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Driftwood Players tops in competition

The Driftwood Players of this area last weekend took first prize in the Vancouver Island Drama Festival at Courtenay. The Players had to defeat in competition well-established drama clubs from Victoria, Duncan, Ladysmith, Nanaimo and Courtenay in order to come home with the trophy.

The play they presented was The Lover by English playwright Harold Pinter, which was one of three one-act plays presented in Gibsons Elementary school last month. The local group will go on to represent Vancouver Island, and the Sunshine Coast in the B.C. finals to be held in Vernon in June.

Local school teachers George Matthews, Colleen Johnson, and John Burnside with stage crew Steve Sallis and Thorne Underwood found their visit to the festival most instructive as well as most satisfying from the point of view of winning the cmpetition. The adjudicator of the 11 entries in compeition was Dr. W. Henshaw, head of the drama department at the Universiy of Victoria. In her general comments before presenting the awards Dr. Henshaw paid tribute to the good taste of the drama clubs competing. They had, she said, chosen plays that were of some stature rather than plays which would be easy to stage.

Besides choosing the Driftwood Players' entry as the production showing most theatrical excellence and as the play to go on to the provincial finals, Dr. Henshaw had much praise for one of the two runner-up plays, also entered by a small club in an outlying area. The Rock Island Players from Texada Island submitted the third act of a three act play by construction worker-logger-playwright John Kelly of Texada. Mr. Kelly is an old friend of provincial political candidate Don Lockstead.

The Driftwood Players were unanimous in their praise of Mr. Kelly's play describing it as a moving, honest and poetic experience. The play was about a hard-working logger reaching the end of his pride, his ability to work and his life,and managing all three with human dignity.

It is the intention of the Driftwood Players to obtain permission to present John Kelly's plays to the people of this area in the near future.

In the meantime the Driftwood Players will try to raise money to finance the trip to Vernon for the B.C. finals. They will endeavor to trade honest entertainment value for the support of the community. A good start, has been made in the development of a good community theatre. Playwrights are around locally also the potential audience. The Driftwood Players job is to bring the two together.

UNMISTAKEABLE in their new Vu-lite orange belts and rain coats, are the members of Gibsons Elementary school patrol. The equipment, including yellow bump caps and standard white on red stop signs, was supplied by the Kiwanis club. From left to right, the patrol is Jim Flack, Pat Gaines, Kerry Mahlman, Russell Abrams and Craig Norris.

Pratt rd. problem unsolved

Pratt Road residents appearing before the Sunshine Coast Regional District board at last Friday's meeting were informed that as they were still under the jurisdiction of Gibsons in water matters they would have to make their appeal to them for an increased water supply.

Wally Graham and Mrs. B. Skellett spoke on behalf of Pratt Road Consumers and Ratepayers. Replying to the proposition that the Regional board should lay a six inch pipe so Gibsons could supply the water, the chairman informed them that right now it was in such a position financially that there was no likelihood of the money being available.

The board learned that the Gibsons proposal for connecting with the regional system made last November when the Coast News reported that Gibsons proposal would enable the district to use Gibsons water, was termed very disappointing as the economics of the situation were not agreeable. However negotiations are still open.

This situation, the board was told, has halted development in this area.

Director Frank West urged members to offer their support of the school board's referendum which was placed before the public for necessary classrooms. He pointed out that the board was spending $96,000 as rent to maintain portable class rooms which were no asset to the district.

Charles Gooding, secretary in his report said the superintendent of the water system hopes to complete most of the outstanding work on the supply system within the next two weeks. The contractors will work with supervisory personnel. The reservoir is almost ready for concreting which, of course, will be delayed due to labor problems.

Davis Bay billing for the first quarter has been completed, Sechelt Waterworks billing for the year is completed, quotations on bills for the new areas have been sought and these and the necessary record rolls will be printed within the next two weeks. It is hoped to have the annual bills for the new system out by the end of May Water has been turned on where immediately required and user rates will become effective for these and subsequent users on May 1st.

Application for the garbage dump at Halfmoon Bay is currently being advertised. The site at Madeira Park which we hoped to obtain has been rejected by the Department of Highways as they still wish to use the area as a gravel pit.

School bd. secretary resigns

After presenting a budget which showed a reduction of 3.20 mills on taxation, J.S. Metzler, secretary treasurer of the school district tendered his resignation at last Thursday's meeting of the school board.

The move was a surprise. Mr. Metzler handed Trustee W.P. Malcolm of Pender Harbor his letter of resignation five minutes before the board meeting started. Mr. Malcolm read the letter of resignation which was accepted by the board without comment.

Here is Mr. Metzler's letter of resignation: tendered to chairman Mrs. Sheila Kitson:

Dear Madam: It is with real regret that I advise you of my decision to resign as secretary-treasurer of School Distict No. 46.

This decision is not made in haste, having been underconsidereration for some time.

I wish to convey my appreciation to those trustees who have shown their confidence in my judgment and who have encouraged me in the fulfillment of my responsibilities.

Yours very sincerely,
J.S. Metzler

The school board appointed Mr. Metzler of Mission to succeed Mr. Peter C. Wilson as secretary-treasurer of School District No. 46 (Sechelt), at its June 1968 meeting, following Mr. Wilson's resignation.

Mr. Metzler was selected from among 26 applicants and underwent extensive testing by a firm of management consultants prior to being interviewed and appointed by the board. He has been a school district secretary treasurer for 21 years, including seven years in Princeton, three year in Campbell River and 11 years in his former position as secretary treasurer of School district No. 75 (Mission) Mr. Metzler is well respected in his profession and is a past president of the British Columbia School District Secretary-Treasuers' Association.

Mr. Metzler's tenure as secretary treasurer has not been an easy one due to provincial government restrictions and demands on the board to keep its finances within limitations.

The year's school budget totalling $1,619,214 actually $53,887 below last year, plus a $30,092 increase in the government grant, has resulted in a tax rate cut of 3.30 mills when compared with 1969.

The provincial government contribution to the budget amounts to $184,251 which is $30,092 above last year. The board surplus of $21,392 from 1968 increased to $135,160 from 1969 revenues.

Compared with the province-wide average of 31.81 mills this school district is slightly below the average with its 30.63 mills.

