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Residents dismayed

There is a great deal of consternation amongst the boat owners on the coast regarding the new wharfage rates effective April 1st.

The general feeling on the wharf is one of dismay. The feeling is that when dues jump from 2¢ per foot per day to 10¢ for pleasure craft and 15¢ for commercial other than fishing boats, it's time to take a hard look at the situation.

Since this new rate came into effect, FOR SALE signs are starting to pop up on various boats. People, especially people on fixed incomes have real doubts about being able to afford the pleasure of catching an occasional salmon in our B. C. waters.

Charles Brooks of the Harbour and Wharf Administration could not be reached before our deadline, however his assistant, Mike Track, gave us what information he had on hand.

The reason, he said for the cut off line for the increase as being slated as the 50th parallel, is because, in the opinion of the administration, northern communities rely more heavily on water transportation and deserve some kind of a break. It wasn't felt that the increase was retroactive, since it had been passed in parliament on March 10th and came into effect on April 1st. This bill was passed by the Governor General on the recommendation of the Department of Transport, the Fisheries and the Minister of Evnironment. On the question of the difference between fishboat rates and other commercial vessels, he could give no answer except that his office would welcome constructive letters. One important fact he did volunteer was that the local council, who pay 15% of the wharfage collected to the government, would be liable to pay the percentage on collected moneys, and not as was feared, the amount that should have been collected according to the footage under the new rates.

This still leaves the council in an unenviable position, they are bound by the terms of their lease (which they have not yet received) to collect something they are not enthusiastic about.

Mr. Brook's office number in Vancouver is 666-6111.

Angry residents protest increase in wharfage rates at Gibsons Council meeting last week.

May to be Family Month

The month of May has been declared "Family Month". The Provincial Government and the local Municipal Governments have proclaimed it to be so. So what? Whose idea was it in the first place? Why should I or my family be interested?

The answers to all such questions flow from this simple fact: each one of us comes from a family unit of one kind or another, and the strengths and weaknesses of that family unit remain with us for life. What helps to strengthen bonds of love and communication within each household or unit of persons living together as a family, help to strengthen the bonds of love and communication which keeps a community, a whole society together. "Family Month" is wholly directed towards developing the bonds of love and communication that gather people together into a family, a neighbourhood, a community.

The idea emerged from the B. C. Conference on the Family, which lasted from November 1975 until November 1976, and remains with us though a core group of persons, retaining the name of the B. C. Conference on the Family, but hoping to form the B. C. Council for the Family. It was through the concern expressed in hundreds upon hundreds of small discussion groups around the province, which gave rise to the resolution passed unanimously at the November 1976 conference, asking the premier to proclaim the month of May, 1977 as Family Month. The month is to be a time for focus upon the family unit, with emphasis on "communication building" activities at home and in the local community. What is done in May, however, is to carry over and influence what is done year round. Putting it simply, by declaring May Family Month, it gives each family or household an occasion, or an excuse for doing something in favour of itself by choice, rather than by chance.

The local planning committees headed by Mayors Nelson and Labonte have focussed upon:

1. The family or household group at home, or in the outdoors.
2. The family with another family.
3. Families meeting together in groups in community events.

We have thought about and have made suggestions for activities in the following areas:

1. The family and ways of sharing and communicating.
2. Religion and the family.
3. Senior Citizens and the family.
4. Recreation and the family.

Watch out for a pamphlet to be issued soon for posting on everyone's refrigerator door and watch here for future articles enlarging upon the pamphlet's ideas.

If you have a suggestion, or have a good experience in Family Month, why not share it? Send it in. Below is a calendar of Family Events already scheduled for May.

Mayor Harold Nelson of Sechelt affixes his signature to the Family Month Proclamation watched by Mayor Larry Labonte of Gibsons and Regional Board Chairman Harry Almond.

Gibsons settles for small pool

Alderman Goddard submitted her swimming pool plans to Gibsons Council last week for final adoption. It was recommended that the smaller pool should be built. The only dissenting vote was Alderman Metzler, who felt that the pool committee was going against public opinion, and that in ten years or less it could be too small.

The reasons for opting for the smaller pool were: (a) the pool will be open twelve months of the year; (b) the community cannot afford the 25 metre size; (c) although we may not be catering to Olympic athletes, we will be teaching kids to swim; (d) we should wait ten months after the opening and see how many people are using it regularly; and (e) the five experts consulted all advised the committee to go for the smaller size. Plans are now in the works to begin implementation before the deadline of July 9th.

Angry locals were in attendance to protest the moorage increase at the government wharf. One resident vented his feelings by passionately telling council, "I refuse! I am not paying that raise, they can put me in jail first! If this is the country I fought for and can't afford to live in my retirement, then it's time I left".

Council was in sympathy and initially stated that since no lease had as yet been forthcoming the increase should be held off for the present. Alderman Metcalf searched the documents looking for loopholes, and showed that there was no provision for double tying and while a daily rate had been set, no monthly figure was mentioned. It was not until later in the meeting, during committee reports, Alderman Metzler pointed out that, if the increase was not put into effect then the village may be held responsible for the shortages. It was felt that council had no recourse but to go by the rates as they stood. Citizens were advised to write to their member of parliament.

Mr. A. D. McPhee, the Coordinator for the Provincial Emergency Programme was invited to outline his organizations aims. The idea is primarily, at this time, to create a by-law giving the mayor authority to act during any disaster, e.g. oil spills, forest fires, or major accidents. Mr. McPhee has already had a meeting with the local CB Radio Club, and most of the members offered their services as a secondary communications system should the telephone service be out of operation. Alderman Metcalf attended a course last September and, along with he other members of council agreed that a by-law should be drawn up tailored to the needs of the area.

A number of applications for the position of dog catcher have been received. Several from women, Dr. Perry will help council in choosing a suitable applicant.

The Airport Committee reported to council with the tie down rates for the Wilson Creek Airport. They will be $15 per month for private aircraft and $1.00 a day for visiting planes. The airport manager will collect 50% of the fees as wages.

Calendar of Events

FAMILY MONTH CALENDAR

(to add items, please call this newspaper)

SUNDAY MAY 1: Auditions for Talent Show, sponsored by Coast Family Association, 2:00 p.m. Gibsons Legion.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4: Madeira Park Elementary School, "Peter Pan", 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 7: Community Club Bazaar, 2:00 p.m. Madeira Park.

SATURDAY, MAY 7: Spring Dance, sponsored by Sunshine Coast Community Resource Society - Roberts Creek Hall - Buffet Dinner 8:00 p.m., music by "Up the Creek" Tickets: Phone 885-5012 or 885-3821.

SUNDAY MAY 8: Talent Show, 2:00 p.m. Twilight Theatre, Gibsons.

SUNDAY, MAY 8: Mother's Day Breakfast, sponsored by Sunshine Coast Lions Club, Homestead Cafe, Wilson Creek. 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 14: Open House, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Sechelt Fire Hall and Roberts Creek Fire Hall.

Beaveree of Sunshine Coast & Powell River Beaver Colonies, Madeira Park.

SUNDAY, MAY 15: Pender Harbour Health Clinic Walkathon departs from clinic after 10 a.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 15: Community Sunday Picnic: sponsored by Ministerial Association, 4:00 p.m. Roberts Creek Recreational Complex, (beside golf course), bring picnic to share.

SUNDAY, MAY 15: Canoe Day: Lessons in family canoeing, water safety, etc. sponsored by Sunshine Coast Physical Fitness Service, pre-registration 885-3611. Bring lunch and have fun together. Porpoise Bay Campsite, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 22-23: Sechelt Timber Days: For the whole family.

SATURDAY, MAY 28: May Day at Madeira Park. Pancake breakfast at Community Hall, Pender Harbour, Fishing Derby, Rowboat races, Bicycle races, Soap Box Derby 11:30 a.m. Parade: 12:15 p.m., following crowning of May Queen, Adult Dance, Community Hall, contact Pat Hoff at 883-2727.

Long-time resident dies

Death claimed Beatrice Easter Davey on April 23rd, 1977. Mrs. Davey was born in Victoria, B.C. and moved to Gibsons in 1934. She is survived by two sons, George of Vancouver and Thomas of Gibsons, and nine grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. There will be a family service at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, April 25th.

Planning committee

The Roberts Creek Advisory Planning Commission has begun work on a draft community plan for Roberts Creek. Meetings will be held every 2nd Monday until a first draft is complete and ready for discussion by the whole community. The committee is using the results of a questionnaire distributed in January to indicate community concerns for inclusion in the plan. The plan will involve an area from Hunter Road on the west to the cemetery on the east.

The committee now has 7 members. If residents of Roberts Creek have any questions or wish to discuss some preliminary ideas about the plan they can contact any of the following members of the committee: Bruce Moseley, Jack Gibb, Mrs. Erskine, Carmen White, Bill Grose, Wilf Dorey, Ron McSavaney or the Area Director, Harry Almond.

Ferry criticisms answered

In conversation with the Coast News last week, Traffic Manager Ken Stratford gave the case for the ferry corporation in answer to some of the criticisms which have been made locally about the changes wrought in the ferry service. On the point raised by the Coast News about the inadequate notice given the Transportation Committee by the ferries before the members were expected to discuss the proposed schedule, Stratford maintains that the corporation was not able to release the schedule before the union representatives had been apprised of this. On this point spokesmen for the unions say they are more interested in their work schedules than the ferry schedules.

Economy

In defence of the economy measures the corporation has brought in, Stratford maintains that the deficit the corporation would have been facing would have been absolutely staggering if the measures had not been taken. As it is, he claims that the Gulf Islands and the Sunshine Coast are the two most heavily subsidized areas in the entire province. The figures given by Stratford would indicate that there is a levy on each person in this province of $83 per year for ferry subsidies.

Henry Hall waits to speak at recent Sechelt Council meeting. Mr. Hall is taking an active part Area 'C' ratepayers' opposition to By-law 109.

Safety

On the question of safety of operation, Stratford pointed out that it is fifteen years since a boat was lowered over the side of a B. C. ferry in an emergency situation and during that time sixty million passengers have been carried in safety. He points out that the standards of safety are set by the federal government and challenges the assertion of the ferry employees that female crew members are unable to handle the life-saving equipment, pointing out that female crew members have to be certified capable of handling the equipment before hiring. He denies forcefully that the ships are presently under-manned, pointing out that the Washington State ferries have crews of eleven to handle 2,500 passengers, while B. C. ferries have twenty-seven crew members for 890 passengers. On the controversial change of the designation of B.C. waters from coastal to inland, Stratford maintains the object of this would be to increase the numbers of passengers that the ferries could handle, not to decrease the numbers of crew members. In comparing the B. C. and Washington State ferries, Stratford points out that "We're not talking about Liberia here, but one of the great maritime nations of the world, the U.S.A., and their set standards."

Stratford points out that the present policy of consulting with areas served concerning changes proposed is not a new one but has been the policy of the ferry management for many years. "It's just more visible now," said Stratford.

The ferry corporation traffic manager pointed out also that while Vancouver Island has about one hundred times the population of the Sunshine Coast, they are serviced by just about twice as many daily ferry sailings per day.

Sechelt Council

Mr. Killam brought his plans for expansion to the attention of Sechelt Council at their regular meeting again last Wednesday. A letter was received from Mr. Doug Roy, the village planner, recommending to council that complete plans be submitted by any developer before any consideration be given to any portion of it. Council was also advised to ensure that the adjoining lane be kept clear in case of fire. Part of the expansion proposes a lumber yard and it was felt there might have to be an amendment to the present by-law before this could be sanctioned. Similar situations have arisen in North and West Vancouver and Mayor Nelson suggested information from other municipalities. Alderman Booth put forward a motion that the planner be contacted and asked to form a committee comprising of himself, Mr. Killam, a regional planner and a member of council for further study. The motion was carried.

After the committee reports had been dealt with, Mr. Hall, the owner of the neighbouring property to Mr. Killam's, reminded council of by-law 81 (1958) which states that when industry is in a commercial district it must be enclosed by an eight foot fence or wall or an evergreen hedge six feet high. Alderman Thompson felt that since there was already a six foot wall, the extra two feet shouldn't be too much of a problem, but that it was a point well taken.

By-law 167, the highway exchange between Mr. Van Egmond and the crown received its final adoption.

Mr. Wood informed council that neither the regional district or Gibsons paid the students they employ in the summer, more than the going government rate of $2.81 per hour. Approval has been received to employ two students. Arrangements have not yet been made to redecorate the council chambers, it was suggested that students do the work, but on consideration it was decided that they would be all right for exterior work, but that the inside should be done by professionals.

Chatelech High School requested the use of the tennis courts on Thursdays between 3:15 and 5:00 p.m. and this was approved. It was suggested that a record be kept of the bookings and posted both at the village office and the tennis courts.

Alderman Booth asked that the budget be brought and studied at the next meeting.

From Spring to Summer. From lambs to lovelies. These three young ladies enjoy the summer warmth of recent days at Pebbles Beach in Gibsons.

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Ferries

It will probably come as no secret to the readers of this paper that we have been consistently critical of the B. C. Ferry Corporation of late over the issue of the proposed change of schedule. The issue arises largely because the corporation, at government orders, is in the midst of an economy drive while the economy of this area, in common with the whole of British Columbia, is in some difficulty and locally is dependent on the ferry system for its well-being.

What is good for the book-balancing of the ferry corporation is not necessarily good for the economies of the areas it serves and this paper cannot but continue to find fault with the government which has taken hundreds of millions of purchasing dollars out of the B. C. economy by huge increases in automobile insurance, ferry rates and massive cuts in the spending of the so-called Human Resources Department. Businesses all over the province are feeling the pinch of this artificially prolonged recession. This is a government which has made life easier for millionaires and mining companies and much more difficult for the consumer, the small business man and the handicapped of this province. For this it must be criticized.

At the same time, justice demands that the case of the government's ferry corporation for the economies they have instituted must be given a fair airing. This paper was in contact again this week with Mr. Ken Stratford, Traffic Manager for the B. C. Ferry Corporation and some of the points he made in refutation of some criticisms which have appeared in this paper are given on our front page and deserve to be considered.

While giving Stratford's arguments due consideration, the basic concern expressed in these pages remains unaltered. When dealing with governments or government corporations it behooves the citizens being affected by government action to be as alert and informed as possible. If they would be consulted on actions which affect their lives they must challenge non-consultative or pseudo-consultative action wherever it manifests itself; if they are being denied information needed to make rational decisions they must squawk until they get it. This paper has been concerned in its treatment of the ferry service changes with the availability of information and the adequacy of consultation. By acting in such a manner it has been attempting to perform its function fully as a community newspaper. We may not always have won popularity with the ferry corporation but our concern was to serve the citizens of the Sunshine Coast by demanding information and real consultation. We feel we have been of service.

Regional Board

The regional board has come under heavy fire recently for what has been described as restrictive practices hampering the growth or development of this area. We are not prepared at the present time to take sides in the conflict.

Some of the voices raised, however, have been explicit in their demands that the regional board concept be dispensed with in favour of doing business as was previously the case, with Victoria and here we respectfully have to disagree. It would seem from this vantage point that, in the first place, bureaucracy is ever imperfect, whether in Victoria or in the regional board. The advantage of having to deal locally with bureaucracy is that by and large you are dealing with your neighbours. It is much harder to ignore people whom you are liable to meet on the daily street. The possibility of having an immediate effect on local government is much greater than the possibility of effecting in a meaningful manner an impersonal bureaucracy many miles away.

Whatever the irritations at the moment, it would seem to this paper that our long-range interests are more likely to be served by dealing with as many of our local problems as possible at the local level. We're much more likely to have our voices heard.

Peninsula Recycling

On another regional board matter, this paper would like to add its voice to those people who have written to the papers lamenting the board's refusal to provide the $5,000 necessary to have Peninsula Recycling operate until such a time as the citizenry can be heard from by way of November referendum. It would appear that the board has doomed a brave and future-looking enterprise to untimely death to effect a most minor budgetary saving. Even as a purely symbolic enterprise, the recycling of our waste would seem to be worthwhile and we are at a loss to understand the actions of the board members who refused to give it this small survival space. If the residents of the area in a referendum indicated that they wanted no part of recycling there would be no recourse but to accept their decision. The board members decision to deny the citizenry the right to be heard and the recycling people the opportunity to keep trying would seem to be hasty, ill-considered, and in the end somehow petty.

...from the files of Coast News

We Remember When

5 YEARS AGO

As the result of a hearing on the case of school teacher J. Burnside who was suspended by the school board in connection with a court case, Mr. Burnside has been returned to his teaching at school. The investigation committee found it could not support the action of the school trustees.

10 YEARS AGO

The mysterious light hovering above Bowen Island has been identified by John Hopkins of Hopkins Landing as a series of lights on a Channel 8 rebroadcast transmitter.

15 YEARS AGO

Government urged to improve ferries: Gibsons council Tuesday night drew the attention of the provincial government to the fact that the present Langdale-Horseshoe Bay traffic is so heavy new ferries now being constructed for other runs should be placed on the Langdale run as quickly as possible.

20 YEARS AGO

In Sechelt: The Coast News is represented by Mrs. E. Lumsden. Consult her about your advertising needs. Phone Sechelt 44W.

25 YEARS AGO

Now well underway, the largest building project at the present time on the peninsula is the construction of the bowling alley for Sechelt.

Alder wood, $10 a cord.

Two bedroom home, good location in Pender Harbour, $3,200.

30 YEARS AGO

Brought before the magistrate last weekend was Elmer Jorgenson of Halfmoon Bay who was fined $10.00 for operating a motor vehicle without a licence.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodger Simmings made a hurried trip to Vancouver. We strongly suspect it is to do with a keg of nails for their new house near Wakefield.

L. R. Peterson

West Howe Sound, about 1950. Point of view is atop landmark notated as "Cone" by surveyors. Also variously called "The Knob", and, more recently, Soames Hill. In this Gordon Ballentine photo, the Gibson Brothers' foot-passenger ferry MV *Machigonne* is seen making its way towards Granthams and Gibsons wharves. This promontory has been customarily assailed by climbers from the south, up - and sometimes off - its near-sheer face. Now that it has been acquired as a regional district park, however, a trail gives a more leisurely access up a gradual slope from Bridgeman Road, an offshoot of Chamberlin Road, an offshoot of....From Winn family collection, courtesy Elphinstone Pioneer Museum.

Musings

John Burnside

Generally speaking, my impression of Pierre Elliot Trudeau has gone steadily downhill since I first became aware of his existence. I think I first knew about him when he was a trendy, youngish professor at a Montreal university. He had some pretty radical views and had done some pretty interesting things and seemed part of the new wave of liberated French-Canadian intellectuals who were challenging the virtually mediaeval hold the Church had on their society. He did not stand out particularly from his fellows, in fact if anything he rather dawdled behind. When Maurice Duplessis died in Northern Quebec and the Unione Nationale Party had the difficulty in replacing him that all long-term successful right wing parties seem to have, a new wave of Liberals came to power under Premier Jean Lesage and Quebec's 'quiet revolution' was under way. Trudeau was conspicuous by his absence. As that Liberal Cabinet wrestled heroically with the almost insurmountable difficulties of bringing their society into the twenthieth century after two centuries as a conquered people and twenty-five years of Duplessis corruption and totalitarian mis-management, Trudeau's present adversary, Rene Levesque was in the front line of battle - one of the hardest working and most respected members of the Lesage cabinet. Trudeau, ever stylish, was somewhere on the far left of the NDP party, amused, detached and somewhat above the battle.

