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Sunshine Coast residents protest ferry rate increases

by DOUG SEWELL

Five representative of the various local governments in the Sunshine Coast and Powell River regions are attempting to organize a meeting with Transport and Communication Minister Jack Davis to make known their opposition to the increases of up to 217% in the Howe Sound - Jervis Inlet Ferry service as announced by Davis last Monday. At Tuesday's Gibsons council meeting Mayor Labonte stated that he had agreed to the proposal and Alderman Stu Metcalfe added that he believed the Horseshoe Bay - Langdale run was virtually self sufficient and that we were in effect subsidizing the Vancouver Island services.

At Sechelt council it was noted that the move will cause many hardships to those who depend on Vancouver for vital services, will raise the cost of goods in local stores and will have a severe effect on the local tourist trade which supports much of the population. Sechelt Mayor Harold Nelson agreed that it was necessary to have an audience with the minister and hoped that Powell River council and the Powell River Regional District would join the two villages and the SCRD at the talks.

The new fares announced by Davis last week eliminate the commuter fare and raise the per passenger rate from the present $2 by a 100% increase to $4 for the double ferry trip. For all passenger vehicles under 6'5" in height the rate will go to $10 per vehicle and $4 per driver, an increase of 75% for regular traffic and 133% for commuter card holders.

For passenger and recreational vehicles over 6'5" the rate will go to $15 per vehicle with an additional $4 per driver for a total of $19 for the double ferry trip to Powell River or return trip from Horseshoe Bay to Langdale, an increase of 217% for those who currently hold commuter cards. Trailers will jump from the current $6 plus 65¢ per foot to a base rate of $10 plus 75¢ per foot over the 20 foot limit. Motorcycles will double to $4 but bicycles will still go free.

Commercial vehicles, though not hit as hard as private users, will rise by an average 37%, a price hike which will be passed along to local residents by way of increases in freight rates for local merchants. The bus fares will remain virtually unaffected, except for the $2 passenger increase.

MLA Don Lockstead, as NDP transport critic, has been strongly opposed to the increases since the intention to review the rates was announced in February.

In a press statement issued last Monday Lockstead claimed that the increases "pose a serious threat to the standard of living of residents of Vancouver Island and the Mainland coast." Lockstead went on to claim that at a time when all levels of government are calling for restraint that increases in the cost of travel on public ferries are reprehensible and entirely unacceptable.

The MLA also claimed that the increases in commercial rates will have to be passed along to the consumer and that a major reduction in tourist travel to ferry serviced areas will follow the increases.

Robert Christopher, manager of Peninsula Transport's Vancouver office informed Coast News that the new increases will mean a raise of approximately four percent in the cost of local freight. Through bulk buying the cost of food should remain fairly constant as the suppliers pay the freight bill, but the cost of catalogue ordering and larger purchases from local merchants will reflect this rise in transportation costs.

Undoubtedly the most severe affect of Davis's proposal will be the damage to the local tourist industry as a result of the higher fares. Few families are going to be willing to lay out the necessary $25-$30 for ferry travel for a long weekend on the Sunshine Coast. Larry Curtis of Lowe's Resort at Madeira Park feels that a decrease of 25% in camper and trailer traffic will hit the Pender Harbour area and that many summer residents may be forced to reconsider their position. Other local developers and real estate men also expect that there could be quite a few summer residences up for sale in the near future. Curtis added that on top of a surplus of camper spots the resort owners may also be faced with a shortage of rental accommodation on the long weekends when many tourists will feel it isn't worthwhile to bring their trailers or campers for such a short stay. The main worry of the resort owners however, is the threat of strike which is also plaguing the ferry fleet. If the loss of business from a strike is added to the loss of revenue from the increases many of the local resorts may be forced out of business.

John Hoff of Madeira Marina echoes Curtis's comments but does not share his colleague's optimism. Hoff feels that the decrease in camper and trailer business will be close to 50%, and that half the resort's trailer spots could be permanently vacant, except at peak periods, because of the increase.

Other local services such as the Sechelt Host Rent-a-car and a number of tourist oriented restaurants will also feel the pinch. Many local business owners are seriously considering cutting back on their usual hiring of summer staff because of the coming decrease in business.

In interviews conducted on Thursday many local residents expressed the idea that the in-

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LAST WEEK'S WEATHER

	Low	High	Rain
May 1	10C	20C	16.5mm
May 2	9C	12C	2.0mm
May 3	7C	15C	2.0mm
May 4	7C	12C	4.3mm
May 5	6C	15C	nil
May 6	6C	15C	nil
May 7	7C	16C	nil
Week's rainfall 24.8mm		1976 - 582.8mm	

Late night runs on new schedule?

A proposed schedule made available last week by B.C. Ferries sources adds two new ferries to the Langdale - Horseshoe Bay run and institutes late night sailings from both sides of Howe Sound.

The new timetable shows the Queen of New Westminster making twelve trips per day and either the Queen of Tsawwassen or the Queen of Langdale making the other 14 daily sailings.

Schedule changes include the elimination of the 6:45 a.m. sailing from Langdale and addition of a late night sailing from Horseshow Bay at 12:30 a.m. and Langdale at 11:20 p.m. on Fridays, Sundays and Holidays. The 7:55 and 8:40 a.m. sailings from Horseshoe Bay have also been eliminated in favor of a 9:00 a.m. run.

The schedule listed below is not an official B.C. Ferries timetable. At this point it is intended merely to show what the B.C. Ferries management are planning to institute. If the proposed schedule is put into service it will become effective on May 20.

CODE - NW - Queen of New Westminster/ LT - Queen of Langdale or Queen of Tsawwanssen/ ☆ - Fridays, Sundays and Holidays only.

Langdale	Horseshoe Bay
0530 NW	0635 NW
0745 NW	0900 NW
0900 LT	1010 LT
1010 NW	1120 NW
1120 LT	1230 LT
1300 NW	1410 NW
1340 LT	1450 LT
1520 NW	1630 NW
1615 LT	1725 LT
1740 NW	1850 NW
1840 LT	1950 LT
2100 LT	2210 LT
2320 LT*	0030 LT*

Proposed year round schedule, Horseshoe Bay - Langdale service

Labonte criticizes board for tax hikes

Gibsons Mayor Larry Labonte mildly criticized the school board last week for the board's decision to increase the district's education budget by a further 6.18 mills. The mayor made a statement to this effect at last Tuesday night's regular council meeting after noting that the village's budget had remained at 29.40 mills while the village still managed to increase services and amenities.

"I am most alarmed to note that the school district budget for 1976 has increased by 6.18 mills from the 1975 requisition and I am more particularly concerned when I recall how the 1975 rate jumped 5.07 mills," Labonte said in a prepared statement. He added that a total mill rate increase of 11¼ mills over two years, more than a 27 percent increase, "is, to say the least questionable."

The mayor went on to say that he has the highest opinion for members of the school board but that at the same time "I offer the thought that perhaps we should offer those members a greater challenge by establishing mill rate restrictions for school districts."

"In these days of inflation gone mad I would suggest that governments at all levels should be taking the initiative and provide the necessary leadership that is required in controlling inflation. How much of this dollar burden can the taxpayer continually be expected to carry?"

The Gibsons mayor said he will meet with representatives of the school board to find out why the mill rate has jumped so much in the last two years.

The mayor added: "I would urge all taxpayers in Gibsons that when they receive their 1976 tax notices from the municipal hall to not blame the municipality but rather to do the same as I and ask your local school board the question."

THE BEST

JUSTIN WEBB, grade seven student at Langdale Elementary school, was named best all round volleyball player on the Langdale boys' team. Justin is the son of Dr. and Mrs. T. Webb of Hopkins Landing. The trophy, given annually, was donated by Brian Bennett, a Gibsons resident, who has coached the boys' volleyball team at Langdale for three years.

Ferry strike?

50 Laid-off

In an effort to further trim the present ferry deficit Transport and Communications Minister Jack Davis has authorized the termination of approximately 50 positions held by B.C. Ferries employees on the Sunshine Coast.

A letter mailed to most workers with under three years seniority advises them that their jobs will be terminated on June 1 unless they are otherwise advised by that date. The 50 Langdale workers who received the letters were also informed that the ferries management had agreed to undertake a program to allow the workers to join other branches of the public service and promised that no recruiting of provincial employees for jobs which might be open to the ferries workers would be considered until the ferry employees had received an opportunity to apply for the positions. The ferries management also promised those who were being demoted similar opportunities and stated that no auxiliary employees would be called in as long as there were employees on lay-off status.

The letter from Senior Personnel Officer G. T. Mainer stated that there were a number of factors which may affect the lay-off situation between now and the June 1 termination date. Mainer told the 50 local men on the lay-off list that retirements, resignations and transfers would reinstate some of the men between now and the lay-off date. He also advised the employees that many senior personnel may wish to transfer to other departments rather than accept demotion and pointed out that if the ferries management could reach an agreement with the union on the overtime question a significant number of employees on the list could be retained.

Davis earlier stated that approximately 200 of the 400 workers to be laid off across the province could be kept on if the union could agree to the Ferries' overtime suggestions. The unions are presently demanding overtime for the last two hours of their ten-hour shifts instead of the present system of time off instead of wages.

B.C. Government Employees Union Shop Steward, Don Black later stated that the union is supporting the rehiring of the ferries employees by other government departments but admitted that he was discouraged by the fact that so far only seven jobs had been made available to the 400 men who were to be laid off. At a union meeting on Friday the local executive informed the workers that the matter had been referred to arbitration and that nothing further could be done until the decision of the board was known.

Black further stated that no strike action would be considered until after the union had received a chance to study the mediation recommendations. He also noted that a great percentage of the laid off staff were women and that most of these women were the sole breadwinners for their families.

Other union members felt that a strike is now unavoidable but many fear that if a strike is called the government will legislate them back to work. If a strike is called it could mean a disastrous long weekend for many Sunshine Coast resort owners who depend on the May and June business to keep their operations viable.

'Rational approach' sees village through mill rate freeze

The village of Gibsons adopted its 1976 budget last week and even though expenses are up this year the village mill rate will remain at 29.4 mills as restricted by provincial legislation.

In a statement on a budget that totals $860,219 Mayor Larry Labonte said the village mill rate has remained constant during the last three years and during that time the village has proven that an efficient operation and orderly growth can be carried out under the restricted mill rate.

"It is true that many persons and groups wish to have all the amenities now," the mayor said, "but if a rational approach is taken it can clearly be shown by our five year capital expenditure program that we are projecting increased amenities as we can afford them."

A general run down of the expenditures shows that $76,210 was spent on general government, $44,900 on protectives services, $120,820 on transportation services, $2,000 on environmental health services, $1250 on public health and welfare services, $6,000 on environmental development services, $18,500 on recreational and cultural services, and $590,539 on fiscal services, which includes tax requisitions for the school, hospital, and regional districts.

According to council's finance Chairman Kurt Hoehne the highlights of the capital expenditure program include the financing of a dog pound now under construction near Reed and Henry Roads, a new building to house the ambulance and a road program to the tune of $80,000.

Also commenting on the budget Ald. Hoehne noted that the total school and regional district requisitions came to $290,000 which leaves the total estimated revenue for the village at about $570,000.

Hoehne said the village was caught in the same inflation race as anybody else and with no increase in tax rates the village's increased revenue had to depend on taxes from new building and improvements on existing buildings.

With this budget finalized, residents of Gibsons will be paying a total 78.72 mills which includes village taxes, school taxes, regional district and regional hospital, municipal finance, B.C. Assessment and the municipal debt at 3.30 mills. That means the

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Justice council reverses stand on capital punishment

At a special meeting of the Sunshine Coast Justice Council last Thursday the earlier pro-retentionist position on capital punishment was reversed by a 19-18 vote in favor of abolotion.

Council chairman Hayden Killam made it clear from the beginning that he was against the purpose of the meeting and that he felt the original vote should stand as the sole council submission to the federal government who are currently discussing the issue.

It was originally planned that the meeting should be videotaped for showing at local schools and at a meeting with MP Jack Pearsall and Justice Minister Ron Basford later this month, but in a move led by Killam and the local RCMP a motion was presented to the effect that the taping of the meeting would be inadvisable and after the vote was narrowly accepted the video equipment was removed. RCMP Sergeant Peter Church stated that it would have been impossible for the police representatives to remain in attendance at a taped meeting as it was in contravention of force rules to make public statements such as this that could later be used against the officers.

Two guest speakers from Vancouver, one for capital punishment and the other against presented their views on the subject. Roland Bowman, a representative of the Vancouver Justice Council took the retentionist viewpoint and lawyer Ron Stern took the abolitionist side.

After the speakers made their case the floor was opened to opinions from the public. The meeting immediately split into two opposing factions who clearly presented both sides of the argument. After considerable discussion a motion was finally put to the meeting to allow for both a minority and majority report to be presented to the meeting with Basford and Pearsall.

Many people felt they had not been given a chance to make their views known and they were unwilling to see only one side of the case presented. Others felt that the first meeting had been duly advertised and held and that the feelings of the people at that meeting should be the council's official position. Chairman Killam supported those who wished to present only the report from the previous meeting. A few members of the audience suggested that he was abusing his position as chairman and suggested he resign. Killam claimed that it was an unofficial position and that he was therefore not bound by the

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Sechelt up 2 mills

By-law 159-160, the Village of Sechelt's annual budget, received the unanimous support of all members of council at last Wednesday night's meeting. The village raised the municipal rate by approximately two mills and combined with the school board's 6.18 mill increase last week the local tax bill has been pushed to 69.948 mills on current property assessment.

For residents of Sechelt village the 1976 tax bill will consist of 20 mills for municipal services, 1.25 for regional hospital; 3.5 for regional fire protection, 2.88 mills to support the Regional District; 40.19 mills for School District No. 46; 0.018 for Municipal Finance Authority and 2.11 for the B.C. Assessment Authority for a total of 69.948 mills.

In the last financial year the Sechelt council had expenditures of $317,788 and revenues of $340,171 for a surplus of $22,383. However, this figure has not been carried over onto the 1976 budget. Village Clerk Tom Wood explained Saturday that this figure should actually have been shown as revenue and budgeted as surplus but was not taken into account when the new budget was drafted. Wood also stated that it was necessary to have some surplus to fall back on and that after the preceding year's large deficit it was necessary to retain these funds and not credit them towards this year's expenditures.

The projected budget for the 1976 fiscal year shows revenues

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Vandalism concern

Gibsons council expressed concern last week over the amount of vandalism that again seems to be plaguing the village.

Council noted at last week's meeting the Pioneer Park sign was recently stolen out of the park and last week vandals took the carved museum sign.

The public washroom facilities in Pioneer Park were earlier closed down because vandals wrecked the sinks, the toilets, and the floor. It was noted that the floor alone would cost $700 to repair.

Council is now deliberating whether or not to re-open the washroom facilities for the tourist season. The mayor and aldermen feel there is no use repairing the facilities if they are just going to be wrecked again.

In the meantime village works crews have been busy the past week removing the grass from Pioneer Park and planting thorny shrubs in an effort to discourage loitering in the park.

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Outrageous increase

Bunk

We echo the sentiments of one Sunshine Coast resident when asked by one of our reporters last week what he thought of the ferry rate increases.

Effective June 1 the rates on the Horseshoe Bay-Langdale run will be $4 per person and $10 for an automobile. With the elimination at the same time of residents' commuter cards that will mean it will cost most people three times as much as it did before to travel to Vancouver with their cars.

We think, as do many Sunshine Coast citizens, that such an increase is outrageous.

It's been said numerous times, and obviously disregarded by the present Social Credit government, that the ferry system is an integral part of life on the Sunshine Coast just as the Lions Gate bridge is an integral part of life in North and West Vancouver. We, on the Sunshine Coast, live in a rural community and many of our necessary services are in the city. A number of residents commute daily to Vancouver to their jobs. We don't use the ferry service for our pleasure; we use it out of necessity.

Both the NDP and the former Social Credit government understood that a marine oriented province such as British Columbia would have to rely on a great number of bridges and ferries to ensure a smooth social and economic development. The Sunshine Coast alone, for instance, is entirely dependent on ferries for the transportation of people, food, clothing, and most other commodities that are necessary for our daily existence.

