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"Lots of Mail But No Boats"

Editor, Coast News,
Dear Editor:

What are we of the Peninsula going to do this fall, winter and spring for mail service, to and from Vancouver, if we are going to be reduced in our boat service, as we are now, until the summer trade begins next year.

At least we, your Sechelt Peninsula Board of Trade have called a special Council meeting to discuss the lack of mail service, which seems will be our fare for this coming winter. Do the "powers that be" expect us to resort to the old system of "Pony Express?" If so we will have to "cross breed" horses and ducks to ensure prompt efficient service. We, of the Peninsula, fully understand that this is impossible, so what are we going to do?

The thing for everyone to do is to join "Your Peninsula Board of Trade" immediately, as this problem effects every, man, woman and child on this peninsula.

"United we stand, divided we fall" should be our motto throughout the whole Peninsula.

By joining the "Sechelt Peninsula Board of Trade" now, we can put our united strength behind "Our Board" and work together as a whole, for the good progress of our Peninsula.

Interested Member.

Bill Morrison Outdoor Man Of the Month

BILL MORRISON, president of The Village Enterprises Ltd., and owner of beautiful Rockwood Lodge has entered yet a new field; Real Estate and Insurance Agency, associated with E. J. Harris and Co., established over 28 years in Vancouver.

Mr. Morrison's new office is beautifully appointed and ideally situated in The Village Centre, convenient to all transportation services, two boat lines, bus and taxi service, thus enabling the out-of-town client a good measure of time to survey the area he is interested in purchasing.

Mr. Morrison has been a resident for a year and a half only, but in that time has shown his faith and belief in the unending possibilities in expansion for Sechelt, "The Hub of the Peninsula."

Infant Christened Gordon Collinson

GORDON James, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Graham Collison, Sechelt, was christened on Sunday in St. Hilda's Church, by the Rev. R. W. Biddell. Gordon was born April 16, 1948, at St. Mary's Hospital, Pender Harbour.

His christening robe, made by his grandmother, Mrs. J. O. Seely, for his mother, has been worn by both brothers—Alfred and Bobbie. Godfather is Mr. Wm. Holroyd and godmothers are Mrs. Wm. Holroyd and Miss M. Allen.

'Log of Columbus' Found Here Imitation, Says U.S. Professor

CHRISTOPHER Columbus's secret log book probably lies today at the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean.

The mouldering, crackled old volume discovered by Charles P. Smith of Gibsons, and reported in the Coast News recently, was one of perhaps hundreds printed by a German lithographer in 1890.

This answer to the mystery of the sea-weed encrusted book came from a snowy-haired University of Washington professor, Dr. Frederick W. Meisnest, who made a trip to Vancouver from Seattle to compare Mr. Smith's book with photostatic copies of a bogus book discovered in the U.S. in 1938.

On each of the 22 thick parchment pages, brittled with age, the intricate ink drawings and the commentary of Columbus's discovery of America penned in a laborious hand in "old English", were found to be identical with the copies of the volume discovered earlier in the U.S.

'SLIPS' REVEAL HOAX

The 80-year-old professor emeritus from U. of W. believes there are identical volumes in eastern U.S. libraries and museums.

Dr. Meisnest admits that the story of Columbus's history voyage contained in the book is accurate to a high degree of detail, with only several slips branding it as a hoax.

One error is contained in Columbus's secret signature, or cipher, which appears on the outside cover.

Three periods are omitted from the pyramid of letters, and the letter "z" is incorrectly added after a word in the strange design.

Furthermore the aging scholar declares that Columbus never used this cipher until two years after his return from the discovery voyage.

Such intricate indentifications were used by Spanish noblemen and gentlemen of the period, he explains, to prove to Spanish inquisitors that the holder was a Christian.

"Spain was swept with a strong feeling against the Moors and Jews at the time, and these signatures contained secret code references to Scripture as a protection to Christians," he said.

Columbus's true cipher contained prayers to Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

LANGUAGE CLUE

The language used in the book is also a give-away.

"It is clearly a not too convincing attempt by an 1890 scholar to imitate the language of 1492," said Dr. Meisnest.

Columbus was actually unable to write English, though he may have been able to speak it slightly. He wrote Latin, Spanish and Portuguese.

Dr. Meisnest's opinion corroborates the opinion offered earlier by U.B.C. professor of English, Dr. G. G. Sedgwick.

The photostat copies of the same book which Dr. Meisnest brought with him from Seattle carry the name the Duesseldorf lithographer who made the plates, but this inscription is blanked out in the copy found by Smith.

Motivation for the hoax is believed to be entirely innocent.

In 1892, the world celebrated the four-hundredth anniversary of Columbus's discovery, and interest in the historic adventurer ran high.

SOUVENIRS

A London book seller, Elliot Stock, either discovered the original bogus log or had it written by a student of Columbus. In 1890, he sent the manuscript to Duesseldorf to be lithographed for sale as a souvenir of the festivals to be held in every country of the world.

The actual story of the original log book, which has been sought by historians for 450 years, is well substantiated by known fact.

Columbus's ship, the Nina, was caught in a storm off the Azores on the return trip from America in February of 1493.

Fearing that his ship would be sunk, carrying with it the secret of an entire continent and untold riches, Columbus wrote a note on a single folio of parchment explaining the location of the discovered land and requesting that the information be forwarded to the sovereigns of Spain.

He wrapped the brief summary of his voyage in waxed cloth, sealed it in a wooden cask, and as the tiny ship pitched on the storm-whipped Atlantic, threw it into the sea, hoping that someone, someday, would find it.

No one ever has.

Florence Nelson Weds W. Malakoff

A LIGHT grey dressmaker suit with brown hat and accessories was the bridal costume worn by Florence Nelson, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Nelson of Sechelt, B.C., for her wedding on Saturday, Sept. 2 in the chapel of Christ Church Cathedral in Vancouver to Walter Lloyd Malakoff, only son of Mrs. M. Malakoff and the late Mr. Malakoff of Coaldale, Alberta. Rev. S. E. Higgs performed the ceremony. Miss Phyllis Nelson attended her sister and wore a light green suit with black and white accessories. Kenneth Fowler, cousin of the bride, supported the groom. The bride wore a corsage of Pink Talisman roses and the bridesmaid's corsage was of pink carnations. A reception was held at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. Fowler and the young couple left for the honeymoon trip to Bellingham. On their return they will reside at 1138 Burnaby Street, Vancouver.

SECHELT—Ernest Luthjie, fisherman, Madeira Park, pleaded guilty to a charge of stealing 200 fathoms of lead line, 200 fathoms of cork line and web. He was given a year's suspended sentence by Magistrate S. McKay.

Crude Paints Used 200,000 Years Ago

THE GLIDDEN Paint Co. of Vancouver has released some of its secrets for the perfection of its paints which we home-builders are keenly interested in.

Home-makers, builders, the shoemaker, the barber, the baker and the druggist—well, all home-makers are interested in the quality of materials used in building "the House"—and here are some facts about paints which the Glidden manufacturers have released for us to think about. They say, that some archaeologists estimate that the crude paintings on the walls of the Altamira caves were done by the Cro-Magnon Reindeer Men, only a scant 20,000 years ago. Others, equally eminent, say that this estimate is wrong by at least 1800 centuries and the paintings could not have been done a day less than 200,000 years ago. So, paint making was a pre-historic art. Today (since the 19th century, that is) new colors, brighter colors, prettier colors—colors that never existed before are made by the paint chemist—who makes them from the ingredients that nature could have never combined—and he has the means to scientifically control each ingredient throughout every stage of manufacture.

One of the first to envision the tremendous advances that the chemical engineer would bring to the paint industry was Francis K. Glidden, who, in 1890 successfully combined color with varnish and introduced this new and colorful finish as "Japalac"—destined to become a household word throughout the world. Again in 1906, the science of paint chemistry out paced old rule-of-thumb methods when Glidden introduced a new exterior varnish based on Tung Oil which has since become the accepted medium by paint manufacturers for all high grade Spar varnishes.

The Glidden products are obtainable throughout Canada. On the Peninsula Gildden Products are available at Parker's Hardware, Sechelt, Gibson Electric, Gibsons; and Falconer's General Store, Pender Harbour.

Fisherman Hurt As Boat Burns

THRUE Storme, Vancouver fisherman, is in hospital here with first and second degree burns to his hands and face, received when his gillnetter burst into flames about 5 p.m. Sunday. The blaze broke out when the gasboat was off Salmon Bay, about 40 miles north of Lund.

Storme attempted to put out the flames with his net, but this caught fire also, burning the victim's hands. His face was scorched as he broke through the sheet of flame and a severe burn to his leg resulted when part of his clothing ignited.

He was rescued when a passing fishpacker "Dame Island" sighted the burning vessel and pulled alongside to extinguish the fire. By this time, the cabin was destroyed and heavy damage done to the superstructure.

The rescue ship towed the gillnetter to Lund, from where Storme was brought by taxi to Powell River hospital. The injured man was employed by B.C. Packers Ltd. It is believed that a gas lamp may have broken and sprayed gasoline on the vessel's exhaust pipe.

Bill Morrison Opens Real Estate Office

A MAN WHO can count 11 fishing rods and three huge boxes of tackle in an attic packed with outdoor equipment; who was nominated the "Outdoor Man of the Month" by the Forset and Outdoors monthly sports magazine; and who holds the position of Producer-Director for the National Film Board of Ottawa, will indeed be besieged with queries on fish, fishin' tackle and such, when he visits the Peninsula the latter part of this month.

