX plan is difficult to do or requires a great deal of time. On the contrary it takes 11 minutes a day and if the instructions are followed it will be a "Piece of cake" for almost everyone. Once a person reaches the standard set for his age and occupation to maintain it may only take 11 minutes of one or two days a week.

If anyone makes an assumption about physical fitness it should be in the negative and therefore something should be programmed in physical fitness — Do it now — The 5 BX plan is for you.

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**F/O Howe (422 Sqn) in 4 ATAF team**

F/O Pete Howe of 422 Sqn was a member of the 4 ATAF ski team which held its annual match with 2 ATAF on 28-29 Jan 59. The match took place at Val d'Isere in the French Alps. There were two events, slalom and downhill and the points gained by each team were combined for a final standing. 4 ATAF gained a complete victory over 2 ATAF, their six man team taking the first six places. Good ski-ing, Pete!

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Ladies Curling Club. Winners of Xmas Bonspiel: Eileen McKay, Mary Wartnow, Anna Hays & Ruth Orr.

### Ladies Curling Club

The lady curlers are enjoying a very active season. They got off to a fine early start with a general meeting in September. The executive elected at this meeting was; Pres: Elsie Williams; Vice Pres: Helen Curtis; Sect-Tres: Joy Begg; Draws: Verna Wregget. Twelve rinks were formed and games commenced in mid-October.

A big vote of thanks is due to the men's curling club for providing a little expert instruction for the beginners. They are all curling like veterans now.

Some fine competition was enjoyed during the Christmas Bonspiel. The top honors event went to the rink very ably skipped by Mary Wartnow. Second place prizes were won by Skip Barbara Brenton, Marge Simms, Jean Herbin and Eileen Fortune. The consolation event was won by Skip Marge



Winners Mixed Bonspiel: FS Fairbairn, Mrs Fairbairn, Mrs Williams & FS Williams.

# CURLING

Giles, Ruth Chapman, Shelia Johnson and Leak Carmichael. Second place in this event went to Skip Jean Mills, Jo Fitzpatrick, Ann Dickman and Marilyn MacIntyre. All club members gathered for a coffee party in the Mixed Lounge following the final game of the bonspiel. Prizes were presented to the winning rinks and a small gift exchange was held.

The Wartnow rink not only won this bonspiel but are well on their way to capturing the shield donated to the rink with the most wins in the season's league games. Nice curling gals but look out for lots of keener competition in the remaining games and final bonspiel.

### Men's Curling

The first half of a busy and interesting curling season wound up in the middle of December with a Bonspiel in which twenty six were entered.

Competition was keen and finally the first event was won by the ME quartet, skipped by Cpl Lifford. In second place was 422 Sqdn's Cpl Wreggett and team, third prize going to Sgt Aplin's of Accounts. Cpl Mooney's rink from CE took fourth prize.

The consolation event was won by Cpl Hanson's team, with the rink skipped by FS Bob Fortune placing second.



Men's Xmas Bonspiel. 1st prize, 1st event 1958: LAC Lesperant, Cpl Lifford, LAC Reno & Cpl Frost.

A Curling banquet was held in the mixed lounge and presided over by our able president FS Campbell, who handed out the prizes, and gave a vote of thanks to all the committee who have assisted him during the first half of the season.

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# Touring our Flugplatz



419



SQN

by F/O Jerry Fink

"Live life to the full, drink and be merry" — — and that is precisely what the majority has been doing. Perhaps not so much by choice as by "force", shall we say — — the "force" being Fasching. As far as this squadron is concerned, Fasching is here to stay. A short conversation with any member will emphasize this statement, at least.

The kick-off for Fasching was a 419 dining-in night, held in the officers' mess on Jan 23rd. The marshmallows that were placed on the side plates were put to good use and everybody soon found himself ducking between mouthfulls. Those who didn't duck at the right time, caught a marshmallow between the eyes. After the dinner new members of the squadron were intimidated into initiation rituals, and departing members were presented with mugs, and a few sarcastic comments. Sometime during the evening everyone gave a genuine moose call.

Although Fasching has left almost everybody in poor (or poorer) physical condition, no one is worried, because the 5 BX plan is here. This plan can do one thing for certain, if you try it; and that is, it shows you exactly how much out of shape you are — — believe me!

Better late than never, so we take this first opportunity to (in this magazine) congratulate: John Lind, now transferred to Air Div, on his promotion to F/L; F/O J. Howard on receiving his Permanent Commission, and F/O Harry Kelly on receiving a three year extension. I think it appropriate at this time to mention the promotion of W/C R. E. MacBride, former OC 419, to Group Captain.

My prediction last month that 419 hockey team would soon be leading the league, proved to be very accurate, not that there ever was any doubt. However, there is one complaint — — not enough people are out cheering for our team. Let's get out there folks and cheer them on to league victory. Those who have been going out regularly, have been trying to yell loud enough to make up for those absent. Some people have even temporarily lost their voice.

New members who arrived in January to join the squadron are F/L E. J. Kirby and F/O N. J. Carle. F/L Kirby is a former instructor from 2 AOS Winnipeg, and many of the newer navigators on squadron have met up with him before.

## Chop 19

F/O Norm Henning was born and raised in LeRoy, Saskatchewan. He obtained his Senior Matriculation in the spring of 1955. After this, Norm joined the RCAF Auxiliary in Saskatoon and took an aero engine course on B 25s. At the completion of this course in the Fall, Norm figured he'd explore aero engines even further and fly with them, so he joined the RCAF Regular, aircrew.



F/O Henning



F/O Kellsey

## Chop 19 1/2

F/O Del Kellsey — — the thin man — — hails from Didsbury, Alta, was raised around there, and graduated from Carstairs High School in 1955. After graduation, Del worked with General Petroleum Oil Co., in Calgary until he joined the RCAF in 1957.