Previous governments practiced a philosophy based on consolidated revenue which contained the basic idea that people in the southern part of the province, for instance, paid indirectly for the building of roads and economic development in the north, and that the people in the north by their industries and raw materials, would contribute to the expenses of life in the south.

But thanks to Mr. Bennett and his political mish-mash in Victoria, the philosophy has become "look out for yourself bub" so that again ther ledgers can be quickly and cleanly balanced.

We strongly object to the fact the residents of this area are being used as political puppets by a callous government that cares neither for the social nor the economic implications of its actions. We urge Sunshine Coast residents to protest in the strongest terms to our premier. If Mr. Bennett now has no social conscience, we must teach him what it's all about.

Rough justice

The announcement that approximately 50 British Columbia Ferry workers in this area received letters stating they would be laid off as of June 1 has brought a reaction of shock and outrage, especially from those who were directly involved. But we are even more shocked to learn that the British Columbia government, the overlord of the ferry system is using the lay-off notices as what appears to be nothing less than political blackmail.

The lay-off notices were generally sent to ferry workers with less than two years experience although some workers with more than two years service received such notices. Ferry management claims the lay-offs are necessary due to austerity measures.

The marine division of the government employees union is presently bargaining with B.C. Ferries for a new contract. One of the snags has been that workers will not settle for a clause that eliminates overtime on the current ten-hour shifts.

The lay-off notices sent to the 50 odd ferry workers in this area contain numerous 'if' and 'but' clauses that indicate that under certain circumstances, the worker may keep his job. We quote:

> Should an agreement be reached wherein the employees agreed to changes in the current practice of scheduled overtime, a significant number of employees scheduled for lay-off could be retained.

A ferry management spokesman in Langdale said as many as 75 letters indicating lay-offs were sent to local ferry workers. That seems like an awful lot of lay-offs and we would hardly think that the Langdale run could operate with such a reduction.

Is B.C. Ferries sending out more lay-off letters than it really has to merely in order to pressure workers into accepting the no overtime clause? When this question was put to the spokesman at Langdale he did not say no.

Such rough justice on the part of ferry management cannot be justified.

Et tu, Mr. Curtis

In a letter sent to all municipalities and regional districts Municipal Affairs Minister Hugh Curtis has asked mayors and chairmen to exercise restraint when giving themselves raises.

"I have," writes the minister, "in recent weeks offered comments both to elected people attending meetings in my office and pubicly, that indemnity increases should be kept to a minimum."

He goes on to say that in a time of restraint we should by our actions as an example insure that any indemnity increases do not exceed the anti-inflation guidelines if in fact any increase can be justified.

"I realize that with the exception of village municipalities such increases do not come under the direct scrutiny of either myself or the department but they do receive considerable publicity at the local level and actions of restraint toward our own remuneration can only be interpreted as an indication of personal support of the anti-inflation program."

Yes, Mr. Curtis, we too believe in restraint. If only your government would follow its convictions perhaps our insurance rates, and more recently our ferry rates, would not have jumped by more than 200 percent.

remember when...

FIVE YEARS AGO

The 1971 mill rate for Gibsons will be 24.03. The budget total was $346,565.

Mayor Wally Peterson termed the possible influx of young travellers from across Canada as of real concern to Gibsons.

Mayor William Swain of Sechelt objects to the erosion of powers of Sechelt municipality by the Regional District Board.

10 YEARS AGO

Hon. Phil Gaglardi announces property arrangements have been settled for replacing the Granthams bridge.

A school $782,000 referendum, defeated last year, passed this year with a 680 to 353 vote.

Budget requirements from Sechelt's cash reserve of $30,000 reduced the reserve to $12,000.

15 YEARS AGO

Elphinstone Aero Club opens a flying school at the Gibsons-Sechelt Municipal Airport.

The provincial education department rules that grade seven pupils belong in the elementary system and not high schools.

Sechelt's Ocean St. launching ramp will be opened officially during May Day celebrations.

20 YEARS AGO

Dick McKibbin and Reg Adams were elected chairman and manager respectively of Gibsons Library board.

The school board seeks tenders on clearing three acres of land for a school in Davis Bay area.

Peninsula Contractors of Sechelt obtain the contract to build a Super-Valu store on the upper level John McDonald property.

25 YEARS AGO

A government liquor store in the Bal Block, Gibsons, will open about June 1.

Following collapse of a bridge on the highway all other bridges in the area road system will be checked.

Black Ball Ferry starts construction of its landing ramp on the wharf at Gibsons.

Beachcomber? But he doesn't look a bit like Bruno!

Of shoes and ships and sealing wax

by ROB DYKSTRA

It has been put forward by more than one Gibsons village official that this newspaper gives better coverage to the affairs of the developer's paradise on the tip of Porpoise Bay than it does to what's been referred to as our very own Molly's Landing.

The accusation is that the news that comes out of those hallowed chambers occupied twice monthly by Harold and the boys often rates the front page whereas the copy produced from a session of Mayor Labonte and his entourage often rates nothing more than page 15 of a 14 page paper.

At the expense of sounding parochial it must be admitted that the Sunshine Coast News is based in Gibsons. But at the same time a newspaper that purports to 'cover' the entire Sunshine Coast would indeed be putting its own advertising department on the chopping block by admitting that we're based in Gibsons and alas, that must be where all the news happens. I would never deny the advertising department of its life-blood because, in fact, that life-blood is my pay cheque.

The very simple fact of the matter is that after sitting through nearly two years of council meetings, I must conclude that the meetings, for lack of a better name, held in Sechelt are most interesting. Before you accuse me of making a basic contradiction in terms (How can a council meeting be interesting?) let me explain.

If I state alternatively that Gibsons Council meetings are blantantly boring I must qualify that by adding that they are also very efficient — efficient to the point of being boring.

In the Gibsons municipal chambers the reporter sits quietly and takes note usually only in the company of the other newspaper reporters. Gibsons residents are conspicuous by their absence and if a villager does have something to complain about, he will appear in front of council at the appointed time, state his case, and click his heels out the door with a polite thank you for the three minutes of council's time.

The formal Sunday morning atmosphere then prevails as Mayor Labonte, mostly referred to as "Your Honour" and his four elected representatives, each addressed as alderman so and so, go about their expedient business to sanction bylaws, accounts, and the quantity of effluence from the municipal sewage treatment plant.

The average Gibsons council meeting last usually not more than one hour, seldom two, and that brings nothing less than subdued cheers of elation from reporters because it gives them the night off, or in other words, it gives them time for a beer or two at the Golden Barrel. Such abrupt council meetings do not indicate in any way that the municipal fathers of this village have little business to discuss, indeed they are a busy bunch of fellas. But the problem here, and I'm now relating this to the problem of the press obtaining its quota of copy, is that the majority of matters that come up at the regular public meetings have been thoroughly thrashed through at some previous committee meeting closed to the public and the press. It's at these closed meetings that all the relevancies of the matter are discussed and by the time that matter comes to the open meeting, the council members have finished with their arguments, brushed off their clothes, and pacified each other to the extent that the matter of concern is merely given the appropriate rubber stamp of approval or rejection, whatever the case may be.

Even when the evening's agenda promises some little goody that may serve to pull the dozing reporter from his catalepsy, disappointment usually prevails because that item is labelled "to committee" which is the name given to that part of the meeting that would really produce the newspaper copy.

If the meagre droppings that usually result from the Gibsons meetings are either profound or interesting then it is usually up to the reporter to dig into the background to find out how and why a particular decision was made. Time may or may not permit this.

Not so at Sechelt.

When the meeting is called to order by Mayor Harold Nelson, it's the signal for chaos to begin. The titles of "Your Honor" and "Alderman" are non-existent here and business is conducted on a first name basis or sometimes it is conducted with other names which cannot be repeated in a family newspaper. Sechelt council also attracts a motley group of spectators and if you have a gripe you are cordially invited to sit right up front with the boys at the council table.

You can usually count on a subtle insult or two, if it isn't exchanged between two aldermen, it's between an alderman and a member of the public. Recent reverberations of "You make me sick," for instance, have resulted from the simple fact of an inferior fire wall in one of Sechelt's buildings — the expression wasn't made in reference to a flu bug that seems to be going around the village.

Any member at any time may join the discussion at a Sechelt council meeting and if you feel some item deserves your comment, you are invited to interject. Never mind about the fact that a motion has been placed on the floor.

In fact, Sechelt's ubiquitous ex-alderman Norm Watson often monitors the meeting as the village's official sewer consultant. He would be better to take the position of council's all around advisor because if Norm Watson doesn't know about it, then it hasn't happened in Sechelt.

At the end of the meeting, reporters usually walk out scratching their heads wondering about the actual news resulting from that gathering. With motions lost in the maelstrom, it's often difficult to determine whether a particular issue was resolved or not. But then that doesn't really matter because the two hour discussion on the topic produced enough invectives and accusations to make a decent front page headline.

Besides, it's after the meeting that some of the members of council, some members of the audience, and all members of the press usually highball it to Wakefield to catch a few cold ones before closing time. It's here that any important municipal issue receives its most profound assessment and it's here that the reporter often learns more background than he really cares to know.

One could almost think that Sechelt council is trying to steal the municipal limelight.

Commentary

by DOUG SEWELL

No excuse for kangaroo justice

Last Thursday night I was granted the dubiuos honor of attending a session of Hyaden Killam's Kangaroo Court Council at the Sechelt Senior Citizens Hall. This group, otherwise known as the Sunshine Coast Justice Council, consists of about 40 people who gather together to exchange ideas and make relevant suggestions for improvement of the Canadian justice system, in theory. In fact, it is a slanted, biased, very vocal minority with plenty of axes to grind that usually attend the meetings.

If there was ever any reasonable basis for the belief that a justice council could in any way represent the opinions of the majority of the population, last week's meeting must surely have destroyed that line of thinking. The objectives of the Sunshine Coast Justice Council have been proved ludicrous and the time has come to either completely revamp the system or entirely discard it.

Six weeks ago the SCJC held a similar meeting in Sechelt at which an overwhelming majority of those present recommended to the federal government that they retain the death penalty for everything from hijacking to assassinating the Prime Minister. The vote on this critical point that the death penalty be retained was supported 32 to 4.

Needless to say most of the abolitionist supporters on the Sunshine Coast were incensed at the idea that the federal government was to be informed that 90% of the local population was in favor of capital punishment. Finally at the instigation of Neil MacKenzie, a local probation officer and Tim Frizzell, a former member of the Regional Board, a second meeting was called to discuss the issue still further.

Justice Council Chairman Hayden Killam opened the meeting by explaining that he had been duped into calling the meeting while he was ill and pointed out that there was no reason to discuss the situation as the recommendations had already been formed. Killam then tried to direct the meeting into discussing gun control and bail procedures but under protest finally had to give up and returned to the advertised topic.

It had originally been hoped that a video taping of the meeting could be made for use by the local school and for a presentation to MP Jack Pearsall and Justice Minister Ron Basford in Powell River next month, but this time a combination of Killam and the RCMP representatives put an end to that proposal.

The local cops somehow felt that it would be improper for them to speak in front of a camera wielding student and threatened to leave the meeting unless the camera was stopped. The meeting was dutifully blackmailed into supporting their presence. When the matter of why a camera should be banned when the press was present was raised by regional district planner Adrian Stott, Killam announced that the press were supposed to be present only as long as they promised not to use names and allowed their copy to be edited by a council committee. In addition the press were not supposed to have access to the meeting's minutes, only to prepared press releases. Killam did not explain how he could stop the press from attending a publicly advertised meeting, nor did he explain how freedom of the press and ad hoc committees who choose to hold public meetings that weren't public could co-exist.

Eventually the student behind the video camera lost his right to film the meeting after a vote whose outcome was quite different than by my count. Somehow my fickle eyes counted 21 for the camera and 18 against. Killam's however counted 19 against and 18 for. The student was not given a vote and the officer who first complained on behalf of the RCMP remained quiet for the rest of the meeting.

After a brief respite while two Vancouver lawyers spoke their bit both for and against, the battle again resumed. After nearly two hours of futile discussion the meeting was still deadlocked, those who came in favor of capital punishment were still in favor and those who came in oppositon were still opposed. Finally a motion to the effect that the council should authorize both a majority and minority report was put before the council and 21 people accepted the suggestion while 15 tried to hold the status quo. Killam again dominated the floor and ignored suggestions that he resign or follow the rules or order and adopt a neutral position as chairman of the meeting.

However many of those attending the meeting were still unhappy. They had come to take a second vote and were unwilling to leave without having their say. A motion to take a second vote on the main question "That there be a death penalty and that it be used" was finally recognized by the chair and after much further discussion the hands were again subjected to a rough count. The decision of the previous meeting was reversed by a 19 - 18 vote in favor of the abolition of capital punishment.

As important as the capital punishment question is, last week's justice council meeting proves something still more worthwhile, it proves what an absolute farce the whole justice council system is. Forty people cannot give an accurate representation of public feeling and those who do come are invariably those whose views are most extreme. This kind of committee is a danger to our personal freedom of expression. If you are unwilling to exercise your option to attend the meeting then this semi-official lynching party will do it for you.

There is little doubt that the last meeting was stacked by the abolitionists. The decisions of this week's council meeting are no more valid than those of six week's ago. The best that can be hoped is that this meeting will even up the score.

The Sunshine Coast Justice Council has no right to represent me in Ottawa. I elected an MP to do that job for me and if he can't make up his own mind then it's time he found a new job. I did not elect the Sunshine Coast Justice Council and they therefore have no right to speak on my behalf. The Justic Council system must either be reformed into a private either be reformed into private political organizations who speak only for their members or it is time to discard the whole idea and depend on the democratic system.

In the meantime perhaps Hayden Killam should resign or go out and splurge on a copy of Robert's Rules of Order.

Letters to the Editor

OUR HIGHWAY

Editor: As a resident of the Sunshine Coast I am writing in regard to the B.C. Ferries increases. The ferry in essentially our "highway" off the peninsula. I don't mind paying to ride to Vancouver but I think the residents should be able to keep their commuter cards. The commuter card system has been abused and this is not fair, the cards should be issued on a fairer basis. We pay taxes for others to drive on their highways so I don't believe we should have to pay for ourselves to ride the ferry.

With the ferry increase our economy will decline. Food and other items that come by truck on the ferry from Vancouver will rise in cost. Tourism, our second major industry, will also be adversely affected. A lot of people here depend on these tourists as a source of income.

I feel that something must be done about this. Without a better solution I'm sure there will be many problems.

—KATHY OIKE

DISSATISFACTION

Editor: I am writing to you in protest of the recent B.C. Ferries increases as announced by Mr. Davis last week. As a concerned citizen and future voter I can not too strongly express my dissatisfaction with this government's "dollars before people" policies.

I wonder if this government realizes the position of the people who live on the Sunshine Coast. The doubling of fares and loss of commuter cards will quadruple the present rates. A 300% increase is a little hard to swallow, especially when the same government is urging restraint.

If the Bennett government continues to increase the burden on the people of this province it will not survive the next election. The young people of this province will not forget these unjust decisions.

—MICHAEL KAMPMAN.

CONCERNED

Editor: I am a concerned person who has lived on the Sunshine Coast for some years now. I am concerned that the ferry rates have gone up but I am more concerned that we have been deprived of our commuter cards. My family and I use the ferries frequently and will suffer gravely because of the increases. The economy will also suffer, tourism is our number two industry and food prices will rise along with bus fares, etc.

I am very sports minded and all the competition is on the Lower Mainland. It is already hard enough to raise money to transport a team of 15 or 20 across and now it will be almost impossible.

—BOB DIXON.

ESSENTIAL

Dear Mr. Bennett:

I am a resident of the Sechelt Peninsula and wish to remain here, however I am finding it very difficult to justify the penalties incurred by remaining.

We residents must travel to Vancouver for many of our essential services. There are no automobile warrantee dealers here. One cannot buy children's clothing at reasonable prices, the food prices are from 5 percent to 25 percent higher to mention only a few things.

The only form of recreation for adults is the various beverage outlets, we do not have a live theatre or concert hall. There is

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CLEANING UP GIBSONS was what grade seven student Nancy McKay was diong last Saturday. Nancy was one of a number of grade seven students from Gibsons Elementary School who were out on the town last weekend to clean up and to collect money in the Trash-a-thon. Money collected will go towards the financing of the Grade seven trip to Alberta. A truck was supplied by the village to haul garbage to the dump.

