

## SQUAMISH

Mrs. Ellen Harley  
Correspondent

Mr. Alex MacDonald left last Monday to spend three weeks at McAllister, visiting at the home of his aunt, Mrs. J. A. McDonald.

Mrs. E. Naud and daughter, Shirley, and Christine Nygard, were visitors to Vancouver last week-end to attend a Camp Reunion for the girls which was held in Fairview Baptist church. Mrs. C. Nygard returned home last Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Hurst and three children of Ste. Rose du Lac, Manitoba, left Friday after spending a week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hurst.

Mr. and F. J. Robinson of Red Willow, Alberta, are guests of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. D. Robinson.

Mr. J. R. Morrison made a business trip to Williams Lake last week.

Harold Stathers had the misfortune to sprain his foot badly while playing basketball. It was thought at first that the bone was broken, but the X-ray proved it was just a sprain.

George Binning also had an accident while running a power-saw, cutting his hand quite badly when he lost his footing and slipped on to it.

Mrs. A. L. Pierce of Vancouver spent the last two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lamport.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilmar of Vancouver are spending a few days visiting their daughter, Mrs. D. DeBeck and family, at Brackendale.

Miss Norma MacDonald spent last weekend visiting at Mr. and Mrs. Orval VanHorlick at Woodfibre.

On Sunday, Feb. 17, 1946, the Squamish Rod and Gun Club staged another successful fishing derby. First prize was won by Mr. E. Bishop who caught the most fish and the largest. Second prize went to Jack Frost and third to Nelson Barreau.

Mr. and Mrs. George Harvey and son, of Abbotsford, spent last weekend visiting with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Harvey.

## ROBERTS BETTER

Suffering from a chest condition, W. J. Roberts, age 82, was brought into the Powell River hospital Friday, Feb. 19, by C. Markley.

Mr. Roberts is fast improving and expects to return to his home in a few days.

## DOUBLE BLOW

Mrs. C. R. Marlatt of Powell River was doubly bereaved within a week when her mother, Mrs. Annie Paton and her brother, James Alexander Paton, M.L.A., Vancouver, passed away within three days of each other. Mrs. Paton died in Vancouver hospital Saturday, Feb. 16, while her son died Tuesday, Feb. 19.

## Memorial Service In Anglican Church For Mavis Lampport

SUNDAY evening, Feb. 17, 1946, a memorial service was held in the Anglican Church for Mavis Lampport, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lampport, who was drowned a year ago. The altar was adorned with carnations, daffodils and tulips. It was gratifying to see so many friends at the service, which was conducted by Rev. Govier of Vancouver.

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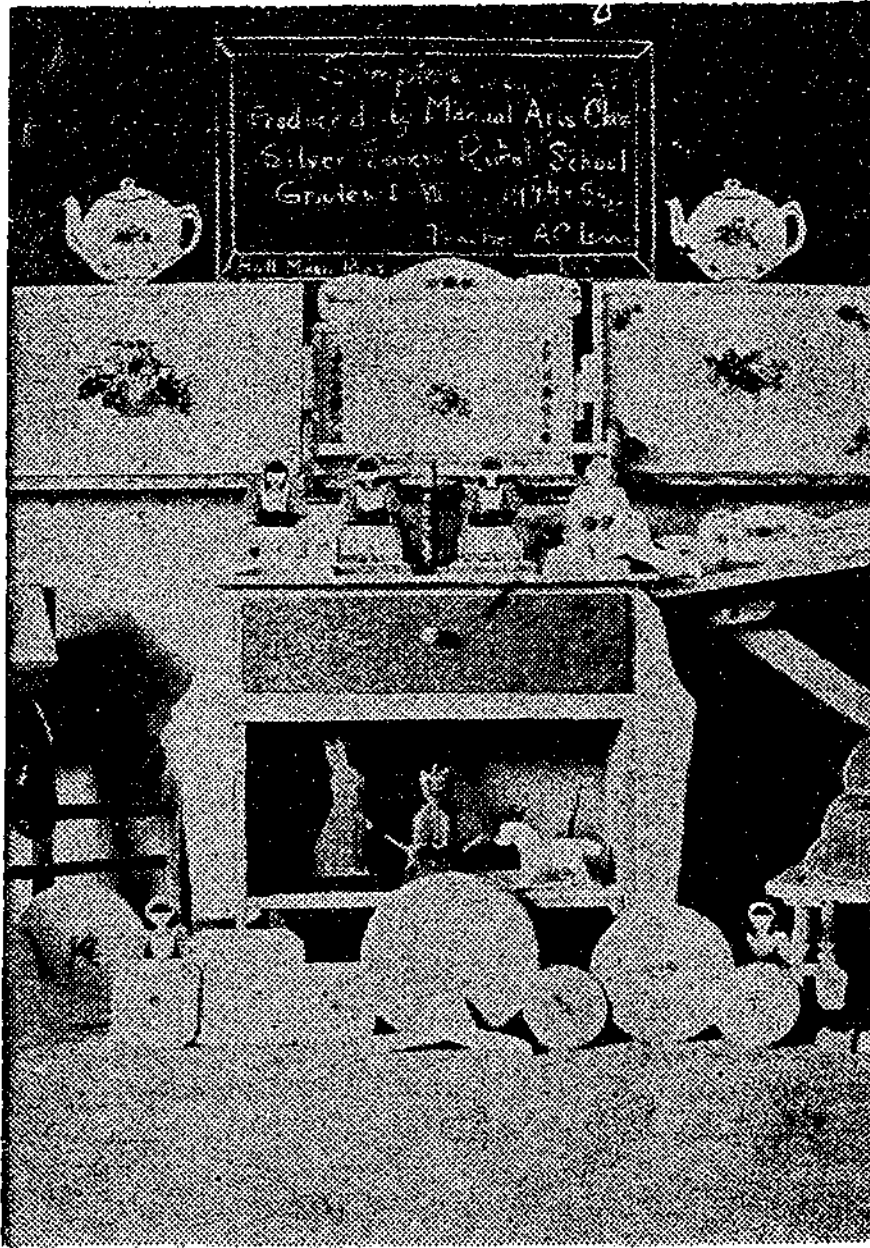
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## Pupil's Work



Depicted in this photo are examples of the work done by the children of Silver Sands school district. The teacher of this school is to be congratulated on the results of the encouragement of handcraft he has given his pupils. All articles portrayed were worked by the pupils with no more than guidance from the teacher.

## Squamish P.T.A. Holds Whist in P.G.E. Hall

A VERY successful Whist Drive and dance was held Friday evening, Feb. 15, in the P.G.E. hall by the P.T.A. The results of the whist were as follows: Ladies' high, Mrs. S. Clarke; ladies' consolation, Mrs. A. Moon; gents' high, Mr. W. McDougall, mens' consolation, Mr. W. Barnfield.

The door prize, a lovely tray was won by Mr. R. Barr.

Following the whist was a floor show by a group from Brackendale under the direction of Marge McLaughlin of Paradise Valley. The first number was a minuet danced by Marge McLaughlin and Barbara Webster; and Peggy Lane and Rita Huston. This was followed by the Highland Fling and Sword Dance by Marge McLaughlin, danced to the bagpipes played by Mr. W. Webster. Much time and effort must have been spent

to put this on, and much credit is due Marge McLaughlin.

Refreshments were served in the dining room by a number of girls wearing dainty Valentine aprons and hats. The dance was managed by Mr. E. Tutin and music by the local orchestra was enjoyed by all.

