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Boys and Girls Vs. Beer Parlor, Reader Asks

Editor, Coast News:

Sir — The big question is: Why a beer parlor in Gibsons?

Answer—Because it will stop bootlegging. What an argument. Why then is there so much bootlegging in Vancouver, a city with liquor stores open all night and dozens of beer parlors. No, we will have bootlegging as long as there is such a large profit in alcoholic drinks.

Another answer is that it will give us a $60,000 or a $70,000 hotel. What a price. To have such a detriment, such a cess pool right on our main street, and in the centre of our beautiful village.

It also means that out of the limited amount of currency there is in the district, the interest for this large outlay of money must be met. Beer must be paid for in cash while groceries and other necessities of life will have to be put on the cuff.

On the other hand a beer parlor will depreciate the value of property. It will drive away our summer campers who have in the past brought thousands of dollars to our village and district. Situated across the street from a building used as a dance hall it will bring a new temptation to our young people. Being on the main street and opposite a larger business block which houses several stores and theatre, the traffic here already dangerous, would become doubly so. Again many families have moved to Gibsons to get away from beer parlors. No! there is no good argument for a beer parlor. Those who wish to have beer can order it from outside, and it will be surprising how many of those people will vote against a beer parlor.

Let us put the argument on a higher plane—what good will a beer parlor bring to our village?

Which is more important—boys and girls (your son and your daughter) or a place saturated wtih the smell of stale beer and second hand smoke to go and drink a glass of beer in?

Quebec we are told have done away with ladies' beer parlors and Ontario has closed many of them.

When you consider what it will cost to keep a beer parlor, and that the money is going to come from this district, would it not be better for us all to cooperate and build a building which would have a ground floor large enough for a gymnasium well equipped with a sound proof ceiling then one or two stories of small apartments, single rooms, and a small hall. The building to be modern in every way with central heating. The revenue from the latter would more than pay interest and operation expenses. It could be a community effort and built not to make money but to help build character, not for profit, but for service. Not to degrade but to uplift.

We could build it as a living memorial to our noble dead. Something which would be beneficial to the present and future generations.

Yours for a better community and a better world.

FRANK BUSHFIELD

Kashmir, northern Indian area with its associated territories, was called the "shield of Empire" in the days of British rule.

Sechelt Man Tops Chinchilla Judging Contest

SECHELT—Mr. H. W. Brooker of Sechelt, president of the B. C. mainland branch of the National Chinchilla Breeders, arrived home last Saturday after attending a convention of the association in the Parliament buildings in Toronto on Saturday, Jan. 17.

In a nation-wide contest Mr. Brooker was awarded first place for judging chinchillas.

Mr. A. P. McVannel, chief chinchilla registration officer of the Dominion government, presented the association with a government charter. Mr. McVannel stated that "the Canadian chinchilla registration livestock records have the highest standards in the world and have not been met by any other country." Thus any chinchilla, registered with the Canadian government, is a superior animal. All chinchillas of the National Chinchilla Breeders of Canada, are registered.

Mr. Brooker has been president of the B. C. mainland branch of the association since it was formed last summer. His skill at judging chinchillas has given him an international reputation as a reliable consultant-advisor for prospective buyers.

Mr. Brooker in partnership with Mr. R. Kean, has about 20 of the valuable little animals himself, with which he soon hopes to establish his own ranch here.

Chinchillas, the world's most valuable fur-bearing animals, have the finest and softest texture of any fur in the world, and are of great durability. Today there are about 20,000 breeding animals in the U. S. and Canada. There are almost no chinchillas in any other parts of the world with the exception of South America.

Mother Dies in City

WILSON Creek—The death occurred Friday of Mrs. Edith Muriel Mahon, age 67, wife of T. C. Mahon, employed at the Vancouver City Hall engineering works department. Besides her husband, she leaves two daughters, Mrs. D. McLean and Mrs. R. Whittaker, of Wilson Creek. Funeral services were conducted in Vancouver on Monday.

TENDERS CALLED FOR ROAD PROJECT

PROVINCIAL public works department has called for tenders for the reconstruction of a road to link Squamish and Britannia Beach road in the Lillooet district. Bids on the job, which will involve the rebuilding of two miles of road along a cliff, must be submitted by noon Feb. 3. The project is expected to cost more than $150,000.

It is estimated that winds of tornadoes sometimes exceed 300 miles an hour.

POWER SERVICE DELAYED

Board of Trade Delegation To Ask Victoria for Road

By EARLE GRAY

SECHELT—At a general meeting of the Sechelt Peninsula Board of Trade, held in the Marion Hall at Halfmoon Bay, it was decided to send a two-man delegation, Mr. H. Sawyer and Mr. E. Parr Pearson, to Victoria to interview Mr. E. Carson, minister of public works and to press for the completion of the Sechelt-Pender Harbour road along the coast route.

Mr. E. S. Johnston, president of the association, told the 50 members present, that until the vital 1½ miles of uncompleted road is finished, the B. C. Power Commission does not intend extending its services past the present limits at West Sechelt, and likewise there will be no attempt to extend the telephone services in this area. This 1½ miles of uncompleted road is the "bottle-neck" that retards the development of the district either for residential or commercial purposes.

Mr. Johnston blamed the government for lack of cooperation on any road project. He further pointed out that the Board of Trade had a petition requesting light and power that was signed by over 300 potential users and that more signatures will be obtained. This means that between 300-500 potential users will be without light and power services until the road is completed.

WIDE COVERAGE

Because of the wide area covered by the Sechelt Peninsula Board of Trade, a scheme, proposed by Mr. Johnston, was decided upon to facilitate efficiency and to increase membership. The plan calls for subcommittees to be organized at Sechelt, Halfmoon Bay and Pender Harbour. Each subcommittee will hold regular meetings and make proposals to the executive. The sub-committees will be responsible to the executive and all actions will be chanelled through them. This will solve many of the transportation problems.