School: A mother's best friend

by CAROLYNN BICHLER

Sometimes I feel like turning my motherhood badge in and finding a good orphanage for my children. This morning when the darlings were getting ready for school was one of those times. On mornings like this it would be a blessing-to be deaf and blind.

It all started at 7:30. "Time to get up dear," I sweetly sing into my daughter's room. At 7:33 as I peek in upon her still body lying under the blankets, "Are you getting up?" Then a bit more forcefully, "Get out of bed, it's 7:37!" At twenty to eight my grumpy daughter appears and slowly shuffles into the kitchen to begin her breakfast ritual.

Now it's my son's turn, "Time to get up, it's quarter of eight." After calling several times, and when I'm sure that he is up and out of bed, I escape to my bedroom to avoid the preparation for, and getting off to school drama.

Suddenly I hear pounding on the bathroom door.

He: "Get out of there you dip I have to comb my hair."

She: "Drop dead, I always use the bathroom from eight until eight fifteen."

He: "I have to get in to use the mirror jerk."

She: "Use my mirror nerd."

He: "Stick it in your ear."

She: "Mom."

"Yes," I calmly answer.

"Don't I always get to use the bathroom from eight until eight fifteen?"

"That's right, you'll have to wait or use your sister's mirror."

"Man she always gets her way," He says as he gives the door one last pound.

"Use the mirror in my room spas."

I speak slowly and firmly with a hint of anger showing, "OK kids that's enough."

"Where is my brown shirt?" he shouts.

"I wore it two days ago, it's in my closet." she answers.

"I can't find it." he growls.

"Retardo it's here under my jacket." she snaps.

"Lay off you two, let's start the new day right." I say calmly between clenched teeth and narrowing eyes.

My daughter wanders in my room, "Mom do you have a couple of small barretts that I can use?"

"I don't think so, most of them are lost," I say as I look through my drawer.

"You use to have a bunch of them."

"Here is a gold one, it's mate is lost."

"I wish it was silver. Can I wear your white blouse from Mexico?"

"No! Hurry up it's time for you to leave for school."

From my son's room: "Hey mom I can't find the money you gave me yesterday for the science book that I lost."

"Well look for it I'm not giving you another cent. Will you get a blouse on you have to go now!"

"Did you wash the one I wore Friday?"

"I'm washing it today. Hurry up and get something on."

"I guess I'll flunk science with no book," says my son pitifully.

I sternly reply, "You look for that money when you get home this afternoon now it's time to hit the road."

Finally several minutes and many words later they are off as I chant, "Have a good day," after them. Then I plop down in a chair and wonder what I'm being punished for. I try to be a good person. Is this some kind of a test for sainthood? Now my time is my own until lunch.

Schools are wonderful institutions. They keep me from winding up in a mental institution.

Anti-litter week

Gibsons Mayor Larry Labonte last week proclaimed the week from May 10 to 16 as anti-litter week in the village of Gibsons.

In a proclamation issued at last Tuesday's council meeting the mayor said the village is concerned with the problems caused by littler and hopes to bring it to the attention of the public by designating the special week.

The mayor urges all citizens in the village to co-operate with the village in the elimination and reduction of litter and littering.

A village clean-up week was designated last week when Gibsons Elementary grade seven students collected litter to make money for the class trip to Alberta

PROTEST FERRY INCREASES

I, the undersigned, a permanent resident of the Sunshine Coast, protest the massive increase in fares for Sunshine Coast residents, and petition the government of British Columbia to reduce the ferry rates from Horseshoe Bay to Saltery Bay, either by direct reduction or a concession in the form of a commuter pass.

Name ..... Phone No. .....
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Address ..... First Name of Spouse .....

..... Number of Children .....

..... Code .....

Signed ..... Date .....

When you have completed the above details, mail or return to:
Coast News, Box 460, Gibsons, B.C. V0N 1V0 not later than Saturday, May 21.

Search called off

A full scale search and rescue operation has failed to turn up any trace of a Piper Cherokee which crashed on a trip from Langley to Port Hardy on May 4. The plane, flown by a Mr. R. Watson of Langley apparently encountered weather conditions beyond the pilot's capabilities and went down about four miles off the southern end of Bowen Island.

Search Master Major L. G. Osborne said that the search had been called off as of 4:00 on Friday afternoon. Osborne added that he was now convinced that the plane had disappeared into the Strait of Georgia as an emergency location transmitter in the plane has not been activited. The plane was owned by Skyways Air Services of Langley. The plane was being tracked by CFB Comox radar at the time when it lost contact with Vancouver area Communications centre. Osborne added that the emergency beacons are not effective when submerged.

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Letters to the Editor

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one movie theater which insists on playing X rated films, so no decent caliber of entertainment.

I can appreciate a balanced budget as I operate a Real Estate business in Sechelt, but I will say that in order to balance anything, both sides of the scale must have something on them and I fear the Social Credit Government is going to further stagnate any growth here if the rates rise as predicted.

Further to this, as a commuter, my rate is going up 300 percent which I find totally unconscionable. You have the proverbial gun to our head — do not pull the trigger!

Enclosed please find my and my father's Membership cards. We can no longer belong to a political party that has no social conscience whatsoever.

—S. L. (Stan) ANDERSON

ILL-TIMED MOVE

Editor: Do dollars come before people — even sick people in an emergency situation?

This question comes to the forefront quite frequently. One example is the ambulance service.

Summer travel time is approaching and the ambulance staff at Cunningham's has been cut. Two well-trained professionals have been laid off to be replaced by part-time attendants with minimum training and experience. Some weeks ago public statements were made implying mishandling of patients and insubordination on the part of two staff members. Were these allegations true or were they meant to condition the public of this area to these forthcoming layoffs?

If patients require an ambulance, they also require the best attention. In the writer's opinion our community has had the best. Will it continue?

—M. RICHTER.

PROTEST

Editor: As a resident of the Sunshine Coast, I strongly protest the undue hardship placed upon us by the Social Credit Government.

In an area only 50 minutes from Vancouver and heavily reliant upon Vancouver for food, clothing, recreation and entertainment, the increase in ferry prices and the elimination of commuter rates is totally unrealistic. If there were department stores, warranty dealers and any form of secondary industry, as there is on Vancouver Island, the problem for residents would not be impossible to bear. As residents we are now faced with a 300% increase in ferry fares and we are dependent upon the ferries as they are our only means of contact with the mainland even though we are a part of it.

By my address and signature on the bottom of this letter, I would like to register my appeal to the government and Transport Minister, the Honourable Jack Davis, to reconsider the elimination of commuter rates and allow us to again become a working and developing community in the Province of B.C.

—JON McRAE

CALL IN A. G.

Editor: The removal of government files from the Legislative Building by former NDP minister Gary Lauk should be dealt with by the Attorney-General's department — is this matter not a criminal offence? Mr. Lauk said all the letters and material entering his office during his three years stay as a cabinet minister were his personally. Surely this is wrong and Mr. Lauk who is a lawyer should know this.

Even his secretary who had to do the dirty work of removing files from his office admits that the whole project was apparently a cover-up operation.

The Watergate scandal in the U.S. got to the bottom of the trouble and exposed it for what it was. The Lauk-Barrett cover-up should be exposed also and dealt with.

—BERNIE BAUMGARTNER,
Vancouver, B.C.

The staff of life

by DONNA GAULIN

The pill can change your diet needs!

We all know that nutritional requirements change with pregnancy. Women taking oral contraceptives have some hormonal changes like those of pregnancy. So how, then, does the pill effect nutritional needs?

Some research is showing that women taking the pill have some nutritional deficiencies parallel to those of pregnancy. On the other hand, nutrients that the pregnant woman is often deficient in become nutritional pluses for women on the pill.

The pluses — the beneficial effects — show up mostly in the cases of iron and calcium. Since menstural bleeding is lessened by the pill, there is less iron lost. And according to research, the pill increases the intestinal absorption of calcium and decreases it's removal from bone.

Another plus for pill users is vitamin A. In pregnancy, blood vitamin A levels decrease for fetal use; with oral contraceptives they rise. It might be wise to keep in mind that vitamin A can be toxic so that women taking the pill might avoid taking vitamin A supplements of high dosages.

On the minus side for women using the pill, folic acid, vitamin B6 and vitamin C are a concern. Folic acid, one of the B vitamins, is a common cause of nutritional anemia in pregnancy. There are reports of folic acid deficiency anemia in pill users on allegedly good diets. The evidence is of a reduced ability to absorb and utilize the nutrient.

Since folic acid deficiency is a great risk in early pregnancy, the woman with a mild folic acid deficiency who goes off the pill to become pregnant may face serious problems.

Folic acid is available in many foods — leafy vegetable and meat are prime sources — but it is perishable and easily destroyed by overcooking.

In pregnancy, the metabolism of certain amino acids (proteins) by vitamin B6 is interfered with. This also happens with the pill. Some women complaining of depression can have the condition alleviated by massive doses of B6.

As was mentioned, vitamin C seems to be absorbed less efficiently by women using the pill. Extra fresh fruits and juices can easily erase any concerns.

Before getting pregnant, it makes sense to be sure that your body is in good nutritional health. A fetus robs the system of many supplies often itself being deficient in essential building blocks for optimum growth.

As to the pill, if a diet is borderline (consisting of many common processed foods) or unnecessarily high or low in certain nutrients, then the pill may tip the balance.

Should the normal woman on the pill take vitamin or mineral supplements? Vitamins — possibly yes. Minerals — probably not.

For women who notice unusual symptoms of any kind after starting the pill or for those concerned especially about folic acid or vita- B6 and its repercussions the advice is "See your doctor."

Ferry protests

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creases would not be as steep if this area had Socred instead of NDP representation in Victoria. Others felt that it was time the fares were increased but considered the amount to be much higher than necessary.

The strongest reaction to the increases however, came from a large group of people who found it necessary to use the ferry system for both business and private uses. Two or three people had close relatives in Vancouver hospitals whom they visit regularly but would no longer be able to see as often because their pensions or small salaries would not allow.

Many others ran small businesses that made frequent trips into Vancouver unavoidable and in the case of the small contractors, often they only owned one vehicle, a small van or truck over the 6'5" limit.

Other points brought out during the interview included the lack of government services on the peninsula and the feeling that if the government was going to make Vancouver inaccessible for the residents of this area that they must consider giving us such facilities as an ICBC claim centre.

Few people felt that the amount of the increases was fair and many people were upset about the cancelling of the commuter cards and the increased rates for recreational vehicles.

In addition to local government protest, Sunshine Coast residents are also planning protests in the form of letter campaigns to the premier and the anti-inflation board. More drastic action in the form of demonstrations to tie up ferry traffic at Langdale terminal are also being planned.

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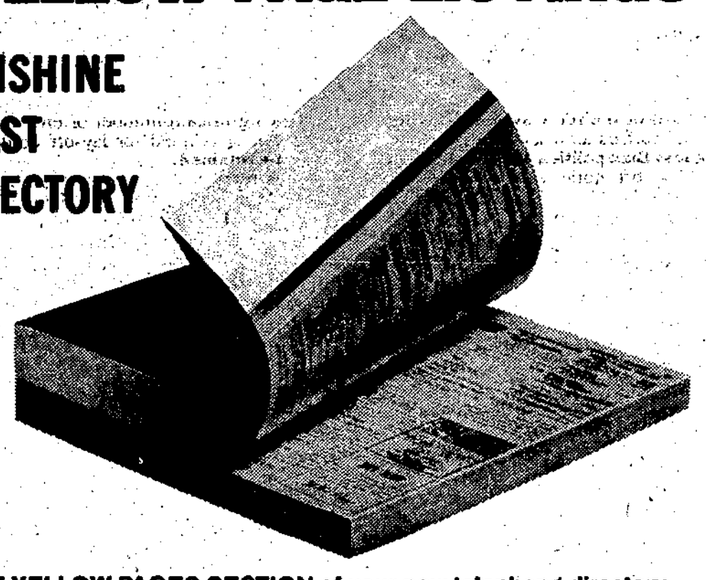

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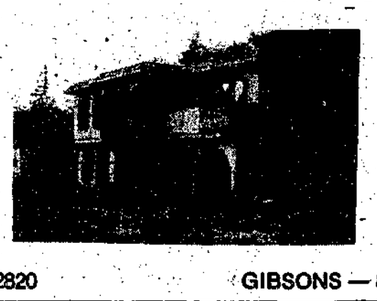

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★ COMING EVENTS

Monday, May 17, OAPO Branch 38, General Meeting, 2 p.m., Health Centre, Gibsons.

Every Monday night, 8 p.m., Bingo, New Legion Hall, Gibsons.

Hello again. Early Bird Bingo 7 p.m. Regular at 8 p.m. Every Thursday, Roberts Creek Legion Hall.

Friday, May 14, 8:30 p.m. Benefit Dance, Gibsons Legion Hall. Entertainment by 'Whiskey Jack' Snacks. Tickets $3 single, $5 couple. Proceeds to Wilson Creek Group Home. Tickets available at Legion Clubroom and Ken's Lucky Dollar.

LEROY is coming!

Saturday, May 15: Legion L.A. Branch 109. Rummage and Bake slae, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

★ DEATHS

BEALE: Passed away May 5, 1976, Patricia Grace Beale, late of Madeira Park, in her 54th year. Survived by her loving family; 1 son, Frank, Madeira Park; 3 daughters, P. J., Powell River, Det and Cora, Madeira Park; 10 grandchildren; 5 sisters, Gertie and Mary, Squamish, Dorothy, Evelyn and Viola of the Vancouver area. Memorial service was held Monday, May 10 at the Royal Canadian Legion Hall, Madeira Park. Rev. N. J. Godkin officiated. Cremation. Harvey Funeral Home, directors.

KADIN: Passed away May 2, 1976, Olov Kadin, late of Halfmoon Bay. Survived by 2 sisters, Christina Norman, Minnesota; Anna Alfeldt, Sweden; 1 brother, Anton, Halfmoon Bay. Funeral service was held Wednesday, May 5 at the Harvey Funeral Home, Gibsons. Cremation.

RICHTER: Passed away May 7, 1976, Werner Johann Richter, late of West Sechelt, in his 57th year. Survived by his loving wife Annelies; 1 daughter, Angela Unger; 1 son, Claus; and 5 grandchildren. Private cremation. Flowers gratefully declined. Harvey Funeral Home, directors.

TAYLOR: Passed away May 4, 1976, George M. Taylor, late of Gibsons, in his 64th year. Survived by two brothers and a sister and by friends in Gibsons. Private interment, Seaview Cemetery. Harvey Funeral Home, directors.

FOLLOWS: Passed away May 9, 1976, George Follows, late of Gibsons. Survived by 2 sons, Jim, Surrey; Robert, Victoria; 2 daughters, Yvonne Gettle, Victoria; Eileen Spencer, Gibsons; 12 grandchildren, 3 great grandchildren. He was a member of Branch 109, Royal Canadian Legion. Funeral 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 11 at St. Bartholomew's Anglican Church, Gibsons, Rev. David Brown officiating. Cremation. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Heart Fund would be appreciated.

★ IN MEMORIAM

GILL — In loving memory of our beloved son and brother, Andy, who passed away May 8, 1970.
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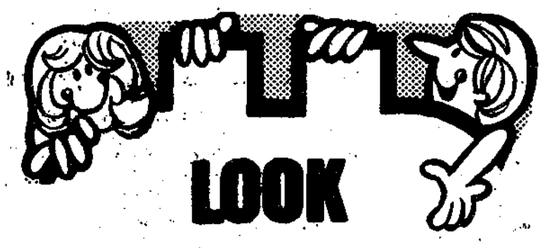

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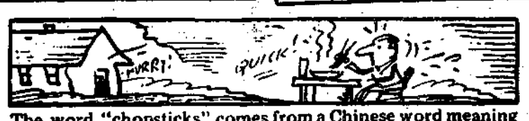

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Council gets boost

Gibsons Village council voted themselves a ten percent wage increase last week in line with the limitations recommended by the anti-inflation board guidelines.

Adoption of by-law number 289 at last Tuesday's meeting will give the mayor an indemnity of $2630 per year and aldermen $1490 per year.