*F/L Sidney Quickfall achieves 5000 hours.*



*"You don't get 5000 hours unless you fly with a lot of fine types", says Sid.*

Born at Kindersly, Saskatchewan, F/L Sidney Quickfall took his senior matriculation plus two years college at Victoria College in Kindersly, before joining the Air Force in April 1948. He received his wings at Centralia in March 1949, being on the 3rd course to graduate from Centralia. Sid "Northstar" spent his first tour, March 1949 to February 1952, with 426 (T) Squadron. During this time he made 27 trans-Pacific crossings during the Korean war, and numerous trans-Atlantic flights, logging 3700 hours during this time. From Feb 52 to Feb 53 Sid was an instructor on North Stars at 4 (T) OTU. For the next 3 years F/L Quickfall was at a staff job at AFHQ. Then in March 1956, he again went through the pipeline on to jets, then 419 Sqn, and to Germany.

## Dispersal Digest

by Cpl Jim McGovern

Since our last issue, Bruce's platz has been blessed with a number of new faces. Sgt John Archibald McEvoy has come to us from 419 Maintenance along with Cpl Jim Tiller and LAC Glen May. Sgt Tom Owen has departed for the hatchet squad and has been gloriously replaced by Sgt Gerald MacKay, a real party type and quick as a whip with the ad lib. And from Wing Maint. we have AC's Wilson and Stewart. Welcome to Mooseville Gentlemen!

Milt Housden asked us very quietly not to mention in the Flieger that he and the wife are expecting — so we won't.

Orv Miller and John Horner back from their invasion of Copenhagen and Amsterdam. You really missed a treat if you didn't see these boys leaving. Three fortys of Ron Ricardi's best and a toothbrush each and they were on their way.

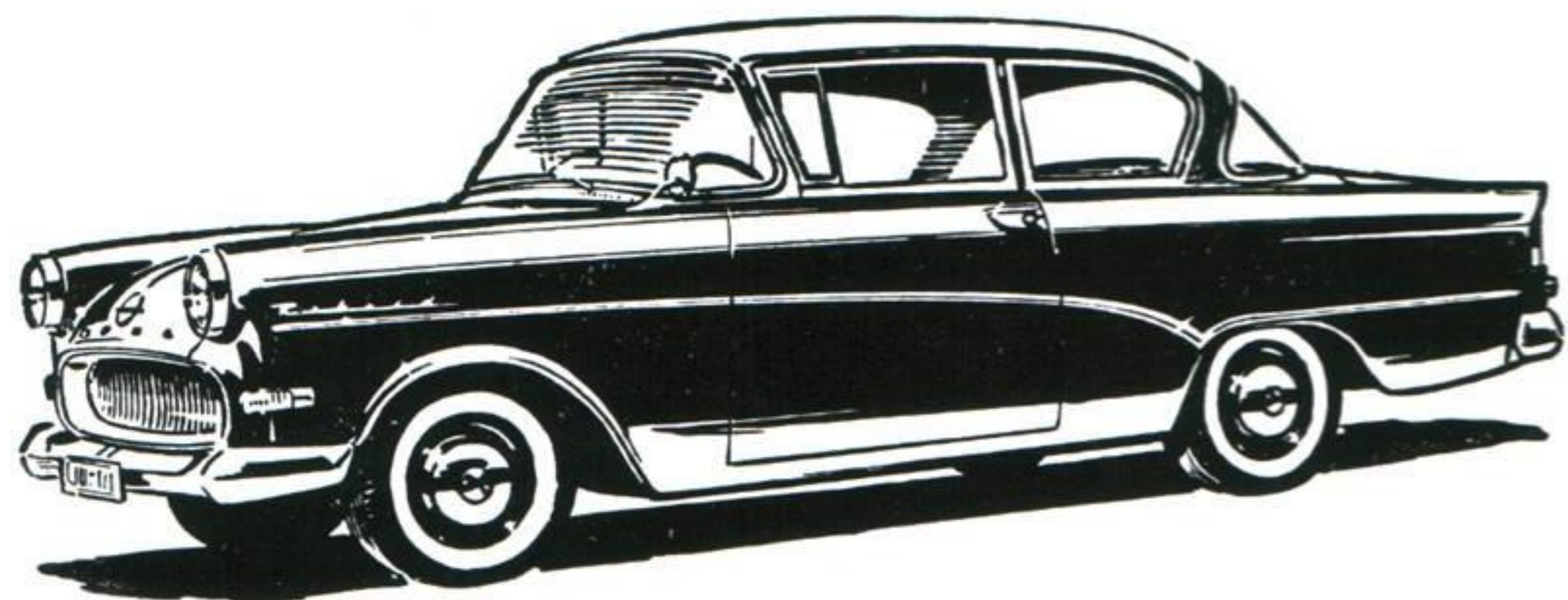
F/L Yeager, our Engineering Officer, has, so far, managed to evade our little gossip column each month. But unfortunately, everyone must eventually fall and "THE BOSS" is no exception, especially when he's strutting around in his Bavarian Air Force uniform. Anything can happen during fasching.

The big question around 419 Orderly Room is — Who was casanova Roy's escort that Saturday night in Rastatt?

"A" Crew was without their ringleader back around the beginning of the month while Marice "The Sprocket" was on leave, and all members of the crew admit that something was definitely missing.

If F/S "Ace" Bailey goes on the 5 BX Plan, maybe he'll play defence for our hockey team next year.

Speaking of hockey — a few more fans for our games would be most welcome and the boys in blue are going to need all the support they can get during the playoffs.



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422



Sqn

by F/O WJ McArthur

Success in the sports field was the dominant feature in January. The Squadron Hockey Team had a highly successful month, while our skiing expert F/O PG Howe gained a coveted position in the 4th A. T. A. F. team, presently competing at Val d'Isere. On another team, although some have suggested less artful, skier F/L RD Russel logged a 422 first in becoming the only man to sprain an ankle before going on the course.