The federal Liberal party of a dozen years ago had squeaked back into power over a discredited Diefenbaker but it was old and tired and in desperate need of an infusion of either ideas or an image. It had then, of course, as it has now and as George Matthews so ably delineated in discussing the Jack Horner espousal of the party a couple of weeks ago, the same creeping capacity for taking members of all political hues and fitting them into the pale, bland, Liberal garb. Trudeau, like Horner, decided that the possibility of a cabinet post weighed more than political principle and defected from the NDP leanings he had professed and became a Liberal along with Jean Marchand and Wilfred Pelletier.

At that time the "Three Wise Men of Quebec" were hailed as the saviours of the ailing Liberal party. Even at that point Trudeau was not central. He and Pelletier were extra baggage and the earthy Jean Marchand, a popular Quebec labour leader, was regarded as the prime catch. Marchand, however, found that his broken English was an embarrassment in Ottawa and when Pearson stepped down Marchand stepped aside for his more academic colleague who had had the great political astuteness to have a Scottish mother and was perfectly bilingual.

Ever-ready John Turner was his closest competitor for the top spot but the Liberal party's historic tradition of alternating English-speaking and French-speaking leaders prevailed and Trudeau was Prime Minister. No one could deny that the new man had charm and wit - he wore his carnation well - but he came to the top political spot in the country as a glib political opportunist for whom power was more important than any of his professed beliefs.

Wit and charm, however, seemed to be enough. He tripped around the country kissing pretty girls and diving off springboards and getting his picture taken through it all and Canada was experiencing Trudeaumania - the best thing to happen since the Beatles. I had one of my rare tastes of direct political action in the next election campaign. I have long been an admirer of Laurier Lapierre, best-known perhaps for his work with Patrick Watson in "This Hour Has Seven Days". He is, I believe, a man of warmer charm and more tough intellectual honesty than Trudeau. He was campaigning for the NDP on the west end of Montreal Island against a seedy Liberal candidate called Raymond Rock who had been in Ottawa for seven years and had yet to be noticed by Hansard. At virtually every house I canvassed the response was identical: "We're voting for Trudeau this time." "But, but he's not running here. It's Raymond Rock that's running here," I'd venture. "Well if Raymond whateverhisnameis is a Trudeau man we're voting for him." Rock won by 25,000 votes in what was perhaps the most presidential, the most American of federal elections and when it was over Trudeau had taken the tired old Liberal party back into a majority position.

In power he has been a disappointment to almost everyone who thinks. We have come to expect indolence and arrogance from him as well as wit and charm. He is prone to treat his fellow legislators with the kind of condescension that comes to one who has spent too long at the front of the classroom. When he cares he is a capable man. The question is, what does Trudeau care about?

We know from his track record that it isn't political principle. He belongs to that band of Canadian politicians like Hazen Argue, Paul Hellyer, and more recently Jack Horner who take the position if I can't be king in one political party I'll go and play with someone else. We know that he has no zeal for parliamentary reform despite his often open contempt for the institution. Under Trudeau the Canadian Senate has remained the retirement home for tired or discredited Liberal politicians that it has been virtually uninterruptedly since the days of Mackenzie King. He has used political power as cynically as any less flowery politician anywhere to the benefit of his adopted party. While trumpeting his Canadianism he has headed a government which has continued its traditional lick-spittle relationship with the American corporations which have had their way with Canada since the days when Mackenzie King thought he had special relationship with, among other things, Franklin Roosevelt.

No, one is forced to conclude that Pierre Elliot Trudeau cares primarily for Pierre Elliot Trudeau's place in the history books. He would be Caesar. No where is his lack of political scruple more apparent than in his labelling of Rene Levesque's Parti Quebecois as the internal enemy. He heads a party which is bankrupt of ideas in a country which is in the throes of major unemployment and his response is the historic response of the demagogue who cares for power more than anything else. He finds an enemy he can brandish in the faces of the unfortunate that is is unwilling or unable to help and says: 'Look, here is the enemy. Only I can save you."

If Canada is to deserve to survive it will have to have political exchanges which are profound and honest. It will have to follow a rational path of enlightened economic self-interest. It will have to find within its people some spiritual kindling about this vast and empty land which is their heritage.

Pierre Elliot Trudeau has not shown himself to be either profound or honest. As a millionaire born he is in favour of the economic status quo, say what he will. As for kindling a spiritual fire, Pierre doesn't have the matches.

Slings & Arrows

George Matthews

Some members of the press and general public make a great fuss over the public's right to know. In-camera meetings are criticized, government secrecy is deplored, censorship and controls of the press are reviled. All things considered, this is as it should be. In a free society, with relatively free economic institutions, perfect knowledge is a prerequisite to rational decision making.

With all the talk about the public's right to know however, how is it that hardly anyone ever talks about the right of the public and the individual not to know. There are all kinds of things that I really don't want to know about, but people keep on infringing upon my inalienable right to ignorance by telling me things or writing things that I would rather not know about. Have you ever noticed that these information disseminators never give you any clue as to the nature of their information before they spring it on you, at which time its too late so that you can't unknow the thing. You could be talking along, enjoying the conversation when right there out of the blue will come something that you would be better off not knowing. When you're reading something you never know until its too late that the unpleasant intruder, the bald unfettered fact has been skulking in wait on the very next line to leap out and snatch you by the throat. Why, right on my very next line might be some tidbit of information hiding in wait that you have spent a life time trying to avoid.

Just the other day a friend of mine told me, without my having asked, that one (let me warn you here that this is a particularly unpleasant piece of information and if you don't want to know you should skip down a few lines) Trident submarine, fully armed, is capable of wiping out any nation in the world. I didn't want to know that but now its too late. I can't forget it and the knowledge disturbs me. Knowing those things doesn't help me a bit. I can't do anything about it which only adds frustration to the damned fact. If I was more naive or more sensitive I could really get quite sick about it; I might develop a rash or a nervous tic or lose my hair or get an ulcer. Knowing about the Trident could have done me a lot of harm.

You might say this is an extreme example but there are dozens and dozens of things which have recently invaded my right not to know. I don't want to know who left their homework at home. I don't want to know about Margaret Trudeau and the Rolling Stones or about her husband's sex life. I don't want to know about making babies in test tubes, (I'm told its very uncomfortable). I don't want to know about Newton's third law or how to do square root.

The price a person has to pay for living in a small town is that our right not to know is constantly being infringed upon. In a small town we see, hear or are told just about everything that's going on. A few years ago I told a newcomer to the peninsula that whenever anything newsworthy or interesting happened most people would know about it pretty quick if not sooner. What I forgot to mention was that the thing that gives a small town its special charm is that knowing a lot brings about a special tolerance, sympathy and understanding. Even so, there are still many things around that I would just as soon not know about.

The other peculiar feature of knowledge and information is that like any other commodity, the less of it there is, the more valuable it becomes and when there is an overabundance of knowledge and information, its not worth much. The lesson to be learned from this of course is that the harder someone tries to hoard a bit of knowledge the harder someone else will work to discover it. I've never tried to test this theory but it obviously has great potential. For example the next time I greet a new class of students I could refuse to teach them anything. Could you imagine twenty-five crazed, knowledge-hungry students begging, cajoling and threatening their teacher for knowledge. As it is now, the teacher fills the students with so much information, denying as he does the poor child's right to ignorance, that the very glut of information creates knowledge inflation to the point where the information has no value.

As far as learning things you don't want to know about is concerned, maybe there should be a law to protect us from these nasty intrusions. Surely there must be some way to preserve our inalienable right to ignorance.

Do today what should be done. Tomorrow may never come.

Harry F. Banks

LETTERS to the EDITOR

More Rio Pete

Editor:

I guess I gets another chance for practising up on my writing using my nieces new lectric typewriter. I had been getting ready to get off the ferry when this young fella who I'd been talking to beforehand, started up this funny looking contraption he had called a chopper. The noise it made scared the horse so bad I found myself in downtown Vancouver before I could grab the reins. Then these funny looking mounties come driving up and asked me for license and registration, I tole them that my horse was just a cayuse and it weren't no fancy thouroughbred. This got them boiling mad and they asked me how come I ain't got my dog on a leash. Then they said something about scoop bylaw or some such fool thing and gave me a ticket cause my horse had just did what comes natural right then. I just don't know how to figure city folks.

Anyway, they let me go and since I was in Vancouver I figgured I might as well visit my niece. She was busy when I got there but she showed me her new lectric typewriter that she had just done and bought. Now, I have the same ideas that my pa had about machinery. He told me about when he was kneehigh to a toad that Granpa had made him walk in front of his Model T carrying a red flag. After being in Vancouver, I figure thats one law the legislators should bring back, the way city folks tear around in their cars to beat sixty.

But once I got the hang of it, a lectric typewriter ain't so bad, though I can't figger out how come my niece says its faster than doing it by hand. I also spent some time reading some of the newspapers that my niece saves to stick on the bottom of the birdcage. She also subscribes to yours, and I read in it that you had some sort of reward out on me. Now the only times I heard the word sophisticated was when me and the boys had stopped in at the town hotel and the owner tole us he had got him some fancy ladies upstairs and they were all sophisticated to beat all. I spent a little time figgering out how to keep the missus from finding out since a cast iron frying pan might dent, she fears, so when she gets herself all riled up 'n ornery, she gets out the shotgun. It ain't no fun pickin birdshot outa one's hide. I guess I spent too much time figgering cause the mounties busted in and took the owner to jail. I figgered he might and done made hisself a fortune, but it seems to be the way that when a fella wants to start hisself a small business, that there's all sorts of laws agin' it.

After reading the guy with the cartoon on top of his column I agrees with Mr. Matthews when he says them things about words. I gotta remember the one about the devil cuz if you call one of the boys back at the ranch a S.O.B. a fella is liable to lose a few teeth.

I don't understand what it is about the other papers, what with there talk about patration, sepration, and the monarcky. I've never read so much politakal foolishness.

Well, I figger I should get heading off. The landlord just come and told my niece to get that moose off of his property. I asks him what he means by calling my horse a moose, and he says that I can't fool him, he knows a moose when he sees one. He said he just got back from his first huntin' trip and he'd just got himself one just like it. He figgers he's just goin' to hunt more often cuz its so easy. All you gotta do is climb over a fence and walk right up to them. He says he saw a lot of big spotted deer, too, but he didn't have no licence to hunt em.

I'll be glad to get back to the ranch. I figger I'll be a heading for Alberta to drive a herd to them Ogden stockyards in Calgary. I wish I cud get me a subscription to your mighty fine paper, but I'm always on the move with no chance to settle down to let the grass grow under my feet. I hope you don't put up a reward poster on me since it's bad enough sometimes to herd cows without worrying about no darnfool money-hungry posse chasin' after a fella.

My niece is heading into the peninsula tomorra and she says she'll mail my letter in Gibsons as she's passin' through, that way, she says, it will get there a week faster.

Rio Pete

P.S. I figger if you forced all those legislators to write all their foolishness out on lectric typewriters themselves that there wouldn't be so many laws.

Regional

Editor:

The recent decision of the Regional Board to discontinue support of Peninsula Recycling is a deplorable one. Tom Haigh, of Peninsula Recycling, has shown incredible endurance in an uphill struggle to gain financial and public support for this worthwhile and necessary project. All that Mr. Haigh was requesting was a relatively paltry sum to carry through the recycling operation to November, at which time a referendum on the issue could be held. It is disheartening that a project to gather materials for recycling and also, creating an awareness of the need to recycle, dispelling the myth that our resources are limitless, should come to such a demise. This failure becomes all the more poignant in view of Tom Haigh's need to be continually begging for funds from that same group of people who have just voted in favour of extra expenditures for additional collections of garbage in the traditional sense - that is, material to be dumped in a put and burned - wasted forever. The point here is that if those of us who produce garbage, (and that's all of us) whether in the private or commercial sectors, were to take the small amount of time and effort necessary to sort and deposit that material for recycling, with the remainder being picked up for disposal, then the extra weekly collection would not be necessary; the funds could then be allocated to Peninsula Recycling with full support of the board and the public at large. Additionally, while not only maintaining a conservationist approach, the increased quantity of collected materials may eventually allow Peninsula Recycling to support itself, or at least reduce the financial burden. But, most important, a truly necessary condition to sustain future life on this planet will have been met, at least here on the Sunshine Coast by its enlightened citizens.

This is our last chance to prevent a worthwhile project from lapsing into oblivion. If it dies, then our children and theirs, when the crunch comes, will surely have a good reason to say that we, their parents and grandparents, were a wasteful society, hell bent on consumption in an era of waste, who gave no thought or who simply didn't give a damn about the havoc that their waste might wreck in the not so distant future. Presumably, our grandchildren searching through archives containing the transcripts of the regional board meetings will find the names of Mulligan, Paterson, Pearson and Thompson and wonder what motivated these elected policy-makers to vote "nay" to Peninsula Recycling and thus to the concept of conservation that Tom Haigh was trying to promote.

Please, people of the Sunshine Coast, stand behind Peninsula Recycling - give them your support. Collect and deposit your recyclables whether you're a homeowner or a commercial establishment. Let the regional board know how you feel; urge them to provide the necessary funds.

Waste not, want not.

Lorne and Marlee Berman
Roberts Creek

Thanks

Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity, through your newspaper, to thank the community for their support for our Gibsons Elementary SunFrost Cross-Country held Saturday, April 16th. With most of the courses being road courses, it was sometimes necessary for officials to block traffic to allow the athletes to pass. The public was most co-operative in this regard, despite the inconvenience.

Our thanks again to these motorists for their patience and to your newspaper for the fine coverage regarding this event.

Miss E. Lorrie Swan
Coach

Colleen J. Elson
Rincipal

Sanity

Mr. Don Lockstead, M.L.A.
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Mr. Lockstead:

The recent local 'mock' deliberation here over the question of 'Recycling' as followed in our local paper, the Coast News, fills one with disgust for the total lack of intelligence and goodwill shown by all concerned. The complete lack of vision and the total ineptitude displayed by those who are in charge of our money and our FUTURE is appalling. There is no longer any choice in the matter as we are reminded by the author of "The Closing Circle" - we MUST respect our resources and imminent end to them and act with some sense of responsibility and providence.

With $9,000.00 approximately going for the indiscriminate disposal of garbage from which there will be NO RETURN, what is the fuss about $5,000. going for the specific disposal of RECOVERABLE material from which there is at least SOME return? Do these Regional District people have to have their heads buried in the dump before they come up with some SANITY? If there is not enough money for both then FUSE the operation, cut down on costs of operation of both activities and explore for more and better ways of increasing returns on the recoverable material? Why not use barges instead of the ferries for transport of the recycling stuff? Why not fewer and better vehicles capable of servicing both enterprises? Why not get those involved to stop the petty jealousy and in-fighting and get together on the deal? Doesn't anybody realize how important it is to do this and hasn't anybody the brain, heart and determination to do what is the eventual inevitable?

You, Mr. Lockstead, are in a position to put some pressure on in the right places to get this very important matter properly attended to at once and for all! Let's get this thing rolling, with all the bugs out, and hear no further griefs on the subject!

Miss A. M. Martin
Gibsons, B. C.

Spraying

Editor:

Please allow me to support the earlier letters of Messrs. Hind Smith and Holland. The proposed spraying of the chemical 'Tordon 101' by B. C. Hydro should be actively opposed on the basis that:

1. The major substance of Tordon 101 is the chemical 2, 4-D produced by Dow Chemicals. It had been used in chemical warfare in Vietnam, serving not only to defoliate the land, but to poison its inhabitants.
2. We have abundant documents by scientists demonstrating the harmful effects on tested animals. Among these are: genetic mutations, sexual reversal, dwarfing, child-mortality, abortion, birth defects, etc.
3. Throughout British Columbia, birth-defects similar to those found in Vietnam have occurred in babies of residents near power-lines where the chemical had been sprayed.
4. That fish and wildlife crossing the area will suffer significant reductions and health damage.
5. That many Sunshine Coast residents rely on drinking water from creeks which will inevitably be contaminated by the chemical.
6. That even trace elements of the chemical will produce various forms of cancer. The extent of this damage can by fully appreciated only after a decade or more, since cancer requires such a long time to become evident.
7. That a number of North American courts have effectively outlawed the spraying and use of this chemical on the evidence of its far-ranging dangers and questionable benefits.
8. That there are better alternatives. It would be more reasonable and in a broader sense more economical to cut undesired plants and trees manually and with power-saws. This would also be more labour-intensive and benefit the economy and employment situation of our region.

K. Peter Hauke
Roberts Creek

Wharfage

Hon. Otto Lang,
Dept. of Transport
Ottawa, Canada

Sir:

The exorbitant and inflationary increase in the moorage to all government floats in B. C. has left me staggered at the arrogance and complete callousness of the person or persons who have initiated this unbelievable situation.

I am retired on War Veterans Allowance, have, for 45 years paid taxes, never raised hell by word or deed, been a patriotic citizen all my life, but this action of raising moorage rates so dramatically, has left me infuriated at the apparent crassness of the politicians in power, that I am beginning to believe that B. C. should also consider secession.

This phenomenal increase of 750% is not soaking the rich. Many elderly and retired people, most well below the poverty level, for whom boating is their main recreation, now find this beyond their means. They must have very bitter feelings toward the establishment who have created this situation. Such action is not in good faith to the boat owners of this province, and will only help to syphon off money from businesses which boat owners support, and also give incentive to private marinas to boost their moorage rates.

Here in Gibsons there is but one private marina, full to the brim; a two year waiting period, and newcomer's names are not added to the list. In other words, "No Hope, Mac". The rates there are exactly one-half of the new rates at the government float; each has his own place, there is no rafting up. Compare this to the conditions at the government wharves at Gibsons and elsewhere.

I sincerely hope that these new rates are reviewed when the MP's in charge are of more sane mind; and trust that they will show more regard for the people, and the inflationary trend of their action. The taxpayers of Canada built the government wharves with their blood, sweat and tears and are entitled to responsible government, and such appalling legislature as this cannot help but make us common people wonder.

Federally I have always voted Liberal; circumstances following this letter will decide whether I still will.

Donald Myton
Gibsons, B.C.

Inflation

Editor:

Government policy will take one month's pay away from you this year, and give it to people who collect interest.

Are workers or unions really the cause of inflation?

Inflation is the result of deliberate government policy of spending more money than it takes in from taxes.

If you divided the total federal, provincial, municipal, and crown corporation debt evenly among all workers in Canada, we would each owe $12,500. The interest payments on all this debt works out to $823. per worker. One month's wages for the interest; one year's income for the debt.