Council noted the increase is justified because aldermen did not receive a pay raise last year. The mayor was given a ten percent increase last year because municipal matters force him to take time off from his regular job.

Council received a letter recently from provincial Minister of Municipal Affairs Hugh Curtis urging elected representatives to give themselves little or no pay increase this year. Curtis said that politicians should set an example of restraint.

In reference to the announcement of proposed ferry rate increases one alderman said he wished the provincial government would also exercise restraint.

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Fireman Dennis Carroll was taken from the fire scene in Gibsons Ambulance to have a severe cut on his arm sewn up. He was checking the house for occupants when he cut his arm on broken glass. There was no one home at the time of the fire.

Haley wins right to build fence

Local solicitor Robert Haley has successfully won the right to build a six to seven foot fence around his property. At last Wednesday's council meeting in Sechelt it was narrowly decided to allow Haley to proceed with building his fence along Trail and Anchor roads on the understanding that this special dispensation would in no way become a precedent for further violations of the new zoning by-law.

The council thanked Haley for having the honor to come before them when in fact he could have gone ahead and built the fence without their authority as the new zoning by-law will not be in effect until June 2 and council was unaware of any older by-laws governing the height of fences.

Alderman Thompson noted that Haley's triplets presented "triple trouble" and that due to the fact that the lot was lower than the road he felt a special dispensation was in order. Haley was concerned that his children would soon be able to climb a smaller fence and that with the increased traffic along the two roads it was a dangerous situation

Killam gets legal reprieve

The Village of Sechelt has received a letter from their solicitor advising them to adopt the new zoning by-law 146 before progressing with legal action against OK Tire store owner Haydon Killam for failing to make the necessary alterations to his building as stated by the council and the arbitration board.

Village Clerk Tom Wood said on Friday that the by-law will come before the council on June 2 and that Killam will then be given a further 30 days to appeal the decision. This time will also be required for the village to advise all parties concerned of the enactment of the new zoning laws.

Alderman Morgan Thompson suggested that council meet with the village building inspector to discuss the background to the Killam situation and make clear exactly what Killam is expected to correct.

Council agreed to hold a special meeting on the subject in the near future.

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Alfred loves 'Alice'

"I loved throwing tantrums, riding horses, tossing water on Ellen Burstyn and getting paid for it," grinned 12-year-old Alfred Lutter who does all of the above in his screen debut in Warner Bros,' "Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore."

"If that's what acting in movies is all about," the young actor explained, "then I'm all for it." Lutter had only made a couple of commercials before being signed to star with Miss Burstyn and Kris Kristofferson in the wry love story about a widow and her young son. "I went in for auditions eight times. And that's a lot when you have to trudge through December slush." Lutter lives in Ridgewood, N.J., but will be spending a lot of time away from there in the future. He spent 2½ months in Tucson, Arizona shooting "Alice," and on the completion of that film he went to the Carribean to co-star with James Earl Jones in "The Cay."

How'd he come to the acting profession? His mother Ruth explains that she tried everthing to use up his incredible energies and interests. He didn't like sports all that much and music didn't seem to hold his attention, so when he mentioned that he might like to act, she went out and interested an agent. The rest is history. An unusually quick success, but one which will take years to come to furition.

"Fred's a natural actor," says director Marin Scorsese. "He surprised me with the number of quality ideas he brought to his role. I guess I shouldn't have been so surprised since I know that his I.Q. is in the upper five percent of the nation."

"Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore" is produced by David Susskind and Audrey Maas from a screenplay by Robert Getchell. Harvey Keitel and Billy Green Bush co-star.

The film plays at the Twilight Theatre in Gibsons May 13, 14, and 15.

ELLEN BURSTYN and Diane Ladd in a scene from "Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore" a Warner Bros. release, also starring Alfred Lutter III and Kris Kristofferson. Martin Scorsese directed and David Susskind produced the screenplay by Robert Getchell.

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Royal Flash

Only two?

The village of Gibsons is a little disappointed after receiving word from the provincial Department of Labor that only two students will be allocated for the village's summer employment program. The village had originally applied for 12 people.

In a report to council, administrator Jack Copland said he personally expressed disappointment to the department and was subsequently informed that a considerable amount of re-allocation will take place between now and June 28 and that more students may be assigned to this area.

Leisure Page

Film Society

All wound up for 'yo-yo' or running to see standing still?

by ALLAN CRANE

This Wednesday will be the occasion of the Film Society's final program of the season, and a very attractive one too. The renowned **The Running, Jumping and Standing Still Film** is scheduled to play along with **Yo-Yo**, a film for which no greater acclaim has ever been received by any shown at the Canadian Federation of Film Societies' annual convention. Not one person rated it less that "excellent" in the ballots which delegates from all film societies across the country complete after Federation screenings. McGill Film Society hosted this Annual General Meeting in Montreal in 1974, and I am reproducing their notes below.

Yo-Yo is the best film ever made. An attempt at description leads one into an ever-increasing mass of superlatives. It is a magical film, dearly beloved of the McGill Film Society. The total lack of any objective view whatsoever has not facilitated the writing of this program note. Queries as to what could be written all elicited the same response: It's the best film ever made." Could we write that a hundred times? Why not?

The traditional clown role is easily transferred to the screen: Keaton is considered by many to be the classic screen clown. The theme of the clown runs all through films, from the early silents up through Fellini. Pierre Etaix started as an acrobat and clown, and then went into cinema. He can be found in Fellini's **Clowns** (just as Fellini can be found on **Yo-Yo**). The scenes in which Yo-Yo performs as a clown are perfect unto themselves, but are not separate from the story. Etaix slides in and out of his role as Yo-Yo with ease. He, like Keaton, is not a slapstick comedian. Rather he is almost melancholy, creating gentle laughter and smiles, not belly laughs. A gentle film with tributes to the history of film and the men who made it.

It's the best film ever made.
It's the best film ever made.
It's the best film ever made.
It's the best film ever made . . .

The Running, Jumping and Standing Still Film was made by Richard Lester who went on to bigger but not necessarily better things with such films as **The Four Musketeers** and **Young Frankenstein.** It was made when the BBC Goon Show was at the height of its popularity — a popularity which endures — before television decimated the audience for radio broadcasts, and it features such goons at Peter Sellers and Spike Milligan in 11 minutes of mimed absurdity.

One of our members, John Reeve, tells me that Leo McKern is also in the film. I saw it many years ago when I was unaware of that sterling British actor whom I remember subsequently for a performance in the title role in **The Alchemist** at the Old Vic and for some magnificent portrayals in television production, particularly as Galileo in the Brecht play.

A new executive will be needed to run the Film Society for the 1976-77 season, and there will be a general meeting of the Film Society at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, May 18 at the Wilson Creek Community hall at which time it is hoped to elect a new executive and plan operations for the year. People will be needed if the Society is to continue to operate; a president to oversee the operations; a treasurer to keep the books, a corresponding secretary and a membership secretary. I am prepared to assist in maintaining contacts, but I will not be able to oversee the operations because of possible involvement in a business venture. There was even a possibility that I might re-locate but this, if it does occur, would not be for at least another year. Our former bookkeeper, Jeremy Young, has moved to Victoria and is missed by his friends both those in the Film Society and those not in it. Joy Graham has been membership secretary for two years now and she does not wish to continue with this into next year. If you are willing to assist with any of these functions, please let Joy Graham know either by telephoning her at 886-9260 or writing to her (suggestions for films may also be sent) at R.R. 2, Hwy. 101, Gibsons.

From time to time, some of the Film Society members complain about the programs; sub-titled prints, too much of this, not enough of that and so forth, but there are many favorable comments, and I would like to conclude with an excerpt from a letter which Joy received a couple of days ago from one of our members, Jean Lubin:

"I'd just like to add how very much I have enjoyed the film society's program this year — the wide range and quality of the films shown. It makes a tremendous difference to life on the Peninsula, so I'd be sorry to see the programs cut back to one showing every two weeks."

CONTEMPLATING THE HISTORY of Gibsons — or at least that's what he's supposed to be doing — is Gibsons Elementary student Tom Kurucz. Tom and other students of a class taught by Roger Douglas and Bob Cotter were at Seaview Cemetery last week learning about the history of the community. —*Bob Cotter Photo.*

Irish luck a winner for Boyle

by ALEXIS DAVISON

The Luck of the Irish: A Canadian Fable, by Harry J. Boyle, MacMillan of Canada, ©1975, 160p. hardcover, $9.95.

Harry J. Boyle is a Canadian writer with an established reputation. He has been associated with CBC Radio for 33 years, and since 1968, has been vice-chairman of the Canadian Radio-Television Commission (CRTC). Boyle is the author of radio plays, a stage play and a musical. He has written seven books, most notably **The Great Canadian Novel** in 1972 and **Homebrew and Patches,** which won him the Stephen Leacock Medal for Humor.

The Luck of the Irish is set in a Irish-Canadian farming community in southern Ontario. It is the story of Tom and Carrie Macrae — brother and sister— and their disastrous attempts at farming following the death of their parents. When the Macrae barn burns down while Tom and Carrie are in church, one onlooker comments that they seem to be "long on faith and short on luck."

At the end of their financial rope, and with no hope of a solution, the Macraes are persuaded to make a pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine at Midlands. This book is the story of that pilgrimage and their search for a miracle to resolve their problems.

During their travels, they meet, many unusual characters, among them Sylvester Toogood, a salesman of "genuine martyr relics"; Brother Anselmo, an Italian Gardener whose right to be termed "Brother" is in doubt; and Theresa Mary Anne Byrne, a widow from Detroit in search of a husband. They also meet the Feeney family, who befriend them briefly, and more particularly Grace Feeney, an attractive young girl of marriageable age who becomes part of the miracle.

The Luck of the Irish is a very enjoyable, humorous and heartwarming fable. As Frances Dee Costello, a friendly observer remarked to the Baptist undertaker following the funeral of Tom Macrae years later: "Ah, isn't it a splendid thing to live in an age when miracles still do happen? But of course, not having the luck to be of the blood nor of the faith, you wouldn't understand that."

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CBC Radio

Scientists take up Saturday slack

Conversations with Scientists is a new program originating from Vancouver taking up the slack on Saturday afternoon left over now the Metropolitan Opera season is finished. From 5 to 6 p.m. Bert Nelson talks with a variety of interesting people about their work and interests.

This week Dr. Ian McTaggart Cowan of the Zoology Department UBC tells how he found a colony of unique marmots on Vancouver Island 45 years ago and the measures taken to preserve them from extinction. He also describes what it is like to spend a winter studying a wolf pack in the 400 square mile wilderness of Mt. McKinley National Park.

Between Ourselves on Friday May 14 features a documentary about the B.C. Ferry fleet prepared by freelancer Jurgen Hesse.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12
Vancouver Recital 1:30 p.m. Dale Reubart, piano; Liszt's Sonata in B minor.
Quirks and Quarks 8:03 p.m. Science Magazine, host Dr. David Suzuki.
Concern 9 p.m. Domestic Violence — if you're not in the drug trade your best chance of getting murdered is in your own home by your husband or wife!

THURSDAY, MAY 13
Organists in Recital 1:30 p.m. Frances MacDonnell, from Christ Church Cathedral, Ottawa, Bach program of preludes, fugues and chorales.
Themes and Variations 8:03 p.m. Part 1. Huguette Tourangeau, mezzo-soprano accompanied by Alexandra Munn recorded at the Halifax Festival. Part 2. 95th birthday tribute to operetta and film score composer Robert Stolz.
Jazz Radio - Canada 10:30 p.m. Bob Hales Band, arrangements by Ray Sikora; Ian McDougal, Oliver Cannon and Ron Johnson.

FRIDAY, MAY 14
Canadian Concert Hall 2:30 p.m. Early Music Consort of London - Five centuries of popular music - popular chansons of the Renaissance court to medieval "pop" music.
Between Ourselves 8:03 p.m. The B.C. Ferry Fleet by Jurgen Hesse

SATURDAY, MAY 15
Hot Air 1:30 p.m. Host Bob Smith music of Johnny Hodges with his own short lived combo — late forties, early fifties.
Opera by Request send requests for your favorite arias, overtures, etc. to Bill Hawes, Box 500, Station "A" Toronto.
Conversations with Scientists 5:03 p.m. Bert Nelson talks with Dr. Ian McTaggart Cowan.
Music de Chez Nous 7 p.m. Orchestre de Radio Canada, Bernard Jean, oboe. Concerto No. 2 in F major, Corelli; Concerto in F minor, Telemann; Suite in E major, A. Foote; Concerto Grosso No 10 in E minor, Handel, Symphony for strings, Hetu.
CBC Stage 8:03 p.m. Dead Across the Street by Hans Werner — set in the 60s and concerns a life in a communal residence.
Anthology 10:03 p.m. Book review by Kildare Dobbs. Nightfall, a story by Len Gasparini.
Music Alive 11:03 p.m. Ayorama Wind Quintet — La Cheminee du Roi, Milhaud; Trio for flute, oboe and bassoon, Vivaldi; Quintet, Nielsen, from the Fredericton Festival.

SUNDAY, MAY 16
Bush and the Salon 1:03 p.m. Tales of a Prairie Drifter, by Rod Langley. Part 1.
Stanley Cup Play-off Hockey 4:03 p.m. Montreal at Philadelphia.
The Royal Canadian Air Farce 7:03 p.m. comedy.
The Entertainers 7:30 p.m. Profile of Arlo Guthrie.
CBC Playhouse 10:30 p.m. But you Promised by Paul Kligman - story of a little boy in hospital.

MONDAY, MAY 17
This Morning 9:15 to noon weekdays — host Laurier Lapierre.
Music of Our People 8:03 p.m. Fado songs from Portugal.
Special Report 10:10 p.m. preempting Five Nights this week. Nightly report from the Canadian Labour Congress.

TUESDAY, MAY 18
CBC Tuesday Night 8:03 p.m. Part 1. Judas - a story by Frank O'Connor. Part 2. Early keyboard music of Eckhardt Gramatte. Part 3. There was an old woman from Wexford by Alden Nowlan.
Touch the Earth 10:30 p.m. Second of 4 programs originating in the Atlantic Provinces, featuring singers, poets and just plain folk - Jim Bennet, Helen Creighton, Marty Reeno, Clarry Croft, Gene MacLellan - also recording of a "kitchen time" from Newfoundland and a ceilidh from Cape Breton.

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Applications to amend its cable television broadcasting licences for Gibsons and Sechelt, British Columbia as follows:

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— to delete the reception and distribution of CKLG-FM 257 Vancouver, British Coulmbia from channel 243;

— to reduce its service area;

— to add an additional antenna site.

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— to increase its service area to include Roberts Creek.

Decision: *APPROVED*
Guy Lefebvre
Secretary General

Canadian Radio-Television Commission
Conseil de la Radio-Télévision Canadienne

Emergency programs hold review

Emergency Programs Co-ordinator Art McPhee stated this week that a review of last week's disaster exercise had proved that all major objectives had been met and that all participants had done their jobs well.

A video tape of the exercise was shown at a meeting last Thursday at St. Mary's Hospital, and in the analysis only a few minor points were scheduled for change.

Hospital administrator Dana Kearney stated that she was generally happy with the exercise but felt that the system of coding patients as they arrived at the hospital could be improved and that there was a slight congestion problem in some corridors. The RCMP were pleased with the exercise but felt that their dispatch system and emergency roster calls could be upgraded so that the hospital would be advised of the accident sooner than they were this time.

The ambulance operators were disappointed that the exercise was not more realistic and a problem arose because the ambulance drivers did not fill out the paper work as it was only an exercise. This created still more paperwork at the hospital. McPhee admitted that the paper work problems were critical to the success of the operation.

The co-ordinator hoped that next time the exercise could be more realistic and that it could be held out of normal working hours so they could see what would happen if full staff was not available.

1500 sign for recycling

Tom Haigh, manager of Peninsula Recycling has prepared a report and petition for consideration by all levels of local and provincial government in an attempt to find funds to continue the operation after the May 31 deadline.

Haigh stated on Sunday that the completed petition has been signed by over 1500 local citizens from Egmont to Port Mellon. The petition states that the people who have signed the document wish to see Peninsula Recycling continue in business and asks the local and provincial governments to favorably consider the group's request for joint funding.