January was a month of joy for the S. M. U. who as usual spend many happy evenings favouring the delights of Fasching. This same branch of the Squadron completed a successful weekend sortie through the London area. It is reported that casualties were light, the only injured being F/O CB Lang who received a little flak on the top deck of a double decker bus and F/O DG Fischer who paid one pound for a glass of orange juice — standard!!

Posting of the month was that of F/L CG Henry. We are certainly sorry to be losing "Hank" but on the other hand we are glad that he will remain close enough to provide us with more useful and instructive information.

In spite of the enterprising social life of many Sqn. members, the latter half of January saw both Flying Officers and Flight Lieutenants studying for and sitting the qualifying exams. The month ended with the plaintiff cry of this latter body — — — "Ididnahachit, Ididnahachit"!!



Picture above is our new Engineering Officer, F/O J. Jamieson. Although being with us only for the past month, he is already a very familiar figure on the flight line and around the dispersal. He has become a staunch supporter of the "Tomahawk for Victory" cause and we are certain that with him at the Engineering Helm we will have no difficulty in maintaining our high standard of proficiency and performance.

## “Tech Type Times of 422”

Once again Fasching is a thing of the past, and I might add, thank goodness. Not that I don't like Fasching mind you, but it's just that I've been impatiently waiting for it to end so that I can start to work on the 5 BX plan in order to get in condition for the next fest that rolls around. It's been noticed by a few of the fellows that FS Herb White has been religiously following the plan for some time now; at any rate when he goes bowling now he reverts back to using his old belt to hold up his trousers. For a while there his paunch was rather gross, so through necessity he purchased a new one. At least he tried to tell us it was a belt but it looked suspiciously like a miniature girdle to most observant people.

Speaking of bowling, the 422 team, the “Odds & Sods”, are not in the enviable top noted position they held in the league last year but they're in there digging. And by the way, how about some member of the recently disbanded “Tomahawks” team seeing about a possible reorganization and hop back into the fight again. It makes for much better league bowling when all teams stay in till the end of the season.

While we're on the sport scene, a hearty vote of confidence is extended to our squadron hockey team on their achievement thus far. Good going fellas. In the recent past issues if “Der Flieger” a few extremely brash people have dared to put their pre-final hockey standings in writing. It is beginning to appear that possibly they were “way off the beam”! Keep up the good work team! Also on the sport scene is the little-heard-of sqdn volley-ball team, which got off to a rather bad start but are now picking up speed and are emerging as strong contenders for the championship.

For the past month now, 4 Wing number one sqdn has been operating under the eagle-eye of our new Engineering Officer F/O Jamieson. To break him into the squadron in proper style there was a hangar party (always a big success) at the Rossell in Soellingen on the 23rd Jan. After the required percentage of good spirits had entered his bloodstream he was approached regarding his “first impression” of our squadron. Quote: “I can now understand why the other Sqns are having so much difficulty in keeping up with 422.”

Time for a few words of congratulations on varied subjects. Firstly congrats to LAC Jenkins on his raise in pay as a result of the last trade board. I'll catch a beer from you soon, Jenks. Secondly congratulations are extended to Cpl's Dick Gaff and Fred Dodge on the completion of their projects. Both had outside plumbing too. That's a boy and girl now for Dick and the same goes for Fred. I guess Sgt Pat Gray is beginning to think of the waiting lists for PMQs back in Canada cause I understand he & Kay are awaiting the arrival of their fifth “ten pointer”.

Word has it that Cpl Mark Paris finally received his home-bound station. Sea Island it is. That's not bad considering that his three preferences were all inside of Canada.

The past month has seen a big shuffle between hangar and dispersal personnel. Out of the cosy warmth of “Herbs' Haven” to the windy flats of Alex's Salt Mine came: Cpl's Wregget and Paris, LAC's Wesly, Kromney, Proud, Simmons, Ayers and Jenkins.

Down to the old man's home went Cpl's Melanson, and Tyre, LAC's McGinnis, Woodland, Young and Denny.

LAC Woody Woodland says the heat in the hangar is rather stifling at times, but being a rugged soul, he'll try and stick it out through the winter at least.

It is on a woeful note that we bid Sgt Gerry McKay “so-long”. His inter-section transfer is undoubtedly 419's gain and our loss. A word to the wise, Gerry; better keep on cheering for 422's hockey team cause we wouldn't want to see you backing a losing team. At the same time a hearty welcome is extended to Gerry's replacement Sgt Wally Owen.

## Tomahawk Wives Talk

by Pamela McArthur

Although there are half a dozen months besides January consisting of thirty-one days, it has been said that January is the longest month in the year. With the exception of our Gala New Year's Eve and squadron anniversary cocktail party, social life this month has been practically nil. Consequently, this column, unlike the days, is getting shorter. However, rather than have anyone who reads “Der Flieger” think that the feminine half of 422 has folded, we wish it known that we're not dead but happily hibernating.

Which brings us to the card sharks. Bridge is the sort of game that remains popular in war or peace, day-shift or night, January or June. Thus the group met twice as usual to stack the deck, but on alternate Wednesdays instead of Tuesdays now, to leave freedom for participation in other station activities. The first 1959 game was played at the home of Mrs. May Stelter on the evening of January 14th. One or two extra guests put in an appearance to have a chat with the girls, but did not play. (We play conversational bridge.) On the 28th. Mrs. Effie Kercher was hostess to the group, and thus ended a cold and quiet month of January. With true feminine logic, next month will probably be action-packed, as it's the shortest month in the year, — but no promises, of course.

