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Mr. MacCrea Writes From England

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Hi Herald Page, Andover News -

A rather tardy, but sincere, Happy New Year wish to you all. This is really a pretty late letter; one which I had hoped to get off to you at Christmas time. As it turned out, we had to take advantage of the holiday season to see some more of England - and since the return to school, I've had very little time to myself at all.

We made a visit to the ruins of a Castle at Tintagel (Tintagel) in Cornwall and what a really great experience it was! The castle is built on rocks high above the sea on the North Cornish coast. Here, King Arthur's Court was supposed to have been established - and what a magnificent castle it must have been - 1400 years ago. There's a certain sadness about the place. The wind blows terribly fierce - and to climb upon the highest ground in order to take a picture means bracing oneself pretty well. Rory lost his hat to the sea here - and what a sea it is! - crashing against the Cornish rocks far below, even the sea gulls finding the going more than just a bit rough. As for the Castle itself - time has worked on the rocks to make them not unlike the cliffs upon which they're built. In fact - they have become one with nature. All I could think was "sic transit gloria mundi". Believe me - such a sight has a pretty humbling effect upon one.

We managed to get up to Wells - to see the really fine Cathedral there. The town itself is as interesting as the cathedral. It still retains a pretty medieval atmosphere: towers, arched gateways, cobbled-walks, leaded windows - and all that one connects with the age of Cathedrals. Yet mothers push "prams", and bicycles and cars remind the visitor that this is not a great "museum", but a thriving 20th century town. Teenagers in mini-skirts, long sideburns on the boys, all conjure up a great instant panorama of English History.

What about this side of English life, while I'm on the subject? Does England Swing? Yes - I suppose that it does, really - although teenagers complain that there's "nothing to do". Most are vaguely aware that England has been a "swinging" place for a long, long time. The antics of the restoration era are nothing to be sneezed at - and the "Beau Brummel" period certainly didn't consist largely of, what might be called, "Deadheads". But - English people think of America as the "Swingingest" - and I'm afraid that the impressions given by our T.V. films, Western Movies, etc., haven't done us too much good abroad. Films of the Al Capone, Elliot Ness days seem to have created a wide-spread idea that America is a pretty "lawless" land - and the telecasts of last summer's racial violence seem to have sealed the matter in many minds. Many young English people plan to emigrate; many to Australia or New Zealand, some to Canada, I meet very few who are interested in America. "A country which seems to have grown up too fast", a sixth year boy said the other day. On the other hand, the English seem very interested in meeting Americans and they're full of questions. They simply aren't interested in trying ever to make a life in America.

This can be more easily understood once one sees what things are really important to them. "An Englishman's house is his castle", it is said. We say the same thing, but I think that the English put even greater emphasis on this. In Devon I see roads which twist to avoid an old cottage or a nice section of stone-wall. Is it because they simply lack of heavy equipment to knock the walls down? No - I'm afraid that it's something much deeper than that. I see people having their roofs re-thatched. A good

thatching will last for 30 years, I'm told. Yet - the insurance companies hate thatch for obvious reasons. Too - they aren't always good for roof timbers. Yet people go to a really great expense to re-thatch. The American approach would be to say, "Well - I know it was thatch - but asphalt-asbestos will be cheaper, lower my fire insurance and do a better job". We agree that this is the practical, the "American", thing to do. At this point, I hate to sound treasonous, but I can't help admiring the "re-thatch" principle. If a man weighs all of the evidence and decides that home wouldn't look like home without thatch, I reckon he has a right to thatch - and more power to him for following his idea. Consider too - that beneath that thatch may be a housefull of "treasures" from 100 to 700 years of age. Much is modern - very modern, in England - but the approach is one of more caution: a place to build the new, a place for the old. If the old ceases to have any function it may need to be replaced.

England is having more than her share of troubles: the oil slick of last summer, the dock strikes of a few months ago which tied up millions of Pounds worth of Exports, a foot and mouth disease epidemic which has crippled the Beef industry, French efforts to undermine British efforts to enter the Common Market, devaluation of the Pound, withdrawals from former Colonies, serious floods - and now a Flu epidemic which has hit one-third of the labour force in urban areas.