## SEAGULL ROBS TWO BRIDES

## Watch The Birdie!

WOLVES are not the only things wives of servicemen have to watch these days—birds too, can wreak havoc with plans of mice, men and brides. Not jail-birds but flying birds, namely seagulls.

Two local girls, brides of servicemen, were victimized at Vancouver recently—by a seagull. The two girls, who went to Vancouver to meet their returning husbands, took a suit at the Grosvenor Hotel and accumulated enough food coupons to guarantee a good feed for their reunion. Heading the list, was a half-pound of butter which they placed on the window-sill of the suite for safe-keeping when the refrigerator went out of order. The moment their backs were turned, a preying seagull swooped down, grabbed the butter and flew off. Needless to say, the reunion dinner was held at a restaurant.

## Home Better Than Paris

By Mrs. Geo. Cormack

HOME IS home, and Paris is Paris. This is indelibly printed on the mind and heart of Dennis Matthews, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Matthews of Davis Bay just recently returned from overseas occupation duties.

During an informal chat with Dennis, we were taken along on the wings of fancy and given a bird's eye view of places and conditions, luxury and want, architecture old and new, sculpture and art.

A boy went away—a man returned and his Canadian home is better appreciated.

## AUXILIARIES COMMENDED

Praise without stint was given the Red Cross and Auxiliary Services that provided food

extras and entertainment, all along the way.

A description of the Frisian Islands as the idolized summer resort of the wealthy, was aptly given as only one who have lived there could give it. Its absolute impregnability had not counted on the British Bomber, and it was shattered, leaving only two or three of its magnificent hotels, which later housed the occupation forces, greatly to their delight.

Dennis made good use of leaves and has pictures, souvenirs and memories that enrich all with whom he comes in contact. He has the willingness and ability to make them live, for the pleasure of those with whom he finds himself.

But Paris is like no other place. Paris is Paris!

As Dennis takes us from the castle of Louis XVI to the palace of Fontainebleau, (in Fontainebleau forest), where Napoleon made his last stand, and as the quiet forest is brought before our eyes with its broad clean streets, and its park laid out like a vast garden, adorned with statues, temples, fountains, lakes and waterfalls, we close our eyes, and we make a mental reservation "we will go to see Paris."

Dennis is at present on two weeks leave here, visiting with his family. When his discharge comes through, he will return to his previous civilian employment in Vancouver.

## B. C. Bracewell Addresses Squamish Committee On Incorporation

AFTER many years of controversy, the people of Squamish are giving serious consideration to incorporating. The local committee has been studying the question for some time, gathering the necessary data to present to a public meeting, which was held in the P.G.E. Employees Association hall Thursday evening. B. C. Bracewell, deputy minister and inspector of municipalities gave an address on the subject. Mr. Ed. Carson was chairman of the meeting. Mr. Bracewell was introduced after a few brief remarks by the chairman.

## New Services At Wilson Creek

GREAT activity exists on the intersection of the main road through Wilson Creek and logging road crossing to the Wilson Creek booming grounds with construction started or planned on two modern service stations.

Wilson Creek Garage is remodelling and re-building on its present site on the S.W. corner of the intersection while construction has started on the new Tsawcome Co. garage and service station on the S.E. corner.

Wilson Creek Garage will handle Home Gas and oil products while Tsawcome Co. will be agent for a new Standard Oil service, with a special marine service for boat owners and commercial craft.

He dealt with the mechanism of the many factors that have to be considered, such as the area to be incorporated, the number of people in that area, and the revenue derived from direct taxes. He stated that it was not desirable to incorporate over 1000 acres. The proposed area is slightly more than a mile long and a half mile wide—considerably less than the recommended maximum. The question of dykes was brought up during the question period and it was stated that at the present time the dyke was not a direct responsibility of the provincial P.W.D.

To be assured of proper maintenance and full protection a dyking commission should be established, it was stated and it might be arranged that the village commissioners could act in that capacity. It was also stated that if the tax payers did not ask for too much, the taxes need not rise. Taxes would only go up in relation to the improvement made, and if improvements were not desired, the village should not incorporate. The speaker was well received and many opinions in favor of incorporating have been expressed.

Another public meeting will be held in the near future when the question will be decided.

Mr. Bracewell was conducted all over the twonsite and stated that if the town was incorporated we could have much better drainage and make the town much more attractive.

The meeting closed at 10 with God Save the King.

## Call Tenders on Telephone Line

Enlarging their present telephone service, the government telegraph dept. has called tenders for poles on the new line to run Gibson's Landing to Pender Harbour.

It is expected that some 2,000 poles will be needed in the expansion, and notice of tender and requirement has been posted in principal public buildings throughout the district.

## WHARF ACCIDENT

A small mishap occurred on the tug "Cuprite" at the new Westview wharf Saturday night when Captain Johnson fell overboard. He was pulled out of the water by a crew-member and suffered no ill-effects.



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## FOR SALE

\$60 cash—New DeLuxe Chesterfield bed, maroon color. Mrs. Wm. Meredith, Roberts Creek. 26

## FOR SALE

1946 Marconi radios. See and hear them today at Tommy Thomas', authorized Marconi Sales and Service, Madeira Park, Pender Harbor. 32

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## FOR SALE

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## LEGAL

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS  
One Classroom

Gibson's Landing, B.C.

Sealed tenders, endorsed "Tenders for Classroom, Gibson's Landing, B.C.," will be received by the Secretary of Board of Trustees, Gibson's Landing, B.C., for the erection and completion by August 31, 1946, of a classroom, an addition to the School Gymnasium.

Copies of plans and specifications can be obtained from the Secretary on payment to a deposit of ten dollars (\$10.00), which will be refunded on return of the plans, etc., in good condition.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Board of School Trustees, Gibson's Landing, B.C., for five per cent (5%) of the amount of the tender, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so.

Tenders must be in the hands of the Secretary at or before 12 noon on Thursday, February 28, 1946.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Mrs. Anne Burns, Secretary.

Howe Sound United School Board, Gibson's Landing, B.C.

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION  
OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Reserve establishment under authority of Order-in-Council No. 1653, approved December 9th, 1943, notice of which was published in the British Columbia Gazette of December 16th, 1943, is cancelled in so far as it relates to the following described lands:

Lot 9 of lot 4758, group 1, New Westminster District, plan 5196 containing 25.7 acres.

Block 2, plan 4731 and parcel "B", reference plan 1906, both of the north half of lot 2845, group 1, New Westminster District, containing respectively 0.5 acres and 9.90 acres.

H. CATHCART  
Deputy Minister of Lands.

Department of Lands and Forests, Victoria, B.C., December 1st, 1945.

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## SELMA PARK

MRS. W. D. GILBERT  
Correspondent

Mrs. H. Burke spent a few days in Vancouver during the middle of the month.

## PRAIRIE VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Sydney McKay, of Selma Park have as their guests for a week or two Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McKay of Portage la Prairie.

## BIRTHDAY TEA

Mrs. J. Mowatt entertained at tea on the occasion of Mrs. A. Cawley's birthday. Other guests were Mrs. R. S. Hackett, Mrs. E. Clayton, Mrs. F. Rice, and Mrs. W. D. Gilbert.

## DOCTOR'S DAUGHTER

Former patients of Dr. A. W. Holm will be interested to hear that he is now the father of a baby daughter born in Vancouver at St. Paul's hospital, Feb. 11, 1946.

Mrs. G. Dresser from Oakland, California, and her sister Miss Bunny Hasting who recently retired from the staff of Vancouver General Hospital, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. McGuiness for the past week or two.

## REPAIR SECHLT WHARF

Replanking and minor repairs are under way at the Sechelt wharf.