### Climatological Summary for the Month of January 1959

| TEMPERATURES               | 1959       | 1958        |
|----------------------------|------------|-------------|
| MEAN MAX                   | 39.0       | 39.0        |
| MEAN MIN                   | 28.0       | 27.0        |
| MONTHLY MEAN               | 34.0       | 33.0        |
| HIGHEST                    | 58.0       | 53.0        |
| LOWEST                     | 6.0        | 8.0         |
| <b>PRECIPITATION</b>       |            |             |
| RAINFALL                   | 2.01       | 2.83        |
| SNOWFALL                   | 27.20      | 8.30        |
|                            | (inches)   | (inches)    |
| NO OF DAYS WITH MEASURABLE |            |             |
| PRECIPITATION              | 17.00      | 13.00       |
| GREATEST AMOUNT OF RAIN    |            |             |
| FOR 1 DAY                  | .62        | .87         |
|                            | (6 Jan 59) | (19 Jan 58) |
| GREATEST AMOUNT OF SNOW    |            |             |
| FOR 1 DAY                  | 5.90       | .60         |
|                            | (9 Jan 59) | (19 Jan 58) |



444



SQN

by F/O Randall

With the Xmas season far behind and fasching over, the Cobra once again raises its head to recall the activities of 444 for the last two months.

December had held the spotlight, with the parties in PMQ holding the interest of our SMU types. It was in this season that the squadron welcomed back F/L Gord McLeod and F/O Lorne Smith from their courses which they were attending in Canada. F/L Jack Regan was missed around the squadron for a few days, while he was at 3 Wing undergoing minor surgery.

The month of December also saw the squadron losing F/O & Mrs. BK Doyle. BK & Gerry, who came to us 3<sup>1/2</sup> years ago from Chatham, were well known to all Four Wing. We will miss Gerry at our social functions and as for BK one less at our six o'clock. Our loss is an FTS gain as the Doyles return to Canada. Triple Four would like to wish them future success and happiness wherever they may be.

Our SMU failed to gain a member this month but our feminine population increased by one with the birth of Miss Aileen Shan Wrather to F/O + Mrs. Scotty Wrather. While on the subject of newies we would like to welcome F/O Ron Jenkins to the squadron. We hope you will enjoy you tour Ron.

This month also saw a change of command with S/L E. Garry taking over the squadron from S/L D. Archer. S/L & Mrs. Archer have gone to the White Palace at Metz. We will miss them both, and would like to wish them the very best in the future. "Good hunting for hours, Sir."

With the loss of our Squadron Leader the Cobra gained another, with the promotion of F/L Bob Massier to the "Sir" department. This period also saw F/O Ed Stone getting a three year extension.

It seems we must have a member on course these days. Gaining Gord and Smithy we lost F/O (I always . . . cough . . . smoke). Chalmers to the School of Higher Instructional Training in Canada. We also lost F/O Len Harrison to the mahogany competition. Dad is to be the Wing Safety man in the future. Since Gerry is away PD McLaren has been appointed guard and keeper of the Cobra.

A quick look at sports. Our hockey team is still working for their first victory, while our bowling team is holding its own with number three slot.

The Cobra is happy to be back from Sardinia, although fine weather made our stay there quite enjoyable. For the gunnery results. It looks as if "That Arm Has Done It". We hope to give you more competition next time chaps.

Dot is an ardent participant in all sports, including fastball, broomball, swimming, curling etc. and this is a quotation from Robbie "People will probably question my ability at most of them, but I enjoy trying these sports." None of us question the ability, for we all know that without Dot, we would not have much of a team or team spirit. Robbie received a cup for prowess in the high jump in 1956 at Lachine and a medal for shot-put in 1958 at 2 (F) Wing, Grostenquin France.

Robbie is a wizard at entertainment, and her cheerful mentality with her savoirfaire makes Dot quite a person. She works at Wing Maint, and believes it's the section.

## SOELLINGEN SALLY REPORTS

by Law Laurie Morris

To start the New Year right, I would like to introduce a colourful figure of this Wing, in the person of LAW Robinson (Robbie) who has been stationed at this Wing since 25 Jan 57. Robbie was born 22 Sep 1936 at Rabbit Lake Saskatchewan, and as she explained she has never heard the end of it. After completion of her schooling period she acquired her Senior



Law Robinson

Matric. To best describe Dot, I would like to quote the answers she gave to my questionnaire.

### Your Occupation Before Enlisting:

"Worked most of the summer of 1954 after graduation, at a summer resort, Radium Hot Springs, B. C. One of my friends and I got the wander-lust and thumbed our way to Toronto. There we got a two room apartment very cheaply with a landlady who was a widow, a member of the Legion and quite a connoisseur of wine. Wanting to make big money fast — and reading a glowing newspaper advertisement — we took up selling encyclopedias door to door. I hope business has picked up since or I feel very sympathetic to such remaining salesmen."

### Date and Place of RU Where Enrolled:

"Slightly influenced by the stories of the ex-service types of the Legion we whipped down to the RU in Toronto to enlist. Being the healthy type I was accepted — my friend, however, began to suffer from an attack of appendicitis, and the Air Force at the time were not accepting people with bad appendices."

### Basic Training Places and Dates:

"The result was that I was on the next train to St Jean, and she on the next to her home in Calgary. This was in October 1954. I spent 7 weeks basic training in MD and 5 weeks contact training, working in Double 4 hangar. In Jan 55 I was mailed to Aylmer for a 6 weeks' course, holding a 1 (P) in my trade. I arrived in RCAF Station Lachine 7 Mar 55, AW 2 Robinson Grp 1 (O)."

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# Wing Maintenance

First of all, we want to take this opportunity to wish Ralph Ward "good luck" and all the best on his return to Greenwood. We will miss his support on the Keglers team. It will be up to Gerry Frey, his replacement, to take up the slack and aid us in our drive to the finish line. We also extend best of luck wishes to Ernie Thomas on his trip to Aylmer to the Clerk Stats course. While we are in the mood, congratulations go out to Ed and Mary Slaght on the birth of another son, Marc, on 10 Dec last year.

With the cleanup of annual leave taking place, news should be plentiful but so far we have only one report. Gerry and Fran Marks took off for a week and headed for B-Garden. From all accounts, that place is a must for all of us at least once during our tour. The winter sports are in full swing, and I gather they had a go at most of them. As for the night life, it seems that Gerry attracted the attention of one of the chorus girls one night and was, he claims, dragged onto the stage along with two other such reluctant males. The contest was to imitate the girls' dances and our dauntless hero was able to come up with a tie for first place, and he has the prize to prove it. So much for my end of this production, now for a few words from Herr Kitchen.