Government debt has more than doubled in the last five years. It now stands at $60 billion federal debt, $25 billion for all the provincial government debts, and $11 billion for all municipal debts. Government enterprises have borrowed $24 billion - mainly for hydro power.

This growth rate of debt went up 120% in the last five years. The consumer price index went up 55% and the average industrial (not service) wage went up 65%.

These figures come from government sources compiled by Wayne Cheveldayoff writing in "The Report on Business" section of the **Toronto Globe and Mail**. (March 15, 1977.)

Another Globe and Mail article points out that the private sector is no slouch at amassing debt either: "Our total net indebtedness abroad rose to $48.5 billion by the end of 1976, up from $43.3 billion a year earlier. The net outflow of interest and dividends was $2.56 Billion..."

That's more than $10 million dollars flowing out of Canada, (mostly to the U.S.A.) each day you or I go to work.

The total debt owing for stocks, bonds, and similar loans for capitalist businesses around the world now stands at $10 trillion dollars according to University of Manitoba economist Cy Gonick.

One way to pay all this debt is to blame it on the working class, mount a press campaign against "greedy unions" and control wages while leaving profits and prices largely untouched.

Another way is to rob workers as well as people on fixed incomes by this deliberately engineered inflation.

Who could benefit from this crazy arrangement? The big winners are those who live on interest, dividends and capital gains. You will give them at least one month's wages this year.

Richard von Fuchs

Ferries

Editor:

This is a group letter composed by crew members at Langdale, names will be with-held for obvious reasons.

Re: Over serviced ferries. The following points are for your consideration:

1. Scheduling: The crossing time Langdale to H.S.B. approximately 45 minutes. The crossing time H.S.B. to Langdale approximately 50 minutes. The proposed schedule allows one hour to make the crossing, discharge and load, under full load conditions dock times require 25 - 30 minutes. Obviously this proposed schedule is not feasible. Further complicated by such conditions as 2 major vessels attempting discharge and loading in H.S.B. at the same time, stalled vehicles, loading ship supplies, garbage, etc. Therefore the general concensus is the New Westminster would be incapable of maintaining the required number of trips as per schedule.

The enclosed break-down shows in the right hand column the number of trips. The second and third column, the departure times, the right hand column the waiting times between sailings providing the ships are on time. There is no provision for heavy commercial traffic on early and late sailing calls for a 2 hour 5 minute waiting time between trips.

Leave Langdale
5:30 - 7:35 = 2:05 hrs.
7:35 - 9:40 = 2:05 hrs.
9:40 - 11:15 = 2:05 hrs.
11:45 - 12:35 = 50 min.
12:35 - 1:50 = 1:15 hrs.
1:50 - 2:50 = 1:00 hrs.
2:50 - 3:55 = 1:05 hrs.
3:55 - 6:00 = 2:05 hrs.
6:00 - 6:30 = :30 min.
6:30 - 8:10 = 1:40 hrs.
8:10 - 8:50 = :40 min.
8:50 - 10:15 = 1:25 hrs.

Leave Horseshoe Bay
6:30 - 8:35 = 2:05 hrs.
8:35 - 10:40 = 2:05 hrs.
10:40 - 11:30 = :50 min.
11:30 - 12:45 = 1:15 hrs.
12:45 - 1:45 = 1:00 hrs.
1:45 - 2:50 = 1:05 hrs.
2:50 - 4:55 = 2:05 hrs.
4:55 - 5:50 = :35 min.
5:30 - 7:00 = 1:30 hrs.
7:00 - 7:45 = :45 min.
7:45 - 9:10 = 1:25 hrs.
9:10 - 11:15 = 2:05 hrs.

2. As a result of the proposed deletion of 28 jobs local economy can expect to lose in the neighbourhood of $350,000 over a year.
3. Safety: The Queen of New Westminster is licenced to carry 791 passengers with a crew of 23. In the case of an emergency, there are only enough crew to man 2 out of the 6 life raft stations. It takes 4 persons to man 1 life raft station, 2 of which are female, and are hard pressed to handle the rafts, which weigh approximately 360 pounds each. Taking into consideration it takes at least 10 minutes to launch, load and clear away one raft. The question is how long is it going to take to launch enough rafts to take away passengers on a fully loaded trip?

It can also be pointed out that there is only one person available for each of 4 life boats. Now consider where are we to find man power to fight a fire to launch life saving equipment at the same time. At a recent meeting between unlicenced ferry personnel and managment, Mr. Reakes, Marine Supt. of B. C. Ferries, was asked how it would be possible in the event of an emergency to adequately launch life saving equipment with the crew available. His answer was "Only half of the life saving apparatus would have to be launched or the ship could run aground." He also stated that a major vessel could be at the scene in 15 minutes. The only major vessel likely to be at the scene would be another ferry (under-manned at that). To be able to be on the scene the major vessel would have to be no more than 3 miles away.

On Easter weekend more than 200 foot passengers were left behind at Departure Bay because they were over their licenced capacity. We can see the same thing happening at Langdale this summer. B. C. Ferry Corporation has stated that they wanted to encourage more foot passengers to use the ferries.

On several occasions somewhat misleading comparisons have been made to Washington State Ferries.

1. Manning figures mentioned failed to include catering staff, which are privately employed.
2. U. S. Coast Guard is much better equipped and more efficient.
3. Generally are in-land waters and trips are of short duration.

We therefore invite you to draw your own conclusions.

Concerned B.C. Ferry Employees
Langdale

Break-up

Editor:

We are disturbed by discussions of the possible break-up of our country, Canada. How can we express our goodwill to our French speaking fellow Canadians?

Families quarrel but with love and willing hearts the quarrels are resolved, because the family is important. So it is with our country with its beauty, freedom and diversity. With one of its members gone Canada is incomplete. It was a French Canadian, born in Quebec, who composed "O Canada".

Are you searching for a way to express your friendship towards the people of Quebec? Please write a note or postcard expressing your feelings about this important matter, in French or English, to:
Citizens of Quebec,
C/O Council of Canadian Union,
1470 Peel Street, Suite 925,
Montreal, Quebec. H3A 1T1

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10:00 a.m. Holy Family Church
885-9526

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Rev. Annette M. Reinhardt
9:30 a.m. - St. John's
Davis Bay
11:15 a.m. - Gibsons
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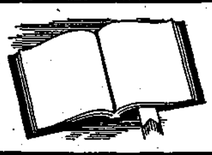

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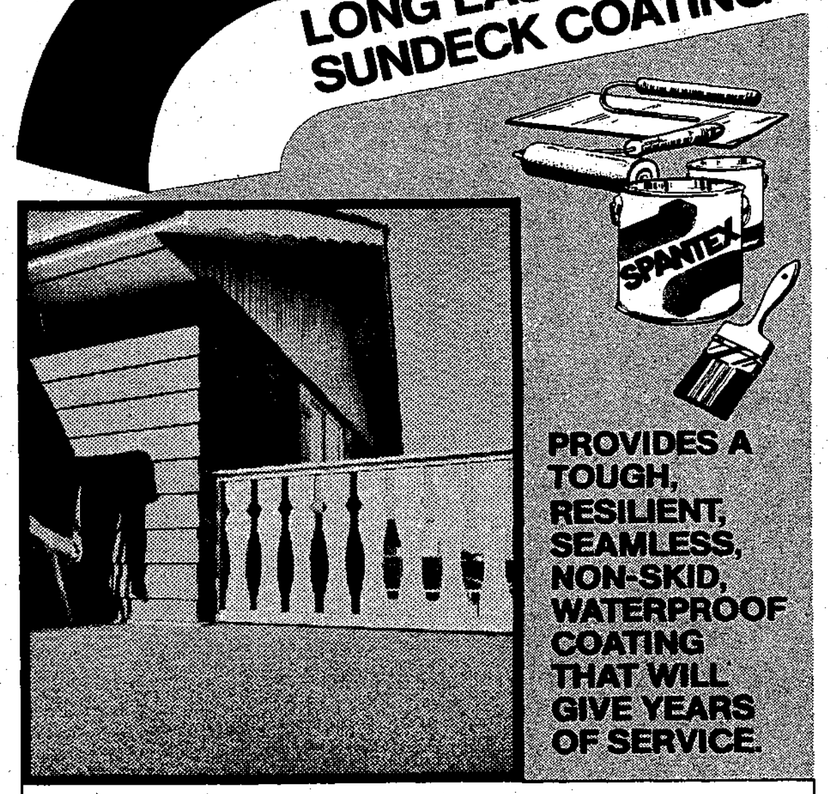

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LEISURE

The Flea Market opens in bright Spring sunshine in Lower Gibsons.

Dogwood Takeout

by Michael Nutland

The last few weekends have demonstrated that the tourist season is well underway. The "furriners", in general, are pleasant folk but they all seem to have the same disability. It would appear that enjoying oneself has become such a serious business that smiling while you are doing is not allowed. To see the spectrum of serious, intense or downright unhappy faces traipsing through the door affords me a certain comic irony.

The current spell of warm weather has served to gladden my male chauvinist heart. I find my neck being given a vigorous workout as the local beauties shed their winter skins. I also notice many more male heads are swivelling on neck muscles creaking from months of disuse. Alas and alack, the rain can't stay away forever.

The members of the "Debating Society" were conducting an autopsy on the Greenpeace operation to save the seals in Newfoundland. Opinions varied from moral outrage to cynical disenchantment with the whole subject. An emotional subject like this is always good material for heated discussion but the one thing that we all agreed on was that we could have done a far superior job than Greenpeace did. One member of the "Dogwood Think Tank" did come up with the ultimate solution to stop the market in animal skins. Namely the first five people to purchase fur coats on Fifth Avenue be clubbed over the head and skinned where they drop. Radical but effective. Greenpeace please note.

A quick throwaway, but like all my stories, true, about the small store in California boasting the legend "OPEN SUNDAYS" that had people coming in all throughout the week saying, "I'll have one of them open sundaes, please." Education is a wonderful thing.

UFO Report

by Ian Corrance

In response to last week's letter to the editor, "UFO Sighted", a cutting from the Vancouver Sun was brought to our attention, it was on page 17 of the April 20th edition.

2 REPORT SIGHTING OF UFO

"Two employees of the Vancouver weather office say they were startled by an unidentified flying object, a cigar shaped "blue flash" larger than a jumbo jet over the airport early Monday morning.

George Thrupp said he and Margaret Mancor saw the object appear from the south sky over Richmond just after their shift ended at midnight.

The two were driving through the old airport section when the "blue flash" appeared, Thrupp said.

He said it appeared cigar-shaped, orange on the top half and brilliant blue on the bottom half, with what appeared to be black portholes along the sides. It was larger than a Boeing 747 jumbo jet.

Mancor, who was driving, did not see the object as clearly as Thrupp, but verified the sighting.

"I was so stunned. I saw a blue flash. It was so fast that I didn't get a good look at it. It was a hazy blue, but I didn't hear a thing," she said."

From conversations with people, it seems that above Keats Island is the most common place for these sightings, they usually take the form of a bright orange light following the Vancouver airport flight pattern and either remain motionless above the island or suddenly disappears. Two years ago an unexplainable light was seen off the end of Grantham's Wharf, it was watched through a pair of binoculars for several minutes before it disappeared.

The response was not unexpected since in causual conversation over the past ten years, UFO's have come up often and have always been treated as a fact of life, even though not explainable.

Ms. Laplante of Roberts Creek sighted a strange light in the sky last week while sitting on the beach at night. "It was raining at the time," she said, "when a long, thin light appeared out over the water. It sat motionless for a while, then shot off over the trees at an incredible speed."

A common reaction is "did I really see that", or "if I told anyone, they'd think I'm nuts".

My own most vivid experience with unidentified flying objects (apart from when I'm bird watching) was when I worked on the ferries. It was my shift on the wheel and coming around Hood Point on Bowen Island I saw what looked like the running lights of a plane above Mount Elphinstone. I didn't pay much attention to it until the captain said, "Have you been watching that plane? It seems to be sitting still". There were three of us on the bridge, the captain, the first officer and myself. From the time we first saw it until it was hidden by Elphinstone, twenty-five minutes later, it was motionless. It was not an airplane because it was motionless too long. The only other explanation I could come up with was that sometimes the light reflected from a star will appear as different colours when it hits particles in the earths upper atmosphere. This was unlikely as two very definite lights could be seen.

I wonder if I'm nuts?

Nutrition notes

Weight Reduction and Maintenance Program

DON'T LOOK FOR EXCUSES

by Donna Gaulin, R.D.

We live in a society which enjoys an abundance of available food, despite all the hoopla regarding food prices! And yet, we still buy all the nourishment that we want and then often regret it later.

I am frequently asked, "Can you put me on a diet?" As if I have a magic formula up my sleeve, guaranteed. Anyone who has tried to lose fat knows that it is not easy and, when accomplished, it can still be a battle. This is especially true after "quick loss" diets.

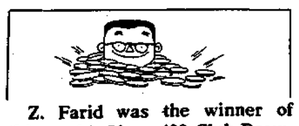
At least, I can offer some food for thought. A weight reduction class is planned for Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m., for ten weeks, beginning May 5th. The cost of the sessions will be $20 which will include materials, individual guidance and a follow up program.

There are many excuses for not losing extra pounds. But excuses will not change your shape. Learning to eat well, to regulate your activity and to have a more positive and caring attitude about your body are all part of the project.

Are some calories more fattening than others? Does meal skipping help? Questions like these will be discussed as well as popular diets, fasting, fibre and the basic functions of food.

If I have aroused your enthusiasm, call me at 886-9229 or drop in for the first session at the Health Unit May 5th. Come and join my list of slenderized people!

Remember that if it takes 3500 calories to put on a pound, 500 calories must be sensibly deleted from your daily eating pattern to lose one pound per week. Depending on your habits, losses from two to three pounds a week are safe and probably permanent.



Z. Farid was the winner of this week's Lions 400 Club Draw. The winner lives in Gibsons. The winning ticket was drawn by Dick Herron.

Profiles of this place

By JOHN FAUSTMANN

LOUIS NICHOLSON

"And since to look at things in bloom..."

Out on Highway 101 the steady stream of cars continues, but in the front yard of Louis Nicholson's farm the fruit trees are beginning to bloom again the way they've been doing for the last forty or fifty years. Out under the trees, by the bird feeder that attracts all the local blue jays, Louis has come out to feed his geese. His cap sits atop a full head of grey hair, and he's dressed in a wool shirt and comfortable boots, with a pair of braces on to hold up his jeans. He cusses fondly at the geese, making sure they've got enough water, and invites inside the visitors that come to see him.

His house sits away from the road, in behind the springtime trees, and the beehives, and it's begun to fade into the same colour as the rich brown land that surrounds it. This is the house Louis came to live in when he arrived with his parents. They came from Leith, Scotland, where Louis's father worked in the shipyards, and arrived in Gibsons in 1923. They came from Vancouver in the **Lady Evelyn**, on her first run for the Union Steamship company. "We come up here, January I guess it was. The bloody rain was coming down... Harry Winn had an old Ford truck, and he brought us up here. It never quit raining till April."

Although some of the original Finnish settlers built his house (using materials they'd gathered from the land), Louis's father bought the place from an Irishman. The currency was dollars, but the Irishman wanted payment in Bank of England notes: a thousand pounds for fourteen acres and a house. The family moved in and started farming in a small way. They kept three or four cows, a pig, some chickens, a horse. Louis's father got work on the road every once in awhile, to make a little money, and they'd sell milk to the people down at Gower Point.

Although he was only fourteen, Louis began work logging around the area. He and Harry Chaster, among others, logged out the canyons that slope down to the sea from the highway. They took out first growth fir, four or five feet at the butt, and they did it with a team of horses. Later, Louis worked over on Bowen Island, logging there. "I used to row over from Gibsons to the outside of Bowen Island; in a little rowboat. Used to take two or three sacks of oats, and a couple of bales of hay, for the horses." The local storekeeper would grubstake the loggers, and Louis was making about three dollars a day.

In 1926, still in his teens, Louis gave up logging for fishing. He got himself a little 18 foot clinker built boat. Ed Husby had a boat called the **Hopeless No. 1**, and Louis's was the **Hopeless No. 2**. That first year a bunch of them set out together, and fished up in Smith's Inlet for the season. They lived on their boats, sleeping in the little doghouses on board, cooking canned corn beef on their primus stoves, and hand pulling their nets. Louis remembers one time when he got 300 sockeye in one set, but they never made much money at it. He recalls the strike in 1936, when the companies would only pay 27¢ a fish. The next year the price went up to 36¢, but still, in a good season they'd only make around $150., fishing right up until November. Then they'd come back to Gibsons.

"If we made a hundred and fifty bucks, we were doin' pretty good. We never made any money, you know, but you'd come home, and you take the little boat in, go into False Creek, and you'd load up with a 100 pounds of flour, and a bunch of tea, and sugar, a hundred pounds of sugar, and somethin', and you'd come back home and you're good for the winter."

Louis fished up and down the coast for the next forty years, and there are few places he doesn't know something about, only a very few places where he hasn't gone into with a boat. He's fished just about every kind of fish there are here. But for awhile, he travelled around on a boat that carried motion pictures on board. The name of the craft was the **Jolly Jumbo**, and she stopped in at Campbell River and places north of there on the Johnstone Strait, showing movies at the settlements.

Back in Gibsons, Louis often lived down at the wharf on his boat. He remembers a town then, with the post office and the liquor store at the head of the wharf, when Drummond owned the store where the Bank of Montreal now stands, and when Thor Christiansen took over the local butcher shop. Louis had a job at the mill in Port Mellon for awhile. The Seaside Inn, near the mill, was the only pub around then.

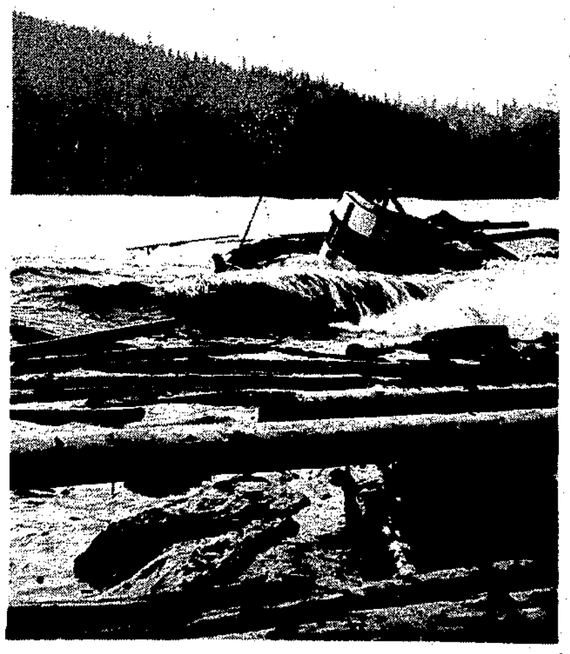
"Sure, I used to work in the mill there too. I got 45¢ an hour. I was supposed to be the master...well we called him the master maniac, the master mechanic. I was his helper, you see, and all I used to do was take around a stilson wrench, and walk around the place. He stayed up in the hotel all the time, and if anything got haywire, I'd go up and tell him."