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## Without Wax

By H. W. BROOKER

THE COMMUNITY Centre idea is sweeping the country like a great tidal wave. Already we see successful results in many cities, towns and rural districts. Wherever a community centre project is operating we find an enthusiastic, wide-awake group of people. These people have right to be proud of their centre, however small it may be. Plenty of spunk, and an eye to the future are necessary to commence and carry on such a work.

It is astonishing to discover the amount of careful planning and serious consideration that it requires to place the organization on a sound basis. One must bear in mind those famous words—"First things first."

Those of us who have been working on the board of the provisional committee of the Sechelt community centre have learned a great deal. We know that Sechelt would benefit from such a centre in more ways than one.

Some years ago, a splendid group of what we call the old timers got together and really started and carried on for quite a time some nice social evenings.

Today, more than ever, Sechelt needs a community centre which should be a part of its educational life, bringing together groups of all ages and special interests. A program should be planned to meet the needs and interests of all members of the family—father, mother, children, young people and old people, as well as to provide activities in which all

members of the family will take part together.

Sechelt has been drifting along aimlessly for too long. It is a fact that Sechelt is composed of hundreds of houses scattered here and there without any centralized activities, really looking ahead and trying to get somewhere. If it were not for one or two groups which have struggled along—in spite of some of the citizens—we would not have a community at all.

The Canadian Legion is an excellent example of these groups, having persevered for years and taken an active part in the people of Sechelt in many ways. Mr. Frank French has been treasurer of the Legion for twelve years. Very few of us can claim this length of service to Sechelt.

The success of the Sechelt community centre depends upon each and every one of us, and we shall soon have an opportunity to prove our worth as responsible citizens.

Which classification do you come under—a grouch and a pessimist, or an open minded citizen who is looking forward to taking part in the many fine, worthwhile activities that lie ahead?

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# Locker Room Chatter

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## GIBSONS TAKE BRITANNIA

The crack Gibson's hoop team basketball stars 31-19 last Saturday night in a one-sided show that saw Jim Drummond of Gibsons chalk up 13 of his team's 31 counters.

Ted Bogle led the Britannia team which could get and hold onto the ball but seemed lost when it came to doing something with it.

Attendance crowded the hall with some 100 spectators and everyone enjoyed the cooling off dance.

## BADMINTON TILT

Gibson's featherweight artists, reversing recent tendencies to allow other teams to take the honors, racked up a 14-10 score against Roberts Creek in a lively badminton match Feb. 12.

Pender Harbour Badminton Club relaxed with a hard time dance, and officers of the club were busy collecting the two-bit fines imposed on all who came through the war and door in the Sunday bests.

Receipts of the evening will be used for club expenses.

Irvine's Landing community hall is reported to have survived the shock of the evening.

## James Antosh Host at Valentine

MASTER James Antosh played host to a number of his friends at a Valentine party, Wednesday, February 13.

Hearts, pretty valentines and red and white streamers adorned the living room, where a dainty lunch was served at a table gaily decked with valentine favors.

Guests present were, the Misses Jo-Anne Feschuk, Karen Halversen, Joy McKinnon, Susan Reeve, Sally Ann Watson, Patricia Wilson, and Masters Peter Feschuk, Karl Aalten, Terry Aldridge, Harvey Halversen, and Alan Watson.

## 34 Attend Red Cross Whist Drive

ROBERTS Creek branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society held a whist and card party Thursday, Jan. 31 in the dining room of Kewpie Camp. Thirty-four persons attended a very enjoyable evening.

Prizes were won by Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Edlund and Mr. Rusk.

Agreeing that a repeat performance would be appreciated, a similar party was scheduled for the evening of Thursday, Feb. 28.

Refreshment and entertainment committees were congratulated on fine presentations.

Pte. W. E. Edwardson, Irving's Landing, was among the soldiers, who arrived in Halifax on Wednesday aboard H.M.S. Arbuter.

## Social Credit Literature and Meetings

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## Beard Contest For "Circus"

LONG BEARDS, short beards, scraggy beards, bushy beards — all these, and more will be the order in Powell River District as from noon today, when the annual Sulphur Gulch brush contest gets underway.

When the circus finally creaks into town, sometime later this spring, the "gulcher" who sports the most luxuriant growth of chin and lip lettuce, will be awarded a \$25 prize.

Pages of time will be turned back on the nights of the Sulphur Gulch celebration and residents of Powell River and district will doff modern attire for hoop skirts, handle-bar moustaches, top hats and will revive the days of a century ago.

To this colorful setting will be added the din of carnival atmosphere and the raucous voices of barkers on the midway.

## NEW ENTRY

A late entry for Queen of the Circus is Miss Elsa Berg from Lund making the total aspirants for Queen number eight comely maidens. Last year Miss Ruth Ford was elected to reign over festivities. Maids-of-honor were Carolyn Taylor and Beverly Maple.

An official announcement from the mayor of Sulphur Gulch, appearing in this issue, contains details of the beard growing contest and other facts pertaining to the Circus.

## Society Operates As Co-operative

MANY people assume that the principle of "co-operatives" as applied to business enterprise is something entirely new. That such is not the case is demonstrated by the latest report issued by directors of the Family Assurance Society, Vancouver.

The Family Assurance Society has been operating successfully for over 20 years and provides members with guaranteed insurance security on a non-profit basis. This is possible through rigid application of the true spirit of mutual co-operation.

Its directors, well-known B.C. men representing all walks of life, are elected from the membership and serve without salary. They are W. F. McClintock, office and traffic manager, Kelly Douglas and Co., Vancouver; W. M. Fairweather, O.B.E., farmer, Port Hammond; Joseph Oliver, barrister, Vancouver; A. Tom Alsbury, high school teacher, 6975 Cypress St., Vancouver. President is Dr. D. A. Dunbar, physician and surgeon, and the manager and secretary-treasurer is Mr. Alex Mackenzie, former banker.

Their annual report reveals a steadily increasing membership. During nearly a quarter of a century of business, the society has paid out over half a million dollars to beneficiaries. A low mortality rate, due to an exacting medical standard for admission to membership, has resulted in the building of substantial reserves. Membership is open to men and women not over 47 years of age who are in good health. Further particulars are given in the Society's advertisement elsewhere in this issue.

## Illegal Trapping Brings \$300 Fine

FOUND guilty and convicted under provisions of Section 2A, Game Act Regulations, Carl Martin, trapper at Deserted Bay, Jervis Inlet, was fined \$300 when he appeared in Powell River police court on February 15. The charge arose when Martin was apprehended for illegal trapping on another person's registered trapline.

Section 2A of the Game Act Regulations requires that all traplines be registered with the government and that trappers confine their activities to their specified territory.



# ELEMENTARY EDUCATION BY MAIL

THE elementary education correspondence courses cover the work of Grades I to VIII prescribed in the Programme of Studies for British Columbia Schools.

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Three months' work is sent out at a time in order to provide adequate material so that the pupil will not be left without work during any part of the school year. The pupil is encouraged to complete a lesson a week. This will enable him to complete his grade in the school year. When a lesson is completed it is sent to the school for correction. After it has been marked it is returned to the pupil with directions concerning any necessary corrections. As soon as a pupil satisfactorily completes the work of a grade he is promoted to the next grade and may commence his new work immediately.

