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Local salmon trollers in suspense

Pearsall misleading - Leblanc absent

Local salmon trollers had their hopes for a reversal of the two-licence trolling regulations for the Gulf of Georgia for this season raised, then abruptly dampened again last week. At first the fishermen thought they had won their dispute with the Department of Fisheries when Federal Member of Parliament Jack Pearsall apparently informed them in a telephone conversation from Ottawa that the implementation of the two-licence for the Gulf fishermen had been "postponed indefinitely". Subsequently it transpired that what this meant was simply that no decision on the matter could be effected until the Minister of Fisheries and the Environment, Romeo Lablanc returned from a vacation - expected to be on March 21st.

A telegram received by George Hewison, Secretary-Treasurer of United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union in Vancouver read: "Re our telephone conversation this afternoon reiterate our guarantee that no decision will be made on current licensing proposal in British Columbia until Minister returns on March 21st. We will advise Minister he should consult with all interested parties before making any decision in this respect." The telegram was signed by A. W. May, Acting Assistant to Minister, Fisheries Management. The wording of the telegram, given the imminence of the fishing season and the short time available for consultation, also gave the salmon trollers cause for concern in that they had received a telephone assurance that had said that the Minister 'would' consult with all interested parties rather than 'should'.

Because of the Minister's absence a projected trip to Ottawa by representatives of the salmon trollers has been postponed until his return but is still very definitely on the cards.

Deferment

At a public information meeting held in the Gibsons Wildlife Club on Wednesday, March 9th, under the chairmanship of local salmon trollers Rob Corlett and Ken Griffith, the local fishermen stressed that they would press for a one-year deferment of the scheme to allow time for adequate consultation and consideration. It was pointed out however that the Fisheries Department had already made the necessary decals for the two-licence system. To the Fisheries Department contention that the two-licence system would be for a two-year trial period only, the fishermen reply that Howe Sound was closed to commercial fishermen for "a two-year trial period" six years ago and as far as is known it has not yet been reconsidered.

Sportsmen

The commercial fishermen point out that, according to figures released by the Department of Fisheries, two hundred thousand sports fishermen fish the Gulf of Georgia at present catching an estimated four hundred and fifty thousand salmon for a value of $4 million. This compares with five hundred and twenty-two commercial boats working the inside waters of the Gulf averaging $1,170 catch of salmon per season for a total of approximately $609,000. They point out that there is no licensing of these sports fishermen. One fisherman said, "It costs me $3,000 to go fishing. It costs the sportsman nothing".

At the Wednesday meeting both the commercial fishermen and the representatives of the Wildlife Club present spoke out against the giant commercial derbies which are held annually in the Gulf of Georgia. The point was made that these derbies, besides occasioning the taking of hundreds of thousands of Gulf salmon, are also fished in by a high proportion of fishing novices and as a result cause the death of untold thousands of immature grilse by improper handling by the inexperienced fishermen. The derbies were portrayed by the spokesmen at the meeting as vast get-rich-quick schemes by the city-based promoters who have no concern for the future of the salmon resource.

Squeeze

The principal reason for the commercial salmon trollers opposition to the two-licence proposal is that it is seen as a move towards squeezing the independent fishermen out of the business with subsequent control of the industry by boats owned by the large fishing companies. It was pointed out that if individual fishermen were restricted to one area and there should be a bad run of salmon in that area for two consecutive years - as happened recently in the Skeena River system - it would mean that the fishermen restricted to that area would be forced out of business. It was pointed out that since the Davis Plan was implemented in 1968 many small boats with A licences have disappeared and the licence has come back as large company-owned seiner boats.

Pacific Salmon fight their way upstream to their spawning grounds. Photo, courtesy of the booklet Salmon, the Living Resource and the organizations that sponsor it.

Guarantee

In the general discussion which followed the meeting, John Daly of Madeira Park complained that there was no guarantee that the licence money paid in by commercial fishermen went, as it was supposed to, into programs of salmon enhancement. "It just disappears into General Revenue," said Daly, "and we have no idea how much of it goes to produce more protein." Daly also said that the big move was towards freezer boats which would have an adverse effect on northern coastal communities, as it would mean that all the fish would go directly to Vancouver.

McGregor River Dam

Another cause for concern which was voiced at the meeting was the proposed McGregor River Dam. The claim was made that if the proposed dam is built it will ruin the spawning grounds of 100,000 chinook salmon which are envisaged for the river system by the year 2,000. Interestingly, Fisheries Minister Leblanc has also recently expressed misgivings about the effect that the dam will have on the salmon in the Fraser River system. The dam project is the brainchild of the provincial environment department and it is claimed that it will be an effective flood control measure.

At the conclusion of the meeting it was agreed that future joint meetings of local sports fishermen and commercial would be held to continue to formulate and express their concern over the federal management of salmon stocks.

School Board

School District #46's confrontation with the Department of Education over the general tests to be administered at the Grade IV level turned out to be short-lived. Minister of Education, Dr. Pat McGeer told local trustee Peter Precesky last week that "The (School) Act is on our side."

The objections of the trustees of School District #46 had been that the tests at the Grade IV level were too long at one and a half hours and that they were to be administered to all students. Subsequent information conveyed to the local board through Superintendent John Denley indicated that the tests would take only thirty minutes maximum for the actual testing and that the one hour and a half that had been quoted was so quoted only to make the Grade IV students comfortable. Denley also informed that board that provisions had been made to have the principals of the schools involved inform him of any Grade IV students that they felt might be harmed by mass testing and they would be excused from taking it.

Trustee Klaus Spierkermann, who had made the original motion that the tests not be administered locally at the Grade IV level pronounced himself still in principle opposed to centralized mass testing. He said that the clarifications produced by the superintendent had done little to alleviate his concern. Spiekermann, who said that he had come to the meeting prepared to resign over the issue, was the only trustee to vote against reconsidering the original motion.

Trustee Precesky, who made the motion for reconsidering, said that he hoped that Spiekermann would not find it necessary to resign because of the value of his contributions to the board's deliberations.

Superintendent Denley congratulated the trustees on their alertness. "The stand you took at the last board meeting," said Denley, "caused the department to offer a needed clarification." Denley added that the Assessment Program has given birth to an organization which still had to learn its "communication routes".

Gibsons

The Gibsons and District Chamber of Commerce will be holding a general meeting in the Gibsons Legion Hall on Wednesday, March 23rd from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. All businesses in the Gibsons area are invited to this meeting.

Left to right are Rob Corlett of Gibsons and Ken Griffith of Sechelt. At the meeting held on Wednesday, March 9th Griffith was in the chair and Corlett acted as secretary of the meeting called to provide information to the public of the salmon troller's objections to the proposed two licence trolling regulations for the Gulf of Georgia.

Regional Board Chairman

Regional Board Chairman Harry Almond issued the following statement in response to allegations made by Henry Hall, President of Cameo Lands:

Because of the misunderstanding of what took place at the meeting last week I would like to make a statement to clear things up a little.

I did **not** stop a vote on a motion for further discussion. I **did** stop counting a vote because an alternate director who seemed uncertain of the motion requested that he ask a question. When it was evident the question was not relevant I again called for the vote. I counted four in favour. There were no abstaining votes, for to abstain a director must so state.

While I agree a certain formality must be maintained, and also admit to a degree of informality, I must point out that to my way of thinking regional directors are not professional politicians, just people and I have no intention of pushing things through or forcing votes on people who do not understand the issues. I would rather the debate went longer to ensure each director is aware of all aspects of the decision being made.

As to Cameo Lands. One point overlooked by many people is the piece of land chosen by them to be used as industrial. It lies fair and square across an important river bed. The regional board did **not** choose that piece of land - Cameo did. The decision to re-zone that piece for that use was a hard one to make. Even though 4 voted in favour - I know two did so reluctantly because one director said so, and I was the other.

The board still supports the land swap. The board - in my opinion - supports industrial zoning and feels it should get top priority. But why pick on creek beds? We have two proposed industrial zonings down near Port Mellon, both on creek mouths which are already taking up a lot of time and causing controversy.

I feel Cameo Land got a fair deal and a lot of the board's attention - certainly more attention than a lot of other important issues - as was pointed out to me by more than one person.

Harry Almond
Chairman, Regional Board

Veteran fisherman John Daly of Pender Harbour is shown perusing his notes at the recent public information meeting held at the Gibsons Wildlife Club. Daly played an active role at the meeting.

He has been fishing out of the Pender Harbour area since 1935.

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Salmon

That was an interesting meeting held last week at the Gibsons Wildlife Club. It was billed as a public information meeting called by the local salmon trollers who feel that their livelihood and way of life is being threatened by the one-area two-licence policy suggested by the Federal Department of Fisheries. The salmon trollers stated their case at the meeting clearly and calmly under the joint chairmanship of Rob Corlett of Gibsons and Ken Griffith of Sechelt. As stated in this space last week, they would appear to have legitimate grounds for complaint concerning the lack of consultation accorded them by the Department of Fisheries and the still unregulated nature of sports fishing in this area.

What made it doubly interesting was the common ground delineated at the meeting between local commercial fishermen and some at least of local sports fishermen. Spokesmen for both groups clearly saw that their long-term interests lay in the preservation of healthy salmon runs. It was pointed out that the long-term interests of the local tourist industry also coincided with the welfare of the salmon runs.

Fred Holland, speaking as a member of the Wildlife Club, made a forceful case for joint involvement by sports and commercial fishermen in conservation projects other than and in addition to careful management of the harvesting of salmon. He pointed out that members of the Gibsons Wildlife Club were active in the improvement and care of some local salmon streams and invited the commercial fishermen to get involved in this direction in conjunction with the Wildlife Club.

Holland also expressed indignation over the renewed use of pesticides on the power-lines by B. C. Hydro. The matter of reported spraying was raised in the Coast News last fall, at which time B. C. Hydro denied any spraying programs. It would now appear that they are applying pesticides locally in pellet form, have done so and plan to do so. The flow of water downhill from the power-line affects all the salmon streams and drinking water of the entire region. Already there is a rumour of birth defects caused by these pesticides in drinking water.

Why, asked Holland, if we're so concerned about our unemployment problems in this region, why can't we put young men and women to work with power saws clearing the power-line?

All in all it was a worthy and a thought-provoking meeting and bespoke the possibility of joint action between commercial and sports fishermen which bodes well for the future.

Vigilance

Someone said that the price of freedom is eternal vigilance. It is as if freedom were a plant which needs constant care and attention if it is to thrive. If taken for granted or ignored it stands always in danger of being lost. These thoughts occur in the wake of the reversal of School District #46's decision to oppose mass testing at the Grade IV level.

The decision may be the right one, of course, but the speed with which the department moved to crush the decision of a supposedly autonomous school board that dared to think for itself must give one pause. Trustee Spiekermann voiced this concern at Thursday's meeting when he spoke of "a move towards dictatorship". It may be that these words are too strong for the situation. Certainly Trustee Peter Precesky felt that to be the case and objected strongly to Spiekermann's "political statement".

Be that as it may, this government's strong move towards centralization particularly in the Department of Education is a cause for concern. It would appear that the goal-setting exercise taking place locally between teachers and parents is a more hopeful harbinger for an educational future than any clamp-down of bureaucratic control. It behooves us to be vigilant.

...from the files of Coast News

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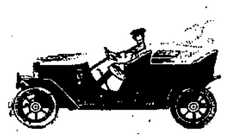

5 YEARS AGO

The "Thursday" Night Club which meets in Gibsons United Church hall has decided to go on a 24 hour starve-in on April 1st. The starve-in will include at least 15 people.

10 YEARS AGO

In estimates: Sechelt's boat harbour is to cost $220,000.

Things were really on the jump at Simpkins place up on the top of the hill at Davis Bay Road, Saturday, when well over 500 guests responded to the open house invitation issued by Squire Simpkins and his wife, Rosamund.

15 YEARS AGO

Breakdown of the ferry Bainbridge less than 48 hours away from its going into dry dock, created a traffic situation over the weekend which gave B. C. Ferry System officials many difficulties.

20 YEARS AGO

SMT starts bus line at Powell River. A party of nine from Gibsons and Sechelt journeyed to Powell River Monday for the inauguration.

25 YEARS AGO

Playground park planning was the theme of a talk by Les Peterson to the Kinsmen Club of Gibsons. A peninsula product, Les is a popular member of the teaching staff here at Elphinstone High School. His talk showed he really knew much about local happenings.

30 YEARS AGO

Amounts included in the program of road construction by the Hon. E. C. Carson in his budget speech in the legislature included $50,000. for roads in the Sechelt area.

Wilson Creek. Topping a tree at the Burns & Jackson Logging operations there in the late 1930's. The trunk would later be guyed and rigged with blocks and lines to serve as a spar-tree for the surrounding setting. Portable steel spars have pretty well phased out the high-rigger, a rather special breed among coastal loggers a few years back. L. R. Peterson

Musings

John Burnside

A fellow from the B. C. Ferry Corporation phoned up the other day. His phone call came on the heels of the letter from the General Manager of the corporation which appears on the opposite page. The fellow on the phone was called Ken Stratford and he was the Traffic Manager of the corporation.