This man, whose history reads like a Horatio Alger story, is Bill MacDonald, brother-in-law to Dorothy and Bill Morrison of Rockwood Lodge. His wife, Norma visited the Morrisons last June with their three offspring.

Bill, arriving in Vancouver at the young age of three started on his career of fishin' at English Bay. He loved it and has virtually lived with a rod in his hand ever since. Out of school, Bill took a job with the Vancouver Province. Through the late twenties and early thirties, he busied himself successively as telegraph messenger, clerk, journalism student, free-lance artist, advertising copy writer, miner, free-lance writer and wholesale grocery salesman. But fishing was his line and while travelling he would fish in every nook and cranny of a stream, and while thus employed he worked out a plan, presented it to the B.C. Government Travel Bureau who took him up on his suggstion of taking photos and writing tourist publicity, which resulted in showing B.C. films to potential tourists of U.S.A.

His "visit" (travelling in the "Breeze") will take in the survey of the "fish-full" Tzoonie River, at the head of Narrows Arm, which may well become the heavenly paradise of the sportsman's dream.

Blubber Bay Man Dies on Doorstep

MIKE KISLUK, employee of the Pacific Lime Company, was found dead at midnight Saturday outside his cabin trailer home at Blubber Bay. Kisluk had apparently collapsed on his doorstep. He was discovered by a fellow worker, Leo De Heck, who went in search of him when he failed to appear for graveyard shift.

Powell River police were notified and Constables N. Winegarden and W. Dornan brought the body here by police boat early Sunday morning. An autopsy showed that Kisluk had died of coronary obstruction.

A bachelor, he had been a resident of Blubber Bay for 20 years. His brother, John Kisluk, lives in Nelson, B.C.

Union SS Trips Now One a Week

UNION Steamships Ltd. has announced that, effective immediately, passenger service to this area will be reduced to one trip a week. The Lady Cynthia will be withdrawn until further notice, and the SS. Chelhosin will make a northbound trip on Friday and a southbound trip on Sunday.

Heretofore, there have been three trips each way per week. SS. Chelhosin will now leave Vancouver at 5 p.m. Friday, arriving here at 1 a.m. Saturday and returning will leave Westview at 12 noon Sunday, arriving Vancouver 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. L. Powell Named To Head Sechelt PTA

SECHELT—Annual election of officers took place at the first PTA Meeting of the school year. Owing to the increased membership and growing interest it was decided to enlarge the executive and thus have more working members. Election results are: President, Mrs. Lilian Powell; Vice-President, Mrs. Whitaker; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Morrison; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Alice French; Terasurer, Mr. Archer; Librarian, Mrs. Jay; Social Convenor, Mrs. Newcomen; Health Convenor, Mrs. Billie Simning; Membership Convenor, Mrs. Doyle; Programme Convenor, Mr. Bob Cooke and Publicity Convenor, Mrs. Betty Williams.

Mr. Ellis (Honorary President) made an excellent Election Chairman, he very patiently read out all rules and regulations concerning election of Officers and did not omit to warn us that passing of notes, whispering or talking out loud were all strictly taboo. The nominating committee had worked well together and only for the office of President was a ballot necessary.

Mr. Archer paid warm tribute to the out-going executive and warned the new one that all would have to keep 'on their toes" to equal the high standard at present attributed to the Sechelt PTA.

An enjoyable social hour followed, during which several new members were welcomed including our new school teacher, Miss Joan Krausent who comes from Alberta and is here in place of Miss Marchant.

We look forward to an interesting year.

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GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty

"Oh, Moscow was nice, comrades . . . but I wouldn't live there if they gave me the place."

". . . and the results of this conference give us reason to believe that war has been abolished forever, again."

Workshop for Discussion Leaders

THE YOUTH Training Centre at U.B.C.'s Acadia Camp will be the scene of a three day Workshop in Discussion Group Techniques October 6, 7, 8.

The Workshop is designed to assist leaders of discussion groups to improve their leadership methods. Lectures will cover following topics: Procedure in Group Thinking, The Chairmanship of Group Thinking, Methods of Securing Group Discussion, The Place of Emotion in Group Thinking, What the Discussion Leader Expects from the Group.

Write or phone the University of B.C., Department of Extension for more details.

The Royal Humane Society was founded in England in 1774 by two doctors—William Hawes and Thomas Cogan—to save by artificial means persons apparently drowned.

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From the B.C. Capital

By J. K. NESBITT

VICTORIA—The capital has been rocked in the last week by an argument over Government House. There are those who say the cabinet will have to take some action. The cabinet, of course, won't like tampering with so ancient and dignified an institution as Government House.

Storm started early in the summer when the Lieut-Governor closed the grounds to the public. Promptly the newspapers took the matter up. There was criticism. However, uniformed commissioners remained at the gates all summer, keeping the mobs away.

This storm had just about abated when a second burst forth. It leaked out the Lieut.-Governor, before his departure for England, had left strict instructions there was to be no entertaining, in his absence, at Government House. He turned down a cabinet application to give a party there for members of the American Bar Association.

So the Government gave the party in the legislative chamber and Provincial Library. This only made matters worse—because, for some reason still unexplained, all the guests had to drink coffee from cardboard mugs, the kind provided at hotdog picnics.

The coast dailies ran full accounts of the cardboard mug party and Government House closure. One or two editorially suggested perhaps the time has come to do away with the office of Lieut.-Governor and let the Chief Justice do the job, which only amounts to signing orders-in-council, reading the Speech from the Throne at the House opening and giving pink teas and state dinners, entertaining distinguished visitors and holding "open house" to thousands at a Christmas Party, a New Year's Day reception and a summer garden party. This costs the Lieut.-Governor, out of his own pocket, about $40,000 a year and it costs the taxpayers of B.C. more than $50,000 a year to maintain the official residence.

Premier Byron Johnson went off to England in mid-September to attend Empire Parliamentary Association convention, leaving all sorts of important questions unanswered. He couldn't say when the two by-elections—Rossland-Trail and South Okanagan—will be held. He said he didn't know whether dates for them would be set while he was away. Now the acting Premier, Finance Minister Anscomb is clearing his desk and getting ready to depart for Ottawa on political business that's mighty important to him—Conservative convention to pick John Bracken's successor as leader. Mr. Anscomb, as B.C. Tory chief, will be an important figure at the convention. It will be up to him to swing B.C. delegates solidly behind one man —Diefenbaker or Drew—and it might be suspected Mr. Anscomb is a Drew man. In Mr. Anscomb's absence from the capital, Health and Welfare Minister-Provincial Secretary Pearson will be acting for the acting Premier, for he is senior member of the cabinet. With all the big-wigs scurrying around far corners Government business here is in the doldrums —which is rather amazing, what with two upcoming by-elections, a session expected to start in mid-January and a provincial general election by this time next year. There are those who think cabinet ministers should stick closer to their desks—unless they are up-country in their own province.

Government economists are warning that B.C.'s liquor profits—$1,000,000 a month in recent years—may be starting a downward skid. Liquor Commissioner W. F. Kennedy is the only man who actually knows—and when it comes to talking about monthly liquor returns Mr. Kennedy is as silent and cold as a Yukon glacier the day after Christmas. Mr. Kennedy just won't talk period. But U.S. economists have recently noted liquor sales in U.S. are dropping because of the high cost of living. Liquor, though some people look on it as a necessity, is a frill to most. B.C., in its general economy, usually follows the U.S. pattern. So it would be extraordinary if liquor sales here are not slowly dropping. This is sad news for the government, which is hungry for all the liquor dollars it can get. However, there is now the three per cent sales tax. Some statisticians say it will bring in $20,000,000 a year at least.

John Hart, who used to be Minister of Finance and Premier, is still an important man around Victoria. He's president of the controversial government-owned Pacific Great Eastern, subject of many political promises on election eves in days gone by and still good, apparently, for a lot of high-sounding official talk. Mr. Hart the other day announced J. A. Kennedy, recently retired superintendent of C.P.R.'s Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway has become P.G.E. general manager, succeeding W. H. Tobey. Mr. Hart intimated this change is going to give poor old, costly P.G.E.—sneeringly called over the years a political football and white elephant—a shot in the arm. Mr. Hart, while paying tribute to Mr. Tobey, thought the change would mean "that the affairs of the government-owned railroad should prosper and improve on the foundations laid down by Mr. Tobey."

EGMONT

By JEAN JEFFRIES

MISS KAY Beamish is spending a few weeks here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Imer Beamish.

Back from town and a trip to the exhibition are Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Silvey and sons Leonard and Bruce and Miss Grace Silvey.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beale had as their guests for a week Mr. and Mrs. E. Rush of West Vancouver.

Mrs. J. Murray and baby daughter Jeanne, arrived home via Jervis Express on Friday.

My two young sons had their first trip to Vancouver by plane last Tuesday. They didn't miss a thing either. I could have used two sets of eyes to see all the things they pointed out.

Harry Page made a quick trip to town by plane on Saturday and back Sunday.

Walter Neufelt of the L. M. and N. Logging Co., aboard the tug New Delta, lost the battle against the tide in the Skookumchuck and missed the Jervis Express last Wednesday.

The independence movement began in Chile in 1910, with the ousting of the Spanish ruler Captain General Antonio Harcia Carrasco.

