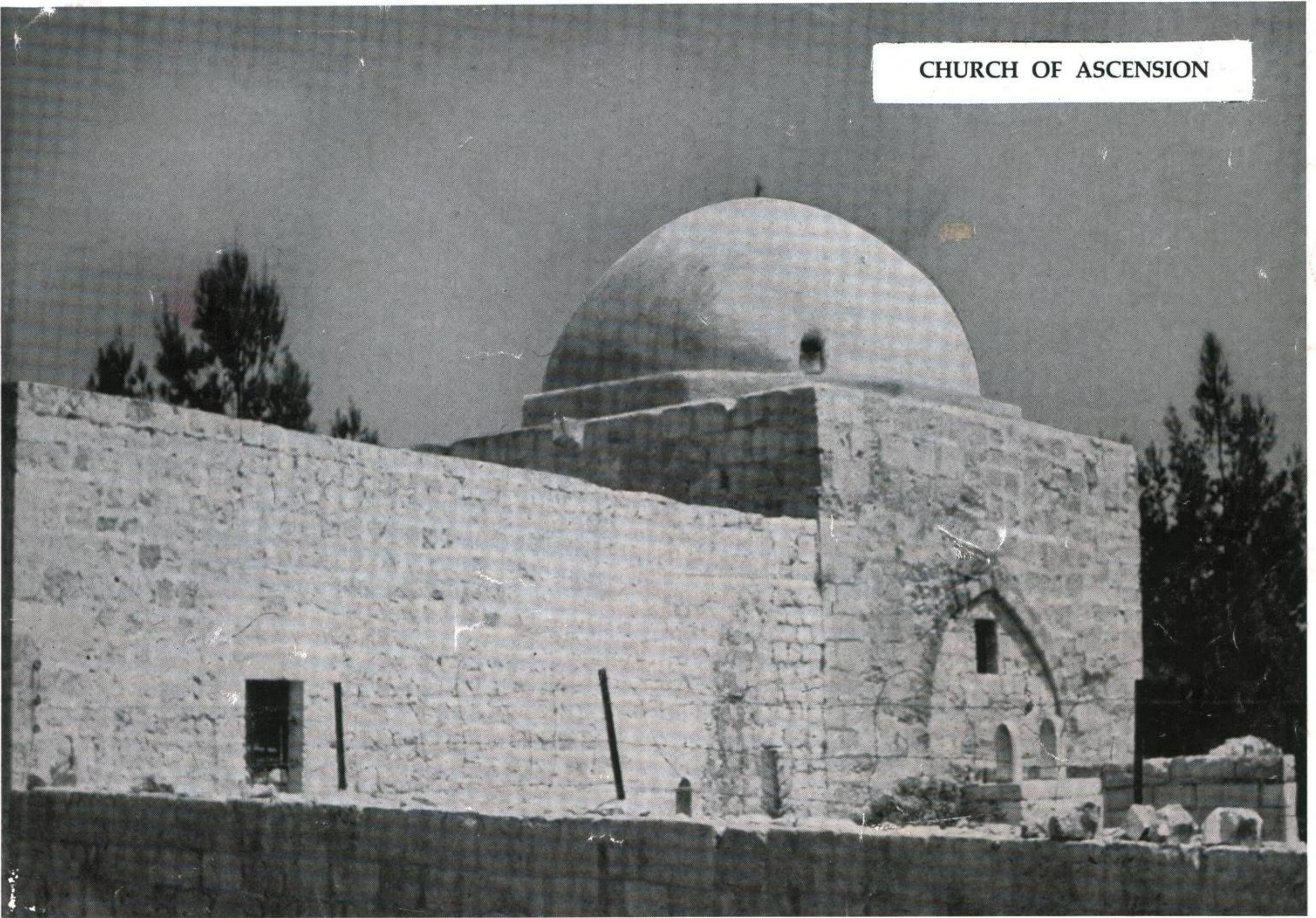


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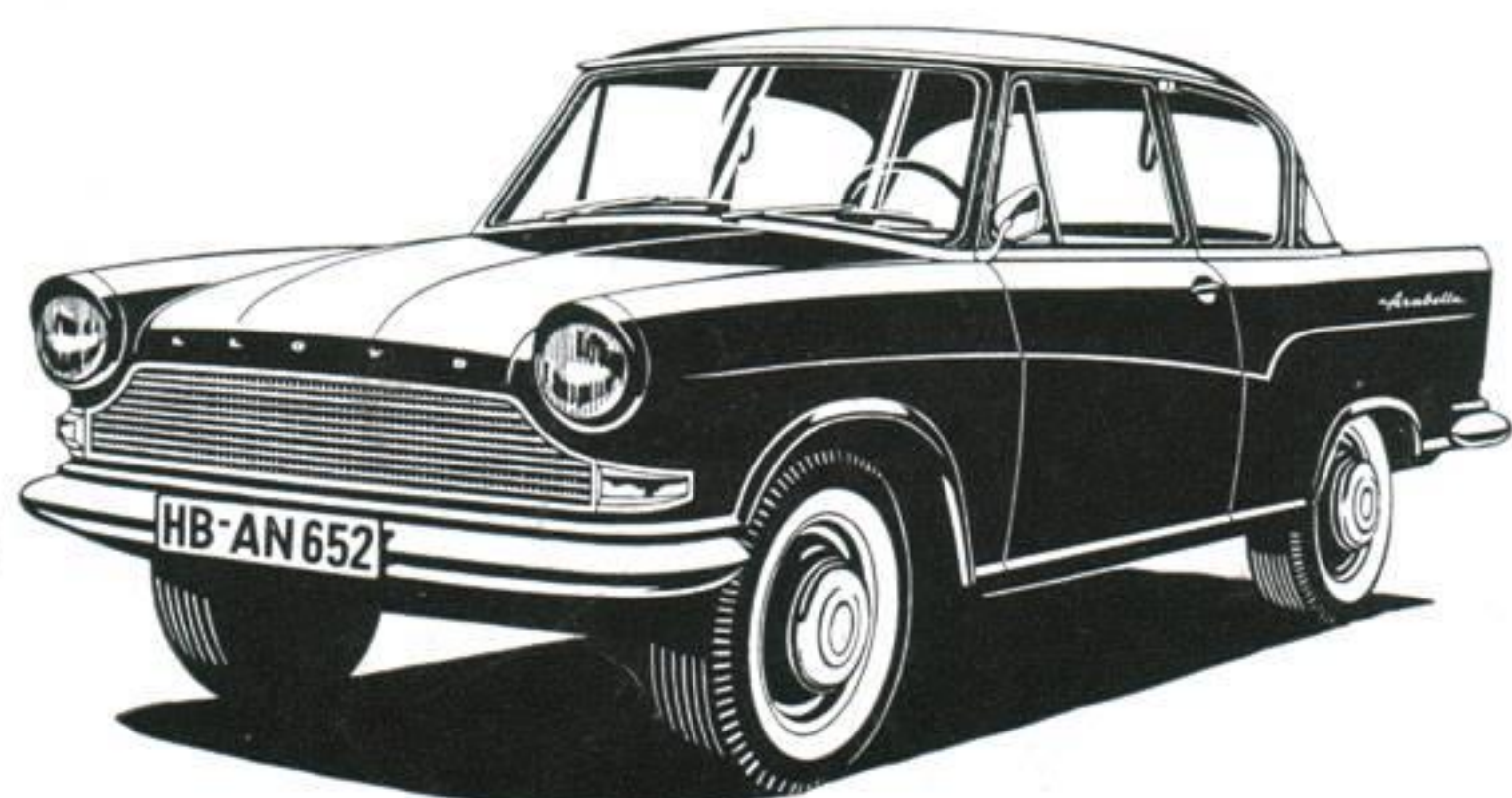
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A German Air Force pilot was graduated as a fighter controller at No. 61 Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron early this summer along with four RCAF pilots selected from the four fighter wings in Europe, it was announced recently by Air Division officials.

The first German pilot to be graduated from the controller course at 61 AC & W Squadron was Lieutenant L. Von Strachwitz of Ulm/Donau, Boelcke-Kaserne, Roemerstrasse,

Canadian pilots graduating were Flying Officers Richard P. Pattee, 25, Ste. Scholastique, P.Q., formerly with 439 Fighter Squadron, No. 1 Fighter Wing, Marville, France; Allan J. Sundvall, 22, Calgary, Alta., formerly with 430 Fighter Squadron, No. 2 Fighter Wing, Grostenquin, France; Ervin R. Cross, 27, Toronto, formerly with 427 Fighter Squadron, No. 3 Fighter Wing, Zweibrucken, Germany, and Peter G. Zinkan, 22, Thornhill, Ont., formerly with 422 Fighter Squadron, Baden-Soellingen, Germany.

Lt. Von Strachwitz, who along with the Canadian pilots completed a six weeks' course in fighter control, was presented his diploma by Lieutenant Colonel H. Lingnau of the First German Air Division, Munich, Germany, and congratulated by Group Captain C.L. Olsson, DFC, CD, Senior Per-

sonnel Staff Officer, No. 1 RCAF Air Division, who presented the graduation certificates to the Canadian pilots.

Although Lt. Von Strachwitz was the first member of the German Air Force to be graduated at No. 61 AC & W Squadron, 13 members of the French Air Force and 18 members of the Royal Belgian Air Force have taken the course over the past few years.

Wing Commander C.S. Yarnell, Toronto, Commanding Officer of 61 AC & W Squadron, congratulated the graduates on achieving outstanding marks on the course. He was followed by Lt. Col. Lingnau who thanked members of 61 AC & W Squadron for the kindness and assistance given to his fellow German officer.