Louis remembers those early days in Gibsons with a great deal of fondness. He recalls the great dances they used to have, when Eric and Jack Inglis and a few others formed an orchestra. Many of the original settlers got together and built the Women's Institute Hall. The Finns had a hall too, and there was the Socialists Hall as well, at the corner of Pratt Road. Often, in the evenings, neighbours would meet for a whist drive, and the social life was an active and continuous one. Neighbours would help one another with the work, too, putting up the hay, or driving back the cattle from Sechelt in the Spring.

"Everybody knew everybody then, now you don't know one fellow from another," Louis says.

But if life here has changed for the worse, Louis and his fine old farmhouse have been left pretty much untouched. He never did get the electricity hooked up, and the roof is getting a bit thin in spots, but it's still a comfortable, welcome house to be in. Old friends stop by to visit a lot, and Louis is a favourite with the neighbourhood kids Gerald the paperboy comes by, and he and Louis discuss their new CB radio sets. And there's plenty of work to be done around the place yet - bees to take care of, and the geese to feed.

You can't drive a horse and buggy down the road out front any more. The cars make it too busy for that. But off to the side, beneath the patient old trees that continue, year after year, to bloom, Louis Nicholson seems right at home.



Louis Nicholson's fish boat the Ray Roberts drags anchor off Port Renfrew.

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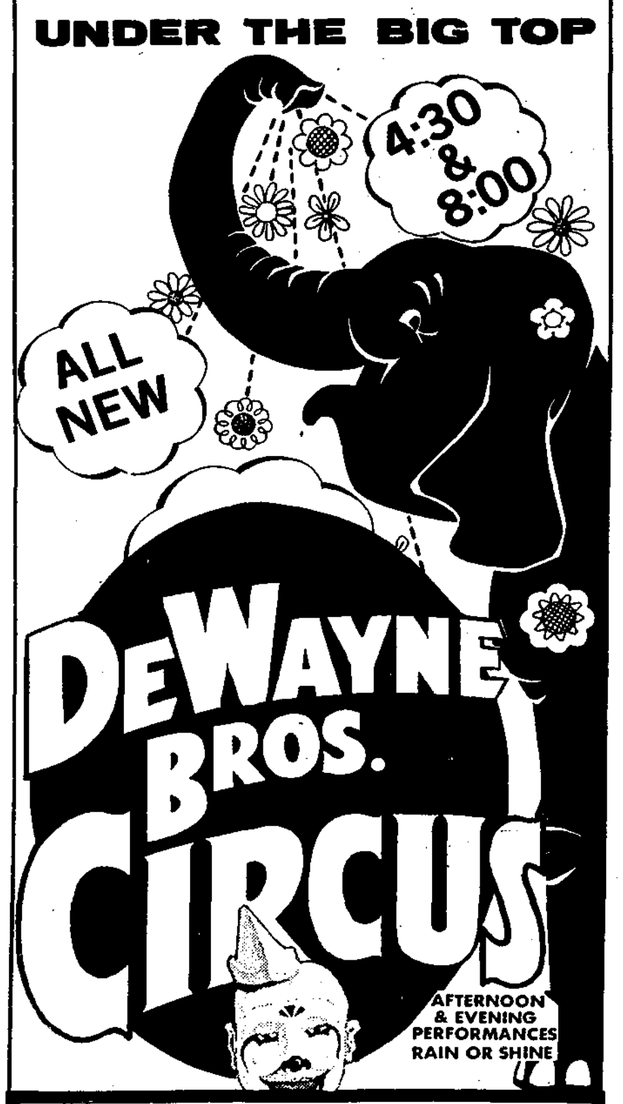

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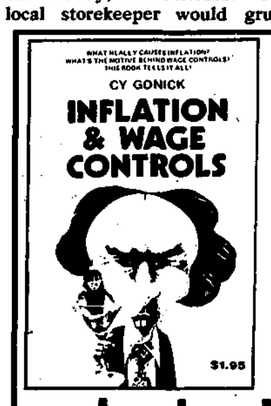

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Pages from a Life-Log
Peter Trower

BLUES FOR BRITAIN RIVER

This is the first part of a two-part series.

The old B. C. Forest camp at Britain River on the north-shore of Jervis Inlet, is nothing but an alder-farm now. The earth has thrust them up like porcupine-quills and as thick, through the great, cleared compound where the buildings once stood. I recall them as being arranged in a sort of rectangle around a central field where there were horse-shoe-pitches. But the alders have long since put paid to all that. Only a portion of the rotting wharf remains and a patch of bright new green against the blue-green of the conifers.

In the early Fifties, the place is a going concern. I hire out there with a friend of mine called Vic Canning. Vic at thirty-two, seems an old man to me. He's already lost most of his hair and done time in the Pen. But he's some kind of a gutter philosopher and reads science-fiction as avidly as me. I'm vaguely beginning to try and write but its bad stuff, clumsy and derivative. He's not afraid to tell me this. I probably admire him.

We hit the outfit about the first week in April. Vic goes hooking behind a cat and I'm assigned to set chokers on a slack-line show. Its the first time I've worked on this particular type of highlead set-up. The skyline itself is on a giant drum and can be raised or lowered as the situation dictates. They're reaching out about sixteen-hundred feet up a steep mountainside. The setting is at least three-thousand feet above sea-level and there is still a good deal of snow. Its six-feet deep in places out by the tail-blocks. We locate the logs by guess or by God and with the judicious use of a shovel. It isn't the world's most-pleasant work. At first, the weather remains cold and it is possible to walk on top of the crusty snow. Maybe the second day, one of the other chokermen falls through a weak spot and disappears completely, leaving only his bone-dry hat to make the place. We have to dig him free and it provides a couple of laughs. Then the temperature rises and the deep snow begins to melt. It becomes a sloppy, sopping ordeal for a few days.

Naturally, this sort of situation is not conducive to highcrew-morale. I hit the pungent drying-room each night to mutter and gripe with the other chokermen as we hang up our soggy clothes. They're easy-going guys of about my own years with names you might as well pick out of a hat for all my memory will keep of them. We share a fleeting, galleyslave bond of comfort-discomfort. I guess we all wish we were going to college or learning some sensible trade like our parents told us to do. Fortunately, spring is moving the mountain south and the snow is soon gone.

Our rigging-slinger or straw-boss, is a hulking lummox of a man called Silver because of his prematurely-white hair. He's an odd character who speaks no more than he has to and seems either bemused or retarded. Rumour has it that he's some relation of the super's and owes his job to this familial connection. Certainly, he's not the fastest man in the world and would soon go down the road on a high-ball-show. But he works well-enough at his own pace and that pace is just fine with us. We don't own any shares in the out-fit.

Charlie LeCroix, the hook-tender occasionally blows his top if things get too slow-motion but generally seems resigned to the fact that Silver has not higher-gear. He takes a liking to me for some reason and often enlists my help to string strawline and move blocks. LaCroix is a small, dapper man with an Adolph Menjou moustache and a rapid manner of speaking. He's originally from Quebec but has spent a number of years logging in Louisiana. He tells me what seem outlandish stories about high-leading cypress in the bayous. "By the God, she was hot. Chokerboys, they have to work out of the dinghy half the time. Mosquitoes like you never seen and lots of snakes and gators. Some days we come home one man short!" LaCroix tells me this with a perfectly straight face.

I figure he's simply having me on in the manner of hooktenders with greenhorns since time-immemorial. Whoever heard of that kind of logging, for Christ's sake? But I'm simply the victim of my own ignorance. Years later, I will learn that high-lead logging actually originated in the sub-tropical swamps of the Deep South years before the West Coast ever heard of spartrees.

For a few days, I'm given a break from choker-setting. One of the back-rigging crew gets sick and I'm sent to take his place. We have to climb all the way to the top of that considerable hill each morning but once there, we are able to move at our own speed, exempted from the backandforth monotony of the rigging. The back-spars were never more than sixty-feet high and we rig them manually, tightening the guys with a come-along. The skyline is only moved every fourth day or so. It runs through a jack at the top of the spar and is shackled to suitable large-stumps at the edge of the standing-timber.

The head back-rigger is a grizzled, sixtyish man called Dutch Groder. Like LaCroix, he has an unusual background. Logging is not his main endeavour. Groder works the woods for only a few months each spring to grubstake his prospecting-trips. He has spent half his life searching for a lost and legendary Vancouver Island gold-mine. "By God! boys, I'm going to strike the bitch this summer. I can feel it!" Dutch is obviously not a man who gives up easily. He regales us with tales of his wilderness adventures as we sit around the noon fire. I enjoy the relaxed tempo of the back-rigging and am somewhat disgruntled when the missing man returns and condemns me to the chokers once more. At least the weather is warming steadily and the hill is alive with birds.

Ken Dalgleish, Peter Trower, and Michael Dunn entertain at the Twilight Theatre.

CBC Radio

by Maryanne West

After today's World Championship Hockey game with Finland broadcast at noon, the times for play-off games haven't been announced, so hockey fans should tune in to morning sports reports, 7:55 a.m. and 8:35 a.m. for broadcast times.

As well as live hockey commentary from Vienna, listeners can spend an hour in Vancouver's Chinatown on Between Ourselves Saturday, 9:05 p.m. A special 90 minute documentary for drummers, "Drummers are Musicians too" which includes interviews with Ken Moore and George Ursan of Vancouver can be heard Thursday at 8:30 p.m. Quebec's past, present and possibly future views on Confederation, the fifth of a six-part series, "Whatever happened to 1876?" is at 4:05 p.m. Sunday, followed by a two hour poetry special featuring Canadian poet Irving Dayton.

Concern, Sunday at 9:05 p.m. celebrates spring and summer with a program about life and gardening, a fertility rite for the ears, "The Rites of Plants". And the Murray and Lyle Band of Vancouver will be a part of the Gold Rush, Monday at 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday April 27
World Championship Hockey: 12:00 noon, Team Canada versus Finland.
Mostly Music: 10:20 p.m. Toronto Mendelssohn Choir and *Festival Singers of Canada, premiere* of Magnificat by Penderecki.
Nightcap: 11:20 p.m. Theatre and actors.
Eclectic Circus: 12:10 p.m. Week nights, Bach to Brubeck, host Allan McFee.

Thursday April 28
Playhouse: 8:04 p.m. Advocates of Danger by George Ryga, Part IV starring Robert Clothier.
Jazz Radio-Canada: 8:30 p.m. Drummers are Musicians Too, Interviews with Terry Clarke, Marty Mosel, Billy Cobham, Ed Thingpen, Max Roach, Buddy Rich and Art Blakey.
Mostly Music: 10:20 p.m. Quebec Symphony Orchestra. Renee Morisset, Victor Bouchard, duo-pianists. Murray Schafer, Mozart.
Nightcap: 11:20 p.m. Books and writers.

Friday April 29
Canadian School Broadcasts: 2:04 p.m. What if Canadians had joined the American colonies in revolt against the British in 1775?
Country Road: 8:30 p.m. Wilma Lee and Stoney Cooper from Nashville.
Mostly Music: 10:20 p.m. BBC Symphony Orchestra, Mozart, Hadyn, from London, England.
Nightcap: 11:20 p.m. Music and musicians.
Saturday April 30
Update: 8:30 a.m. Round-up of B. C. happenings.
Quirks and Quarks: 12:10 p.m. Science Magazine, host David Suzuki.
Opera by Request: 2:04 p.m. Your favourite operatic selections on record.
Playhouse: 7:05 p.m. The Leaves in the Wind.
Between Ourselves: 9:05 p.m. Visit to Vancouver's Chinatown.
Anthology: 10:05 p.m. Book review, Kildare Dobbs; Poetry by Tom Marshall. A Certain Light, short story by John Bruce.
Music from the Shows: 11:05 p.m. What's new?
Sunday, May 1
Whatever happened to 1867? 4:05 p.m. Quebec's feelings, produced in Montreal by Gloria Bishop and Gilles Couture.
Special Occasion: 5:05 p.m. Irving Layton, and his influence on other Canadian poets, music by Malka.
Music de Chez Nous: 7:05 p.m. Chamber music concert, music by Mozart, Bach, Debussy, Schubert.
My Music: 8:30 p.m. BBC quiz.
Concern: 9:05 p.m. The Rites of Plants - celebration of spring.
Monday May 2
Gold Rush; 8:30 p.m. Interview with Mick Fleetwood, drummer, Murray and Lyle Band in studio session. Steve Hillage band live concert.
Mostly Music: 10:20 p.m. Vancouver Chamber Orchestra, Vancouver Brass Quintet. Freedman, Beethoven.
Nightcap: 11:20 p.m. Films.
Tuesday May 3
Mostly Music: 10:20 p.m. German guitarist Siegfried Behrend plays Renaissance, Baroque, Spanish and contemporary music.
Nightcap: 11:20 p.m. The art world.

Film contrasts coming

Again a contrasting bill of fare is being presented at the Twilight Theatre in the coming week. First on the menu is MGM's lavish, futuristic depiction of life three centuries from now, **Logan's Run**. Because of its concern with the 23rd century, everything in the film, exterior and interior settings, modes of transportation, food, drink, furnishings, clothings, laws, beliefs, jobs, hobbies, entertainment, jewelery, personal habits, etiquette, manners, life styles, status symbols, even love had to be devised and created specially for the film.

The film stars Michael York and young British actress Jenny Agutter, and also features Peter Ustinov as the last man alive in Washington, D.C. York protrays the unusual and demanding role of a member of an elite police force who tries to circumvent the 23rd century society's brutal law that life must end for all at age 30. The green-eyed Miss Agutter plays the pretty accomplice in a scheme to avoid the 23rd century law setting the lifespan at 30.

Logan's Run will play at the Twilight Theatre from Wednesday through Saturday, April 27th - 30th. The film is licensed for general viewing.

The second film for the week is a spinoff from the highly successful 'Dragon' series which Bruce Lee brought to international prominence before his early death. It is called **Exit the Dragon, Enter the Tiger** and stars Bruce Li, as The Tiger whose mission is to piece together the picture behind his predecessor's death. It will be shown at the Twilight Sunday through Wednesday, May 1st to the 4th. The film is classified as restricted with frequent scenes of violence.

Both films will be shown at the regular time of 8:00 p.m.

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Books with John Faustmann

The Atonement of Ashley Morden
Fred Bodsworth
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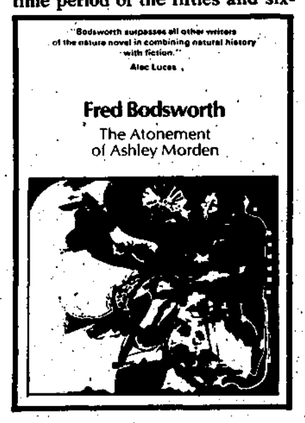
Just lately I've been managing to inflict upon myself some of the most tangled, prosaic verbosity in Canadian publishing. Until I started writing book reviews I had no idea how many tortured souls there were out there, grinding out endless chapters of artless yet publishable drivel. Now I have some idea. There are lots of them. Not only are there a lot of them, they all have problems, and for the price of a paperback book you, the reader, can help the author indulge in page after page of maundering self-examination. You can revel in theraputic narcissism, wallow in contemporary confusion, and, reaching the final page, be depressed for the next three days.

How pleased I was, then, to find that Fred Bodsworth had written a good, solid, chunky novel - on that actually had a plot rather than a lot of arty verb tenses. A good plot is hard to come by these days. Often it seems that much contemporary fiction has the same failings - the authors don't know how to end their books. Mind you, endings are hard to come by. Life, as we know, goes on and on. The actions between people are seldom compartmentalized, seldom final. We tear the edges off our passions with a jagged jerk; the threads stick out, unravelled.

And yet, to be fulfilling, all writing must have, in the words of the Bard, 'a rounding at the end'. When we have finished with a book, we like to think that everything has been neatly tied up, and put away. Fielding knew this when he wrote **Tom Jones**. It's an enormous novel, and goes on for hundreds of pages, and yet the entire plot falls together in the last few pages. Closing the book, you know you have finished with it.

The Atonement of Ashley Morden is the same. It has a plot. It has a hero. It has a villain. It has a sense of time that is real and identifiable although it manages to span the course of twenty years. Through a series of scenes that include the childhood, growing up, and engaging in WWII, and the subsequent time period of the fifties and sixties, we follow the hero of the title through his twisted attempt to establish his own sanity in an insane world. His final atonement ends the book positively, and while the journey is lengthy and painful, the reader must rejoice at the end, knowing the hero has won.



Ashley Morden, minister's son, is the puny kid in the little town he lives in. With an etiolated youthfulness he can barely sustain, he starts out in life as the odd man out. Relegated to the bottom of the childhood hierachy, he soon retreats into his own interior world. The woodland birds replace the friends he might have had, and he develops into the loner, the one by himself. His long-suffering mother does what she can to help, but his ecclesiastical papa can't manage much more than the repetitive, pious intonations he mistakes for sound advice. Into this grim scene steals the light of romance, in the form of Margo, a more than usually sensitive local girl. She and Ashley watch birds together, and there is a tenderness of description in this part of the book that is very well done.

Now the villain enters, one Ronald Dorkett. He and Ashley meet in England during the second world war, where the two of them are part of the same bomber crew. Dorkett is the devil-may-care handsome pilot, very macho, seemingly unafraid of any physical danger. He has a way with the ladies, and pins up the panties of his conquests over his bunk, trophies to his sexual prowess. When Margo enlists and is sent to England (so she can be near Ashley), Dorkett callously seduces her and is also inadvertantly responsible for her death. When Ashely confronts him, Dorkett roughs him up, and later manages to have Ashley dishonourable discharged.

After the war, the hero returns to Canada, where he means to become a doctor. His lack of funds require him to go to university for eleven years, during which time he begins to get interested in scientific research. There are among the slower chapters in the book, dealing with the intricacies of pipettes, bunsen burners, and virulent virus. During all this time, Ashley is trying to reconcile his own humanity with the madness he sees around him. During his time as a flyer he was the bombadier, agonizing over the wholesale destruction that he caused. Now, as a scientific researcher, he hopes to make amends by discovering a cure for Bangalore fever. Just as he approaches the solution, the government steps in. They're very interested in his work, but not as a cure. They want to use it as a weapon.

Now the second female character makes her entrance - Lilka Frahm, a German refugee who came to Canada with her father after the war. In side chapters we learn of her background - how her mother was brutally raped by the German S.S., and how she and her father, a dissident, managed to survive the horrors of the concentration camps. Her father has seen too much cruelty to ever trust men again. He sets himself up as a doctor in a tiny northern Indian village, hoping to save Lilka from ever being brutalized. She grows up with only natural companions around her, becoming more and more beautiful as she attains womanhood. She can call chickadees from the forest to come and sit on her shoulders, she can live easily off the land, and she has a pet wolf named Lupe.