Last month was rather confusing in some respects, as we had our platz of business painted, but good. Everything that didn't move got painted and old Dad Keele nearly got it a couple of times. Faster boy — much faster. To add to the confusion the tool crib got a bunch of white coveralls; they look nice but they didn't help matters any. I tried to get a couple of the boys to do a DI one morning, all I could get out of them was "Was is los", yeah, you guessed it, the painters.

One thing about those white coveralls, though, a little dirt goes a long way; wear them one day and everyone thinks you've been putting in overtime. I must get a pair around R 211 time.

**Sports:** — Well, here we are again into the last part of the winter schedule or should I say the second half of the schedule.

Hockey is still the big news coming out of our camp here, with the team riding along in great style. At the time of writing we have only one player out of action. That is the captain, Al Shand. We all hope Al, that you get back in the line up soon. We can still see in the future a possibility of getting that trip in again this year and are looking forward to another weekend at 1 Wing. Keep up the good work, gang, as we want to get more pictures of Verdun.

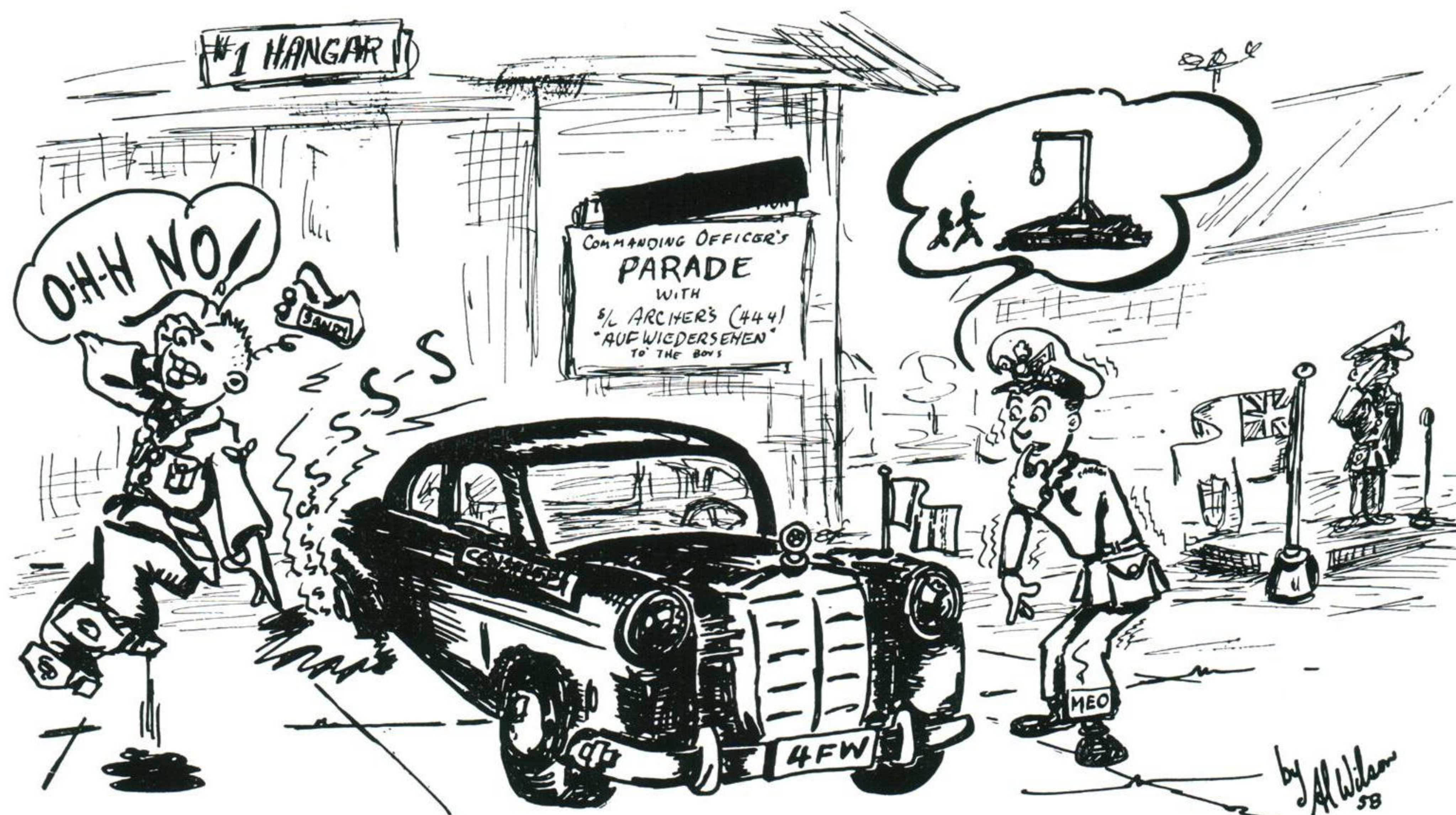
Curling is still going great guns. We have not much to say on the subject this month except that we went to the rink and watched one of the W/Maint teams. The game interested us a lot. Who knows, one day we may have a go.

Skiing is very good at the present moment on all the local hills. For the newcomers we pass on this little bit of information. Skis can be borrowed from the sports palace. We are not sure whether they have boots or not. This year they have put safety harness on all their skis. Tighten and set the tension on your harness before you get on the slope. The sports palace can give you information on all the local hills which are many and varied.

**Maint Inst & Elect Section:** — Here, it should be stated that the Simulator Section comes under our wing. It is, in fact, a section on the Wing that does not get very much publicity, although it is a very important cog in the wheel. It certainly does not resemble the old link trainers with which so many of us are familiar.