Haigh stated that he is unwilling to see the recycling group forced to close and added that after preliminary discussions with MLA Don Lockstead he was hopeful that the department of the environment would support his request for a provincial grant if the regional district came through with their share of the operating costs.

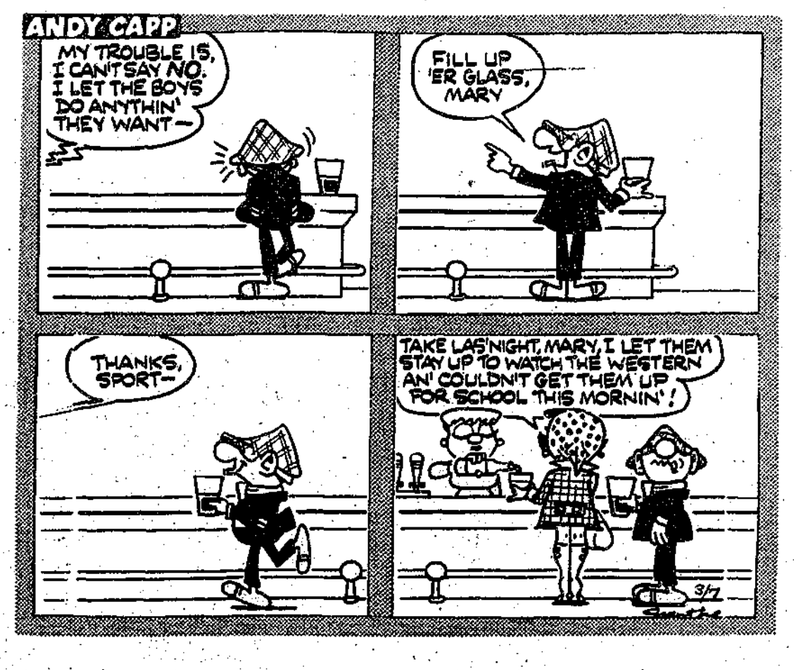
Haigh informed the Coast News that he hopes his group will be able to make a presentation to the SCRD at their next regular meeting.

Nurses conference

Two local nurses will represent the Sunshine Coast Chapter of the Registered Nurses Association of B.C. at the Associations' 64th annual meeting, May 12-14 in Vancouver. Acting as voting delegates for the local chapter will be June Bandi and Ben Weisenhoru.

Some 600 nurses representing 49 chapters are expected to attend the conference which will focus on a review of general association business. A feature of the meeting will be a half day examination of the theme the "Oppressed Majority". The idea being that the nurses are the largest segment of the health care work force yet they are dominated by smaller groups.

The local nurses' chapter has about 50 members and they devote most of their time to operating a loan cupboard of equipment for home use of the sick. They also conduct local education programs for the nurses and provide a bursary for post secondary education in the health care field.



Groups asked to decide on courses

Karin Hoemberg, the co-ordinator for this district's Centre for Continuing Education has asked all groups, agencies and organizations on the Sunshine Coast to decide what kind of educational courses they would like to see in this area.

In a letter sent to the various groups, the co-ordinator says that the program is at present modest but if expansion is done according to the needs of the community, a satisfying program will result.

"I sincerely believe that the Sechelt Peninsula can support a relevant and worthwhile education program if members of the community will participate in the planning," she says.

Co-ordinator Hoemberg says it is unfortunate that it is not possible to offer academic programs at this time because of a difference with the college involved. A total affiliation with that college would cost local taxpayers $140,000 per year which, she says, is an expense that cannot be justified at this time. She adds that alternate solutions are presently being investigated.

The school board is supporting all efforts to make continuing education part of life for the adult population and the board encourages individuals, groups, agencies, and organizations to contribute whatever they consider essential for the improvement and extension of the present program.

During May, the continuing education co-ordinator will be planning for the fall program and invite any information from Sunshine Coast residents. In the meantime she is asking all groups and organizations to spend some time at the next meeting to discuss educational courses which could be established in the future.

The co-ordinator states that the course will be initiated if ten people are interested and a suitable instructor can be found.

Gibsons attempts to lift 103 acre land freeze

Gibsons council is attempting to lift about 103 acres of village land out of the Agricultural Land Freeze so that the area can be used for sub-divisions.

Alderman Kurt Hoehne noted at last week's meeting that the village would like to see more land available for housing in order to increase the tax base for the village. With the mill rate frozen at 29.40 mills council feels it has no alternative but to establish a broader tax base by encouraging more sub-divisions.

The 103 acres are located in the area bound partially by Reed Road and the western boundaries of the village.

In other council news, an underground wiring policy is now being considered by the village. In a report to council, administrator Jack Copland offered for council's consideration a wiring policy now in use in North Vancouver. The North Vancouver policy states that underground wiring must be installed in a new sub-division located on a street that already has underground wiring, and in a sub-division that creates a cul-de-sac. When a proposed sub-division starts from an area served with existing overhead wiring the minimum number of lots serviced by the underground wiring should be 12.

The proposed policy is being considered by council and a decision on the matter will be handed down at the next regular council meeting, May 18.

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May Day festivities

The Pender Harbour May Day Committee has released the schedule of events for this year's May Day festivities.

The pagan celebration of the Rites of Spring begins on Saturday May 15 with a fishing derby commencing at 9 a.m. Later in the day are row boat races at 11 a.m. and a soap box derby at 1 p.m. A teen dance will be held on Friday, May 21 from 9 - 12 p.m. at the Madeira Park Community Centre.

Saturday May 22 is the date for most of the family entertainment at the Madeira Park playground. The day is kicked off with a pancake breakfast at 8 a.m. followed by a parade at 9:30. The crowning of the May Queen and Maypole dance are scheduled for 11 a.m.

Saturday afternoon is carnival time with bingo, plane rides, baseball and junior and senior games from 12 until 4. The May Queen and King dinner will be held at 5 p.m. with a junior and senior dance to follow from 6 until late that night.

Tyee Service inaugurated

Tyee Airways Ltd. inaugurated their new Islander service between Powell River, Sechelt and Vancouver airport on Saturday with a special flight for invited guests to Nanaimo and Powell River.

Representatives of Gibsons and Sechelt councils, the Airport Committee and the local press were flown to Nanaimo, where a representative of Nanaimo council joined the group, and then flown to Powell River to meet Powell River council members at a reception at Powell River airport.

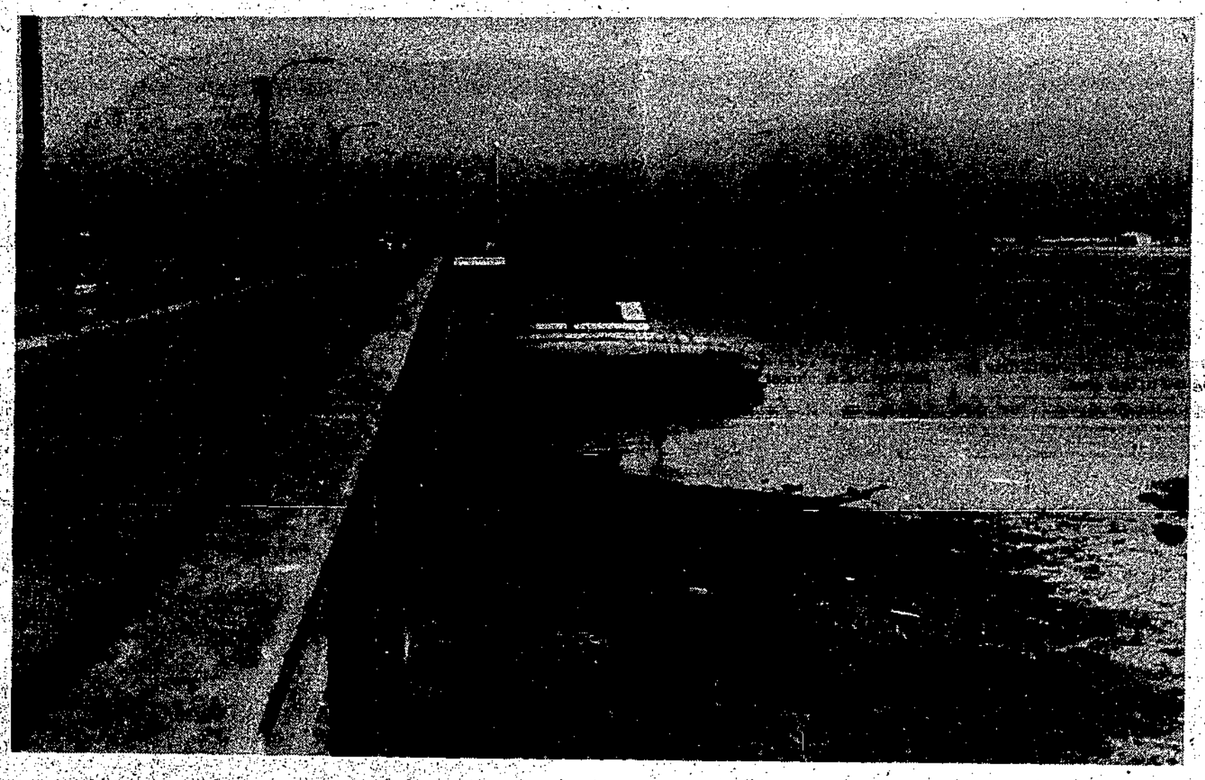
The flight took place after an open house held Saturday at Gibsons-Sechelt Municipal Airport to allow members of the public to inspect the new $182,000 Islander aircraft. The party left at about 1:00 p.m. (amd returned about 4:45 p.m. While in Powell River, members of Powell River council were given air tours over their city.

O'Shea water

A number of Gibsons residents living on O'Shea Road have petitioned to the village to have their water pressure improved.

A letter written by William Nasadyk and signed by ten other residents was presented to council last week. The letter states that the water pressure on O'Shea Road is "extremely low."

The problem will be studied by council's water committee and it is hoped that a solution can be presented at council's next meeting, May 18.



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"Airport traffic has tripled since paving"

Sechelt alderman Frank Leitner announced at last Wednesday's village council meeting that the airport paving is now complete. Leitner added that traffic has tripled since the paving was installed and that other improvments are now being considered. Leitner informed council that after a recent inspection it was decided that more clearing was needed along the approaches and that the Aero Club had agreed to do the job if they were granted salvage rights on the trees. Sechelt agreed to join Gibsons council in sending a letter to the club agreeing to this proposal.

Leitner also noted that it was hoped that local MP Jack Pearsall and Justice Minister Ron Basford would be able to attend the official opening of the airport scheduled for the middle of June.

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This is Your Life

Horoscope for the next week

By TRENT VARRO

ARIES - March 21 to April 20
Keen perception and an astute business sense can be used to great advantage at the present. You seem to know instinctively just the right time to act in all business matters.

Taurus - April 21 to May 20
Much activity and action is indicated for Taurus. Communications of all kinds, writing, publishings, meetings with business associates, are all under extremely fine astrological conditions.

GEMINI - May 21 to June 20
A true sense of humour may be used at this time in the handling of all business and personal matters for Gemini individuals. This will work out to your advantage. Don't get 'panicky'

CANCER - June 21 to July 21
If you find romantic and social matters interfering with your business sense this week, it would be wise not to take them too seriously. Dan Cupid can take up more of your time than he is entitled to.

LEO - July 22 to August 21
There are some very positive aspects shaping up for the sign Leo. These should be met with a positive attitude and not negative thinking. Your social life may seem a little mixed up.

VIRGO - August 22 to Sept. 21
Creative talents of all kinds are under very beneficial conditions. If you are in a business that requires artistic ability, you should gain tremendously; otherwise, a hobby can be most enjoyable.

LIBRA - Sept. 22 to October 22
This next week may be a little frustrating for Libra, as there is a tendency to feel "misunder stood" by those around you. This actually is in your own mind only, and should be treated accordingly.

SCORPIO - Oct. 23 to Nov. 21
Don't lose your temper and "go off like a firecracker" and everything will work out well for you now. There may be a strong temptation to 'blow-up' over some trivial detail. Keep calm!

SAGITTARIUS Nov 22 Dec 20
Romance and social life are very much in the foreground for Sagittarius at the present time. This is a good time to relax and enjoy yourself. A holiday would be most beneficial.

CAPRICORN - Dec 21 - Jan 19
This coming week can bring many benefits to Capricorn persons. Unless you have some major unfavourable aspect in your own personal chart, you should find this a most pleasant time.

Aquarius - Jan. 20 - Feb. 18
It might be wise not to make any permanent decisions at this time regarding your home life. The picture changes too rapidly to allow you a real depth of understanding. Wait!

PISCES - Feb. 19 to Mar. 20
Financial matters are favoured for Pisces individuals now, especially if you were born between Feb. 19 and March 5th. If your birthday comes later, you'll enjoy a 'lucky break' after mid-June.

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Derelicts

Sechelt village council announced at last Wednesday night's meeting that the federal department of transport is in them immediately. The two derelict fishing vessels lying alongpresently sitting on the launching ramp unless their owners remove them immediately. The two dedelict fishhing vessels lying alongside the ramp will be towed out into the bay and burned and it is supposed that the third vessel on the ramp will be seized.

The owner of the vessel on the ramp has been conducting repairs to the vessel since last September and presently lives aboard the small fishing craft.

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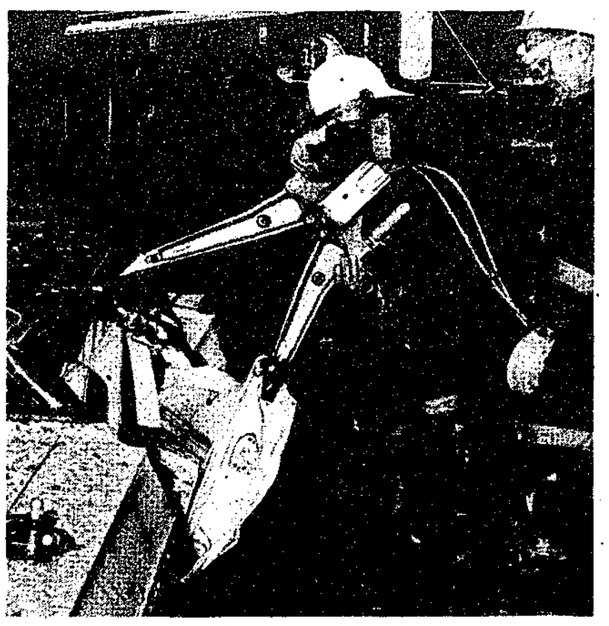
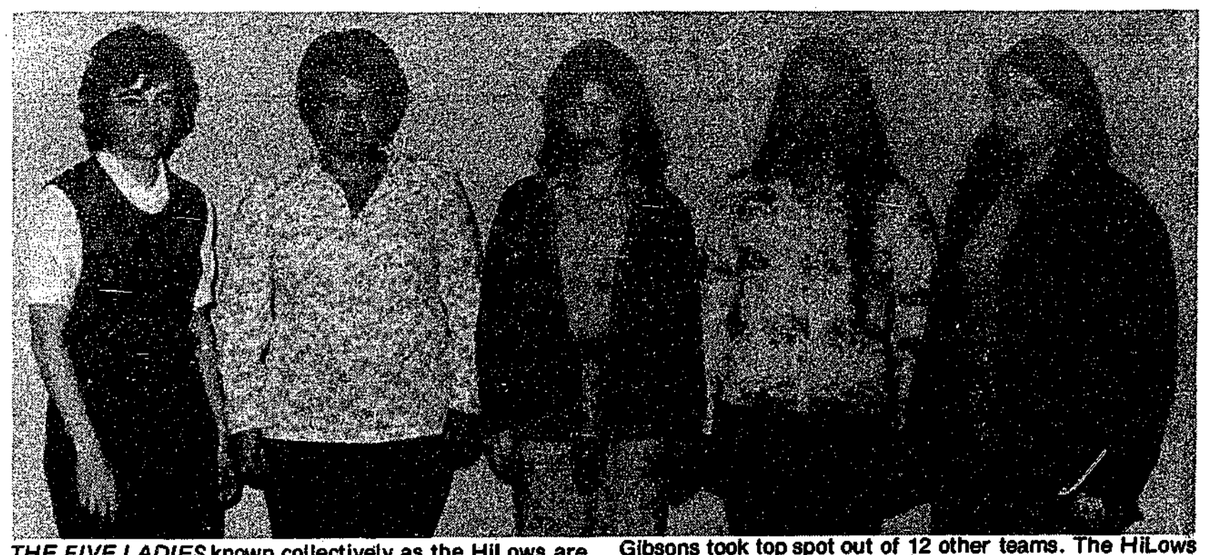


JAWS COMES TO GIBSONS? A demonstration of this new Hurst power rescue tool, for removing people trapped in aotus or planes after an accident, will be presented by the Kinsmen for the benefit of the Fire Department on May 12. The public is invited along to watch this powerful set of jaws in operation. The hydraulic power tool is worth about $7,000. The demonstration will be held on the Super Valu parking lot, May 12 at 7 p.m.