In juxtaposed chapters that switch from time-present to time-past, the book approaches the denouement. The government agents finally convince Ashley that he should work with them, and they propose to send him north to their secret bacteriological warfare testing grounds. When the plane he is on develops engine trouble, a new plane must be arranged to fly him to his destination. After twenty years, Ahsley and Dorkett meet again. Because of his top priority assignment, Dorkett and Ashley fly off in a Cf-100 jet, which crashes on an isolated lake. Here Lilka meets up with them, and saves both their lives.

Ashley, after being in the bush with her for two weeks, falls in love with the innocent, virginal girl. Dorkett, of course, plans to rape her.

I'll leave the final chapters to your imagination, and let the title stand as the hint of what happens in the end. There are a few flaws in the thing. The author's view of sexuality seems a little too simplistic at times, and his attempts at philosophical dialogue between characters often jar the reader's ear. But this is a lively, topical, competent book; a good, thick entertaining read that will take you almost effortlessly from page to page.

Spring Dance

The Sunshine Coast Community Resource Society will hold a Buffet Dinner Dance on Saturday, May 7th. Tickets will be $4.00 per person, place: Roberts Creek Community Hall.

The "Happy Hour" will be 7:30 to 8:30, followed by a Buffet Dinner. Music will be by "Up The Creek" band. A very pleasant evening may be anticipated. Plan to come. Tickets are on sale at Society office (above Sechelt Credit Union), phone 885-5012 or 885-3821. Please note, there will be NO tickets available at the door.

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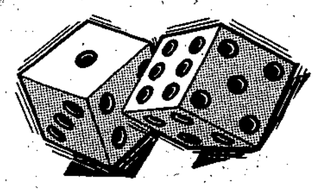

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Well-known Sechelt resident, Bob Norminton dies suddenly

F. H. (Bob) Norminton died suddenly April 13, 1977 at his West Sechelt residence. Mr. Norminton was born in Shipley, Bradford Yorkshire, England, on June 10, 1905 and moved to North Vancouver with his family in 1910. From 1918 to 1924, he served his apprenticeship as a machinist with Wallace Shipyards Ltd., and spent an additional two years in the Coppersmith shop.

"Bob", as he was known to his many business associates and friends, started his lengthy 45 year career with B. C. Electric Ltd., now B. C. Hydro and Power Authority, in 1925 as a district salesman for the gas division, selling coke in the Vancouver area. With the exception of his war service from 1939 to 1946, Bob held several positions, namely, in the gas, merchandise and commercial-industrial departments with his final position being senior commercial cooking and Chinatown representative, general sales division, Vancouver, prior to his appointment as district manager for Sechelt in 1956. Bob Norminton managed the Sechelt district until his retirement in August, 1970.

During the Second World War (1939-1946), Bob saw overseas service with the Seaforth Highland Regiment of the Royal Canadian Infantry with rank of Quartermaster-Sargeant. He was returned to Canada for further Officer Training and was commissioned an officer while in Canada. In 1949, he signed up for the Military Reserve serving as Captain and Quartermaster for the 102nd Coast Regiment of the Royal Canadian Artillary.

Among his many interests, such as fishing, gardening and gourmet cooking, Bob proved to be a very outstanding rugby player during his younger years. He played for the Vancouver Rowing Club, and, from 1932 to 1938, he played for the North Shore All Blacks. He was also selected to be a member of the All Canada Team which toured Japan in 1932. We understand that there were eight games played throughout this tour with Canada winning the majority of them. The Post-War years saw Bob back in the rugby field during the late 40's and early 50's as a senior referee. Bob worked effectively on the rugby tour committees and was considered an extremely good administrator.

Community service was just another part of Bob Norminton who gave up much of his free time willingly. His service as a board member to the St. Mary's Hospital Society started in 1958 with meetings being held in Garden Bay where the only hospital was located at that time. He was on the construction committee which represented the original brief to Victoria in 1959 and which saw the completion of the new St. Mary's Hospital in Sechelt in 1964. It was said to be one of the best briefs ever presented to Victoria at that time regarding hospital construction. He served a total of 17 years on the board. Bob was also an active member of the Sechelt District Chamber of Commerce on which he served a term as President.

In his memory, we endear Bob Norminton's excellent ability of being the most welcoming and interesting host.

Harmony Hall happenings

by Jim Holt

As I take my pen in hand and don't know what to do with it, this is going to be quite a column. To start off with I received a phone call from Ed Connor telling me that he and Molly and Dick and Eva Oliver touched down at the Vancouver airport last Saturday, 16th about midnight. There was an ambulance waiting to take Dick to the Vancouver General Hospital and at last report Dick was resting quite comfortably and glad to be home again. We welcome home these members of Harmony #38, it seems an awful long time since they left but they are back home again safe and sound. I understand that Dick is to be operated on this coming Friday and trust that everything turns out for the best with him, and hope to see them all home again by next Wednesday, the 27th.

Also I hear through the grapevine that Ralph Lynds and Fred Mason have had a session in the hospital, we wish them both a speedy recovery. I understand that Fred Mason went in for an ear operation. That is what you get Fred for saying, "Stick it in your ear McGeer". By the way I would like to thank Ralph and Vi Lynds who are two of the directors on our executive for taking the time off while they were in Reno to bring back that paper which said, "Jim Holt Discovers Lost Gold Mine". Thanks very much Ralph and Vi for thinking about me on your trip.

Next Thursday night will be the last night of this session for our bingo nights and we will be starting up again in September. We thank all those who attended for their wonderful patronage and hope to see you all back again this fall. In the meantime, I would ask you all to support the Roberts Creek Legion Bingo nights as they have been very good to us in loaning their equipment to get started so please get behind Ron Oram and give him a boost. They need the money just the same as we do to maintain their hall. Ours was a very short session this time but it will be longer the next time around, so thanks again all you wonderful people for your support.

Our Tea and Bazaar held on April 15th was very successful. I wish to thank those who attended and especially those who worked so hard to make it the success it was. The plant table and home baking was a huge success as everything went so fast, thanks to the salesmanship of John Holloway, Eiver Jorgensen and Karl Fraser on the plant table and all the ladies on the bake table and crafts. It was certainly gratifying to see them paid for their efforts. I would like to express my thanks to all those who donated the various items for the tea and bazaar, also to the ladies who worked so hard in the kitchen and last but not least to our 1st Vice President Helen Raby for convening it. Thanks a million to all you wonderful people.

We had another successful bingo last night. 92 were playing and it was a great success. Mel Eckstein was the the Big Winner as she won the $100. Jackpot. When I made the announcement last night that this coming Thursday April 28th would be our last bingo night for this term I was quite surprized to hear the reaction to it, as everyone seemed as though they wanted to carry on with it but all good things must come to an end sometime. We hope to see you all back again in September, watch the local newspaper for details in this column. The first Thursday in September which is the first, will be the opening of our fall and winter session but in case there is a change in the date, watch this paper for details.

Don't forget we have 40 people coming down from Penticton on May 4th from Branch #7, O.A.P.O. on a visit so let's all get out that night and give them a real "Sunshine Coast Welcome". We are having them down to the hall for the evening and I am asking the ladies to bring along some snacks. The gentlemen, too, as they may not do any baking but they can always go to the store and buy something.

Don't forget to bring along your suggestions for some bus trips to our next general meeting as I don't want it said that we have had no bus trips this year. We have already suggested to you that the bus trips are in the offering right now and it is up to you to decide what you want. One is to Frank Bakers in West Vancouver for an all day trip, and one for 9 days at White Rock for a very nominal sum, and one is for a shopping trip to one of the Fraser Valley towns so come along and decide what you want so that arrangements can be made. Wally Green is going to look into the White Rock trip and see what facilities they have and will make a report at the meeting. So let's have a good turnout and see what we can arrange.

Thanks for your comments on my poem in the last issue, it is very gratifying to me to know the someone reads the column and that my efforts to keep you posted on what is happening are not in vain, so I will slip in another one in a later issue so keep your eyes peeled for it. Well folks, I think I have brought you up to date on the happenings so I guess it is time for me to sign off for this time. So here's hoping these few lines find you all well and busy in your garden. Keep those green thumbs working and may you have a bumper crop.

See you all at the general meeting, until then I am going to give you a little puzzle to work on, just a few words in a foreign tongue, but every Welshman should know it. It is as follows: "Ma Hain Lad Finn Aisli", see if you can guess what it is. Well, I must close for this time, see you at the carpet bowling next Wednesday.

Come cry with me

ANN NAPIER

Dear Ann:

My problem is that my boyfriend drinks too much. We go to a public place and I soon wish I were home. After a few drinks he gets loud and silly, when he kisses me I find the smell repelling - the kisses wet and loose-lipped. I don't want to kiss him or anything else. Am I being picky?

Feeling remote in Gibsons

Dear Remote:

Picky or not, but if you used a bottle and auditioned men to see who could hold their liquor and still be charming, you'd find that after two drinks, neither sex is enhanced. Most people get a little disorganized and uncoordinated. Loose-lipped kisses and loud but wrong remarks - that is what happens when people over drink. I've read that alcohol is a stimulant for two drinks, then becomes a depressant after that, imagine how skillful this man will be in bed, let alone the treacherous drive home. People drink for many reasons, you'll have to decide and weigh his sober self against his loose-lipped self. I feel for you.

Dear Ann:

In the group I find myself, there is definitely a different lifestyle. It seems like musical chairs, people are changing partners so often. I wonder if I can really fit in with my monogamous tastes. I'm afraid of social diseases and pregnancy so I like to know ahead of time what the evening holds. I don't like my defences down, on the other hand I'm afraid I'll wind up alone a lot of the time.

Calculating

Dear Calculating:

That's what we have brains for - supposedly a computer that will function on the plane of our brain would take an eight storey building to house the computer, so you're right, use it.

Without health, our life is short and without joy. Because sex is the highest form of communication, be sure you want to communicate. Even animals are choosy about whom they wish to touch them. Our psycic self projects itself around our physical body like a magnetic field. Have you noticed when people come close to you, some you hug, others you step back and try to keep a uniform distance. This very selective way we choose who comes into our field and who we choose to keep back from, also makes us look ahead. We don't want to hate ourselves in the morning - or have a child by an unknown person. It would seem we have no value on our own worth. Self respect shows in how we choose the people we wish to be with, and how we conduct our lives. We feel better surrounded by people with similar standards. You will likely have more friends when you conduct yourself with discrimination, than making love at the drop of a hat. Men, too, fear one night stands. Everyone likes to feel special and some of todays diseases have no cure. Be thoughtful how you conduct yourself and save a lot of regret.

Job's Daughter's Craft Show

Bethel #28 of the International Order of Job's Daughters held their Spring Tea and Craft Show at the United Church Hall, Gibsons, April 16th. We would like to thank the following craftspeople and artists for their fine displays: Kerrin Brookes and Celia Cooper, quilting; Virginia Atherton, weaving; Trudy Small, jewellery and painting; Charles and Alice Murray, watercolours; Doreen Gust, basket weaving; Gail Cierman, batik; Dosie Bryant stained glass.

The various draw winners were as follows: fondue set, Miss M. Steele, brass plaques, Mrs. J. Jorgenson; spice rack, Vicky Hemstalk; hamper, Mrs. W. Jackson. Door prizes, 1st plant, Nella Pisanu, 2nd plant John Cockburn, cake draw, Tracy Hostland.

Our tea cup reader Mrs. Pat Verhulst was kept very busy and a pleasant afternoon was had by all.

Our girls recently returned from Grand Sessions in Vancouver where $10,000 in donations was divided between the Cancer Society, Sunnyhill Hospital, and the Children's Unit of the Vancouver General Hospital towards the care and treatment of those with leukemia, given by the Job's Daughters of British Columbia.

The charm of old fashioned lighting is captured in this fine photograph taken by June Boe.

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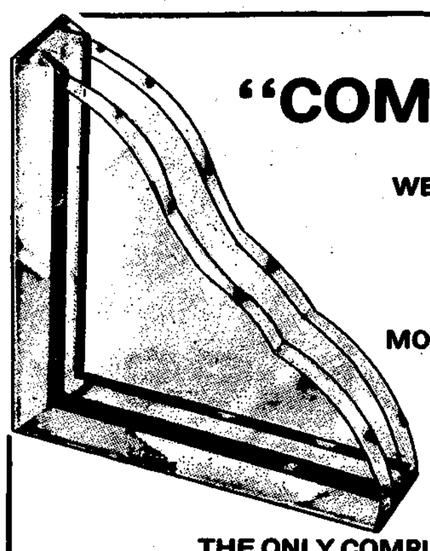
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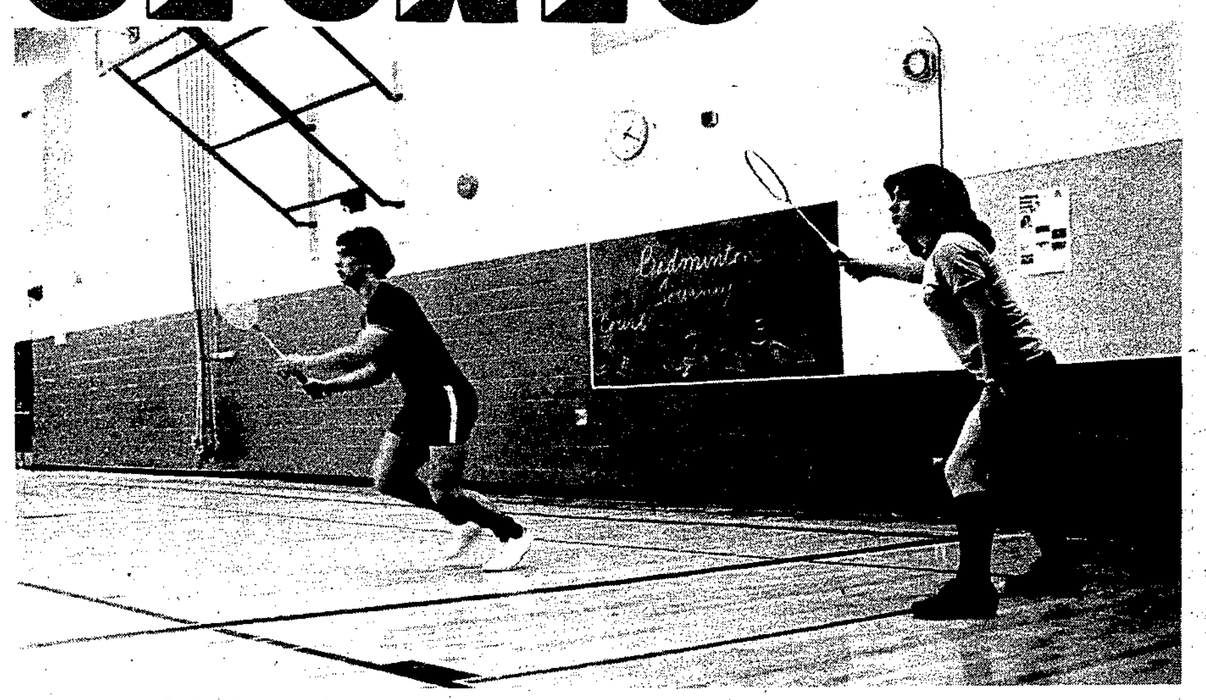

Rod and Loretta Camposano are shown in action against the eventual winners of the badminton tournament at Elphinstone Secondary School last week.

Lynn Husband presents the trophy to the winners, Holly Comeau and Ryan Matthews while the defeated finalists look on.

Strikes and spares

We bowled the last 4 games of the regular league and then had the playoffs for the Classic League last Monday night and the team of Gwen Edmonds, Carole Skytte and Freeman Reynolds were the League Champions. It was a close battle with both Gwen and Carole finishing the last game with 5 strikes each to pull away from the rest of us. Carole bowled extremely well rolling games of 306-307 and 351 for an 8 game total of 2107. Bonnie McConnell had a 362 single, June Frandsen a 312 single, Al Hunter a 300 single and Vic Marteddu a 301 single. A good finish for the Classic League.

The Tuesday Coffee League champs are the Alley Cats: Sandy Lemky, Christina LePage, Sandy Storvold, Lesley Bailey and Bernice Hanchar. Carole Tetzlaff rolled a 325 single and a 758 triple for a nice way to end the year.

The Gibsons 'A' League Champs are the Rum & Cokes: Andy Spence, Pat Hogg, Ian Clark, Ralph Hogg and Kathy Clark. Kathy rolled a 338 single and a 726 triple to lead her team to the win. Art Holden rolled a 308 single and Vic Marteddu a 309 single and a 767 triple.

Our Thomas Adams teams bowled at Chapmans and Lougheed Lanes last Sunday and didn't fare too well with the ladies team coming in 30th and the men's team coming in 24th, but it's a good tournament and we all enjoyed it.

High Games: **Classic:** (8 games) Bonnie McConnell 362-1850, Carole Skytte 351-2107, Freeman Reynolds 281-1945, Al Hunter 309-1952, Henry Hinz 274-1953. **Tuesday Coffee:** Bernice Hanchar 238-653, Marney Qually 229-669, Carol Tetzlaff 325-758. **Gibsons 'A':** Alice Smith 223-642, Kathy Clark 338-726, Mike Cavalier 257-662, Art Holden 308-674, Vic Marteddu 309-767. **Swingers:** Ruby Mason 197-515, Alice Smith 236-604, Phil Fletcher 206-540, Art Smith 212-589. **Bantams:** Michele Whiting 180-355 (2), Cheri Adams 181-360, Scott Pedneault 179-321, Dan Fortin 217-397.

Volleyball tour starts in Gibsons

The B. C. Volleyball Association Spring Tour will begin it's 1977 schedule in Gibsons. Ten members of the University of British Columbia men's and women's volleyball teams will stage a clinic Sunday, May 1st at Elphinstone gymnasium. They will be joined by Vic Lindal, the B. C. Provincial volleyball coach. The clinic will begin at 6:30 p.m. and run for 2 hours. Registration fees for elementary school children will be 50¢. Others will pay $1.00.

On Monday, May 2nd, the University players will break into teaching teams and visit the local schools to stage clinics. Monday evening will see the visitors play a match against a team of local community members. A preliminary to this competition will be a match pitting the local OMEGA girl's club team versus the BEACHCOMBERS club. The final event of the evening will see members of the women's team split up to play with local youth for a series of games.

The Monday evening games will be at Elphinstone gym commencing at 7:00 p.m. Student admission will be 50¢ for elementary, $1.00 for secondary. Adult admission is $2.00. Families will be admitted for $5.00.

Upon leaving Gibsons, the tour will continue on to Powell River, Campbell River, Port Mcneil, Prince Rupert, Terrace, Kitimat, Smithers, Prince George, Ashcroft and Vancouver.

ROCKS

by Pat Edwards

Just two events remain before we bring this column to a close until next season. The first is a social evening at the club on April 30, beginning at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are limited but there are still a few available from Dierdre Pearson or Gladys Elson. Price is $10 per couple. A disc jockey from Vancouver will be in charge of the music, and a smorgasbord will be available at midnight. It sounds like a fun evening so give the girls a call soon if you are interested.

The second and final event of the season is the annual general meeting scheduled for Wednesday, May 4th, at 8:00 p.m. in the lounge. The election of an executive for next season is on the agenda, so be sure you are there to help to choose a good crew.