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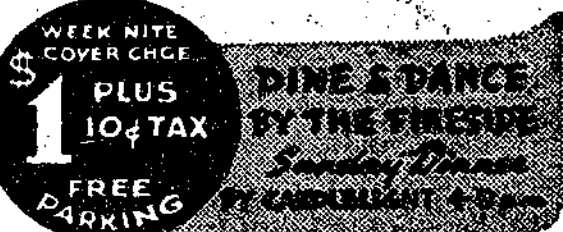
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# Exercise "Muskox" To Pierce The Arctic

## Canadian Army In Polar Expedition

*Secrets of Frozen Northland to Unfold Before Onslaught of Army Scientists*

THIS WINTER the "Cremation of Sam McGee" will have nothing on Exercise Muskox for "strange things done under the midnight sun", as Robert Service aptly puts it. The Muskox expedition will pierce the Arctic circle and the land of the midnight sun in a dozen modern snowmobiles—and receive food and fuel from airplanes whose compasses will refuse to work near the magnetic pole.

In spite of the combined elements and all the frozen north can offer to oppose civilization's advance, the small party of modern-day explorers will bounce over snow, ice and mud for 3,100 miles in 81 days to emerge with secrets the north has guarded jealously since history began.

If Muskox is successful—and the quality of its men and equipment indicate that is scarcely be otherwise—then, besides opening the Arctic, these secrets wrenched from the barren lands will simplify the advance by land and air into the mining and forest areas of Canada where climates are less vigorous and the lure of natural resources as great or greater.

### TIME IS RIGHT

The time for such a scientific expedition is right because stocks of cold weather materials needed by the armed forces for winter warfare are still available—cold weather clothing, equipment, vehicles and aircraft. In addition to materials, there is the backlog of methods learned by large-scale air and parachute supply used in Burma and France, and the new technique for navigating, especially by radar. Muskox has had a vanguard too, in winter exercises Polar Bear, Eskimo and Lemming and the combined experiences of these pre-decursors will be useful. Finally, because the armed forces have made these tests and because they now have the only trained personnel available, the Army and RCAF are the logical choice to conduct Muskox. Civilian scientists and observers will check their findings and establish weather stations along the

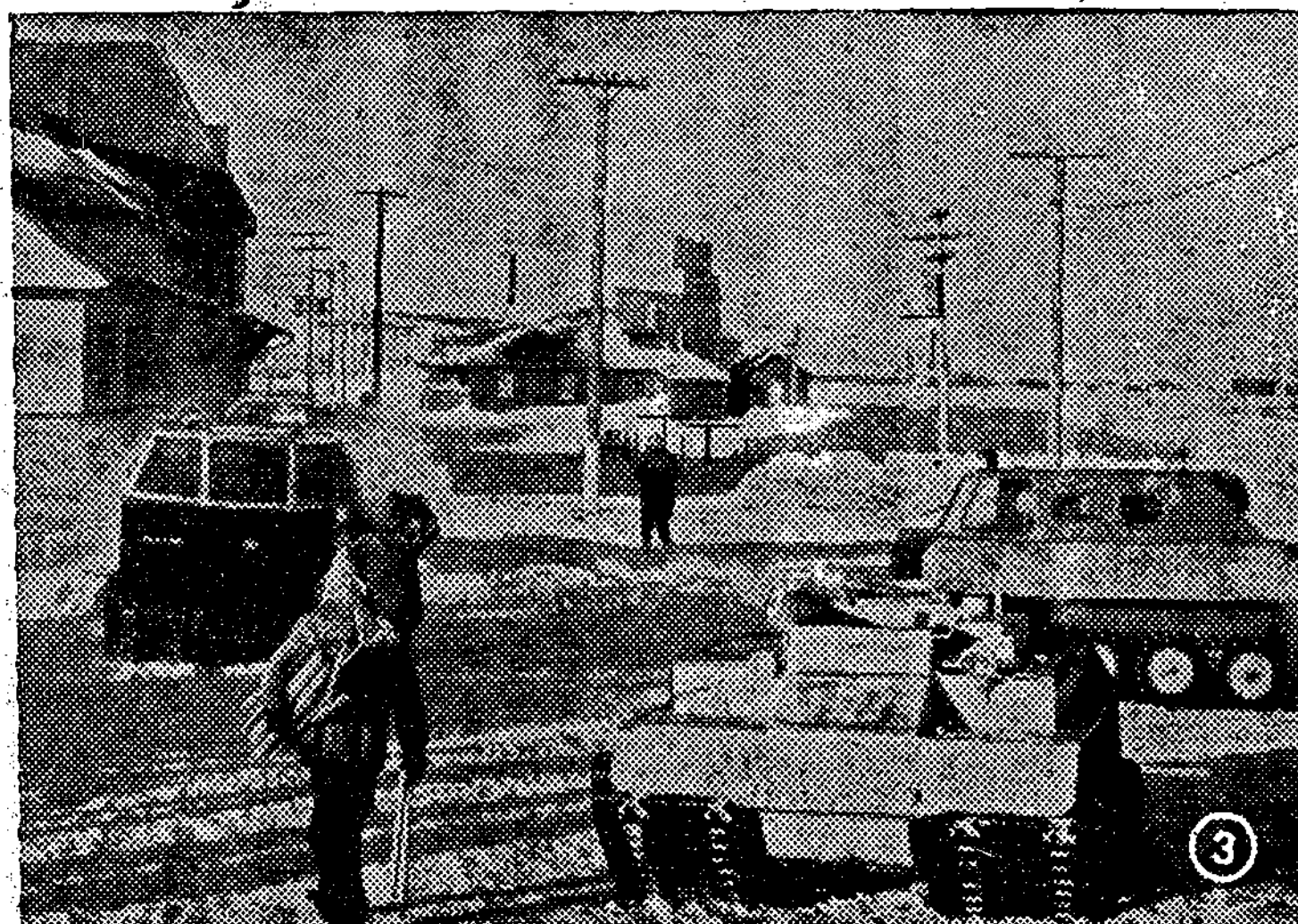
down the Back since 1834.

Next stop is Perry River where an Eskimo operates the lonely Hudson's Bay Post. After Perry River the trek will cross 50 miles of open ocean ice to the nearest Arctic Island, Victoria Island, which is larger than Great Britain. Here at Cambridge Bay, the RCMP ship, St. Roche, is wintering—the same St. Roche that conquered the Northwest Passage two summers ago. The force will pause for about nine days at this port of call, while a detachment makes its way north to Denmark Bay, to take magnetic observations close to the magnetic pole. During this pause in the schedule, the base forces will leave Churchill for Yellowknife and Norman Wells to be in closer contact with the expedition in the last half of its journey which should be less difficult by comparison.

### TO COPPERMINE

From Cambridge Bay the force travels 200 miles across the usually smooth ocean ice to Coppermine, then strikes inland to the first trees since leaving Churchill. At Great Bear lake the force visits the uranium mine at Port Radium.

"Spring and break-up will be approaching now with warmth and nearly continuous daylight, and the country will be no longer uninhabited and untravelled. The route lies across the ice of Great Bear lake to Norman Wells and up the Mackenzie River past Fort Simpson to Fort Nelson over a tractor trail left from the building of the Canol pipe line. Mud and slush will impede the vehicles now, but they should cross the main Mackenzie and Liard Rivers before the spring break-up and reach the Alcan Highway at Fort Nelson late in April. The last 700 miles should see the expedition down the Alcan to Edmonton by May 5.