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MORE ABOUT

Northern Towns

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The ship had just arrived from Ketchikan, Alaska. The Union Steamships operated the Chilcotin as a luxury Alaska cruiser through the summer this year. She was even more comfortably appointed than the Camosun, which had appeared to us as being about the last word in passenger ships. The passengers and officers mingled in the dining room, and in the lounge above, cleared as a dance floor, our ship had used its lounge as a theatre coming up the coast. The Union S.S. had another sister ship of the Chilcotin in the next berth, also loaded with luxury cruise passengers.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 1

We left Prince Rupert at nine and travelled in dry weather, having lunch at Terrace. At Terrace we diverted for half an hour to see the famous one-and-a-half-million dollar unused airport. A magnificent road took us to the plateau where we found an airport similar in style to Sea Island port, concrete runways 100 feet wide and extending a mile out from us. Unfortunately the airforce officials sent out to open the place didn't like the wind currents, and condemned it instead. Only small private planes have used it.

From Terrace to Smithers, next objective of our trip was 135 miles, in addition to the 95 we had already travelled. This turned out to be the worst part of our entire trip.

The road narrowed down to one and half lanes wide. It twisted, jerked, went up and down, crept around mountain sides, and featured rock, sand, gravel, mud and gumbo surfaces in different parts. The scenery was marvelous, but there was such a terrifying interest in keeping your eyes glued to the road that much scenery was passed unobserved. Rock, gravel and shale slide areas were encountered frequently and passed over gingerly. Washout repairs were also frequent hairpin turns tested the steering of any car. Similar thrills and rides in Happyland would have cost a small fortune. Some day maybe this will be one of the best in hump, (the highway is almost the same shape as the famous Big Bend highway), we passed without stopping, so anxious were we to reach refuge at Smithers, Apparently Hazelton itself is an Indian reservation on the North or railway side of the river canyon, and New Hazelton is struggling to life on the road, or south side of the canyon. New Hazelton consists of gas station, post office, and a couple of stores, from all we saw of it.

We reached Smithers about 6 p.m. after leaving Prince Rupert, 230 miles west about 9 a.m., and included an hour for lunch at Terrace. This was considered very good travelling time, and it required continued pushing of driving ability to maintain a respectable average over the stretch from Terrace to Smithers. Traffic on the highways of the North was fairly light, thank goodness. Otherwise time would have been hard to keep on the narrow stretches, which required almost a full stop for two cars to get by.
ed on it first.

Hazelton at the top of the Canada, but much work is need-

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GRANTHAMS LANDING

By MRS. J. H. RENNIE

THOUGH this is still September, when we should be enjoying the best part of the season, "the weather man" is evidently hurrying on the Fall. With a sou'wester blowing and a rough sea running today and no Union Steamship boat calling until Thursday, Granthams has suddenly taken on its winter appearance. But in spite of all that there are still visitors coming and going.

One visitor who enjoyed being at Granthams was Ralph Fisher. He spent the last month at his home here with his mother Mrs. Fisher enjoying a well earned rest. For almost a year he was studying electrical aerial work. He spent nine months at H.M.S. "Airiel" Navy Electrical England. Also three weeks at College, North Warrington, Culdrose Airiel Station England, and three weeks at an Airiel Station in Northern Ireland. He is now on his way to Halifax to take up his position as Electrical Air Officer on the new aircraft carrier "Magnificent."

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Horn from Winnipeg were visiting Mrs. Docker at "Bonnie Doune" last week. This week she is entertaining her son Jack from Powell River.

Mr. and Mrs. Wales and family were weekend visitors at their summer home here.

Miss Patter spent the weekend at her cottage at Soames Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Barron spent the weekend at their place in Granthams. They enjoy being here as long as possible.

Mrs. Chapman, who recently Monica, California spent a few days last week with her friend Mrs. Chpman, who recently came to live at Granthams Landing.

Mr. and Mrs. Glover from West Vancouver had their first visit to Granthams Landing last weekend as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Seymore-Johnston. They were delighted with the lot of blackberries they had gathered to take home and "made a date" to come back next year for more.

Mr. and Mrs. Blackmore from Port Alberni were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin at Seaview Farm for a week. Mr. Blackburn is an Evangelist and conducted a series of special meetings each evening in the Pentecostal Tabernacle. The meetings were much appreciated and njoyed by the large congretions who attended.

The first meeting for the season of the A.O.T.S. was held in Gibsons Memorial United Church Hall on Friday evening Sept. 17th. Twenty-five members and friends were present. After supper the usual business session was held. Mr. G. Marshall was appointed sec-treasurer, in place of the late Mr. G. H. Rennie. Rev. Frank Bushfield gave a talk on South Africa, and a resume of his experiences in the South African War.

The residents of Soames Point and Granthams Landing extend sincere sympathy to Dr. and Mrs. Lang in the passing of Miss Howard sister of Mrs. Lang. Miss Howard was well known and esteemed by the residents here for many years.

On Monday afternoon Sept. 20th Mrs. L. Steadman entertained the local members of the V.O.N. to tea. Mrs. Eric Cooper was guest of honor and was presented with two pretty photo frames for the pictures of her two little sons.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Mathieson and their friend Mrs. W. Coll Smith have just arrived to spend some time at their summer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Dann, are spending their vacation in the Donalds summer home.

Mrs. R. Parkinson is visiting in Vancouver for a few days.

Staying at the "Guest House" this week are Mr. and Mrs. G. Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Cornett of Vancouver.

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Gibsons School News

By MALDY THOMAS

NONE OF the local school population could catch those extra 40 winks on Tuesday, Sept. 7. To the little children who were starting for the first time it was a great day. Even the renowned "school-haters" seemed glad to be back and see their old friends again.

Our staff has been changed considerably this year; Miss M. Barclay has replaced Miss E. Stephenson who is now teaching in the Fraser Valley. Miss D. Dobbin is teaching in Mrs. Sue Elliotts place, and Mrs. C. Day has replaced Mrs. B. Rankin as an assistant High School teacher.

Mrs. Sue Elliott is teaching a special class in the old high school building.

A look at our school grounds shows us they too, have changed. The school grounds on Farnhems side have been widened by a good many feet. This work is not finished yet, but when it is it will make our playing field much larger.

The High School has been moved to the old Legion Hall and School Hall annex. It is much larger this year, caused by so many new grade nines. We have a new girl in grade ten, and as all the local wolves know her name is Franky Chappele.

Another new pupil is Dennis Lawson. Dennis is in grade nine and was working at Thorburn's garage all summer.

An old-timer returned is Marilyn Foley. Marilyn who is in grade eleven also took grade nine here.

A meeting of the elementary school pupils was held in the school hall and prizes were awarded to the winners at the Fall Fair.

Later a meeting of the High School Assembly was held to elect a returning officer for the coming high school elections. Elected was Wilf Nestman. Brought up in the meeting was the question of re-painting the basketball lines on the gym floor, and the sending of an athletic delegate to meet Mr. Ellis of Sechelt School to discuss a sports program for this coming winter. Awards of crests in black and yellow were given to last year's scholastic, sportsmanship, and citizenship winners. Also prizes were given to the Fall Fair winners.

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The basketball lines have been re-painted and the boys made a swell job of it. Instigator of this was Bill Pye. The work of Bill and his helpers is going to be appreciated for years to come by future basketball players. Everything was done so quickly that we started playing basketball on Thursday, 3 days after it was started.

Election of a council for the school year 1948-49 was held on Friday last week. Officers elected were; president, Bill Pye; vice-president, Ted Parnwell; secretary, Frances Chapelle, treasurer, Dorothy Stewart.

With all the bulldozing going on, the Elementary School hasn't got much space for sports. The only softball field available is the one behind Miss Barclay's room. So, everyone who wants to play softball has to crowd on that tiny diamond until they look like a swarm of ants.

The high school has to confine its practising to the hall grounds, and the close shaves those windows have had is terrifying. So if some of the windows get broken one of these days it will be no news.

Instead of the pupils walking from room to room this year, the teachers get all the exercise.

Kitchen Kapers

By JANE DRURY

THE HOUSEWIVES of today are all faced with the problem of giving their families well-planned, nutritious meals, and at the same time work some sort of magic in order that they may keep within their budgets. If you are serving a small amount of meat be sure and see that milk is also included in the same menu, either in soup or dessert. Milk will add to the body-building proteins that your family need every day. Bread also, and fresh fruits or a salad should be included.

CANNED PORK LOAF

1 medium potato, 1 can of pork product, 1 egg, 2½ cups cooked tomatoes, 1 tbsp. brown sugar, ¼ cup chopped onion, ½ cup chopped green pepper, ½ tss. dry mustard, ¼ tsp. sage, ¼ tsp. salt, 1 cup stock, 1 tsp. white sugar, ⅛ tsp. basil, 2 tbsp. flour, 2 tbsp. water. Cook and mash the potato. Crumble up the pork in little pieces. Beat up the egg. Mix up the potato and pork, then mix in thoroughly ½ cup tomatoes, brown sugar, onion, green pepper, mustard, sage and salt. Finally, the egg. Put into a loaf pan and bake in slow oven, 300F. about an hour. While loaf is baking, mix up remaining tomatoes, stock, white sugar and basil. Simmer this half an hour. Make a smooth paste of flour and water and stir into sauce. Cook several minutes longer. Pour over the loaf just before you serve it. Serves 5.

APPLE SLAW

Pare, core and halve three apples for six servings. Bring to boil, ½ cupful sugar, 1 cupful water and ¼ tsp. cinnamon; color bright red with food coloring if you wish. Add the apples a few at a time and cook gently until tender but not soft. Remove from the syrup and chill. Slice two or three apple halves for a garnish and toss the rest, cut in cubes, with 4 cupfuls of shredded cabbage, 1 cupful diced celery and ⅓ cupful of mayonnaise Season to taste.