Building up 100% for April

The Village of Gibsons Building Inspector's report for April shows an increase of four in the number of building permits issued over April 1975. Two new residential buildings and four residential additions were reported for a total of six permits issued for the period. The value of this month's building was set at $84,000 an increase from the $40,000 for the same period last year. Permit fees were up from $28 to $240.50

The year to date figures show a drop in building values for the first four months of the year of $184,000 when compared to the same period of 1975. Last year 15 permits were issued including nine for new residential building. This year 12 applications for permits have been received with seven of those being for additions to existing structures.



THE FIVE LADIES known collectively as the HiLows are packing their bags for Reno after capturing the Province Teambowl finals in Vancouver last week. The team from Gibsons took top spot out of 12 other teams. The HiLows are Penny McClymont, Bobi Mulligan, Marilyn Strom, Sur Earwaker and Vicki Buchanan. For more details see story on page 12.

Marina debate

MLA Don Lockstead brought the Porpoise Bay Marina question before the legislative assembly last Monday by asking the Minister of the Environment Jim Nielsen to look into the possibility of a conflict of interest in making the decision on the lease.

Lockstead told the house that the lease for the marina had been granted against the recommendations of department officials and the Village of Sechelt. He also pointed out that the application had been rejected by the NDP government last year for these same reasons and stated that he was concerned about the possibility of a conflict of interest due to the fact that the project's developer Halfmoon Bay Estates was owned by Len Van Egmond who was active in the Socred victory in Coquitlam and whose wife is president of the Social Credit constituency organization.

The Speaker of the House was forced to call for order after these comments and Nielsen then assured the MLA that if the applicant had been the premier himself he would not have received special consideration.

Developer Len Van Egmond later attacked Lockstead for his attitude on the lease and stated that not only had Sechelt Council never come out against the proposal but to the best of his knowledge no reports had had ever been filed against the development by any provincial or federal government body.

Van Egmond admitted that an earlier Department of the Environment report had objected to the development on "aesthetic grounds" but claimed the report had failed to prove any real environmental danger.

Chairman not neutral

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normal chairman's duty of remaining neutral to the discussion.

The vote was finally held and the meeting endorsed the presentation of both a majority and minority report by a margin of 21 to 15. A second motion was then put to the meeting to the effect that another vote be taken on the main question of last month's meeting "That there be a death penalty and that it be used." After much further discussion the vote was finally called and this time those in favor of doing away with the death penalty won the decision 19-18.

Neil MacKenzie and Tim Frizzell, the main spokesmen for the abolitionist group stated after the meeting that they were now confident that at least the abolitionist side would get a fair voice in the federal decision. Other pro-abolitionists added that they felt 50% of the local people were in favor of abolition and that at the last meeting a very small minority of prople with extreme views on the subject had dominated the vote.

The general feeling among the retentionists was that the meeting had been stacked by the pro-abolitionists and that since the first meeting had been fairly and democratically held the original views should have stood as the council's position.

Gibsons Budget

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average homeowner with a tax assessment of $7,000 would pay about $450 in taxes this year. Sewage and water costs are not included in that figure.

For homeowners who receive the provincial homeowner grant, taxes would be considerably less, as low as $1 per year for some residents. The additional six mill tax levy for this year's school board budget will bring taxes up by about ten percent, however, this ten percent increase has already been offset by an increase in the homeowner's grant which has gone up from $230 to $280 this year.

This means then that Gibsons taxpayers will be paying approximately the same amount of taxes this year as last year.

Along with passing the bylaw to accept the 1976 budget last week, council also passed a bylaw that will establish a capital expenditure program for the village over the next five years. A total of $3,336,000 has been designated for various village projects including parks development, a marina development, an arena, a public works yard, recreational lands and dog pound, roads, sidewalks, culverts and ditches, machinery, and improvements to the water and sewer system. Revenues for these projects are expected to come in from various sources including the general revenue fund, grants, capital reserve, the water and sewer revenue fund, and borrowing.

Sechelt budget

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and expenditures at $390,260, up 24% over last year's figures. Added revenue and expenditure from collection of school taxes is largely responsible for this considerable increase.

On the expenditure side the council has allotted $246,458 for fiscal collection services, monies received for other local and provincial governments, an increase of $65,000 on last year's figure. Slight increases in funds for environmental services and general government make up the rest of the $72,000 increase. Some cutbacks in road and transportation costs have helped to minimize the budget's impact.

This year's capital expenditure program is up $12,000 over 1975 with expenditures for new roads, curbs and sidewalks, $3,500 for acquisition of new property, $5,000 for parks and beaches and $3,500 for works and office equipment.

In a five year capital expenditures program issued with the budget, $240,000 is allowed in 1977 for new municipal buildings and another $100,000 is allowed for additional municipal facilities in 1980. Over the next five years a total of $150,000 will be poured into new roads and sidewalks and another $60,000 will go to property acquisition. Parks and recreation will receive $40,000 and works equipment will cost a further $32,000. The cost of the municipal buildings will be raised on a one-third debenture, one-third governmant grants and one-third local grants basis. With the additional cost of next year's building the 1977 budget in expected to top the $600,000 mark.

This year's assessments raise a total of $3,715 for each mill for municipal purposes, $4,038 for each mill for school purposes and $3,963 for each mill for regional purposes within the village boundaries.

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SECOND SECTION

What do you think of the ferry increases?

BILL MAY

I think the new rates are bunk. We were getting by pretty cheap but this thing of doubling fares is rotten. We have to go to Vancouver quite often as we have a daughter in Pearson Hospital. It's unfair that we have to pay all this money to go in, after all it's only a highway anyway. I'm an old age pensioner and I find it pretty rough to get by, you've got to keep digging all the time. Now everything has to go up.

DENISE LEE

I'm sorry to see it go up because I've been a resident of this area for most of my life and it just means it is going to cost quite a lot more to go back and forth to Vancouver. It will make a big difference on anything that has to come in by freight truck. I'll be using the ferries a lot less from now on. I just won't be able to afford to go as often as I used to.

RICKI LEIPSIZ

I personally feel that it is a good thing. I might be naive but I hope that there will be less traffic and that it will force the development of better public transport. I would prefer to pay a higher rate if these other benefits occur, however they may not. This riding and most of the other island constituencies are NDP ridings. I would suppose that if this were a strong Socred riding this wouldn't have occured.

GEORGE OWEN

I honestly believe that it would be just as logical to charge a man two bits to drive over a culvert. It's part of the highway, there should be no fare what so ever. I use the ferries quite a bit but I can only spend what I can spend, I just won't use it anymore than I have to. Nobody should be charged for using a floating highway. That's what consolidated revenue is all about. The province should pay 100%.

CAROL SKYTTE

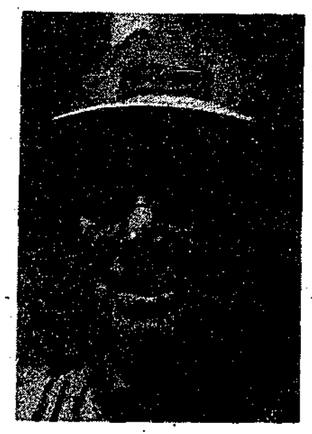
It's awful. My kids were going to go over for swimming lessons but now it just won't be possible. We will just have to go less often. It's going to triple the cost now that they've taken away the commuter fares. It wouldn't be so bad if only they would just leave us the commuter cards. My husband has a small business and he has to go into Vancouver for parts quite often. The cost of everything is just going to go up so much.

ERNIE LOWE

I've had lots to say at various times about the ferries and these new increases are just too damn much. It's rough on people who have to go over every week like I used to before my heart attack. I understand that it is now going to be cheaper for old age pensioners, I guess they are just trying to pick up some votes. We came here in 1941 and we've seen the ferries develop through the years, but this just doesn't make sense.

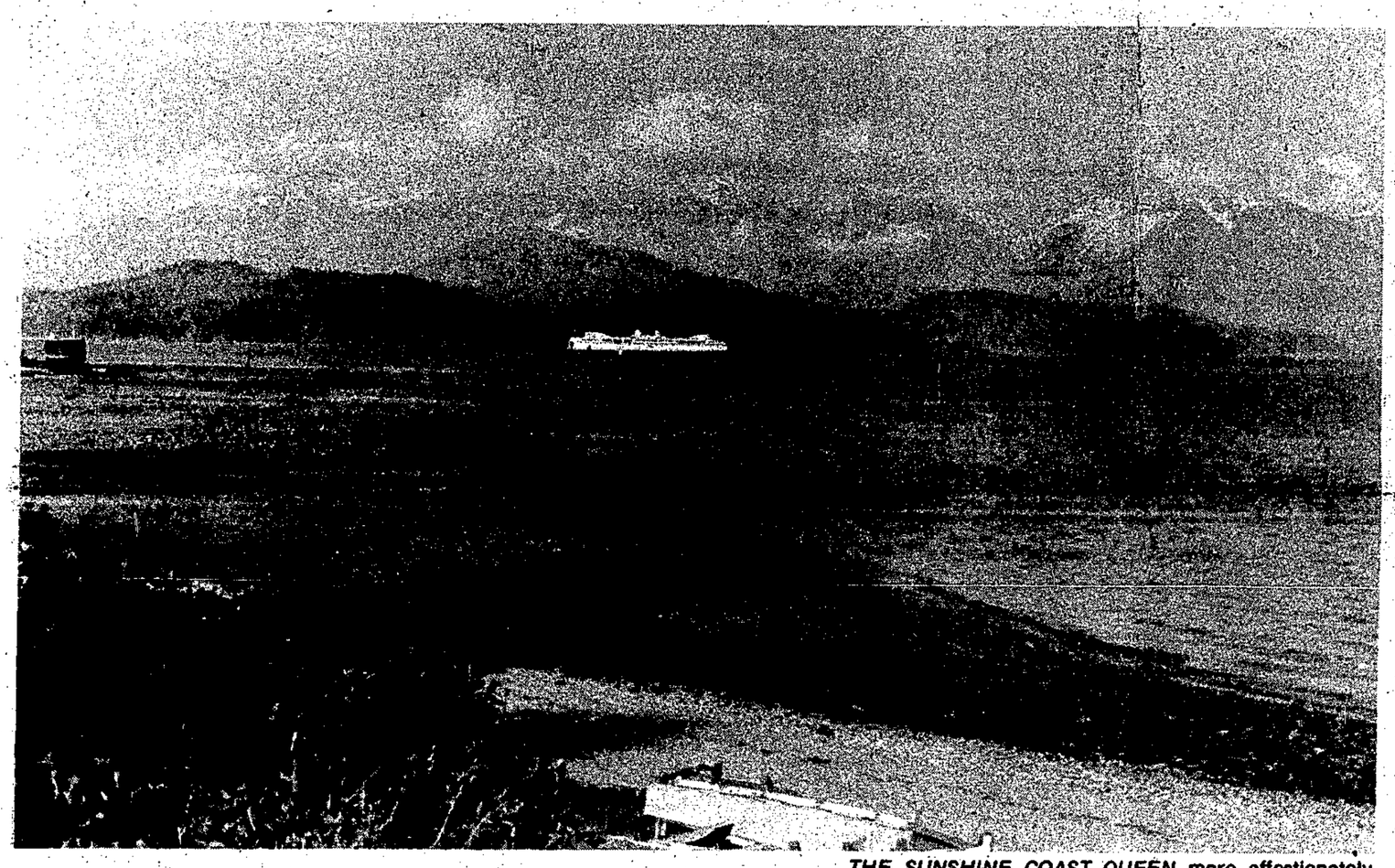
KERRY CLARK

Well I can only say the same things as a lot of other people I know. It's a large jump at one time but you must remember that we've gone 16 years without an increase of any kind. We use the ferries quite a few times a year and I guess we'll still go just as much. I don't think people are about to stop using the ferry system. I believe they need the service and are going to use it just as much.



ROGER LECOMTE

I just figure they should have commuter tickets for the people who live up here. It's pretty expensive for those of us who go into Vancouver once a week. I also think they're being a bit sticky about this recreational vehicle business. If you can't carry anything on your truck there is no use in having them. It's really going to affect the tourist trade, I don't know maybe we didn't vote the right way.



THE SUNSHINE COAST QUEEN more affectionately known in local waters as the Suzy-Q, moves quietly into Howe Sound as she starts her run towards Horseshoe Bay. All is not quiet with the ferry situation, however, as workers are being laid off, a strike threatens, and ferry rates will go up as much as three times. The Coast News has also learned that the Suzy-Q may be replaced by the Queen of New Westminster.

Navy League needs support

by VERNA RIVARD

The executive of the Sunshine Coast Branch of the Navy League of Canada has directed me to compile this report, in order to acquaint you with the progress that has been made in forming Royal Canadian Sea Cadet and Navy League Cadet Corps.

The cadet organization is open to young people of both sexes. The Navy League Cadets are from ages 11 to 13 and Royal Canadian Sea Cadets from ages 13 to 18 inclusive.

The Sunshine Coast Branch has recently received its Charter from the National Headquarters in Ottawa. It will be presented officially by Mr. Tom Wade, President of the B.C. Mainland Division, Navy League of Canada at an appropriate ceremony later this spring.

"Conway" has been chosen as the name for the Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps to perpetuate the name of a famous training ship of the same era, and similar in appearance to those ships whose names Captain Vancouver chose to distinquish many of the geographic features of our coastline. "Conway" was also the training ship which gave many Canadians their start upon a sea going career.

The name "Kenneth Grant" has been chosen for the Navy League Cadet Corps, in honor of Commander K. E. Grant, c.d., RCN, who was killed in an aircraft accident while serving as the Director of Sea Cadets. Commander Kenneth Grant lived on the Sunshine Coast before joining the Navy and intended to return when he retired. His mother, Mrs. Greta Grant, lives in Gibsons and is one of the very staunch supporters of the Cadets.

The executive of the Branch proceeded cautiously with the formation of the cadet corps, to make sure that the aims and objectives were understood by the interested young people and their parents. The response, at first slow, has begun to build rapidly. The Navy League Branch has 115 members and we hope to increase this total considerably during our Spring Membership drive. RCSC Conway has an enrollment of 55 cadets with ten applicants being processed. Navy League Cadet Corps Kenneth Grant has 62 cadets and over ten new applicants. We have recently received indications that many more may soon apply to join and we do not intend to turn them down. Cadet instructor list officers have been appointed, and four cadet training sessions have been completed. RCSC Conway is commanded by Lieutenant John Hall of Pender Harbour and the Navy League Cadet Corps Kenneth Grant is under the command of Lieutenant Ross Orriss, who lives in Gibsons.

The corps have yet no permanent home. At present, the Gibsons Elementary school is being used, by permission of the School Authorities. We have been advised that the Old Age Pensioners Association will gladly assist us, as a temporary measure, by making available the use of their new hall, and for this we are, indeed, most grateful.

As you can see, we have made good progress. Many of those who have joined our Navy League Branch have given generously of their time, talents and money. The considerable monetary and material support of the Navy League of Canada and the Department of National Defence has been assured. However, until we have a monetary base sufficient to provide for articles of uniform for the Navy League Cadets, purchase special equipment, postage, field trips, transportation, band equipment and a variety of start-incidentals, we are not yet out of the woods.

We anticipate that by next year the cadets, themselves, will raise at least one third of the total annual budget of approximately $3,500. This year it will just not be possible and we, therefore, appeal for assistance from those in the community who believe in what we are trying to achieve; namely showing our fine young people what citizenship means.