Willis elected to head hospital society board

Jack Willis, resident engineer of the Canfor pulp mill, Port Mellon, was elected president of St. Mary's Hospital society Monday night at the annual meeting in the Sechelt Legion hall. Don Douglas, Gibsons, was elected vice-president and Archie Rutherford, Halfmoon Bay, treasurer.

Top executive officers were chosen at an executive meeting following the main meeting at which members of the society named the board of Trustees for the coming year. Three were dropped, R. L. Jackson, E. Leuchste and Dave Hopkin. Three board members were re-elected, George Hopkins and E. W. Booth for three year terms and F. H. Norminton for a one year term. Three new faces, Rev Dennis Morgan and Mrs. D. Moscrip were replacements for three year terms and Harvey Hubbs, a one year term.

Jaes Parker of Sechelt was recipient of a life time membership accepted by Bob Norminton for Mr. Parker who was unable to attend.

Trustee Don Douglas, nominations committee chairman, commenting on the absence of a Pender Harbour trustee informed members that he was unable to find someone who would take the post.

Questions from the floor asked why trustees seeking election could not have a few minutes to state their reasons for seeking nomination. Chairman Hopkins pointed out that there was no such allowance.

A questioner wanted to know why hospital employees could not attend the annual meeting in a non-voting capacity. President Hopkins explained that the society would first have to change its bylaws because employees are not eligible as members under the constitution. If a change is to be made it would have to come before the next annual meeting in the form of a motion.

Director Booth answering a question on when the hospital addition would get under way said he expected tenders early in June but he was not going to say what will happen. This he said after giving the meeting a rundown of the numerous phases construction objectives of the board have gone through ever since it was decided to build an extension.

R.L. Jackson, retiring director, wanted to know why there was not more publicity on board activities. The chairman mentioning something about publicity which would not be liked by Victoria, drew from Mr. Jackson that he did not care what Victoria liked or did not like. He was not interested and wanted more publicity on hospital activity.

Select project

The Centennial committee ways and means committee who were to choose a project recommends as the Gibsons project the revamping of the Gibson graves and the park, in Gibsons centre. This was unanimously accepted by the committee at its April 22 meeting.

The ways and means committee also suggested the park be named Pioneer Park, which was unanimously accepted.

There will be a letter going to council to ask for a matching grant of money for the project and a budget was drawn up and passed thus: Income — government grant $1750, plus matching village grant $1750 totalling $3500.

Disbursements: project costs $2500, celebrations $500; administration $100; contingencies $400 totalling $3500.

It was agreed that the project would be administered by the village and there would be a building and project committee. The committee members are Ross Gibson, Ken Godard, Mrs. Karen Archer and Mrs. K. Morrison.

300 at dance

The first major Kin-20 project was a dance Friday night in Gibsons Elementary school. Approximately 300 young people attended, and thoroughly enjoyed the music of the Sound Factory. Although the evening was briefly marred by a fight which broke out early in the evening among a few past their teens, the remainder of the dance was extremely well behaved.

Kin-20 members are currently planning a dance May 16 from 8 to 12 p.m., and are continuing their drop-ins in the Legion Hall every Friday night. They are also appreciative of the help provided by the Legion in donating the use of their hall for the drop-ins.

DEATHS

CHAMBERLIN — On April 28, 1970, Clare Hubert Chamberlin in his 90th year. Survived by his loving wife Grace; 3 daughters Mrs. Pearl Trethewey, Gibsons, Mrs. Hazel Skytte, Roberts Creek, Mrs. Nina McCartney, Knutsford, B.C. 1 son Cecil, Gibsons, 11 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren.

Funeral service Friday, May 1, at 11 a.m. from the Family Chapel of the Harvey Funeral Home, Rev. D. Morgan officiating. Cremation. In lieu of flowers donations to St. Mary's Hospital.

ARNOLD — On April 23, 1970, Dorothy E. Arnold, in her 89th year. Survived by nephews and nieces and many friends. Funeral service was held April 24 in Vancouver.

Classroom for retarded

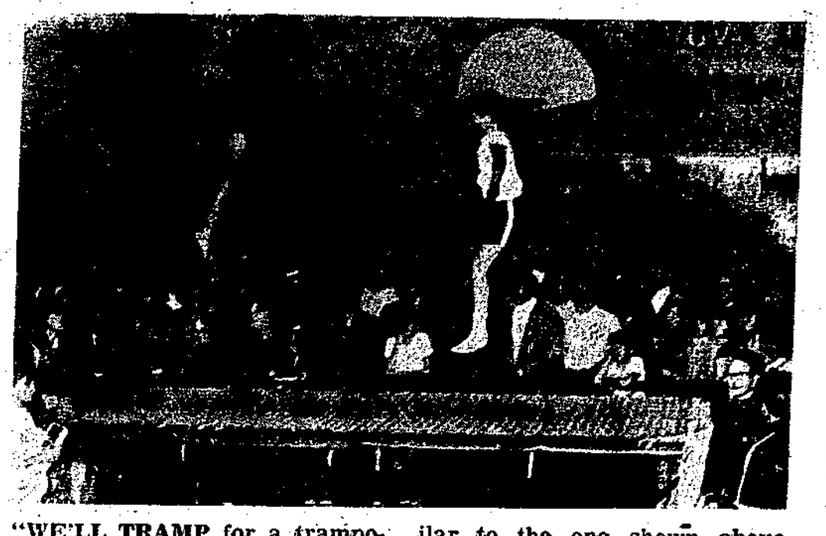
The school board planning committee at last Thursday night's board meeting approved drawings submitted by the Retarded children's association for construction of a classroom on Gibsons Elementary school grounds.

The board in approving the recommendation made the terms subject to the portable building becoming school board property if the class becomes a district operation and if there is no longer a need for the class, the board will have the option to purchase the building at no more than its cost of construction.

The Pender Harbor Fire department's request for sub-dividing school property so some could be leased for a firehall, was informed that under the School act it cannot sell, lease or subdivide any school property.

Dr. L. Morin of the B.C. Teachers Federation has suggested to the board that a smaller committee than the one at present, arrange to hold further discussions on the future of the integration problem. Trustee B. Mulligan pointed out that a Fraser Valley seminar at Harrison soon will discuss integration and he asked that a letter be sent to see if a trustee or staff member can attend.

