

MUSIC STUDENTS PRESENT RECITAL

By CAROLA

ROBERTS Creek — A musical treat was in store for the parents last Saturday afternoon when Miss M. MacIntyre presented her pupils in a recital of strings and pianoforte. Opening the program in a violin quartet were Janet Bernoff, Eric Linwall, Donald Weal and Carol Forst. The surprising smoothness in bowing and harmony of these young artists was indeed enlightening—and showed a junior orchestra in the making.

Wilson Anderson, 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Anderson deserves particular mention—his keen desire to learn the violin led his parents to scout around for a pint-sized instrument. He showed his seriousness when he performed after only three lessons.

Six hands on the piano in "Now is the Hour" as belonging to Gail MacKenzie, Noni Reeves and Zar Forst, were encouraged to keep up the triple tune arrangements during the holidays.

Star performers at the piano were Roddy MacKenzie, Noni Reeves, Bonnie Edlund and Shirley Haig and Gail MacKenzie.

Swim Instructors Coming Prior to Regatta

PENDER HARBOUR—Fred Mc Dermid and three other instructors are expected to arrive here July 18, and will hold swimming lessons for the Pender Harbour Aquatic Club.

The Club's regatta last year was a great success and everyone is looking forward to the day it will be held this year.

ulu got mad as a hornet because the doctor operated on her hand. She says no one has a business opening her male.



LIGHTWEIGHT CADET STAGGERS ARMY COOK: 115-lb.

M. Lapierre of Quebec City, attending summer camp with the COTC, makes Staff Sgt. W. Teskey, chief cook at the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps School at Camp Borden, Ont., watch his head in amazement as he tackles a mammoth portion of victuals in the mess hall. S-Sgt. Teskey, chief cook of the school who hails from Victoria, B.C., no featherweight himself, may have given the Laval University student some ideas about how big a soldier ought to grow.

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Pender to Hold Regatta Aug. 14

PLANS are well under way for the second annual Pender Harbour Aquatic Club Regatta on August 14.

Prizes are being awarded this year for best decorated boats in a children's home-made boat race. Come along and build yourself an orange crate boat.

Swimming races, diving and other aquatic sports will be held.

1948 pennants are on sale. Buy one and fly it, and boost Pender Harbour. Next meeting of the Aquatic Club will be at Garden Bay. Come and help organize events to make this day a day for all.

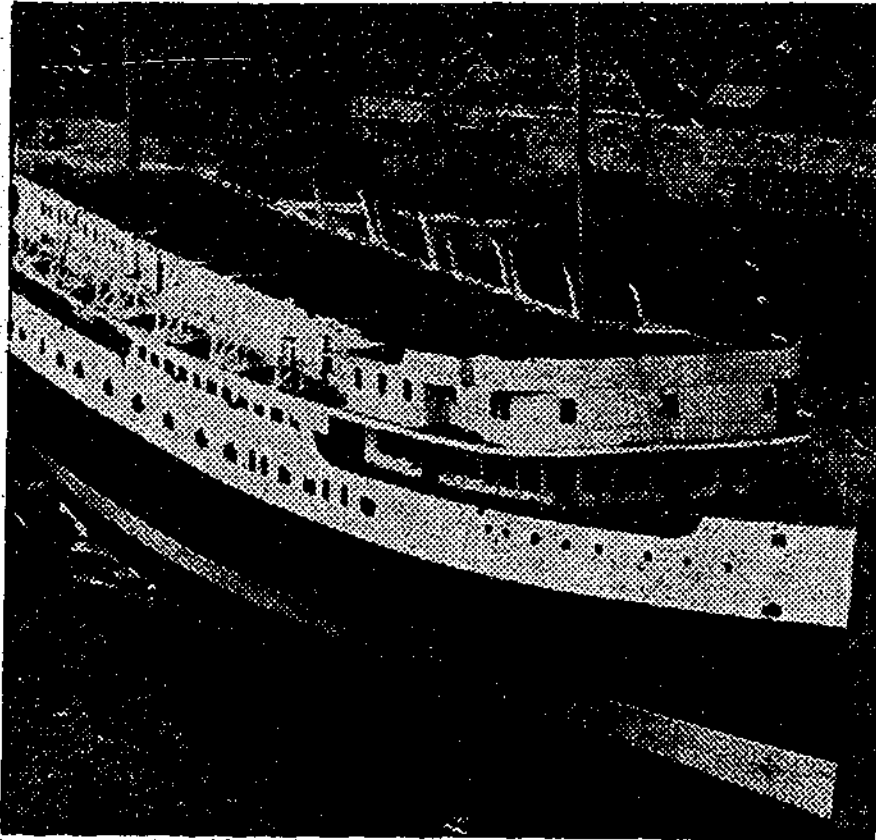
Dressing rooms have been built for the use of those wanting to use them. Plans are under way for swimming lessons. It is hoped to have instructors from Vancouver to help out.

Invite your friends up for August 14, Saturday. The Gulf Lines have a boat up Friday evening and Saturday, and if the case warrants will stop over to give every one a chance to enjoy the dance.

SAFETY AT SEA

All passenger ships of every nation are likely to carry at least one motor propelled lifeboat. This important recommendation has been made by the International Conference on Safety of Life at Sea now meeting in London, England.

Some people have a low hearing range and cannot hear notes above high C.



—Canadian Pacific Railway Photos

TWO OF A KIND: The Princess Marguerite, new 6,000-tonner for the Canadian Pacific's B.C. Coast Steamship Service slid down the ways last month at Govan, Scotland. Pictured at left, the new ship will be delivered late this year for the Triangle Run between Vancouver, Victoria, and Seattle, and will be capable of carrying 2,000 passengers. Her predecessor, the old Princess Marguerite, is shown at right shortly after being torpedoed in the Mediterranean in 1942 and just before sinking. The picture was taken by an officer on the destroyer H.M.S. Hero, which performed rescue operations. At the launching it was revealed that the new Marguerite cost four times what her namesake did.

BIBLE READING

FOR BY grace are ye saved through faith, and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. Wherefore remember, that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called uncircumcision by that which is called the circumcision in the flesh made by hands; That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world: But now in Jesus Christ ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ. For He is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;

And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.

Ephesians, 2:8-14, 17, 18

MISS E. PLOWS FETED AT SHOWER

PENDER HARBOUR—A number of friends gathered in Pieper's Hall Friday evening to surprise Miss E. Plows with a miscellaneous bridal shower. She is to be married July 7 in Vancouver.

The tea table was attractively decorated with a centrepiece of roses, peonies and early summer blossoms. Lovers' knots were tied with pink crepe paper and baby rosebuds at the four corners of the table.

Gifts were presented in a gaily decorated box. Mrs. Falconer was assisted in serving the refreshments by Mrs. Mitchel and Mrs. Marsh presiding at the table.

When Costa Rica declared war on Japan in World War II, its army contained only 500 soldiers.