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# MIDDLE EAST TOUR

By Dora Elliot



The trip I took to the Middle East was not called "The Magic Carpet" or "The Flying Carpet", but I feel either title would have been most appropriate. It was a thrilling and exciting trip filled with adventure from beginning to end. We left Frankfurt at midnight and flew all night on our chartered plane. I woke in the morning to see Brindisi and the coast of Italy disappearing behind us as we crossed the Adriatic. From there, for the next hour or so I recognized familiar landmarks, the rocky blue coastline of Greece, with its lovely island of Corfu, the narrow turquoise strip which is the canal of Corinth, the city of Athens with its bustling sea port of Piraeus, and the white marble ruins of the Temple of Poseidon on top of Cape Sounion at the tip of the Peninsula of Attica. We arrived in Beirut, our first stop after a flight across the eastern part of the Mediterranean. Beirut is a lovely city with the peculiar beauty of cities which are built on the slopes of hills reaching to the sea. Beirut is the capital of Lebanon, a small country of approximately 3,600 square miles with a million inhabitants, about half of whom live in the capital. It is a rich country, and the large luxurious hotels and apartments facing the colorful waters of the Mediterranean bear witness to this fact. Most traffic passing from west to east and vice versa goes through Beirut. The Berlin Bagdad railway, built before World War 1 has a branch line going from Beirut to Damascus. The capital city is also a holiday centre for tourists. As the tour brochure advertises, one can swim in the warm sea waters in the morning and ski on the slopes of the Lebanese mountains the same day. Beirut has three universities: National, French and American. We visited the latter on our sight-seeing tour of the city. It is the largest American educational unit outside of the United States.



GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE

Damascus, our next stop, was such a contrast. It has about three times as many inhabitants as Beirut, and it is the capital of Syria, a country of 66,000 square miles with over three million people. There were more restrictions against picture taking in Damascus than in any other country on our Middle East Tour.

Possibly this is because the majority of the population is Moslem. In the centre of the walled part of the old city is the Omayad Mosque which we visited. Here, as in all subsequent mosques which we entered we took off our shoes, and walked in stocking feet or put loose sloppy coverings over our shoes. This, I believe has a religious significance but I felt it must be very practical. The floors of the mosques are carpeted with beautiful Persian rugs. These vary in size from 9ft by 12ft, up to 30 or 40 square feet, and number from 80 to 800 depending on the size of the mosque. On the site of the Omayad Mosque there originally existed a shrine dedicated to a Syrian weather god. The Romans converted it into a temple to the glory of Jupiter. In the 5th century A.D. the temple was torn down and a Christian Church erected dedicated to St. John the Baptist. We were shown a glass case which allegedly contained his head. Later this church was



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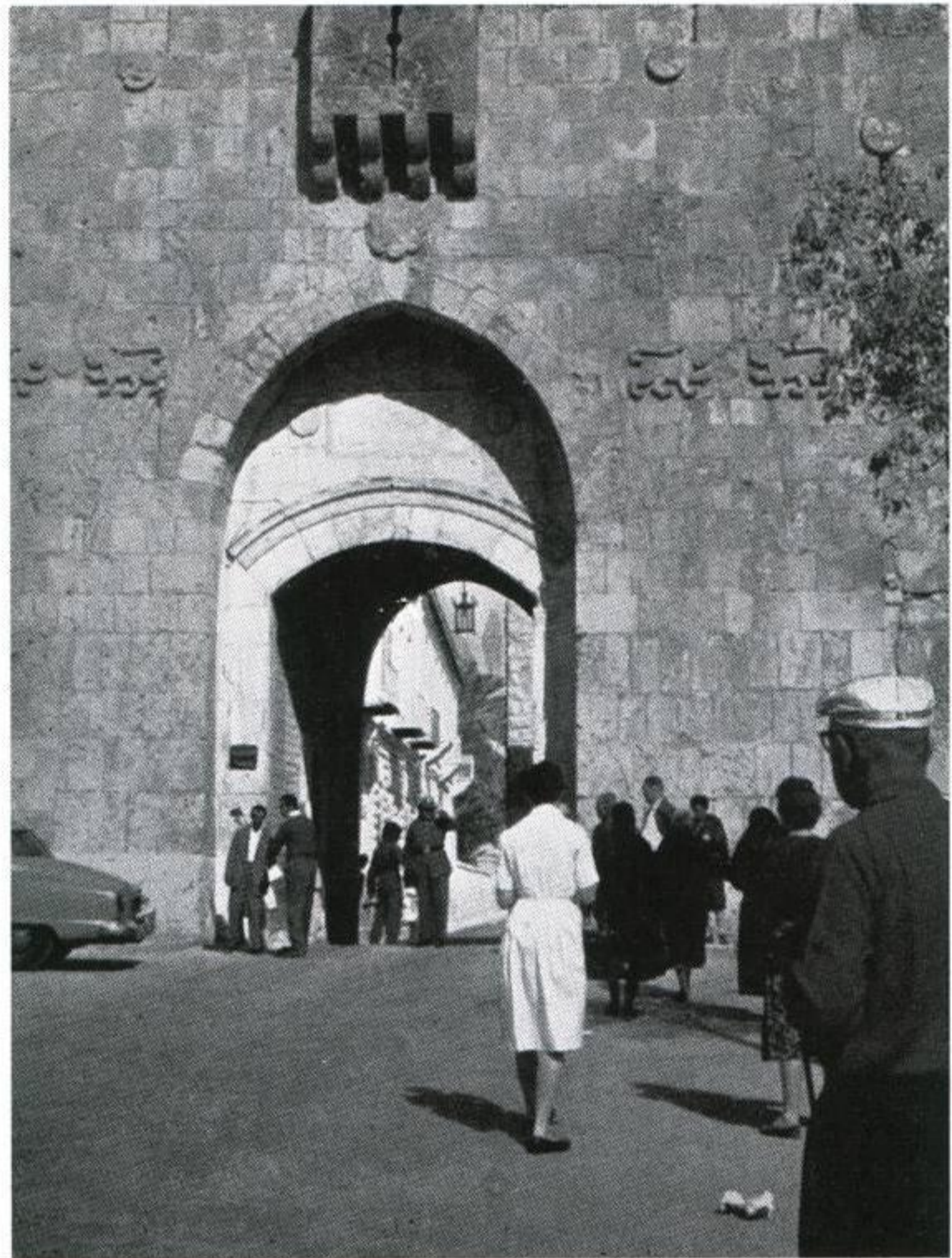
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enlarged and around the year 700 A.D. it became the mosque we saw. While we were there we saw groups of Moslems praying with their foreheads touching the ground, and other groups sitting crosslegged studying the Koran in complete absorption and oblivious to all outside distractions. A Moslem prays five times a day, and before entering the mosque he must wash his face, hands and feet. In another city I took a picture of five or six men sitting washing their feet in the public ablution troughs in the courtyard of a mosque, but I would not risk it in Damascus. Outside the mosques there are one to four minarets. Only Mecca has seven. The Blue Mosque in Istanbul has six. From these minarets the faithful are called to prayer. It is a weird fascinating chant. One of the minarets in the mosque in Damascus is called the Madinet Inn or minaret of Jesus. Moslems believe that Jesus will come back to earth from this minaret.

Just around the corner from Omayad Mosque is the Bazaar which we visited. Later we were to see Bazaars in Jerusalem, Cairo and the famous Grand Bazaar of Istanbul. But this being the first on our trip was very fascinating. The bazaar was crowded with jostling humanity: women, sometimes veiled, walked proudly erect serenely beautiful often carrying a heavy load on their heads; youngsters always smiling with bright eyes, usually barefooted dodged through the crowds; old men sat on the sidewalks contemplating life and smoking the hubli bubli, a water pipe from which four or five men could puff at one time; younger men with long flowing robes, heavy beards and often wearing a fez would walk briskly through the crowds; small donkeys so laden as to be almost hidden, gently nudged the tourists out of the way; the vendors sat on chairs or stools outside very small shops and lured the tourists inside. The merchandise inside the shops varied with the locale. Jerusalem for example, displayed olive wood boxes, Crusader's crosses, Bethlehem mother of pearl jewellery etc.. but most of the bazaars had gay scarfs, gaudy bracelets and souvenirs of various kinds. Much of the merchandise was displayed on racks outside the shops. Bargaining played a big part in the transaction of any business. Often as we entered a shop we were offered tea or coffee, the latter a sickly sweet brown mixture the consistency of mud.

From a stroll through the bazaar in Damascus we returned to our bus and drove through the street called Straight mentioned in the Bible in the Acts of the Apostles. On tour buses in eastern countries as well as the driver and tour conductor, there is a local man who stands at the rear door to keep people from jumping on and to protect the tourists. Our bus proceeded at a snail's pace giving right of way on very narrow streets to bicycles, pedestrians, donkeys and goats. As we were moving slowly in Damascus our guard jumped off, picked up a head of lettuce from a fruit and vegetable stall, haggled with the vendor over the price and as the bus pulled away he tossed a small coin or two in the street. At our next halt he leaped nimbly off, dipped his lettuce in a pail of filthy looking water, and hopped on again. Then he stood swaying at the open door peeled off the outside leaves of the lettuce tossed them carelessly in the street and with a charming smile and courteous bow he offered me the lettuce.