Mr. Stratford was very upset by the coverage the Coast News had been giving the B. C. Ferries lately. Quite justifiably he felt that our recent stories on the ferry service and the meetings that have been held lacked objectivity. I admitted the journalistic error but said that it was pretty hard to be objective about the ferries when we, in common with much of the Sunshine Coast had had the experience week after week for many weeks of showing up a half hour and more before sailing time of the Queen of the Islands and still been left sitting at the terminal.

We spent perhaps a couple of minutes in discussion of the Coast News' imperfections as Mr. Stratford saw them then spent the balance of a forty minute conversation hammering away at each other about the ferries.

Let me say clearly at the outset that Stratford impressed me as an articulate and intelligent man with, apparently, some considerable background in various kinds of transportation and an obvious desire to run an efficient and rational ferry service.

It surely goes without saying that we found a lot to disagree about. The gentleman from Victoria seemed to find last summer's protest demonstration over the dramatic increase in ferry fares particularly offensive. "Civil disobedience" was what he called it and lamented the fact that the politicians ever pay any attention to such things. Now I myself am a peaceful sort of fellow by and large and public demonstrations are not my cup of tea. I haven't been to one in my life, I think, but I thought that Stratford's view of them was a peculiarly civil service point of view. I offered the opinion that at times the civil service forgot that it was dealing with people and that sometimes the only way, even in a democracy, to register with the power-brokers of society was to make a nuisance of yourself.

Howie White of Pender Harbour pointed out in his excellent article on giant oil tankers which appeared in a recent edition of the Coast News that an active and public expression of opposition had been effective in the Maritimes in halting the functioning of an oil refinery that concerned citizens felt was a danger to east coast fishing. Of course, to the civil service mentality it's much better when public opinion is moribund, when we just roll over and play dead no matter what's being done to us. It is the opinion here, however, that an informed and active public opinion has become a necessity. In a dozen different spheres of interest decisions are being made which could affect the quality of life for generations to come. There's an old proverb that it's the squeaky wheel that gets the grease and if the only squeaky wheels that the legislators and civil service ever get to hear are representations made by special interest groups and big business then the little business man and the salaried worker will be short-changed everytime.

It's a fact of life that our legislators and the civil service perform much better when they feel that we're interested. If they don't feel we are paying attention then they do whatever is administratively easier for them. The worst enemy the public can have is its own apathy, a feeling it doesn't matter what we think nothing gets changed anyway. This is demonstrably false, the afore-mentioned example of the oil refinery in the Maritimes is but one example. If enough people care to take an interest and make that interest known by whatever means at their disposal it is truly remarkable how soon what had been administratively impossible becomes suddenly possible. There is a continuing tendency in government to centralize and control the decision-making process, a tendency to encourage disinterestedness on the part of the public. This is so not through any malevolence or conscious desire for dictatorial powers. It's just administratively tidier if you don't have to bother with what people think.

So despite Mr. Stratford's distaste for civil disobedience, as he calls it, it is the contention here that we should pay attention, learn what we can and continue squawking our complaints whenever anything is being rushed at us we don't like whether it's about ferries, education, fishing regulations, or anything else. In the long run it's good for all of us.

Perhaps the biggest single exchange with Ken Stratford came over the question of - yes you've guessed it - meals on the ferry. It was Stratford's contention that with the wages the corporation pays it is not economically feasible to provide decent meals. It was the Coast News' contention that they were paying the wages anyway to serve cellophane wrapped sandwiches and it was hard to see why the people who hand us the sandwiches and occasional soup couldn't just as easily hand over something a little more attractive without causing an instant wage crisis on the B. C. Ferries.

All in all I found the exchange most interesting. Stratford said some interesting stuff about the comparative manning of ferries in the sophisticated countries of Western Europe, United States and Canada. There were some interesting things we didn't get into, such as the general discrepancy in ferry services on the east and west coasts of this country, etc., but I came away from the conversation with a clearer idea of the problems that face the Ferry Corporation. For their part, they have become aware of the extent of the discontent on the Sunshine Coast with what seems sometimes to be an arrogantly and deliberately shoddy service. They do seem to be listening to us in the head offices of the Ferry Corporation in Victoria and that certainly can do no harm.

Slings & Arrows

George Matthews

I ran into a friend of mine last weekend and while the experience was mutually unpleasant, it did teach us both a good lesson in the difference between amateurs and professionals.

The "running into" I refer to took place on a rugby field and the friend I ran was a team mate, Lief Mjanes, a teacher at Chatelech Jr. Secondary in Sechelt. The circumstances were not entirely unusual for a rugby match where ears have been known to go missing in the scrum, noses have been lost without a trace in the mud and where I have seen with my own eyes deep impressions of teeth etched indelibly in a scrummer's behind, (just ask Larry Knowles, if you know him well enough, he may even let you see the scars).

In any case, Lief and I were attempting to maim a member of the opposition when the fellow; who incidently was considerably smaller than either of us, slipped neatly between us and as a result we met head to head with a fair degree of force. I don't believe either of us lost consciousness but there seemed to be an awful lot of blood around. At the time it seemed like a good idea to lie there for a while at least until the bleeding stopped then perhaps I could get up and carry on.

As we were lying there some of the people on the sidelines began to come to our aid. The first person to reach Lief, I think it must have been Tony, said something like, "Oh my God, what a mess, these guys are really hurt", or words to that effect. The next two or three guys to check us over appeared to be on the verge of becoming ill and made such reassuring remarks as, "Don't move him", "Can you hear me?", "That's a bad injury" and "You'd better get these guys to the hospital quick."

Up until then things had been all right. I couldn't feel a thing and I didn't feel much like moving but as Lief remarked later, as soon as the people around us started to react in such a negative manner, he became convinced that at the very least half his head was missing and while he might live he would at least be ruined for life. Don't get the wrong idea, the people making these comments were all friends of ours and they were genuinely concerned about our welfare but when you are not used to seeing wounds and injuries you have a tendency to over react and this can have a disquieting effect on the victim.

On the way to the hospital things were a bit quiet. I don't know how Lief felt but I was beginning to feel pretty sorry for myself, not because I was in pain or because I was bleeding but because the reaction of the crowd had me convinced that I was hurt much worse than I thought. Lief's wife Nicki was driving and she was very calm and collected, especially considering that her old man was bleeding away beside her. For some reason however I interpreted her calmness as an heroic attempt to remain cool in the face of disaster; the calmer she became the more worried I got.

Once we arrived at the hospital however and delivered ourselves into the hands of the professionals things took a brighter turn. The nurse on duty, Mrs. Bunbury, greeted us with a kind of gentle and detached efficiency that made me feel as though she had seen at least half a dozen similar wounds that morning and it was all in a day's work, which of course it was. I was of course feeling a little ridiculous. I mean when grown men run around on a field bashing their heads together you would think any injuries they recieved would be deserved and why should we bother those people at the hospital for something so downright silly. Despite my vague embarrassment, she made us feel that we had at least enough sense to come to the right place, "and if you'll both just lie down we'll get you fixed up."

I can't say for sure what it was that was so reassuring. It had, I think, something to do with the fact that the nurses obviously had seen and dealt with many different kinds of people and injuries and she was able to manifest that quiet competence which those people down on the field had been unable to muster.

After Mrs. Bunbury had made me feel relaxed and comfortable, Dr. Rogers came by and looked us over. His relaxed and friendly demeanor was the very essence of what being a professional means. He went about his work with the kind of calm and quiet skill which immediately assured me that this was just another part of his daily routine. The thing is of course that this was just routine and although it certainly is not part of my daily routine to get my head split open at least I knew I had come to the right place.

Within half an hour we'd been cleaned up, calmed down and sewed up with about a dozen stitches between us. By that time we were feeling good enough not only to be looking forward to getting back to the clubhouse to share a few post game beers with the boys but also anticipating getting the stitches out in a few days so we could get back out on the field next week.

I guess what I really learned from the experience was that training and experience are very unique and valuable qualities that we sometimes fail to appreciate. The other thing I learned was that if I ever have the misfortune to be on hand at a serious accident I'll try to remain as calm and reassuring as I can.

BELATED BIRTHDAY GIFT FOR IHOR, MY BROTHER...

by Josef Stanishevskyj

there is always laughter
whistling thru
the breeze...

it can be caught
floating thru a theatre
'cause the actor
while courting his beloved
on the thirteenth floor
of an unfinished skyscraper
under the full moon
in the rain
ripped his pants...

you can find it
as a snicker soundtrack
in a peacock infested
auditorium aghast
because the prima
ballerina fell on her
derriere
sur le cou-de-pied...

if you watch closely
you can see it
like a flash of lightning
careening off
the tears of a mourner
looking down
at the absurd make-up job
of a not-so-dear friend
stretched out on purple velvet
picked up at an army & navy
clearance sale...

and if you're lucky

you will hear a laugh
so hearty
so unrestrained
so gracefully
honest that all the hollow
walls of society paranoia
crumble...

your mind startles-
you sniff the air-
and hear the sound
of your one mouth
clapping...

be happy,
brother...

LETTERS to the EDITOR

Ferries

Editor:

My attention has been drawn to the front page article in your March 1st edition. The article is inaccurate and the opinions expressed could be characterised as, at best, based on poor research and at worst, as a deliberate misrepresentation with the objective of being divisive.

One of the writer's principal concerns is purported to be the absence of full restaurant service on ships employed in service between the Sunshine Coast and the Mainland in contrast to the service to the Gulf Islands. The comments by the writers cause us some wry amusement in that the food service of which they are envious is the source of complaint from some users of the Gulf Islands service.

In general terms, this Corporation's objective is to provide safe, clean, reliable transportation service for people to the extent necessary to meet reasonable demand. The Corporation is not in the "food business". It is in the transportation business. Shoreside food businesses are able to supply food service at less cost than we can and it does not make sense for us to compete with these businesses in terms of menu price by subsidizing our food service with taxpayers' funds.

The level of food service provided on board our vessels is that which can be supplied at an economic cost. This cost varies with the characteristics of each ferry route. In the case of routes or vessels with approximately 1 hour crossing time, a sandwich and beverage service is provided. In the case of routes in excess of this, varying levels of service are provided which are generally consistent with the duration of the voyage.

The Sunshine Coast route is less than 1 hour crossing time. The Mainland/Gulf Islands route, which starts at Tsawwassen and terminates at Long Harbour, takes 2 hours and 25 minutes. The Swartz Bay/Salt Spring Island route has a crossing time of 30 minutes and snack bar service is provided and, despite complaints about food service, we cannot recall ever having lost a passenger through malnutrition on the voyage.

In comparing Sunshine Coast schedules to the Gulf Islands, your correspondents fail to mention the tremendous difference in both frequency and passenger/vehicle capacity. To illustrate: The 9 daily sailings from Horseshoe Bay to Langdale can accommodate up to 1,424 vehicles -- almost seven times the Gulf Island routes' 220 car capacity and, of course, there are three additional sailings to Langdale on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

For some weeks now it has been necessary to replace the supplementary vessel on the Langdale route which is normally the M.V. "Queen of Tsawwassen" with the M.V. "Queen of the Islands". This has regrettably led to some overloads during mid-day peak periods wherein vehicles may be left behind and sometimes are required to wait up to 90 minutes for the next sailing. Harking back to your comparison with the Gulf Islands, it should be remembered that an overload on the morning sailing from Tsawwassen to the Gulf Islands results in a 10 hour wait for the next sailing.

As a result of the lower capacity on the Gulf Islands' run and the number of enroute stops, travellers on this route generally have to make reservations, sometimes several weeks in advance.

The only way in which comparisons are valid between the two routes is that major class vessels such as the M.V. "Queen of Tsawwassen" and the M.V. "Queen of New Westminster" offer too much capacity at off-peak times and indeed for most days most of the year. For certain short periods of time primarily Friday PM and Sunday PM, on both routes the capacity may be temporarily strained.

During the month of February with the contentious M.V. "Queen of the Islands" as the supplementary vessel, supported I might add by the M.V. "Queen of Nanaimo" mid-day, and with the major vessel being the M.V. "Queen of New Westminster", it is worth noting the following figures:
Capacity: Passengers, 213,084, Vehicles, 43,136. Actually carried: 32,774 Passengers, Vehicles 14,664. The passengers having a 15% utilization, the vehicles a 34% utilization.

A quick glance at the above figures will illustrate to your readers the availability of space is, to say the least, adequate to the needs of the route.

British Columbia Ferry Corporation is pleased at the progress made in communications since the inception of the Regional District's Transportation Committee and has received invaluable input in recent weeks, specifically with reference to the on-going problems of scheduling. Newspaper articles such as that of March 1st appear to us to be intended to disrupt co-operative effort directed to orderly resolution of real problems.

C. Gallagher
General Manager,
British Columbia Ferry Corp.

Mill

Editor:

I wish to reply to your editorial criticism of our company for failure to participate in a Career Education program for young people.

First of all, an editorial should be balanced and objective or, at the most, express the bias of the editors. It is not the place for quotes from union leaders who are, after all, professional critics of their employers. Their views are neither balanced nor objective, but self serving to themselves and their membership. When did you last hear or read complimentary comment from union leaders on any subject concerning forest product companies? Quote the union by all means but not in an editorial.

Secondly, our company is not insensitive to the needs of young people. We have not only supported but initiated a program of co-operation with Elphinstone which brings interested young people to our mill to see the kind of work available, and to learn of various training programs which will best prepare them for employment in our industry. Further, I personally serve on the advisory committee for the pulp and paper option at the British Columbia Institute of Technology as an advisor on program content and a supporter of employment programs for its students and graduates. And finally, our company offers financial support to students through a long list of bursaries available at Elphinstone, B.C.I.T. and the Universities.