Sgt H. E. Johnston is the NCO i/c and he hails from a place called Morden in Manitoba. Under him are Cpl Malin and Glenn, LAC's Olsen and Mattenson and CPL's MacCormack and MacDonald. On the civilian side of the ledger are the technical representatives. Rudy Steinhuble is the electronic engineer along with Al Brown and Ken Brose.

Now we will switch over to the **instrument section** and give you a rundown on the personnel over there. Nearly everyone is familiar with Sgt Chuck Browning or has seen him on the Curling Rink. In fact there are quite a few



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Curlers in the instrument section such as Cpl's McFarland and Turner and LAC's Griffon, McIntyre, and Frieson. All these chaps are top notch curlers as well as being good tradesmen. Carrying on with the roster we find LAC's Perkins, Brudes, and Whiteway who also works over in training flight. Of course we must not fail to mention LAC Johnny Weedon, the goal tender for the Wing Maint Hockey Team and Cpl Gordie Greer who also gives a good account of himself on the team.

With that, we will close the door on ourselves for this month. Next month we will introduce you to all the chaps in the Elect Section.

**Safety Equipment:** — Again from Safety Equipment there are joyous reverberations from the depths of our parachute well with Mike Bush giving out sly chuckles and singing a little ditty called "April in Trenton". Seriously though Mike, we wish you and your family a nice tour at 6 RD.

Leo Demers returned recently from leave in Denmark, and he claims that though the people are Danish, the girls are still Dames. Well, Joe Hagen finally landed in hospital, but, to the surprise of many it was a fast round with the flu bug which put him there — this in the middle of Fasching, too!

As for the rest of our section, it is as normal or as close to it as possible with the end of year cleanup of leave to contend with. So we'll see you next month.

**Training Flight:** — Well, here we are busily fighting our way out of our snowy shells, winter having hit us from the back. We all had a great time making an extreme effort to dig out T-Birds and get them in the air. Everyone has had a thriving Xmas and a bustling New Year. Two or three energetic boys ventured out to Scotland for the New Year. We had a glorious time didn't we Pete? Though we have made an appointment for a special hair dye job. We all look longingly at Cpl Pacquete who has decided to go South for the winter. We wish you lots of luck in the sunny climates of Sardinia and hope you will be back in time to back the attack on the coming golf season.

Our little stove is jumping and beaming with excitement upon seeing our predictions coming to a head. Good Luck to our Wing Maint forerunners team. The Corporals Club team has come up with a few strategic plays for the Sergeants and Corporals' clash. Your support will be appreciated.

Congratulations are in order for our single chaps' sextet in bowling, who are forging ahead all the time and are determined to keep their present position. Before concluding our little chapter, we have a late flash. We have managed to enter a little volleyball team; the "Maintenance Servicing". All in all with winter sports and activities, this should prove to be an interesting winter.

Well folks, that winds up this month's edition. Remember chaps, don't be afraid to come forth with a little gen. It would make things so much easier for us. This is your paper and you are the news. We shall leave you with a parting thought. Remember, the more you live it up, the longer it will take you to live it down.

## Wing Armament

by J. R.

Well here we are again with a bit of gen from our little hideway in the woods.

First off we would like to welcome the newcomers to the Crystal Ball side, LAC's Hayward and Luctker and on the Plumbers' side LAC's Norum and Meyers. We hope they enjoy their stay at 4 Wing and also hope it is a happy stay.

Our boy Howey is back with us again after a short stay at the Wing Bone Shop. We hear he went in with Tonsillitis, but, by the sound of things, it was just a good rest with a chance to look at the pretty girls.

There is a small rumour afoot that two of the crystal ball boys are heading for the last mile of single life. We won't mention any names, but one has a very large car and the other a small one with a new rear end. Let's hope they will be happy in their new institution.

Fasching time is here again and it can easily be seen in all the red eyes and noses that have been rolling in these past few mornings. We wonder if it is worth all the pain and agony to have a few hours' fun at night and then feel miserable all day and even look worse, but I guess some think it is, eh, D. L. and Red?

Well, the expected has happened and just in time for a few of the boys, as it sure will come in handy. Yes, the good old 5 BX is here. Now there should be no more of this, "large man in little car", tubby curlers who can't stand the sweeping, oversized hockey coach who browbeats the players, roly-poly bowlers who can't pick up the balls and a lumpy log clerk who has trouble reaching the books. It's all for the best, fellows, and who knows you might look like Atlas one of these days.

S/L and Mrs. Begg are back from their trip to sunny Italy and by all reports it was quite a success. Al and Scottie are off on their second honeymoon to do a bit of skiing. We hope their new Bug doesn't get lost in the snow. Sgt Day is also off for a few days to recover from the 5 P/77 episode.

The boys at Wing are off to Sardinia again with the flying Club of 444 who are trying to beat 422's record, but we hear via the grapevine that they didn't do so well. I guess they should have taken all of Wing Armament instead of just half. Wouldn't you say so, Tate?

There have been a few changes in the parking lot status lately as that Blue Bomb that smoked so badly and lost the occasional wheel has been replaced by a black Ford. It doesn't smoke as yet. There is also a Red Bomb that makes lots of queer sounds and gives off blue smoke and it's the same kind that smoked us out before. The yellow Chev has been swapped for a Small Bug. Now all you need, Pete, is a trailer.

Our girl Vi is leaving us for the old homestead to make it a full time job. We are sorry to see you go Vi, and will miss you. We wish you the best in the future.

Well the old Combines are still in there fighting with Tangle Foot and Jer up front and Red Light holding up the goal. We hear from Duke that the trouble is with the overweight coach as he is too hard on the boys. All they need is a few breaks and a bigger net at the other end.

Last but not least are the Cannon Balls. They aren't doing too badly but if the roly poly fellows could settle down they will do okay.