**MUSKOX MEN TRAIN AND PREPARE AT CHURCHILL MANITOBA**, for their 3,100-mile trek across the frozen, barren Arctic and sub-Arctic regions which began last Thursday. A non-tactical expedition "Exercise Muskox" will study mobility of machines under sub-zero temperatures; problems of air supply; navigation, and suitability of special Arctic clothing. First stop will be at Eskimo Point, with the northward swing climbing 300 miles above the Arctic Circle to Denmark Bay, then south to end at Edmonton, Alberta, early in May. Travelling in Canadian-designed snowmobiles the small moving force is supplied by air. Several hundred Army, Navy and Airforce personnel, as well as civilians, comprise the base force. In the top left photo. No. 1, Gordon McKay, Winnipeg, and Don Storr, Saskatoon, check wind velocity. They represent the Department of Transport and will be responsible for weather reporting on the trip. (2) With the tem-

perature holding steady at 35 below zero a snowmobile group spent their first night at Churchill in Eskimo type igloos. The men must learn to construct an igloo in less than two hours. They'll live in these snowhouses whenever strong winds and low temperatures make their special double-lined nylon tents unsuitable. (3) Snowmobiles arrive in the Hudson's Bay port of Churchill. In the background is huge government grain elevator, built to shorten Western Canada's grain haul to Europe. (4) Lt.-Col. P. Baird, Montreal, Commander Muskox, shows his men trick of quickly fitting second-tier blocks of typical snow shelter. Finished igloos accommodate four men and can be heated with oil stoves to a point where bridge sessions in shirt sleeves are possible. (5) Completed igloo. Lt. Pat Nasmyth, Vancouver, radar officer, is shown chinking small openings in finished hut. Gordon Watson, engineer from the Canadian armament, Research and Development establishment, stands in trend from which snow was cut.—Canadian Army Photo.



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the men of Muskox are now plunging 900 miles north to the Arctic coast, 900 miles westward, then 1,200 miles back up the Mackenzie valley to Edmonton. The midway point in the trek will be Cambridge Bay, with important stops enroute at Eskimo Point, Baker Lake and Perry River. Near Baker Lake the force will pass through the rarely visited land of Musk-ox—the strange animals from whom the exercise has taken its name. Next stage of the route lies over 400 miles of unmapped country between Baker Lake and the Arctic Ocean—unmapped except for Back River which was discovered, travelled and surveyed in 1834 by Capt. Back of the Royal Navy. Although it is as big as the South Saskatchewan River, there has been only one other recorded journey

made by an anonymous draftsman, are the Canadian armored snowmobiles developed two years ago when 400 were made for a proposed invasion of Norway. On 15 of the 400, armor has come off and a cab substituted to protect the driver and three passengers. Muskox will prove whether or not these are the logical vehicles for the extreme north country.

No. 1 Air Supply Unit of the RCAF Transport Command has undertaken to supply the expedition. Huge, twin-engined Dakotas, work-horses of World War Two, will fly to the moving force from bases at Churchill, Yellowknife, and Norman Wells. Sections of army dropping crews will drop by parachute 3,800 pounds of fuel and supplies daily—weather permitting. Their flights will be supplemented by single-engined Norsemen on skis.

## GIBSON'S LANDING

EILEEN SMITH  
Correspondent

Linda Lee, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Harris, is back home following a stay of several weeks in a Vancouver Hospital.

## SAWMILL PROGRESSING

Cook, Volen Limited Sawmill, is rapidly nearing completion. Power for the new enterprise will be supplied by a new 160

horsepower diesel engine recently arrived.

## BENEFIT DANCE

Fire protection committee of the Gibson's Landing Ratepayers Association is sponsoring a benefit dance to be held in the school hall on March 16. Entire proceeds will be for the benefit of the newly formed fire brigade.

Special prizes and novelties will be offered stated the committee, and a good time is expected by all.

## FERRY

Howe Sound Transport's fast

ferry, Commuter, is back on the run after a check-over at Coate's Watercraft docks. The ship has been re-painted and new panels added to replace the curtains at the rear.

George Frith and Gordon Ballant, fathers of the service, are eagerly awaiting the new sister ship of the Commuter which is expected to take care of the increase in traffic.

## NEW RESIDENTS

New arrivals in the district include Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair MrAdie who have bought Mr. John Kullander's place.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Murray have purchased the Kimball property.

Mrs. Murray's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Osborne are staying with her. At present both Mr. Osborne and Mr. Murray are engaged in construction work at Powell River.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kerfoot are staying in Mrs. Harris' house. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Abbs have purchased Mr. Joe Fitchel's new house on Stony Road.

## KLEINDALE

Mrs. C. Harper, Correspondent

Of wide interest was the marriage on January 7, in St. Mary's Chapel, Garden Bay, of Marquerite Elizabeth Sundquist, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sundquist of Kleindale, to Pte. Archibald Roy West, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy West of Pender Harbour.

The bride looked charming in a gown of personality beige crepe, trimmed with sequins and with hat and matching accessories.

Her only ornament was a drop pearl necklet, worn by her mother at her wedding ceremony.

Miss Alma Sundquist, sister of the bride in Fiesta blue acted as bridesmaid, while Norman Edwars supported the groom.

Reverend Snowden of Gibson's Landing performed the ceremony.

The young couple will make

**THE MUSKOX "FLASH"** — designed by members of force Muskox and drawn by Pte. Irene E. Mullin is circular in shape. It will be worn by the moving force itself as well as members of the three services participating in the exercise. The three-toned patch embodies colors of all three services.

—Canadian Army Photo.

## Opens Machine Shop at Pender

Another example of business faith in this area is seen in the announcement that Mr. J. Had-dock has opened a new machine shop in Pender Harbour at Maderia Park. His wife and son Albert have arrived to join him in their new home at the park.

their home in Pender Harbour. Friends of Charles Heid will be sorry to learn that he is a patient in St. Mary's Hospital.

## SECHLT

Alice A. French  
Correspondent

At the recent annual meeting of Women's Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion the following officer were elected. Mrs. Jane Nickson, honorary president; Mrs. F. French president; Mrs. C. Arnold 1st vice-pres.; Miss J. Allen 2nd vice-pres.; Miss A. James 3rd vice-pres.; Mrs. C. Prince treasurer; Mrs. C. Wheeler secretary; executive committee, Mrs. B. Power, Mrs. McKay and Mrs. G. Batchelor; Mrs. W. Elliot, sergeant at arms.

## CORRECTION

Red Cross officers are as follows: Mrs. W. Allan, president; Mrs. F. French 1st vice-president; Mrs. Geo. Batchelor, sec-treas.; correcting the error in last issue when Mrs. D. Gilbert was reported sec.-treas.

Good attendance at Sechelt Improvement Association meeting with president Sidney McKay in the chair. Delegates Mr. Elliot and Mr. McKay reported an interview with officials of Union Estates with regard to the much discussed water project and letters were read with reference to the rural route for this area.

Herbert Gargrave, M.L.A. gave a very lucid report on affairs concerning the MacKenzie riding. There was a moment of hilarity when one member suggested tying Mr. Gargrave up and putting him away in the little cupboard until such time as he got some decent work done on the roads. Anyway Mr. Gargrave was very sporting about all and advised the meeting would do all he could at the coming session.



## HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF!

Do you know that women's styles run in cycles? Be-feathered hats were the vogue in the gay nineties, and in 1946 they are a fashion first again. The hat above, which appeared in EATON'S Spring and Summer Catalogue of 1894, compares in style to the smaller editions on display in our millinery department today. But whether it's 1894 or 1946, people in Western Canada know that the NEW styles always appear in EATON'S catalogues.