While we are not insensitive to the needs of young people, we are also not unselective about the programs we choose to support. I happen to believe that the most meaningful work experience will be obtained by the young person who gets himself a job. If I may use a personal example, my daughter did occasional work for Office Overload during the past summer. She travelled to Vancouver on the 5:30 or 6:45 ferry and returned at 7 or 8 in the evening. The first thing she learned was that it is very difficult for a young person of limited education, limited skills, and no work history to find a job, any job. Secondly, she learned that a satisfied employer was reluctant to see her go and that a satisfactory work history made subsequent employment relatively easy. Thirdly, she learned to derive satisfaction from performing conscientiously and improving her skills. And finally, at $3.50/hr., less transportation, lunches, etc. she learned something of the harsh economic facts of life.

Quite frankly, this mill could well provide very undesirable lessons for young people. The money comes too quickly and too easily and bears too little relationship to contribution. The young see only the money, roughly $20,000/year in wages and benefits for base labour. With the help of professional counsellors from the schools they must be brought to see the need for continued education, for proper preparation for a working career which will contain a better understanding of the business and technology of our industry. Hopefully, they will then be able to progress in our organization to semi-skilled, skilled and supervisory occupations, and derive more satisfaction than that provided by a regular pay cheque.

William I. Hughes, P.Eng.,
Resident Manager,
Howe Sound Pulp Division,
Canadian Forest Products, Ltd.

Basketball

Editor:

We wish to clarify for the public any misunderstanding which may have arisen concerning the issue of the Elphinstone basketball teams' planned trip to Oahu, Hawaii.

We are a group of 18 players who will be in Grade 12 when the excursion is to take place. We, the players, feel that it would enhance any 'Team Spirit' by working toward a goal which would give us a common aim, inter-school competition, and provide an educationally stimulating experience for our effort. We have formed a group called the Sunflight Club and wish to represent our high school, Elphinstone.

The trip is not to take place until 1978, and then only during the 2 week Spring Break at the end of March and beginning of April. The trip would therefore only necessitate 2-4 days time loss from school.

We hope to meet our expenses and pay our way by fund raising through such things as Bake Sales, Car-washes, Summer dances, etc. A rough estimate of our expenses has come to $5,900.00 for air fare and accommodation in condominiums for 14 days. The cost of our food and other necessities will be covered individually if necessary.

The application from both the Sr. Boys and the Sr. Girls to the School Board was to obtain their permission to represent our school at any inter-school tournament we could arrange while there and to enlist their support for our project and fund raising activities.

Although the School Board turned the project application down at a recent meeting, the group has decided to carry on with the plan. Even though we may not necessarily represent our school it will still fulfil the objective of our goal.

Thank you for your time. It would be much appreciated if this article could be published in the next issue of your paper.

Note: There will be a bake sale on March 19th in the Sunnycrest Mall. All proceeds to Sunflight Club. Time: 10:30 a.m.

Melanie Mahlman
Public Relations
Sunflight Club
Elphinstone Sec. School

Bubble pool

Editor:

I read with great dismay that plans are actually going ahead to build a 60' x 24' bubble covered wading pool for Gibsons. Actually, I find it hard to believe that such a grossly inadequate facility could even be considered for our area. Of course it couldn't be by anyone with a love of swimming. If would be preferable to wait even an extra two years if we could then have a fully equipped olympic size pool which would serve the community for the next fifty years!

If plans go ahead now for a paddling pool we shall never get a facility for swimming, which is what the community needs. If the village council made a decision to wait until a proper pool could be built, I'm sure it would meet with more approval than this 'appeasement pool'. It would actually mean that they had planned something. I doubt if I could even dive into a pool 24 feet in width without cracking my head on the other side. For people who wish to swim, such a pool is a farce. It is like giving us a treadmill instead of a soccer field and expecting thanks.

An olympic pool could be used seven days per week, all year for school programmes, pensioners' swimming, scuba training, kyak lessons, swimming for the disabled, family swimming, water ballet, diving - the list is endless. Why spend money on a pool with such limited use when the job can be done properly in a year or two's time. We have waited this long, a little longer won't hurt.

An olympic pool and nothing less would attract professional instructors to work there and provide the best training for our young people and excellent recreation. Anyone would think that this is a depressed area, listening to the plans of our village council, a paddle pool indeed! No thanks.

Janet Gibb

Survey

Editor:

The response to the request in the local papers two weeks ago asking for anyone who had visited the Panther Peak area during the last year was very good.

However, I know that many more people than those who took the trouble to phone, have been into the proposed park area and we would like to remind those people who have not yet responded that it is not too late to do so.

I would like to point out that this is just a survey and puts a person under no obligation whatsoever. All we are trying to do is find out how much use the proposed park gets, for what purpose and by what route it was approached.

The information will be passed on to the Parks Department and may help them to decide whether or not the reserve we requested should be applied to the area.

We hope that those people who have not yet responded will do so before they have a chance to forget about it again. The phone number is 886-9949 or drop a line to the Gibsons Wildlife Club, Box 156, Gibsons.

John Hind Smith

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The Inquiry is being held to review the Pollution Control Objectives for the Mining, Mine-milling, and Smelting Industries of British Columbia, as established by the Pollution Control Board on November 30, 1973. Submissions are invited from interested persons, and/or organizations. Those who wish to participate should notify the Pollution Control Branch no later than June 30, 1977.

An Information Sheet providing details of the terms of reference and procedures to assist interested parties in the preparation and submission of briefs to the Inquiry, can be obtained by contacting:

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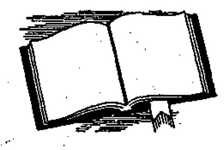

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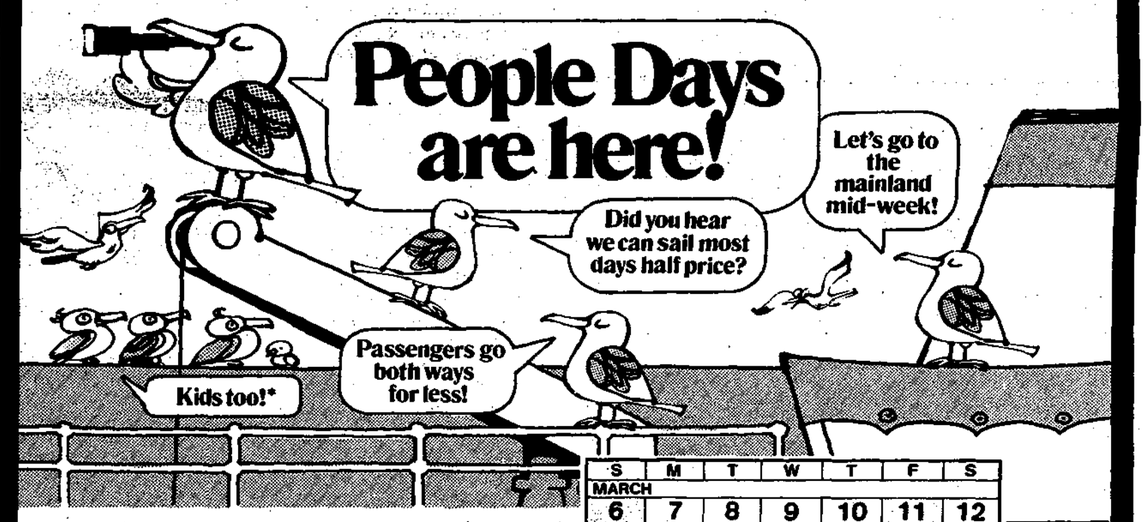

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LEISURE

Purcell Quartet comes to Sunshine Coast

The Sunshine Coast Arts Council is presenting the Purcell String Quartet in concert at the Chatelech School Music Room in Sechelt on Friday, March 18th at 8:00 p.m.

A press release from the Centre for the Arts, Simon Fraser University outlines some of their recent performances.

On January 12th they performed the Canadian premiere of **Tet zaktys** for String Quartet by Greek composer Nikos Mamangakis at the St. Lawrence Centre in Toronto. On the same program the quartet played two Canadian works: John Beckwith's **Musical Chairs** and R. Murray Schafer's **Second Quartet** which they premiered in Vancouver last November.

On January 26th they presented the world premiere of Elliott Weisgarber's **Quartet** written for the quartet. The concert was held in the UBC Music Recital Hall.

On February 6th they presented the Canadian premiere of Robert Turner's **Quartet No 3** at the University of Manitoba, prior to a short U. S. tour.

The Purcell String Quartet were also busy in January fulfilling school and community engagements in Nanaimo, Powell River, Campbell River, Burnaby, Coquitlam and North Vancouver.

After their performance here the quartet will be travelling to Ottawa to perform in a special performance for the Governor General of Canada, March 27th.

Dogwood Takeout

BY TERRY KARKABE

Sunday - nine a.m. - glorious sunshine - sleepy little town of Gibsons, B. C. It's a morning for pleasure, for relaxing on the front porch sipping coffee and enjoying a leisurely breakfast. So; up and out of bed, into the kitchen and what should confront me but last night's debauchery neatly stacked on the counter top, in the sink and generally all over the table. Strike one.

Rapidly I turn back, forget about the coffee and slide sideways into the utility room to carry on with alternate Plan B - fixing my motorcycle. Having through various ways and means determined that my problem is dirty carburettors, I take out the tools, remove the aforementioned items and proceed happily to clean them. All goes well and the carbs are cleaned and replaced in jig time.

This is followed by a quick timing adjustment and off we go down hill to bump start the bike, only to end up at the bottom of the wharf, with little more than a pop. In disgust I try the electric starter and realize that my original problem was a dead battery - Strike Two.

At this point our man Burnside manages to locate me (probably following his ears), seriously contemplating deep-sixing the offending machine and says to me, "Is your column ready?"

Instantly my defense mechanisims come to the fore and I face him with a bland expression, drooling from the corners of my mouth and say, "Whaaaa?". Strike Three.

Burnside leaves, I go home to charge the battery and while I'm waiting, I write this column.

St. Mary's

The Board of Trustees of St. Mary's Hospital announces that the Annual Meeting of the Hospital Society will be held at 7:30 p.m. on April 20th, 1977 at the Senior Citizens Hall, Sechelt.

Each member is encouraged to bring a prospective new member to this meeting. Newcomers to the Sunshine Coast are most cordially invited to attend.

The health of the Society and the public support of our only hospital depends upon you.

New members must hold membership 30 days prior to the annual meeting in order to vote. Renewals of memberships may be obtained at any time prior to the annual meeting.

Students of Mrs. F Jovick's Langdale Elementary School class are shown in action at the recent Sunshine Coast Performing Arts Festival. The play presented by Mrs. Jovick's class was "Pandora's Box and it was adjudged the best in its class at the Festival. For their efforts they won the trophy presented for intermediate drama by School District #46.

Sechelt Garden Club studies pruning methods

by John McLeod

A comprehensive talk on "Pruning, why, how, and when" was given by William Brandner of Burnaby to the Sechelt Garden Club at its March meeting. Mr. Brandner is past president and now editor of The Bulletin of the B. C. Council of Garden Clubs.

The speaker stressed early in his talk the purposes of pruning which are: to retain (and often regain) the natural growth pattern of trees and shrubs, to encourage them to produce greater quantities of bloom, and to assist some trees and shrubs in bearing larger amounts of top quality fruit. Through gradual removal of lateral branches that cross over and adversely affect the natural growth pattern, a well-shaped healthy tree can be obtained. The gradual shortening of small and medium sized branches during dormancy may avoid the removal of large branches later, which can shorten the life of a tree. All cuts should be well sealed with shellac or a tree emulsion that has elasticity and will not harden and peel.

A rose pruning demonstration was given, showing that about one third of each cane should be removed from Floribundas, Grandifloras, and Hybrid Teas by making a clean cut with a hand pruner. The cut should be just above an outward pointing bud. Most climbing roses should be pruned after flowering. Hybrid Tea Climbers need only a minimum of pruning after the blooms have died off, and the pruning should be on the wood that carried the bloom.

The pruning of many flowering trees and shrubs was discussed during the presentation of a series of colour slides. Rhododendrons, azaleas, and slower growing conifers that seldom need pruning were shown.

Pruning is a very important and complex aspect of gardening. It can make or break many trees, shrubs, or vines.

Fish Talk

This week I would like to write about the Suckermouth Catfishes. These fishes range from the little European Plecostomus to the Plecostomus or Pluto from the Amazon. They vary in looks from the Whip-tail cats to the Bristlenose cats. Their Latin names also vary, Ancistrus, Plecostomus, Panaque Otocinclus, and Loricaria.

Most of the Suckermouths are peaceful toward other fish, but tend to be a bit scrappy amongst themselves. The Otocinclus is the only family of suckers that is friendly toward its own kind. All these fishes except the European Plecostomus come from South America and Trinidad.

All these fish should get some vegetable matter as well as animal nourishment such as Tubifex, Daphnia, brine shrimp, earthworms, or any other conventional fish foods. If the aquarium they are in is not getting enough light for a good growth of algae a small amount of chopped spinach is beneficial. Another excellent food that I often use is freeze dried tubifex, and any of the other freeze dried foods I can buy.