One of the interesting spots in Damascus is St. Paul's window on the site where St. Paul was let down from a window in a basket and lowered to the ground outside the



ST. STEPHEN'S GATE

city walls when all the regular exits from the city were carefully guarded. Near this window there are still houses built on the old city walls with windows facing outside the old city.

We arrived in Jerusalem on Easter Even and stayed at the American Colony Hotel, about which Mrs. Vester has written a book explaining how her parents built the American Colony and how her family served both Arab and Jew, Christian and Moslem for over fifty years through all the struggles in the Holy City.

That Saturday evening I went to the Abyssinian Church to a special service. There is a procession led by the priests which marches around the outside of the church, chanting weird chants. They are looking for the body of Christ. At midnight I went with some members of Mrs. Vester's family and friends to the Russian Orthodox Church. Everything was strangely beautiful but ornate. There we were given lighted candles and we walked in slow procession around the church four times. The singing by the nuns or sisters in dark black habits with the candle light flickering on their beautiful devout faces was very impressive.

On Easter Day we were given an opportunity to attend the church of our faith early in the morning and then we began our sight seeing tour. We started with a visit to the Mount of Olives. On the summit stands the little chapel of the Ascension believed by Christians to mark the spot from which Jesus ascended into heaven. Nearby is the Church of the Pater Noster which marks the traditional site where Jesus taught His disciples the Lord's Prayer. From there we proceeded to the Garden of Gethsemane and the Church of All Nations or the Basilica of Agony. The garden is one of the loveliest in Jerusalem, like a garden of Remembrance with beautiful flowers and ancient gnarled olive trees. We continued our tour by driving to Bethlehem. As we travelled along this desolate strip of country I felt that with the exception of the paved road with buses and cars everything was unchanged over the centuries. The caves in the hillside may have been the actual ones that sheltered Joseph and Mary on their way to Bethlehem. As we approached Bethlehem, we saw in the distance The Shepherd's Field where the Angels brought the news of Christ's birth and the fields of Boaz where Ruth and her mother-in-law gleaned. The Church of the Nativity stands upon the traditional site of the birthplace of Jesus.

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It was in Bethlehem that another amusing incident happened. In most of the Middle East countries we visited there was a great deal of begging among the children. Little "tads" who were just old enough to walk would crowd around us holding out their hands for money; however in this case a well dressed young lad about ten years old asked me in a cultured English voice, "By they way, do you have a dollar bill? I collect them for souvenirs."

Later that day we visited Bethany, one and a quarter miles from Jerusalem. Here was the home of our Lord's friends, Mary, Martha and Lazarus. Here today is the Church of St. Lazarus built near the tomb where Jesus raised him from the dead.

Our afternoon drive took us to the River Jordan, Elisha's Well, the Old Walls of Jericho and the Dead Sea. The River Jordan flowing from Galilee in the north forms a green fertile belt in an otherwise barren land. On each side are palm trees and lush vegetation. We were taken to the spot where Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist. Elisha's Fountain where the waters were sweetened by the prophet is near the excavated walls of the old city of Jericho. Here we saw a constant line of refugee women walking from the refugee camp to the well to get water, carrying it on their heads in many types of receptacles including jerry cans. There are many pathetic looking Arab refugee camps for the people who fled from Israel during the last decade. From Elisha's Fountain we saw in the distance The Mountain of Temptation where Jesus fasted for 40 days.

The Dead Sea, lowest spot on earth, 1300ft. below sea level looked like a large lake. When we floated in it we discovered it was extremely salty and very buoyant. Even non-swimmers could float with ease.

On Easter Monday we had a tour of Jerusalem itself. As most of you know it is a divided city. Most of it, including the holy Christian sites, is in the Kingdom of Jordan, one of the states of the United Arab Republic. The smaller part lies in Israel which we did not visit. A sand bagged wall and soldiers with arms reminded us of the constant enmity between the Arabs and the Jews.

We visited the Church of St. Anne marking the traditional birth place of the Virgin Mary, the Pool of Bethesda where Jesus healed a man who had been ill for 38 years.

On the walls beside the pool the story as told in the Gospel of St. John is written in every language of the world. Then we walked along the Via Dolora or way of the Cross starting with the site of Pilate's Pretorium and ending with Calvary, following the way Jesus trod, visiting the churches.

In the afternoon we visited the Harem Ehs=Sharif, a sacred enclosure in the old Temple area on Mt. Moriah. Here is the Mosque known as The Dome of the Rock. This golden dome dominates all the city, and may be seen clearly from the Mount of Olives shining brilliantly in the hot sunshine with a background of bright blue sky and a foreground of flat roofed white houses. According to the Christian faith the rock on Mt. Moriah is the site where Abraham was prepared to sacrifice his only son Isaac. It is venerated by Moslems who called Abraham The Friend of God, and it is associated with the Prophet Mohammad's ascension to heaven.



ARCHWAY NEAR DOME OF THE ROCK

On this site stood the one remaining wall of the Jewish temple. Pious Jews through the ages gathered before the wall to pray and to weep for the past glory of Israel. Thus it became known as The Wailing Wall. The Jewish people have a legend that when the cracks of this wall are filled the long looked-for Messiah will come. So in the past, before the wall was inaccessible to them because of the division of territory, they tore pages from the Torah rolled them into small wads of paper to fill the crevices.

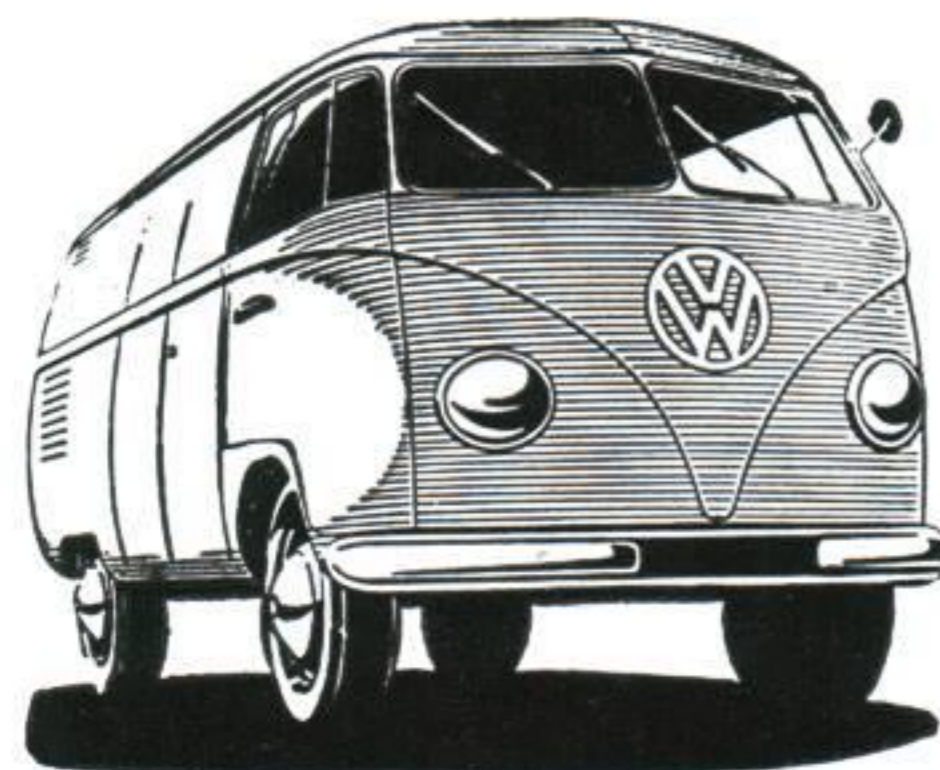
We saw so much of interest in the Holy City of Jerusalem but time and space will not permit me to tell more.

On Easter Monday afternoon we flew to Cairo. To avoid flying over Israel we had first to head north and go around the Dead Sea before turning southward. From the air all seemed barren and lifeless except for the narrow concrete road, and the green valley of the Jordan both of which looked like coloured ribbons. When we had travelled between Jerusalem and Jericho by car we had seen the occasional Bedouin tent of the nomads and a few camels but otherwise much of the landscape was empty. Our flight took us over the Sinai Peninsula and our thoughts turned to the Children of Israel wandering in the wilderness for forty years. Then we saw the lovely Nile River with its wide fertile valley and landed in Cairo. Another country and adventures lay ahead of us.

**Editor's Note:**

Miss D. Elliot is a former school teacher at our Rhine Valley Park School and is now back in Canada. While at 4 (F) Wing she made numerous friends who will remember her as a charming and gracious lady. We hope that her memories of our "children" and of her travels will always be a source of pleasant inspiration for her.

To you, Miss Elliot, we say "Thanks" and "Auf Wiedersehen".