MUFFINS

For a very versatile muffin try the following—2 cups flour, 3 tsps. baking powder, 3 tbsps. sugar, 1 tsp. salt, 4 tbsp. shortening, 1 egg, 1¼ cups milk. If you have Biscuit Mix, make muffins according to recipes given on package. Sift flour, then measure, add dry ingredients. Cut shortening in with a fork. Beat egg well and add milk, stir until combined. Pour into flour mixture and stir only enough to dampen all the flour. Batter will be lumpy. Fill greased muffin pans ⅔ full. Bake in hot (400 deg. F.) oven 25 minutes. Before adding egg and milk, any of the following combinations may be mixed with the flour mixture. ¾ cup grated chees: dates, figs, raisins, ½ cup. ⅓ cup cooked bacon, chopped. ¾ cup raw cranberries, plus ¼ cup sugar, or thawed, quick-frozen blueberries, 1 cup plus 1 tbsp. sugar. I go for the blueberry muffins myself and make them often.

WELSH CAKES

A friend of mine has been making these delicious cakes for years. However, only recently the recipe for same appeared in one of our leading magazines under another name. I prefer the above name myself, and here is the recipe.

1 egg; ½ cup milk, 1¼ cups raisins, 3½ cups all-purpose Work lard into flour mixture flour, 1 cup sugar, 2 tsps. nutmeg, 1½ tsps. baking powder, 1¼ tsps. salt, ½ tsp. baking soda, 1 cup lard or shortening. Beat egg with milk, add raisins. Sift all dry ingredients together once. with your hands, couple of knives or pastry blender until mixture is of a mealy consistency. Pour milk and raisins over flour all at once and mix well. Wrap in waxed paper and chill at least an hour. Roll out on slightly floured board to a thickness of ⅜ of an inch. Cut out with cookie cutter. Heat griddle or iron pan until a few drops of water dance on it, then grease lightly. As the under surface of cookies brown, top will get puffy, then turn.

STUFFED POTATOES

Scoop out baked potato center, mash, season, add milk and grated cheese. Beat fluffy, re-

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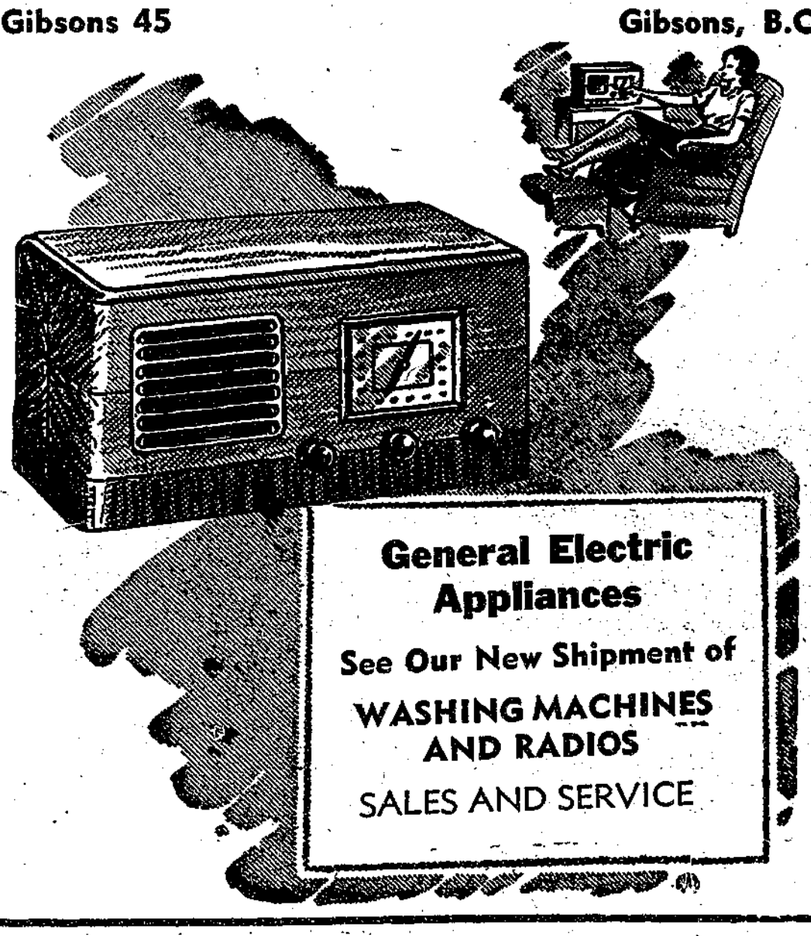

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WILSON CREEK

By ROBBIE

REMINESCENT of bygone days —were the sounds of a couple of battle-wagons at Wilsons Creek last week. Target practice and gunnery drill were the order of the day and several of the old sweats were on hand to give the neighbours the low-down. Directly in front of my place, and with a powerful pair of submarine glasses, we could distinguish the hits and misses of two powerful Canadian destroyers. Further up the road, one neighbour stated her windows rattled and dishes banged together. But fortunately no casualties were reported.

Miss Lillian Nydska who works at the "Estimates Dept." of Civil Service, New Westminster, spent two weeks at her parents summer home returning to town on Sunday.

Mr. Jack Baird came up from the city to break up camp for the season, taking his wife and two sons back to Vancouver.

Mrs. J. L. Renton of Vancouver spent a happy week at the home of her son Jimmy and his wife. Incidentally Jimmy has taken possession of his new home "The Cottage" at Davis Bay.

If a job is worth doing, do it yourself. I received the full force of that old saying last week, when the envelope containing last week's "Wilsons Creek" column, was returned to me several days after deadline. However I'm sorry folks, but that won't happen again. Ed. Note: (We have been wondering what happened too).

I also regret the fact that up to the present time I have not received any names for the dramatic club. Well opportunity only knocks once.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Maywood with their daughter have left Roberts Creek to live at Davis Bay, and are now staying at "Trails End." Mr. Maywood has purchased some land in the adjacent vicinity and expects to build a new home and settle permanently at Wilsons Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Matheson of Vancouver are spending a pleasant holiday at the home of Mrs. G. Reid of Davis Bay. Also at the Reid residence for a few days are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kirkham, of West Sechelt.

Mrs. J. Marvin spent a week at the home of her parents at Marpole, and returned with her mother Mrs. M. Sevigny, who is taking a holiday here at Davis Bay. Also in the party for the weekend was Miss Marion Griffin. Miss Griffin is the secretary and accountant at Murray Plywood Company.

Welcome hands were extended to Mrs. R. L. Jackson, who returned home from Pender Harbour this week bringing with her, Pamela Joan, her baby daughter, who was born at St. Marys Hospital on August 26th. Pam weighed 6 pounds 13 ounces and at the time of writing both Leslie and Pam were in the pink of condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Voice with their two children Darlene and Ricky, are spending a few days at "Coolshannon" with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brookman.

Mrs. Bogart has returned from a visit with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Mason of Vancouver.

I suppose the steamship companies sometimes think along the same lines as the writer. "You can't just please everybody." However the President of the Board of Trade thinks something should be done about the new mail and passenger service schedule. So, on the agenda of the next board meeting and heading the list of discussions will be—The winter schedule of mail and passenger service.

Mrs. Clifford Thomson of Chilliwack, who with her husband was reported in this column for their splendid work during the flood season recently, is spending three weeks holidaying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Norburn of Davis Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Jones of Vancouver, and Ron Eric have closed camp and returned home to the city.

Comes a time when we must say goodbye to the best of friends and neighbours, as happens in the case of Harry Morley and his wife. Within a few days after this publication, they will be boarding the boat for Vancouver and a new home. Harry's jovial personality will be missed along the waterfront by many of his friends. The reason for his sudden and surprising decision is the health of Mrs. Morley, who by the way has just returned from a week's visit to her daughter in the city, May we take this opportunity of sincerely wishing the Morleys, good luck and "bon voyage."

The very wide circle of friends of Mr. Stewart Henderson of the post office at Wilsons Creek, will be sorry to learn that he was stricken with a serious illness at his home last week, and was ordered to Shaughnessy Hospital. Up to the time of going to press it was not learned how he fared on the journey, or of his condition on arrival at the hospital, for it will be remembered that an unfortunate mishap occurred to the boat on which he was to have travelled, and hurried preparations had to be made for him to travel by Grahams coach to Gibsons. It is to be hoped that Stewart will make a speedy recovery.

PENDER HARBOUR

By SUE ELLA

MR. KEN Whittacker paid a visit to the Harbour Sunday, travelling via Gulf from Sechelt at noon and returning to Vancouver in the evening.

Mr. Mac. McCallum combining pleasure with business made the rounds of the stores last weekend checking on stocks, and then visited at the home of his parents-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Williamson.

Mrs. Finlayson, a patient in St. Mary's Hospital for some time has moved to the Marpole district.

Mr. and Mrs. Gil Hascamp have returned to the Harbour after a short stay at their place on Hornby Island, formerly called Camp Manito. They have sold the property.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Little paid a short visit to the Harbour, en route to Vancouver, where they are planning to spend their vacations.

Mrs. Donnelly has returned home after visiting with her family in Nanaimo.

Mrs. John Daly and two sons are home again after a visit to Alert Bay and Vancouver.

Mrs. E. Blake of Vancouver whose daughter-in-law, Mrs. A. Blake was a patient in St. Mary's Hospital visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Dickerson.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Dickerson and son, are recent arrivals in the Harbour. They are building an attractive home North and on the east side of Gun Boat pass. Their property fronts on the water and also to the highway.