Granthams Tug Sinks in Pass

SECHELT — The Poole Bros., Granthams Landing, lost their 42-foot tug "Bighorn," June 28 while towing logs to Vancouver. The Nanaimo Towing Co.'s "Aleutian Chief" and a derrick were sent out by the Board of Underwriters to attempt to salvage the tug and also to rescue the logs left drifting when the tug sank.

Upon reaching the scene the tow line was found and brought to the surface, but minus the tug. The salvage attempt had to be abandoned as the "Bighorn" went down in 150 fathoms. She was covered by \$20,000 insurance.

The "Aleutian Chief" proceeded to Vancouver with the 12 sections of logs and the derrick returned to Nanaimo.

Fire Destroys Store, Post-Office

HALF MOON BAY—Fire completely destroyed the general store and post-office here on Monday night. It was recently purchased by Mr. Roseboom from Richard Laird.

The fire had apparently been burning for some time and was not discovered until around 11 p.m. By that time it had a very good start and was burning rapidly. The residents of the Bay formed a bucket brigade and kept the blaze from spreading until arrival of the fire pump and personnel from the Roter Lumber Camp, who were able to keep it from destroying nearby homes.

Some few canned goods were salvaged from the store but the post office is a total loss. Sufficient temporary equipment has been sent up from Vancouver to enable the post office work to continue. The property was partly covered by insurance.

GAMBIER HARBOUR

By F.D.

With the advent of good weather and the summer holidays, summer visitors are arriving in increasing numbers. Amongst those who arrived yesterday were Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair and their young grandchildren and Mr. and Mrs. Cannell and their young son and daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair are old friends who are always welcomed to our island. Mrs. Cannell is the sister of Mrs. Francis Drage of Gambier Harbour.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee are staying with Mrs. Lee's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Alexander of Gambier Harbour.

Bill Killam is busily engaged in the construction of his new summer home at Gambier Harbour, he has quite a crew working for him and his new home will be soon completed. Bill has his own business, Industrial Coatings Limited and his father who owns the adjoining property, is president of the B.C. Pulp and Paper Company. Like most residents he is a member of Unit 276 of the Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans in Canada.

Dave Adamson at New Brighton has started work on his new home.

Our long expected gift from the last of the Viceroys arrived after its long journey from India. It is a splendid portrait of the great Admiral, framed in teak with the crest of the Mountbattens in silver at the top and signed Mountbatten of Burma. We are indeed pleased with this gift from the cousin of our King.

BRITANNIA BEACH

By "SLIM"

Hi folks—it's me again and this is a day late so hope it makes the paper in time, but I had to go to the hospital today and have a big boil lanced. It's much better, but I'm in bed until Tuesday.

Congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. Tysoe on the arrival of a son.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Browning on the arrival of the first grandson of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Browning, born June 2—Mark Carlton.

The C. P. Brownings are having a grand time and are in Nebraska, and so far have sent no SOS.

Congratulations to Mrs. Dunbar's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anams, on their 50th wedding anniversary.

Glad to say Marlene Anderson is home and the doctor saved her finger.

Bob Young, our neighbor who fell off his horse is still in hospital and is slowly recovering.

Had my cousin and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, up for four days over the July First holiday, so we went yachting every day and took in the dance on the first.

The Townsite had its second Dominion Day Queen, Jackie Saunders, who was crowned by the retiring Queen Betty Bogle. The Queen was beautifully gowned in a heavy brocaded white satin dress and at the dance wore a head-dress of fresh flowers, looking most regal. All her attendants were equally charming. A grand day of sports was enjoyed by all. A super ballgame between the Beach and Townsite was played in the evening with the Townsite winning 1-0. A big dance was later held, with Fred Bass and his orchestra, and we all arrived home at 4.30 a.m.

Birthday congratulations to our Edith Fleming. She has company up for a week—Mr. Joe Smith.

Would like to express our deepest sympathy to Bill Adamson, whose mother passed away at the age of 87.

Also our deepest regret to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carson of Squamish, whose nephew was killed.

I told you I'd shout 'Bingo!' one of these days—I played one when mine is going to school. game at Squamish and won a Cheerio.

WILSON CREEK

By ROBBIE

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Hounsom came down from Britannia Mines to visit with Mrs. Erickson of Trail's End for a few days. Mr. Hounsom is in the traffic department at the Mines, and this was their first trip to Wilson Creek. They enjoyed it very much, and may be expected to return quite frequently.

Mr. and Mrs. George Drew have gone to Campbell River to visit their daughter Trudy. While Mr. Drew is expected to return within a few days. Mrs. Drew will stay with her daughter for an indefinite period.

In behalf of our small community may I extend our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Jack McNutt in their recent bereavement in the loss of Jack's father. Further reports will be found in another column of this paper.

Mrs. A. Duncanson and Mrs. A. Towell, who have been staying at the Jones camp at Wilson Creek for the past two weeks left for their homes in the city on Sunday.

Miss Rita Fletcher and a friend went a-fishing at the Second Creek, caught 19 trout all sizes. And while we are on the subject of fish, top this one:

George Wright and his pal of Wilson Creek also went fishing in the creek behind George's house. Both sat down and were meditating when suddenly (according to George) they hooked the biggest steelhead ever. Well,

cute Bambi.

A quiet wedding was held on June 30 at the home of Bob Russell, who gave the bride, Joyce Harding, away to Mr. Jack MacKay. The bride looked charming in a beautiful blue dress and the cutest hat. She wore a corsage of red roses. Mrs. Bob Russell Jr. was matron of honor and wore a pink dress. After a reception, the bride changed to a grey suit & grey garbardine coat. Mrs. MacKay played the wedding march and our Mary Rice sang "Because." The young couple left by speedboat for the city after a thrilling send-off. They will reside at Britannia.

Well folks, that's it for another week, and I'm sure all the parents are happy to have their brood home from school for two months. I'll tell you better next year when mine is going to school. —Slim

they mulled and mused, pushed and pulled, until finally they had him a couple of feet out of water. However, Mr. Steelhead gave another twist and presto!—hook, line and sinker disappeared into the mudhole.

We cannot print the rest of the story, but out of the maze of words I heard something about bringing a net next time.

Mr. Jim Blair, an old time soccer player from the mainland and at present living in San Francisco, was paying his first visit to these parts. Among some of the homes he visited were the Ritchie's and the Wright's.

Harry Jones, who has been a constant visitor for a number of years and is well known from Roberts to Sechelt, is engaged to be married in September to Miss Phyllis Sluman, daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Ross Sluman of Vancouver Motors.

Among the passengers leaving on the Mariner were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bromley, Mr. E. Jones, Bert Wright and his two daughters and three grandchildren.

Reminds me of something I really should have asked through these columns weeks ago—why don't you, the reader, help to make this a bigger and better paper by sending in such items of interest or happenings around your part of the district? Whatever interests you will interest your friends and our readers. Drop your notes into Section R in the letter box at the Trading Post.