Over the controversial subject of increased postal services it was decided to determine the present agreement in the contract between the Union S. S. and the postal authorities, and then press increased services.

It was also decided that a letter be sent to the public works department in Victoria, explaining the dangerous condition of several bridges in the Halfmoon Bay area and demanding action from the government.

Two resignations from the executive were received at the meeting. Miss M. Allen, secretary and Father Baxter both stated that they did not have enough time to do justice to their jobs. Mr. Johnston replied that the executive regretted the resignations.

Miss Allen will continue to serve until a successor is appointed.

Father Baxter resigned because of the extra work he is doing on a committee in the Sechelt Improvement Association, working in an effort to have Sechelt incorporated as a village.

Refreshments were served after the meeting.

Jack Hutchings Visits Sechelt

By MARGARET ALLAN

SECHELT has been entertaining royalty unawares, in sports that is, I did not know it myself until the young man called on me with his father. He is Jack Hutchings, Canada's top-notch runner. I understand he has not been beaten here. He is just back from a University in Oregon, and is starting soon to train for the Olympics in Wembly London, England, which takes place July and August of this year. I hope he wins over there too. We could claim a small part of the honor, as I believe his father is building a houe on the Mason Road.

Jack gives a lot of credit to his coach, Major Kinley whom he says works without remuneration, and just for the love of it. It is nice to heard about things like that for a change. There is a great need for men like the "Major" these days, as the young people seem to have so much energy. The pity of it is, sometimes they get misdirected just for the lack of the right people taking an interest in them.

Well, if you see a nice looking young man with long legs, it's Jack, and while we can't say 'George Washington slept here', Jack Hutchings did.

TRUCKMEN ASK RATES BOOSTED

GIBSONS — Local truckmen have filed an application with the Public Utilities Commission in Vancouver, asking that they be granted a boost in freight rates in this area. They contend that rising operating costs have seriously affected business, and they are forced to ask for the increase. This action follows the general trend of a boost in freight and transport rates throughout the province. To date no reply has been received from the Commission on their request.

Measles on Wane At Indian School

GIBSONS—Measles at the Sechelt Indian School have, to date, been limited to three cases, and two 'suspects'. Quarantine will be lifted by the 25th, if no further outbreak is reported. Prompt action and strict isolation have apparently confined this mild epidemic to the school itself.

Democracy Needs Free Expression

Editor, Coast News,
Sechelt, B.C.

Dear Sir:

For a democracy to function it is necessary that the people themselves be given every opportunity for expression. Under our parliamentary structure it is of course impossible for everyone to go to parliament and speak for themselves. The next best thing is for the member representing the district to raise the various matters of interest to his constituents.

This is my desire, but to do so it is necessary to obtain from individuals and organizations, information and advice on the various matters they consider of importance to themselves or the community.

I would like through your columns to ask for such advice or information in order to prepare the necessary material for the next session of the Legislature which will be meeting on March 2nd.

If during the session there are matters raised that warrant an expression from the district a letter addressed to Legislative Buildings, Victoria, will be given prompt attention.

I hope to be in the district prior to the Session and will be glad to interview anyone, if they prefer an interview to a letter.

Sincerely yours,
H. GARGRAVE, M.L.A.

Sechelt History

By B. L. MARCHANT

THIS week I will continue on with history of Sechelt Indians, pertaining to their schools. When the Sisters of the Order of Child Jesus came from France in 1904, the first Indian school in Sechelt was built. It was a wooden structure and cost $11,500, the sum of which was donated by the Indians themselves. Mother Gabriel was the first Principal.

During the war in 1917, the school was burned with a total loss. There was some insurance, but it could not nearly cover the tremendous loss that this tragedy caused. There was no proper school for some time, and the sisters struggled against great odds. For over six months they lived and cooked in a small building, while a wooden barn did for a school.

In 1920 a new brick school was built by the government at a cost of $125,000 and was made residential for the benefit of the children. The school was opened in 1922 on five acres of land, which now has been extended to fifteen acres. The effort put into the work at this school is a magnificent tribute to a faith of so many years ago.

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'It's Just What I Wanted'

By 'ENRIETTA 'OBBS

"Your brother," said the Skipper, with an appreciative glance at the large box of cigars, "is a man of sound judgment. But I can't say the same for your Aunt Emma."

"I should hope not," I told him.

"You know very well what I mean," said the Skipper, rather huffily. "Take this pair of hair clippers, for instance."

"What's wrong with the hair clippers?" I asked.

"There's nothing wrong with the hair clippers," he replied. "It's the thought behind the clippers that annoys me. What on earth possessed the old girl to send clippers up here, where they are as out of place as a nightgown in a nudist camp?"

"Don't be crude," I told him. "Believe it or not, some men do believe in having their hair cut regularly."

"Name one," retorted the Skipper promptly.

There was silence for a few minutes while I cudgelled my brains for a suitable reply.

"You see, you can't," said the Skipper triumphantly. "It's not only your Aunt Emma," he continued. "Your cousin Matilda is just about as bad. Four dozen razor blades! Who does she think I am? Beau Brummell? Why, one razor blade does me a whole month."

"I can quite believe that," I told him, glancing at his half-inch growth of stubble. "Maybe that is what Aunt Emma intended the clippers for," I suggested.

"Don't be funny," retorted the Skipper. "You must admit that your relations have some queer ideas when it comes to giving Christmas gifts."

"My relations have nothing on yours," I told him. "What would you say if someone sent you a box of buttons and a dozen skeins of mending wool? One doesn't have to be an intellectual to know the thought behind that gift."