Mr. and Mrs. Gibson, Silver Sands, were visitors to Vancouver the first part of the week.

Mr. Bill Sinclair arrived home the first of the week, after a 4 months sojourn in the fishing waters of B.C.

Mrs. Don Cameron has returned to the Harbour after a short stay in Vancouver. Don is expected home in about three weeks.

In Pender Harbour are located four general stores. Falconers, Murdocks, Hassens, and A. Lloyds. Most everyone travels by water to get to one or another of the stores. It was a clever idea that one young mother devised for the safety of her baby in an open boat. It ws a stationary play pen in the boat.

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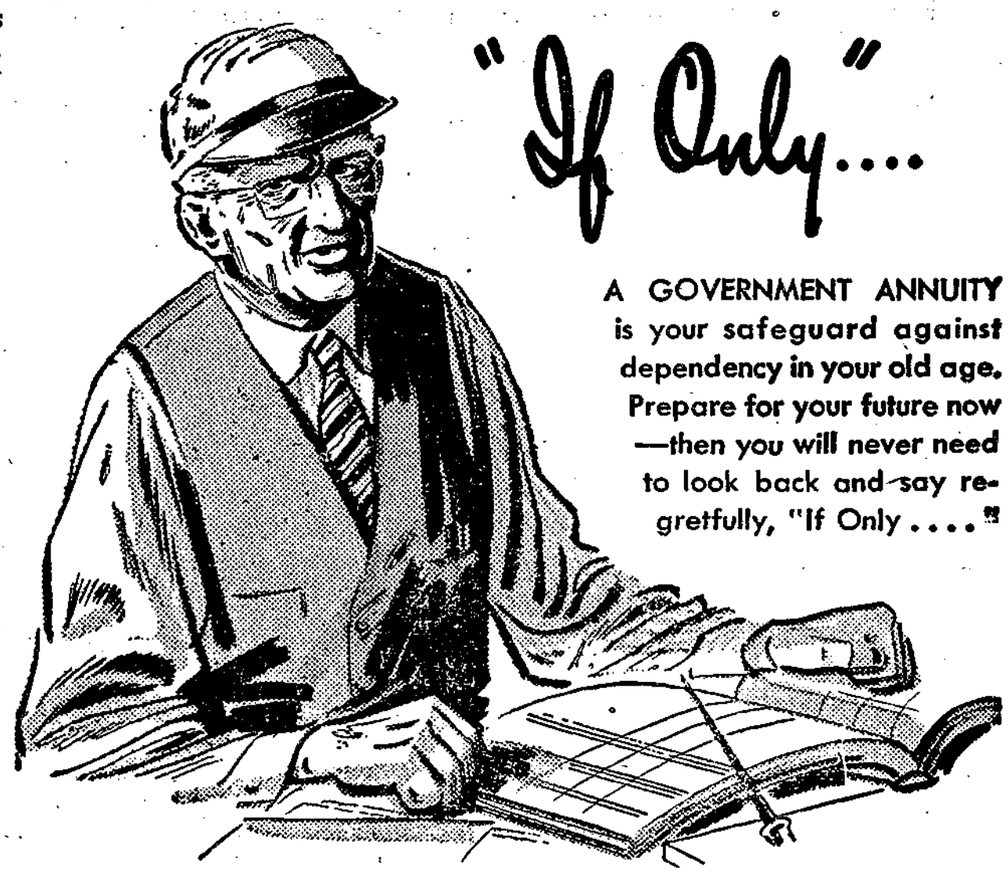

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Our Town

by Jack Scott

TIN SOLDIERS

AT A CERTAIN armouries the week in the fourth year of the Atomic Age, a little group of men in well-pressed khaki uniforms stood in one corner of the lofty, barn-like drill hall and looked up at a big, ugly anti-aircraft gun.

The gun was a 3.7 heavy ack-ack piece. The men were learning to operate it. They seemed a little bored. But no one, officers and men, seemed to find any grim humor in the situation. No one seemed aware that they might as well have been learning how to operate a cross-bow.

The voice of the instructor droned on with the out-dated gibberish of complicated, obsolete instruction. The echo of his sure, calm voice and the shuffling feet of the young men in khaki was undisturbed by any echoes of the explosion that, as the Association of Oak Ridge Scientists put it, "slammed a door shut on the past."

VOICE OF THE PAST

For this WAS the past. The scene on the drill hall floor out there might have been a newsreel short of the year 1913 or 1938.

And all across the nation other little groups of Canadians like these were seriously going through the farce of army training, the formalized nonsense of prehistoric soldiering, manning instruments of war that today are as lethal as a water pistol.

The instructor's voice droned on and on. "The Predictor is an anti-aircraft data computing instrument utilizing the cartesian ground plan and rate of change of co-ordinates . . . ." On and on, while the men shuffled and tried to look interested.

Nobody was around, it seemed, to read the words of Dr. C. Harold Urey, Nobel prize-winning scientist, who was not talking about the 3.7 heavy anti-aircraft gun when he said: "There is no defense against the atomic bomb and there never will be a defense. Not a single V2 rocket bomb was intercepted in the Second Great War. . ."

They were nice-looking young kids. They looked up at the long, green steel barrel of gun. They did not look like men who had ever heard of Lt.-Gen. Sir Francis I. S. Tuker, commander-in-chief in India, who said: "Before us lies a period of warfare in which the atomic bomb is to be hurled far up in the stratosphere by very swift rockets, predicted or radio-controlled, and is to fall pretty accurately where it is needed 1000 or 2000 miles away."

They were concentrating on a Predictor, A.A. No. 5, Mark Two, a counterpart of which was available also to the residents of

There had been a day when this was a thing of meaning and purpose, when the emergency did, indeed, come and young men in Canada were ready for it. But that was a day before a man such as Maj.-Gen. Anthony McAuliffe, official United States Army observer at Bikini, had said: "The new weapon could force any country, even the United States, to quit a war."

ENDLESS DATA

"The mechanism is contained in an aluminum alloy frame and, when in use, mounted on a rigid stand," the instructor went on, standing professionally beside an instrument that became a useless toy on the morning of August 5, 1945.

Since that day the statesmen and scientists of the world had said that the atomic bomb is a weapon against which there is no defense, which, if not already known to potential enemies, will most certainly be known in the future. ("If an atomic bomb armament race develops, Russia will produce its first atomic bomb in about three years and possibly accumulate them faster than the United States," said Dr. Irving Langmuir, associate research director of General Electric.)

But in those armouries this week a little group of men lived a myth, apparently unaware of the date on the calendar.

Botanists have identified 545 species of flowering plants in California's Death Valley.

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BRITANNIA BEACH

By "SLIM"

HI FOLKS:

Sept. 21st and its our 12th wedding anniversary. Yes, 12 years ago today at the Townsite there was plenty excitement. We were married up there and had 190 at the reception and Noel Fraser and his orchestra played for a big dance open to all, and believe it or not they still talk about it.

Well last Saturday the Beach Cilub had a Community Social evening and what a night. Fran Downie and several radio entertainers were also up, such as Fred Bass. We were well entertained all evening. Several were down from the Townsite and more would have come down only there was no ship.

Sybil and Blondie Hanson were down and spent the weekend at Mr. and Mrs. H. Chisholm. We were all at the same table. Somehow Blondie got parted from Sybil and even ended down at our house and but he was safe with Wes. Mr. H. H. Lee and myself, and all our cop was looking for him, really made an evening of it, and hope we have more of those evenings this winter.

Our Grace and Jack Kennedy are forsaking the "Trail" to live at the beach in Bob Heron's house. Good luck.

Several from the beach were down to see Spike Jones and by all accounts everyone more than enjoyed him.

Flo Verdisio is going down Wednesday to see our Bing Crosby.

Shirley Craig was up last week. Its a long time since he's been up.

Would like to send wedding congratulations to a former Beach girl, who was married last Saturday, Emma Ackers.

Our Jane Ades has left to fly back to Winnipeg to visit her son Ken and his wife Olive. She expects to be away a month or two. She is waiting the arrival of her first grandchild, so is really "up in the air" more ways than flying. We wish Ken and Olive good luck, and happy landing to Jane.

Mrs. Jeary and friend were up visiting her daughter, Mrs. T. Wills for a few days.

Well its birthday greetings to my daughter Barbara Ann who was 6 on Saturday and to Dale McGregor who was 7. Both had a lovely party and thank goodness I live right. I was lucky enough to have a fine day. 12 were invited, but 20 arrived. May as well send birthday greetings to my neighbor today, but we're celebrating it on Saturday.
Saturday.

Well folks, I'm off for another week. So cheerio folks and remember Christmas is just around the corner.

SLIM

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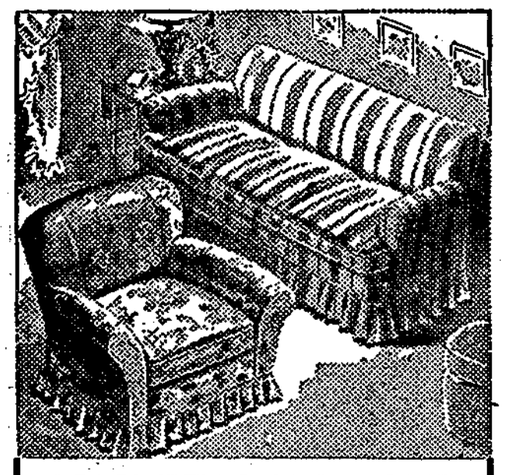
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Kitchen Capers

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fill shells, brown in hot oven. You don't like cheese? Oh, well brush with egg and toast under broiler. If you wish, a few bologna or weiner slices may be tucked in the potato mixture.