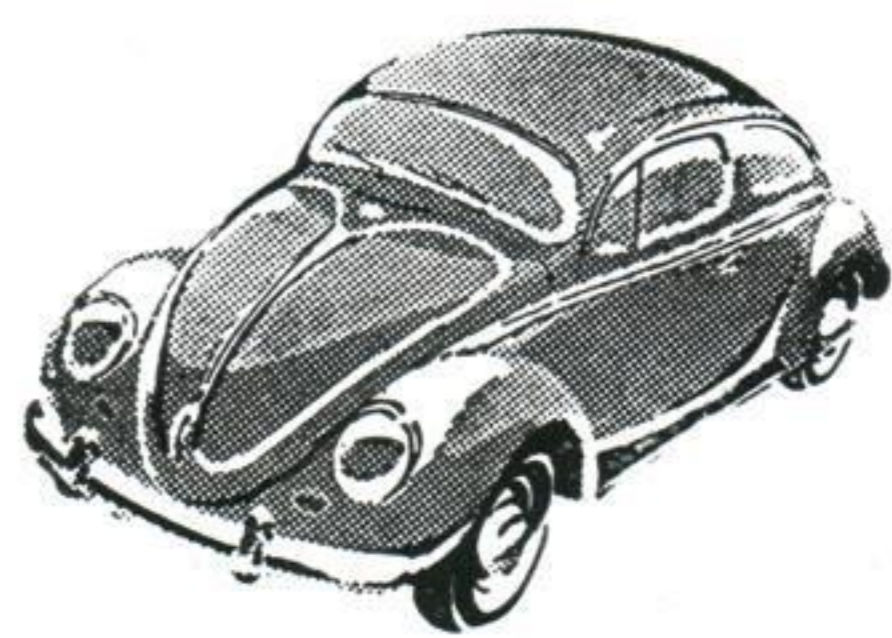


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# Canadian News

## PAY INCREASE

The MONTREAL GAZETTE in an editorial on 14 Jul 60 had this to say:

Across-the-board pay and allowance increase for 120,000 armed forces personnel was announced recently by Defense Minister Pearkes. He did not state how much the increase would be or when it would take effect.

The announcement was met with enthusiasm by all ranks (because the last increase was in 1957) but with apprehension by the taxpayers. A few taxpayers vociferously challenged the increase, stating that of Canadas \$ 1, 600,000 defence budget more than one-third (\$ 560,000,000) is spent on pay and allowances.

What is behind the announced pay increase? Do the armed forces need it? How does their pay compare with other forces? Here are the facts:

The pay increase was considered mainly because of the rise in the Consumer Price Index, and the need to bring forces pay in line with civil service increases and general civilian pay across the country. In addition, it's no secret that many service-trained tradesmen leave the forces after three or five year stints rather than re-enlist because "civie street" offers more "basic pay".

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## FOREIGN AFFAIRS

In Ottawa, Foreign Affairs Minister Howard Green opened the government's foreign policy debate by saying he is less optimistic about the international situation now than he was last February.

However, Mr. Green says he still sees some bright spots.

The world, he said is now living in the dark shadows and heightened tensions brought about by the collapse of the Paris summit conference and the Russian walkout from the Geneva disarmament talks.

But it was a hopeful sign, said Mr. Green, that discussions on ending Nuclear tests were proceeding, despite the summit collapse and adjournment of the disarmament negotiations.

Mr. Green also made several other points in his speech: Canada, he said is pressing for an August meeting of the UN disarmament commission to discuss the adjournment of the Geneva talks prior to the Fall meeting of the UN General Assembly; and he suggested that Canada should develop more of a western hemisphere outlook. "We do not seem to be able to see very far beyond the United States", he commented.

The NATO organization, he said, was plagued by the problem of consultation among its members.

Canada, he remarked, "has done a lot of howling" about lack of consultation, but still took the stand that such consultation is essential to a strong alliance.

## BUZZING

The Soviet Union has protested to the United States that American planes, as well as those of other western powers — including Canada — have deliberately buzzed Russian vessels on the high seas.

The charges were contained in formal notes delivered to the United States, Canada, Britain, Denmark, France and Norway.

The note to the United States — expected to be published tomorrow — was handed to the American Envoy in Moscow in the form of a memorandum.

The note charged that during the past few years, American planes have been involved in some 200 buzzing incidents.

Western observers in Moscow regard the protest as part of the Soviet diplomatic offensive against the United States which started with the U-2 spy plane incident two months ago.

In Ottawa, officials of the Department of External Affairs said they have not yet received the Russian protest note. It would take some time to transmit it to Ottawa from Moscow. Meanwhile, the officials declined comment.

## DEFENCE

The Canadian government may try to cut down again on defence spending by reducing manpower in the Armed Forces and the civilian staff in the Department of Defence.

Reports from Ottawa say that the government has ordered the defence ministry to study the effect of manpower reductions varying from five to 20 per cent.

There are now about 168 thousand employees in the Department — 119 thousands servicemen and 49 thousands civilians — who are paid 660 million dollars a year.

Any cut would likely fall more heavily on administrative staffs than on combat forces.

Army officers and planners are expected to resist strongly any proposal to reduce manpower on the ground that more men are needed for civil defence work. The Royal Canadian Air Force also maintains that it will need more personnel to staff seven new heavy radar stations. And the Royal Canadian Navy has had to take ships off the active list to provide crews for the new ships — mostly destroyer-escorts — that are coming off the shipyards.

The Defence Minister, George Pearkes, said that if manpower were reduced, Canada wouldn't have the security it should expect in the event of nuclear attack.



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The \$12 million building, scheduled to open in the fall, is the result of five years of planning and construction. Its policy embraces the housing of the best of international companies and the finest Canadian attractions. Operating as a non-profit enterprise, it answers Toronto's need for a centre of the arts appropriate to a city of a million and a half people.

Through an emphasis on line and colour and an imaginative use of building materials (granite, glass and limestone) the architects and engineers have contrived to give the structure a grace and lightness completely interpretative of its purpose.

Beyond the wide entrance portals is the main lobby running the width of the building and opening into lounge areas that flank the auditorium on three levels. The auditorium, housing a 1,000-seat balcony and a 2,200-seat, raked main floor, is so designed that no patron is further than 124 feet from the stage. The house can be reduced to 1,100 seats by the drawing of an acoustic curtain in front of the balcony.

The stage-floor area is 128 by 60 feet, with a 60-by-30 foot proscenium that can be reduced to 36 by 18 feet. Extensive stage receiving area, stage office and service elevator flank the stage on one side. Dressingrooms and a rehearsal hall are on the other side.

The building has been constructed to exclude estraneous noise and to provide the most favourable acoustic conditions. Sound reinforcement systems are available whenever required. One of the unique features of the auditorium itself is the construction of the theatre side-walls consisting of sliding wood panels, which operate on a system of reflection and absorption. Their position controls the quality of sound through the range of a single human voice to a full orchestra.

A mechanically-elevated orchestra pit has space for fifty musicians. When larger orchestras are required, the pit can be enlarged to accommodate an additional 40 musicians on a level behind the orchestra pit and below the stage. The orchestra pit also can be raised to form a twelve-foot extension to the stage itself, or, at auditorium floor level, an extension of the auditorium, seating an extra 83 patrons. For orchestral performances on stage, a specially-designed acoustic shell can be lowered into position on stage to project sound into the auditorium.

Backstage facilities provide company offices, a rehearsal hall built to stage scale, eight star dressing-rooms and a green room adjacent to the stage. Dressing rooms for 100 chorus members are situated immediately above stage level. Change rooms, rehearsal rooms and locker rooms for orchestra members lie below stage level.

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Another unique feature of the theatre is its equipment for radio and television broadcasting. Control and announcer rooms have been located in strategic places overlooking both stage and rehearsal areas.

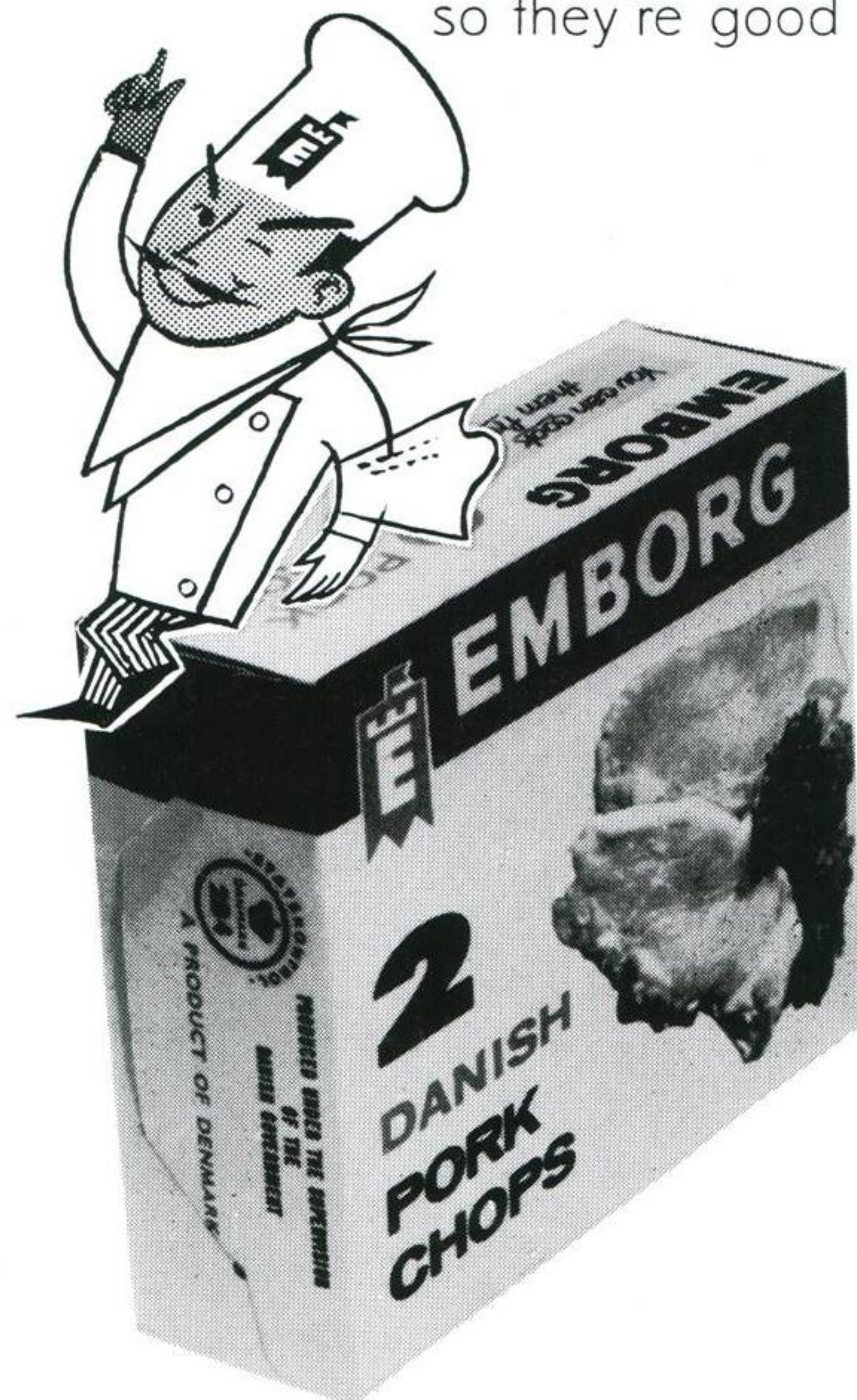
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## August-September Attractions