"Mending wool? Buttons? Good!" exclaimed the Skipper, beginning to look interested. "Maybe I'll now stand a chance of getting my socks darned and some buttons on my shirts."

"It's all your fault," I said. "You would persist in running around without your slippers when your Aunt Maggie was visiting us."

"I was only trying to let her see that I needed slippers for Christmas," explained the Skipper.

"And all you let her see was that your socks needed darning," I replied.

"Ties, razor blades, hair lotion," grumbled the Skipper, returning to his own grievance. "I'll never forget the look on your face when you opened the parcel that gurgled when you shook it, to find that it only contained a bottle of hair lotion," I chuckled.

TURN TABLES

"That was really what I call a dirty trick to play on a fellow at Christmas," said the Skipper disgustedly. "Next year we are going to do things differently when it comes to giving Christmas gifts," he added.

"What do you mean?" I asked, knowing the answer full well.

"We'll beat your relations at their own game," he replied. "We'll sends gifts that have a lesson to them."

"Elucidate further," I encouraged. "I am all ears. And no wisecracks," I added quickly.

"For your Aunt Emma, we will get a can of paint remover," said the Skipper. "It will assist her in getting rid of all that goo she plasters on her face. A woman of her age ought to know better than to go around looking like an Indian on the warpath. Next, comes your cousin Martha. To her we will send three dozen of those razor blades your cousin Matilda sent to me. Goodness knows Martha needs them a lot more than I do. As for your Aunt Emma, she could easily lose 40 pounds from all the right places. To her we could send—"

"Bathroom scales?" I guessed.

"No. A head of cabbage and a bunch of celery," replied the Skipper, reaching for a cigar. Then, as he watched the smoke curling upward, he added, "As I remarked before, your brother is a man of sound judgment."

A cotton reel sewn in the back of the pyjamas may cure snorers who lie on their backs, a London specialist has advised.

Sinclair to Sponsor Car Ferry Scheme

SECHELT—"A car ferry for the peninsula would be a definite advantage," stated J. Sinclair, M.P., in an address to the Liberal Association Friday at Sechelt and according to vice-president M. C. McPhail, Mr. Sinclair will personally sponsor such a scheme in Ottawa. More wharfs are to be built in the area, and the breakwater at Gibsons is definitely a 'must'. No specified time was set down for these projects, but the 34 members present were led to believe that work in the area would begin in the spring.

It was also noted that the change of name from Vancouver North had been completed . . . it is now Coast Capilano riding, for Federal business.

Body Recovered

GIBSONS—A body, later identified by articles of clothing as that of Gerard Gaumont, was recovered from the waters off Pasley Island on January 21, and brought to Gibsons for inquiry and burial. The local coroner, Dr. A. Inglis gave a report of accidental drowning on Dec. 14, 1947.

While working from a small boat it is presumed that he lost his balance and fell in, as both his fishing boat and skiff were adrift where he is believed to have disappeared.

Mr. Gaumont was 34 years of age, and his only known relative was a sister in Quebec. He was buried Friday in the Sea View Cemetery at Gibsons.

Funeral Services Held for S. Ash

GRANTHAMS LANDING—Funeral services for the late Mr. S. Ash were held on Monday, Jan. 26, from Gibsons Memorial Church.

In the absence of the Rev. Thomas Moore, the service was conducted by Rev. Frank Bushfield. Mr. Ash was 83 years of age at his death and with Mrs. Ash had been a resident of Granthams for two years.

Amalgamation To Be Put to Vote

GIBSONS—A petition from the Headlands Association bearing 86 signatures has been forwarded to Minister of Municipalities A. MacDonald requesting that a plebiscite be granted the Headlanders to clear up the question of amalgamation with Gibsons. One element is opposed to the proposed union, and the plebiscite, if granted, will definitely give the wishes of the majority. Further action will depend on the reply from the government.

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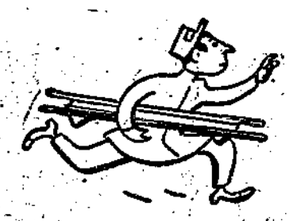

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SECHELT
By "ARIES"

HAVE been asked by several readers if I had discontinued writing for the paper as Aries did not head the column last week. Quite flattered that my drivel should cause so much comment. Yes, I'm still with you.

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The annual vestry meeting of St. Hilda's Church was held recently, with Rev. C. H. Gibbs in the chair. A favorable report from the guild was given by Mrs. Arnold president; and Mrs. Uttley, treasurer. An encouraging report also from the Sunday School which reopened in February, 1947, with Mrs. S. Redman teaching senior boys, and Yvonne Brooker and Mrs. Brooker taking junior boys and girls of all ages. Mrs. Clayton's resignation as organist was received with regret and understanding. It is hoped that music will be furnished by volunteers. Mrs. Clayton to take one Sunday each month. Votes of thanks were extended by the vicar to all workers, especially to Mrs. Clayton as organist, Mr. Hackett as vicar's warden, Mr. Clayton for much appreciated warmth, Mr. W. B. Billingsley as auditor and to Sunday school teachers. An election of officers resulted as follows: Lay delegate R. S. Hackett; vicar's warden, R. S. Hackett; people's warden, J. Mowatt; treasurer, E. S. Clayton; secretary, Mrs. H. Brooker. Auditor, W. B. Billingsley.

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At the regular monthly meeting of P.T.A. a special founders' program was discussed and plans were made. Elected to the committee were Mr. Cook, Mr. Ellis, Mrs. Redman, Mrs. Schott and Mrs. Shaw. Mrs. Simming as health convenor suggested plans whereby a dentist could be obtained for the Sechelt area. Twenty dollars was given to the polio fund. Mr. Ellis introduced the new teacher, Miss Melvin, and it was decided to send a delegate to the convention. An expression of appreciation to the teachers for the Christmas concert was included in P.T.A. records on motion of Mr. Cooks Mr. Lawrence was thanked for transportation at that time. Refreshments were served by convenor Mrs. Al Mee.