Gordon Berry and Rusty Wyatt had quite a time catching the boat to Vancouver last week to spend the holidays in the city. It seems they took a taxi to Sechelt wharf. A little while later they dashed from another taxi on Wilson Creek wharf just in time to catch the boat. This story ends when Gordon grabbed Rusty's arm as he was about to jump on the ship. Why? Because the boat was docking, not leaving!

On June 26 a beach party was held to celebrate the fifth birthday anniversary of Miss Linda Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Walker of Wilson Creek. Among the guests were Diane and John Bishop, Sharon and Danny Bosch, Jay and Gail Sinnott and Sharon Keeley. These tiny tots enjoyed ice cream, pop, and a cute little five-candled birthday cake. Well, many more of them, Linda!

Mr. W. Walker left for Vancouver on a business trip for a

few days.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dalziel of Vancouver are visiting Wilson Creek on a two-week vacation and are staying at the Norburn Cottage.

SCULPTURE EXHIBIT

An important international exhibition of sculpture was opened on May 13th, in one of London's

loveliest parks. Organised by the London County Council and the Arts Council this is the first open-air exhibition to be held in the capital. Works executed during the past 50 years by some of the world's leading sculptors, including Epstein, Eric Gill and Matisse, have an attractive lakeside setting in Battersea Park on the south bank of the Thames.

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Gibsons School News

By MALDY THOMAS

School officially ended June 30 and what a week this has been. On Monday the P.T.A. Laurel and Hardy comedy "Saps at Sea" was shown. It was obtained through co-operation with Mr. C. Ballentyne.

The new World Book encyclopaedia arrived last week. The P.T.A. bought it among many other articles for the school children.

Projects completed by the P.T.A. in 1947-48 term, included a Christmas party, 5 free films, new encyclopaedia set, May 24th sports day, scholastic and attendance awards, sponsored N.F.B. films, hot cocoa during winter.

Total amount spent was approximately \$450.

The final assembly for Elementary and High School was held on the morning of June 30. Scholastic awards were presented to the following pupils: Grade 1, David Ablett; Grade 2, Loretta Truck; Grade 3, Marilyn Plows; Grade 4, Agnes Hewat; Grade 5, Beverly Allen; Grade 6, Joy Elliott; Grade 7, Frank Ablett; Grade 8, Betty Brown; Grade 9, Elizabeth Cornish; Grade 10, Malvina Thomas; Grade 11, Pat Slinn; Grade 12, Mary Slinn.

Awards for perfect attendance went to Margaret Riggs, Gordon Clarke, Doug Davies, George Slinn, Peter Slinn, Dennis Carroll, Clifford Clarke, Joy Elliott, Lois Coates, Shirley Dedecker, Gordon Knowles, Carman Robinson, Charles Robinson, Charlotte Smith and Elain Zevick.

Prizes for selling tickets in aid of Flood Relief Fund went to High School, Claire Veitch, Jeri Anatta and Don Graham. Elementary School, John McKenzie, Lois Coates and Gordon Knowles.

Color photographs of the May Celebrations were to be presented to the May Queen and her attendants but due to some slip-ups they were overlooked. They will be sent to the girls as soon as possible.

CLASS LIST

Now comes the biggest news of the year. The names of those who passed:

Those who passed from grade 1 to 2: David Ablett, Wendel Meyer, Jeanette Filley, Linda Coates, Maureen Hill, Pasley Glehurst, Bernice Herrin, Gary Mach, Mary Walsh, Timmy Earne, Joanne Yarmish, David Water, Sharon Fladager, Roberta Carruthers, Danny Secord, Stella Holland, Helen Malyea, Sandra Russell, Shirley King, May Fetz, Joyce Inglis, Lillian Lefter and Wray Benn.

From Grade 2 to 3: Joan Beth-Gordon Clarke, Teddy Fearn, Elaine Filley, Pauline Hewat, Bob-Lamont, Lorne McKibben, Ina McKinnon, Larry Peterson, Cyril Steinbrunner, Loretta Truck, George Walsh, Charlie

Williams, Orval Brumbaugh, Brian Green, Evelyn Conkey, Ernie Herrin, Arthur Donaldson. From Grade 3 to 4: Anne Coates, Margaret Herring, Norma Kari, Denise McCullach, Robert MacDougall, Arlene Murray, Marilyn Plowes, Margaret Riggs, Donald Russell, Marguerite Smith, Cedric Trueman and Ronnie Bethel.

From Grade 4 to 5: Agnes Hewat, Douglas Davies, Ronald Brown, George Slinn, Norma Turner, Raymond Nestman, Bert Peterson, Doris Farnham, Billy Nimmo, Coral Benn, Joyce Connor, Rex Nelson, Patricia Murray, Bobby Douglas, Vivien Wiren, Gary Russell, Betty Smith, Bill Friend, David Parker, Tommy Davey, Tanya Nelson, Marianne Carruthers, Ian Cattanach, Sharon Tyson, Gordon Plowes, Ernie Williams, Jean Williams, Douglas Hinsche, John Robinson, Carl Rietze and Danny Bethel.

From Grade 5 to 6, Beverly Allen, Warren McKibben, Noreen Anderson, Clifford Clarke, Dennis Tyson, Eugene D'Aoust, Beverly Chapell, Dennis Carroll, Lorraine D'Aoust, Edward Wiren, Johnny De Castri, Peggy Palmer, Sharon Parrwell, Fred Bunyan, Greg Anderson, Ken McCullach, and Doug Cattanach.

From Grade 6 to 7: Joy Elliott, Jack Cresswell, Donna Bingley, Lila Farnham, Dick Reichell, John Orr, Edith Macdougall, Michael Poole, Donald Trethewy, Jennifer Cornish, Roberta Nimmo, Kim Elliot, Ken Fortt, Arlene Hicks, Peter Slinn, Billy Coles, Ruth Brumbaugh, Roy Duncan, Gilda Reitze, Joan McKenzie, Norman Peterson, Shirley Sotiris, Patsy Bethel, Matthew Stewart and Louise Malyea.

Grade 7 to 8: Frank Ablett, Yvonne Stone, Joyce Dedecker, Leonard Pilling, Donald MacDougall, Charlie Robinson, Betty Grey, Peter McKinnon, Sylvia D'Aoust, Tommy Palmer, Gordon Knowles, Anne McLeod, Charlotte Smith, Valerie Speck, Barbara Graham, Shirley Dedecker, Bob Nygren, Ray Whiting, Mary King, Earle King.

From Grade 8 to 9: Betty Brown, Dawn Davey, Dennis Lowe, June Ablett, Dorothy Cresswell, Gordon MacDougall, Jackie Nestman, Ronnie Godfrey, Beverly Gray, Noel Poole, Dorothy Sullivan, Chrissie Stewart, Grace Grey, Elaine Zevick, Edith Farnham, Violet Clarke.

Grade 9 to 10: Elizabeth Cornish, Betty Grant, Velma Cresswell (23 ext. credits), Shirley Fleming, Lilian Johnson, Norman Killam, William Pye, Barrie Stewart, Dorothy Stewart, Earle Foulkes, June Moir.