- Tues. 16th. Aug. "BOBBIKINS"** starring Max Bygraves, Shirley Jones and Steven Stocker is a domestic comedy embellished with songs and presented in CinemaScope. An original and clever story with an engaging youngster. (U)
- Wed. 17th. & Thurs. 18th. "LAST VOYAGE"** starring Robert Stack, Dorothy Malone and George Sanders is a Metrocolor and Metrocolor maritime melodrama woven from the reactions of officers, crew and passengers in a doomed luxury liner. (A)
- Fri. 19th. "ME AND THE COLONEL"** starring Danny Kaye, Curd Jürgens and Nicole Maurey is an intriguing, moving and, at times, immensely funny comedy melodrama about a humble Jew and an arrogant Polish colonel who sink personal differences while seeking to escape from Nazi-occupied Paris. (U)
- Sat. 20th. Children's Matinee. "LONE RIDER"** starring George Houston plus "ANY MAN'S KINGDOM" a short of interest.
- Sun. 21st. & Mon. 22nd. "DAY OF THE OUTLAW"** starring Burl Ives, Tina Louise and Robert Ryan is an outdoor melodrama about a ruthless cattle baron who outwits a bunch of cut-throat army deserters. (A)
- Tues. 23rd. & Wed. 24th. "CIRCUS OF HORRORS"** starring Anton Diffring, Erika Remberg and Yvonne Monlaur is a "Big top" Eastman Color horrific thriller concerning a plastics surgeon who runs it. Strictly for adults. (X)
- Thurs. 25th. & Fri. 26th. "SERGEANT RUTLEDGE"** a Technicolor courtroom melodrama starring Jeffrey Hunter, Constance Towers and Woody Strode and concerns its story with a U.S. officer who defends a Negro sergeant charged with rape and murder. Not suitable for young children. (A)
- Sat. 27th. Children's Matinee. "KID DYNAMITE"** starring East Side Kids plus "NOW HE'LL TELL ONE" (A Charlie Chase comedy).
- Sun. 28th. & Mon. 29th. "CONFESSIONS OF A COUNTER-SPY"** an espionage melodrama starring Ernest Borgine, Kerwin Mathews and Colleen Dewhurst concerns its

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- Tues. 30th. Children's Matinee. Special showing of "AT WAR WITH THE ARMY"** at 14-00 Hrs.
- Thurs. 1st. & Fri. 2nd. Sept. "CONE OF SILENCE"** starring Michael Craig, Elizabeth Seal and Bernard Lee is a civil aviation melodrama about a stalwart young training captain who reverses judgment on a veteran pilot, wrongly reprimanded for take-off slip-up. (U)
- Sat. 3rd. Children's Matinee. "ADVENTURES OF RUSTY"** starring Ted Donaldson plus "FALLEN ARCHES" a Charlie Chase comedy.
- Sun. 4th. & Mon. 5th. "PORK CHOP HILL"** a Korean war melodrama starring Gregory Peck, Rip Torn and Woody Strode centres its story on a U.S. Infantry Company used as a political pawn during truce negotiations with the Reds. (A)
- Tues. 6th. & Wed. 7th. "BEAT GIRL"** starring Adam Faith, Shirley Ann Field and Gillian Hills is a sex melodrama and is for adults only. (X)
- Thurs. 8th. & Fri. 9th. "SEVEN THIEVES"** starring Edward G. Robinson, Joan Collins and Rod Steiger is a CinemaScope romantic adventure about a plot to rob a safe at the Monte Carlo Casino. (A)
- Sat. 10th. Children's Matinee. "SAPS AT SEA"** starring Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy plus "LAUGHING GRAVY" (comedy).
- Sun. 11th. & Mon. 12th. "CARRY ON CONSTABLE"** starring Sidney James, Eric Barker and Joan Sims a burlesque on the Police force it describes the wild antics of three police rookies and a "special", temporarily stationed in the suburbs. (U)
- Tues. 13th. & Wed. 14th. "GOLIATH AND THE BARBARIANS"** is a CinemaScope and Eastman Color action melodrama starring Steve Reeves, Chelo Alonso and Bruce Cabot. Unfolded in sixth century Italy it's about a muscle man who settles hash of warring Kings and tribes. (U)
- Thurs. 15th. & Fri. 16th. "WAKE ME WHEN IT'S OVER"** in CinemaScope and Eastman Color stars Ernie Kovacs, Margo Moore and Dick Shawn. A whacky U.S. Air Force comedy telling of shenanigans on a remote island radio station. (U)

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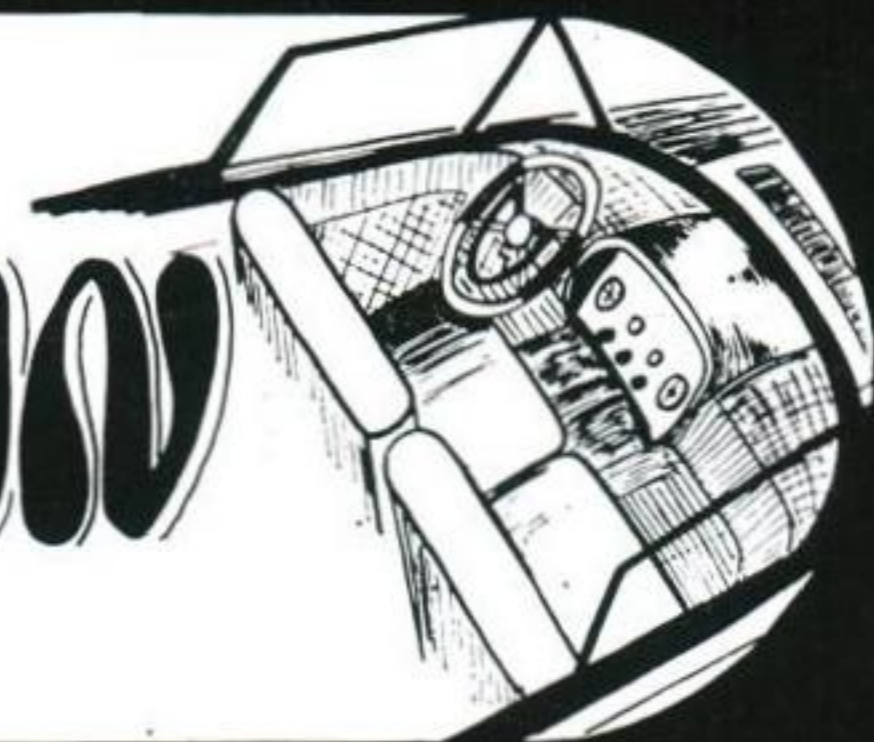
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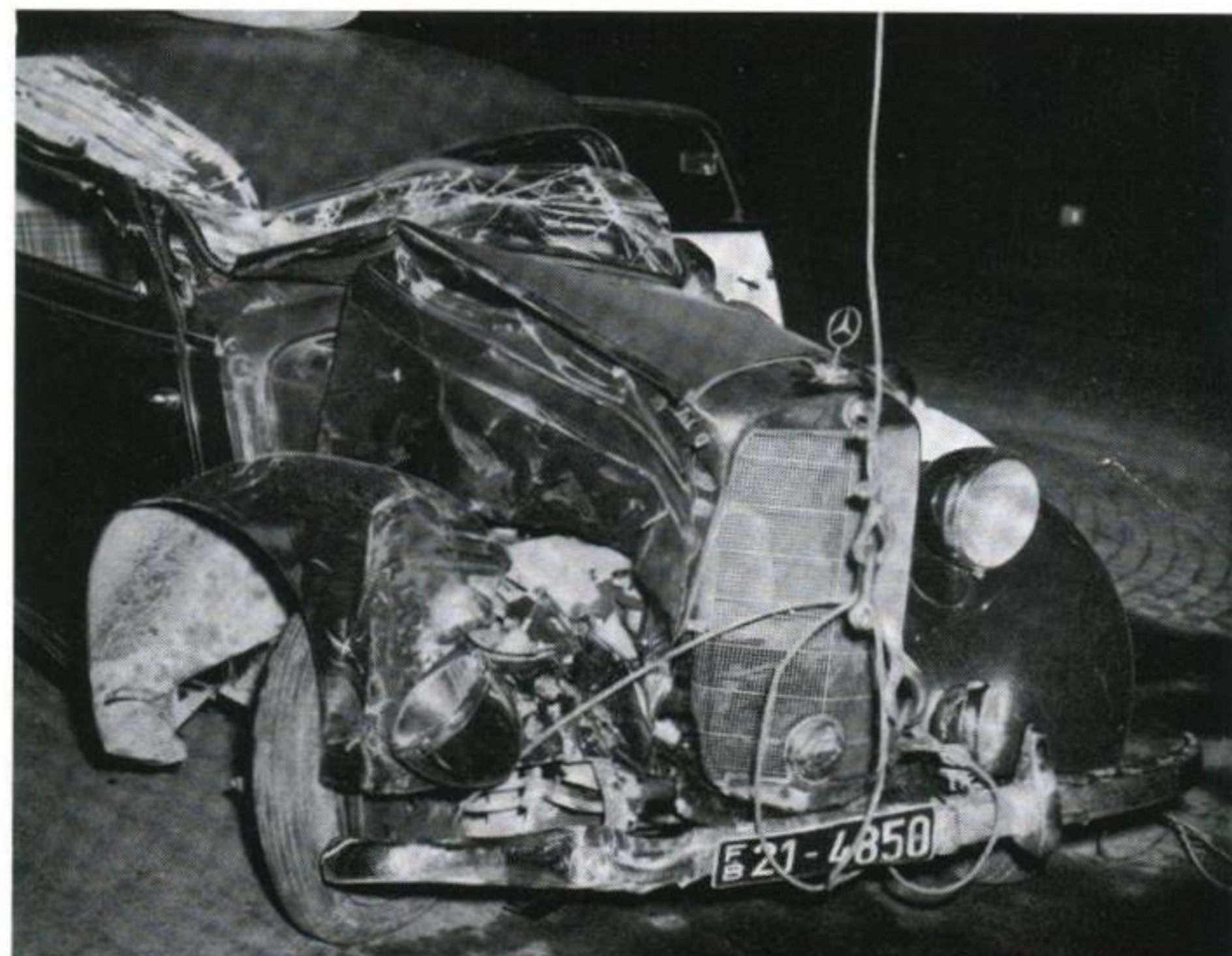