The size of these fish can go from two inches of the Otocinclus to the two feet of the wild caught specimens of the Hypostomus Plecostomus. Most of the suckers you buy in the stores will only grow to six inches for the Bristlenose, and ten or twelve inches for the Plecostomus. The Whiptail sucker usually only grows to four inches and is a very odd looking little fish.

All the suckers, except Otocinclus, lay their eggs in such places as inside lengths of pipe, hollow logs, holes in banks of creeks, etc. Otocinclus lay their eggs in much the same way as catfishes, that is by smearing their eggs against rocks, plants, and any other hard surface they can clean. I have had my Bristle-nose suckers bred six times to this date, in my aquarium. The female lays the eggs in a hollow log, which I found in one of our local creeks, the male then enters, spraying his sperm on the eggs. He will then stay with the eggs, continually fanning them with his fins. Once the eggs have hatched and the young are about a quarter to a third of an inch long he will then chase them out.

These fish are exceptionally good for keeping algae growth to a minimum in any aquarium. They are also good scavengers and will consume a considerable amount of conventional fish food such as Tetramin.

Halfmoon recreation

The annual meeting of the Halfmoon Bay Recreation Commission was preceded by the regular monthly meeting. This was held at the home of Bob and Jerrie-Lou Wickwire on March 10th with twenty persons present, with a good representation of the area from Bay to Woods Bay.

Chairman Mrs. Peggy North reported on a special meeting held in February at the home of Mrs. Sue Beaven to discuss Timber Day participation.

Guests at this meeting were Mrs. Shirley Vader and Mrs. Robbi Peters from Pender Harbour. They brought with them the plans for the proposed community pool at Pender Harbour. Mrs. Vader is the President of the Pender Harbour Aquatic Committee, Mrs. Peters is recreation consultant.

This is a most interesting concept that shows the tremendous work done by the Pender Harbour group and the Halfmoon Bay Recreation Commission as they unhesitantly pledged their support to the swimming pool, a much needed addition to the peninsula.

Mrs. North announced the plans for Easter activities were underway with Mrs. Linda Paulhus in charge.

Invited to inform the meeting as to the progress of acquiring land, Mr. Cliff Connor, Area 'B' recreation representative spoke. The main theme being that, first of all the need to secure good flat land for present and future recreational activity is of prime importance.

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Chief Simon Baker, President of the society, recently returned from a cultural visit to New Zealand, states that he is most gratified at the response to this project and wishes to express a debt of gratitude to all merchants and individuals that have taken part.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Pages from a Life-Log
Peter Trower

BUS GRIFFITHS - SURVIVOR

Some years ago in the **Raincoast Chronicles**, I published a rather obscure nostalgia piece called **Ghostcamps of Howe Sound** in which, among other things, I described finding a treasure-trove of science fiction books in an abandoned cabin at McNab Creek. In the story, I wondered aloud who could possibly have left the magazines there. I certainly never expected to find out. But a few months back in Fanny Bay, Bus Griffiths, the logging cartoonist, cleared up the mystery for me. The books had belonged to his brother.

It didn't particularly surprise me. There are a number of odd links and parallels between Bus' life-experience and my own. My original creative inclinations also lay in the cartooning field and were in part inspired by reading Bus' **Now You're Logging** strip as a boy. They were published in one or another of the Maple Leaf Company's comic books that knew a brief, wartime life in Vancouver, during the U. S, magazine ban. They were rude and crude, those early efforts with naive dialogue and stilted drawing but they smacked of authenticity. The comic-strip terminated suddenly and without explanation around 1943 but I never quite forgot it.

I was both overjoyed and flabbergasted when, over thirty years later, Bus' strip mysteriously reappeared in a logging trade-magazine **The Lumberman**. As a student of the comic-art business for many years, I'd never heard of this happening before. Dead strips were sometimes resurrected but seldom by the same artist and never after so long a period of time. This disinterred version echoed its remote predecessor in many respects but the drawing had vastly improved and the dialogue was more-realistically profane. **Now You're Logging** had returned fully-realized after three-decades of incubation in Bus Griffith's brain. There had to be one hell of a human-interest story here. Of course there was and when my girl June and I visited him at his Fanny Bay home last November, he told us much of it. A shortish, balding man with boyish eyes and a scratchy logger's voice, he guided us back through the years.

Bus, now sixty-four, grew up in Penticton when it wasn't much more than a whistle-stop. There seemed to be more horses than people and he was fascinated by them. His first fumbling sketches were an attempt to capture them on paper. Bus' father spotted his son's latent ability and encouraged it in a whimsical way. "I always had a scribbler around. Dad used to tell me if I went to bed early that the elves would come and draw a picture in my book. Sometimes I'd wait up for them but invariably, I fell asleep. Next morning, the scribbler would be tucked under my pillow with a new picture in it. I recall one in particular. It showed a galloping stallion with the background blacked-in to make the white horse stand out. I thought it was the greatest picture I'd ever seen and tried hard to copy it."

In 1922, Bus moved with his family to Vancouver, leaving the elves and horses behind him. He became interested in cartooning and began taking these early efforts around to the Sun and Province papers. They told him in a kindly way to go and get some drawing lessons.

Times were tough and not conducive to chasing dreams. Bus quit school at fourteen and worked his way through a business course at Sprott-Shaw. After graduating, he found a job with the Massey-Harris Co. During his teens, Bus did more athletic activity than artwork. He even considered a career in pro-wrestling but the deal didn't materialize. When the Depression struck, he lost his office job and ended up in the logging-camps, wrestling logs.

"Once I got working in the woods, I did very little art beyond drawing the odd picture for some of the guys." Hitting camps from Howe Sound to the Fraser Valley, Bus did a bit of everything but mostly handfalling and bucking timber. He preferred to stick with the gyppo outifts where there was opportunity to work at a variety of jobs and learn the trade more quickly.

Toward the end of the Depression, Bus met and married his wife Margaret. The union would produce two sons of whom Bus is undisquisedly proud. He went to work for a man called Fletcher who had started logging Burke Mountain near Port Coquitlam.

While at this camp, Bus had a revival of his artistic dreams. "I saw in the paper that the Maple Leaf comics were starting up and wanted cartoonists. I took in some of my old western strips. The editor was interested and asked me if I had any other ideas. I told him I'd often thought to try a strip about the woods. That's how the original **Now You're Logging** series got started."

Bus worked the Burke Mountain claim by day and drew the strip at night and on weekends. He later launched a western strip called **Son Of The Range**. He kept up the gruelling schedule for a couple of years but the burden was to prove too much. In 1943, he was obliged to discontinue both strips.

His art fallen by the wayside again, Bus logged on. He worked for Fletcher until the Port Coquitlam show was finished. Then he moved to Sable River Logging on the Island where he worked in various capacities until 1947. He then went falling for Beban Logging at Buckley Bay where he was to remain for the next 14 years. Like most loggers, Bus has had his share of close-calls and many of these involved falling, that most hazardous of woods activities. But he swears the time he most nearly bought it was when he fell off a boom one freezing February and nearly drowned. "Hell, I figured I was done for as I couldn't swim a stroke but the head-boomman's dog spotted me and barked till he came and hauled me out."

Around 1961, Bus decided to switch careers. He bought a troller and went salmon-fishing. His new occupation afforded him more leisure time and he resumed his long-dormant art career. A series of paintings based on logging scenes was purchased by the Courtenay Historical Society and the subsequent good notices encouraged him to recraft **Now You're Logging** for an adult audience. It now appears in the **Raincoast Chronicles** and when completed will be published in book-form as a pictorial novel. For Bus Griffiths, survivor, the game has come full-circle.

Festival winners

Almost 200 people turned up at the Chatelech Junior High School Auditorium on Saturday night, March 12th, to see the First Concert of Award Winners in the Sunshine Coast Music Dance and Drama Festival for 1977. The following is a list of the award winners.

Speech Arts and Drama-Bible Reading: Scilla Webb - Matthew 18: 12-14, John Burnside- Matthew 5: 1 - 12. Awards donated by Mrs. Prescesky.

Dance: Junior Classical Ballet, Solo, Lisa Chen, Award donated by Mr. T. Walton.

Dance: Intermediate Classical Ballet, Solo: Shirley Arita, Award donated by Mr. and Mrs. J. Clayton.

Speech Arts and Drama: Recitation - Dawn Bandi, Skating, Award donated by Coast News.

Dance: Intermediate Character Ballet: Solo Dawn Bucham, award donated by A. Ibbitson.

Dance: Intermediate Tap Dance: Solo - Linda Thompson, award donated by Pender Harbour Lions Club.

Speech Arts and Drama: Recitation - Eileen Bandi, Griselda.

Dance: Intermediate Cabaret, Solo - Ann Scott, award donated by Pender Harbour Secondary School Student's Council.

Dance: Senior Classical Ballet, Solo - Terry Thompson, award donated by Jean Milward.

Speech Arts and Drama: Recitation, Margaret Jones- "Song of the Blackberry Picker".

Dance: Senior Cabaret. Duet: Claire Thompson and Terry Thompson, award donated by The Sunshine Coast Kiwanis Club.

Dance: Junior Cabaret, Trio-Morgan Allward, Ceryl Foster, Marlene Sobie, award donated by Frank Holmes.

Dance: Junior Character, Solo - Debbie Middleton, award donated by Mrs. Margaret Webb.

Band: Elementary School Bands: Gibsons Senior Elementary School Band, Conductor, Mr. Mel Campbell. Award donated by the Sechelt Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion.

Dance: Novice, Solo - Sheryl Douglas. Award donated by Jean Milward.

Speech Arts and Drama: Choral Speaking - Gibsons Elementary School Drama Club, Grades 4-7, directed by Mrs. C. Elson. Award donated by Gibsons Elementary School.

Dance: Junior Tap Dance: Solo - Valerie Kettle, award presented by Mrs. Prescesky.

Speech Arts and Drama: Recitation - John Burnside, "Bessies' Boil", award donated by the Sechelt Branch of The Royal Canadian Legion.

Band: Instrumental Solo: Ricoh Talento - "Andante and Allegro", Andre Chailleux, award donated by Mr. and Mrs. G. Liddle.

Dance: Senior Tap Dance, Solo - Jack Kettle, award donated by The Sunshine Coast Kiwanis Club.

Band: Secondary School Bands Elphinstone Senior Secondary School Band, directed by Mr. Mel Campbell. Award donated by Sechelt School Board. Elphinstone tied with Chatelech Grade 8 Band for this award. The award to Chatelech will be presented at the second concert of Festival Award Winners on Saturday, April 16th, 8:00 p.m. at Chatelech School Auditorium.

The preliminary rounds of the competition were held at the Twilight Theatre, the use of which was donated by Ray Boothroyd.

Twilight Theatre

Twilight Theatre's two films this week are **The Pom Pom Girls** and **Burnt Offerings**.

The **Pom Pom Girls** will play the theatre from Wednesday through Saturday, March 16th-19th. It is, we are told, about two teenage couples beginning their senior year in high school. The film is concerned with their "Light-hearted" antics which keep the kids preoccupied with sex, cars, hamburgers and beer. Joseph Ruben wrote, produced, and directed the movie following his successful **Sister-In-Law**. Michael Lloyd's musical score provides a lighthearted rock soundtrack in keeping with the devil-may-care tempo of the movie.

The second film, **Burnt Offerings** will be shown on Sunday through Tuesday, March 20-22nd. It is described as a chilling Gothic tale starring Karen Black, Oliver Reed, Burgess Meredith, and Bette Davis. The film has been nominated by the Academy of Science Fiction, Fantasy, and Horror Films as the Best Horror film of 1976.

Burnt Offerings is a film by Dan Curtis, produced, directed and co-written by Curits from the novel by Robert Marasco.

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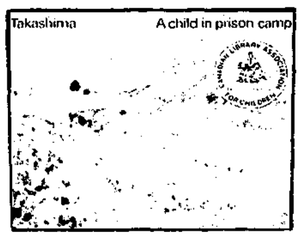

A Child in Prison Camp
Shizuye Takashima
Tundra Books C. 72 pp.

It is March, 1942, and a young girl is at the train station saying goodbye to her father. He is being removed to a concentration camp. She writes: "A sharp police whistle blows. My blood stops. We see a uniformed Mounted Police drag an old man and hurl him into the train. More curses, threats. The old train bellows its starting sound."

Scenes of mass evacuation such as this seem far away now. We think of them occurring in distant countries, and we picture the Nazis herding Jews onto the waiting trains. But the scene described above was in Vancouver, not in Germany, and the men being shipped off were Japanese. Although not one case of actual sabotage was brought to court, the Canadian government deemed the west coast Japanese a security risk. Forced to sell everything they had; their fishboats, homes and businesses confiscated, they were sent to 'relocation centres' in the interior of British Columbia. Here they were made to stay until the end of the war, three years later.

This is their story, seen through the eyes of a child. Because it is told from the perspective of innocence the book avoids the outraged morality that would turn it into diatribe. Instead, it is a simple, eloquent tale. With a patient objectivity, a tendency simply to observe rather than moralize, the author states quietly what her life was like during those years. Several watercolour drawings accompany the text. Their soft pastel shades creep into the prose beside them, and there is a dreamlike quality that emerges.