Garden Club Spring Show

The Sechelt Garden Club will hold its flower show and plant sale on Saturday, April 30th, 2:00 p.m. in the Senior Citizens Hall, Sechelt.

This will be a good opportunity to secure some new plants for your garden and home. Come to the show and enjoy the plants and flowers, and to meet your friends over a cup of tea.

Silver collection.

Health Inspector

An auxiliary health inspector is expected in Gibsons this week to fill in until such a time as a full-time appointment is possible. The auxiliary inspector, Larry Poole, will enable the Coast-Garibaldi Health Unit to lift a moratorium placed on the medical inspection of pending sub-divisions on June 15th last year.

The imminent arrival of the auxiliary inspector was announced last week by Peter Bell, Chief Public Health Inspector of the Coast-Garibaldi Health Unit.

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Between you and me

By Joan Robb

Until today, when certain of my friends referred to me as "the crazy lady", I accepted the epithet as frivolously as I assumed it was meant. In fact, I had long since decided that most of the people I liked were crazy, and that this denoted high intelligence, humour, creativity, and sufficient strength of will to buck the stream of convention. The last time I expounded under this heading, it was to brag about my capacity for irrationality.

Conversations with a particular woman friend were replete with delighted reports of just how "insane" were certain events or people; the Insantiy Index was an understood measure of fun and fascination. I reminded myself of the indefinable borders between genius and madness, consoled myself with R. D. Laing's vindication of the neurotic as the one who is sensitive and responsive to an absurd society, and had noticed quickly upon entering university that most of the intellectuals were the dissenters in word or deed, and/or vice versa. After all, isn't it a reputable legal defence to be found not guilty by reason of insanity?

Only recently another woman friend decided to accept and enjoy her "eccentricity". She meant, I think, that she would no longer feel guilty or inadequate about any of her unconventionalities, and she was affirming her happiness in a single, childless lifestyle in which men appear serially or in multiples, but not "to love, honour, and obey".

Other "closet crazies" were coming out, and it seemed a sure sign of the incipience of Crazy Liberation. Wheee!

I had, of course, noted that not everyone responded to my theories on the subject with the same degree of enthusiasm. I had **not** discriminated the fact that most of those who looked askance, or sounded concerned, or (perfidious, insidious travesty!) **laughed** were men.

Until today. Today I started to wonder if I'd been had, again. (Sh.) Today I realized that crazy **men** were not considered **cute**, but **individualistic**. Today I remembered the oh-so-catchy line from a Maria Muldaur song, "My papa used to tell me as a little child,/ The only reason we're here is to make 'em smile", and associated it with the excellent quality of education for dilettantism so common amongst the "University Educated Young Ladies of North America" whom your friend the editor so eloquently scorns. (No J. B., I **don't** want your seat on the bus and equal pay too", and I don't agree that only men have ever really paid their dues. But who can dispute that legions of your U.E.Y.L.N.A. have been **taught** how to walk gracefully, graciously around the perimeters of the battlefields where women have from childhood to death borne the heavy responsibilities of home, hearth, health, and happiness for everyone else?) All too often, the U.E.Y.L.N.A. learn to make conversation and macrame hangings, and how to seem crazy.

Today I caught a headline I couldn't ignore - and found something I felt I must share with crazed and uncrazed males and females. It is a column by Ellen Goodman which appeared originally in the Boston **Globe** and other papers in May, 1976, and was reprinted in the May, 1977 issue of **Ms.**

Here's To The Crazy Ladies

"A Crazy Lady died last Monday, or so we're told. The obituary described her as a woman who "once refused to bow to Queen Elizabeth, asked a newspaper to 'crucify' a senator, and hit a reporter on the head." Yes, a genuine Crazy Lady died last Monday and here's to her.

Here's to all the Crazy Ladies who ever wanted to be Somebody and settled for being Outrageous. May they rest in peace. Here's to all the Crazy Ladies who were patted on the head while they were harmless pets and were ruthlessly punished when they became serious. Yes, here's to Martha Mitchell.

She wasn't always one of them, you understand. She was once a girl from Pine Bluff, Arkansas, who wore her first evening gown at nine years of age and learned that: "It was always good to be dumb and blond. You didn't want to get anywhere because then you'd have to compete with the boys..."

So she learned a trick - how to be the center of attention without competing - and she wrote it in her school yearbook: "I love its gentle warble/ I love its gentle flow/ I love to wind my tongue up/ I love to let it go."

Here's to the Crazy Ladies, here's to them all who wanted to be individuals and settled for being eccentric.

As the Attorney General's wife she became the "Mouth that Roared". She was cute, a feisty little thing in stiletto heels and frowsy dresses and a Southern drawl with matching dimples...

And so the President said, "Given 'em hell, Marth." And so her husband said, "She's a little sweetheart. I love her so much. She gets a little upset about politics, but she loves me and I love her, and that's what counts."

So...as I said, here's to all the Crazy Ladies with husbands who think they look cute when they get mad, with husbands who think they are adorable when they have strong opinions, the wives who are indulged and loved - "my wife, I think I'll keep her" - as long as they don't demand to be taken seriously.

Martha Mitchell was one of the loud wives of important men who wanted to be both independent and safe, and who compromised by being adorably rebellious. She gave us a double message - "Hey, look at me, I'm exceptional, but, "Don't take me seriously, I'm just a dizzy blond". As she put it, "Well, I try to be dumb".

As a Cabinet wife she felt intolerably ignored. "It's just ridiculous. Because I'm the wife of the Attorney General, I have no right to express my opinions."

But within a year after her first phone call, 76 percent of the population knew who she was. "They all love me, isn't it wonderful," she said. And like all Crazy Ladies - the Zelda Fitzgeralds, the Elizabeth Rays, the Women Under the Influence who dance on tabletops and get a bit tipsy and grab the spotlight - she confused being famous with being loved, and being notorious with being her own person. Here's to all the Crazy Ladies who never see the thin ice.

Martha Mitchell told the "wrong truth". Suddenly she wasn't cute. Suddenly she lost what **Time** magazine called a "certain wacky charm".

She said, "If my husband knew anything about the Watergate break-in, Mr. Nixon also knew about it. I think he should say good-bye." She became the kind of a Crazy Lady who yells into telephones in the middle of the night that 'Something's Wrong!' Here's to them.

Her husband didn't pat her on the head any more. "Martha's late-night calls have been good fun and games. However, this is a serious issue," he said, and called her unstable. After awhile he left and took their daughter with him.

When she came out from behind her wackiness, they tried to call her mad. "They threw me on my bed and stuck a needle in my behind. They're afraid of my honesty...There is absolutely nothing wrong with me except that I am mentally tortured from the torture I've been through. Why did people call me crazy? Because they were trying to shut Martha Mitchell up and they didn't know how to do it."

Well, she was right and here's to her. Here's to them all, all the Crazy Ladies who finally, after a lifetime, refused to stay in their places. Here's to all the frivolous, flaky ladies who dropped the mask of the lovable fool.

Here's to the one who changed too late to save herself. May she rest in peace."

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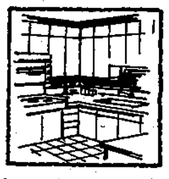

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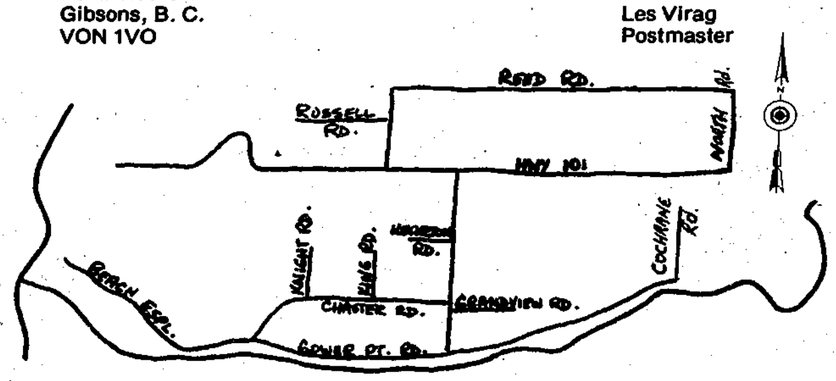

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Are you concerned about the abortion issue? If so, why not attend the meeting scheduled for Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. in the Sechelt Elementary School. It should be an interesting evening.

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Joan Ellis, Vancouver. A workshop where you can learn the basics of good upholstery on your own furniture. Please let the co-ordinator know if you have your own tools, if you want to share, buy or borrow. May 21, Sat. 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Fee: $12., Chatelech Art Room.

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Livia Whittall, Vancouver. May 11, Wednesday, 6:45 - 8:00 p.m. Fee: $15. for 8 sessions. Minimum 15 dogs. Gibsons Elementary School.

SEWING
Beryl Husband. Swim-wear, 3 sessions, May 2nd. Tuesday, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Fee: $7.00 for 3 sessions. Elphinstone textile room.

STOP SMOKING
Cliff Drieberg - The 5-Day Plan to Stop Smoking is a series of five consecutive 1½ hour sessions showing the smoker how to beat the habit on all four dimensions of life: Physical, Mental, Social and Spiritual. May 9-13. Monday -Friday, 7-8:30 pm. Fee $10. Chatelech Jr., Room 102.

YOGA
Carolynn Bichler. For beginners and intermediate students. Please bring a mat or blanket. May 2, Tues. 10 - 11:30 a.m., Health Unit Gibsons. May 2, Tues. 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Gibsons Elementary School, Kindergarten Fee: $8.00 for 5 sessions.

For REGISTRATION & INFORMATION please call 885-3512, Karin Hoemberg, Co-ordinator, CENTRE FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION, Box 6, Sechelt. VON 3A0, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.

EXHIBITION VOLLEYBALL
Monday, May 2nd, Elphinstone Secondary Gym, 7:30 p.m.
FEATURING:
University of British Columbia Mens' & Womens' Team members. Local Girls' Club teams. Adults: $2.00, High School: $1.00, Family: $5.00, Elementary: 50¢.

Announcements

Mr. & Mrs. David Poole (nee Bon Thorburn) of Sherwood Park, Alberta, are very happy to announce the birth of a son, Kevin Christopher, on March 9th, 1977, weighing 7½ pounds!

Support **Peninsula Recycling** with your glass (cleaned), tin (cleaned with ends & labels removed and crushed if possible) and paper, (bundled if possible). Depots at Sunnycrest Plaza, Lower Gibsons, Sechelt on Porpoise Bay Rd., Roberts Creek by P.O., Madeira Park, Garden Bay and Egmont.
For Information: 885-3811.

Found

Unusual loop silver earring found at N.D.P. spring dance Sat. April 9th, to identify, call Janet at 886-7829.

Opportunities

DANCE CLASSES
● Ballet ● Tap ● Jazz ●
Adults & children, boys & girls.
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L.I.F.E. 'Living is for everyone' a group of women (widowed, Divorced or separated) which offers emotional support, practical information and social events. Anyone interested please contact Women's Centre at **885-3711.**

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For lease: Bayview Dining Room and Cafe, fully equipped. Ideal family operation. Apply: Pender Harbour Hotel, Box 249, Madeira Park. 883-9013.

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2 yearling Alpine nanny goats, pair $60.00. 886-2520.

3 baby rabbits, all black, 3 full grown assorted, $3.50 each. Phillip at 885-9341.

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Horse Manure for Sale. T. Bowe.
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Horses and ponies trained, riding lessons, English & Western. Show horses for sale, Bushwood Farm. 886-2160.

Goslings for sale, $3.00 each. 885-9294

Help Wanted

Pension couple need some garden and lawn work done. "Not for free". 886-9829.

Port Mellon Community Association requires a qualified swimming instructor for part-time instruction. 884-5263.

Persons wishing to become Retailers for Express and Provincial Lottery tickets for profit, and at the same time assist a worthwhile cause may request applicatio by sending name and address to. Box 3, Coast News, Gibsons.

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New homes & Renovations
References Available
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House & garden cleanups & rubbish removal. 886-9503.

Will rototill your garden with a 14 H.P. riding tractor. Hourly rate. 886-9590.

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For Sale

20" b & W portable Admiral TV in good cond. $100. Collectors Items: 2 albums circa 1937 in perfect condition. Complete operas of La Boheme & La Tosca featuring Gizli. What offers? Call anytime at 1406 Gower Pt. Road, at rear. Sears tape recorder & 3 cassetts, $15.00.

Box spring mattress $60., kitchen table chairs, $50., Hofner guitar $15.00. 886-2614.

Near new fridge & stove, Harvest gold. Moffat frost free 2 door bridge, matching Moffat elec. stove. $550. for pair. 885-2553 or 885-3887.

Two pair white fibreglass drapes, fit 7'7' window, $35.00. Chesterfield cover, multi coloured, $5.00. 886-9396

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Super Bargains on Sofas, Chairs, Beds, Dinettes, Lamps, Coffee Tables and End Tables. One 30" electric range. First come - First served! Apply at:
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Richmond peat, 16 yards for $250. delivered. Peat, Manure & sand mix, 16 yards for $300. Call 885-2760

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220 Crusader marine engine, monel shaft, 1⅛ x 14' long,

Mercury 9.8 H.P. short shaft outboard as new engine, $500. cash. Eves: 885-2083.

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18 square extra thick barn shakes, $32.50 a square. 885-3429.

New hot water tank, 40 gal, $140. 886-9177.

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Government approved, locally made. $90.00. Call Don at: 885-2926

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Winchester 94 30-30, case & cleaning equip. 16' cedar strip canoe, golf bags, leather & canvas, clubs steel. Cart and shoes. Ski boots, heavy blocs, 3 shibs and snatch. Guitar & music stand, Masonic and Orange men's large coloured framed picture, books on every subject, some rare, first editions, autographed, round top trunk, crosscut saws, wheels of all descriptions, 2 - 3 speed bikes, flight cage, rare pictures, a thousand other items. Give me a ring at: 886-7731

Water pump, over hauled, A-1 cond. $75.00. Twin lead glazed book case, $40.00, small wood lathe, $35.00. 886-2897.

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Construction shack, located at Port Mellon, $275. o.b.o. Call 886-9461

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Asphalt shingles, $22.50 a square delivered. 886-2489.

New bathtub, sink & toilet & fixtures, shower, horizon blue, $170.00, Duel 1215 turntable with Shure cartridge, good cond. $90.00, oil heater, filter, 2/ 45 gal. drums and stand, $100. 885-3343

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4'x3' double door $5.00, 4 shelves, solid bookcase or storage cupboard $15.00, cistern pump $15.00, new elec. stove or dryer cord, $4.00, maple folding doors, 30" x 73", $5.00. 885-9545.

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For Sale

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Shoeing, tack, etc.
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A-1 shape Teco oil space heater $60.00, vynl covered headboard for ¾ bed $5.00, 16 older records, Supremes, Johnny Rivers, Glen Campbell etc. 75¢ each. 886-7189

1 yr. old 12 x 12' meadow green 2" shag carpet with underlay, $150. o.b.o. 886-9518.

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For Sale, 4th driveway on left, up Crowe Road. Many varieties, flavour your foods with fresh herbs.

B&W console TV, cheap., elec. heater with fan $25.00, 2 burner hot plate $5.00. 885-3940.

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Brand new custom built utility trailer, extra heavy duty, 4x8. Days: 885-2420, eves: 885-9316.

Immediately through end of month: Complete Household Sale: Furniture, appliances, everything. Arena Road, second house west of Trail Ave. at end of hardtop. Behind Seaview Village, Sechelt. 885-2691.

Viking wringer washing machine, 8 yrs. old, good cond. $75.00 885-9241

Wooden bunk beds, $85.00 886-2737

Scandanavian exercise board, $20.00, an older child's car seat $20.00 (2-4 yrs old), 200 base woman's accordian & case, excel. cond. $200. 883-9989.

289 engine, good running cond. 886-9544

Near new queen-size bed. Call: 886-7196

Washer for sale, $90.00, dryer $175.00, both in excel. cond. 886-8024

10½ ft. Capilano camper, sleeps 5, ice box, range, furnace, tie downs and jacks. 886-2531.

4'x8' box trailer, $200. Call 885-2760

Used aluminum roofing, take it all for $10.00, antique china brass, 3 windows $3.00 each, step (2) stool $10.00, lots of plants and hangers, sewer disposal unit, brand new, electric, never used, $300.00. 886-9697.

Electic pump and pressure tank for well, in good working order, $80.00. 886-2520.

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Classified
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For Sale

250 gal. oval oil tank, brand new $100.00, One temporary construction power service $20.00 10'2" P.V.C. electrical conduit, $5.00, 6'x5/8" ground rod $3.00, 4½' of 2" rigid steel conduit $3.00, 28' of 2" bared copper ground wire for 200 amp service, $12.00, 37' 3/0 type R.W. 90 DC link for 200 amp service, $40.00, 10 gals. Cloverdale latex fence or shake stain (brown) $20.00, 12 square 'D' breakers, single & double pull. 886-2495.

11' camper, good condition, new 2 piece china cabinet, wha new 2 piece china cabinet, what offers? 886-9648.

Compact washer & dryer, complete with stand, very good cond. $300. o.b.o. 886-2096.

Cactus collection, many varieties, large and small, reas. Roll-away cot, $7.50, punch bowl set, new $5.00, Mooching rod & reel $7.50, 4 ladies pants suits, size 40 (5'6"), excel. cond. 885-2357.

New white awnings for sale, 3 - 18x72, 1 - 18x48, 1 - 18x60. $50.00 for all. 886-7601.

British India wool rug, beige with floral corner design, 10'x16', best offer. 886-2667.

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Gibsons 886-2812

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Pair of ladies hiking boots, lightweight, size 8. 886-9396.

Trailer hitch to fit a 1970 VW van. 885-2315.

Wanted

RUMMAGE WANTED
A good chance to kill 2 birds with 1 stone. Get your spring cleaning done and help a very worthwhile cause. All proceeds go towards building the Adventure Playground in Cliff Gilker Park, Roberts Creek Rec. Site. Please bring your rummage to Randie's on Crowe Road, 4th drive on left if you need it picked up call 886-9324 or 886-2087. The date and place of sale will be posted at a later date.

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New or used 24" Large Mouth Airtight. 886-7822.

Sturdy hardwood child's crib. Call 886-7449.

Cement mixer, old 78 R.P.M. opera records, highest prices paid. 886-2513.

Clean, used 2x4's, 2x10's or 2x12's, 4x4 cedar posts, 8-10 ft. long, used brick and patio blocks. 2x4 window for workshop. Call 886-9435

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Furnished 2 bedroom trailer in Bonnybrook. No dogs. 886-2887.

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Gibsons: Unfurn. 2 bdrm house with range & fridge, avail. now, to responsible tenants. Ref's required. $250.00. 886-9898.

Room & Board available at Bonnie-Brook Lodge. Meals & services incl. laundry.
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1 bdrm cottage, avail. June 1st. 886-7966

2 bdrm Mobile home, S.C.Trailer Park, Gibsons. Avail. May 1st. $195.00. 885-3417 or 885-3310.