You may have heard of the "Back Britain" campaign started by three stenographers who offered to work a half hour extra each day without pay. The next day over two-thirds of the employees in the same firm agreed to do the same. The result: The management was able to lower prices by 1% - rather than raise them 5% to meet the cost of devaluation. The idea spread - and continues to spread. Some labour union officials are scoffing at the idea, but it seems to be working - allowing companies to accept devaluation with out severe price hikes. What I like about it is the positive approach at a time when negativism reigns supreme. I like too - the idea that three girls felt that they could do something to help their country. It's much in keeping with what Kennedy was trying to say, I think: "Ask not what your country can do for you, but rather what you can do for your country". I think that we need to think more on these things - and along these lines.

We are becoming more and more aware that Britain is not simply a land of twisting lanes, cottages, and picturesque sifing villages - but a very modern country with some very modern problems, as well. As I said, many young people plan to emigrate. On the other hand, there are some pretty fine people who plan to stay and fight it all out somehow. It's really a question of taste; a matter of opinion, as to who is the greater "pioneer" - The man who swings an axe in a new forest, or the man who plants trees in an old land. How about Allegany County? It appeared to me, some time ago, that it has as much to offer as Alaska or the "golden" - now swinging, West. It depends on what you're looking for - and how you aim to get it. Similarly - I'm quite convinced that "There'll Always be an England".

My Very Best to you in this year As Ever Wm. MacCrea

Cafeteria Menu

February 5 - 9
MONDAY: Spaghetti & Meat Sauce, Vegetable, Bread and Butter, Juice, Milk
TUESDAY: Cream of Potato Soup or Vegetable Bean Soup, Cheese Sandwich, Juice, Milk
WEDNESDAY: Oven Fried Chicken Parsely Potatoes, Vegetable, Bread and Butter, Juice,

Editorial

by Mary Ellen Corwin
Of Ambition Frustrated

Why so discouraged, young man? Ah, so you have been thwarted at your goals. Well, you should not be so downcast. Why, the greatest of men did not always succeed in all their endeavors.

Let me give you some advice, young man. You now are at the advantage of your fellows. For they, having been successful, now bathe in self-pride, while you, once defeated, have learned humility. Now you, too, may go and be successful. With self-confidence and self-respect, upon achieving your goals, you will not gloat in your achievements, but share them. You, knowing defeat, will achieve a greater success and happiness upon accomplishment. Only with hard work and self-assurance will your goals become realities. Now, go, young man, and succeed.

Downbeats

February 3 will mark the sixteenth Annual High School Concert and the fourth year of participation of the Elementary group. The All-County Band has been rehearsed by Steuart Folts of Fillmore Central School and by Glen Sprague of Alfred-Almond Central School. Guest conductor for the band at the Concert will be Gary Sprague, of Gowanda Central School.

The All-County Choir will be conducted by Joseph Crupi of Horseheads Central School. The group was rehearsed by Mrs. Donald Strach, of Belmont Central School and by Richard Kennedy of Fillmore Central School. Mr. Kennedy is also president of the Allegany County Music Association. Accompanists for the Choir will be Miss Laurel Grastorf and Miss Cindy Preston of Belmont and Andover Central Schools respectively.

The Sixth Grade All-County Choir has been rehearsed by Miss Natalie Wood of Alfred-Almond Central School and by Dale Miller of the Fillmore faculty, both of whom will also conduct the Choir during the Concert. Accompanists for the Choir will be Nyela Barney, a sixth grade student from Fillmore and Susan Burgett, a seventh grade pupil from Andover.

Students from our school participating in these events are: Band - Mary Howland and Linda Leon.

Senior Choir - Susan Reil, Susan McClure, Cheryl Pelton, Richard Godown, Tom Polmateer, Jeff Stephens and Robert Post.

Sixth Grade Choir - Elaine Pearson, Jeff Petrie, and Susan Herr.

Also, on February 28, twenty-one students from Andover will attend the Alfred University Music Clinic. This should prove to be a very educational trip.

We wish all the students participating in these events the best of luck!

Purple And White

by Bob Brown

Last Friday night the Panthers traveled to second place Friendship. After Friendship built up a twelve-point lead we began to settle down. We cut the lead to three points in the third quarter only to see it go back up to twelve. The final score was 71-53 Friendship.