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# Proper Food Habits Should Be Taught

AS SO MANY mothers complain of the poor appetites of their children we will deal this time with Proper Food Habits. Having been assured by your doctor that there is no physical basis for the poor appetite of your child proper food habits should be established immediately—you cannot start at too early an age. A child will accept an established routine without comment. The small child should have its meals alone or with other small children only. The meal should be cooked and served as attractively as possible and no comments whatsoever should be made. Don't say "Isn't that good?" about something especially attractive or very soon little Johnny will wonder why similar complimentary remarks are not made about such an everyday item as porridge and will then start to be "Choosy" about his food. If Johnny has a good appetite and has never heard food discussed he will eat it without hesitation. When introducing something new on his menu it is well to give him just a very little at first and if he does not appear to like it wait two or three weeks before giving it to him again. There will of course be times when he is not hungry in which case just remove the food and say nothing—of course, if he hasn't eaten his meat and vegetables he does not get his pudding or anything else. If a child is not eating his meals properly there should be absolutely no 'eating between meals'. Send your personal problems to this column and we will do our best to help you.

## POWELL RIVER

JIM CRAIGEN, Correspondent

"Roberts Creek school will have a school childrens' credit union as soon as arrangements now under way are completed," said Mr. Butcher, president of the B.C. Credit Union League in an address before the annual meeting of the Powell River Credit union in the Dwight Hall last week.

"This is our first experiment in school credit unions", he said, "but they have proved successful in Quebec and Alberta."

**SPINAL OPERATION**

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Beck of Powell River have left for Vancouver where Mr. Beck will undergo a spinal operation. The family will reside in Vancouver for the next few months.

**AERO CLUB**

With an approval for their proposed landing strip from the Department of Lands safely tucked away in their pockets, members of the Powell River Aero Club will shortly renew their drive for full membership.

In company with Aero Club and Board of Trade officials, H. E. White, Department of Lands Inspector, went over the proposed strip last Friday afternoon and pronounced it good.

**NO HEALTH UNIT**

Lack of trained personnel will prevent establishment of provincial health unit in Powell River for at least one year, a meeting of district citizens was informed Friday night. It may be possible, however, to obtain the services of a part-time sanitary inspector.

# The Road Question

WITH PARIAMENT getting back to work, and a labor surplus looming on the home market the people all over B.C. have every reason to expect a renewed road program and some honest workmanship and results. The road problem has been and is still being kicked all over the province and into the Peace River block, and it seems to us that if the same energy was used to meet responsibilities as is used by many of our leaders to dodge them we should have today one of the finest road systems on the continent.

It may come as a shock to our trusted M.L.A.'s soon to meet in Victoria, but we on the Sechelt Peninsula, and along the lower coast and taking in the Howe Sound Area have a road problem. We haven't one single road deserving of the name or the traffic it bears, and some very important parts of this area haven't any roads, of any nature at all—not even bad ones.

It is time that every official and unofficial body in this area took it upon themselves to let Victoria know that we need a road rebuilding program here. It is useless to watch the scrapers shift a little bit of surface dust back and forth when every car, truck, bus and taxi driver

knows with every one of the 5,000 chuck-holes to the mile that the road-bed is shot and needs rebuilding. Repairs are not lasting because there is no foundation suited to take the type of repairs in use.

Since the different road officials up here are not getting results from their suggestions as to what needs to be done we take this opportunity to remind the public-spirited public works department that we need a ripper over all our roads between Halfmoon Bay to Gibson's Landing, followed by a gravelling foundation, followed by grading and oiling.

It is worse than feeble to proclaim that suitable road building material is not available at low cost in adequate quantities. It is lying on the beaches waiting while the logging companies, (which must take care of their equipment at their own expense) build roads of which the whole area is jealous, using as their base the much despised beach gravel.

Personally we hope that the taxi-truck drivers group realize soon that their proposed delegation will get no results while they negotiate from this end of the Strait of Georgia, other than develop the letter writing ability of their secretary.

# Scout-Guide Week

FOR 170,000 Canadian boys and girls, and their parents and friends too, the week of Feb. 17 to 23 has a special interest. It is Boy Scout-Girl Guide Week in Canada. The observance of this week is not an appeal for funds, but rather a week dedicated to the purpose of telling the public how these movements came into being, how they seek to serve boys and girls, and why in less than forty years they have spread to every part of the world, embracing within their fellowship millions of young people of every race, color and creed.

When Lord Baden-Powell first introduced Scouting in Great Britain in 1908, little did he think that the ideals of a happy useful life suggested by his program, would within a decade be adopted in nearly fifty foreign countries, in addition to more than forty parts of the British Empire. It is unlikely too that he realized that his program would sweep across all barriers of race, and color and creed.

Therein lies much of the greatness and influence of the Boy Scout and Girl Guide Movements. The sound training for good citizenship they provide is well recognized. The contribution they make toward solving the juvenile delinquency problem is widely known. That boys and girls who have had scout and guide training, almost invariably become upright citizens is generally accepted.

It was always a vision of the founder of the Scout and Guide Movements, that they would play a part in the building of a world fellowship. It was a vision, perhaps impossible of accomplishment is less than 40 years, and yet no doubt it has played a part in laying the foundations, and will play an ever greater part as the years unfold. The tremendous services rendered their countries by Scouts and Guides during the war, and the splendid work they are now doing in the rehabilitation of the movements in the devastated countries is proof that the spirit is there and unbroken. What is needed is an expansion of that spirit and of their forward-looking world outlook, to an even wider circle of boys and girls, both in this country and throughout the world.

Lord Rowallan, Chief Scout of the Empire, who is to visit Canada this year recently expressed the belief "that Scouting and Guiding is one of the few real hopes for a better understanding among the peoples of the world, for it is a common basis on which people of all countries and creeds can meet." If Boy Scout-Girl Guide Week did nothing more than to emphasize and spread abroad that youthful spirit of tolerance, fellowship and friendship, it would serve a purpose which would be felt around the world.

### Noted in Passing

The man who is always out for himself is always in bad with others.

A nation which accepts no blame for the conditions in the world can do nothing to remedy them.

It's right to pull for a good man but far better to pull with him.

Some people think they have to keep growling to get a bear living.

Children are the product either of our time or of our spare time.

It's not what I possess but what possesses me.

### Poet's Corner

REST

NELL M. PHILLIPS

Beneath a blanket white the earth is sleeping.  
The snow lies smooth upon her rugged breast.  
While all the flowers and bulbs are taking  
Once more their long refreshing rest.

Again to waken when the springtime's calling  
And pussy willows burst upon the trees  
When birds will sing their sweetest carol  
And violet scent is wafted on the breeze.

For nature needs a rest from all her labors  
To make the world all over fresh and new,  
To paint the sunrise in a richer color,  
And drench the grass and flowers with dew.

All mortals too need rest that they may waken,  
Refreshed and strengthened with a courage strong,  
That they may face the days that lie before them  
Unflinching though the way be long.

The answer to atomic bombs is a spiritual upheaval.

We've had victory over our enemies. Now for victory over ourselves.

"My principals aren't so high," said a school boy, "that I can't live up to them."

After a bad break do you go to pieces or pick up the pieces?

It's cutting corners that dulls our edge.

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## PENDER HARBOUR

Cedric Reid has sold his boat "Ludo", and a new boat under construction for him at Fraser Boat Works. The new boat was to have have been a 36-foot troller with a 110 h.p. motor.

**20-DAY LEAVE**

Clifford Edwardson is home on a twenty day leave from his until stationed in Camp Borden, Ontario.

**DISCHARGED**

Bob Lee has received his discharge from the Army.

Ed Wray is confined in St. Mary's Hospital with an injured back.

**RETURNEES**

Patsy Lee was in Vancouver on a two-weeks visit and arrived home accompanied by her sisiter Leona, who has been away for the past two years.

Miss Helen MacKay, who formerly worked in Murdock's Store, has arrived home after spending several months in Vancouver.