STUFFED BAKED PEARS

4 firm ripe winter pears, ¼ cup raisins, 2 tbsp. chopped walnut meats, 1 tbsp. lemon juice, 2 tbsp. water, ⅓ cup light corn syrup. Pare and core pears, leaving stems intact. Combine raisins, nut meats and lemon juice. Mix; stuff into pear cavities. Arrange in deep baking dish. Pour over water and syrup. Cover. Bake in 350F. oven 45 minutes. Sprinkle pears lightly with sugar. Place in broiler and brown slowly. Serves 4.

For the boys and girls: What is the difference between a spendthrift and a feather bed? One is hard up and the other is soft down.

SECHELT
By "ARIES"

THE SECHELT United P.-T.A. was off to a good start at the first meeting of the season which by the way was the annual meeting. The following were elected to office. Honorary President, School Principal Mr. John Ellis. President, Mrs. Lilian Powell; First Vice-President, Mrs. K. Whitaker; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Dorothy Morrison; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Alice French; Treasurer, Mr. Fred Archer; Library, Mrs. R. Jay; Health Convenor, Mrs. B. Simning; Membership, Mrs. D. Doyle; Publicity, Mrs. B. Williams; Social Convenor, Mrs. M. Newcomen. We hope that these meetings which are so vitally important to the school and the children will be fully attended during the winter months. Many social evenings will be planned later on and some of the executive will be attending the Annual meeting of Sechelt District Teachers at Pender Harbour on September 25th including Mr. Ellis, Miss E. Turner, Miss N. Melvin, Miss Krausert, Mrs. R. Jay, Mrs. Powell, Mrs. K. Whittaker, Mrs. D. Morrison and Mrs. A. Frech. They will be addressed by Mr. A. Spragge, Geographical Representative of the executive of B.C.T.F.

Miss Joan Simning has returned to Sechelt after a long vacation in the U.S. where she visited Portland, and Vancouver, and Camas, Wash., where she was the guest of her aunt Mrs. Alvia Gilmer.

On a visit to her Grandfather Mr. Thos. J. Cooke, was Miss Helen Dawe. Miss Dawe has recently been on the staff of the Provincial Library, Victoria, and is now preparing to take the course in agriculture at U.B.C. She is the daughter of Captain and Mrs. S. Dawe.

Mrs. N. J. Nelson entertained a few friends recently in honor of her daughter, Florence, now Mrs. W. Malakoff of Vancouver. Besides the three Nelson sisters, Esther, Alice and Phyllis were Mrs. A. Nelson and Mrs. Harold Nelson daughters-in-law, and Mrs. Phyllis Parker, Mrs. Louis Hansen, Miss Norma Melvin and Mrs. Alice A. French.

We are sorry to learn that Mrs. Ethyl Frederickson, hostess at Sechelt Inn, is in hospital recovering from an operation. We send her our best wishes and hope that it won't be long now before she is fully recovered and back with us once more.

Saw a young lady who I was very fond of in the early days of Sechelt's history, Maidie Yellowlees. She is now married and has a dear little boy, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Yellowlees who are real old timers here, and with her brother Louis stayed in the old Sechelt hotel every year for many years during my time there. They now have a cottage on the waterfront.

Ed. Note: It has been brought to our attention that the orchestra leader mentioned in this column Sept. 10th should be "Gale" not Gay. Our mistake, sorry.

The Sechelt section of the Sechelt Peninsula Board held an Executive Council meeting here on the 20th. The special subject for discussion was the sudden and drastic cut in mailing services for the area. Also discussed was the necessary transportation to Pender Harbour for the General Meeting, to be held there Sept. 27th. Get in touch with Graham Collison, membership chairman for details.

PENDER HARBOUR
By SARAH

WITH THE schools in full swing again—P.-T.A. of Pender Harbour held their Sept. meeting in the Superior School Sept. 16. Our new president Mrs. Jennie Reiter was in the chair, and there were 16 members present. Miss Denise Critoph, teacher in the junior room, was introduced to the ladies. New members welcomed were Mrs. Alice Haddock and Miss D. Critoph.

We were very happy to see Mrs. McKay back as our principal and senior room teacher. We had a full meeting. Among the subjects discussed were the coming "Fall Bazaar" to be held in November and the combined meetings of the School Board and P.-T.A.'s from Gibsons Landing to Pender Harbour, at the Superior School on Sept. 25. This promises to be both informative and enjoyable. Let's hope "Old Sol" smiles on us that day.

Mrs. Lynn Davis left Pender Harbour on Friday's "Gulf Wing" for Vancouver en route to Namu, where she will meet her "hubby" and after giving the "North" the once-over will return to us, with him, sometime in October. Good weather, kids!

Miss Usteen Fodchuck returned to the Harbour, we are happy to report, and she is teaching the three "R's" to the "small fry" at the newly opened Madeira Park school.

The Canadian Legion, Post 112 are holding their Sept. meeting at Irvine's Landing Hall, Sept. 19.

The Women's Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion are holding their Sept. meeting on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Norris Phillips.

SELMA PARK
By H. I. L.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. A. Horne on the birth of a son on Sept. 14th. The baby is to be named Albert Alexander.

Miss Ruth Finlayson spent her vacation here with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. Finlayson. Ruth will be remembered as having been one of our local telephone operators.

A very pleasant reunion took place this week when Miss Violet Robinson arrived from England to make her home here with her mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Prince. Mr. Prince went to Vancouver to meet her and both will stay there until Mrs. Prince, who is recovering from a recent operation in the Vancouver General Hospital, is ready to come home.

Mr. Eric Nickson is having some alterations done to his lower cottage, and when finished it will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Gowan and family. Mr. Gowan is with the B.C. Fir Products mill at Porpoise Bay.

Mr. A. McDonald of Ottawa, General Superintendent of the Government Telegraph and Telephone Service, accompanied by Mr. R. G. Bishop of Vancouver, who is the Divisional Superintendent, paid a visit to the Peninsula on Sept. 18 to look over the construction of the past year and inspect the new offices.

Mrs. E. House of West Vancouver, is spending a few days here with her daughter, Mrs. R. Liste.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Clarke are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

ROBERTS CREEK
By "CAROLA"

MRS. A. TODD of Vancouver, formerly a resident of long standing at the Creek, is visiting Mrs. J. Saddler, who is convalescing after an operation.

Mrs. E. J. Shaw accompanied her daughter Eleanor to Vancouver where she enrolled at U.B.C. And it's rag curlers, green fingernails and skirts above the knee for Eleanor during her Freshman initiation. Good Luck!

Mrs. G. Johnston has left to winter in Florida with relations.

Mrs. T. Gerrand of Tom's Coffee Shop, received a surprise in the mail the other day. A prize of $2.50 for guessing the weight of a cake made with a special brand of baking powder, at the PNE.

Tommy Chrismus flew into town to take in the Spike Jones show.

New residents welcomed at the Creek. Mr. and Mrs. F. Letain from Sudbury Ontario, will reside on Beach Ave. Mrs. J. Hillery of Vancouver has purchased Crowe's property, Upper Road, and will be a permanent resident together with her three children.

Mrs. J. Newman paid a recent trip to Vancouver.

Mrs. Alex Anderson is visiting in Vancouver for a few days.

Mrs. R. Carlson has returned to the Creek after spending a few days in Vancouver. Mrs. Carlson's mother, Mrs. J. Calverley visited at the Creek prior to school opening.

The latest gloom to descend on the Creek is our new mail and boat schedule . . . what with the telephone curfew set at 10 p.m. and the mail and boat service down to twice a week—it has been suggested that we rename our place of abode Roberts Creek Seminary!

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By E. NESTMAN

BOARD OF TRADE NOTES

At the monthly meeting of the Board of Trade at Gibsons, the coming winter schedule of the USS Co., was taken under discussion. The question of mail, a very pertinent subject, occupied most of the debate. It was felt that there might be other ways and means of getting the mail to and from Gibsons, daily. Trades and Industry, headed by chairman Doctor Anderson will take the matter up and report at next meeting in October. A very favorable report was given on the float entered in the PNE, by business men of Gibsons - - very good advertising for the village. Mr. F. French of Gibsons was the winner in the flood relief draw sponsored by the Board.

COUNCIL NOTES

At a meeting of the Council further discussion on the setting of trucking rates for the village was again the main subject on the agenda. Information is to be procured on the question of whether the village has any jurisdiction over the government wharf, from which the greater bulk of freight and baggage for the village is hauled. Until this information is in hand, village council is unable to set any rates for the village. Question of obtaining pipe for the cannery road replacement job is also under discussion. It is to be hoped that by next meeting something definite may be obtained re this pipe.

Mr. Cook of B.C. Power is being interviewed this week re new lights for the village, to be installed before winter. Trouble in the Headlands over the Labor Day weekend was due to corrosion in part of the water pipe in the bay. This was remedied, and water was once more available.

W.A. TO CANADIAN LEGION

First meeting of the Women's Auxiliary was held Friday evening with a very good turn out - - about 25, and 7 prospective members who will be initiated at the next meeting. Our meetings are held the third Friday evening at 8 p.m., in each month. Any one interested in the veteran and his problems, is eligible to join this women's organization. It is to be hoped the next meeting may be held in our new Legion Hall. Work held up due to inclement weather. A tea is to be held on Sept. 24 in United Church, proceeds to help with the furnishings of a new kitchen in our hall.