Blinding Headlights Cause Minor Mishap

GIBSONS—Andy Hill and G. Clay missed a nasty smash, and lost one front wheel when they swerved to avoid hitting F. Bailey who was proceeding up the highway, just at the bus depot. Mr. Hill states the lights of the oncoming car blinded him temporarily, and when he was able to see clearly a sudden swerve was necessary to avoid a head on collision. Mr. Clay suffered the most actual damage—his glasses were broken when he was thrown against the windshield.

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By BROWNIE

HERE I am again, last minute as usual—mail leaves tomorrow morning. Once a week seems a long time to wait for mail but it sure rolls around in a hurry when it means sending orders, etc.. Some of the gals I know in town would really have a grand time ordering food a week or two ahead especially after being used to dashing to the corner store at 5 to 5.

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Well our camp is back in full force again, last Friday everyone, crew and families arrived back tired and weary after their dizzy whirl for three weeks holiday in town, also the "pleasure cruise"—(that's one of the other names for the trip up here). They tell me you leave town at 9:30 a.m. Thursday and arrive at Salmon Bay 10, 11 or 12 o'clock that night, where you must go ashore to wait for morning and the boat up here.

On some occasions getting ashore means walking the boom sticks which for us city dudes is—as easy as falling off a log—other times our boatmen manage to get the boat right in to the "cat walk" which is only a few steps to shore, if you are lucky you make it all in one piece. You then spend a cozy night in a nice warm bunkhouse and in the morning you slip out to the boat and after two hours you reach the end of the Inlet and home, sweet home around noon—if the tide is right. More fun!

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Piv and Irene Jackson arrived back at Salmon Bay last week after a Christmas holiday with their families in town.

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Stonewall (Prut) Jackson and bride also arrived at Salmon Bay, where they will set up housekeeping for awhile. Best wishes to you both and don't forget to take trip up to see everyone here.

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Tom and Fred Matthias brought their dad back with them. I guess he is going to give the boys a few pointers when they move up to the farm.

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Eric Olson dropped in for a few minutes tonight. He sure doesn't like being a bachelor, even for a short while. The odd trip to town makes these husbands realize they cannot really get along without us after all—can you George?

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Once again we are building bridges, this time a new one at Clyte Creek. Henry Gilbertson is back with us to see that the boys get all the bents, spans and stringers in their proper places. Until this bridge is completed we need a few more amphibious vehicles so we could still go for our drives up to the end of the road.

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George tells me he saw fresh bear tracks yesterday. I suppose that means they are hungry and coming out early to look for a square meal—guess I'll go to town for a while until they get filled up.

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Northbound	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Lv. Vancouver		9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	12:30 noon	6:30 p.m.
Ar. Sechelt			11:15 a.m.		11:15 a.m.	2:45 p.m.x	8:45 p.m.
Ar. Halfmoon Bay			12:15 noon		12:15 noon	3:45 p.m.	
Ar. Pender Hbr.	No		1:15 p.m.		1:15 p.m.	4:45 p.m.	
Ar. Vananda	North-	2:00 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	2:00 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	6:15 p.m.	
Ar. Westview	bound	2:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.	12:00 mid.
Ar. Blubber Bay	Trip		3:15 p.m.		3:15 p.m.		
Ar. Lund						8:30 p.m.	Leaves
Ar. Bliss Ldg.						9:00 p.m.	Westview
Ar. Seaford						9:30 p.m.	Midnight
Ar. Refuge Cove						10:00 p.m.	Sunday*

xCALLS WILSON CREEK NOTE: Times other than Westview and Vancouver are approximate.

Southbound	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.	Sunday
Lv. Refuge Cove							7:00 a.m.
Lv. Seaford							7:30 a.m.
Lv. Bliss Ldg.							8:15 a.m.
Lv. Lund						No	8:45 a.m.
Lv. Blubber Bay			3:15 p.m.		3:15 p.m.	South-	10:00 a.m.
Lv. Westview	Leave	3:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	3:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	bound	11:00 a.m.
Lv. Vananda	Westview	2:00 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	2:00 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	Trip	11:30 a.m.
Lv. Pender Hbr.	Midnight	5:00 p.m.		5:00 p.m.			1:15 p.m.
Lv. Halfmoon Bay	Sunday*	6:00 p.m.		6:00 p.m.			2:15 p.m.
Lv. Sechelt		7:00 p.m.		7:00 p.m.			3:15 p.m.
Ar. Vancouver		9:15 p.m.	10:30 p.m.	9:15 p.m.	10:30 p.m.		5:30 p.m.

*Vessel Departs Westview Midnight Sunday, calls Vananda 1:00 a.m., arrives Vancouver 7:00 a.m.

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BRITANNIA BEACH
By NETTIE HAMILTON

HELLO folks. Another week and more glorious weather. It gets more like spring every day.

I see by the picture in the paper of Muriel Dawe that she and her mother, Mrs. Jack Dawe of the Townsite, have arrived in New York after several months in England. I'm sure they have had a grand trip and hope to get some news of her trip later.

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Our deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. George Siggers and sons, Bill and George, at the loss of their beloved husband and father, George Siggers, who passed away Jan. 21.

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Hope Mrs. Bob Maunsey is feeling better after being taken to Vancouver. Glad to see Mary Siggers back at work after being off ill since New Years.

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Bill O'Kell's mother and dad from Victoria are visiting them for a week.

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Norma Adamson's mother, Mrs. Hurry, is also visiting here from Victoria.