**VANCOUVER MEETING**

Mrs. R. Edwardson accompanied by one of her younger daughters went to Vancouver recently to meet her oldest son, Norman who arrived home after serving 3 1-2 years as a driver in the Canadian Army Service Corps.

Mrs. Mort Douglas arrived home after a lengthy visit in Vancouver

**LOGGING FINISHING**

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gough and their children have been guests of Mrs. Gough's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Edwardson, while Frank was helping to wind-up a small logging show of Gibson and McNeill Logging Co., just completed at Garden Bay.

**FORMER NURSE**

Miss Marie Breer, formerly member of the nursing staff at St. Mary's Hospital, visited Mr. Margaret Welch in Vancouver who was also a nurse in the same hospital.

Miss Breer's return to her home in Ontario was delayed for awhile due to an infected foot. She has recovered from this and is on her way home.

**ENGAGEMENT**

The engagement of Nina, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Warnock, to Stan, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. William Almas, of Egmont, has been announced.

**LACK OF MATERIAL**

The construction of the new float and approach at Madeira Park is being held up due to the lack of material.

## Reader's Right

Editor, Coast News,  
Coast News.  
Dear Sir,

The people of the Kleindale area would like to offer a bouquet to their road foreman, Mr. Dave Pollock, who, we feel, is doing a fine job for his limited resources, and lack of co-operation from sources that should be giving assistance.

The part of the road under Mr. Pollock's supervision is in fairly good condition, and many car drivers have mention the fine shape it is in for this time of year.

Personally I have noticed that Mr. Pollock is on the job in rain or shine, is always on time and puts in a full eight hour day, and works steadily on repairing, grading, etc. He seems in these comments, for I have heard many favorably remarks on his efficiency as a road foreman.

Mrs. C. Harper.



## Logger's Mummery

(A recent issue of "Ubyssy", student publication of the University of British Columbia, contained an article on the logging industry. Written by "Jabez", a lad who appears to know the ropes, the piece gives a new slant on the industry and is good for quite a few laughs.)

THE LOGGING industry is primarily for cutting trees. When it has cut enough trees it throws them in the water and they are washed up on the beach and make swell places for beach-fires. We should all, therefore, admire the logging industry and prevent forest fires, which annoy it very much.

The first thing needed for a logging industry is a forest, preferably a forest of trees. Trees have, on the whole, been found to make the best lumber, and every effort should be made to start a logging camp in a region where there are trees.

### LOGGING FOR BEGINNERS

Trees are usually found by a man called a surveyor, who goes out with his dog and finds all the trees you want by keeping away from cities and highway. The dog has been found invaluable for this purpose, and has his own sleeping quarters, called a pup-tent.

Once a tree has been found, a man with a Swedish accent is sent out to cut it down. This man, known as a "faller", can easily be identified by the fact that he yells "timber!" just before the tree falls down.

Unfortunately, if you are close enough to a faller to hear him yell "timber!" you will probably be killed by the tree when it falls down. This is known as workman's compensation and is quite popular.

Besides his axe and his Swedish accent, the faller must take along a friend who is a "bucker". This man saws the big tree, once it is felled, into a lot of little trees, making it look like more and fooling the company.

### DONKEY SERENADE

Wherever the faller and buckler go they are followed by a donkey. This donkey pulls itself along by means of a line attached to a winch. By turning the winch, the line shortens until the donkey is fairly close to the tree. Then some more men, called "chokermen", approach the tree and choke it with a line attached to the winch of the donkey. When they think they have choked the tree enough, the chokermen shout to a little man sitting on a stump.

The little man is the "whistlepunk" and when the chokermen shout at him he hoots his whistle back at them and the winch starts revolving furiously, bringing the tree closer to the donkey, and probably rolling over one of the chokermen, providing more workmen's compensation, which is appreciated by all concerned.

The donkey keeps turning its winch until the tree has been hauled up to what is called a "cold deck pile". This consists of a large number of trees heaped together so that they can be taken away. Here, another donkey, much larger than the first and with a considerable number of winches revolving with steam coming out of the

ends, is brought up. By now the loggers are all excited to see what will happen next.

### SIMPLE OPERATION

First the tree is loaded onto a flat-car by the first loader and the second loader. The first loader is the loader who gets killed first when the winches toss around the logs. The second loader is only allowed to get killed after the first loader, and therefore receives less pay.

During this operation, the donkey becomes so excited turning its winches that it gives off sparks. To counteract this, it is necessary to hire a "spark-chaser", who chases the spark into the woods until one or the other is extinguished.

When the tree has been placed on the flatcar, it becomes a log. This is made official by a "scaler", a man who climbs up on the loads and measures the logs in board feet. When the locomotive engineer thinks the scaler has measured enough board feet, he starts the train, throwing the scaler off the loads and usually killing him. Besides the workman's compensation involved, this helps to amuse the locomotive engineer and prepares him for the arduous journey ahead.

During the trip, the logs depend for their welfare upon two men who sit on top of the last load of logs with their knees crossed. These are known as "brakemen", or "brakies", and it is their function to annoy the locomotive as much as possible. They do this by jumping off the train, seizing switches, and forcing the locomotive into a siding. Then they wave their arms at one another until the locomotive is obliged to go to the back of the train in disgrace. The train then starts off again with the locomotive tamely pushing, instead of pulling and fuming at the sight of the two "brakies" now sitting on top of the front load, with their knees crossed.

Thus, when the locomotive reaches the sea, it is in an excellent mood to hurl all the logs into the water and stalk back into the woods in a huff. What the locomotive doesn't know, of course, is that this is exactly what the company wants it to do. For, as soon as the locomotive has gone, a number of men appear on the logs, and start sticking them with sharp poles to see if they are ripe.

These are the "boommen", whose job consists chiefly of staying on the logs without falling into the water. At this point, another scaler appears to see whether the dead scaler up in the woods has correctly counted the number of board feet in the logs.

Unfortunately this scaler is maintained by the government and the company cannot kill him off. Unless, of course, there is a change in the government, in which case the company can obtain permission without much difficulty.

Finally, a tug comes into the bay to take away all the logs that have been found to be ripe and showing the proper number of board feet. When it is a suitable distance out to sea, the tug is struck by a sharp storm, losing most of its logs, which are washed up on the beaches, where they are quickly demolished by a swarm of beach parties.

## Rabbit Raising

These articles are printed by request of readers interested in raising rabbits as a paying hobby.

Few hobbies are as fascinating or as profitable as raising "Chin-Chin", (giant Chinchilla) rabbits.

This famous strain is the latest edition of the Chinchilla rabbit, being the largest yet developed and having a lovely dense blue under-fur. Authorities in the fur trade agree that "chin-chin" is the most beautiful and most valuable of all rabbit furs. Five different bands are noticed, and the fur-trade is anxious to obtain quantities of these pelts, as this particular fur can be made into full length coats, natural, or put through a process called velvetizing. Velvetized fur is very similar to the fur of the genuine Chinchilla, but in no way related. (More at a later date).

The raising of chin-chins offers opportunities to people of medium and small means. They can be raised with only limited cash consideration, time and accommodation.

If one possesses a liking for animals, it is easy to make a success of animal raising. The work, is light and pleasant, provides an interesting interlude in the days events, and the pleasure derived is increased by the knowledge that the venture and fruits of it are in a special sense 'ones very own.'

We are going to consider the rabbit industry on a commercial basis:

Many things must be considered if we are to have any hope of making a profit. First and most important step is the selection of stock. Always but the finest and most profitable stock obtainable. Why pay out money for ordinary rabbits when it

costs no more to keep rabbits which will give the best results financially, and which you will be proud to own. We must select a rabbit which gives us not only the best of fur but which will also supply the best possible meat for the market. The texture and flavor of rabbit meat varies with different breeds, the same as it does in other livestock. Size is another important factor to consider, as this means more meat and larger pelts.