We desperately require parents who are willing to assist the Navy League and Sea Cadets by providing a car pool on Parade Night (Navy League Cadets parade on Mondays evenings at the Gibsons Elementary School gymnasium from 7-9 p.m. and the Sea Cadets parade on Wednesday evenings, same place, same time). As we have Cadets coming from Madeira Park, Sechelt, Roberts Creek, Langdale, it would be a great pity for these young people to miss or have to drop out due to transportation problems. Those interested, please call Sally Dawe at 886-7055 or by writing to the Sunshine Coast Navy League Branch, P.O. Box 1121, Gibsons, B.C.

We thank you in anticipation, but, if you cannot help these young people, think well of them when you see them.

Amendments to gun law

Amendments submitted to Justice Minister Ron Basford and Solicitor General Warren Allmand by Jack Pearsall, M.P. for Coast Chilcotin regarding Bill C-83 have been approved.

Solicitor General Allmand announced last Tuesday that the age grouping for young hunters 14-18 years would be amended. Pearsall fought this age bracketing first insisting that those aged 18 should not be classified as minors. The minister agreed and reduced the age to 17 years.

Pearsall then protested that young boys and girls in the north of the riding all owned rifles by their 12th year and were competent and careful hunters. Wildlife groups and gun club members also sought the reduction in age to 12 years.

The Coast Chilcotin member is still seeking additional changes that will make the bill more palatable to his country constituents. Pearsall has met with Justice committee chairman Mark MacGuigan to seek provincial representation by such groups as B.C. Wildlife to represent rod and gun clubs throughout Canada.

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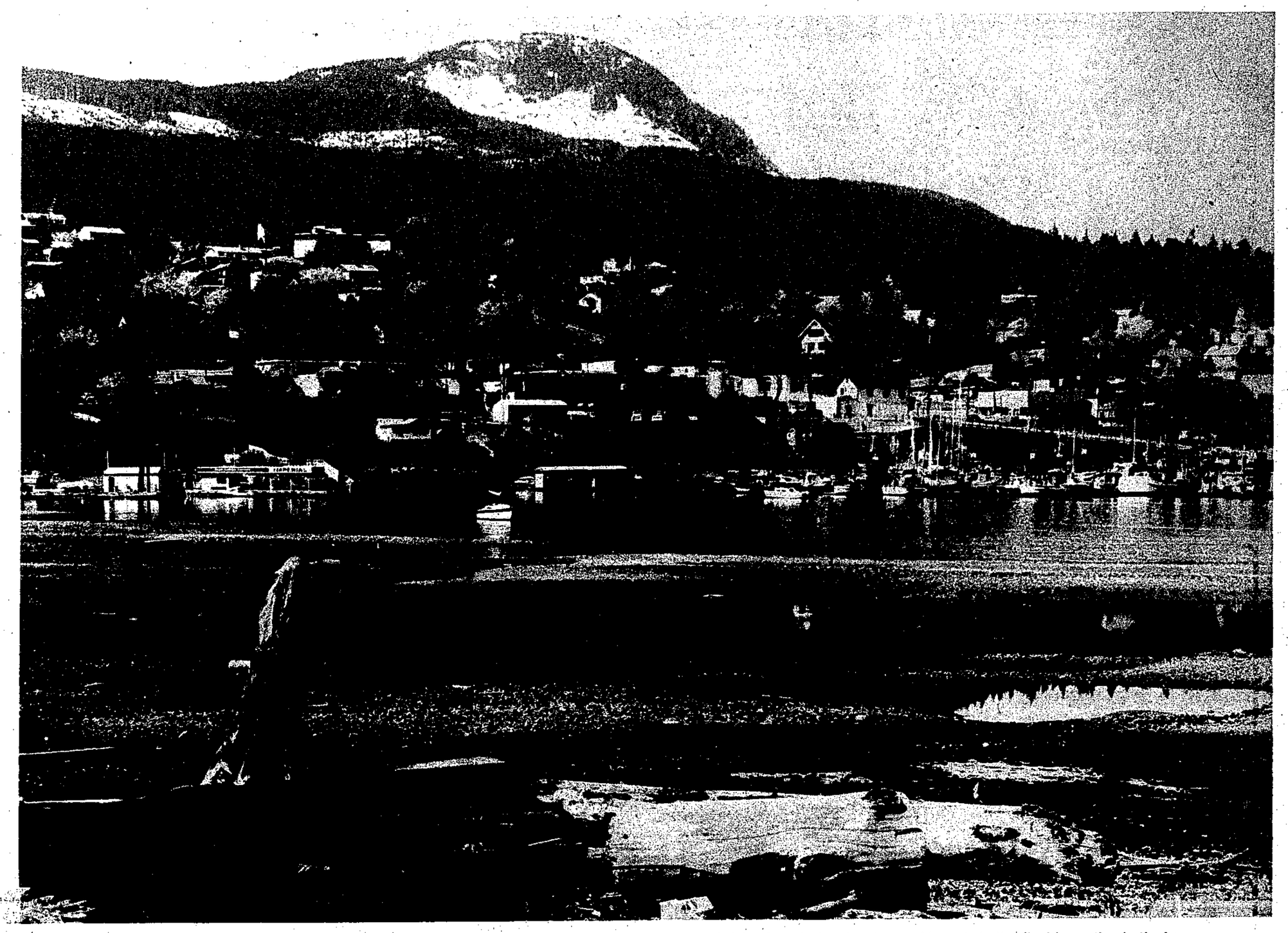
A modest proposal for the development of Gibsons harbor

.....and why the village is going into the marina business

by ROB DYKSTRA



Low tide in the bay area of Gibsons Harbor. Federal Government engineers claim that man made islands and a breakwater would create better flushing action in the bay.

When George Gibson first set foot on the land that was eventually to become the village that now carries his name, he must have felt a little smug as he surveyed his physical surroundings and followed the sweeping view of Howe Sound, Georgia Strait, and the snug little cove below that we now commonly know as the bay. He could not have chosen to settle here without some thoughts about the natural beauty of the place and since his time, it's probably not just a few people, both residents and visitors, who have echoed his sentiments. And therein follows a bit of a paradox.

With such a motley population inhabiting this village of 2,000 or so people it is perhaps a fallacy to refer to an "average" Gibsonite. But for lack of a better term I will say that the average villager is probably more than satisfied with the rural sleepy-hollow atmosphere that the village has managed to retain over the years of close-by urban development. And, in fact, many of those who consider themselves urban escapees — and there are many of us — have forsaken the closet apartments to establish some sort of modern day homestead on the half acre lot that (how quaint) is not even blacktopped. So many have decided that this village, in all its minuteness, is now nothing less than home.

But, like fresh roasted peanuts at the zoo, a good thing catches on and before you know it you end up losing the exact thing that led you here in the first place. That's the paradox, you see, and that probably explains the ambivalent feelings and perhaps the tinge of village chauvinism that many of us feel when confronted with the word development or sub-division.

This is true especially when it applies to our harbour.

There's a saying in the village that all streets lead to the wharf and that's true literally just as it is figuratively. The majority of homes in the village are tiered in a half circle along the hill. The harbor and part of Howe Sound are the focal point. Ask almost any Gibsonite and he will be intimately acquainted with the daily activities of the wharf whether he is down there everyday to secure the fishing boat or whether his experiences are more vicarious, perhaps through the glass of his binoculars. Without much doubt, the harbor is this village's biggest attraction and its greatest asset.

It was probably in late 1968 when many villagers felt more than just a bit of fear when the harbor and waterfront area of the village was threatening to become another (heavens!) West Vancouver. At that time, Village Council, under the direction of Mayor Fred Feeney had commissioned the Vancouver engineering firm of Dayton and Knight to conduct a detailed study of future development of the Gibsons harbor area which resulted in the monstrosity more officially known as the Gibsons Harbor Development Plan.

A grand plan it was. As outlined in the resulting report, the object of the Dayton and Knight study was to prepare a harbor development plan which was to be co-ordinated with future land use and traffic movements in the area.

The detailed and impressive looking 26 page report cited a previous economic survey conducted in this area which came up with the conclusion that additional recreation and tourist facilities were needed to exploit the potential tourist industry. Another study, this one on small boat facilities in the Strait of Georgia had concluded that there would be a great demand for boat moorages in the future. In fact, the study, conducted in 1966, estimated that the number of pleasure boats in the Strait of Georgia would double within 20 years.

Informing village fathers at the time that Gibsons harbor was a prime marine location, the Dayton and Knight report recommended that the village take advantage of this situation and cash in on the accentuated tourism and boating interests by appropriately developing the harbor and the adjacent lands. What followed was a harbor development plan that included nothing less than a convention style hotel complex and marina located primarily on a four acre island that would be constructed in the middle of the bay area.

The marina complex involved both a pleasure craft basin and a commercial craft basin and the waterfront area would house a number of multiple family apartments that would serve to create a high density area in the core of Gibsons. The entire complex, which was to be protected from the winter Squamish winds by a large floating breakwater, was estimated in the Dayton and Knight report to be worth some $2½ million although current retrospective estimates have brought that figure closer to $6 million. An all around grandiose scheme.

The first Gibsons Harbor Development Plan was a grand scheme but nobody wanted it.

It bombed.

The great Gibsons harbor scheme never got to first base. As present day village officials, none of whom were connected with the development, by the way, explain it now, the village could not obtain any firm commitments from major hotel chains. Legal turmoil developed over who would own the man made island. In purely technical terms, the land underneath the harbor was owned by the province, the water on top of the land was controlled by the federal government whose department of transport looks after harbors and the island that was created by the village, should, according to the village, be owned by the village. No hotel official wanted to commit his company to a hotel complex of such magnitude without, first of all, knowing under whose jurisdiction the land fell, and secondly being able to purchase the land themselves.

Furthermore, and this, to some was even more of an impediment, villagers wanted nothing to do with the scheme. They saw a plan that would see their harbor area turned into a high density urban style development that would cause the harbor and the entire village to lose its rural flavor in a matter of two or three years. West Vancouver, they said, should stay in West Vancouver. Even Don Lockstead, the MLA in a newly elected NDP government at that time, asked the provincial government not to grant the foreshore rights for the complex because it was too apparent the people didn't want it.

That brings us to the present.

The great island hotel complex died a quick death and as some are wont to say, let a sleeping dog lie. Some of the material to result from the 1968 Dayton and Knight report, however, does deserve some further consideration. There's probably no doubt in anyone's mind that boating is an ever increasing activity and there's probably also little doubt that the village of Gibsons is in a prime location to provide marine facilities to both the Sunshine Coast residents and the boating public in general. Gibsons has the last safe harbor of any size before Pender Harbour and it is also located within proximity to Vancouver to make the voyage from that city a pleasant one day journey in a small craft.

The Sunshine Coast has little major industry apart from the pulp mill at Port Mellon and since residents here are not about to encourage the likes of more pulp mills perhaps the Dayton and Knight report carries some truth when it states that Gibsons harbor is in the ideal location to take advantage of accentuated tourism and boating interests.

Besides that, the village has a small problem. With no major industry to carry the bulk of the tax base, Gibsons faces a rather slow development of such services as water and sewers. As noted by the village's finance chairman, Kurt Hoehne, after the adoption of this year's final budget, the only increased revenue the village can pick up now is by new subdivisions and improvements on existing buildings which serve to increase the tax assessment. The mill rate itself is set at 29.40 mills and according to provincial legislation it cannot be raised until there is a change in the local government structure.

Council feels it's time for the village to capitalize on the growing tourist industry.

Thus results the village's present marina project.

Village officials echo the Dayton and Knight report in that Gibsons is in an ideal location to capitalize on the tourist industry, particularly the boating tourist, and the discussions that have taken place behind the closed doors of the council chambers over the past year or so have precipitated the philosophy that this village may just as well capitalize on this enormous tourist potential as any private developer.

Over the past year council has been moving quietly to buy up land around the bay area. So far the village has invested about $250,000 of the public's money into ten lots. What this initial investment constitutes is the groundwork for an extensive marina development, the final cost of which council cannot at this time estimate.

Three sets of plans were recently sent to Ottawa for federal approval and the one the council is most interested in depicts a marina development that would contain from 350 to 400 berths for boats, showers and washroom facilities for boaters, and a marine sewage dumping station as is now located at the curling rink for campers. The marina would be partially contained and protected from the wind by a floating breakwater.

The shallow area located off the tip of the bluff would be built up and made into three or four small islands which the plans term as picnic parks. A seawall would be built around the bay area to prevent erosion and the possibility exists that the seawall would carry a public walkway.

Council also has plans in mind to construct a small commercial complex which would be leased out to various marine oriented businesses such as a lunch counter, boat sales, and so on. Consideration has already been given to the existing commercial marinas in the harbor and the municipally owned marina would not go into the marine gasoline or repair business.

The existing government wharf would remain where it is and cater mainly to commercial vessels. According to the plans, a second marina facility is to be considered as phase two of the harbor development. This facility would be located on the east side of the present government wharf and would mainly accommodate commercial vessels.

Council has been reluctant to release details about the plans for the marina complex, first of all because land speculation around the harbor area would have made the price prohibitive, and secondly because it was felt a total development plan was needed before any proposal could be put forward. The plans for the marina proposal were hurriedly sent to Ottawa last week so that the village could get onto next year's financial roll.

The federal government, in fact, plays an integral part in the marina complex. Under the small craft harbors development scheme, Ottawa will pay half of the total costs. The federal government has stated that it feels the provision of facilities for pleasure craft is now in the area of big business. The government feels this industry should be given consideration in line with that given to other elements of industry such as fisheries, mining, and pulp and paper.

The federal participation, council feels, is one of the most attractive aspects of the harbor development. Two federal engineering surveys have already been conducted, one to determine substructure and another to determine depths in the area, and with Ottawa contributing such a large part of the actual construction of the facility council is free to put its 50 percent share into the development of the commercial aspect of the venture.

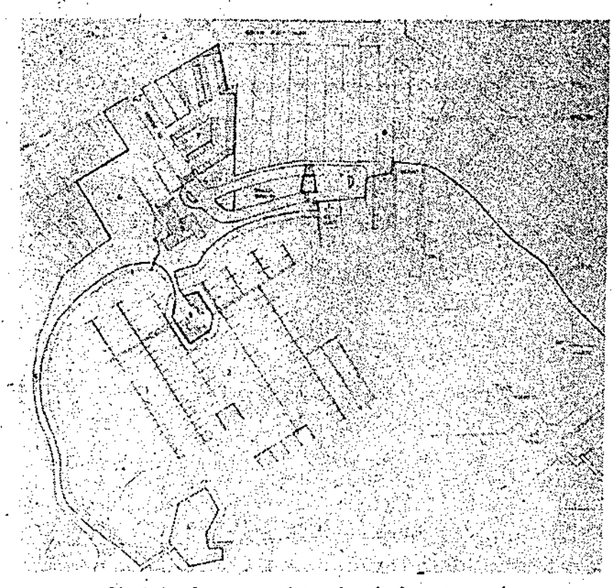
As explained recently in an interview with Mayor Larry Labonte and Alderman Jim Metzler, council's representative responsible for overseeing the project, the idea is for the marina to be a self-liquidating venture which will serve to make money for the village coffers. With charges for moorage, use of facilities, and the lease of the marine shops, council feels it will make money which can then be put back into the budget for other village amenities. Apart from the land, council does not plan to incur any debts for the development of the project.

To get an idea of what such a marina complex could possibly look like, members of council travelled to various Vancouver Island Communities to view existing marina complexes that have been built under similar circumstances as the proposed development for Gibsons. The village officials were impressed. As one of the village aldermen recently commented on the municipally owned marina complexes: "We are behind. We are missing a bundle of tax dollars that could benefit the taxpayer."

So far so good. But then with any development in a precarious marine environment, what about pollution? One of the greatest problems in the bay area at this moment is the fact that lack of flushing action leaves all the harbor flotsam and jetsam on the bay area beach. Residents who have waterfront homes in that area have already made it known to council that their beach is too filthy to enjoy because of the material now coming from the government wharf.

Thus far village officials admit that only "visual studies" have been carried out by engineers from the federal department of the environment. From these preliminary studies it has been indicated that the construction of the islands and the breakwater will force a circular tidal action that will serve to clear the bay area of unwanted materials.