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## Fire Hall

by "Punch" Bowden

Well here we are again after a month's absence. The reason for the omission is I just couldn't find the time with leave and all. With the arrival of the new crash truck (G 19) everyone has been busy as little beavers learning the fundamentals of the new truck from the able FS Penner from Air Div.

"Ye Olde" Fire Hall is undergoing a facelifting and from the looks of things the CE people are to be commended for a job well done. There will be bigger and better cleanups in the very near future so I am told. I always liked slopping a mop around anyway.

It appears that Sgt. "Russ" Drabik didn't care too much for the new Volks Bus as he has already traded it for a new Vauxhall. The rumor has it that he couldn't get more than 50 Ks out of it with a good tailwind. Speaking of cars, another of the boys in the person of LAC "Barry" Dewar bought himself a new Volks export model. That old 51 Kapitan of mine is looking sicker and sicker all the time in the parking lot with all the new cars around. The boys in the hall were sorry to hear of the illness of Mrs. Gionet and all wish her a speedy recovery.

Another little note on Fire Prevention which I feel can never be stressed too strongly. Remember a little common sense can save a lot of trouble for **You** and Your Fire Dept.

## Photo Club

This month's activities have been in the form of club meetings when members heard interesting talks on some of the subjects that seem to bother amateurs the most. On Jan 14 Sgt John Piton gave a talk on composition, showing where to place the subject of the picture and how to compose your shots to give them that "professional" look. Sgt. Owen took the remainder of the meeting to talk about subminiatures and demonstrate the use of the Minicord Camera. Pictures and slides were shown to further demonstrate the "spy camera". Jan 28 Sgt Piton was again on hand to demonstrate what depth of field is and how to use it to good advantage in making pictures.

These lectures are doing much to help members understand their cameras better and use them more effectively, thus increasing their enjoyment of photography.

Time is also allotted for members to bring up their problems for open discussion during these meetings, so if you have a picture taking problem make a note of it and bring it along to the next meeting.

Our next meeting will be on Feb 11 when we'll be reviewing different films, papers and chemicals. Feb 25 and Mar 11 are also scheduled as meeting nights. All interested personnel are urged to be there. "See you there".

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## Supply

To start things off this month I think that the small get-together in the mixed lounge in honour of Stan Ponsford and Bob Gingras who are just about homeward bound deserves some mention. The nickel beer helped to get a normally quiet crowd in a real festive mood. Unmentionable things occurred that deserve no place in the public eye and ear. I hope the boys appreciated the many sincere compliments they received and do as good a job at their next station. Goodbye then to two real good guys. Expected on exhibition about now in the cubby-hole called Air Movements is a brand spanking new i/c name of Cpl Budnick. "Bud" is married with a baby daughter, has a taste for fine clothes and a real love for life. I'm sure he's going to like it here among us and no doubt have a long line of friends before very long. Inter-section transfers during January saw Morris Gillen replace Bill Muise at Tech Stores while Bill in turn replaced Morris at 419 Sqdn. Interest seems to be picking up in the volley-ball department. So far this year we haven't looked so good but with the extra material we should be able to clobber someone else besides the airwomen. Our bowling is suffering slightly of late but no one is consistently good. Our present standing is second last, being trailed by the Tomahawks of 422. I hope they like Sardinia's sunny climate.

Now let's hear more cries of righteous indignation . . .

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(a) True Love (b) All the Way (c) Teddy Bear
Name the films in which they appeared.
- Walt Disney has made many full length movies.
Name 5 of them.
- June Allyson and Jimmy Stewart appeared in two well known movies as man and wife.
Name them.
- The following movies were shown in the Astra during 1958. Name one actor and one actress from each.
(a) The Lady Takes a Flyer (b) Last of the Fast Guns
(c) The Girl He Left Behind
- The film credits for Oklahoma, Carousel, and the King & I have one thing in common. Name it.
- The late James Dean starred in several outstanding productions. Name two.
- Cecil B. DeMille was a director famous for his extravaganza productions.
Name three of them.
- "Reach for the Sky" & "The Dam Busters" were two outstanding British war movies in which Kenneth More and Richard Todd portrayed the parts of two famous RAF World War II aces. Name these aces.