We cannot all afford to go in for the higher priced animals such as fox and mink, but we can all afford to keep a few rabbits. The rabbit industry is well established and growing steadily, with more and more people deriving pleasure and profit from it.



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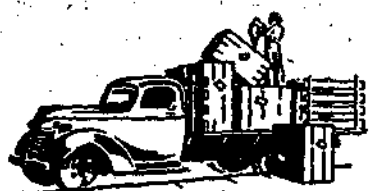
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## Mrs. Marie Saari Passes at Nanaimo

THE death occurred suddenly in Nanaimo recently of Mrs. Elizabeth Marie Saari. She is survived by her husband, Mr. M. V. Saari, and two young children, Robert and Hazel.

Born in Powell River, Mrs. Saari had been resident of Campbell River for some time and had only recently taken up residence in Nanaimo.

Besides her immediate family she is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith, and two brothers and three sisters, John M. William S., Margaret K., Diana I., and Jacqueline G., all residents of Campbell River.

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## A. McPhee Again Heads P. R. Credit Union

ELECTION of officers at the eighth annual meeting of the Powell River Credit Union in Dwight Hall Friday night, saw president Archie McPhee returned for a third term. A. R. Glen was elected vice-president and Henry Morris, Ethel MacKenzie, Thos. Hobson and Aubrey McKinnon were elected to the executive. There were no major changes in the committee officials.

### PROGRESS MADE

In giving his preport, Mr. McPhee stressed the great progress which the Credit Union made during the year. He referred especially to the increase in membership, which jumped from 602 in 1944 to 732 in 1945, and to the gain in share capital which brings the total invested by members, to \$68,000. He also commended the various committee members on the faithful performances of their duties.

Touching on the forthcoming Credit Union league convention, which will be held here in June, Mr. McPhee stated that the convention must be in the Powell River tradition. Over 150 delegates will be present and everything possible will be done to make their sojourn here a pleasant one.

Credit Union insurance schemes were explained to the members, as well as the bonding program and the Robert's Creek school experiment. In this last, the Inspector of schools and a Credit Union league inspector are co-operating in an effort to teach the value of saving to children of the Robert's Creek school near Sechelt.

After the business meeting, dancing was enjoyed in the large hall.

### Dangerous Voyages

DURING nearly six years of war, vessels owned or operated by the Canadian National (West Indies) Steamships sailed more than 4,500,000 miles in enemy submarine infested waters of the Atlantic and the Pacific.

All of the ships were in war service either as fighting ships or transporting troops, munitions, persons on war business, and foodstuffs to soldiers and civilians of the Allied Nations and the peoples of countries freed from the Nazis.

## EGMONT

Rev. G. Cameron, who arrived about the middle of January, is pinch-hitting as Egmont School teacher. The district has been without a teacher for nearly a year.

### STORK SHOWER

A "stork shower" was held recently in the home of Mrs. D. McNutt in honor of Mrs. C. B. Griffith, a war bride from Britain.

### RETURN FROM HOLLAND

Benny Vaughn, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Vaughn, arrived home recently from Holland where he had served with the Canadian Overseas Forces.

### MARRIAGE

William May, of Pender Harbour, and Minnie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Boutillier of Egmont, were united in marriage a short time ago.

### SEATON POINT

New owners of Seaton Point are Mr. and Mrs. Warhurst who arrived in the district on New Year's eve.

### CHANGE-OVER

Leaving the logging industry for the fishing lure, Mr. D. McNutt has purchased a 28 foot troller and will work during the summer with his brother Fred McNutt who already owns a troller, "Blueback II".

### FISH-BUYER

New fish-buyer on the fishermen's co-operative scow replacing George Kimberley is William Almas, an experienced mont for several years, fisherman and resident of Egmont.

### NEW HOME

Mr. and Mrs. George Kimberley have moved into their new home formerly owned by Victor Cramp.

### RETURNS TO EGMONT

Jim Hafey and Victor Cramp have returned to Egmont after spending four months in Vancouver preparing for salmon trolling.

### LUMBER MILL

Gilmour Bros. mill is operating again, cutting lumber for the local market.

## HALF MOON BAY

W. Sutherland, Correspondent

Mrs. E. Pearson went to Vancouver for a couple of days Tuesday, via Howe Sound Ferry.

The following went to town Sunday last: Mrs. Jack Burrows, Frank Lyons, Mr. Duff, Mrs. J. Sutherland.

### SEWING CIRCLE

Ladies of Halfmoon Bay recently formed a sewing circle. First meeting was held in the home of Mrs. K. Flemerfelt and the second was held in the home of Miss Elk, local school teacher. The ladies lost no time in starting to sew dresses and items of clothing for children looked after by Church Missions.

### HARD-TIME DANCE

Some of the resident of the Bay sallied forth on Saturday night in their best bib-and-tucker to attend the hard-time dance sponsored by the Pender Harbour Badminton Club. The thought of paying a 25c fine for not wearing gingham dresses and overalls didn't seem to frighten them.

### SILVER SANDS

Ladies of Silver Sands have started a sewing club with the object of raising money to purchase a piano for the school.

At the first meeting, called by Mrs. A. E. Ritchey, it was decided to meet every other Friday. Next meeting was to be held at the home of Mrs. A. C. Isaac.

## DAVIS BAY

MRS. GEO. CORMACK, Correspondent

Davis Bay now has a resident "accredited" beach-comber in the person of Mr. W. H. Arnott. Daily we hear the put-put of his boat towing its logs, and some landmarks and relics that have implanted themselves throughout the decades.

### SEA-WEALTH

One doesn't always realize the potential wealth of our coast-line brought to us by the winds tides and currents. The sea is an unstinted giver—fish for food, seaweed for gardens, firewood for our comfort, and logs for the mill.

A number of Davis Bay residents attended the Valentine tea given under the auspices of the Sechelt V.O.N. on Feb. 14.

### VALENTINE TEA

Mrs. A. Gibbons is a visitor in the city.

### IN CITY

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### SELMA PARK HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hewitt now have possession of their new home at Selma Park, (the former residence of Mr. and Mrs. Hearn).

### LEAVING FOR CITY

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Matthews, son Dennis, and daughter Dorothy, will be leaving shortly to take up residence in their new home, recently purchased in Vancouver.

### IN AND OUT OF CITY

Mrs. Thos. Turner, Miss Louise Mills, Mr. T. Higgenson, Miss Mills and Mr. Higgenson were guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Higgenson of Vancouver.

Miss Mildred Mills is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mills.

Cupid, armed with bow and quiver of arrows visited Davis Bay last week, as evidenced with several valentines and boxes of candy.

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## WILSON CREEK

MRS. D. ERICKSON  
Correspondent

Welcome newcomers to the district are Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Browning and family who have purchased the Geo. Gilbertson home.

Mrs. Browning intends operating a pedigree kennel in the near future.

### ORCHESTRA LEADER

Pruitt Jackson, well known local musician, is opening in New Westminster soon with a 12-piece dance band, and intends an extended tour of Vancouver Island and the mainland when weather conditions improve.

We all wish you the best of luck, Pruitt.

### STANDARD OIL STATION

Construction of the new standard Service Station on the south-east corner of the highway and the logging road is scheduled to start immediately.

### APOLOGIES

Your correspondent is sorry over the lack of local news in recent issues, but other activities had not allowed enough time for correspondent reporting.

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