The problem of building a road to board's Selma Park property is a matter for the board to pay for the provincial roads deparment has stated by letter. The board is not considering a road at present.



"WE'LL TRAMP for a trampoline May 3" That's what the students of Elphinstone are now saying. May 3, high school students are leaving at 1 p.m. from Elphinstone to walk to Sechelt. They are now busy getting sponsors for their walking, to raise money to buy a trampoline similar to the one shown above. Their objective is $1,000. Any money raised in excess of the amount needed for the trampoline will go towards the Grade 12 graduation dinner. Firemen will be patrolling the walk, and it is expected washroom facilities will be available.

Big walk Sunday

Elphinstone's Gibsons to Sechelt Walk on Sunday May 3 starts at Elphinstone at 1 p.m. and students and other walkers are urged to obtain as many sponsors as possible.

Entry forms, are obtainable from school house sponsors and representatives and half must be turned in before leaving and the other half after the holder has collected from sponsors.

Points will be awarded for most walkers, one point for each person participating; for most sponsors there will be graduated points from 40 down to 10; for most money raised, 40 to 10; best attendance the following day, from 40 to 10 points and the same for most unique float.

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What happens next?

The resignation of Mr. J. S. Metzler as secretary-treasurer of this school district is not something to be treated lightly. Here is a man who in spite of all the difficulties he faced did the job he said he was going to do — that of balancing the budget.

In doing so he aroused considerable opposition. Before he turned in his resignation he announctd there would be a school tax rate reduction of 3.20 mills, something out of the ordinary considering the pressures that are being put on school financing.

He also increased rentals revenue and the surplus from $21,392 of 1969 to $135,160 this year. The total budget is down from $1,673,101 of 1969 to $1,619,214 this year. This he has done despite pressures. It has been a tough 22 months during which he has served the community.

What must be considered is the effect his resignation might have on the school district. This district cannot stand too many administrative changes in a short space of time. Because of this situation the quality of future candidates for his job may not be what we desire.

With pressures from the department of education in Victoria and from local education enthusiasts in these days of stringent budgetting, because of the many restrictions against spending, it is a job in which you will be damned if you do and damned if you don't.

Coast News condolences go to Mr. Metzler because he has found it necessary to remove himself from the local scene. Whether any future administrator of school board funds will find it easier than he to handle the job remains to be seen. Under the present departmental policy the job is no sinecure with pressures diametrically opposite each other continually pushing and pulling. We need a wizard, not a secretary-treasurer.

Our member of parliament

Almost two years ago the Liberals of Coast-Chilcotin picked Paul St. Pierre as their candidate and shortly thereafter he was elected member of Parliament for this riding.

Mr. St. Pierre, a Liberal of an independent and original turn of mind, is forthright but never brash. Good journalist that he is, he has the ability of going directly to the heart of a problem, studying it and then expressing his findings and conclusions simply and clearly. Bureaucratic jargon is not his style, just good honest English, understandable to anyone who can read.

He could be commended for:

1. Doing his homework.
2. Being an active member of the committees on which he sits.
3. Frankly stating his opinions on the floor of the house.
4. Directing his attention to important problems of the day: Canadian sovereignty in the Arctic; the prevention and alleviation of pollution throughout the country, particularly in the vast reaches of our northern areas where the ecological balance could so easily be put in jeopardy.
5. His rational stand on tax reform as lucidly expressed in his articles on the White Paper on Taxation.
6. His moderate approach to all regional, sectional and constitutional matters.
7. His humanism — concern for people and nature rather than for the proliferating materialism of the day.
8. Last but not least, his sense of humor.

Coast-Chilcotin appears to have made a good choice.

—Jules A. Mainil

COAST NEWS

5-10-20 YEARS AGO

FIVE YEARS AGO

John Harvey was elected president of St. Mary's Hospital society succeeding Harvey Hubbs who had been with the board six years.

To keep Sechelt at their present 10 mill level, council will use up $16,727 of its surplus.

Ken's Foodland was offering pork sausage at 39 cents a pound.

Gibsons total mill rate for municipal and school purposes will hit 44 mills, up 7.4 over last year.

10 YEARS AGO

Funds for the families of six men drowned in Sechelt Inlet has reached the $500 mark and growing further with mail contributions pouring in.

Reporting to St. Mary's Hospital Society meeting Harvey Hubbs declared that the 1959 financial drive was most successful.

Gibsons mill rate was cut from 13 mills of 1959 to 11.7 mills for 1960. The school tax showed a slight drop, making the total mill rate 29.3, a drop of 1.4.

15 YEARS AGO

At the April meeting of the Women's Institute in the Winn home, Mrs. Gertie Corlett reminisced about the early days of Gibsons and its first school.

One hundred persons attended the concert by the Choraliers in the school hall. The event was so good many hoped the next would be soon.

Gibsons fire department announced it would not attend fires outside the village area unless called on by other fire departments.

20 YEARS AGO

A public meeting at Roberts Creek was told by Col. J.N. Burnett that the department of education had no thought of allowing any part of the school district to secede.

Ernie Barker advertised that owing to the high price of meats and general economic conditions he was forced to close his butcher shop.

The department of municipal affairs has informed Gibsons council there is nothing in the way of the amalgamation of Lots 685 and 686 (Headlands area) to the village.

White Paper comment *By Paul St. Pierre M.P.*

FINAL ARTICLE

I want to read to you one of the most disturbing pieces of White Paper criticism to come across my desk. It is by Richard Kroft, who is now a lawyer and a businessman in Winnipeg but who was in 1967 and '68 an assistant to the finance minister.

"The public service of our country is a great one, with a great tradition. Unfortunately, like any other bureaucracy it succeeds in perpetuating its own weaknesses and biases as well as its strengths. There is no doubt in my mind that many of the officials concerned would offer, in moments of candor in the Chateau Laurier, the West Block Cafeteria or perhaps, the Rideau Club, that the concept of the twin bureaucracies of big business and government—the Swedish model—makes damned good sense. It is efficient. They understand bureaucracies and like to work in them and with them. No one is more of a nuisance or cause for bewilderment than the smaller businessman trying to do something new or different or trying to get around some mountain of red tape on his road to progress. Such people take the time of officials and it is time that may not seem worthwhile in terms of the dollars or business development involved. It is the business of officials to manage the country for their Ministers and the more structured the society they deal with the easier is their management problem."