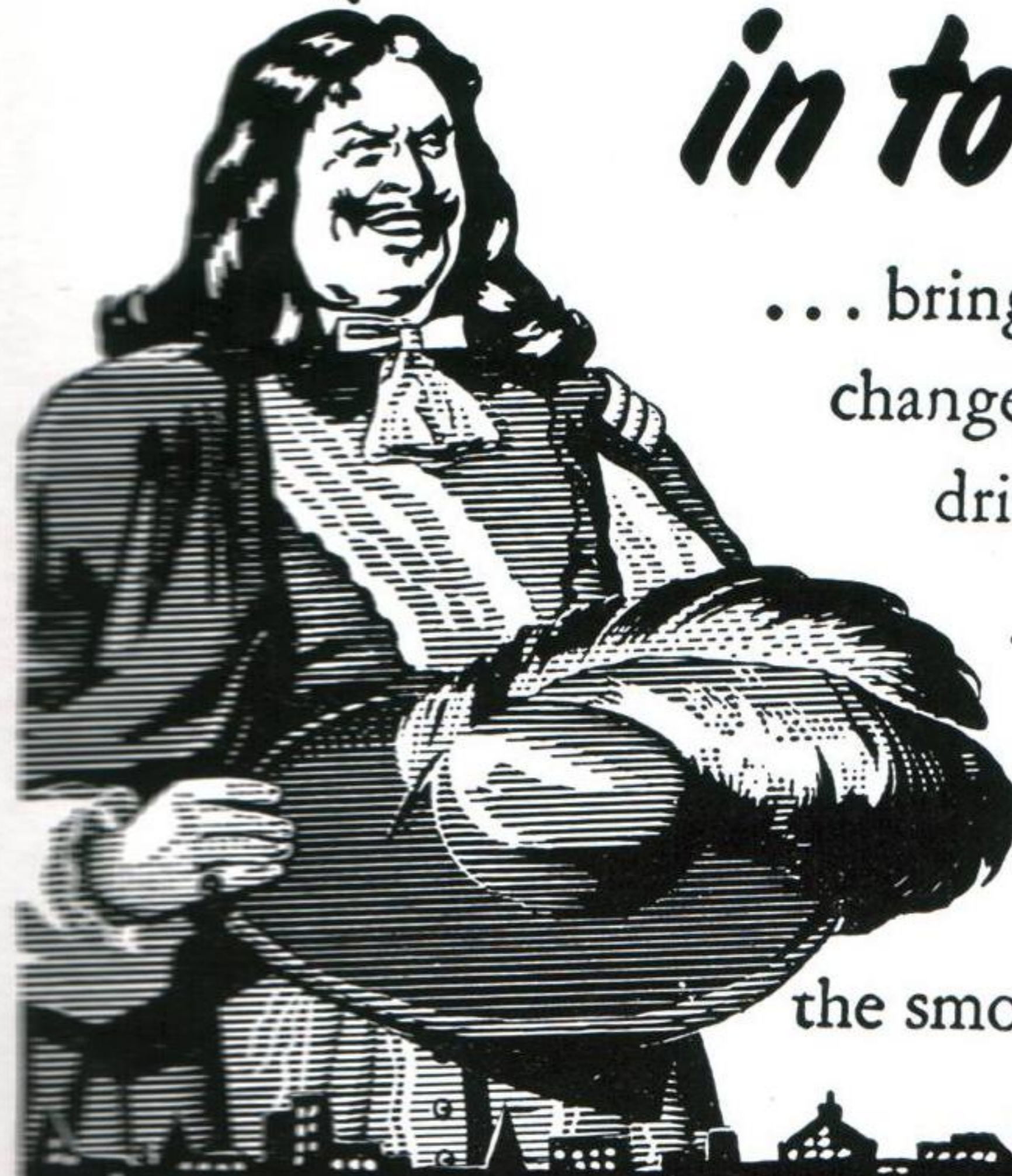


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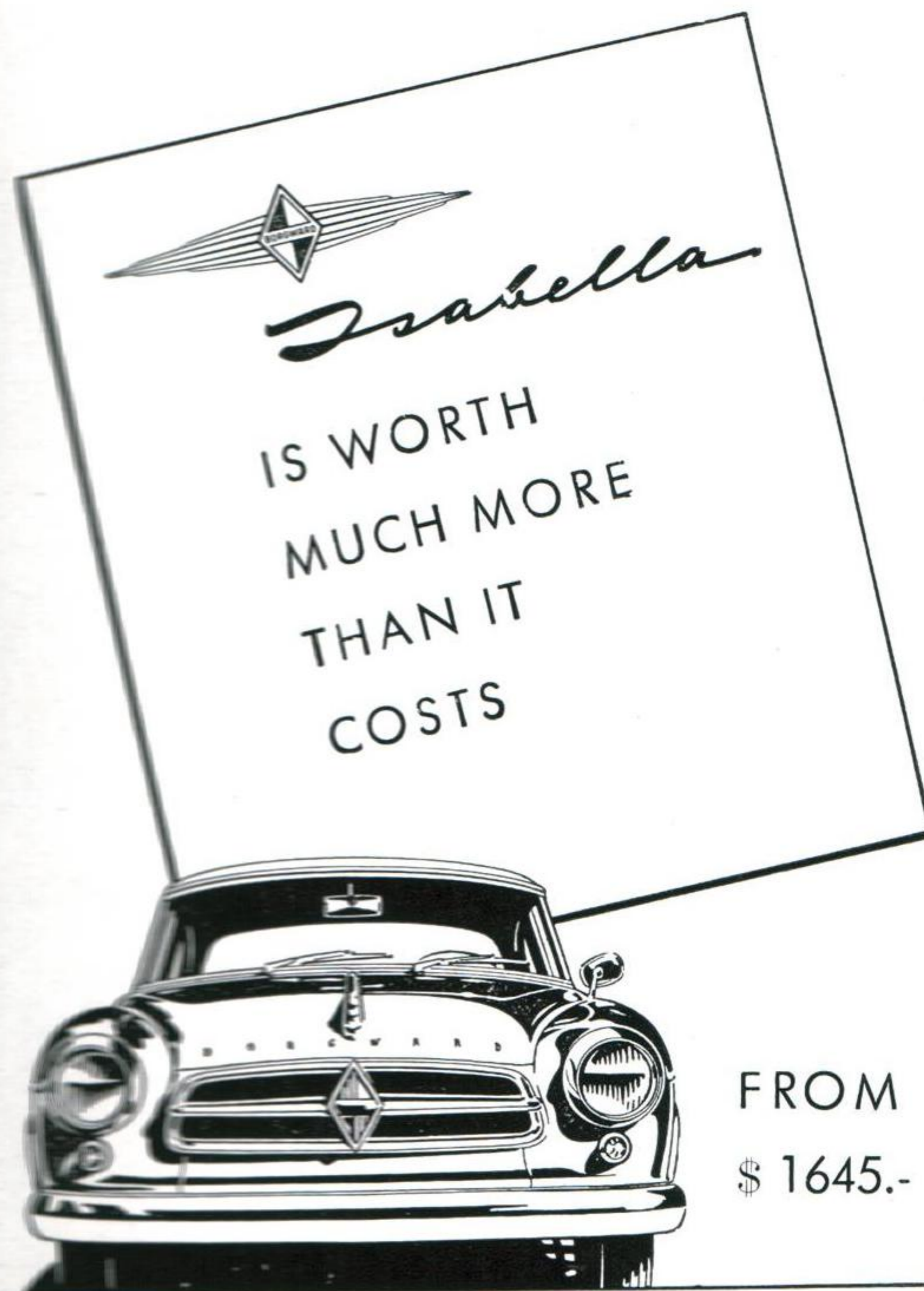
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