There is a part where she and her friends go swimming in the lake: "We all splash and scream. I see the round, round sun high above. The sky is clear, blue. I hear laughter of other children not far from us. I look at the sun, wondering how long it has been there. I turn on my back, shout to the sun, "Hello, sun!" It seems to grow larger as I stare at it, and the blue sky seems to grow a blue, blue, and I seem to fly up and touch the sun and the lovely sky."

With her direct, easy style, the author captures the sentience of childhood. Yet she is growing up, too. The world around her, the dark war, this camp she's in, all of these conspire to awaken her into adulthood. Her older sister has begun to think for herself about things, and her mother is patient, resigned, but her father is very bitter and angry about what has been done to him. His voice calls the girl into the grownup world. She records her father's battle for better living conditions in the camp.

"We pay rent for the houses, but we've no electricity, not enough heating, and no water in them. None of us ever hurt Canada. I'm a naturalized citizen, so are many of us. You even charge us taxes. It's wrong to treat us like enemies. It's unjust."

It must be the fatal irony, to be put in a concentration camp and charged rent on your house.

The years pass by in the camp. A provisional school is set up for the children to go to. The men work on projects for the government. They build themselves bath houses, and a theatre in which to stage their centuries-old form of drama. When the first spring comes, everyone has a garden. Mr. Kono, whose family shares the small house with them, sings quietly to himself as he plants his row of seeds.

The events here are those that a child would recall. There are stories about the festivals the people celebrate, the plays (in which the audience shouts encouragement to the actors), and the seasons; the long drone of summer or the night of the first winter snow. There is the day when the water tap is finally installed, and the night when a house burns down. There's also an evening when her father and some of the neighbours get into a batch of homebrew:

"All smack their lips; father does not think it is quite ready. Mr. Shimizu says he likes it like this, a bit raw. In the end they drink quite a lot of it. Mother laughs, says, 'This is one thing they can't wait until it's ready. What a habit to get into.' She does not taste it but serves food for the men. Slowly, we notice they are getting quite tottery. As always when this happens they stop talking and start to sing. They forget about their problems. Father gets up and dances. Mr. Shimizu sings, beats his chopsticks on the plate, his eyes closed. The Japanese songs start pouring out of his lips..."

Here, then, are scenes from a child's life in a Canadian prison camp. Told with a clarity, an oriental taste for perfection, and a true tenderness, they paint a vivid portrait of a patient, enduring people. To a child all human beings are the same. One must grow older before racial distinctions are made. Because this is a child's story, the bond of our humanity with these people is strengthened as we read.

In the epilogue to the book the author quotes a speech made by Lester Pearson. He was talking about the hardships of Japanese-Canadians during WW II:

"The action of the Canadian Government of the day - though taken under the strains and fears and pressures and irrationalities of war - was a black mark against Canada's traditional fairness and devotion to the principles of human rights. We have no reason to be proud of his episode nor are we..."

It is good that this apology was made, and yet the tone of this book does not demand an apology from us. Instead, it offers us a human understanding, one we would do well to cultivate if our prison camps are not to be filled again.

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Classes planned on Adolescence

by Carolynn Bichler

Spring is a time for rebirth and new growth, it's a time when the world awakens and bursts forth in beauty. Just as the world opens its eyes we on the Sunshine Coast are being offered an opportunity to wake up to a better understanding of what life is all all about for our adolescent children.

Elisabeth Brown is coming to town, Gibsons that is, to offer parents who are trying to figure out just what their teenagers are all about. On four consecutive Saturdays beginning April 16, Elisabeth will be offering classes on "You and Your Adolescent". You will hear an excellent lecturer speak to you on the different aspects of growing up; about what changes are going on physically, mentally, and emotionally in your teenagers.

This will be the second time that Elisabeth has given this class in Gibsons. I was fortunate to attend her first set of lectures and came away enlightened about many areas of adolescent rearing. We also had time during and after each session to ask about and discuss areas and problems that pertained to us specifically. Amusingly, the parents in the class found that they could relate to each others questions.

Elisabeth Brown is a most conscientious teacher, she really cares about children and their parents. When she lectures it is not only from her excellent eduction that she draws her information, but from her experience in working with people and her sincere concern about them.

Elisabeth was born in Duesseldorf Germany, and has been working with youth since she was fourteen. Along with a major in Psychiatric Nursing she has taught and lectured. Elisabeth worked counselling parents and children in Germany for nine years. In 1959 she came to the United States to study and remained studying and working until 1975. In America she got her Registered Nurse diploma, a B. S. in Nursing, her speciality was Public Health Nursing, a M. S. in Nursing, and a speciality in Community Mental Health. While she taught at Saint Lukes Hospital, and Waggner College in New York City, Elisabeth worked on her doctorate in teaching higher education, and gave many counselling and education classes.

Elisabeth is a Canadian now, she has been living with us for two years. When I visited her home I saw about me the order and charm which is manifested in her teaching. Elisabeth exudes vitality and energy in everything that she does.

Elisabeth feels qualified because she has had so much experience working with young people and parents. In teaching in both Germany and the U. S. she thinks that she has been able to verify her knowledge. She has seen that all youths have growing up problems, human problems are not specific to just one country, but universal. Seeing things from two sides has enriched her experience. Kids respond to Elisabeth's approach and she feels that she is a better teacher because of her experience. Elisabeth believes that you must adapt learned theories to life.

Being a parent is not an easy task; as the adolescent develops more mental and emotional demands are placed upon parents. We love our teenagers, but sometimes find it hard to cope with our growing, changing offspring. I highly recommend that couples take this opportunity to learn more about their kids. Help to make the generation gap a little narrower. Understanding is a key to open a door to many answers.

Lockstead reports from Victoria

Debate in the Legislature this week has once again brought attention to Robert Bonner's irresponsible management of B. C. Hydro. The Social Credit government refuses to make this crown corporation accountable to the people of B. C. As a result, Hydro continues to make decisions which endanger both the environmental and the economic well being of the province.

Concern now centres on the apparent intention of B. C. Hydro to build dams on such rivers as the McGregor and the Dean. As the McGregor Action Group noted in a brief sent to the Premier: "B. C. can no longer afford to dam its remaining free-flowing rivers with little regard for the social, economic and environmental consequences."

The dams proposed by B. C. Hydro would destroy many salmon spawning grounds. This would mean that hundreds of fishermen would be put out of work and a valuable food source would be irreparably damaged. This cannot be allowed to happen.

In December, two representatives of the United Fishermen and Allied Workers' Union from Pender Harbour travelled to the proposed McGregor site in order to examine the validity of these charges. They too were soon convinced of the potential ecological disaster and have now thrown their support behind efforts to stop this project.

It is evident that the government must act to protect the people of British Columbia from the irresponsible actions of non-elected politicians such as Mr. Bonner. In the Legislature, I proposed that Hydro be made, "accountable to the people of this province and to this Legislature in a manner that a democratic system and society demand." Only then will the future of this province be guided by the proper hands.

Harmony Hall

by Jim Holt

So-ooo, here we go again on a new report of happenings at the hall during the week. We had a remarkable bunch of carpet bowlers out for their usual exercise and it was bedlam in the hall each time a team scored a point. We also had a wonderful turnout for our General Meeting last Monday, it was a pleasure to see so many interested in what is going on.

All the convenors for April were chosen and Winn Keene was elected as our "Sunshine Convenor" until such times as Minnie Huhtala is able to resume her duties. Gladys Coates has been chosen as the convenor for our Thursday night bingo for the month of April and any volunteer help that Gladys gets will be greatly appreciated.

Our Tea and Bazaar, admission 75¢, will be held on Friday, April 15th. Tickets are now on sale 50¢ each or 3 for $1.00. There is to be a Box Spring and Mattress, donated by Joe Benner of Benner's Furniture in Sechelt. Joe supplied us with the chairs, and some of the tables for the hall at a very reasonable price, and to him we are eternally grateful. May your business prosper, Joe, so that you will have to put an addition on your store and I promise I will try and get the Harmony Hall carpenters up to help you build it. We also have a padded quilt up for raffle made by Minnie Huhtala and it is really something. Anything that Minnie does is done right, so whoever wins that will be well satisfied with their prize. We also have a prize of a voucher for $50.00 worth of food, courtesy of Ken's Lucky Dollar store in Gibsons. This is a wonderful deal in these days of high prices and I am sure you will be delighted to win this one. Thanks again to Bill Edney of Lucky Dollar Stores, it is a pleasure to do business in your store, with your competent and smiling staff always ready to give a helping hand. Thanks a million Bill. All these prizes are to be drawn for on June 6th at Harmony Hall so get your tickets as soon as you possibly can and have your stubs in, that is all of you who have taken books, and hand them in to our treasurer Irene Bushfield on or before June 6th. Glad to see Irene back on the job again after her bout with the flu, you just can't keep that gal down.

My grateful thanks to Tor Strand and Vic Eckstein for installing the new speakers in the hall for our P.A. system, it is a good job well done and thanks a million. Our Thursday night bingo was again a wonderful success thanks to all who turned out for it, so keep on coming folks, we appreciate your patronage and would like to see you all winners.

I noticed quite a lot of new faces last Thursday night, so it looks as though the people are beginning to find Harmony Hall and we appreciate your coming. On Friday nights we are having what we call "Fun Nights". There will be dancing, card playing, shuffle board, etc., so all you seniors come along, and admission is free. All we ask is that you bring along a few snacks, nothing big, coffee and tea will be supplied, so come on out and meet your friends and neighbours and have a good time doing it. It starts at 8:00 p.m. and goes until...

Our next project in the hall once we get our grant through is to buy a projector and screen so that we can see the world we live in without going to too much expense to see it. Ted Dinsley will be in charge of the films and machine as Ted has had considerable experience in this field, so that is something else to look forward to in the very near future.

I would like to thank all the men who came down on Friday morning to help clean up and set up the hall for our Friday "Fun Night". There were, and I am only going to give you their first names, John, Einar, Len, Julius, and Ralph. Thanks again fellows for a good job. I have not any further news of Matti Huhtala, so as they say, no news is good news and in Matti's case I sure hope it is true. Congratulations to all the winners at last Thursdays bingo, it is a pleasure to see the smiles on the faces of the winners and well worth the effort of having a bingo night.

Don't forget the following dates: Sechelt bowlers will be coming down on March 15th, also our own group of carpet bowlers on March 16th, Thursday March 17th bingo night, so all you lucky Irish get out for that night, and Friday March 18th will be seniors only Fun Night so get out for these occasions that suit you, and make more new friends, because friendship costs nothing and is the only thing that really counts. It is like a smile - only you yourself can give it and it costs nothing to give.

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Happy Horizons

by T. Walton

One of the most interesting films for some time was shown at the last meeting of the Elphinstone New Horizons. "Another Side of the Forest" proved both informative and entertaining. It was enjoyed by all and can be recommended to all film lovers.

All concerned will take special note that our Spring Festival will take place on Monday, March 21st commencing at **2:00 p.m.** Ample time will be allowed to view the Arts and Crafts exhibits before moving on to the main program. This will include dancing by local groups, competitions, and varied musical entertainment. St. Patrick will be remembered in various ways during the celebrations which will close with a Smorgasborg dinner at 5:00 p.m. This all adds up to a lot of fun!

Those entering exhibits are requested to have them at the Roberts Creek Community Hall between 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to allow time for arranging them for viewing. Please have your names on them plus any other notations you may wish to make explaining the exhibit.

We are glad to welcome back those members who have been absent with this wave of 'flu', but regret that they passed it on to others to enjoy. Please watch yourselves carefully for you can't afford to miss out on Monday, March 21st.

Gemstones

The third in a series of B. C. gemstones is now on display at the Gibsons Public Library. This display features Rhodonite which is found in several parts of B. C. The color varies from location to location ranging from greys to yellows to pink and rose. The most spectacular rhodonite is found in the Cowichan area on Vancouver Island and on Saltspring Island. The displays are provided by the Sunshine Coast Lapidary Club.

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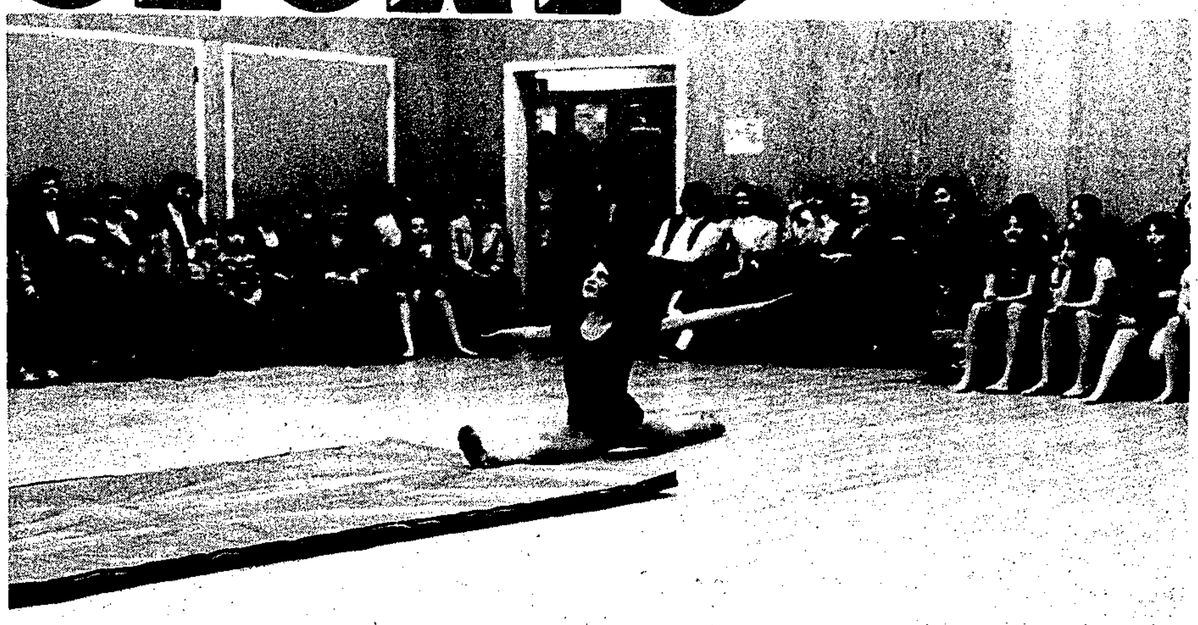

A Grade Six student in Mrs. Skapski's class at Madeira Park Elementary School is seen performing at the school.