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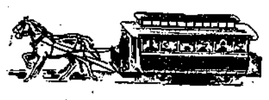
Mobile Homes

Trailer for Rent
2 bdrm, furnished trailer, sorry no dogs. Bonniebrook Camp & Trailer Park. 886-2887.



Alumimum Chalet trailer, folds like tent trailer, sink, propane fridge, stove, sleeps 3 plus small child. $500. 885-3949.

1971 Mobile home, 2 or 3 bdrms, 8x20' lean-to, fully carpeted, dishwasher, stove, fridge, drapes and air conditioning. 12x12' shed in back. $9,000. Parked at Sunshine Coast Trailer Park, no. 20. 886-7821

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1975 Statesman, 3 bdrm, carpeted throughout, large addition including 2 bdrm. and rec. room.
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Two choice mobile home sites available. Gower Pt. Rd. Call: 886-2887

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Property

By owner, ½ acre commercial property with old buildings on Hwy 101. 885-2608.

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Lower Norwes Bay Rd., West Sechelt. On hydro, water and paved road. Future subdivision to two ½ acres. $16,500. Call Owner at 885-2084.

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West Sechelt, just off Wakefield Road. Good top soil, in location of new homes. $15,500. Call Owner at 885-2084.

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Property

View lot on Thompson Road, Langdale Heights $14,500. Call owner at Victoria, 658-8055 or Vancouver 980-5431.

5½ acres land, year round creek in Roberts Creek area, $7,000. Down and assume mortgage of 10% interest @$200. per month, approx. price $27,000. 885-3881.

A number to note:
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4 year old 3 bedroom home in Selma Park. Call owner at: 885-9328

3 Bedroom home, full basement. Electric heat, on 6 acres close to Gibsons. Phone 886-7832 or 886-2813.

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

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

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

Beautiful 3 bdrm, 3 year old view home in central Gibsons. Fireplace, W/W throughout, vanity bathroom, sewing room. High finished basement with rec room, bdrm, ½ bathroom. Matching garage, fenced, landscaped. Price includes stove, washer, dryer. $55,000. 886-2644.

Large home on waterfront lot. 60'x278'
Franklin Road. 261-1756.

New 3 bedroom home, family room, basement, 2 car garage, carport, view of Trail Bay, $61,000. 885-2503.

View Lot - Granthams Landing. 886-2978

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Property

BONNIEBROOK CAMP & TRAILER PARK
For sale: 2 good view lots on Chaster Road, 1,000 ft. from waterfront, utilities. 886-2887.

Fairmont Road: 2 bdrms., large living room with corner fireplace. Excellent view, needs work but good potential. 886-2164 eves.

For Sale by owner: Lot 11, Seaside Village, cleared, ready to build. But it for what we paid for it. $4,000. down and take over payments at 6% interest. Days call 885-2273, ask for Nicki or eves. call 885-3963.

For Sale by owner: 3 bdrm post & beam home near tennis courts, Gibsons. $35,000. 886-7566 eves. after 4:00.

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.

By owner: Halfmoon Bay, beautiful waterfront property, approx. 60'x175'. Lovely Arbutus trees, sewer, hydro & water included. Lot #48, Trueman Road. $33,000. 576-6261

Spacious 3 bedroom family home in Langdale. Large granite fireplace in 16' x 30' living room. Custom walnut kitchen cabinets, new kitchen appliances included. Beautiful view. Close to ferry and one block from school. Garage workshop, fruit trees. F.P. $49,500. Call eves: 886-2090.

FOR SALE
One bedroom home in lower Gibsons, wall to wall carpet and central heating with forced air oil furnace. On village sewer system. Walking distance to stores. Fantastic view of Harbour and Howe Sound. Asking just $29,500. 886-7032.

SALABLE ODDS 'N' ENDS NEEDED
The Sunshine Coast Community Resource Society will be having a Flea Market sale during Timber Days and desperately needs donations of any portable, salable odds 'n' ends. No clothing please. Please mark your selling price on each item. These donations can be dropped off at the society offices, above the Sechelt Credit Union. For further info call 885-3821. Thank you for your help, the success of this fund raising depends on people like you.

Property

Choice location - 5 acres with creek, by owner. 886-7703.

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Large lot for sale, 12x60 trailer pad on North Rd. 12x24 workshop 12x12 pumphouse, hydro pole in ready for building or for trailer. Asking $13,500. offers. 886-9041.

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1969 M.G.B. new top, custom int. $2,000. 886-7828.

1965 Plymouth Fury II, excel. running order, 318 3 speed auto. $500. 886-7823

1965 Volvo 122S, 2 dr. sedan, 2 owner car, excellent motor, new brakes, runs like a top, $350. Call Lindy, 886-2622 Thur. to Sunday only.

1966 VW beetle, new brakes, tires, charging system, sound machine, radio. $750. o.b.o. 886-2614

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1966 Datsun, see it at Solnics, $300. runs well. Eves: 885-3938.

Pets

2 Chocolate point Siamese for sale - reasonable to loving home. 885-2443

Two puppies, 3 mo. old, black female, brown male. Medium size, good natured. Free to good home. 886-9443.

Purebred German Shorthair Pointer, female, spayed, shots, gentle, good with children, needs family. $75.00 open to offers from right party. 885-3428.

Free to good home, 6 mo. old Lab (part), male pup, good with kids & other dogs. Strictly an outdoor dog. Urgently needs home. 885-9646.

6 mo. old guinea pig, with cage & fully equipped. 886-8043.

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Wanted: good home for two black male ½ Siamese cats, one is neutered, both playful and affectionate. 885-3864.

Puppies for sale, ¾ Shepherd, ¼ Lab. 886-7932.

Himalayan Seal point females (2), one spayed, will sacrifice at $50. 886-2512.

Cars & Trucks

1976 Ford F-250, Explorer, 7000 miles, excel. cond. 884-5340

1964 Oldsmobile, 394, $220. 886-9041

For sale or trade: 1973 Grand Torino Sport, fully equipped, 26,000 miles. 1958 G.M.C. bus partially converted for camping. Trade for boat or car or what have you? Anytime: 886-2565.

1964 VW dune buggy, good cond. 885-2315

1966 Chevelle Malabu, 283 cu. in. good transportation, near new snow tires, new radiator & muffler. $250. 886-7916.

1962 VW beetle, good transport. needs brakes fixed. $150.00 886-7916

1971 Dodge Colt Coupe, 71 motor new tires, reasonable. 886-7066.

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Take away my one-owner ½ ton Fargo Pick-up with custom camper canopy, top cond. $1275. 885-9545

TR3 Classic 62, Good cond. $3,500. 886-7891 or 886-2688.

1963 Pontiac, good running cond. good body & interior. 885-2868.

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1974 Firebird Esprit, 37,000 mi. Excel. cond. 886-9740.

Cars & Trucks

Fiat 128, 1974, excel. cond. inside and out, radial tires, front wheel drive, radio, 33,000 mi. $1,700. 886-8024.

1976 Chrysler Cordovo, white with leather bucket seat, P.S., P.B., P.W., AM/FM, $6,800 firm. Almost 9,000 miles. Call 885-2842.

1965 Olds, F-85, 4 dr., sedan, V-6, auto. Offers. 885-9030.

1968 Vauxhall Viva stn. wgn., brand new clutch, new exhaust system, good cond. Asking $300. 886-9265.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR CLOSURE OF A PORTION OF REED ROAD RIGHT OF WAY

TAKE NOTICE that the undersigned HENRIETTA H. & CECIL K. CHAMBERLIN, intends to apply to the Minister of Highways, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, British Columbia, for the closure under Section II of the "Highway Act" of Reed Road at Gibsons, commencing at a point being the South west corner of Lot A DL 1314, Plan 11291 Group 1, N.W.D. thence south for a distance of 30' then in an easterly direction for a distance of *488.96 feet then north* 30' to the S/E corner of Lot B DL 1314 Plan 11291 thence in an easterly direction for 488.96 feet to the point of commencement.

ANY PERSON having reasonable cause to object to the intended closure is invited to write giving reasons to the District Technician, Department of Highways, Box 740, Gibsons, British Columbia before the 18th of June, 1977.

HENRIETTA H. CHAMBERLIN, RR#1, Reed Rd. Gibsons, B. C.

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LOST

Ladies white Adidas track jacket April 19th at Dougal Tennis Court. Joan: 886-2612 or 886-9862.

Would the person who found a gray and black tabby female at Horseshoe Bay Ferry terminal mid-March please phone us at 921-8486 collect. REWARD! We miss her very much.

Lost on or near ferry at Horseshoe Bay to Langdale some weeks ago, cream chamois gloves & gold coloured ring with oval jade stone. 886-9443.

Neutered male cat, black with white spots on chest. Wearing flea collar, Hopkins. 886-7496.

Have some news?
The Coast News welcomes social, church and entertainment news and announcements for clubs, lodges, hospital groups, and service clubs.
Remember the deadline for announcements and classifieds is FRIDAY NOON. Press releases Saturday noon. Mail items to P.O. Box 460, Gibsons.

Motorcycles

1973 Yamaha Enduro 125, low mileage, good cond. road & dirt bike. $400. 885-3923.

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1974 Norton, $850.00. 886-7626.

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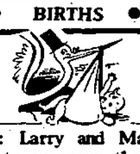
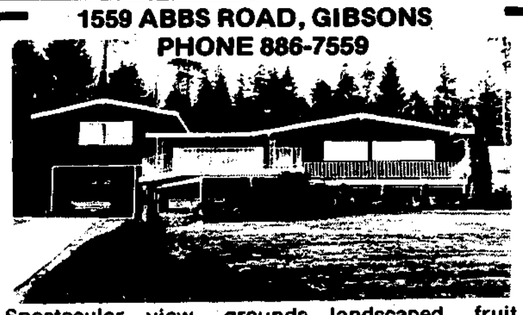


BRAUN: Larry and Mary are pleased to announce the arrival of Karmen Yvonne on April 13, 1977, weighing 8 lbs. 4 oz., a sister for Kristin.

Art and Beth Shaw are pleased to announce the birth of Emily Ruth. Born April 24th, 12:26 a.m. She weighed 7 lbs. 15 oz. Genisis 22.

1559 ABBS ROAD, GIBSONS
PHONE 886-7559



Spectacular view, grounds landscaped, fruit trees. Large carpeted sundeck, 50 foot covered patio, 2 carports. 2 bed/den or 3 bedrooms, fully insulated home. Double windows across North wall, Beauty-pleat drapes. Modern cabinet kitchen, dish-washer, double oven range. Full basement with double floors include self-contained guest quarters. Finished family room, fireplace, laundry/work shop, storage. Very low heating costs. PLUS: 428 sq. ft. self-contained Mother-in-law suite above carport. $76,000.

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HEADLANDS ROAD: Lovely retirement or starter home in good area close to park, beach and post office. Grounds are beautifully landscaped with fruit trees and stonework features. 104 sq. ft. enclosed sunporch is an added feature plus a separate garage and storage shed on property. SEE THIS ONE! F.P. $32,750.

SCHOOL & WYNGART ROADS: Only 6 of these Duplex zoned lots left. Beautiful view properties overlooking the Bay, close to schools and shopping. All lots perfectly suited to side-by-side or up/down duplex construction. SPECIALLY PRICED NOW! Only 1 will be sold at $14,500 and only 1 at $15,500. Act now!

HILLCREST AVE: Almost 1100 sq. ft. home in good area, close to schools, shopping centre, etc. Large living room 22 x 12 with a view. Two bedrooms, large kitchen, utility room and dining area make this a very livable home and with a little bit of work, could be quite lovely. NOTE! The down payment is only $3,500. F.P. $34,500.

CORNER PRATT & FAIRVIEW: Many wood feature walls in this nicely designed one bedroom home, with fireplace and nice family room. Completely fenced and landscaped yard. Could be easily added to as concrete slab already at side of house. Price includes fridge, stove, washer and dryer. Owner anxious to sell! F.P. $33,900.

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

LANGDALE: Johnson Road: A truly lovely executive home with an unsurpassed view. Approx. 1400 sq. ft. on the main floor, plus full basement. Two fireplaces, two full baths, feature wood panelling in Dining area, large entranceway. Paved driveway, carport, sundeck and special lighting features throughout. This is a well designed, spacious home in a very good area, close to school and ferries. Make an appointment to see this today. F.P. $62,500.

NORTH FLETCHER: Almost new, 3 bedroom, well-designed home with absolutely magnificent view. 1268 sq. ft. home with sundeck, w/w carpeting, ensuite plumbing in an area of good homes. THIS CAN BE YOURS FOR AS LITTLE AS $2,500. DOWN. The full price is ONLY: F.P. $44,900.

GRANDVIEW ROAD: Brand new! Quality built 1300 sq. ft. home with full basement. Many extra features including heatilator fireplace, 2 full baths plus R.I. in basement. Build-in dishwasher, fridge & stove, w/w carpeting throughout. F.P. $58,500.

GLASSFORD ROAD: Modern living at its best. This 3 bdrm., split-level home has an endless array of features. There are skylights in the kitchen, living room & dining room that will brighten up any day around home. The extra large living room has sliding glass doors to front, fireplace & wood feature wall. The kitchen has a nook area, while the dining room will easily accommodate the largest of dining room suites. The upstairs offers 1½ baths and 3 bedrooms with access to the sundeck, and if you need room to expand, the family room is just waiting for your finishing touches. The workshop and utility area are also roughed in. This must be seen to appreciate the value. F.P. $49,900.

GOWER POINT ROAD: Privacy and 100' of Waterfrontage, beach just at other side of the road. Driveway is in, building site cleared with septic tank and main drains in. F.P. $25,000.

LOWER ROBERTS CREEK ROAD: Off Cheri Ann Park, beautifully cleared and level building site hidden from the road by many large trees. Easy access to an exceptional beach. 70' x 100' and priced for immediate sale. F.P. $12,900.

GEORGIA DRIVE: Lovely large view lot, just up from Georgia Park. Lot size 67' x 108' x 99' x 121'. NOTE! Septic tank and field are already in AND approved. F.P. $19,900.

CHASTER ROAD: Nestle your home in the trees on this 67' x 123' building lot. Area of proposed new school. Name your own terms, no reasonable offer refused. F.P. $11,500.

GRADY ROAD: In Langdale Chines - Superb view of Howe Sound from this large irregular shaped lot. All underground services. F.P. $13,900.

SARGENT ROAD: On the upper side of the road, overlooking the Bay and as far into Georgia Strait as the eye can see. This lot is in a deluxe home area. Close to both shopping and schools. F.P. $16,900.

LOWER ROBERTS CREEK ROAD: 1.12 acres in the very desirable Roberts Creek area. There is a driveway already in and a tapped Artesian well on the property. F.P. $14,900.

SOUTHWOOD DR.: Redrooffs: Owner most anxious to sell. Large lot 230 x 80. This is a very fast growing area. Light clearing only. F.P. $11,500.

GOWER POINT: WATERFRONT: Lovely cleared 100 x 195' very steep to the beach but a fabulous building site with southern exposure and panoramic view. F.P. $25,900.

UPLANDS ROAD: Tuwanek, ideal recreational lot in beautifully wooded & park-like area, zoned for trailers. This lot overlooks Sechelt Inlet and the Lamb Islands. F.P. $8,900.

ALDERSPRING ROAD: Absolutely the best soil going on this 50' x 150' lot on sewer in the heart of Gibsons. Potential view of the Bay area. Excellent terms available. F.P. $12,000.

COMMERCIAL WATERFRONT: With waterfront as scarce as it is, this double use lot represents real value. F.P. $22,000

ABBS ROAD: One of the nicest building lots in Gibsons. Level building site with drop-off in front of property to protect privacy, spectacular panoramic view. Size 66' x 128'. F.P. $18,500.

FAIRMONT ROAD: 4 finished bedrooms in this 1360 sq. ft. full basement home. Fireplaces up and down, finished rec. room, 2 full bathrooms, plus ensuite. Living room, dining room with nook area all have a beautiful view of the Bay area and out through the Gap. Double carport and huge sundeck round out this home designed for comfortable family living. All this and a spiffy new paint job. F.P. $67,500.

HOPKINS LANDING: Extra large lot with frontage on Hwy. 101 and North Road. Lovely 4 bedroom family home with many extras, including feature Franklin fireplace and built-in bunk beds in one bedroom and 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. $49,900.

APPRAISER

is required by the B. C. Assessment Authority for its Sunshine Coast Area Assessment Office located in Sechelt. Duties include: under minimal supervision, performing moderately complex residential, commercial and light industrial appraisals; ability to co-ordinate and be responsible for specific mass appraisal projects; preparation of land valuation schedules; researching, developing and maintaining current price costings as a supplement to existing cost valuation manuals; other related duties as assigned. Applicants will possess secondary school graduation; successful completion of appraisal courses 1 and 2 leading to accreditation (A.A.C.I. or R.I.(B.C.)) Diploma or equivalent; a minimum of 2½ years appraisal experience preferably supplemented by technical courses relating to building trades or University education in related fields; ability to meet, deal tactfully and communicate articulately with the general public; clear and valid driver's licence. A lesser qualified applicant may be appointed at an entry level appraisal position with corresponding salary level.
Monthly Salary: $1479.70-$1756.87. Competition No. 77 - 47. Closing Date: May 6, 1977.
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Pender Harbour Auxiliary meets

A meeting of Pender Harbour Auxiliary to St. Mary's Hospital was held April 13th. President, Eileen Alexander opened the meeting with twenty-four members present.

It was reported that the bake sale held at Taylor's Garden Bay Store on April 9th was very successful. The auxiliary wish to thank Mr. Taylor for the use of his store for that event. Further bake sales are scheduled to be held at Taylor's Garden Bay Store on May 21st and June 18th.

Main topic for discussion at this meeting was the 40th Anniversary tea to be held on May 11, 1977 in Legion Hall at 2:30 p.m. The decor for the tea, in keeping with 40th anniversary, will be in ruby red. There will be an admission of $1.00 with door prizes. Guest speaker will be Mr. N. Vicurevich, administrator for St. Mary's Hospital.

The auxiliary will be holding its annual Fish Derby on the weekend of July 30th and 31st. Hot dogs will be served at weigh in station.

Blood donor's clinic will be held on April 28th at St. Mary's Hospital. Don't forget Pender Harbour!

HELP WANTED

Applications will be received by the undersigned up to Monday, May 9th, 1977, for the position of full-time afternoon shift janitor at Gibsons Elementary School. This position is 5 consecutive days including Saturday and Sunday, days off either Monday and Tuesday or Thursday and Friday. Present salary $6.15 per hour after 3 months probation.

R. Mills, Sec.-Treas.
School District #46
(Sechelt), P.O. Box 220
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Missing

Miss Harrold of Roberts Creek is trying to track down a missing person. The person involved was the winner of the St.George's Day Tea Raffle and holds ticket number 64595. If you hold that ticket please contact Miss Harrold at 885-3461 and claim your prize.