From Grade 10 to 11: Maldy Thomas, Ted Parrwell.

From Grade 11 to 12: Pat Slinn, Doreen Shaw, Grace Dickson,

Ruth Norris, Claire Vietch, Wilf Nestman, James Smith.

GRADUATES

Mary Slinn, Eleanor Arrow-smith, Jean Locke, Shirley Kirkland, Eleanor Shaw, Janet Bernhoff, Sheila Klein and Harold Bernhoff.

The promotions of those in Grade 11 and 12 on subject to the results of the departmental exams. Good luck and best wishes for lots of success to our graduates.

Promotions in Division 5 and 6, Elphinstone School, were:

Promoted from Grade 1 to 2: Marilyn Coles, Wilson Anderson, Sharleen Edlund, Sharon Dan-roth, iKtty Ripley, Wendy Yates, Brian Flummerfelt, Pat Chartres, Billy Jack, Allan Berston, Bobby Wyatt and Arthur Williamson.

Promoted from Grade 2 to 3: Joan Wallis, Nancy Ann Read, Douglas Cooper, Tommy Kennedy, Billy Smith, Betty Nimmo, Nancy Killam, Edward Blomgren, Jeffrey McAllister, Vernon Black, Sharolynne Maywood, Elsie Blomgren, Helen Provost.

Promoted from Grade 3 to 4: Paul Foulkes, Carol Forst, Doris Solnik, Orla Blomgren, Sue Wallis, Bob Fleming, Gail McKenzie, Donald Heron, Barbara Coles, David Flummerfelt, Patsy Rusk, Roy Killam, Joan Reeves, Jacqueline Danell, Bernice Cain, Stephen Read, Christine Provost, Patricia Provost.

Promoted from Grade 5 to 6: Thelma Fortt, Billy Cooper, Marie Chivers, Brian Hare, Barbara Killam, Fances Randell, Eileen Chivers, Margaret Nimmo, Allan Solnik, Martin Cooper, Deanna

Berston, Benjamin Jack, Shirley Cain, Constance Grey, Warren Blomgren.

Promoted in Division 3: East Roberts Creek School were: Promoted from Grade 5 to 6: Bonnie Edlund, June Orr, Edward Campbell, Sheila Geddes, Malcolm Killam and Walter Daniel.

Promotions from Grade 5 to 6: Celia Flummerfelt, Jacqueline Johnson, Eric Lindwall, Edith Jack, Mary Jean Kennedy, Connie Killam, Jeffrey Newman, Allison Heron, Arlene Orr, Josie Oldershaw, Shirley Haigh, Donald Weal and Edward Shaw.

Promoted from Grade 8 to 9: Maurreen Ross, Eugene Blomgren, Roddy Mackenzie, Gordon Smith, Walter Sandbreg, Norma Wallis, Robert Jack and Doris Weal.

And that is the list of everyone who passed and so (lucky for you) ends my school news for the year 1947-48. So, goodbye for now, everybody. Congratulations to those who passed, and happy vacation to all of you. See you next September.

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ROBERTS CREEK By "CAROLA"

The Pro-Rec display held at the Roberts Creek Hall, was all that it was anticipated—and more because music was added to the program by the boys taking part.

Miss B. Marchand, coach and teacher of Sechelt, introduced the troop, acquainting the audience with the fact that they had only nine lessons. The skill and precision with which they performed was received with great enthusiasm. The interlude of music was a complete surprise and the Cowboy and popular numbers were sung in harmony by the senior students Ray Clarke, Peter Craddock, Barrie Redman and George Derby accompanied on the guitar. It was evident to the audience that teacher and students enjoyed this healthful recreation, and when a few slip-ups would occur (as with the best of acrobats) it was greeted by Miss Marchand's humorous repartee, which was followed by gales of laughter from the audience.

The junior members included Jack Phillips, Harry Forbes, Jackie Power, Ronald MacRae and Teddy Scott. Mr. Scott Sr., did several acts in finished style as an added attraction.

Visiting from Vancouver are Mrs. N. Daly, Mrs. Chris Coldwell and wee daughter Nena who celebrated her birthday Sunday with her little friends at the Creek.

Birthday congratulations to Gail MacKenzie, Wilson Ander-

SECHELT WEST By EARLE GRAY

Mrs. T. Lee of San Diego, California, and Mrs. F. Curtis of La Jolla, California, think that Sechelt is "the most beautiful place we have ever seen yet." And that, coming from ladies who could be considered cosmopolitan travelers, is an opinion that the B.C. Tourist Association could well treasure.

Mrs. Lee and Mrs. Curtis have just spent a week's holiday with Mr. and Mrs. C. Arnold at West Sechelt.

Mrs. Curtis is an active organizer in La Jolla where she is president of the American Legion Auxiliary as well as secretary of the Women's Overseas' Service League.

Mrs. Lee, who has traveled extensively around the world described her feelings towards B.C.

son, Sharon Danroth, Wendy Yates, Douglas Cooper, Errol Flumerfelt and Mr. Russell Leatherdale.

Teachers have departed for the summer. Mrs. A. Newton will be taking the course for teachers in Victoria; Mrs. Roberta Chivers will be visiting her parents with her two daughters in Vancouver.

No fish in the sea? Not so with Jeffery McAllister who caught a 33½ pounder. His mother caught one weighing 16½ pounds.

Bound for Vancouver last Friday were Doreen Shaw and Gloria Forst to spend a few days with friends.

TOBA THIS 'N THAT By BROWNIE

Well, here I am back home again after a month's holiday, in which George and myself, with Alice and Ted Jackson, took a trip to Vancouver Island. We had a very pleasant time and met quite a number of nice people. During our short stay in Nanaimo we visited Mr. and Mrs. Terry Jackson, earlier the same evening we were guests at the Nanaimo Golf Club, and although a bit out of practise Ted and George enjoyed a round of golf. Alice and I made up the cheer section.

I would like to thank Gladys Royal for carrying on for me during the holiday—would you like the job permanently, Gladys?

(Why not do it together—more hands, more news? —Editor)

The camp seems to be very deserted right now as most everyone is away on holidays. I hear there are about 23 people returning this week, so that will make quite a difference.

George and I have had a guest for the past week, Mr. Archie White. We had told him many times of the good fishing up here and wouldn't you know it—he hasn't had a bite! Fish, that is. I'm sorry to say that he has had many other bites, principally off

in general and Sechelt in particular with a quotation from Coronet magazine; "the heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament showeth his handiwork".

(Editor's note. For an alternate source, see the Bible)

Also visiting here are Mr. and Mrs. Keith Killick and son David.

Mrs. J. McMullan left Tuesday accompanied by baby Douglas for Port Arthur, Ontario, after an extended holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Berry.

Here for two weeks holiday are Mr. and Mrs. Perley McPherson of Vancouver and family. McPhersons are guests of Mrs. McPherson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Gibbons.

Off to Abbotsford on a 6-week berry picking expedition are Jeanne McRae and Yvonne Brooker. We wish you good berry picking, girls, but don't eat too many of those raspberries.