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Mrs. Doug North had a bridge Saturday and we all gained a couple of pounds from the grand eats. Elsie Balderson's gained four pounds. She ate candy all evening. The first two were winners, Mrs. Settle, S. Adams, Dolly Robinson, A. O'Kell, M. McLeod, O. Baxter, E. Balderson, H. Hill, G. Kennedy, D. Looyen and yours truly. It was my first bridge for two years but I enjoyed it.

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Wish to extend birthday greetings to Mrs. Allan Clark's dad, Mr. Harry Rice, who is a grand young man of 83 and we hope he has many more.

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Well, Robbie Burns dance at the Townsite was a grand affair. The Haggis being piped by the bagpipes plus the sword and into the grand march. The eats were lovely and a good time was had by all, even if this Scotsman wasn't there. Several went up from the beach.

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The Mt. Sheer Branch of the Canadian Legion had a guest smoker on Saturday. Glad to see so many from the townsite and apparently everyone had a good time.

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Well folks, it's past midnight and away past my bed-time. When I look at all the moonlight going to waste I wish I was "young and foolish" but now I'm just foolish?

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Like to send birthday greetings to Ivy Hawkshaw at Trail and congratulations at becoming a brand new aunty to Sandra Valerie Hughes.

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BOWEN ISLAND
By PEARL PUNNETT

LAST week at United Church we had two guest speakers, Mr. Jack Colclough and Mr. Stuart Porteous, students attending the Union College in Vancouver. They came up on Saturday wtih the regular student, Mr. Ian McMillan and on both days they visited as many families as time permitted.

Mr. Colclough and Mr. Porteous were delegates to the Student Christian Movement Conference in Kansas during December and brought a report on the work of the Christian Youth in America today. The service was well attended.

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Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pollard of Vancouver were up over the weekend to pick out a lot on which to build a home. The U.S.S. have sub-divided lots along the school road from the school to the main Government road and already some are being cleared by the new owners.

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On January 21, a group of ladies met in the church to form a ladies' aid. Quite a number turned out and officers were elected. Mrs. Punnett was made president and Mrs. McKirdy secretary-treasurer. Meetings will be held every third Wednesday in the church.

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Mrs. Clifford Martin and little son Douglas have been to Vancouver for a few days.

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Little Barbara Ann Jacobs is in the Children's Hospital in Vancouver. We hope she will soon be home again with her Mummy and Daddy, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jacobs.

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Miss Ann Billington and Miss Phyllis Vernon have been in bed with the 'flu, but at the time of writing they are feeling lots better.

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Mrs. Charlie McNeill with Rodger and Carolyne have gone to Vancouver to spend the next few months at their uncle's home at Central Park.

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Mr. Bill Jardine arrived back home again after being a month at Prince Rupert visiting his daughter, Jean.

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We are enjoying lovely spring like weather the last few days so here's hoping it lasts awhile.

BIBLE READING

FORASMUCH as there is none like unto Thee, O Lord; Thou art great, and Thy Name is great in might. Who would not fear Thee, O King of nations? For to Thee doth it appertain: Forasmuch as among all the wise men of the nations, and in all their kingdoms, there is none like unto Thee.

But the Lord is the true God, He is the living God, and an everlasting King: at His wrath the earth shall tremble, and the nations shall not be able to abide His indignation. Thus shall ye say unto them, the gods that have not made the heavens and the earth, even they shall perish from the earth, and from under these heavens. He hath made the earth by His power, He hath established the world by His wisdom, and and hath stretched out the heavens by His discretion.

O Lord, I know that the way of man is not in himself; it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps. O Lord, correct me, but with judgment; not in Thine anger, lest Thou bring me to nothing.—Jeremiah, 10: 6, 7, 10-12, 23, 24.

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ROBERTS CREEK

By "CAROLA"

Visiting with the Leatherdales recently were Mrs. Jack Leatherdale and attractive daughter Donna, of Alamada, B.C.

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The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Macfarlane is attending school in Vancouver and residing with her grandmother.

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There is a new little boy in Grade 3, Bob Fleming, he is a cousin to Gail MacKenzie.

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It has been rumoured that the bird with the long, long legs and with an equally long beak has been seen flying around Roberts Creek with, (yes, sir) about nine little bundles from Heaven about to be deposited in and about the community!

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Seen tripping to town recently was Mrs. Chris Coldwell and looking very charming with that 'new look' air.

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Papa Shaw has undergone a slight operation which will hamper and possibly lose our forthcoming badminton match with Gibsons. Why, oh, why, do things happen just at this time!

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The Roberts Creek P.T.A. met at the Kewpie Camp, Monday, Jan. 19. Mrs. J. Kirkland, president, in the chair.

Two resignations occasioned the election of new officers. Mrs. A. Newton replacing Mrs. C. Hare as treasurer and Mrs. R. Nimo replacing Mrs. E. Flumerfelt as hall board representative.

The great need for a new school in this district was again discussed and the general feeling seemed to be that it was unwise to put off action in this matter much longer.

The entertainment of the evening under the direction of the social convener Mrs. J. Newman, took the form of a satyrical skit depicting the inside story of the busy life of the follower of art, and humorously portrayed by Mrs. Murray MacKenzie as the frustrated art teacher, Mrs. Helen Lowe, Mrs. Mary Williamson and Mrs. J. Newman as the 'daub' students, and Mrs. C. Bourn as the model, who would intermittently maunch on sandwiches and drink coffee, much to the chagrin of the teacher.

Tea was served by the social convener, Mrs. Foulkes and her assistants.

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The Pro-Rec got off to a good start Monday, Jan. 18 under the direction of Mrs. B. Marchant, Sechelt. There were over 31 enthusiastic youngsters in attendance. Any adults who want to lose a few pounds or gain a few muscles are invited to take advantage in the varied programs to be offered.

