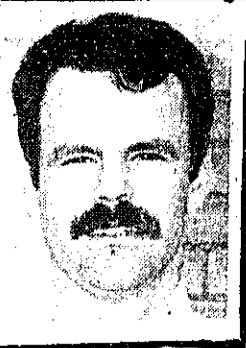


PEDALING AROUND

He who laughs last

By Mike Eliasohn



Odds and ends:
I am writing this Thursday, July 10, so my prediction will probably be known by the time you read this. Feel free to laugh if it is appropriate.

I predict Ronald Reagan will select New York Congressman Jack Kemp, co-author of the Kemp-Roth plan to cut taxes 30 percent over three years, as his vice-presidential running mate. Compromise to Reagan, a California conservative, means selecting a New York conservative as his running mate.

One reason I can't stand Reagan and his ultra righting supporters is that they don't believe in compromise. There is only one position on an issue and everyone who has a different point of view is wrong.

As an example, I offer Mary Crisp, the outgoing Republican National Committee co-chairman. In her farewell remarks last week, she criticized the direction the party was taking because of the platform committee's endorsement of a constitutional amendment to ban abortion and failure to endorse the Equal Rights Amendment. Asked to comment by reporters, Reagan criticized Mrs. Crisp for being disloyal to the Republican Party. Four years ago, when Republican Gerald Ford was in the White House, Ronald Reagan exhibited his loyalty to the party by running against Ford for the presidential nomination.

The best part of the Republican convention in Detroit presumably won't (didn't) get on television. It was Glen Campbell and Tanya Tucker singing the National Anthem at 11 a.m. Monday at the opening of the convention. (If that needs an explanation, don't bother to ask.)

A common complaint by American automakers and their supporters is the Japanese make it very difficult to sell American cars in Japan. A recent article in AutoWeek points out it might not make much difference if Japan removed all its tax barriers against imported cars.

Japanese buyers are very particular about the quality of the cars they purchase, so the few American car dealers in Japan have to spend hours fixing such things as blemished paint and badly fitted moldings before the cars can be sold. The General Motors importer in Tokyo spends an average of 12 hours per car doing such work.

To sell American cars there on a large scale, they would have to be converted to put the steering wheel on the right side. The Japanese also have different emission standards than here.

Did you know that General Motors, Ford and Chrysler all have a financial interest in Japanese car companies? Ford owns a chunk of the firm that builds the Mazda, not of Toyota, with whom it is negotiating about possibly building Toyotas in this country. Henry Ford I must be spinning in his grave.

In the May 22 issue, we ran an old photograph of all the students, lined up in front of the old Gagetown school. The photo's owner, Iva Peterson, thought it was taken 52 or 53 years ago. The photo has now been positively identified by some who were in it as having been taken in 1924. They will now have another opportunity to test their memories. In this issue if there is room, otherwise in a future issue, is another old Gagetown school photo belonging to Mrs. Peterson, possibly taken in 1925 or 1926.

Ritter in Ann Arbor Art Fair

A former Cass City man will be participating in the 21st annual Ann Arbor Art Fair July 23-26.

Richard Ritter, of Bakersville, N.C., will be displaying his glass work at the fair, which draws participants from around the nation.

The fair, which began in 1964, has grown so much that the number of artists allowed to participate has been limited to approximately 300.



FREE SAVINGS - With the opportunity to receive a free savings account, during Mutual Savings' grand opening celebration, this was the line-up outside its new Cass City office Friday, the second day of the promotion.

3 stand mute in Circuit Court to criminal charges

Three persons stood mute at their arraignments Monday before Tuscola County Circuit Judge Norman A. Baguley.

Thomas Lee Kemp, 17, of 149 W. Grant Street, Caro, was arraigned on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon.

A plea of innocent was entered and pretrial hearing scheduled Aug. 25. Bond was continued.

Kemp is charged with assaulting Henry Bohm June 9 at his (Kemp's) address

James A. Blakely, 27, of 6800 Hess Road, Vassar, was arraigned on a charge of obstructing, resisting, opposing, assaulting, beating or wounding a police officer.