Gordon MacPherson is taking an extended vacation before starting his new job in Vancouver. N. R. McKibbon is taking over Gordons business. We will miss Gordon's services in the village. He is an indefatigable worker in the interests of the village, really interested in the growth of the area. Due to circumstances, necessitating this change, he is taking up residence in Vancouver. Good luck Mac.

Miss Baines, is the guest of Granny McEwen - - found out something very interesting concerning Granny this week. She had sent to England for her birth certificate, and received quite a surprise, instead of being the young oldster she thought she was, she found that she was 84, not 82. Quite a shock I'll say. Anyway Granny you don't look it at all.

Rev. Father Reidy, Pastor of the Catholic Church at Gibsons, has been transferred to Agassiz and the Pastor from Agassiz is coming to Gibsons, Rev. T. Obrien. We will be sorry to see Father Reidy leave, he took a great deal of interest in children's sports, and will be sorely missed by them. We wish him God speed in his new Mission, and hope to see him again.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Milligan are back from an extended holiday in the Okanagan. They had lovely weather.

Mr. Sid Holland is also back on the job, looking rested and ready for another year.

Noticed Jim and Bea, our butcher from Co-op, and his wife, coming home from their vacation.

Mrs. MacDougall and family back home from up coast where they spent the summer.

Jim and Alice Veitch our Sunset Hardware man and his wife have gone for two weeks holiday to the Island and way points.

Our fishermen are returning after their summer away, noticed George Friend back, Dave McKay, and several others. Herb Winn has gone up Woodfibre way on the B.C. Packers barge, where he will be manager on this floating store. Herby really gets around.

Fishing is nearly over, and now the hunters have taken over, got our first venison today, and it was really good we've been very fortunate up these parts last few seasons, that is for accidents, lets hope we can keep it that way, little caution and common sense and we can. So lots of luck fellas, but be careful.

Well that's it for tonite, with this thought: "It takes a woman to make a fool out of a man, and another woman to make a man out of a fool." Bye now.

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Rain, Winding Roads Feature Northern Towns

IN THE following account, Jim Craigen of Powell River gives a description of several northern B.C. towns which he visited recently with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Craigen.

SUNDAY, AUG. 29

As we came into picturesque Prince Rupert harbour the sun and wind cleared the skies for us for the first time all day. The ship docked, we established our contacts, and were registered in the Prince Rupert Hotel by 8 p.m. A slightly longer evening than we are used to in Powell River was quite noticeable, since Prince Rupert is about 170 miles west of this district.

We were taken by our hosts for a quick drive through the city, and had pointed out to us the necklace of islands of which Prince Rupert is a part. Statistically the city has a population of about 10,000 and lives on fish, lumber and trade, of which fish is most important.

MONDAY, Aug. 30

Monday morning dawned a beautiful day. We spent the morning looking the place over. By accident we stumbled into the cold storage plant, largest of its kind in the world, and after a trip through the place, I feel confident it is also the coldest of its kind in the world.

Mr. Bodie, superintendent, kindly offered to take us through, and was not satisfied till we were as thoroughly frozen as the fish. Basically the business is to take a fisherman's catch and store it warehouse style at freezing temperatures till it is required elsewhere. Millions of pounds of fish are handled here, and they are shipped direct in refrigerated railway cars. Certain types of other kinds of preserving and processing are carried out like filleting and smoking, but no canning work is handled by this company.

I had the dubious courage to accept Mr. Bodie's challenge to go into a 'cold room.' The working room we were in, in our light summer clothing, was a mere freezing temperature, maintained at 32 degrees. Mr. Bodie was disappointed at the first two or three storage rooms we entered. They had just been cleaned and were being prepared for new stock. As a result their temperatures were as high as zero degrees fahrenheit. Finally however he found one for me that was 'fairly cold'—23 degrees below on the thermometer. Regular storage temperature is 30 below. My light canvass shoes, and thin summer shirt suggested we get out again into the warm freezing working room, and mere temperatures did feel quite warm for a few minutes.

When fish are brought out of these storages they are as brittle as chalk, and as fragile if dropped. He smashed one for us and pieces of icicle like fish scattered in all directions.

Prince Rupert itself has had several expansions and depressions, and the scar of each one is embedded in the foundations of the city.

Narrow winding and wandering roads ramble throughout the upper reaches and lead aimlessly throughout the rocky hills and knolls that make up the residential part of the city. This is composed mostly of old houses, including many good ones, and the occasional remodelled one. Also scattered around are a few new houses, part of the current expansion going on in the area.

These asphalted roads are barely wide enough for two cars to pass, and are tediously built round and over small hills, and other obstructions.

Through the business section are straight wide roads, one block of which is paved with good street lights and sidewalks, and the next block a nightmare in wet weather.

Very old buildings, only moderately old buildings, and a few quite modern buildings are all quietly resting side by side around the business area—about three blocks wide by five blocks long. Business lots come in three conditions: (a) on a level with the road—(b) deep in a gully beside a road—or (c) on top of a rocky cliff high above a road, giving of course a nice view of the surrounding landscape.

Prince Ruperites deny that the towering mountain forming a full length backdrop to the city causes a daily rainfall. This summer for instance they had a record six weeks without rain—just before we arrived.

TERRACE

In the afternoon, Dad and I started for Terrace, 95 miles east on the Skeena River. Since we planned to be back on Tuesday, we left mother at the hotel. One of the members of the lodge who was making the trip also with some relatives offered to be a guiding light for us, to make sure we wouldn't get lost. Once off Kaien Island, we found you couldn't get lost—there is only one road in the area, and it goes directly to Terrace or Prince Rupert.

Our guide set a 30 mile an hour pace by previous agreement. A sharp mountainous road about two lanes and gravelled, with narrow government bridges crossing mountain creeks, led us to the end of Kaien Island, on which Prince Rupert is built. From Prince Rupert to the mainland is nine miles by mountain road. From the mainland end of the bridge we diverted along a sea inlet that turned into a beautiful canyon-like valley. The road however went up instead of along, and in short order we had reminiscences of some of the milder stretches of the Cariboo highway.

Finally the road burst out onto the shore of the Skeena River —"shore" being a much more apt description than "bank." We calculated the Skeena estuary here to be about three-quarters of a mile wide. For 50 miles of the 95 we found that we had the river, and along the shores or bank went the highway, then the railway, then the sky high mountain cliffs.

The road itself is maintained most of the way about three lanes wide—but was not in good condition—though we made the 95-mile trip in three hours and ten minutes. There are no stops between Terrace and Prince Rupert, other than the occasional railway flag stop. Railway and roadway construction crews were in abundance along the route, and there was lots of work to be done. The road is basically a gravelled road, but bad with washboard and potholes hidden in our trip by puddles and ponds.

Nevertheless the people who use it are proud of it, and feel at last they are in connection with civilization throughout the rest of B.C. The road was put through from Terrace by the army, and is well made with good foundations, but still lacks a good surface. Thirty mile an hour average is easily maintained.

LOGGING TOWN

Terrace is a logging town in a flat valley. It too is booming, though boomtown evidence is lacking. The buildings are dilapidated looking, and only investigation reveals that the town is experiencing a new growth and stabilization which it hasn't seen for a long time. Apparently it was for some years almost a ghost town, and some evidence of that condition still exists. The empty buildings are now nearly full again, and retail businesses are starting to take up the old stands, with a shortage of retail buildings already existing. The town itself has been so busy filling up the old buildings that it has not yet had to start new construction—thus giving the apparent dead town effect. An incorporated village, it shows many signs of a surge such as it has not seen before.

Terracites claim the road to Prince Rupert has opened up the area more than any other factor.

Hotel accommodation was not good, but did the job till next day. Meals are comparable in price to this district—gasoline —49 cents.

We woke early Tuesday morning, had breakfast at one of the three places available and left at nine a.m. to have lunch with mother in Prince Rupert at noon. We survived a terrific rainstorm on the way back. The rain poured so heavily for a fifteen minute period that the windshield wipers at top speed could not clear the rain from the glass, but rather a sheet of water poured down the glass again less than half an inch from the wiper. The wipers were about as effective as in a fish bowl. Visibility at the height of the downpour was almost non-existent.

When the rain slackened enough to see—we were greeted with the most magnificent show of streams and rivulets that one could imagine.

The mountainside on the far side of the river seemed to be one vast waterfall with the occasional pinnacle or stretch of rock jutting through the water here and there.

On our side, the slopes right next to us were one stream after another, tumbling down out of the sky.

Tuesday afternoon in Prince Rupert was a bright sunny day with only two small quick showers, and the sun peeping through again before you could put your rubbers on.

Sunday night we noticed that all the restaurants were run by Chinese serving mostly Indians. Tuesday we found that most of the restaurants were still run by Chinese, but most of the Indians were back on the fishing grounds and things weren't so crowded as they had been. Sunday night practically everything was open, and three American destroyers visiting the city had disgorged their crews upon the place to add to the thickly packed streets.

After our meeting Tuesday night, we managed to get down to the wharf about midnight to see my uncle, George Craigen, chief engineer on the Union S.S. Chilcotin, sister ship of the Camosun on which we had travelled to Prince Rupert.