Open House

Well over 250 parents, visitors and friends of the school came and stayed for a very successful Open House program to commemorate Education Week at Madeira Park Elementary School last Wednesday evening.

The open house lasted from 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and was judged by all who attended to be one of the best held at school. Principal Verne Wishlove welcomed all the parents and visitors to the school and expressed the wish that they would find their visit enjoyable and informative. Wishlove remarked on the friendliness of the people in the Pender Harbour area and expressed appreciation for the cooperative effort of the staff, students and parents in making the school such a positive factor in the community.

Wishlove introduced Director of Education, John Nicholson who congratulated all concerned for a fine effort at school. Nicholson brought greetings from Superintendent John Denley who wasn't able to make the open house because of prior education commitments in Vancouver. Trustee Peter Prescesky brought greetings on behalf of the Board of School Trustees. He also congratulated the staff and students for their efforts.

Activities presented for open house ranged from band and choral selections to a display of creative dance and gymnastics taught by Wendy Skapski. Mike Simkins performed the conductor's role during the excellent musical presentations. Media displays, classroom displays, a film on Laser Beams, caught the eye of all who attended. Refreshments were supplied by students of the school. The home baking sale realized $75.00 for the school activities fund.

The staff and students are busy planning for a spring presentation of the musical Peter Pan, to be presented for all interested viewers on the peninsula.

Volleyball Tournament

Elphinstone High School was the scene of some fine volleyball on Saturday, March 12th, when two local teams hosted the Gibsons-Langdale Invitational Volleyball Tournament.

In the boy' division Henderson Elementary School from Powell River prevailed over the team from Grandview school by scores of 15-11 and 15-8.

In the girl's division of the tournament the team from Langdale Elementary continued their winning ways. They played the team from Gibsons Elementary School in the final and had a relatively easy time of it it in the first game, winning by a score of 15-4. In the second game Gibsons made it much tougher for the good Langdale team and actually had the score tied up at 12-12 but lost their serve at that point and the Langdale girls went on to win the girl's division of the tour nament by a score of 15-4 and 15-12. Congratulations again to the girls of Langdale and their coach Ian Jacobs.

Timber Days

On Monday, March 7th, Sechelt Timber Days Committee, under the chairmanship of Lil Fraser and Bob Allen found that activities for May 22nd and 23rd are really shaping up.

Most land and buildings at Hackett Park have been spoken for, but if you hurry, there may be a spot for you and your organization to make a little extra money to operate on. Apply in writing to: Sechelt Timber Days Committee, Box 1333, Sechelt, or phone Lil at 885-2894 or Bob at 885-2625 and be certain to attend the next meeting. Listed are the events which have already been finalized, hopefully filled, or what we would like to see.

Definite: Logger Sports, Poster Contest (Judges: Artists Jo Warne and Fran Ovens), Bavarian Gardens, Soap Box Derby, Soft Drinks, and?, Hotdogs and hamburgers and coffee, Cake Walk, Children's Sports, Horseshoes, May Queen, Maypole Dancing, Timber Boy (our first), Big Parade, 3 judges, Charles Middlestead, Roland Hawes and Peggy Connor. In the indefinite list we have: Bingo, Tea Garden, Baron of Beef, Low Calorie Food Stand, Baby Sitting Service, War of Hoses, Any further ideas? Any dancers, or other entertainment? How about a big game of checkers? Many more surprizes!

The Master of Ceremonies this year will be Andy Gray. The next meeting is April 4th at the Municipal Hall, 7:30 p.m.

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Strikes and spares

Eleven of us went to North Shore Bowl last Sunday to take in Ken Knights 10 Game Marathon which had a full entry of bowlers. There were quite a few big guns taking part when the smoke had cleared Ken Skytte took first place in the Handicap Division for $100.00 and Lionel McCuaig of Sechelt took 3rd place in the Scratch Division for $75.00. Freeman Reynolds took a Hi Block for $7.50 and Alice Smith took $5.00 for a Hi Single and $20.00 for most pins over average for the ladies. It was a good tournament, enjoyed by all, especially the winners.

In league action at home it was Ken and Carole Skytte Week on the lanes with Ken rolling a 324 single and 1020 for four to lead the Classic League and Carole rolling a 310 single and 808 for three in the Legion League. Freeman Reynolds rolled a 323 single in the Classic League and Ralph Roth sparing in the Ball & Chain League rolled a 330 single and sparing in the Legion League had a 331 single and sparing in the Gibsons 'A' League rolled a 297 single and an 832 triple. Ralph had a good week of bowling.

And Mel Buckmaster, keeping up with his wife and son rolled a 301 single in the Phuntastique League. Good high games in all leagues.

Highest Scores: **Classic:** Kathy Clark 250-878, Bonnie McConnell 238-880, Gwen Edmonds 299-896, Freeman Reynolds 323-964, Ken Skytte 324-1020. **Tuesday Coffee:** Lila Head 274-631, Myrt Le Nobel 229-639, Lee Larson 298-730. **Gibsons 'A':** Darlene Turner 274-683, Orbita delos Santos 251-687, Ian Clark 280-655, Brian Eldridge 257-701. **Wednesday Coffee:** Bonnie McConnell 247-659, Penny McClymont 291-659, Nora Solinsky 240-672. **Ball & Chain:** Carole Skytte 241-627, Len Male 255-680. **Phuntastique:** Orbita delos Santos 243-669, Darlene Maxfield 276-691, Mel Buckmaster 301-739, Vic Marteddu 290-798. **Legion:** Carole Skytte 310-808, Phyllis Tibergien 277-666, Ralph Roth 331-721, Jim Skinner 283-765, Freeman Reynolds 280-792. **Y.B.C. Bantams:** Michele Whiting 152-278, Glen Hanchar 259-409. **Juniors:** Jeanine Cramer 207-475, Jamie Gill 270-475. **Seniors:** Ann Husband 197-573, Geoff Spence 228-585. **Swingers:** Alice Smith 231-631, Sid Wilson 192-507, Art Smith 258-665.

ROCKS

by Pat Edwards

On Saturday, March 5th, the Hangover League bonspiel was held. The eight rinks from the late league were the participants. The spiel was won by Del Tetzalaff in a hard fought game with the school kids. The score was a close 8 to 7 with a team of school students led by Jim McEwan as skip losing out in the very last rock of the game. Spectators say they were held in thrilling suspense throughout the game and right up to the last rock in the last end. It is a credit to the high school curlers that they can take on the best of the men and almost beat them. They have come a long way since they started curling and are to be congratulated for both their skill and their sportsmanship. Everyone was pleased with the prizes, first place earning Bushnell binoculars and second place getting a calculator.

The ladies are having a wind up food hamper raffle. You can get a ticket from Gus at the club.

Remember men, the ladies are having their bonspiel on Saturday, March 19th, and the men have been asked to do the ice sweeping, operate the kitchen and generally give the ladies a day of rest from duties. Any men interested in volunteering to help should contact Ron Lacey who has volunteered to co-ordinate it for the day.

Men, a reminder that you should start signing up for the bonspiel of April 2nd and 3rd if you want to get your rink in, otherwise it may be full by the time you think of it.

The first stage of the cupboards are finished and Terry has commenced painting. The cupboards really look good and Bob Nygren is to be congratulated on a job well done. Each day our club progresses a little further toward completion. Someday it might all be done, who knows?

Soccer

by Barnibus & Co.

With the season's schedule over, the Wanderer Soccer Club is busy making preparations for an all star tournament this April 16th and 17th.

Four teams are entered from the peninsula: Wanderers, Renegades, Chiefs and Pender Harbour. From Vancouver come the Vancouver Celtics, Trojans and Martinsens. Also present will be the Powell River Labatts.

All games will be played on the Elphinstone High School field and the Langdale Elementary field. The first games are at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, April 16th. Hot dogs will be on sale and fans can look forward to two exciting days of soccer.

On Saturday evening, the Wanderers have planned a dance at Elphinstone High School from 8:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. Entertainment will be provided by disc jockeys with special light effects. Tickets can be obtained from Danny Weinhandl, Bjorn Bjornson, Terry Duffy or any team member.

There are no team stars to mention this week but the soccer club would like to give a star to their fans for their fine support throughout the season.

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Physical Fitness Testing

On Saturday March 19th, in Gibsons and Sunday March 20th in Sechelt between the hours of 1:00 to 5:00 a Fitness Testing and counselling session will be held. (Date and location yet to be confirmed in Pender Harbour). These days will involve the testing of one's cardiovascular fitness (heart, lungs, blood vessels) taking blood pressure and access to resource material concerning local programs, exercise, heart diseases, etc. The purpose is to offer an avenue that a person may take to discover the condition of their heart. It can be mentioned here that all ages and all levels of fitness can benefit from such a day.

What the test step consists of is a walking up and down two eight inch steps in time to a beat for three minutes. After the three minutes the pulse is taken for ten seconds and the results compared to Canadian norms put out by the Federal Government. If the pulse is below the recommended level (a slow pulse means a healthy heart) another three minute test is taken at a faster beat and again the pulse is read. The outcome of this second test will give one a good idea of where he stands physically according to Canadian norms. Follow up counselling will be available for those who wish to begin or continue an exercise program.

For most people physical activity should not pose a problem the small number of adults for whom physical activity might be inappropriate or those who should have medical advice concerning the type of activity suitable to them. As a precautionary measure the Fitness Service will be requesting everyone to complete this questionnaire before taking the step test. It is a very short but necessary step when dealing with such a wide group of people.

The whole process should only take about thirty minutes. During this time one will also have the opportunity to have his blood pressure taken and/or look over the resource material available.

The Fitness Service still needs one or two more volunteers in Gibsons and Sechelt to aid in this testing. The job will consist of distributing questionnaires and helping take the step test. If you are inclined towards physical activity and feel interested in giving some time for the testing day give the volunteer service a call at 885-3821 and we can arrange a briefing session.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 46 (SECHELT)

The trustees of Rural Area "B" and Gibsons Village will be present at Gibsons Elementary School Annex (Pratt Road School) on Thursday, March 17th, 1977, commencing at 8:00 p.m. until approximately 10:00 p.m. to discuss with any member of the community any concern relating to school district policies.

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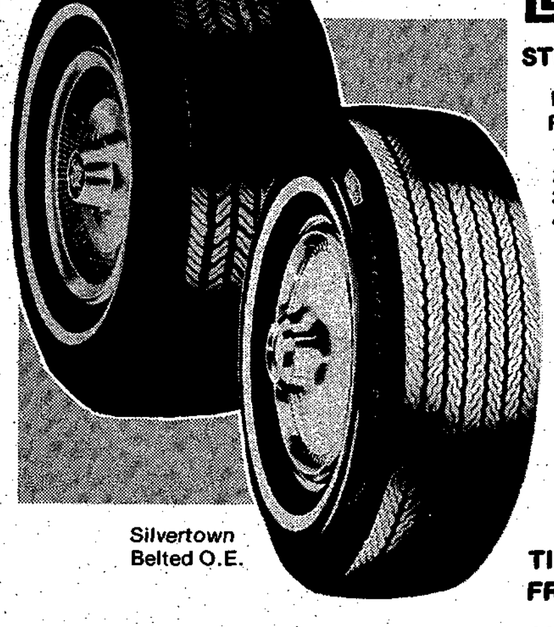

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Street Talkin'

By: The Gibsons Alternate School

QUESTION:

Do you think sports fishermen should be limited with licences, times and fishing areas like the commercial fishermen?

Commercial Fisherman

TOM DAVEY

"Well, if you're talking about conservation purposes, yes, I mean I'm a commercial fisherman and we have to bear the brunt of it usually, you know. Naturally we are opposing the "Two licensing system" for the Gulf of Georgia. They say it's for conservation purposes so we say fine, providing that the sportsman has to too, but up to now he doesn't. He fishes 365 days a year. We fish from April 15 till October 30th. If everybody needs fish and wants fish, well, sportsmen are going to have to bear the brunt too, sooner or later."

Sports Fisherman

THOR ANDERSON

"No, I don't think we should restrict our sports fishermen because there's so much money spent by them for the amount of fish they catch. There should be a strict patrol on them for how much fish they're taking - not take the little grilse and what have you."