I think a great many of us, in all parties, are of the opinion that Canadian small business needs some kind of special treatment to even up the balance, somewhat, in its operations beneath the shadow of the big corporations.

Briefly the position of the White Paper's architects is that the special tax rate of the first $35,000 of earnings is not the way to do it. They say there's too much tax dodging, too many big companies splitting themselves up into three, four and five smaller units in order to take advantage of the tax. And they also say that the White Paper proposals provide a means for any genuinely small business to be taxed at his personal income tax rate as a partnership, and of course, the personal rate may be much lower than 50 percent.

In this, as in most matters concerning the White Paper, I'm waiting to see what the parliamentary standing committee reports, which will be some time next fall I suppose. It's a good committee. I know most of the people on it. Barney Danson is a successful small businessman, Aurelian Noel is a successful business operator and is now an interesting economic theorist, Hugh John Flemming of the Conservatives is a successful industrialist. I'm interested in the opinions of successful men.

Some are suggestig fast tax writeoffs for small businesses, but there seems to be little promise in this because some small businesses operate with very few capital assets.

However there was an interesting suggestion in the Financial post recently. This was by William A. Macdonald and he suggested, among other things, that small businesses should be granted a capital formation formula, $10,000 a year, up to a $100,000 maximum, once in a lifetime, applicable to every adult Canadian and taxable, finally, when withdrawn as income or dividends.

It's an extremely interesting suggestion.

By the way this paper, and the Globe and Mail's business section, to name two, are among the papers which are making truly constructive contributions to the tax debate. They're not indulging in the same tactics used by those who are hiring space for newspaper ads and trying to convince people that the tax gatherer is going to come into your house and snatch the brooch off grannie's dress.

This is what I meant when I said earlier that the White Paper debate is probably now enter- pause. We've had the storm. Now, hopefully, we're in the constructive phase of one of the biggest nationwide experiments in self-government that this country has ever seen.

Briefly, because time is running out, let me touch a few more bases.

What about the tax on sales of homes. I have yet to hear this proposal defended to my satisfaction. One of Liberal caucus members, Tom Goode, has made a rough calculation that it will cost the government almost as much to collect it as it will receive. It looks, in its present form, like a pretty useless proposition.

The five year evaluation tax is another matter. It's true it only applies to stock in widely held Canadian corporations, so the small growing companies may escape its impact. But is it right to tax capital gains before they are realized? This may be one of the most difficult questions the committee studies because it is technically so complex for me to deal with it at this time.

Finally, what about the size of the capital gains tax.

Can Canada impose a gains tax higher than those in most of the U.S., without having our own capital funds pour south across the border? This is a question on which I remain unsure and uneasy.

However, on a related question, whether our higher general tax rates will drive able Canadians south of the border to live, I must tell you that in my firm opinion, this will not happen.

It will not happen for many reasons.

Canadians have long been heavier taxed than most Americans, and our wage scale has been generally lower. We nevertheless preferred Canada. This attitude is not going to be changed by the White Paper's proposals.

For another thing, whether you prefer it this way or not, the Canadian governments provide more services to the citizens. You are paying more but you are getting more.

At the moment, in fact, there is a considerable inflow of American immigrants to Canada, and most of these are people of ing a new phase. We've had the considerable skills.

In fact, instead of concerning ourselves about losing people to the United States, I'd like to put a quite different proposition to you to consider the possibility that one morning we'll wake up to find five million to six million Americans standing at the 49th parallel and demanding admittance to Canada.

I'm not going to say anything more about that. I'm not here to discuss conditions in the United States. The Americans are a great people. I wish them well and I hope they find a safe haven out of their troubles.

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Health services used beyond maximum administrator says

A. Wagemakers, Administrator in his report said that 1969 was a difficult, however, a good year for our hospital. Difficult in that our health services were utilized beyound their maximum.

Our total expenditure for the operation of the hospital has increased by 21 percent over the 1968 operating expenditure. This is mainly due to the increase in work volume and labor cost.

May I take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to the administrative staff nurses doctors, technicians and lay personnel for the co-operation received in all matters related to administration. Also my gratitude to the president and members of the board for their advice and assistance extended to me in matters regarding the operation of the hospital.

A special thanks to the ladies auxiliary and local service clubs for the fine work they have done in raising money and giving voluntary services for the many projects successfully carried out.

It is a privilege to present to you this annual report for 1969, as follows.

Patients admitted	1,502	1,166	1,878	1,883
Patient Days	11,185	11,509	13,464	13,438
Average length of stay	7.44 days	6.91 days	7.17 days	7.13 days
Births	113	122	133	132
Patient Days	557	569	784	761
Average length of stay	4.93 days	4.66 days	5.89 days	5.77 days
Out-Patients				
Visits	2,168	3,550	4,285	6.986
Treatments	4,479	7,218	8,301	11,165
Day care	—	—	116	236

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

George E. Hopkins, president of the board made this report:

Our physiotherapy department was opened in January, 1969, with one staff member, now it is staffed by two full time employees, and in one year the number of treatments given has more than justified this worth while service. The department is well equipped and thanks are due to the Lions Club for donating the major part of all our physiotherapy equipment.

A further added service was introduced during the past year in the form of day care service which enables the medical staff to perform minor surgery whenever it is possible for the patient to return home after a few hours, thus eliminating somewhat our acute bed shortage.

Our out patient services have increased by 40 percent over the 1968 figure and our acute bed shortage leaves no doubt as to our need for expansion, and in this connection, your board of trustees have been most active, and continue to be so, despite many set backs and discouragements.

During 1969, we have also had our encouragtments. one of these being that on August 12th 1969, our hospital was surveyed by the Canadian Council on Hospital Accreditation, and to-day we proudly display in the hospital foyer the results of that survey, viz., our certificate of Accreditation.

To obtain this certificate, reflects much credit on the ability of our administrator to administer our hospital in a capable and business manner, and also our medical staff whose co-operation was so necessary to attain this status, not forgetting all our professional and lay staffs who together have gained for St. Mary's recognition of the efforts put forth to provide and maintain the high standard of service demanded by the Council for Accreditation.