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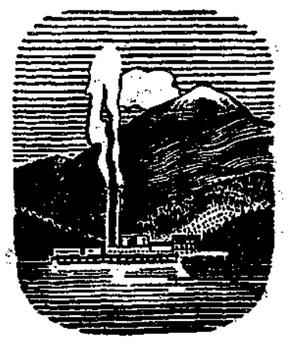

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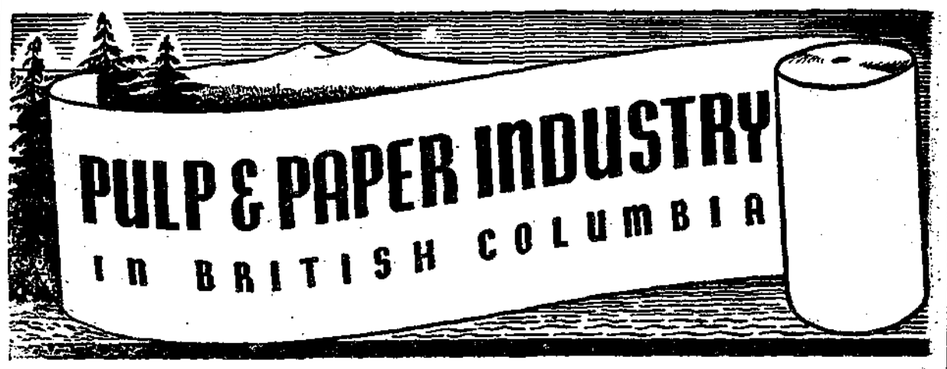

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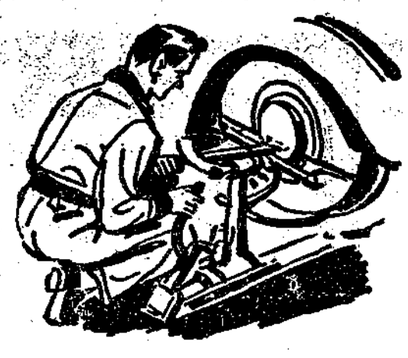

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Sechelt Guide News

By KAREN STOCKWELL

HELLO Guides! Sorry I haven't been writing the news lately.

Well, first I'll tell you about our lovely week-end at Roberts Creek Guide Camp. The girls that went were Mary Parker, Lorna Van Kleek, Helen Derby, Kathleen Rouse and Karen Stockwell. Harry Sawyer took us down and we waited till about ten o'clock for them to come (the other Guides). We had something to drink, then went to bed in our cabins. We got up at 7 o'clock and from then on we had colours, breakfast, work, swimming, games, and did many other interesting things. There were four leaders, and I'd like to thank the mothers and Miss McTaggart for letting us go, paying our way and arranging it.

We had our first Guide meeting on Thursday in the park, and sang and discussed things to do. Across the park the Brownies had a nice little meeting too.

On Sept. 1 the Guides and Brownies went to Derly's farm in West Sechelt. I didn't go as I was in town but I understand that they had a nice time. Joy Scott was sick after it but is well now.

We're continuing our sewing classes on Friday night after school and everyone try to go if you can.

We would like to thank the women who sponsor our association and also the Union Steamship for the use of the Pavilion Hall to have our meetings in. That includes both Guides and Brownies. Thank you again.

Well that's all for this week, so till later keep smiling.

Sechelt Guides are planning a General Social Evening on October 1st, in the Legion Hall.

(Sechelt)

By ARIES

WEST SECHELT is losing one of its popular families. Dick and Patty Kline and the children are leaving us at the end of the month. First for a long awaited holiday (Mexico is it?) and then will be settling down in West Vancouver.

Wally Berry will be taking over as "Mine Host" at Wakefield for Dick and Alex Gray will no longer pilot the big bus for Cecil Lawrence as he will be timekeeper at Burns and Jacksons in Wally's place. Mr. Al White is to be bus driver. All in all quite a game of checkers for our community.

Sidelights on Prog.-Conservative Parley

FOR THE first time at a National political Convention, Iles-de-la-Madeleine (Magdalen Islands) will be represented. These islands, previously part of the Gaspe riding, were created a separate constituency in the 1947 redistribution. Located in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, closer to Newfoundland than to the Quebec coast, the islands' mainstay is fishing. Delegates will be: Gregoire Gaudet, Oscar Delaney and W. Langlais.

Fifteen men in all have contested the Party leadership at the three previous Conventions. At the Winnipeg Convention in 1942, the six candidates were: Lord Bennett, Hugh Guthrie, C. H. Cahan, Dr. R. J. Manion, Robert Rogers and Sir Henry Drayton. Of these, only Sir Henry Drayton survives. At the Ottawa Convention in 1938, the five candidates were: Dr. R. J. Manion, M. A. MacPherson, J. H. Harris, Denton Massey and J. Earl Lawson. At the Winnipeg Convention of 1942, the five candidates were: John Bracken, M. A. MacPherson, John G. Diefenbaker, Howard C. Green and H. H. Stevens. It is expected contenders for the leadership will all attend the Convention.

Four presiding officers of previous Conservative National Conventions will attend the Convention. They are: Senator C. P. Beaubien, joint Chairman with the late Hon. E. N. Rhodes of the 1927 Convention; John R. MacNicol, M.P., joint Chairman with the late Hon. Maurice Dupre at the 1938 Convention; and H. R. Milner, K.C. and Ivan Sabourin, K.C., joint Chairmen of the 1942 Convention.

Back in the saddle at this Convention will be a veteran organization official. The Chairman of the Entertainment Committee—Redmond Code, K.C., of Ottawa—was General Secretary of the Party and principal assitant to General A. D. McRae during the 1930 election campaign.

General J. A. Clark, Leon J. Ladner, John A. Fraser, Hon. H. H. Stevens, of British Columbia; Dr. G. D. Stanley and General J. A. Stewart, of Alberta, are among former Members of Parliament who will attend the Convention.

One of the principal differences between the Liberal Convention recently held, and the Progressive Conservative Convention, is that the representation at the Progressive Conservative Convention is based on the new redistribution, whereas the Liberal Convention was based on the old Representation Act. Under the new redistribution, there are ten additional ridings. Thus, the Progressive Conservative Convention will be the largest of the three political conventions held this year. The C.C.F. Convention, according to press reports, had fewer than 300 delegates, whereas the Progressive Conservative Convention will total 1313.

Nearly 500 French-speaking delegates will attend the Convention. These delegates come from all provinces of the Dominion, and included amongst them will be a number of Acadian descent.

Well over 300 newspapermen, radio station personnel, and cameramen, both still and motion picture, are expected to cover the Convention.

The Resolutions and Policy Committee of the Convention, consisting of 193 members, will meet two days in advance of the Convention at 10 a.m., on September 28th. The Chairman of the Committee is Frederick G. Gardiner, K.C., of Toronto, and the Secretary is Robert L. Stanfield of Halifax. Seven sub-Committees will consider resolutions falling into their special fields. The External Affairs sub-committee has 25 members; Agriculture, 33; Labour, 29; Natural Resources, 30; Social Security, 26; Veterans, 25 members, as has the Taxation sub-committee.

Youth Delegates-at-Large and University Delegates-at-Large have the distinction of being the most prompt in returning their completed Credentials. The staff in charge of Credentials have made quite a game of checking on this, and proudly report that Youth is in the lead for prompt replies.

U.S. Professor Will Open Parents' Institute

DR. E. G. OLSEN, Director of Schools and Community Relations for the State of Washington, will address the annual two-day session of the Parents' Institute for U.B.C. His opening address on October 4 at 8:00 p.m. in the Mayfair Room of the Hotel Vancouver is entitled "Let's Vitalize Our Schools". On October 5 at 1:30 he will speak at the University of B.C.'s Acadia Camp on the theme "What it Means to Grow Up".

The two day Parents' Institute program is of vital interest to all parents and an invitation to attend is extended to all interested members of the public. The University Department of Extension will supply further details upon request.

13 Cent Boost For IWA Men

FORTY thousand B. C. lumber workers are in line for a pay boost of 13 cents an hour, or 11 percent, whichever is greater.

This was the unanimous recommendation of a conciliation board, which has been on the case since April.

Operators had offered 11 cents and the IWA asked 35. Both are calling meetings to discuss the verdict. 171 Operators are affected. The increases are to be retroactive to 75 days from date of acceptance by the workers.

The boost would bring the basic minimum pay for labor in the industry to $1.08 per hour. Trained men get an additionl 5 to 10 cents.

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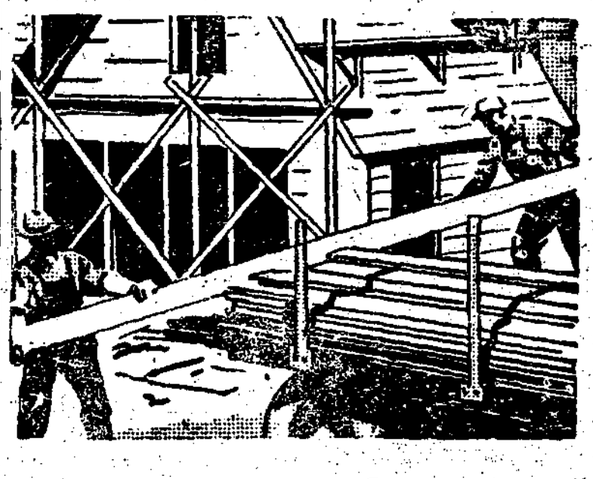

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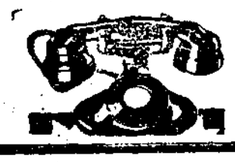

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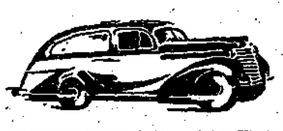

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