Sports fisherman

GARY WHITE

"No. I talked to some people from the fisheries and they thought that they could use the extra money from licences and that's OK if they use the money for fish stocks. Sports fishermen shouldn't be limited to times because so few people fish in the winter anyway, little would be accomplished by it."

Retired commercial fisherman.

JIM SCOTT

"I think they should be limited for time and licensed too. Now they can fish wherever they like, whenever they like, I don't think that's right, I don't think they should have that much over the commercial men. After all, the commercial man pays alot of money to fish now. There's alot of "commercial sportsmen" out now...sportsmen selling fish...lots of em around here, I know. They get that advantage, no licence, fish whenever they want to and they peddle their fish. You know it was six years ago, one of em sold fish to a Mounted Policeman and they fined him a hundred dollars...hell, he'd make that in one trip... and he's still fishin'."

Retired Sports fisherman

RUDY OLSEN

"I don't think their catching very much fish. They're just fishing for their own use you know. I can't see why they shouldn't be able to fish for their own use instead of shipping em out of the country...which is what the commercial guys do. They all go to Japan and all over the world. But we just fish for ourselves for our own use. All I want is enough to eat. A seine boat catches more in one night than all the sports boats here in one year. I've been on the seiner and they get tons and tons and tons. Sports fishermen here I don't think get more than 30 or 40 fish a year. I don't think there should be any restriction on the sports fishing. There's alot of money in it, for all the businessmen too, sports fishing."

International Women's Day

Forty-six member groups of the B. C. Federation of Women joined with women around the world in celebrating International Women's Day on March 8th. This day commemorates the successful struggle of women in the garment industry for better wages and working conditions, one of the first successes in acquiring rights for women.

Women on the peninsula celebrated at the Roberts Creek Elementary School. Films such as "Take Her She's Mad" showed clearly that we all have stock taking to do on the rights yet to be gained by women. Another film "What Will I Be?" dealt with sexism in schools with Grade 6 students of both sexes demonstrating that they were more aware of it than most adults. It showed books in our present curriculum, that youngsters learn to read by, stereotyping the sexes in words and pictures. A little girl had dolls and hangs around the kitchen with mommy, while brother and daddy wave goodbye as they go off to seek adventures outside the home. They boys are the first to come up with new ideas while sister dutifully follows along. This is a harmful approach to education because until a child is taught differently he/she understands equality perfectly. If a child is given love and understanding from the beginning, it matters not to them whether their playmates are male or female, thus giving them a healthy basis for the rest of their lives.

A film of June Boe's, a local artist, was shown, "Japanese Gardens". To me it was beautifully done, music, photography, background sounds, a nostalgic trip into the past with the present beauty of nature. Local songbirds entertained us royally, with humour, lovely voices and words suited for the evening. Thanks go to Deb Ede and Bonnie Low, and thank you also Kurt Reichel for accompaniment and good vibes.

Wine, coffee and hors-d'oeuvres were served, and personally I felt the evening a good experience and I'm happy that the Women's Centre in Roberts Creek, who organized our local commemoration are doing such a good job, and hope they are able to continue through community co-operation and an occasional grant.

The B.C.F.W. believes that women can not be free until women have full control of their lives. We face discrimination of every sort whenever attempting to enter or progress through any part of today's labour force. Neither are homemakers recognized as legitimate members of the work force. Sexist advertising permeates our culture. Even though in 1969 the Liberal government passed legislation removing homosexuality in employment from the Criminal Code, lesbians today are experiencing discrimination in employment, in renting housing, and in child custody. The British Columbia Federation of Women will continue to actively work to create a society where women are free, full, self-defined human beings, equally, economically, politically and socially.

Personally I feel strides have been taken in all of the above fields of endeavour although we may still have a long way to go. As far as "liberation" goes for all of us, the starting point is with yourself. If you can love yourself enough to understand your own needs and what the fulfilment of by being human is, then your responsibilities can become joy. Happiness is our birth-right, one and all.

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More School Board

The regular school board meeting on Thursday, March 10th was held in Davis Bay Elementary School and hosted a good representation of parents from the Parents Auxiliary to Davis Bay Elementary School. The core of the education discussion at the meeting was the request from the Davis Bay Parents Auxiliary on the addition of two standard classrooms, a library, a kindergarten and a small activity room to the basic two-room school already at Davis Bay.

Trustees recalled that in discussions last year they had looked at the desirability of increasing both Davis Bay and West Sechelt to the point where they would be schools of four classrooms with a small activity room and a library considered to be deisrable objectives.

To raise the student population of Davis Bay in the foreseeable future to a point where it would be possible to increase the size of the school, Superintendent Denley said it would be necessary possibly to bring back intermediary students from Davis Bay back from Sechelt Elementary School to which they were presently bussed.

The trustees asked the assembled parents how they would feel about this. It was the unanimous feeling of the parents present that they would, if it were possible, prefer to have their children going to school in the community they lived in. The present enrolment of Davis Bay Elementary School is thirty-seven students in Grades 1-4 with an additional eighteen children in kindergarten. In order to satisfy the Department of Education's criteria for a four-room school with the desired facilities the school would have to have an enrolment of ninety students in primary and intermediary classes.

In other school board business, trustees reported that their meetings held recently with the local fire chiefs of the region had persuaded them that smoke detectors were a more efficient fire-warning system than the heat detectors presently in use.

The school board approved unanimously a request from Frank West that they administer an Alexander Znotin Bursary for students studying art. West said that the bond had been purchased with donations received in memory of local artist Alexander Znotin who died about nine years ago. It will mature next year and should yield an annual bursary of $50.00 for a local art student.

Educational objectives

Principal Sam Reid of Sechelt Elementary School is looking forward with enthusiasm to the educational priority setting exercise slated to get underway at his school Wednesday, March 16th. Reid has been an observer at the similar exercise recently completed at Gibsons Elementary and pronounces himself most impressed with the strong interest and enthusiasm shown by the involved parents in Gibsons.

"I was really impressed by the attitude of the participants," said Reid. "There was a lot of dialogue."

The first step in the process at Sechelt will take place when sixty names will be selected at random and those parents will be invited to participate in the program. The object of the first meeting will be to establish priorities for educational objectives. The second meeting will discuss the question of how the individual school is measuring up to the objectives set at the first meeting. Teachers and parents will have a subsequent third meeting to discuss the possible implementation of the educational objectives set.

Recycling

by Tom Haigh

I think I'll use this space to throw a few orchids and onions.

Orchids to those who deposit nice clean tin in the depots of Peninsula Recycling. Onions to those people who deposit garbage. To their credit, most depositors are very conscientious about the condition of their recyclables.

Orchids to all those beautiful people who deposit clean jars and bottles. Onions to those who deposit unrinsed ketchup bottles.

Orchids to all those great people who take the time to bundle their newspapers, although we don't mind bundling newspapers for those who find it difficult to do so. We do wish, though, that anyone who deposits loose, assorted paper would put it in some kind of container ie: either a box or a bag.

We'd also like to remind people that any kind of paper is recyclable, even cereal boxes and old letters, flyers, etc. But we would appreciate it if all such paper would be contained somehow, either by bundling or containerizing. It is very difficult to deal with hundreds of loose pieces of paper. Any office can recycle its paper simply by having a cardboard box handy.

Most of all, orchids to all recyclers. Keep it up! It's working in spite of the resistance from certain quarters.

Pender Auxiliary

President Eileen Alexander opened the Pender Harbour Hospital Auxiliary meeting March 9th with eighteen members present.

Plans are being made to paint the Thrift Shop, volunteers from each auxiliary are asked to give some time to this project. Please contact chairman Gladys Brown, at 883-9928.

The Gift Shop announces it will now be open 7 days a week, thanks to the junior volunteers who will operate the shop during Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. More knitted goods are required.

Blood donors will be held again this year on April 28th at St. Mary's Hospital. We are hoping for a good turn out from Pender Harbour.

The auxiliary is holding a Bake Sale on April 9th at Taylors Store, Garden Bay, at 12:20 p.m. Members in Madeira Park are asked to take baking to Cathy McQuitty's home by 11:00 a.m.

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Aerobics dance is here! Wednesday8 to 9 at Elphinstone. A fun and challenging evening. Everyone welcome, for further info. phone Fitness Service at 885-3611

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Child Minding Centre is holding an OPEN HOUSE March 16th, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Everyone come!

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ECUMENICAL LENTEN PROGRAM: Focus on Bread. Thurs. March 17, 7:30 p.m. Holy Family Hall, Sechelt. Sunday, March 20, 7:30 p.m. Gibsons United Church. Bible Study: Rev. J. Godkin, A Third World Meal - Demonstration & Discussion.

Women's Centre: Open-House Wednesday afternoon. Drop in for tea, bring a friend or come and meet a new one.

Halfmoon Bay Hospital Auxiliary to St. Mary's Hospital St. Patricks Day Tea, Bake Sale, Bazaar and Handicraft Sale, to be held Thurs. March 17th at Welcome Beach Hall on Redrooffs Road, 1:30 to 4:00 p.m. See you there!

"O my friend, listen with heart and soul to the songs of the spirit, and treasure them as thine own eyes - for the heavenly wisdoms, like the clouds of spring will not rain down on the earth of men's hearts forever..." Bahai's of the Sunshine. Baha'u'llah. Shine Coast. Seven Valleys

LECTURE ON HEART
A lecture on YOU AND YOUR HEART will be held by Dr. Lubin on March 22, Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in Sechelt Elementary School, Music Room. Time for discussion, no fee. Karin Hoemberg, 885-3512, Centre for Continuing Education.

Crafts for the Handicapped: All parents and guardians of handicapped persons are invited to a meeting on Wed. March 16th 1977. Place: Sunshine School, (Gibsons Elementary School Premises). Time: 8:00 p.m. Purpose: 1. To register for a weekly workshop. 2. To find out the various fields of interests. Examples: Wood work, leather work, knitting, pottery, etc.

NOTE
There will be a bake sale on March 19th in the Sunnycrest Mall. All proceeds to Sunflight Club, Time: 10:30 a.m.

RUMMAGE SALE
Will be held at Langdale Elementary School, March 25th, 10-2 pm. in the School gym. Shoes and clothing only 10¢ each. Many other things will be sold. Money will be used for Grade 7 field trip. Donations of items appreciated. 886-9971

FITNESS TESTING
Weekend, Gibsons, March 19th, 1 - 5 p.m. Elphinstone. Sechelt: March 20th, 1 - 5 p.m. Chatelech, Pender Harbour: 1 - 4 p.m. March 19th, Madeira Park Elem. Library. For info: 885-3611.

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MUSIC WORKSHOP
The influence of the mysterious Gypsies on music, a 1-day workshop with Thelma Lower on March 19th, Saturday, 9:30 a.m. till 4:30 p.m. Fee $6.00 for adults and $3.00 for students. Pre-registration: 885-3512, Karin Hoemberg, Centre for Continuing Education.

We wish to thank all the staff and employees at Can. Forest Prod. McNab Creek & and all our friends on the peninsula for all their kindness to us and our son Greg. Mr & Mrs Ron Dyck.

Urgent: Will the gentleman selling Canuck tickets please get in touch with the Coast News. We have lost your phone no. and we are still interested in the purchase of all your tickets.

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Opportunities

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March 19th, 10 am - 5 pm and March 20th 10 am - noon. Complete household effects. Dishes, furniture, plants, books etc. Boat & motors, 1968 VW beetle in excel. cond. And much More! Drive down Marlene Rd. to Spruce Rd. in Roberts Creek.

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WYNGAERT ROAD: In the heart of Gibsons Village. This 3 year old duplex is fully serviced and on sewer. Situated on extra large view lot. Both sides of the duplex have 750 sq. ft. with full unfinished basements under. Two bedrooms on each side with lots of room for expansion downstairs. Live in one side and rent the other to meet the payments. F.P. $69,800.

LOWER ROBERTS CREEK ROAD: At Cheryl Anne Park. 115' of prime WATERFRONT and over 2 acres of gorgeous property. The main house has over 1500 sq. ft. of finished living area, including 5 bedrooms and two full bathrooms, heatilator fireplace and a view that doesn't quit. In addition there is a 600 sq. ft. cottage at the water's edge (suggested rent of $200. per month) 400 feet of gravel driveway winds through the trees to the double carport and entrance to this property. F.P. $129,000.

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ROSAMUND RD. & FAIRVIEW RD: Frontage on these two roads makes a natural for subdivision. Both roads are paved and serviced with hydro and regional water. Try your offer on this 70' x 337' double lot. Zoned R2. F.P. $20,000.

HOPKINS LANDING: Extra large lot with frontage on Hwy. 101 and North Road. Lovely 4 bedroom family home with many extras, including Franklin fireplace and built-in bunk beds in one bedroom & built-in dressers etc. in 3 bedrooms. Nice driveway in for off-street parking. This is a nicely kept, well appointed home and well priced at only: F.P. $55,900.

REDROOFFS: Small unfinished house on large, ½ acre lot. Electric heat. Ideal do-it-yourself project. F.P. $23,500.

LOTS

SKYLINE DRIVE: Overlooking the Bay and the Village of Gibsons from this quiet and private lot on the Bluff. Start building your Dream Home right away on the expanse of this 207 x 115 x 181 x 66 uniquely shaped lot. Low down payment-Easy terms. F.P. $13,500.