If you ask what does accreditation give? Let me say briefly to the patient it can give confidence in the knowledge that well trained personnel, in all areas of the hospital are working together for his or her well-being. To the board of trustees it gives assurance that their responsibility for all that is carried out in the hospital is protected by staff who are following, to the best of their abilities, the high standards set by the Canadian Council for Accreditation, and to the society members and general public it gives good reason to take a keen interest and pride in their hospital.

On behalf of the society and board of trustees may I take this opportunity to express our appreciation and thanks to all who have given of their services to our hospital, and a very special word of thanks to the six auxiliaries, their co-ordinating council, and the volunteers who attend the thrift shop, and those who give volunteer assistance in the hospital, also all service clubs in the community who from time to time give so much to make the operation of St. Mary's the success it is.

My personal appreciation to the board of trustees for their support and co-operation during my year in office as your board president.

AUXILIARY COUNCIL

Mrs. S.E. Dobell, co-ordinating council chairman in her report said:

It is my pleasure to present a report covering the activities of the Co-Ordinating Council of Auxiliaries to St. Mary's Hospital for the year ending March 31, 1970.

Eight regular meetings were held. In addition, five special meetings of the presidents of the six auxiliaries were held to review and discuss the constitution and bylaws of the Co-ordinating council. With the help of Mrs. S.G. Hewitt, Lower Mainland Regional representative, this committee was able to bring in recommendations for a new constitution. This constitution has since been approved by the Co-ordinating council and the membership of the six auxiliaries.

The six auxiliaries have a total membership of 179 actve, 94 associate and 3 life members. Through the efforts of these members, almost $10,000 was made available to the hospital in the past year for purchase of such equipment as the Yallen flame photometer, blood gas analyser, hi-lo beds and other needed items. The Thrift Shop, a joint project of all six auxiliaries provided the greater part of the money for these purchases.

Various committees reported 3,684 hours of work given for specific projects but this does not take into account the hours given to planning and engaging in the many and varied money-raising activities undertaken.

We are fortunate in having members with this interest and enthusiasm and we hope our work will continue to attract this kind of member in the years ahead. Whatever advances are made in hospital design and procedures, patient care and comfort will always be a requirement and a continuing challenge to Hospital Auxiliaries.

AUXILIARY VOLUNTEERS

Mrs. Sylvia Jones presented the volunteers to St. Mary's Hospital report as follows:

Personal shoppers from six Auxiliaries to St. Mary's Hospital, calling on patients Monday, Wednesday and Friday spent 352 hours and 55 minutes, serving 658 patients. Goods ordered amounted to $680.

Volunteer hairdressers served 20 patients in 32 hours. The profit from this service was $54.45.

The magazine racks are kept in good order by Mrs. Ada Dawe who rotates the magazines which come by subscription from the Auxiliaries and various individuals.

The showcase in the hospital is attended to by Mrs. Erma Laycock. Knitting of baby articles is done by auxiliary members, this is greatly appreciated and many articles were sold. Stationary, stamps, and personal grooming items are also carried. Total profit for the past year, $133.17 and 52 hours were given by one volunteer.

Mr. Lewis had six volunteers serving approximately 15 hours per week in physiotherapy. Total hours 478. Mrs. Faye Lewis is volunteer chairman of this department.

I thank the volunteer chairman, volunteers, hospital administration and staff for their co-operation during this past year.

MEDICAL STAFF

Dr. Hugh Inglis presented the medical staff report which read:

With regard to the doctors on the active medical staff, there were considerable changes in 1969. Dr. Paetkua left for a two year post-graduate course in California; however, about two months later, Dr. Swan rejoined the staff after his year in Hawaii. The staff now consists of four doctors from Gibsons and three from Sechelt, plus the consulting staff. This is less than in 1968, and since the number of patients treated keeps increasing, the work load for the medical staff has increased.

During 1969 we have been fortunate in having adequate efficient and uninterrupted laboratory and x-ray services, and this is most essential to the services rendered by the medical staff and to the welfare of the patient.

The physiotherapy department has been a great asset throughout the year. The medical staff have continued to hold their monthly clinical meetings. The medical library has continued to expand so that it now contains the nucleus of essential reference books and magazines.

During 1969 the consulting services were increased with the addition of Doctor DeJong, pediatrician. Dr. Harmon, has also been added to our consulting staff as pathologist, and will advise on further development of the laboratory and post mortem services.

A very significant feature of 1969 has been the Accreditation of St. Mary's Hospital. In the last issue of the B.C. Medical Journal it was stated that only 50 percent of the B.C. Hospitals of over 25 beds are accredited. This is a very important development and only constructive co-operation between the admiistration, medical staff, and all Hospital personnel, has made possible this achievement.

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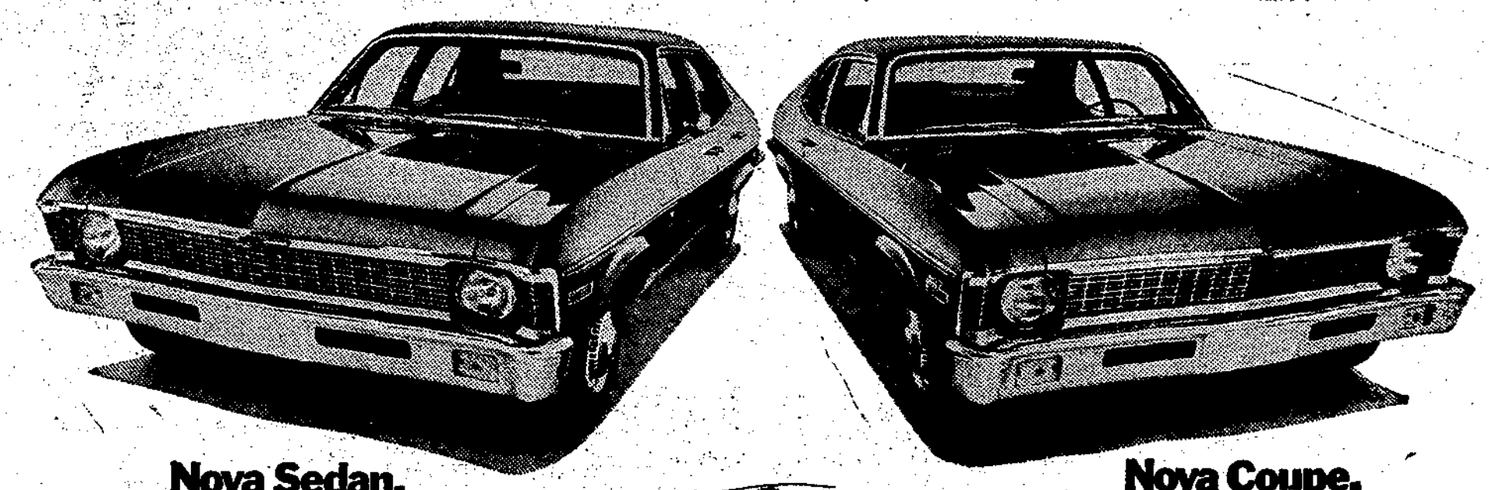