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Birthday congratulations . . . to Elsie Blomgren who was 10 on January 12th, Paul Foulkes who was 9 on January 16, Sue Wallis who was 9 on January 21st. Next week to Sharolynne Maywood who will be 8 years old, and David Flumerfelt who will be 10 years old.

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Mr. J. Crowe has been visiting his family, Mrs. David Pye in Victoria and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Russell of Abbotsford.

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Shiela Smith celebrated her 6th birthday recently.

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The Jack Eldreds were visiting their folks in Chilliwack recently.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. Sturgeon and sons Len and Laurence are now residents and building a beautiful home just below Kennedy's California bungalow.

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The children's library is located in the MacKenzie home—hours 1 to 3 on Saturday. A number of good books are available at present.

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Don't forget the Roberts Creek Badminton Club dance Saturday night, Jan. 31, to the tune of the Gayjoes orchestra.

AROUND SECHELT

By ARIES

THE ALTER Society Club on the Indian village had their annual meeting recently when Mary Martha Joe was elected president and Susie Jackson secretary. They have also formed a much-needed sisterhood amongst our native sisters to help and work for the old people. Mary Martha is president, Alice Jackson, secretary; and Cecilia August, treasurer.

Babies have been born to Mrs. Joe Paul (Sarah August) and Margery August.

I thought when coming through the village on Sunday last when there was such a wonderful sunset, what a pity it is that our Indian residents lot is such an unhappy one. The houses are so squalid with card board covering broken windows. The houses are clean enough, as are also the inmates and the lines of snow white washing would do credit to some of the white residents. Too bad there is not some industry to give the girls something to work at. Why not get a laundry on the village, they have electric lights here now and plenty of water. The girls are such splendid washers and ironers and it would pay them well. All laundry has to go to Vancouver where we wait patiently for two weeks for it to come back. Here is the germ of an idea. The Indian boys go away to work and become very self reliant but not so the girls. The only occupations which seem to be open to them are the canneries and hop picking. So here would be a chance to work and stay at home.

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I have been asked to contradict the item in the Secret Cove column about a week ago: Mrs. Shaw and Mr. Hay did not go property hunting together but were included in a very merry party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Morrison and family, Mrs. Alice French and Major Shaw with David Shaw. Believe you me, it was a party, too. Due to the beautiful air Mrs. Shaw decided she was definitely hungry and having found the store open, proceeded to buy biscuits, Prem and cheese and made sandwiches for the party which all enjoyed.

ENTERPRISE VALLEY

By ALMA SUNDQUIST

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Klein have arrived home after a long visit in Vancouver. They also paid a surprise to Mr. Len Klien's people in Campbell River, also to Mr. and Mrs. Buster Sundquist, former residents of Pender Harbour.

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Also home again are Mr. Earl McKay and Mr. Charlie Hied who has had a very lengthy illness. We are pleased to see him looking so well and cheerful, just like his old self again.

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Mr. Louis Hied is away to Vancouver again on a business trip.

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The Misses Velma, Marjorie and Grace Harris are away again to their school. Derald Harris has also returned to his school. They are all looking forward to the Easter holidays.

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The Messrs. Pete Klien and Jim Phillips are returning to their logging operations on Nelson Island.

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Mr. Thomas Robinson has returned home after spending the holidays with his daughters, Mrs. J. Herstead and Mrs. J. Johnston of Vancouver.

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Capt. Wilkie was a recent visitor to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sundquist. He is planning on moving into his home here in the valley sometime in the spring.

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The Christmas concert given by the children of Kliendale school was every bit a success. All those who attended agreed there should be more like it. As this was Miss Ferguson's first concert we all congratulated her on giving such a wonderful performance.

SECRET COVE

By C. GREEN

Mrs. Willison has returned to her home after spending the winter with friends.

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David Grover has left for the city on business.

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Mr. Tom Ramsay, Turnagain Island, is busy erecting a water tank that will take care of the water supply during the dry season.

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Mike Johnson and his boat, Diogenes, are back again in the Cove. They are tied up at Mr. Ramsay's float. Yes, Mike is tied up too. He has a lot of work to do.

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The Forestry Department boat, Tamarack, is here. Rangers are out checking up on new timber limits half a mile or so back from the main highway where logging operations will soon begin.

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What with rising prices, bacon especially, a fellow will be better off if he gives his girl a slab of bacon instead of a diamond ring. It will be just as expensive and twice as useful.

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Mr. Norcross of the Home Oil Distributors Ltd., was a visitor at the Cove recently. He expressed pleasure at the way Home Oil products are moving here.

GRANTHAMS LANDING

By JIM RENNIE

Mrs. Ash and daughter wish to thank Dr. Hugh Inglis and Nurse Irving for their kind attention and help during the illness of their late husband and father, also to thank Mr. and Mrs. E. Cooper, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Godfrey and Mrs. Steadman for their kind assistance and all kind inquiries.

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Mr. and Mrs. Tom Allan have left for Vancouver on a shopping trip, where they will start from "scratch" after the disastrous fire which left them homeless.

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GIBSONS NEWS

By LILLIAN McPHERSON

P.T.A. plans for raising the ever necessary funds for this year include a Valentine's Dance to be held Feb. 14 at the School Hall. The decorations and general theme of the good saint will be carried out . . . and you are specially invited to come . . . and bring a friend.

Cocoa for the school children is again on "cooking" . . . and will go on sale at two cents per cup this week.

Square dances are making a bid for a comeback . . . in next, or maybe the next batch of Teen Towners . . . that is if the efforts of Miss M. Wagner, and Mr. R. Elliot "take". They are included in the curriculum of the grades 5 to 8 group, and both boys and girls participate. Mr. Elliott instructs the boys. Girl students report it "swell" . . . from the boys no comment.