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SKYLINE DRIVE: With the sewer only 150 feet away from this lot, and the adjoining lot also for sale, makes this an excellent value. The ideal spot for a distinct and original home. Nice view and sheltered from the open sea. F.P. $13,900.

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ACREAGE

NORTH RD. at CHAMBERLIN: Exceptionally well priced, 5 acre level property, half way between Gibsons and Langdale. Front has been cleared and filled. Back of property is like a park with a creek running through etc. Road allowance at side is the extention of Chamberlin Road. F.P. $27,500.

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Ladies figure skates, C.C.M. excel. cond. Size 10, $10.00. Jean Cowboy boots, worn twice, size 11, $10.00. 886-2581.

Wanted

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Property

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MUST SELL
½ acre lot. Water, power & drive way, cleared building site. $10,700. o.b.o. 885-9798.

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Lot for sale in Sechelt near Hackett Park, fully serviced. Asking $11,500. 596-7022.

In Langdale, 79' x 150' Lot for sale. Near school, beautiful view, by owner: 112-255-4805.

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Property

Roberts Creek: 3 bedroom home on park-like ½ acre, semi-waterfront. All electric heat, workshop basement, large wrap around sundeck. To view: 886-2744. F.P. $49.000.

8 x 45' Rollahome on Gabriola Island. Must be moved $2,000. o.b.o. (112) 254-5836 or call 886-8097

Private sale by owner in Langdale Chines, 3½ year old home, 3 bedrooms, large kitchen, living room with fireplace, den, family room, utility room, storage room. Approx. 1,460 sq. ft. with wall to wall throughout. Large landscaped lot with garden, fruit trees and A-frame cabin for playhouse or storage. $49,500. For appointment, phone 886-7237

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3 bdrm house across from tennis court. Close to shopping & water, $300. per mo. 886-7566.

Immediate occupancy, 1 bdrm house avail March 1st. Sunken living room, carpets, unfurnished Selma Park. $175. per mo. 987-8707

For Rent

UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT
Now available, redecorated suites, bachelor and one bedroom. 886-7490 or 886-2597.

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Tantalus Apartments, 1 bdrms and bachelor suite now available. W/W carpets, parking, cable vision. 886-7490 or 886-2597

Furnished 3 bdrm mobile home, Selma Park Vista area, avail. immed. Ref's. $250. per mo. No pets. 885-3417 or 885-3310.

Duplex in Roberts Creek, avail. April 1st. $270. per mo. 1200 sq. ft., 2 bdrms & bathroom upstairs. Kitchen, dining area, living room on main floor. Call 886-7037.

Avail. April 1, 3 bdrm house with basement, w/w carpets, drapes, stove & fridge. On sewer and cable vision. Term lease, sorry, no pets. 886-9382

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Obituaries

MAYHEW: March 7th, 1977. Guy Kenneth Mayhew of Field Road, Wilson Creek, B. C. Survived by his loving wife Bee, one daughter, Marilyn Karen, Calgary, one son Bruce, Edmonton, three grand children, four brothers in Alberta. Funeral service was held March the 10th from the Devlin Funeral Home. Pastor Fred Nepora officiated. Interment Seaview Cemetery.

GRAHAM: March 10, 1977. William Charles Graham, aged 28 years of Madeira Park, B. C. Survived by his wife Linda, one daughter Daveene, one son Robbie, two sisters, Mrs. Beverly Oksanen, North Vancouver, Mrs. Wendy Tossavainen, Ruskin B. C. and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Graham, Madeira Park, and his Grandfather, Mr. Charles Lauder, 100 Mile House. Graveside funeral service was held Monday, March 14th at Forest View Cemetery, at Madeira Park. Pastor F. Napora officiating. Devlin Funeral Home Directors.

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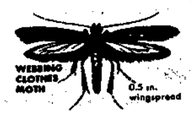

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Sechelt police news

A missing person and a fatal traffic accident dominated the police news from Sechelt last week.

Missing since February 28th or March 1st is Leslie Mathew August of the Sechelt Reserve. August left hom on one of the above dates enroute to the Sechelt hospital but never arrived there and hasn't been seen since. Sechelt Police request that anyone with information which might help determine the whereabouts of August, aged 28, should contact the Sechelt detachment of the R.C.M.P. without delay.

A single vehicle traffic accident on March 9th, 1977, took the life of William Charles Graham, age 28, of Pender Harbour. The vehicle, a small pick-up truck, was travelling west on the Francis Peninsula Road about 11:00 p.m. when it left the road just before the bridge.

Also injured in the accident was Linda Graham of Pender Harbour who suffered broken ribs and possible internal injuries. The driver of the vehicle was Josef Stanishevskyj of Gibsons. He escaped injury.

Pratt Road to be paved

Weather permitting Pratt Road should be resurfaced by the end of March. Letters have been sent by the Department of Highways to local and lower mainland pavers asking that bids be submitted as soon as possible for the job. Tucker Forsyth, local highways superintendent, explained that the letters system would expediate the process and that for this reason the usual process of advertising in local news media, then awaiting contractor response, had been waived. The resurfacing contract calling for a 2 inch compacted asphalt lift, 24 feet wide with gravel compacted shoulders will be awarded in the very near future.

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by Sheila Kitson

Are you aware there is a 4H Jersey Club on the Sunshine Coast? There used to be three 4H Clubs; a Rabbit, Poultry and Dairy Club, but unfortunately the Rabbit and Poultry Clubs had to disband due to the lack of leaders. The Jersey Club, however, is about to start their 3rd year. Would you be interested in joining us? To help you decide, I would like to give you some information on what 4H Clubs are all about.

First of all, 4H Clubs are open to boys or girls 9 years of age, as of December 31st of the previous year, and who have not reached their 20th birthday by December 31st of the previous year. There is a category of pre-club members under 9 years of age, who may attend club meetings but who cannot actually participate in the official 4H Club programme.

At the first meeting of the year, which is held prior to April 1st, the members elect a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. A possible agenda for the first meeting would be:

a. the number of members needing new calves.
b. housing of the animals.
c. fund raising
d. question and answer period on the programme.

The calves are approximately six months old when acquired, qualifying as Senior Calves in competition at the end of the project. To date the calves have all been obtained from Bella-Vista Farms in Milliner. Mr. Bob Wilson, the manager, has given much assistance in helping the club members in raising their calves and to participate in competitions.

The project time is from April 1st to September 30th. During that time records are carefully kept and both the feeding and growth pattern is recorded. To complete the assignment the member must look after his animal properly, complete his record book accurately and neatly and show his or her animal at the club field day, which is usually held in August. As well as proper care of the calf, the member must show great patience and skill, train their animal to lead on a halter and to stand in showmanship classes for competition. Badges can be won for many activities including public speaking, animal husbandry, and showmanship. For those over 13 years of age there is a Junior Leadership exam to be taken if desired.

Well, are you interested? A large pasture is not required, but a clean, draughtproof shed is essential, also a small corral would be satisfactory. If you would like to join the Howe Sound 4H Jersey Club or would like further information, please call one of the leaders, Sheila Kitson, 886-9335, and Cec Chamberlain at 886-2526, prior to April 1st.

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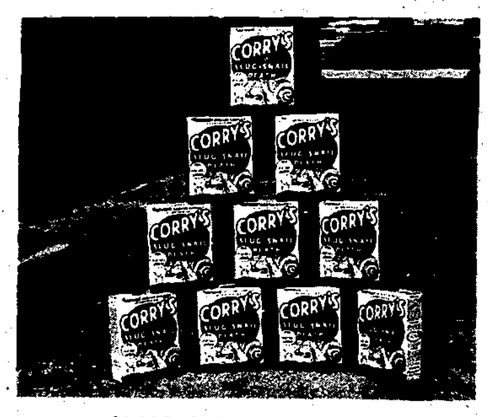

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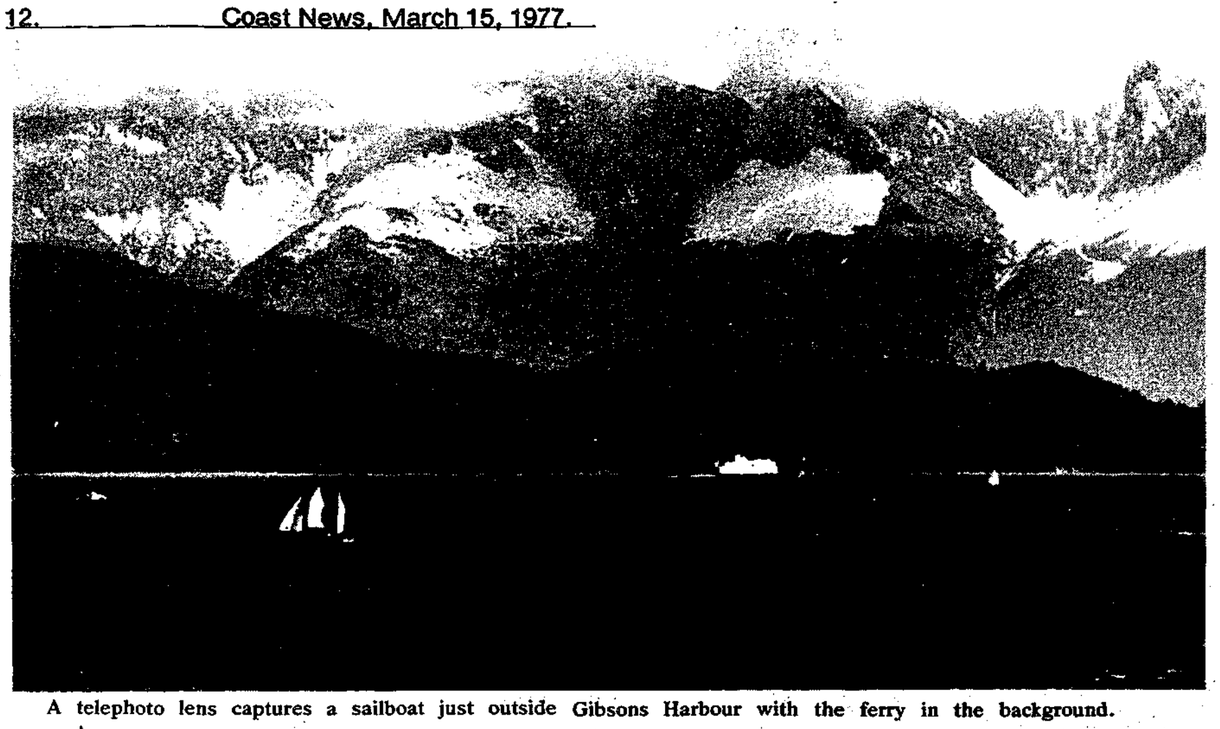


A telephoto lens captures a sailboat just outside Gibsons Harbour with the ferry in the background.

Support Easter Seals Campaign

"One of the best investments you can make won't return a penny to your pocket. Where you'll gain is in the heart", says Frank Sinatra talking about how Easter Seals help crippled children throughout British Columbia.

The Lions Easter Seal Campaign for 1977 begins March 1 and has a target of $550,000 to maintain and operate its programs to help the 25,000 crippled children in British Columbia.

The first Lions Easter Seal Campaign in 1948 raised $48,942.

Since then the British Columbia Lions Society for Crippled Children has built the largest transportation system for the handicapped in the world. Now 100 Easter Seal Buses travel more than 1½ million miles a year transporting more than 5,000 crippled children to schools, treatment centres, special classes and recreation, in more than 40 communities from Dawson Creek to White Rock and Campbell River to Fernie.

When the buses are not on scheduled routes they are used by handicapped adults, much like a taxi service.

Easter Seal also help support the Lions three Easter Seal Camps at Lake Cowichan on Vancouver Island, Winfield in the Okanagan and Squamish, where more than 1,000 disabled youngsters have a holiday every year.

The Lions also operate Easter Seal House, a home away from home for disabled youngsters who must come to Vancouver with a parent for diagnosis and treatment at Vancouver General Hospital.

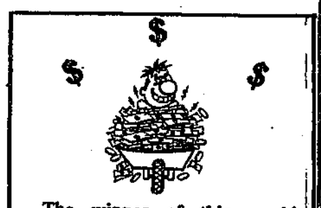
Other Easter Seal services provided by the Lions include help for children with cleft lip and palate or scoliosis, prosthesis and special projects.

In speaking about crippled children, Mr. Sinatra says: "Life hasn't been easy for these kids, but they're fighters. So back a fighter, when Easter Seals come in the mailbox, use them. And don't forget to send a cheque."

Mr. Sinatra made radio and television commercials free of charge to help the Easter Seal people raise $550.000 for crippled children.

Day of Prayer

Forty-four ladies and two gentlemen met at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Gibsons, Friday, March 4th to participate in the annual World Day of Prayer. This year's programme was prepared by the Christian women of the German Democratic Republic and was in this writer's opinion, the best programme for many years. The theme was Love in Action, and the hymns were skillfully chosen to fit the theme. Judy Foster sang "I can never outlove the Lord" and Lucille Mueller sang "Just a closer walk with Thee". Our speaker, Dennis Boyd, counselling psychologist with the Catholic Community Services of Vancouver, spoke of the only effective way to put love into action - "to live the gospel", to be practical, to have daily contact with the gospel.



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