High scorer was John Hames with 25 points. Miles had 21 for Friendship.

The Panthers are now 6 - 5 over-all and 3 - 4 on the league.

Our next game is Friday night, February 2nd at home with Fillmore. We'll be looking for a big upset! Come out and support the team!

Butter, Salmon Pattie with Cat-sup, Vegetable, Bread and Butter, Juice, Milk

Tuesday: Potato Chips, Sauerkraut and Wieners, Bread and Butter, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday: Mashed Potatoes, and

Cub News

In the first game between the Celtics and the Royals, the Celtics won 26 to 19. The hot shooter for the Celtics was David Ormsby with 12 points. There was added help from Fred Perry with 8 and little Bob Jackson came up with 6. The hot shooter for the Royals was Jim MacMichael with 15 points and another little man Pat Mulconery came up with 4 points. Neither of the teams were in foul trouble.

The second game was a real thriller between the Warriors and Lakers with the Warriors defeating the Lakers with a close score of 19 to 14. John Hyland led his team with 12 points followed by Tom Wallace, with 9 points and Dave Buchholz with two. For the Lakers Mike Jackson was held down to 6 points for his losing team. He had good support from Fred Brown and Allen Green who both had four. The cheerleaders did a great job of supporting their team.

In the standings there is a three-way tie for first between the Lakers Celtics and the Warriors with each team winning 2 and losing 1. The Royals are in second place.

Assembly

The Grades K - 12 will have the pleasure of seeing Kobelle, the Magician, on Wednesday, February 7, at 2:45 P. M.

Oratorical Contest

The District Oratorical Contest scheduled for February 9th at Attica Junior High School has been changed to Sunday February 18, at 2:00 P. M.

Gossip says nothing in a way that leaves nothing unsaid.

Swimming News

Last Thursday night, the Andover Swim Team dropped its ninth meet of the season. This time the loss was at the hands of Hornell. Andover only succeeded in taking one first place, and that they had to share. The 400 Free Relay ended in a tie with Deak Godown coming from behind to catch Hornell with a time of 4:25.2.

Hornell 72 1/2 - Andover 21 1/2
Med Relay - Howell 2:13.5
200 Free - Park (H), R. Godown (A), Dodge (H) 2:18.3
60 Free - McElheny (H), R. Barnes (A), D. Barnes (A) 2:28.8
200 Int. Med. - Galatio (H), Hin (H), Greene (A) 2:42.7
Diving - Platt (H), Brown (A) 83.70
100 Butterfly - Hendee (H), McElheny (H), McCormick (A) 1:19.8
100 Free - McElheny (H), Cropp (H), Lee (A) 1:23.7
100 Back - Hanson (H), Schio (H), Barnes (A) 1:13.5
400 Free - Patti (H), Green (A), Camp (H) 5:14.1
100 Breast - Galatio (H), Burdell (H), DeRemer (A) 1:18.5
400 Free Relay - Andover and Hornell

Andover - R. Godown, G. Rossman, D. Leon, D. Godown
Hornell - Hin, McElheny, Hin, Dodge

Hemlock, fir and pine, used as a hedge or garden trees, become sleeping and hiding places for bluejays and cardinals during the winter.

An acre of water one inch deep weighs 100 tons.

It takes 23 gallons of water to refine one gallon of gasoline.

SKI TIPS
KICKTURN
By Ace Manley
Director, Big Bromley Ski School
The Kickturn is a complete change of direction from a standstill. It is the fastest way for a skier to turn around in a stationary position.
If he is on a slope, the skier stands with skis horizontal to the slope. With skis parallel, both poles are placed in front of the skier at almost arms' length.
One ski, in this case the downhill ski, is kicked forward and up in the air until the tail of the ski is set in the snow near the tip of the uphill ski. Without any hesitation, the downhill ski is pivoted downhill and swung around behind the skier to face the tail of the uphill ski.
Meanwhile, the downhill pole has been planted in the new uphill position.
As the uphill pole is then brought to a full arms' length on the downhill side, the original uphill ski, in one quick motion, is swung around flat and placed in parallel position with the original downhill ski.
The skier should now be facing in the opposite direction from which he started the Kickturn.
Next: "Straight Downhill Running Position"