Cookies

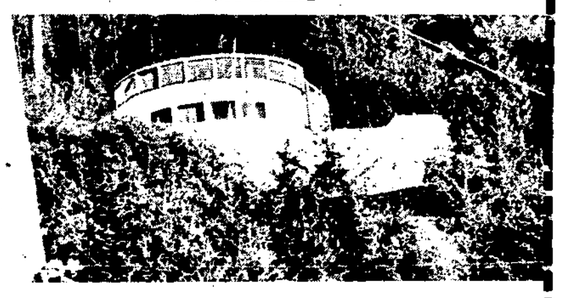
A reminder to all that Guides and Brownies Cookie Week is April 30th to May 7th. Door-to-door sales will take place starting Saturday, April 30th. We appreciate the support given during this annual fund raising drive.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 46, (SECHELT)

TRUSTEES MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees scheduled for Thursday, April 28, has been changed to TUESDAY, April 26, at 7:30 p.m. in the School Board Office, Gibsons.

FOR SALE



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Proclamation

"Family Month"

Whereas the family unit is the basic unit upon which the well-being of our society depends; and

Whereas the family exists in a variety of forms; and

Whereas the life of the family is undergoing considerable stress in the changing material and moral circumstances of modern living;

Now therefore WE, HARRY A. ALMOND, Chairman of the Sunshine Coast Regional District;
LAURENT W. LABONTE, Mayor of the Village of Gibsons;
HAROLD E. NELSON, Mayor of the Village of Sechelt;

DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the month of May, 1977 as

"Family Month"

Members of Families can do much to improve the quality of Family living and thereby give strength to the community as a whole, through spending quality time in communication-building activities in the home. We urge all families, therefore, to emphasize weekly family evenings, discussions, family councils, recreation and social activities, family service and home improvement projects, family devotional and religious activities, commencing, FAMILY MONTH.

We call upon the religious bodies, the business community, the social, economic, and cultural associations of our area to join with the local governments, in supporting this endeavour, by planning and sponsoring special activities for families which emphasize and enhance family relationships.

May we all work together to strengthen the Family in our community.

HARRY A. ALMOND
Chairman, S.C.R.D.

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Mayor of Sechelt

LAURENT W. LABONTE
Mayor of Gibsons

SUNSHINE COAST ARTS COUNCIL
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SATURDAY, APRIL 30th
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Street Talkin'

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QUESTION:
WHAT INDICATES TO YOU THAT SPRING HAS ARRIVED ON THE COAST?

JUNE BOE

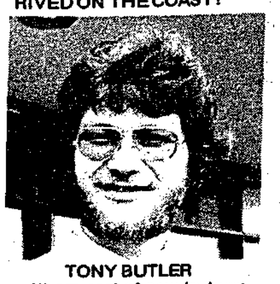
"When the smell of the earth changes and it rains quite a bit. I just started a garden now - just digging and I hate it because there are so many roots and rocks and you know where I live it's really primitive earth. I'm planting tomatoes, peas, lettuce and lots of green beans and potatoes, but no flowers. I get very, very restless and I always want to go on a trip but I don't know where. I'm outside a lot. I like to sit outside at night and hear the crickets - they'll start coming out. I also like to birds early in the morning."

JOHN BAINE

"Let me think about that. The snow is starting to go on the mountains and the apple blossoms are out all over the place. I've noticed out in the gap here every morning at about 7:00 a.m. there are 15 or 20 boats out fishing when before there weren't any boats out there at all."

JIM SKINNER

"'Cause all the younger ladies are wearing shorts and poptops whenever possible. The men they show off their manly chests and their hairy arms and people are sitting around eating fudgecicles which doesn't happen much in the winter."



TONY BUTLER

"I am sort of new in town and it's really difficult to tell what makes spring on the Sunshine Coast but I suppose it's the sunshine. There are tourists everywhere - you can see licence plates starting to change. About a month ago all there were was B.C. licence plates, but now there are licence plates from all over North America in town."

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"When it's spring we go to the beach and catch crabs. I like to play ball. We climb down in the gulley. I see people out running in the spring. We like to go to Vancouver and see the birds at the ferry dock. When it's spring I join a bunch of ball games and go swimming. I like to ride my bike in spring. When it's spring you can tell because my Mom's garden blooms up in pretty little flowers. When it's spring you can smell all the green grass. I can climb the blossoming cherry tree. You see butterflies. We go up the mountains. We go to the dump and see the bears. The sun shines more and we pick flowers."

Roberts Creek Resident will be missed

Captain George W. H. Murphy

We regret to announce the passing of Capt. George Murphy of Roberts Creek, Thursday, April 14th.

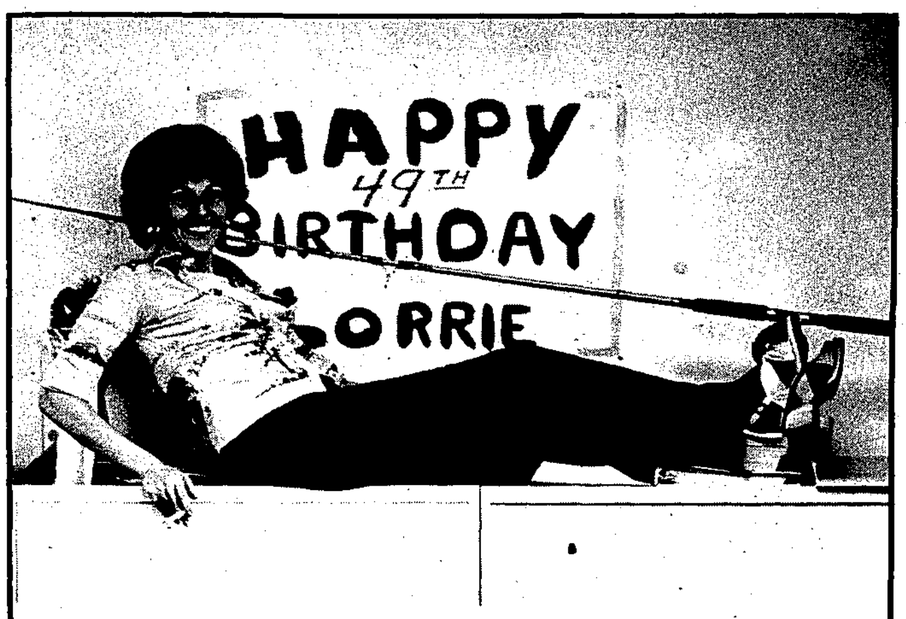
Capt. Murphy was born in Prince Edward Island 78 years ago, served his country as a Cavalry officer and R.A.F. pilot during the First World War and as a Communications officer from 1939 to 1945.

Since his retirement he has lived in Roberts Creek being active in community affairs, provincial and federal politics. Being completely bilingual, he had a great feeling for the unity of our country.

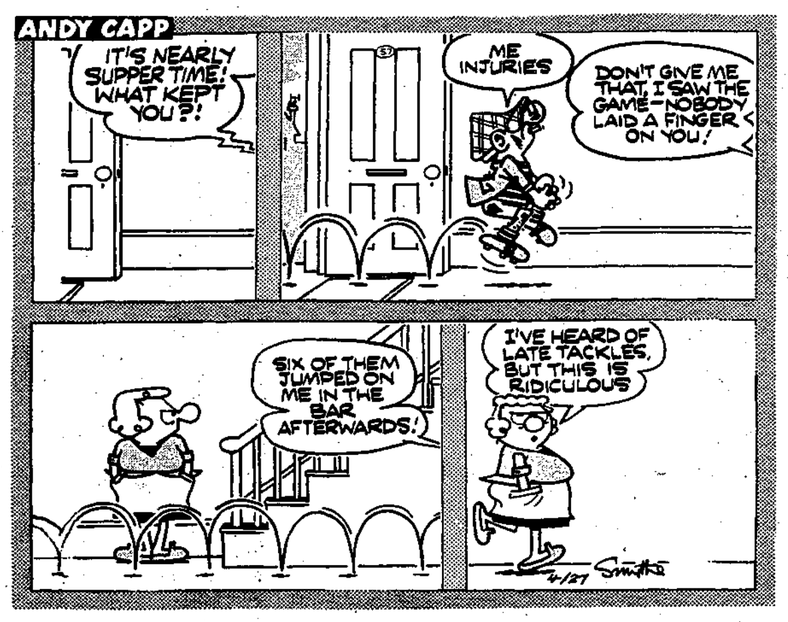
His business career after the Second World War included managerial positions in the private and public sectors.

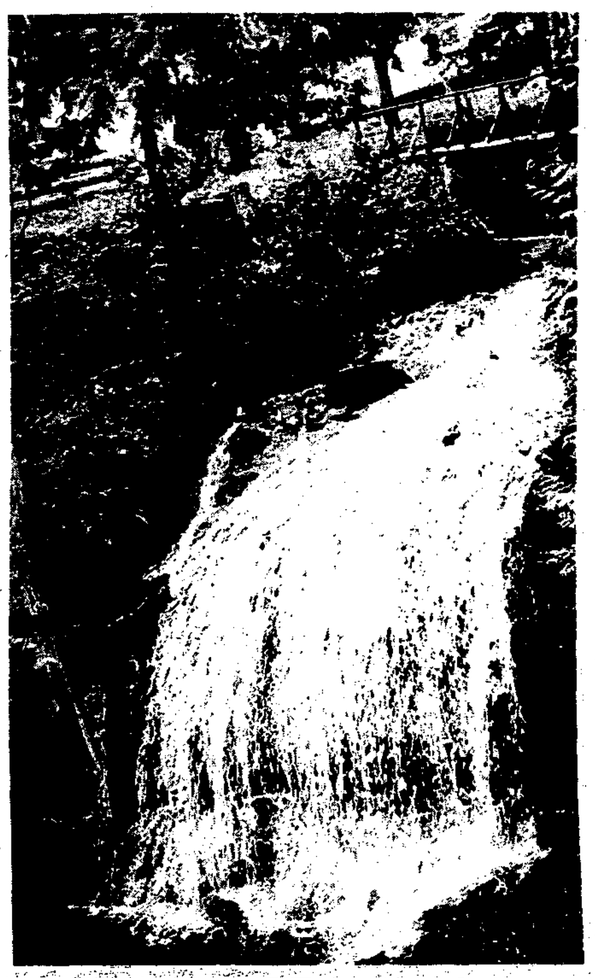
Until his recent illness George was an avid golfer, being a past member of the Quilchera and Seymour Golf Clubs. He was also one of the early supporters of the Sunshine Coast Golf Club and was proud to be a part of its development.

George will be sincerely missed by his many friends in this area and throughout the country.



Laurie Girard of Gibsons Realty has a secret. She celebrates her birthday every six months because she enjoys her parties so much. She is pictured on a recent occasion celebrating.

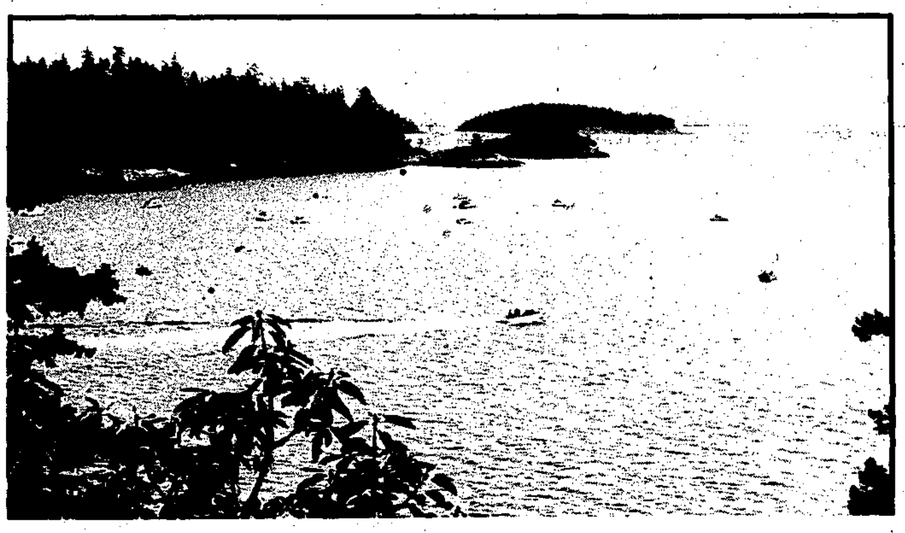




Guess Where!

Last week Mary Cook correctly identified the Captain Vancouver Monument at Gower Point. The usual prize for winning entry drawn.

Mail entries to Coast News, Box 460, Gibsons.



The warm Spring sunshine brings out the fishermen in the Gap below Gibsons Bluff.

Inching towards metrics

Inching toward your metric kitchen.

If the mere thought of metric conversion in your kitchen throws you into a panic, relax! It won't happen overnight. Domestic metric measures will be phased in during the next few years.

You will continue to measure the same way, by VOLUME. Restaurants and institutional kitchens, however, will continue to weigh in grams and kilograms. The correct standard measures are the following:

Liquid measures - 250 ml, 500 ml, 1000 ml.
Dry measures - 50 ml, 125 ml, 250 ml.
Small measures - 1 ml, 2 ml, 5 ml, 15 ml, 25 ml.

Conversion tables are not required. Their use only confuses and complicates learning the metric cooking system.

It's very difficult to convert your conventional recipes to metric! Conversion to metric units generally involves slight increases in amounts, as well as product volume, making it somewhat complicated. It's better to continue using your old measures for your old recipes. But start collecting metric recipes and use metric measures for them.

When baking, oven temperature increments will be 10C, from 60-290C. The replacement for 325F will be 160C; 350F, 180C. Some conversion stickers for your oven dial are available at the moment, but plastic ones are planned for the future.

Metrically speaking, here's a simple recipe for a Beef and Noodle Casserole provided by Food Advisory Division, Agriculture Canada. Leftover cooked beef needn't be a challenge to use up when you follow our special metric formula for a do-it-yourself casserole. Simply combine these foods:

750 ml protein food such as cooked beef, turkey, pork, fish, beans or 6 eggs.

500 ml starch food such as cooked rice, potatoes, macaroni or noodles.

500 ml canned, frozen or cooked vegetables.

500 ml liquid such as gravy, cheese, cream or tomato sauce, or one can (284 ml) condensed soup plus 200 ml water, milk or bouillon.

Seasonings: your choice of salt, pepper, Worcestershire sauce, soy sauce, catsup, spices, herbs or packaged seasoning mixes.

Make note of these proportions for quick reference. It's one way of inching toward your metric kitchen.

Beef and Noodle Casserole

125 ml chopped onion
125 ml chopped green pepper
25 ml butter
25 ml flour
5 ml salt
3 ml pepper
2 ml dry mustard
500 ml milk
250 ml (125 g) grated old cheddar cheese
750 ml chopped cooked beef
250 ml green peas
500 ml cooked medium noodles (100 g uncooked)
125 ml crushed potato chips

Saute vegetables in butter until onion is transparent. Blend in flour and seasonings. Gradually add milk, stir and cook until smooth and thick. Add cheese and stir until melted. Combine beef, peas and noodles with sauce. Turn into greased baking dish. Top with potato chips. Bake 20 minutes at 180 C. Makes 6 servings.

Lockstead reports

Don Lockstead, New Democrat M.L.A. for Mackenzie, today criticized the federal-provincial agreement on ferry subsidies.

Mr. Lockstead said:

"This agreement, which provides for an annual subsidy to B. C. of $8 million, is an insult to the people of our province. B. C. was already receiving a $4 million annual payment from the federal government. This means that today's announcement provides only another $4 million per year."

Mr. Lockstead went on to agree with the statement of Opposition Leader Dave Barrett, who said that this subsidy is money which had been promised to B. C. as a subsidy to the B. C. Railway when the N.D.P. was in power. Social Credit later signed this agreement with Ottawa but received $36 million less than had been promised to the N.D.P.:

"Obviously, this is money which the province should have received two years ago. The federal government has, in fact, made no new commitment to the people of B. C."

After considering the question of how to best use this subsidy, Mr. Lockstead presented a number of recommendations:

"The first task should be to consult with those areas most affected by our coast transportation system. Over the past year, complaints over poor ferry and freight service have poured in to the government from virtually every community on the coast. These people should have some say now that the subsidy has been awarded.

The provincial government should also immediately provide interim service to central and north coast communites. This could be done by putting into service any vessels now sitting idle. An alternative would be the construction or purchase of at least one self-propelled ship with passenger and freight capabilities for use on this run."

The Mackenzie M.L.A. also proposed that the fare structure of B. C. Ferries be improved immediately:

"There should be a substantial reduction in both passenger and vehicle fares. If this change is put into effect for the summer months, then the economy's of Vancouver Island and the Sunshine Coast would get a tremendous boost.

I must reiterate that today's announcement is a terrible disappointment. Only when the federal government accepts an equal cost-sharing arrangement with the B. C. government for subsidization of B. C. Ferries, will the people of B. C. have received a fair deal."

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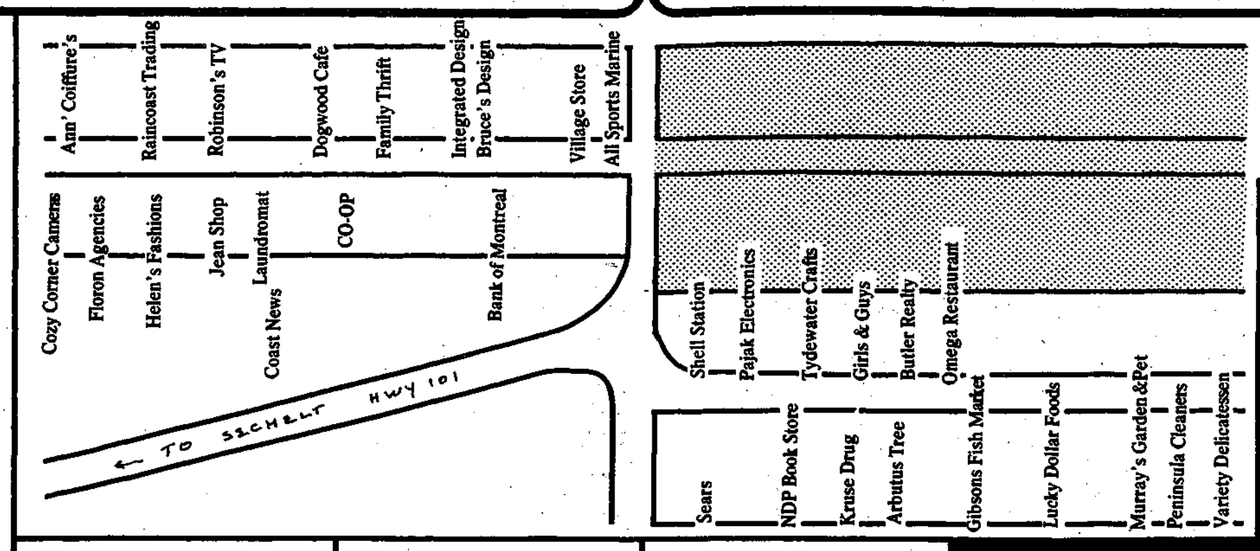

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