Another California tourist, guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. Arnold, is Mrs. R. Worthing, San Diego. Mrs. Worthing arrived here for a short holiday just, after Mrs. Curtis and Mrs. Lee left for their home in California.

It was six years since Miss Diana Harris, of Vancouver, last visited Sechelt, when she stayed at one of Mrs. Mill's summer camps in West Sechelt. Still her recollections of Sechelt were vivid and she now has a chance to renew them. Miss Harris is spending her two months vacation from High School at the Sechelt Inn.

Mrs. T. N. LePage and son, Rusty, of Vancouver, are vacationing at West Sechelt with Mr. and Mrs. S. Jones and son, Collin, also of Vancouver.

Although I hope to continue writing for the Coast News this is my last West Sechelt column and to anybody who would like the position I wish them the best of luck. You'll find its great fun—if you can keep up with the current social events.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. E. MacFarlane on the arrival of a baby boy.

mosquitoes, who have taken quite a liking to him. the many things there always are to be done on a farm.

Another visitor in camp for the past couple of weeks was Mrs. Williams, mother of May Smid. Best of luck and success to my new boss-lady.

We took a drive last night and dropped in to see May and Tom Matthias at their farm. They are busy getting settled and wishing for extra hands to take care of As long as war is regarded as wicked it will always have its fascinations. When it is looked upon as vulgar, it will cease to be popular. Oscar Wilde

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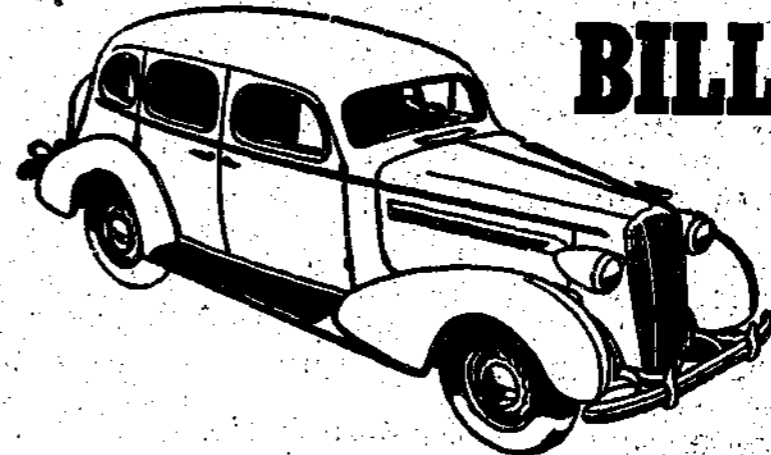
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Friday	7:45 p.m.	
Saturday	2:00 p.m.	
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	5:15 p.m.

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Thurs.	9:30 a.m.			
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		11:45 a.m.	2:30 p.m.	3:15 p.m.
			9:45 p.m.	(approx.)
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SECHELT
By ARIES

Mrs. Ross and Mrs. Jay, Ditty and Merrily will be spending the next two months in Vancouver. It is to be hoped that the change will benefit Mrs. Jay, one of our local teachers who has been ill for some time. We understand that Mr. and Mrs. R. Cooke will occupy Shady Nook in their absence.

Miss Margaret Pearson of Vancouver is staying with Mrs. Frank French for two weeks' vacation. Tommy Garlick, a friend of both, was at the Inn for the week-end, and Major and Mrs. Shaw were guests also, talking over old times in India and Malaya.

A very pleasant no-host party was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Osborne recently in honor of Miss Beatrice Marchant and Constable and Mrs. Purdy, all leaving Sechelt. Those present were Mr. John Ellis, Miss Corrine Tally, Mrs. Ruby Jay, Miss Norma Melvin, Miss Elsie Turner, Mr. and Mrs. S. Killick, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Redman, Mr. and Mrs. Rodger Simning, Mr. and Mrs. W. Morrison, Mrs. F. French, Mr. and Mrs. J. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. R. Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Berry, Mr. G. Plumridge, Mr. Ron Jones, Mr. Doug Brewis, Mr. Denis Pearce and Mrs. Rolly Parret, of Associated Air Taxi. A grand time was had by everyone with the games, contests and singing. We are all sorry to lose Miss Marchant and the Purdys, and wish them well in their new homes.

Said hello to Mr. Bert Mann, who has been coming up to the Inn for many years. They all are enjoying Mrs. Vaughn's cooking. His lady is late of the WRCNS and has had lots of experience, having served in Halifax, Montreal and Galt.

At Sechelt at the week-end were Mr. Bob Hackett and fiancée Audree Salter, also Miss Sylvia Salter, well-known Vancouver musician, and Mrs. T. J. Alter. The late Mr. Salter was managing director of the Vancouver Sun for many years.

We in Sechelt are very glad that Mr. R. S. Hackett is not lost to us, but has transferred from the company office to the post

office only. Mr. Hackett has been known to us for many years and we would miss his kindly interest and sympathetic ear in times of trouble. A very enjoy-

Must Choose Between Wildlife or Juke Box

From an address by Joseph W. Clark, to the Peterboro (Ont.) Rod and Gun Club.

Probably a good many of you feel that when the fish have all gone, and the game, a tremendous number of tourists will still come to the hills for the sheer peace and beauty of the country. There are, let us admit, very large numbers of tourists who just like to go places.

As the fish go, the juke box comes in. When the drumming of the partridge dies away, the drumming of the fast motorboat wells up. And the ten-dollar tourist makes way for the fifty-

cent tourist. You can see it everywhere.

Right here in Peterboro are men who, in their childhood and early youth, have eaten passenger pigeon. Maybe they even remember killing them. They can describe those swift-moving clouds that would appear, far-off, low down, in the late March sky. Strange, exhilarating, even terrifying clouds that grew and grew as the millions of pigeons arrived in Canada.

A hundred years ago the great Charles Audubon witnessed a flight of passenger pigeons forty miles wide, three days long, and the birds were in tiers of forty pigeons deep, one above the other. He estimated by mathematics that the ONE flight of passenger pigeons he saw contained one thousand million birds.

And it was ONLY ONE of the great flocks that moved in spring and fall all over America from the Atlantic coast to the edge of the prairies. Audubon gave it as his opinion that despite the shocking slaughter of the pigeons at that time, a hundred years and more ago, they could NEVER be seriously reduced in number, let alone exterminated. Nature, he said, is SO lavish, SO recuperative.

By 1870 there were in the U.S. over 5,000 professional pigeoners operating. They followed the passenger pigeons to their nesting sites from Virginia to Michigan and right up here into Canada, into Huron and Simcoe counties and into Peterboro county. Professionally, with nets, and guns, and poles, they slaughtered the pigeons by the millions. The markets in New York, Boston and Chicago could not get enough of the succulent squabs; as well as the mature pigeons shipped in long trains of iced railway cars, in salted barrels, and in every other shape and form.