## NIGHT TIME IS WRECK TIME

Statisticians tell us that we are more likely to have an accident at night than during the day-light hours. In a sense this statement would seem incorrect. There is much less traffic on the roads at night. Everyone is home from work, there are fewer bicycles, practically no hand-carts and honey wagons and loads of hay, travelling the highways at night. Yet the fact remains, most of our really serious accidents happen between hours of sunset and sunrise.

Anything that cuts down our ability to see cuts down our ability to protect ourselves. Fog, rain, snow and just plain run-of-the-mill darkness naturally reduce the distance ahead that is within our clear view. Unless we reduce speed to a point where we are under full control within the range of our vision we are taking the kind of gamble that can put us in a morgue. Overdriving the headlights has caused thousands of accidents.

Another cause, and one that can sneak up on us without much advance notice is eye fatigue. Whether we realize it or not, we all suffer from a certain amount of eyestrain on long night trips. Everytime we meet the headlights of an approaching vehicle it calls for a muscular eye adjustment. Every time we read a road sign and every time we pass through a town with its street lights and neon lit buildings, our eyes have



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to adjust. The longer we expose ourselves to the need for these adjustments the slower these adjustments are. Maybe this slowdown is not very great — but it does not have to be, to make a 10 MPH slower speed very important to our well being.

On long night drives, fatigue alone, can cause an accident. Our mind slows down, our reflexes are impaired. Common sense will warn you when you are becoming too tired. Stop and rest, or you may not live to see the sunrise.

Not the least of night time hazards is that of pedestrians, who give drivers credit for being able to see them, when they are almost invisible. Although they are advised to walk on the left side of the road so that they will face approaching traffic, they will continue to dress in dark clothing and amble down the highways with their backs to overtaking drivers. They will step out from between parked cars, and jaywalk across poorly lit streets apparently oblivious to the fact that two or three tons of steel is about to roll them into eternity.

Before we close this subject here are two more tips to safe night driving. Make sure your lights are functioning properly and use them correctly. Don't wear tinted glasses at night. They cut down on light when it's light that you need. The old tried and true slogan is still good.

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## Dear Son and Heir

Happy Labour Day to you, Elmer — that old Latin phrase, "LABOR OMNIA VINCIT" is only partly true; it takes a lot of hard work besides. I suppose RCAF Stn. Huegelsheim will go flying off in all directions for the long holiday weekend — play it cool behind the wheel, son, and don't consider every unopened bottle as a challenge that must be met.

Horace was reading a magazine article last month about tenting and camping in Europe and became so bitten by the bug that he ordered a complete outfit from Ottawa. The whole shebang arrived about three weeks ago and from that day on our quiet life in Hogs Hollow has completely changed. Horace has gone to live in a hotel until things here at home cool down.

It all started when your Ma, Horace and me started off for the Gatineau Hills for the August 1st long weekend. We packed the old car Friday night — Man! was it ever loaded. Horace stood back after we had finished stowing everything and remarked that if his rear end drags as much when he's loaded he was gonna swear off. Incidentally, it was so bad that the Provincial Police stopped us twice because they thought we were running booze over the border.

We were off bright and early Saturday morning with a song in our hearts and our new lederhosen you sent us on backwards (Horace discovered that error very quickly). We drove along for about 200 miles and towards sundown we

found a nice camping park and decided to stay the night. Then the fun (or terror) began — Elmer, I'm sure the French and Iroquois massacres were a picnic compared to our first night of camping. The rain started the moment we had the car unloaded but we were lucky in a way because the lightning helped us to see what we were supposed to be doing.

Horace opened the bag of tent poles and immediately started to sob like a broken old man — he had forgotten to bring the instruction book. Before we were through we had those poles going in every direction and at one time we ended up with a design of a beautiful snowflake — Horace got even more choked up at the beauty of it but one of your Ma's short left jabs shook him out of that trance. We finally strung the clothes line between two trees and hung the tent over that. None of us could figure out why there were two tents in the one bag so the only good reason that we could see was that the smaller one with the rubber floor was the bathroom. Have you any other suggestions, Elmer?

We eventually got settled down like three bugs in a damp rug and Ma rustled around to get supper. Those propane stoves I guess must be awful good but we never did find out because Horace forgot to bring the propane, but cold beans never hurt anybody anyhow.

The icing on the cake came when Ma tried to get out of her sleeping bag and fell and broke her leg. We found out later that she had caught her pyjama leg in the zipper which of course, didn't do much for her equilibrium.

Well, as I said before Horace is staying in a hotel for a few days and I'm keeping away from Ma. We have put the tenting stuff in the attic as a present for you when you come home.

Bye for now, Your Pa

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## *Schuhplattling*

With the approach of September and the Fall season newcomers to the Wing will hear many references to things Bavarian. Such words as Oktoberfest, lederhosen (and golden dew) will soon become familiar names along with Schuhplattling.

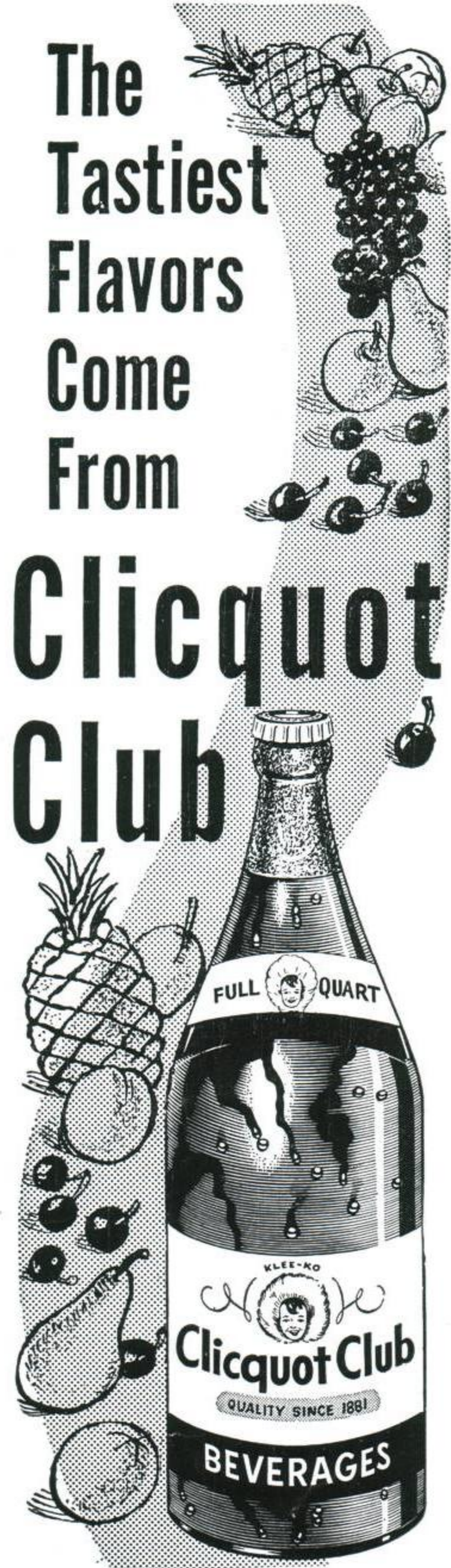
A favourite feature of many floor shows held at clubs and messes on the Wing is an exhibition of Bavarian Schuhplattling — dances which contain a great deal of hard slapping of various parts of the body. Schuhplattling, like all other form of ancient dances, tells a story — mainly about courtship between a boy and a girl. Like real life courtship, the story becomes a little involved, because the course of love rarely runs smoothly.