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Drs. Hugh and Allan Inglis are to be congratulated on their new office equipment, a completely modern X-Ray machine that is capable of taking remarkably accurate pictures, fluoroscope work, and treatments. It is one of the latest models, and should be of special benefit to the peninsula. A forerunner of the hospital service we hope to have someday, perhaps. . . .

Friday's Legion whist drive drew one of the largest crowds ever in attendance, and required 13 tables to accommodate the players. Top score for the ladies went to Mrs. J. Clay and Mr. C. Trethewey won the gentleman's title for the evening.

Next whist drive, Feb. 6, will offer an innovation that should appeal to all. The Legion orchestra will be in attendance and will play for dancing after the cards are over. Refreshments will be served as usual.

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Local children will see the best of up-to-date motion pictures free under the new plan of the Gibsons P.T.A. when they sponsor the showing of selected films. It was decided that children in rural areas often miss the advantages of visual education through not being allowed to attend night shows, and a series of the better movies shown every five weeks would be not only good entertainment but moral and cultural training as well.

A board of three, Mr. R. Elliott, school principal, Mrs. J. Poole, and C. Leach will select the pictures. Donations towards this fund are being requested, and it is estimated that an average donation of one dollar per family would amply cover the season's pictures. Any money for this fund should be sent to C. Leach.

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The basket social, another relic revived from that by-gone age whence comes the "new look", can still pack them in, as the Farmers' Institute proved Saturday when a record crowd attended the School Hall at Gibsons and reported a most enjoyable evening.

Two delightful old timers were among the notables . . . our "Granny" McEwan and "Chuck" Winegarden. . . . 'Tis whispered that Gran's basket was most interesting and the buyer was surely not disappointed in its contents.

C. P. Smith, our seasoned seller, acted in the role of auctioneer, and did a fine job of it, though for myself, I'd say some of those husbands did not need urging. They had already been inspired by Reg. Jackson's hospitality.

Financially, a tentative report stated the affair was a definite success.

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A very enjoyable musical evening, which has been described by the guests as a real treat was held Thursday in the home of Mrs. J. Chambers of Granthams. Father T. Reidy, who is interested in music, and is a singer himself was present as a special guest and found an opportunity to better acquaint himself with members of his parish. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. Steadman, Mr. and Mrs. Chambers, Mrs. K. Hewitt, Mrs. G. Walsh, Mrs. A. Alexander, Mrs. E. Nestman, Mrs. C. Cornish, Mrs. M. Usher and Mrs. Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ouillet of Granthams.

Mrs. Martin contributed to the entertainment, to the immense enjoyment of all . . . she is a gifted singer and pianist, and a delight to hear.

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Businessmen at Gibsons pay trade license fees totalling 43 percent of the total tax levy for the village, according to statistics compiled by village clerk R. Burns who gathered the data following a recent demand of the Ratepayers' Association that the merchants bear a higher levy. It was shown, that although the average license fee of $10 per year is not excessive, it is comparable to what is collected on similar business offices in similar small communities. Commissioner B. Lang suggested the whole tax structure for the village be investigated and possibly adjusted to meet the demands for new services and improvements before one specified group be assessed. It was noted that the businessmen pay local taxes in addition to the trade license, as a general rule, and therefore carry the bulk of village taxes.

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Due to its steady growth and proven stability, the Gibsons and peninsular area deserves the industrial outlet to Port Mellon, according to a report credited to E. C. Carson, minister of public works, who further agreed that the proposed road is essential to the development of the area, and the progress of the district, during a two-hour conference with Gibsons Trade Board delegates J. P. Veitch and P. G. McPherson. Mr. Carson showed great interest in the problem, and discussed the building of this 7.4 miles of road at great length, but definitely stated that when and if this road is built it shall be a good one, and at a cost of at least $30,000 a mile to eliminate the inevitable expensive upkeep of a poorly constructed and temporary highway. Further discussion pends the arrival of the new topographical map under preparation, which places one stretch of road on a higher level.

It was also learned Sorg Pulp Company have expressed their confidence in the area by purchasing very large timber claims locally, which is also of interest to the government at this time.

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Mr. T. Straith is offering cooperation and will investigate fully the educational necessities of the Port Mellon area and on this basis urge the completion of the road.

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Mr. H. Gargrave has been very active in this matter, and is now compiling statistics on all aspects of the road question, and will present them to the government, urging immediate action.

Gibsons Slates Day For Dumping Garbage

CLEAN-UP day at Gibsons . . . an idea originated with the Ratepayers' Association, will be set for the early part of March, and the village will notify residents by circular when to have their junk ready for the pick-up truck that will take it to a landing barge to dump in the deep water. Tin cans must be flattened to prevent them floating back in on the tide to litter beaches. All other non-combustible scrap and glass is acceptable. Garbage that can be buried or burned is not to be included. No charge will be made at present for this clean-up, but it will be paid for out of the general fund, and the levy increased to cover this item in the annual budget.

Should this clean-up day prove popular it may become an annual or semi-annual affair, in lieu of regular garbage collection for the area, which investigation has conclusively shown to be too costly.