The last great shipment by the professional nomadic pigeoners was from Michigan in 1878. It is recorded that they shipped one million, five hundred thousand birds, not to mention 80,000 live birds shipped in crates to the gun clubs of America.

Easy money! Good eating! Real sport! What more can any man want?

Audubon was wrong about Nature—she isn't as recuperative as he thought, or he overlooked the impact of civilization. In the 1880's everybody noticed there were no more strange clouds low down on the horizon in the April sky. By the latter part of the decade, the appearance of a small flock of 50 way back in the woods was news for the papers. In the 1890's, the appearance of a nesting PAIR anywhere was a headline, as the trumpeter swans are in B. C. today. In 1902 the last recorded passenger pigeon was seen at Penetang.

The last passenger pigeon on earth—she was called Martha—died at the age of 24 in the Cincinnati zoo September 1, 1914.

How terrible! you say. But there is not a province, not a city, a town or a hamlet in this Canada of ours that is not, in the name of the tourist trade, doing exactly the same thing today to the fish and game that remains.

And for the same reasons and from the same motives that destroyed the passenger pigeon.

Sell 'em! SELL 'EM. For money!

Gentlemen: A tidal wave of tourists now hangs suspended

over Canada, ready to fall on us. We have no proper accommodation for them. But that is nothing.

We have not a plan or a policy anywhere in the country for the preservation—for the rescue—of the priceless wildlife resources still left.

Who's going to do it, before it's too late?

I have a queer feeling that when man has demonstrated to the Almighty that he is no longer capable of protecting and conserving the wildlife of the earth—the gentle, beautiful creatures of our lakes and forests—then he has signalled for his own extinction.

HISTORY'S LESSON

Peterborough Examiner—When Mussolini came to power with a small group of fascists in 1922, some Italian Liberals accepted cabinet office under him. They were soon liquidated. When Hit-

ler came to power in 1933, some Liberals gave him qualified support. They were got rid of when it suited Hitler's convenience. The last German in high political position who was not a Nazi was Chancellor Hindenburg—no Liberal. Even he had to toe the Nazi line, and on his death Hitler took his office.

BOWEN ISLAND

By PEARL PUNNETT

Commencing on Sunday, July 4th, the Rev. Victor Sansum will be the preacher for the next three months at the United Church here. Services will be held at 11:15 a.m. and Sunday School at 10 a.m.

Mrs. David McGraw has, as her guest for a few weeks, her sister, Mrs. Taverner of Winnipeg.

Congratulations to Miss Muna Vernon of Evergreen Stables, on coming third in the jumping event at the Duncan Horse Show on July 1st.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. L. Shedlack (nee Madge Glenn) at Montreal, a son on June 22nd.

Mrs. A. Bond opened up her cottage for the summer and her young grandson Bobby Bond is staying with her for two weeks.

Mrs. J. Moorhouse with Judy and Kenneth of Eugene, Oregon, have arrived to spend the summer with Mrs. A. Pollard.

The Pro-Rec Association held their annual picnic on Sunday, July 4th, the main event of the afternoon was the crowning of the "Queen", Joe Lucas, by the retiring queen, Kathleen Galbraith. Seventeen young ladies entered the contest, so the competition was quite keen.

There are now two picture shows a week in the lower dance hall each Tuesday and Thursday.

Miss Anne Bouts of West Vancouver is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. E. Bouts.

able dinner at the Inn was given him on his termination of company affairs. More than 30 were there for dinner, under the capable catering of Mrs. Ethel Frederickson.

May we at this time wish Mr. Parr Pearson success in his new position as resident agent for the Union SS, and with Mr. Hackett's kindly advice and interest we know he will do a good job.

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GIBSONS

By E. NESTMAN

FARMERS' INSTITUTE NOTES

Well, the big day has come and gone and July 1st will be long-remembered by young and old alike. I guess the most of Gibsons was at Sechelt for the day. It was a regular three-ring circus, with the fair at one end of the field, races going on in one corner, and a real bang-up ball game in the other. One didn't know which to watch, it was all interesting. It was a typical Gibsons day.

The boys won the first ball game from Sechelt seniors, then the juniors won their game, and at 6 p.m. seniors played another game, Gibsons vs B. C. Fir, and even with Constable Purdy in there catching for them they couldn't win. It was a lot of fun and everyone had a grand time. The PA system, brought out by Mr. Veitch of the Sunset Store, was a wonderful aid to the success of it all. In between-times records entertained the gathering and really made it sound grand. Just what we need for these occasions.

Our Bill Corley again set the grass afire with that pipe business of his. We helped put it out. You know, Bill, that's twice. Next time you're going to get singed so—better watch it!

A dance at Gibsons wound up a very strenuous day for everyone. Thanks go out to Ed Smith and Bill Cook for the wonderful organization spirit they displayed and the hard work they put on to make it such a success.

WEATHER DEPARTMENT

Speaking of weather, we've been having some real dusty days lately. A lot of breezes, and boats

bringing in passengers have been taking quite a beating, with passengers getting off looking rather woebegone. The other day the Gulf Mariner, on her way to Halfmoon, put in here and left off about 25 passeners who were sent the rest of the way by bus.

Had a nice shower this weekend, gardens looking great after it, and it laid a little dust.

Our water supply is not all it should be at this time, and the gardens have to suffer. This little shower will certainly help a lot though.

Summer appears to be really here, as the place is full of visitors, campers, and strangers. We welcome them but are always glad to get back to ourselves at the end of summer. Seems visitors have so much energy they sort of keep us on the jump and we are very glad to lapse back into our slow and somnolent gait—it's wonderful how you get in to that habit of slow and easy, and quiet, after Labor Day you sort of heave a sigh and say "well back to our old style again, no one to bother us and we have the place to ourselves again. That's the country for you. Only takes a little of it to get you liking it this way and then you sure love it. I know I do!

THIS 'N THAT

Mrs. Kirby and son were the guests of Miss Wagner. They are from Pioneer and are down for a summer visit.

Miss Turner, of Winnipeg, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Haley.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis are visiting Mrs. Nestman.

Marge Farwell is taking a well earned rest at Mrs. Parnwell's after the strenuous work at Red Cross headquarters on the telephone board during the floods. Marge advises that son Les fractured his leg up at Ocean Falls

and is going around in a cast but managing to keep busy.

Const. Purdy is leaving us on Tuesday, going to North Vancouver and a new man from Mission is taking over. Sorry to see him go. We really mean that, and wish him all the best. A note in passing—it's a very good idea these days if you go out of the house to lock the doors. Police-men say it's a help to them, too. I know we have in the past left our house open. There's never been much reason for not doing so, but a while ago someone in Roberts Creek went down to the beach, leaving a purse in the house and the doors open. She was minus that when she returned. With so many strangers around it's quite possible there is some who might be tempted to enter if the door is unlocked, so better be safe than sorry. And it's only fair to young kids. They should know better, but sometimes on impulse they will take something, and then when the realization of what they have done hits them they try to cover up with fear and in a short while an ugly mess is created, which doesn't teach the child anything except to hate, possibly.