The "Eifersuchtsplattler" or Jealousy Dance, for example, tells the story of a man who sees another male dancer trying to lure his girl from him. He gets jealous pretty fast and a fight starts with lots of slapping on lederhosen, and shoe-soles while they are busy beating each other, a third man sees the left alone girl and takes advantage of the others preoccupation to dance with her. Soon the battle spreads with the three males fully engaged in slapping each other, until two other maidens appear on the scene. The three males soon get it into their heads there are now three girls for three males, and they could spend their time much more enjoyably by taking a girl each, instead of roughing each other up. And so the folk dance ends on a happy note.

The participants in Schuhplattling — contestants is probably a better word — dress in typical Bavarian costume. The man has his lederhosen while the coy young Fräuleins spin around and swirl in their white blouses, green dirndls, white ruffled petticoats, white knitted stockings and black low-heeled shoes.



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## Archery

Well at last we have some good news for our Archery enthusiasts. We now have our outdoor targets and are able to shoot outdoors when weather permits. Although we need not worry too much about the weather as we always have our indoor range.

Due to the work of our Vice-President LAC McCreary and past Vice-President LAC Turner we now have target stands and covers for the outside targets which saves us the work and time of carting the targets back and forth to the Rec Hall. For some unknown reason someone seems to want these covers more than we do as parts of them keep on disappearing.

Some of the members who have been shooting on the outdoor range seem to be finding a big difference from the indoor one, but with a little more patience and practice they will soon find the centre of the target. So why not all you people interested in Archery come out any Tuesday or Thursday evening and try your skill along with the rest of our members.

## Inter-Section Fastball

With only 4 games to go 419 and the Sgts are still undefeated. The game of the year putting these two invincible teams against each other will be played on Aug 16. The last game of the year — Be sure to see this one. "Its got to be good!" Fans wanting to see base running that IS base running should come out and watch the Sgts, its always good for a laugh. They're good?

Does your pitcher use a legal or illegal delivery 419? A lot of people are wondering. They say the Sgt's are acquiring an out of this world chucker in the Person of Cliff Brown, arriving at 4 (F) Wing on Aug 8.

Keep your heads up Boys — the ball is coming.

### LEAGUE STANDINGS AS OF 26 JULY ARE:

419	—	12	—	0	—	24
SGT'S	—	10	—	0	—	20
422(0)	—	9	—	2	—	18
W/ARMT	—	9	—	2	—	18
AIR/SERV	—	5	—	4	—	10
W/MAINT	—	5	—	6	—	10
W/TEL	—	5	—	6	—	10
601	—	4	—	7	—	8
T/FLIGHT	—	4	—	7	—	8
ME	—	4	—	7	—	8
CPL	—	3	—	8	—	6
422(A)	—	3	—	8	—	6
TECH/S	—	2	—	7	—	4
FIRE HALL	—	2	—	8	—	4
444	—	1	—	8	—	2

## Men's Station Fastball Team

The big news at the moment is the fact that the men have taken over first place in the Air Div League. Since the last writing, they have won four straight games and were on their way to winning two others when the rains came. They have won seven and lost three for fourteen points. On the second of July the Black Watch came to 4 (F) Wing for two games. The first game was a real tight battle, ending in a 5-all tie. This game went nine innings. In the second game, Norm Haney, after pitching the first game, turned around and pitched a nine inning "No Hitter" as 4 (F) Wing came out on top twelve to nil. In all fairness to the Army; they played good ball and I think these were two of the best games seen

here this season. The Army pitcher was sharp but it is hard to change from 40 feet to 46 feet all at once. On the thirteenth of July the team travelled to 3 (F) Wing and defeated them 10-6. Norm Haney also got credit for this victory. He needed help from Ron DeMarco as Ron came on to stem a last inning rally by striking out the final batter. The 23rd saw the boys take two games from Air Div at Metz, by scores of 12-4 and 8-1. In the first game, Ron DeMarco struck out 16 batters and really was helped at the plate by his mates. Bill Gadde and Ken Addis had home runs. Gadde also had a home run in the second game as Norm Haney chucked another victory for the team. The other game was won at 1 (F) Wing on the 17th of July. It was scheduled as a doubleheader but they only managed to complete one game. Norm Haney pitched in this one and the score was 5-2 for 4 (F) Wing. 4 (F) Wing was leading 11-0 in the second game when the rains came down to wash the game out. The league schedule runs out on the 3rd of August, so the team should be well into the finals by the time this is published. The final batting averages will be available at the next printing.

The league standings are as follows:


	P	W	L	T	PTS
4 (F) Wing	12	7	4	0	16
AIR/DIV	13	7	6	0	14
2 (F) Wing	14	6	7	1	13
1 (F) Wing	13	6	7	0	12
3 (F) Wing	12	4	7	1	9

## Golf News

The 4 (F) Wing monthly golf tournament was held on July 14th at the Heidelberg Golf course. A total of 19 players participated, resulting in the following winners.

Low Gross	Low Net
Cpl Allen — 86	F/O Hutton — 77
S/L Mayo — 92	WO1 Yates — 78
F/L Richer — 96	SGT Hewitt — 79
F/O Hogan — 96	<b>Hidden Scores</b>
LAC Goyeau — 96	WO2 Mills
	Cpl McFadyen

All personnel are encouraged to participate in these tournaments, in order that the GOLF COMMITTEE may select the best golfers for the Air Division Tournament at Luxembourg in September. All score cards should be given to the Recreation Centre, in order to establish accurate handicaps.



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## Moose's Views

By LAC Bob Sleigh

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This month pickings are mighty slim as far as squadron news is concerned, so much so that we almost had Bill Penfold whip up a poem as a space filler, so let that be a warning to keep the news coming in.

Last month a small ceremony was held when a former Mooseman, Jim Howard, who now works at the simulator, attained 1000 CF hours.

News keeps filtering through of some of our other recently departed Mooseman and since we have plenty of space available this month perhaps this would be a good time to pass it along. As many of you probably know, our ex flying adjutant, Jim Dale, was granted a permanent commission on the last promotion list, which should give him a badly needed boost while he bats out the Morse in Winnipeg. John Mortimer who is also taking the RO course has by dint of great effort finally reached twenty words a minute in Morse and should very shortly be returning to flying duties with Maritime Command. Still another ex 419 navigator, George Farmer, decided that the RO trade wasn't for him and he turned down a three year extension to become a successful salesman in the Winnipeg area.

The romantic exploits of Jim "lover boy" Cratchley are conversational topics from Prestwick to Copenhagen, as well as here at 4 Wing, and now that his scope to be extended we can imagine that his golf game is going to suffer terribly. While we would like to recount some of Jim's amorous adventures in this column, you can appreciate that they don't make for family reading so you'll have to find your own sources.

With a break in the weather and a little livening up on the social scene we hope to have a little more to report in next month's article.

Well here it is August already and the summer is just about over. Perhaps it is just as well, we may get some nice weather now. Most of us at the hangar have been waiting for the summer months to roll around so one could go on holidays and explore Europe. A word of advice if you are camping, take some extra blankets along.

Well, let's see what's going on at Moose's Maintenance. Sorry to have omitted last month's article, but yours truly was off on leave touring Holland. So this will be a little of last month's gossip plus some of this month's.

Last month a birth was announced by Cpl. James McGovern and the hangar was able to breathe easier. I guess James finally broke the "her" and now has a new son to go along with his three girls. I guess Jean will have to a couple more boys to even things up a bit eh Jim? Congratulations from all of us and you can now rest assured you'll only go home with "FOUR".

A few more postings have been allotted to the Moosemen and also a few have departed already which should have been mentioned last month. LAC Ratchford has left us for Trenton with his Opel Caravan complete with curtains. Sgt. A.P. Marshall has left us for Calgary instead of Namao. F/S Millar acquired at first 408 Sqdn. in Rockcliffe but now finds himself going to Trenton instead along with Cpl. McGovern. Maybe you'll stay a little longer in Trenton this time Jim.

Well with a few of the personnel now checked out at Wiesbaden in the decompression chamber will find their pay increased each month when they take to the airways. So far a few of the crews have gotten flips. Cpl. "Honker" Hansen was among the first chosen and said he had a very pleasant trip except when he had to burp and all of his dinner accidentally came up. Don Major and Purdy had their flip. John Cottingham had his and Cpl. Don Adams is still talking about his flip and how he withstood all the G's and G.C.A. approaches.