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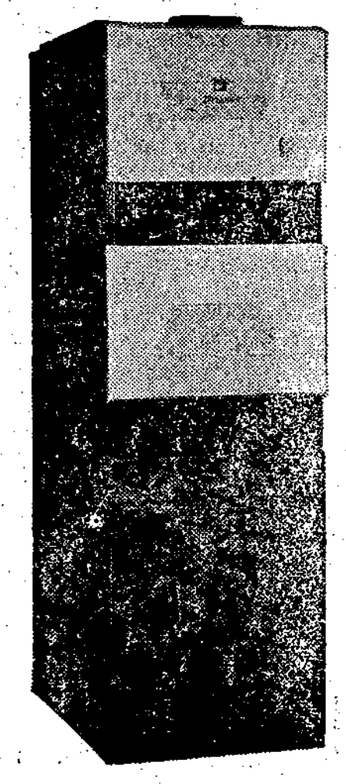

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May 6 Mon 2 pm. OAPO regular meeting changed due to Holiday, Health Centre, Gibsons

May 11, OAPO Regular meeting changed, 2 pm. Health Centre.

ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Norman R. Harris of Langdale are pleased to announce the engagement of their only daughter Leslie Faye to Mr. Alan Fraser Knowles, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. James Knowles of Gibsons B.C.. Wedding to take place in Bartholomews Anglican Church, Gibsons at 2 p.m., May 30, 1970. Rev. Denis Morgan officiating.

CARD OF THANKS

Many thanks to all our friends for their many kindnesses too numerous to list, and the cards letters and visits while I was in St Mary's Hospital.
Chris Ritchey

Thanks to my family and friends for the lovely flowers, gifts and cards. Also thank you to Dr. Irish and the nursing staff of St. Mary's Hospital for their good care while I was in the hospital. —Gloria Hostland

Ken and Sharen Gurney of Coastal Tires, wish to thank the many people who, despite bad weather, came around on Sat. 16th, to wish us the very best in our new business,
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To the nurses and all the the staff at St. Mary's Hospital a most grateful thank you for the marvelous care received. Thanks also to Dr. Hobson, Dr. Crosby and Dr. Mylechreest.
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Roads are still in miserable shape and there is no one standing up in the legislature speaking on our behalf, he said. We were told, he said that if you elected a Social Credit member all your problems would be solved. Nothing has been done. Is that action? You have a full fledged cabinet member but she is locked in a closet. The situation, he said was one of 38 members in the house with a premier plugged in with God. His arrogance has never been greater. Aberhart of Alberta once said the public has a god-given right to suffer and Premier Bennett agrees.,

He attacked Hon. Phil. Gaglardi's welfare plan as a pork barrel policy with friends of the party getting the welfare.

Tom Berger, party leader, attacked various Bennett policies maintaining that originally they were NDP proposals which Bennett took over as his own policies.

Mr. Berger opening his remarks, said he was surprised to hear that B.C. existed many many years ago, he thought the premier invented it in 1952. He regarded Bennett's policy of exporting resources as robbing labor of its right to work. He maintained this was a fundamental weakness in government policies. As a result hydro rates and bus fares have gone up.

In 1963, Mr. Bennett said the dam deals were a good thing for the province. He got $275,000,000 and now we have one dam producing power, while across the line they are getting our water. The $275,000,000 has gone and now we are paying higher power and bus fares.

On pollution he said the time has come for us to redefine prosperity and use our resources intelligently.

Tony Gargrave as MLA for the seat over 14 years, when he took over the seat from his brother he found the problem was one of communication. It still is the major problem, he said. Now we have ferries, phones, power and a road was pushed through, a road now in a very bad condition.

He presented a program for development of the Sunshine Coast over a period of 30 years. The highway should be relocated and the old road left for local use. He was shocked that there isn't a new road now.

He proposed a three mile public park along the shore on Sechelt Inlet along with some smaller Parks elsewhere.

Pender and Gibsons Harbors should be declared public park areas. Pender Harbor is one of the best harbors in the province and should be preserved. Pender Harbor should have a big hotel, he added.

A chronic hospital and rest home for senior citizens should be built as there will be great pressure from the population increase in the years to come.

As regards pollution we should watch the Seattle area, consider the problems there and avoid the mistakes made in that area.

Don Lockstead, NDP, candidate in the last provincial election spoke briefly. There was a fairly heavy question period and matters concerning Indian affairs received considerable attention.

Towards the close Cliff Beeman strived to have a resolution accepted by Chairman Fred Corley who stated the meeting was not in a position to accept resolutions. The resolution concerned the struggle of the tugmen and asked for immediate action on the subject of safety on tugs. He was advised to write his suggestion to Tommy Douglas, Paul St Pierre MP, and Mr. Barrett.

Mr. and Mrs. William James Alexander Dockar of "Cedar Crest, Hopkins Landing, B.C. formally announce the engagement of their daughter, Lynda Amelia, to Mr. Francisco Ignacio Lopez, son of Senora Luz Lopez de Lopez and the late Senor Francisco Blanco Lopez of 936 Laural Drive, Pomono, California, U.S.A.

The wedding will take place on Sunday, June the twenty-first, at three o'clock in the afternoon, in the Anglican Theological College, the University of British Columbia, Vancouver B.C. The Reverend R.D. Morgan, S.T.B., BA., will officiate at the ceremony which takes place on the wedding anniversary of the bride-elect's parents.

Miss Dockar will graduate from the University of British Columbia on May the twenty-eighth with a B.D. Degree and majors in Education, (primary) and English. She plans to attend California State College at Fullerton California, for her Masters Degree in Education.