And the usual cases of children falling in the water, leaning over the wharf to rescue boats or look for fish. A word to the kiddies, parents, and maybe we can avoid some of these accidents.

Did you know that our freight rates have advanced 265 percent since last September, and that it now costs a storekeeper \$2.50 in freight to have 90 loaves of bread delivered to his store? So don't wonder why bread is up, and milk, and a few other articles.

If we get up on our soap box and go after this freight business we might get a little action, folks.

Maybe a shower of letters to our Member might help, to let him know that we are vitally concerned in discrimination against us in the cost of living.

LATER REPORTS

An impromptu party held here for Constable Purdy, who is being transferred to North Vancouver, was quite a surprise to him. On behalf of the guests Jim Veitch presented him with a very nice cocktail shaker and set—just about took Purdy's breath away, literally and figuratively. Anyway, it made him feel not happy about leaving us. We want to wish him the very best and to know he won't find any better people where he is going than there is on the Peninsula. Hope we may see him again, if only for a visit.

Glen Gray, from Mission, will be our new constable.

VISITORS

Mrs. D. Hoper Robinson from Vancouver (formerly Hopkins) was the house guest of Rev. and Mrs. Frank Bushfield last week.

Mrs. Thos. Ross of Rosedene left Saturday for Nanaimo, to visit her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. Malpass and Master Bobby. She will return next week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Miles and baby daughter are visiting Mrs. Miles' parents, Rev. and Mrs. T. Moore of the Manse.

We are glad to report a slight improvement in Mrs. Cooper's condition. Her many friends are thinking of her and miss seeing her around.

Mrs. O. New and children of Vancouver will occupy Miss W. New's place, Blynken, while she is away at summer school in Victoria.

Mr. Hoad's daughter, Mrs. R. Thompson was a week-end visitor, her first trip up in two years.

She noticed a change in our village.

Hear Harry Gough and Mac and another party took an aeroplane ride last week-end, heading for the Calgary Stampede (so they said) but landed at Crescent eBach, out of gas. Boys will be boys. Incidentally boys, when you fly, fly in the air, not down as low as do once in a while. Ever hear of air pockets, dead air, or downdrafts? Few dead pilots ever did.

Sorry to report a sudden death at Hopkins over the week-end. Mrs. McSavaney became ill on Sunday afternoon and passed away that evening. She is survived by her husband and three small children.

Blue Baby Fund—\$130.50 was raised by the Kleindale school at a concert, box social by teacher Mis E. Ferguson. The fund is now well over the \$1200 mark.

Red Cross—Final returns of the West Howe Sound Branch (Port Mellon to Gower Point) is \$838.22. Our quota was \$500. Of the total, \$381.75 came from Port Mellon and \$455.47 elsewhere.

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Our Town

by Jack Scott

THE MASQUERADE

I HAD TAKEN two cuts off the fir lo gaud was sawing into third, getting the rhythm of the cross-cut and my second wind, when I had that feeling between the shoulder blades that means somebody is looking at you. Turned around, there was Doc.

"Had to come down and see for myself," the Doc said.

I laid the saw carefully across the log and sat down beside him. Fact is, I like to shove a saw once in a while," I said. "Something satisfying about it."

"As you get older you appreciate the simpler things," the Doc said. "Another ten years and I can expect you as a chess partner." He lit a cigarette and flipped the match in an arc to the water. It hit with a tiny hiss.

"Matter of fact," he said, "we're living in a time right now when the simple things are being forgotten. Seems to me everybody's trying to make things look like that they ain't. I'll tell you, junior, it scares you a little when those radio boys keep reminding you that good honest sweat is offensive."

"I think I'll go along with this sea, Doc," I said. "Take food. The great art nowadays seems to be to camouflage everything. You can't get anything now that isn't got a little tent of old lettuce over it."

"How true. You even have trouble getting a laxative that isn't being coy behind some coating of chocolate."

We sat for a minute, thinking about it. The dog came up and wagged his tail and then went over to take a few careful sniffs of the fir cuts before giving his personal salute to timber.

The saddest masquerade of all is the average woman," the Doc said. "I suppose there still are beautiful women under all that stuff, but they're sure succeeding in hiding it. If they haven't got false eyebrows, they've got false complexion or something called pancake make-up."

I hear tell they even have false bosoms," I said.

They walk around on spikes and give them height and they

SELMA PARK

By H. I. L.

A delightful surprise was given to Mrs. T. Burrows and Mrs. J. Finlayson when Mrs. C. Wheeler entertained at her home in honor of the former's birthday and to bid 'bon voyage' to the latter. The table featured a birthday cake and appropriate gifts were presented to the honorees. A delightful tea was served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Forbes and family, of Mission B. C. are occupying the beach cottage of Mrs. E.

walk like they had two wooden legs," the Doc said. "Or they dye their hair so it looks like a Christmas tree decoration. The really beautiful women disappeared about 10 ten years ago under a coating of drug store bargains."

"It's like buildings or store fronts," I said. "People seem to have forgotten that there's any beauty in good stone or fine wood. I'll bet you in 10 years all this shiny plastic is going to haunt a lot of bright young architects."

"There's just no substitute for quality, Junior," the Doc said, "and sooner or later you find it out. A false face is only good until the dye starts to run. Why, take cars, for instance."

"You've got something there, Doc," I agreed. "You look under those enormous streamlined hoods and what do you find? Just the same little old engine that's always been there."

"It's the truth," the Doc said. "There are good mechanics who'll tell you there hasn't been a car made since that'll stand up to the 1924 Dodge."

"You know," I said, "I think the worst example of all this is the public relations men. Even in the days before the war we used to have people who called a spade a spade. Any public statement these days goes through the public relations machine and comes out all polished up and meaningless."

"They're using pancake make-up on the facts, too, junior," the Doc said. "You can put a plastic front on truth as well as on buildings."

"So how do you keep your perspective on things, Doc, when everything is coming wrapped in colored cellophane?" I asked.

"I guess your only defense is an inquiring mind," the Doc said. It's got so that you have to be suspicious of everything, whether it's a beautiful woman, a lamb chop or a government bulletin. They've all got false bosoms."

PENDER HARBOUR

By L. SPARLING

Miss Caryl Woulds, popular teacher of the Irvine's Landing School, was guest of honor at a miscellaneous shower given by Mrs. W. Pieper. The affair was held on the spacious grounds of the Pieper home, with guests gathering for tea under the shady trees.

Tea tables, centred with clusters of June flowers and gay with pink and yellow streamers, were grouped on the lawn from which refreshments were served. Mrs. R. Murdock and Mrs. Jack presided at the urns.

Miss Woulds was showered with rose petals and presented with a sailboat, sails flying, and loaded to the gunwales with many beautiful gifts.

In thanking the guests the bride-elect extended an invitation to all to attend the wedding and reception in Vancouver August 7.

The dance sponsored by the flood committee of Pender Harbour on July 1 at Pieper's Hall netted the fund \$70. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dusenburg and Mrs. John Haddock kindly entertained by supplying most enjoyable music for dancing.