The 419 Ball Club has been going at a very fast clip and as to date they have won 13 games and lost none. We have two games left to play and the last one being against the Sgts. Mess team. To my dismay I have to have my article in before we play these unfortunates. But by the time next month's Fliieger comes out, I guess the "Three Strippers" will know

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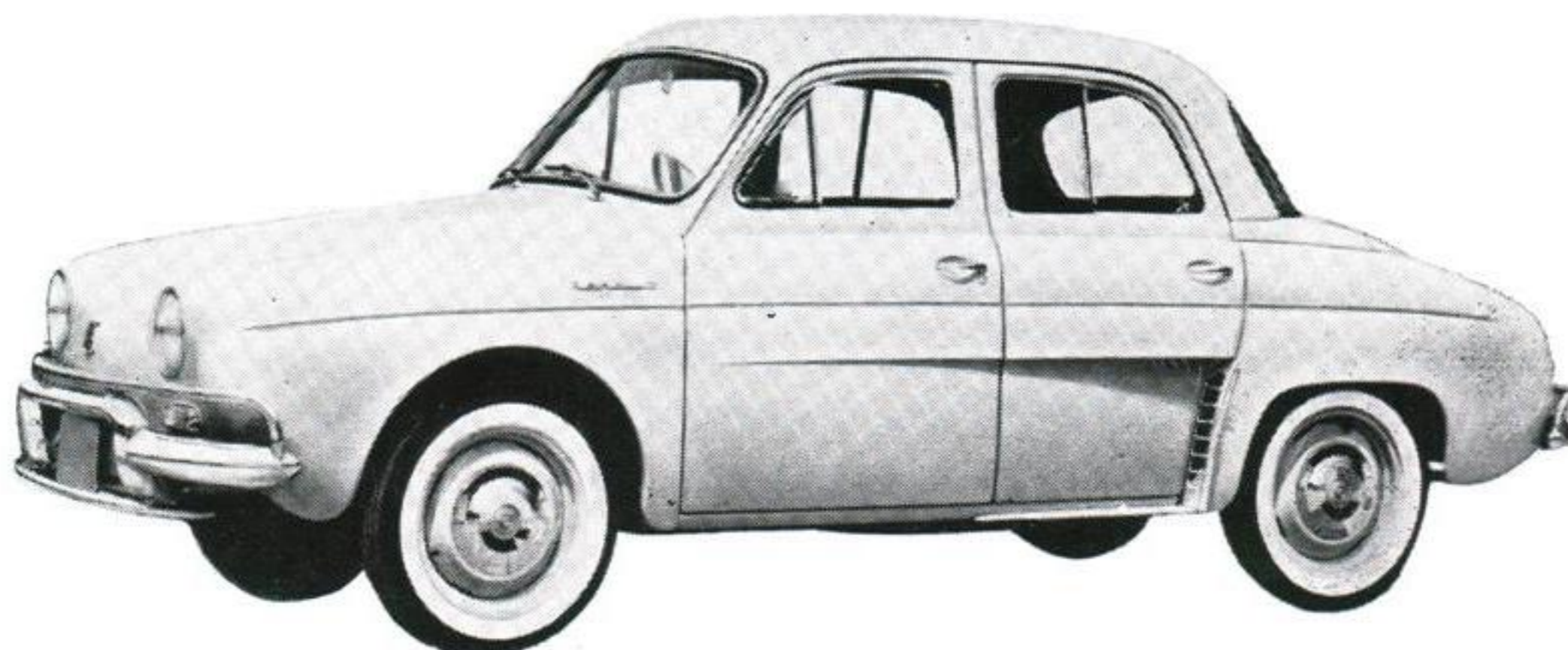
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just where they stand. As this article goes to press, the Sgts. haven't lost a game either.

Seems a few of the boys were taking their coffee break a few minutes earlier than one was supposed to. F/S Millar and Sgt. "Shoo" MacLennan inform me that that's the reason why they leave the hangar for coffee break so early. But it seems to be disappointing for as yet they were unable to find anyone over at the canteen but themselves!!!

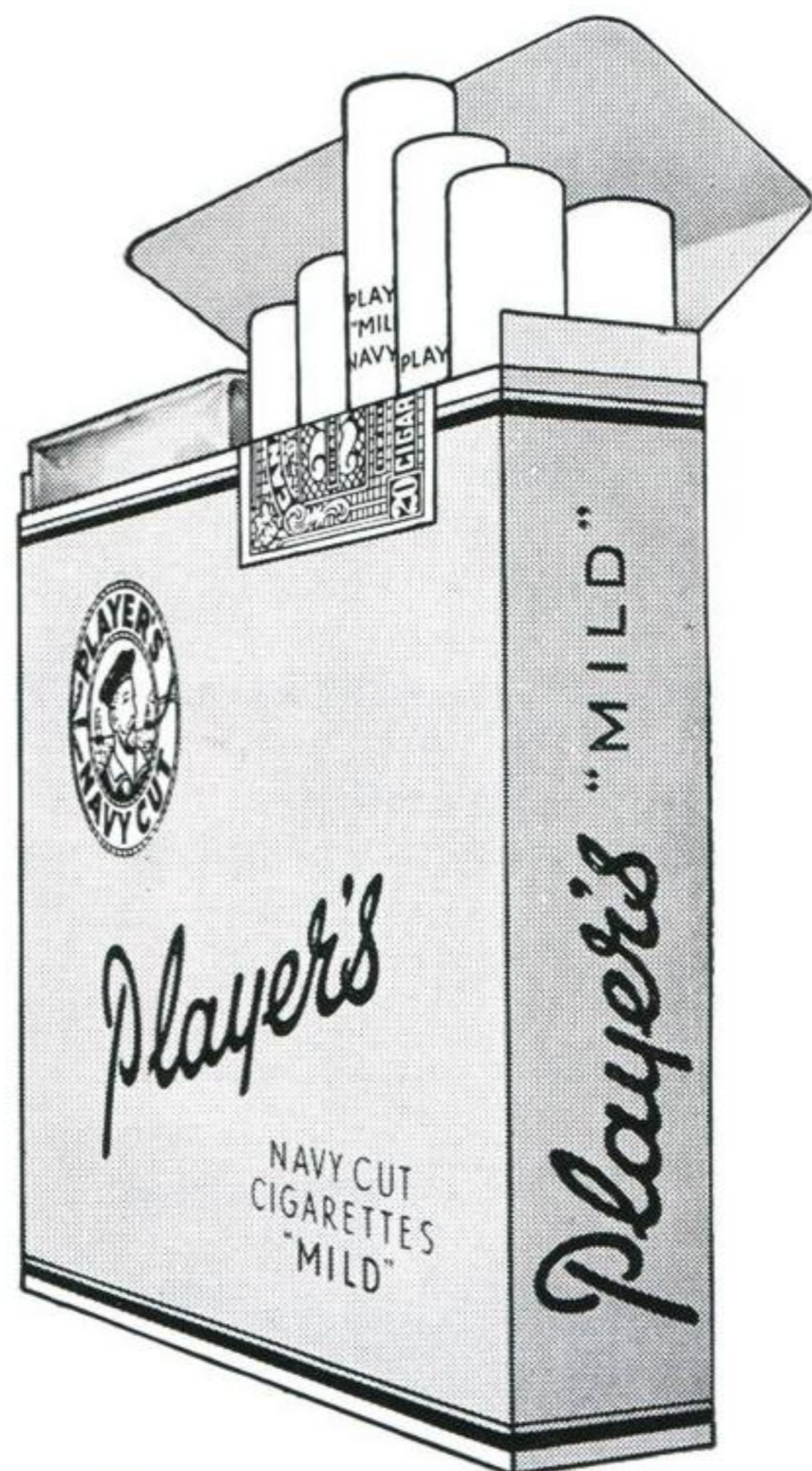
Cpl MacGovern and crew went to all the trouble to take that old wooden locker affair out of the smoke room and convert it into a store platz for grease cans, etc. Only to have the idea shot down in flames by the higher ups. The idea is good Jim but the locker isn't.

There also seems to be quite a problem over the hangar clean-up lately. It seems that when the allied trades and fitters are on clean-up the riggers do most of it anyway. Oh well, I hear it's all straightened out now and everyone knows exactly what to do eh Mac!

A certain Volkswagen (red in color) is seen quite frequently parked at the ice arena when there is roller skating. I guess the owner of said car must be trying to lose some weight so as to sit more comfortably in his little puddle jumper eh "Buzz".

Some new bodies have come to us from various stations across Canada, joining the mighty Moosemen. F/S Armstrong came to us from Camp Borden awhile back and from Stn. Winnipeg, Cpl. Atkins, AFT. Two electricians LAC Suekla from Stn. Saskatoon and LAC Milner from Stn. Gimli. One rigger has come to us from Stn. Cold Lake, LAC Symonds who joins Cpl. Adams and crew on mods. Also coming to our platz from Wing Maintenance, an Instrument Tech - LAC Brubacher.

A huge crowd enjoyed themselves at the recent 419 Squadron party, held at the Red Ox in Kuppenheim. The affair was twofold and also served as a going away party for our O.C. W/C Brown who departs for Metz. To our loss is Metz's



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by F/O R.D. Glen

It happened again! The 444 SMU lost another member. This month F/O Chet Randall was married to Miss Jackie MacDonald. The ceremony, which took place in the Roman Catholic Chapel was performed by F/L Corbett. As the couple left the church 422 Sqn made an impressive and well timed fly past. At the Bockbeutel Gasthaus where the reception was held, F/O Terry Kuch, the best man read the telegrams that had arrived. Unfortunately the SMU was foiled in its attempt to kidnap the bride as F/C Dave Hilborne supplied Shaky with the getaway car. To Jackie and Chet Triple Four wishes the very best of happiness and good fortune in the future.

Congratulations are in order for Carol and Bud Granley as the stork has brought them a bouncing baby boy.



F/O and Mrs. C. Randall

gain and the groundcrew represented by LAC Lohnes presented W/C Brown with a tray with the Moose's Crest in inlaid wood. F/S Millar presented Mrs. Brown with a bouquet of roses and S/L Selby representing the Air Crew gave our O.C. a silver Cocktail Shaker. All in all, the party was quite a success and many thanks go out to the Entertainment Committee consisting of F/O Beck, Cpl. Hansen, Cpl. McGovern and Cpl. Hess.

Well that's about it for this month. So until September we'll be seeing you. Have yourself a ball. CHOW!!!

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