Mr. Lopez served four years with the United States Navy and is an electronics engineer with Beckman Instruments Ltd. Buena Park, California. He is also working towards his masters Degree in Education and is Majoring in Geography at Mount San Antonio College, California.

DAWSON DATES

Hon. Isabel Dawson, minister without portfolio, will be at Sechelt, Thursday, April 30 at the Court House and in Gibsons Friday, May 1 at the Court Room in Municipal Hall, from 10: a. m. to 12 noon and from 1: p.m. to 5 p.m. No appointments are necessary—just drop in

SPECTACLES FOUND

Two sets of glasses both with non-metallic frames are awaiting their owners at the Coast News. One pair was found on Dugal road about ten days ago and the other on Fletcher road Thursday afternoon last week. Preston Saul found the pair on Fletcher road.

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Residents of Sunshine Coast Regional District Areas D, E & F are invited to a meeting at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 1 at Elphinstone High School, Room 102. The purpose of the meeting is to appoint a Centennial Committee for their area. Mr. McCooey, provincial Centennial Advisor, will be in attendance.

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For directors of Areas D, E & F

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY TO LEASE LAND

In Land Recording District of Vancouver B.C. and situate East of Sechelt Inlet.

Take notice that Ronald A. Marchuck of Sechelt B.C., occupation Pulp Mill Labourer (Canfor) Port Mellon B.C. intends to apply for lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted due N.E. 175 feet from S.E. corner lot 18 thence North 800 feet; thence East 33 feet; thence South 1300 feet; thence North West 810 feet along Road Right-of-way and containing 8 acres, more or less.

The purpose for which the lease is required is home site.

Ronald A. Marchuck

Dated April 6th, 1970.

April 29, May 6, 13, 20

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY TO LEASE LAND

In Land Recording District of Vancouver and situate East of Sechelt Inlet.

Take notice that William C. Davis, of Mission, B.C., occupation, Technical Forest Officer intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post plant-80 feet east of the N.W. corner of L. 4, L. 7148, N.W.D., thence East 660 feet; thence South 990 feet; thence S.W. along road right of way; thence 1250 feet more or less to point of commencement and containing 9 acres, more or less.

The purpose for which the lease is required is home site.

William C. Davis

Dated April 4, 1970.

April 22, 29, May 6, 13.

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Take notice that David Robert Cavalier, of Sechelt, B.C., occupation, laborer, Canadian Forest Products (Port Mellon), intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted due East 80 feet from the S.E corner Lot 6, Lot 7148, Group 1, N.W.D., thence 660 feet due east; thence 660 feet due south to road right of way; thence along road right of way N.W. to post, and containing four and one half acres, more or less.

The purpose for which the lease is required is home site.

David Robert Cavalier

Dated April 4, 1970.

April 22, 29, May 6, 13.

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In Land Recording District of Vancouver and situate East of Sechelt Inlet.

Take notice that Gladys Ruth Clarke. of Sechelt, B.C., occupation, housewife, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted due east 80 ft. from the N.E. corner, Lot 5, Lot 7148, Group 1, N.W.D., thence 660 ft. East; thence 660 ft. South; thence 400 ft. West; thence 757 ft. North and containing 6.5 acres along road right of way, more or less.

The purpose for which the lease is required is home site.

Gladys Ruth Clarke

Dated April 4, 1970.

April 22, 29, May 6, 13.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY TO LEASE LAND

In Land Recording District of Vancouver, B.C. and situate east of Sechelt Inlet.

Take notice that Bernard Edward Starrs, of Sechelt, occupation, H.D. mechanic, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted due east 80 feet from N.E. corner of Lot 1, Lot 7148, Group 1, N.W.D., thence East 330'; thence South 900'; thence West 660'; thence North 600'; thence N.E. 420' along road right of way, and containing 10 acres, more or less.

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Bernard Edward Starrs

Dated April 6, 1970.

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Odometers protected

Changes in the Motor Vehicle act as passed by the legislature during the 1970 session, follow:

The law has been changed to place responsibility on an employer in offences where an employee turns back an odometer on a motor vehicle for the purpose of misleading or with the intent to mislead a prospective purchaser of a motor-vehicle as to the registered mileage of the vehicle on the odometer.

British Columbia residents who are convicted of traffic offences in other provinces face the possibility of driver licence suspension if they fail to pay the penalty and costs assessed in the court of another province.

The offence of littering a highway by the throwing, depositing, dropping or leaving on a highway of litter has been removed from the no fine provisions of the Motor-Vehicle Act and will now be dealt with under the Summary Convictions Act providing for a fine penalty upon conviction.

Drivers of vehicles which are being approached by an emergency vehicle are now required to pull over to the nearest edge or curb of the road. Previously it was required to pull over to the right hand edge or curb but in the light of the use of one-way streets, the driver is now required to drive to the closest side of the roadway which, of course, in many instances could be the left-hand side.

The Motor Vehicle Act now contains provisions to give authority to develop regulations concerning motor-vehicle air pollution. It is anticipated that the first measure of control will come in requirements for new motor-vehicles in 1971. Additional requirements will be developed in due course to provide measures of control over pollution from vehicles manufactured prior to 1971.

May 1 brings annual fire season warning

British Columbia's fire season starts on May 1 and the Forest Service is bracing itself for possible above average trouble. Noting last winter's comparatively light snowfall, officials of the protection division fear this could result in abnormally dry conditions and a related high fire hazard.

Lorne F. Swannell, B.C.'s Chief Forester, reports several new steps have already been taken to make fire prevention and combat forces more effective. To augment normal personnel and equipment, plans are underway for a number of logging operators to provide extra initial attack crews during high hazard periods.

The air tanker (water bomber) fleet is being expanded with the addition of three modified A-26 twin-engined aircraft. They will operate initially from Prince George to protect large timber stands in northern B.C.

The annual pre-season training program for air tankers and the aircrews who provide on the spot supervision of actual fire fighting operations will be held in the Kamloops area and is designed to ensure the most efficient use of the water bombers.

Campfire permits are required throughout the season and may be obtained from Forest Service and Fish and Wildlife Branch offices, and from many sporting goods stores. The fire season normally extends until October 31.

Burning permits are required for land clearing and debris burning, and can be obtained from a Forest Ranger office or from local authorities in municipal areas.