Pollution is a touchy subject these days and rightly so. Council is convinced that the pollution factor will be minimal because the marina will be built according to the latest environmental standards and, in fact, the marina facilities will be built to discourage pollution. According to village planner Rob Buchan, both he and council are vitally concerned about possible detrimental effects to the environment. And furthermore, he assures anyone expressing such concern that the environmental factor will be high on the list of the federal government before such a complex is ever given the go-ahead.



Sketch of proposed marina in bay area.

Buchan pointed out last week that the village, in fact, initiated the CDA zoning (Comprehensive Development Area) in 1973 in order to have control over certain lands and freeze development that is not sympathetic with the long term views of this village.

"The last thing we want to see is the waterfront misued due to lack of planning and foresight and under this zoning (CDA) we are protected until we know what we want to do," he said.

So there stands the latest harbor development, not to be confused with the earlier "convention hotel" proposal. As I conducted interviews and gathered research material for this article, I was constantly reminded by the officials involved that this proposal is indeed just that — a proposal. One can not really argue with a municipally owned marina proposal as long as it conforms to decent aesthetic and environmental lines.

There is some feeling in this community though which espouses the idea that "a lot of people don't want anything at all on the bay" to quote one long-time Gibsons resident who is of that sentiment. And perhaps there is some validity to the opinion that the average tourist, whether he comes by camper or by boat, is no financial asset to the community because he brings all his food from home — all except the ice-cream and booze. There are those who feel that any further development in the harbor would only serve to displace this village from its rather unique physical environment. Keep it the way it is, they say.

The time to talk will come. Council has indicated that once the federal government has shown some interest in the harbor development — and MP Jack Pearsall has already indicated that the village is at the top of the list for funds in early 1977 — then it is time for villagers to determine exactly what it is they want. Village officials say they want the harbor to be a place of enjoyment, they want it used properly, and they want the citizens of this village to determine the means towards which this end will be achieved.

With the statement firmly made by our elected representatives that villagers will have the last say I'll give the last quote to planner Rob Buchan who feels that this village has a definite heritage to protect.

"I like the historical aspect of this village and I would certainly like to see that retained."

That, even George Gibson couldn't disagree with.

'PIONEERS OF PROGRESS'

by DOUG SEWELL

Fighting Joe Martin - The premier nobody liked

The year of 1900 was a difficult and turbulent period in the history of the B.C. legislature. As the old century disappeared and the new century rolled in, the government of Premier Charles Semlin was struggling to hold on to the reins of power against a hostile lieutenant-governor and an unscrupulous leader of the opposition. Finally on the last day of February the opposition joined together and the premier was defeated on a crucial vote. Lieutenant-Governor McInnes dismissed Semlin from office and "Fighting Joe Martin" the radical former attorney-general, was asked to form the new government.

In order to show their disapproval the legislature voted 28-1 against the new administration but McInnes and Martin refused to back down thereby sparking the greatest constitutional crisis in the province's history.

For Martin being the centre of controversies such as this was almost a way of life. His political career from its beginnings in the Manitoba assembly to its conclusion in the British House of Commons was constantly marked by turmoil, bad relations with his legislative colleagues and new starts somewhere else.

Fighting Joe Martin was a skilled and competent politician. His failing was a bluntness and lack of tact that lost him the opportunity to be a great administrator on many occasions.

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Joseph Martin, son of Edward and Mary Ann Martin was born in Milton, Ontario, in September of 1852. When Joe was still a young schoolboy the Martins emigrated to the U.S. in search of work and finally settled in Michigan. Edward Martin died soon after the family made the move and the three Martin sons were forced to drop their education and seek employment. Joseph went to work first as a wireless telegrapher then later took a job as a railway dispatcher. However, the economic collapse of 1873 resulted in Martin losing his job and he decided to return to Canada.

Upon his return to Toronto, Martin obtained a first class teaching certificate and completed two years of arts at the University of Toronto after which he was offered a job at the New Edinburgh school district in Ottawa. As a staunch Liberal it wasn't long before Martin became involved in local politics and began to quarrel with the school board's conservative policies.

He soon realized that his future as a school teacher was limited and again changed course and privately studied for admission to the bar. A few months after passing his Ontario examinations he decided to move west and finally settled down to a law practice in Portage la Prairie and married the same year.

In the Manitoba provincial election of 1882 Martin stood as a candidate for the Portage la Prairie riding for the provincial Liberal party. The Liberals were at the bottom of the polls at that point and were generally regarded as a party with a bad history of broken promises and incompetent government. However, Martin loved being the underdog and after a hard fought campaign, which included charges by his opponent of fraud that resulted in a new election, he finally took his seat in the Winnipeg legislature.

Martin immediately proved himself to be an unpopular member of the assembly by failing to stand in awe of the traditions and rules of the house. In his first legislative session he accused the speaker of gross partisanship and tied up the business of the assembly for some time by refusing to apologize. Martin loved to be at the centre of controversy and though unpopular with his colleagues he was once again re-elected in 1886.

In the winter of 1887-88 the Conservative government was finally forced to resign and Martin was rewarded for his efforts with the Attorney-General and Education portfolios. In addition he was named Railway Commissioner and immediately fell into conflict with the CPR over provincial railway policy and became a champion of provincial rights. For a while he was a popular member of the assembly but it wasn't long before he fell afoul of the local French Canadians by supporting the abolishment of French as an official language and forcing it through the assembly. His political career was ruined and after the session he resigned to run for parliament in the general election of 1891. Though his first attempt was unsuccessful, in the general election of 1893 he was elected with a sizeable majority.

For the next two years Martin remained a firm supporter of Laurier and accompanied the Prime Minister on his western tour. In the general election of 1896, however, the Manitoban Liberals were soundly defeated and Martin was once again returned to private life. Martin again decided that it was time to start anew and this time chose Vancouver as his new home.

Martin was, by this time, an experienced and talented politician and his assets were quickly realized on the B.C. political scene. In 1898 he was elected provincial representative for the City of Vancouver.

In the turmoil and pandemonium of B.C. politics at the turn of the century Martin was in his element. Semlin was forced to seek support wherever he could find it and eventually Martin was offered the Attorney-General and Minister of Education posts in return for his support. It was a stormy and uncertain period of government. Martin presented the alien exclusion bill, designed to limit Oriental immigration but which also precluded Americans from freely settling in B.C. and fortunately failed. The Attorney-General referred to his constituents as "hobos," accused his own government's finance minister of fiscal irresponsibility and attacked many of the Premier's policies.

Semlin was finally forced to ask Martin for his resignation and the former cabinet member crossed the floor and joined the opposition ranks. Martin toyed with Semlin for a while refusing to cast the necessary votes to remove him from power. Finally at the end of February 1900 Semlin was defeated by a crucial vote and Lieutenant-Governor McInnes asked the Premier for his resignation. The house indicated its disapproval by voting 22-15 to condemn the Lieutenant-Governor for his actions. McInnes answered by asking Martin to form a government and the house voted 28-1 against the move.

When McInnes came to officially prorogue the house only the Speaker and Martin stayed in the chamber to listen to the speech. The system had collapsed, the entire assembly had lost respect for McInnes.

In the ensuing election Martin fought to maintain control but when the ballots were finally counted he could no longer control the house. After 106 days as Premier, the shortest term in B.C. history, he resigned in favor of James Dunsmuir.

In 1902 the Liberal party replaced him as leader with the election of Richard McBride to the post and in the following provincial election Martin was finally defeated and retired from provincial politics.

Martin again considered returning to the Manitoba assembly but after failing to win a federal seat in the general election of 1908 he was finally forced to admit that his future in Canadian politics was at best dim.

In October of 1908 Martin once again decided to start anew and moved to England to open a law practice. To the surprise of most of his Canadian colleagues within nine months he was running for election as the Liberal candidate for Stratford-upon-Avon. In this first attempt he was unsuccessful but in the election of 1910 he finally gained a seat as the member for St. Pancras East riding. He was soon affiliated with the radical wing of the British Liberal party which supported among other things the abolition of the House of Lords. Martin ignored the standard convention that new members listened and seldom spoke and for the next four years was an extremely hard working member.

In 1914 business forced him to return to Vancouver and, ignoring his duties as a British MP, he remained in B.C. for two years and twice ran for the position of Mayor of Vancouver only to lose both times. In 1916 he resumed his seat in the Commons, stayed three months and then again returned to Vancouver after resigning his Commons seat.

Fighting Joe Martin

Martin became a partner in a Vancouver newspaper and for a while seemed about to embark on a new career as a mining tycoon when coal was discovered on his property at Nicola in 1917, but the elusive "Fighting Joe" again returned to England. In the next two years Martin twice moved from London to B.C. and back until finally settling down in Vancouver in 1919 as a partner in a law firm with "Gerry" McGeer.

A small and pathetic replica of his former self, Martin continued to dream of a political comeback until his death in 1923.

"Fighting Joe" Martin was probably the only man ever to serve two provincial governments, federal parliament and the British House of Commons.

Ironically he also has the record for shortest term as a Premier of British Columbia.

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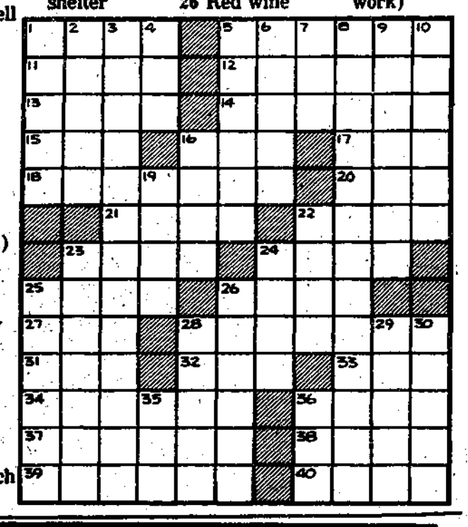

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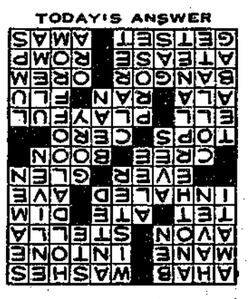

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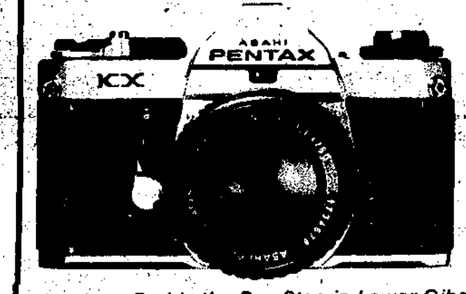

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HAPPY BOWLERS in the Bantam Division, aged 8 to 11, show trophies won last week at Gibsons Lanes. Trophies were given to champs and runners-up in high singles, high doubles, high average, and most improved. Youth bowling takes place every Saturday morning from September to May.

PEE WEE BANTAMS bowlers wound up their season last week at Gibsons Lanes with trophy presentations. Shown above are Pee Wees who won high singles, high doubles, high averages, and most improved. Pee Wee Bantams are under 7 years of age.

Curling news

Winter Club to elect new slate of officers

by HARRY TURNER

As you are probably aware, Gibsons Winter Club has had a generally successful social year. We have, however, many loose ends to pick up before next year. The main purpose of our general meeting on May 19 is to elect a new slate of officers for the 1976-77 season, and to discuss fee changes and to suggest changes in our constitution. It is hoped that a large proportion of the membership will attend, since all three topics are important to the general running of the club.

The nominating committee has been busy during the past weeks and has a slate of officers to nominate. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the general meeting.

Tuesdays and Thursdays are still work party nights from 7 to 9 p.m. and anyone with some time to spare is more than welcome to come out.

We have a large hall available for rent and a committee is presently looking at a rate structure. We will, however, until the structure is established, rent out the hall at a mutually agreed upon price.

Newsletters have been mailed to the membership, but in several instances we did not have a mailing address. If you did not receive your newsletter and want one please call Verda Schnieder at 886-9906.

Don't forget the annual meeting on Wednesday, May 19 at 8 p.m. at the rink.

Gibsons Lanes

Hi-Lows take Province Teambowl and *Reno* trip

by BUD MULCASTER

The HiLows, Penny McClymont, Bobi Mulligan, Marilyn Strom, Sue Earwaker and Vicki Buchanan, were our representatives in the zone final of the Province Teambowl tournament held at Hastings Bowl last Sunday. There were 12 teams involved and the HiLows took first place winning a trip to Reno for each bowler. They bowled very well rolling games of 950, 935 and 956 for 348 pins over their team average.

This is our first team tournament win and was very exciting. Congratulations HiLows.

The YBC Bantams had their playoffs last Saturday and the Champs are: For the PeeWees, Cheri Skytte, Lori Skytte, Monique Rivard, Celena Moore and Joel Campbell. For the Bantams, Andy Solinsky, Arlene Mulcaster, David Moore, Cindy Skytte and Linda Harding.

The YBC Juniors had their playoffs last Monday night and the Champs are the Dragsters, Loriann Horsman, Susan Bennett, Grant Gill and Arthur Pelletier.

In the spring league the leading bowlers are Diane Skytte with a 299 single, Mavis Stanley with 974 for 4; Art Holden with a 319 single and Romy Talento with 980 for 4.

Throw out tournament

In ladies golf last week, the Throw Out Tournament was won by Glenna Salahub for 18 holes and Win McGowan for nine holes. The tournament took place at the Sunshine Coast Golf and Country Club.

Elphevents

by D. J. HAUKA

"I am become a name!" Those were Ulysses' words in Tennysons' poem. My words however are "I am become a classified ad writer." So, as requested, here they are. Any students wishing to do yard work at a modest pay, please phone Mr. Ed Burritt at 886-2453. There will be a course in sign language at the Wilson Creek Day Care centre, opposite Davis Bay Elementary School. The lessons will take place on Tuesdays at 7 p.m., students are encouraged to attend.

Also, the appeal for flowers, for our courtyard continues, but add shovels and rakes to the list. Can't plant flowers without shovels. (Well you can but you'd get awfully dirty) Speaking of the courtyard, it is improving fast. Another flower bed was planted last week, but that still leaves four more to be completed so please don't stop sending your donations.

Getting away from the classified, we now have come to the sports. The senior boys rugby team were at the B.C. Finals but because of the infamous "deadline" details are not available.

"Cause Causit" that is Elphinstone's motto, or it it? I had a little chat with Mr. Forst the other day. Bill Proctor and I were about to enter the foyer, we saw Mr. Forst just leaving. I stopped him. "Any earthshattering news?" I asked.

"Well," he said. "Not really. Oh! it seems there's some controversy over our school motto." "That a fact?" I replied, "Cause Causit" that's our latin motto, but latin scholars say there's no such phrase. "So our school motto....maybe it's corrupt latin..." and with that Bill and I left. Lord Elphinstone when we asked you for a motto, were you only playing a trick on us rural yokels?

To Premier Bennett: Dear Sir, please resign. Either that or sink into obscurity. No offense meant, it's just that you're ruining our socials studies class. Current events used to be quiet and quite tame before you came around. A couple of earthquakes, a war here, a murder there, all quite straight forward; but since you were elected premier, there has been no end to the work. What with ICBC, this years' budget, and now the ferry increase, Socials is starting to get real tough. So you'll have to resign, please.

There will be an inservice day on Monday, Oh, I'm sorry, by the time you read this, Monday will be gone. Ah! But, how thoughful of the administration to give us Monday off just when the circus come to town (but there's no inservice day for work I'm afraid, after school work that is).

I've never been to a circus before. I've been on lots of field trips, but somehow it's not the same. My article next week should be chocked full of stuff on "What I did at the Circus".

Whilst at work the other day I noticed a whole lot of bulging tins. This signifies that the contents are bad. "What are we going to do with them?" "Throw them out of course." "Okay may I have one?" "Sure". The next day at school found me clutching tightly a bulging tin. I had intended on making a slide of the particular type of poison that was affecting it, so I dropped the tin off to my old friend, Mrs. Breadner. Before I left it on her desk however, I saw John and Carl. "Guess what this is?" I said." "A tin", they replied. "Ah, but what type of tin?" "A bulging tin" "Of what?" "Probably dog food" "And why is it bulging?" "Poor diet." "No." "It is infected." "Right". Having decided they were not contestants for "Let's Make a Deal" I left. And so I take my leave..."Have a good day".

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