There was no expense recorded against the dance. The hall rent was cancelled. The refreshments were donated.

Tunbridge for the month of July, while Mr. and Mrs. Blockall and family have taken the McKay's beach cottage for a month.

Mr. G. Colson has returned to Yellowknife, Y. T., having spent the past two months here with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas of Vancouver have been visiting their daughter and son-in-law here, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Temple have had their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. G. Belobaba, as their guests for the past week.

A very successful tea and kitchen shower was held recently in the garden of Mrs. F. Rice, by the Women's Auxiliary of the Canadian Legion. Many useful articles were donated for the kitchen of the Legion Hall. Mrs. Horne was the lucky winner of a pair of nylons, donated by Mrs. S. McKay. The tea table was centered with a beautifully arranged bowl of red roses and syringa. Contributing to the program were Mrs. Baird, Marilyn Horne and Mr. George Kynoch.

Guests enjoying a holiday at Bayview Lodge include Mr. and Mrs. B. McIver, Miss V. Harper, Mr. F. Ellis, Mr. H. Playford, Mrs. L. Neale, Miss R. Harvey, Mr. P. Thomas, Mrs. McKnight and Marge, Mr. F. Andrew, Miss F. Lisk, Mrs. Rodney Young and Mrs. P. Rodger.

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Teen TownTalk

By MALDY THOMAS

\$18 WORTH of new records were bought for the Teen Town dance on June 25. They are really the best and latest records out and are going to make a great deal of difference to our dances.

The Sechelt Teen Towners were invited to come down but none of them turned up.

Our latest teen-age couple, Mr. and Mrs. Warner were present. Mrs. Warner is the former Dell Oliver. But just because she's a Mrs., she doesn't want you to forget to call her Dell.

Two door prizes were given, a wallet and a brooch. Don Graham won the wallet and Dell won the brooch.

Grace Gray, Elaine Zuvick, Barry Stewart and yours truly were the suckers caught in a stunt. The stunt was—the girl

is to pass an orange from under her chin to the boy's chin without using her hands. Barry and Grace got theirs over quickly but Elaine didn't seem to pass it right or maybe I wasn't doing my part right. Anyhow she finally got it over, but I think she used her hands.

Mrs. Butler and Miss Davies were up again to help us out. An elimination dance was held, with Eleanor Arrowsmith and Roy Gray winning.

Refreshments were served afterwards.

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Divorce Mill on Parliament Hill

WHEN people think about divorce they generally link it with Reno, but few people perhaps realize that in Canada we have just as roaring a divorce mill as they have in Nevada.

And it's in no less an august establishment than Canada's Parliament!

In fact, Reno's divorce judges would have to work overtime to equal the record of 348 divorces granted in one fell swoop during one evening's session of the government's divorce chambers.

When Commons cut the 348 bonds of holy matrimony on that evening by giving third reading to the divorce bills, CCF member Stanley Knowles quipped: "This is an all-time high! Boy—348 at one crack!"

But like most government undertakings, it costs a pile of dough to get a divorce okayed by the country's legislators.

The boys won't hear the evidence unless there's a thousand bucks at least forthcoming. Generally it runs between \$1,000 and \$5,000 to unhitch the marital harness the government way.

The evidence is bandied about first by the Divorce Committee, and then the bills are forwarded to Commons for passage and then back again to the Senate for final assent.

CONDEMN SITUATION

The reason the lads on Parliament Hill have to wrestle with domestic strife as well as the general welfare of the country is due to the fact that there is no divorce law in Catholic Quebec so every individual divorce petition from that province must come before the Senate and a separate Divorce Bill must be passed each time somebody can't stand burnt toast for breakfast.

Quebec's divorce situation was condemned in the Commons by Ralph Maybank, who said: "It should be abolished. I suggest a \$90,000 divorce price tag be attached to future Quebec divorce petitions. The existing situation is one permitting undercover divorces."

ENCOURAGES COLLUSION

And that's no lie, since the practice of forbidding publication of the cases leads to the foulest sort of collusion.

One of the cases the committee had before it was actually defended on the ground that there was connivance by the husband with respect to the adultery of his wife.

It came out . . . from the evidence of one of the investigators to whom the husband who engaged him said "Follow my wife and get the evidence; if you cannot get the evidence, then make evidence; then come and tell your story but of course do not let on that you and I framed this proposition against her."

This scoundrel actually went on to follow out the instructions the husband had given, but if that sort of thing occurred in a Court, the attorney-general would take action against the blackguard.

But this came before the Parliamentary committee and no check-up could be made.

This sort of stuff is common to evidence surrounding Parliamentary divorce hearings. When a divorce is granted there is no waiting period in which to check up whether or not there has been a perjury. There is no opportunity of checking a great many other things, just how much collusion there has been, and so on, *ad nauseum*.

RELIGIOUS FERVOR

—One of the never-ending sour-

ces of amazement to a westerner living in the east is the adoration which Catholics pay to sacred statues.

One occasion demonstrates this very clearly. It was while the great Catholic Marion Congress was on in Ottawa, attracting upwards of 200,000 believers from all parts of the world to the Capital.

As part of the big show it was decided to bring an ornate replica of the famed statue, "Notre Dame du Cap" (Our Lady of the Cape) from its shrine at Cap de la Madeleine near Three Rivers to Ottawa where it would be given a place of honor after its 40-day pilgrimage, which was unique in the annals of Canadian Catholicism.

As the statue neared Ottawa I watched thousands of French-Canadian Catholics, weary, wet, but warmed by unrestrained religious fervor, escort the statue into the city of Hull, just across the Ottawa River from the Capital.

Acclaimed by well over two million devotees since it left the shrine, the statue entered the city accompanied by recitations of the Rosary and chanting of traditional hymns by throngs of the faithful and by petitions for peace.

Wherever it stopped during the pilgrimage it was greeted with solemn faith and expectancy by rich and poor, since it was credited with several miracles of healing.

In automobiles, in horse-drawn carts, and afoot, the faithful came in great numbers to make their devotions, before it, whenever ceremonies were held along the route.

As it passed through Montreal, more than 100,000 jammed the

grounds of St. Joseph Oratory where Pontifical High Mass was sung at midnight.

At each parish, high masses and other religious ceremonies marked the progress of the statue.

In Gatineau Point, an elderly couple was blessed with the replica by a priest. They had hired an ambulance which carried them 120 miles to the church.

The lame and the aged were brought to each stopping place and the blind were led up to the statue and touched it with their hands or kissed its feet.

FLANKED BY ANGELS

Because of the great age of the original statue, church authorities felt it might be damaged if taken on the pilgrimage and so the gold-rimmed replica flanked by two angels and mounted on a motor-powered float was made especially for the pilgrimage.

The original statue in its sanctuary on the St. Lawrence River has been visited by thousands every year since the shrine was founded in 1714, but it was not until 1854 that the now-famous statue took its place on the altar.

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