A total of 2318 forest fires burned approximately 407,000 acres of British Columbia timberland in 1969. Stumpage value of timber destroyed amounted to $7,400,000 and the direct cost of fighting the fires was $3,700,000.

LIGHTS—OFF CHICKS

Early experiments with two strains of chickens show that the mortality rate was cut in half when the birds were given regular lights-off rests. Dr. R.B. Buckland of the Canada Agriassiz, B.C., raised half the chicks under normal farm conditions, dim light 24 hours a day and the other half under alculture Research Station at Agternating three-hour dark and one-hour light periods after they were one week old.

PNE's float

The PNE's new parade float reflects the Fair's diamond jubilee (1910-1970) the float, 48 feet long, 13 feet high and 14 feet wide, features a centrally-located, seven-foot rotating diamond; four other rotating diamonds, suspended from four stylized semi arches, are placed at each corner. The float also features two large floral arrangements and is decorated with 55 yards of purple and silver laminated material. The float will travel some 14 B.C. and Washington state parades this year, according to PNE parade manager Joe Cobb. First of these will be the Daffodil Festival in Tacoma April 11, followed by the Apple Blossom Festival in Wenatchee May 2, the Rhododendron Festival in Port Townsend, Wash., May 16, and Victoria Day parade in Victoria May 18.

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Point of law

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This week we deal with a number of questions on defamation of character:

Q. A man wrote me a letter and called me all different kinds of a crook and said I stole money from my boss and lots of other things. Can't I sue him for defamation of character or something?

A. No. The letter would have to be written to a third party. There is nothing you can do about this.

Q. A business competitor wrote me saying I gypped the public, etc. I showed this to some of my friends. Can I sue him for defamation?

A. No. You yourself have caused the damage by showing the letter to others.

Q. What is defamation and what is the difference between libel and slander?

A. A defamatory statement (to use the classic definition) is one that has a tendency to injure the reputation of the person to whom it refers; which tends, that is to say, to lower him in the estimation of right-thinking members of society generally and, in particular, to cause him to be regarded with feelings of hatred, contempt, ridicule, fear, dislike, or disesteem. Slander is spoken defamation and libel is written defamation and is much more serious.

Q. A neighbor of mine said I was a poor housekeeper and that I drank too much and didn't look after my kids. Can I sue her?

A. No. This is slanderous but in order to successfully obtain a sum of money by suing, the person suing must generally prove that he actually suffered a financial loss.

Q. My personal character was defamed by a letter. What can I do?

A. You can sue for an unstated sum of money. This is Libel and it is not necessary for you to prove you have suffered a financial loss. The judge at the trial will assess the actual amount you are entitled to.

Q. My business competitor told a customer that my products were shoddy. Can I sue?

A. Yes — Although this is slander, it is one of the exceptions to the fourth answer (above) that is, it refers to your business trade or office.

Q. I called this used car dealer a crook and he is a crook, and I told several people too. His lawyer wrote me and said he is going to sue. He won't be able to prove he runs an honest business in a million years. Am I O.K.?

A. No. He doesn't have to prove he is honest — you have to prove he is dishonest. Unless you are sure you can do so, you should write retracting your statement and offer an apology.

Super packs fade

The days of the super king-sized package are numbered, reports Stephen Duncan, Maclean-Hunter business press editor in Ottawa, and the end is also in sight for containers that give an exaggerated impression of actual contents. Also for mis leading price information on packages, and odd weights and measures.

According to Duncan, these are a few of the changes sought by the Consumer Affairs department in its new uniform packaging and labeling legislation, expected to be introduced before parliament's summer recess.

Referred to as a disclosure bill, it will require a clearer statement of contents on packages, more rational size designations, and in some cases, simply a more honest approach to packaging and labeling.

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W.P.,D. Brown
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The Hotel team had error problems again in the second game of their double header; 3 errors together with 5 walks provided Richmond with all the runs they needed. Lowell Pearl was the outstanding batter of the day going 3 for 5 with 2 triples and a double.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Director of Vital Statistics for a change of name, pursuant ot the provisions of the "Change of Name Act," by me:— David Jones, of Gower Point Road in R.R. 1, Gibsons, in the Province of British Columbia, as follows:

To change my name from David Jones to David Herrin. My wife's name from Violet Elizabeth Jones to Violet Elizabeth Herrin.

Dated this 23rd day of April, A.D. 1970.

David Jones

BOWLING

E & M BOWLADROME

Tues Mixed (Spring): Art Corriveau 582 ,207), Garry Boulter (220), Dennis Swanson 600 (214) Kris Josephson 632 (300), Buz Graham 640 (245,248), Art Holden 621 (222,236), Don McKay 539 (250), Dan Robinson 742 (247,253,242), Rick Simpkin 558 (201,218), Evelyn Prest 513.

Tues Juniors 2 games: Pat McConnell 229, Terry Verhaulst 260 (151), Cheryl Penfold 297 (157), Garry Horseman 203, Bruce Green 486 (278,208), John Volen 270, Tim Olson 368 (194,174), Neil Sandy 275 (168), Lenord Green 225, Gerry McConnell 212 Susan Baker 212, Paul Scott 404 (173,231), Mike Fuller 245, Deborah Hall 238, Andrew Turenne 283 (161).

Wed Ladies (Spring): Mavis Wison 513 (209), Lucy Shaver 502.

Wed Teachers

PLAY—OFFS WINNERS

Kathy Sallis, Linda Yablonski John Epp, Melvin Jay, Gene Yablonski.

Thurs Men (Spring): Kris Josephson 717 (245,239), Ben Prest 540 (210), Buz Graham 785 (258, 257,270), Joe Prest 561 (255), Keith Johnson (205).

High Scores for the Week Buz Graham 785 (279), Kris Josephson 300.

CIGARET WINNER

Mrs. Marjorie Smith of Gibsons won $10 on the Export cigaret Greenback. She was required to answer an arithmetic problem before receiving her award.

FIRE ALARM TO SOUND

Fire Chief Dick Rannager announces to people of Gibsons that starting May 4 at 8 p.m. the fire alarm will be tested on the first Monday evening of each month. It will be heard at 8 p.m. each time.

TOPS HIS CLASS

David Burritt of Gower Point led his class in a basic training course at Cornwallis N.S. and was awarded the commandant's shield also a second trophy.

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