The incident with which he is charged took place June 8 in Vassar township and involved Deputy Curtis Chambers while he was attempting to maintain peace.

A plea of innocent was entered for Blakely, for whom a pretrial hearing was scheduled Aug. 25. Bond was continued.

Michael J. Linder, 22, of Waterman Road, Vassar, stood mute to a charge of violation of probation. A plea of innocent was entered, with bond continued, and a date for a hearing to be set.

Linder was placed on 36 months' probation in October, 1977, for attempted receiving and concealing stolen property.

He is charged with having violated probation by failing to report to his probation officer in September, 1979, and by associating with someone that month whom he was not supposed to associate with.

A defense petition in behalf of Thomas P. Myshock to allow appointment and payment of an expert investigator was approved, provided the payment does not exceed \$200.

Myshock, 34, of 4987 Poplar Street, Fairgrove, is charged with armed robbery and possession of a firearm while committing a felony in connection with the Feb. 27 robbery of Zabriskie's Market in Watrousville. His jury trial starts Monday.

The charge stemmed from entering of a Juniata Baptist church bus Jan. 17.

The following day, a jury found Albert D. Romain, 32, of Dutcher Road, Caro, guilty of uttering and publishing.

Baguley continued bond until sentencing Aug. 25.

The charge was in connection with writing of a bad check for \$400 Dec. 3, drawn on the Peoples State Bank of Caro.

Rolston pleaded guilty to two counts of the charge April 7, for having damaged the mailboxes of Eugene Otulakowski and Sandy Bergman on Kelly Road, Novesta township, Jan. 27.

Although the government has set up specific times for men to register, depending on the month they were born, Glaspie said men can register anytime during the two-week period.

The times are designed to avoid confusion and long lines but since there are not large numbers of eligible men from this area, crowds should not be a problem, Glaspie said.

THE REGISTRATION process itself is fairly simple, he pointed out. After obtaining a card from a postal employee, the registrant fills it in and has it checked by the clerk to insure it is properly and completely filled out. It is then signed and dated by the registrant.

Some form of standard identification, such as a driver's license, must also be checked before the registration is validated, Glaspie said.

The form requires the registrant's name, permanent and current address, telephone number, Social Security number and date of birth. Approximately 90 days after registering, the registrant will receive a letter certifying the information has been entered into the computer.

No draft cards will be issued.

BEGINNING IN 1981, all men born in 1962 must register and after that registration will take place when one reaches the age of 18.

Glaspie said he does not expect the registration to cause any problems for regular postal patrons but he will have a special line for registrants in the event there is a flood of applicants. Another aspect of the process that must be made clear, he said, is men can register at any post office. It need not be their local one.

"If the family is vacationing in California, for instance, he can register out there. He doesn't have to wait to get home," Glaspie said.

The only persons not required to register are members of the active armed forces, cadets or midshipmen at the service academies and non-immigrant aliens.

JURY TRIALS

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DISTRICT COURT

Randy Rolston, 18, of 2747 Bach Road, Cass City, was ordered Monday by Judge Richard F. Kern to pay restitution totaling \$36 for malicious destruction of property under \$100. Rolston pleaded guilty to two counts of the charge April 7, for having damaged the mailboxes of Eugene Otulakowski and Sandy Bergman on Kelly Road, Novesta township, Jan. 27.

Legion Auxiliary installs officers

Thirteen members of the American Legion Auxiliary answered roll call Monday evening when that group met with Mrs. Reva M. Little. Business of the meeting included installation of officers for the coming year by Elgene Keller, past unit and past district president. She was assisted by Lilah Wilhelm.

headed by Elizabeth Stine as president. Gifts were presented to Mrs. Keller and to retiring president Reva M. Little. Treasurer Marion McCloy read an annual report. The door prize went to Frankie Anker. At the close of the meeting, a potluck lunch was served. The next meeting will be Sept. 8 at the home of Mrs. McCloy.

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