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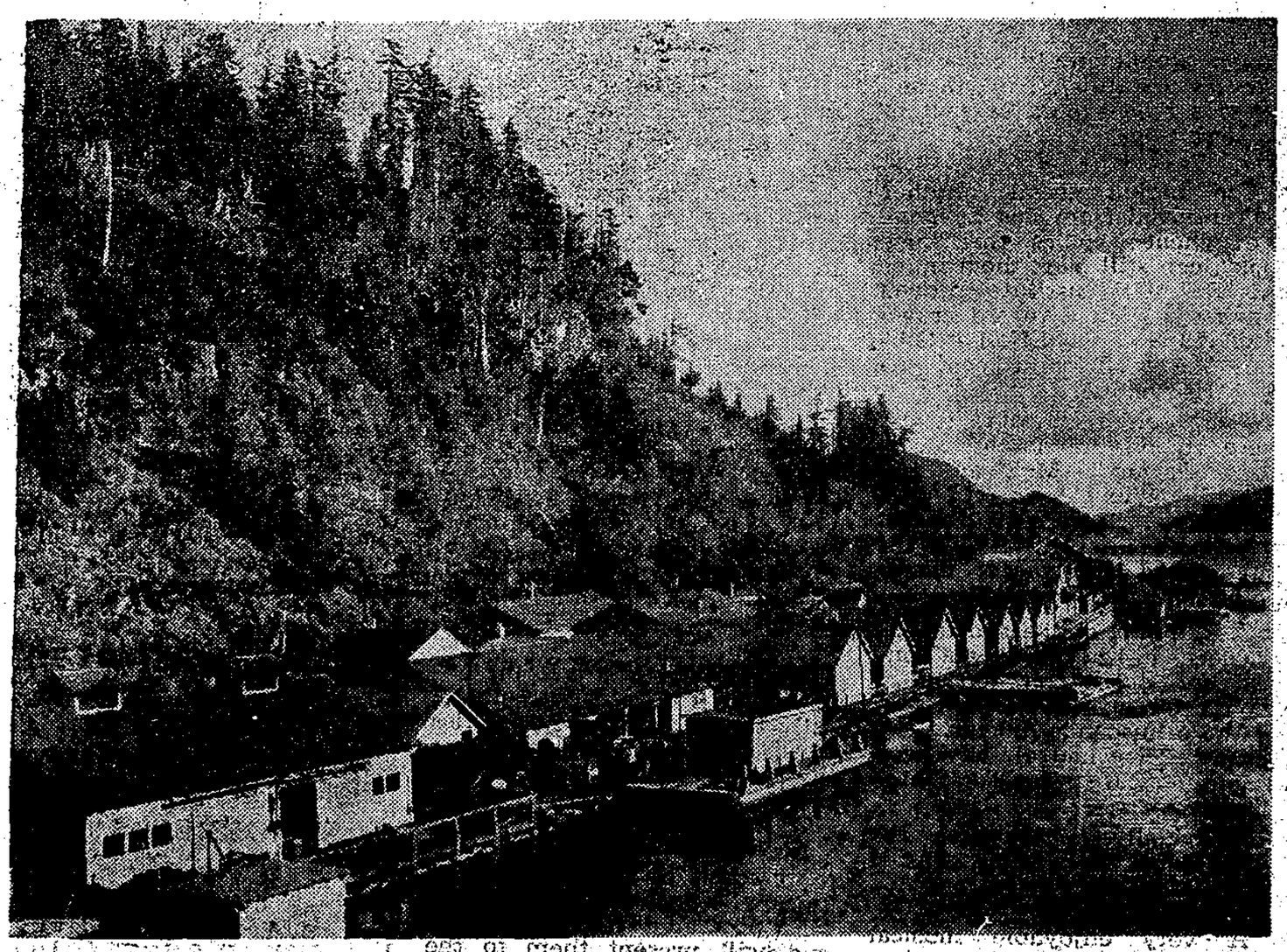

—Photo by Jack Cash

AT THE EXTREME northwest corner of Vancouver Island is a remote 2 mile inland reach of water called Holberg Inlet. The above photograph is of Holberg settlement at the north end of the inlet. This is the world's largest floating logging camp, with a population of over 250 men, women and children. This miniature floating town has electricity, hot and cold water, a fire hall, a community hall to seat 260 people, store, poolhall, blacksmith and carpenter shops, warehouse and cold storage, all complete with flower gardens and plank side-walks. The men of this unusual camp are cutting fine hemlock trees for processing into dissolving pulps which are used to make rayon. It is one of the logging sites of the British Columbia Pulp and Paper Company Limited, one of British Columbia's nine Pulp and Paper mills whose combined investment now exceeds $100 million dollars.

Coast Shipping Tangles Mooled

SECHELT—An enjoyable dinner, sponsored by Union Steamships Limited, was held in Sechelt Inn on Saturday evening, Jan. 21. Its success was largely credited to Mrs. E. Frederickson, manageress and Ed. Enwright, estate superintendent.

Ernie Pearson of the Coast News, acted as chairman. The dinner brought together many businessmen from Wilson Creek to Pender Harbour. The group consisted of loggers, merchants, truckers, postmasters and others, who were enabled to discuss various shipping problems Union S.S. and Frank Waterhouse Ltd.

Present from Union Steamships were R. C. McLean, assistant manager; Harold Compton, assistant traffic manager; Capt. E. Suffield, marine superintendent; A. W. Newman, general freight agent; M. Benson, assistant freight agent; Fred Billington, estate agent, Bowen Park estate; Ed Enwright, estates superintendent.

S. Beek, assistant manager for Frank Waterhouse and Company of Canada, was also present. Norman Burley, of B.C. Fir and Cedar Lumber Co. Ltd., voiced his opinion by saying that the directors of the Union Steamships should take a greater interest in coastal affairs and one of them should have been present at the dinner.

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R. Burns Re-Elected

SECHELT—A new endowment plan for insurance was outlined to the Credit Union league when H. C. Dakin, U.B.C. student, spoke here.

The members re-elected Bob Burns for another three-year term as director and Cliff Leach will fill the remaining year of Ed Kullander's term of office as director. The credit committee will be Eric Inglis, K. Wright, A. Forbes and R. L. Jackson.

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