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Gravel fact-finders draw dud; board recommends no action

Recognizing the sincerity of the Selma Park Community association fact-finding committee brief concerning the Construction Aggregates gravel project in Sechelt area, the Regional District board executive committee after going into the matter with the fact-finding committee, came to the conclusion that under the circumstances no further action is recommended at present.

Here is the report made at last Friday's board meeting by Director J. Lorne Wolverton following committee deliberations on the previous Wednesday night:

The executive committee with Director Slade met on Dec. 9 to study the brief as submitted by a committee of the Selma Park Community Association as instructed.

At that meeting the letter from Construction Aggregates Ltd. dated Dec. 7 was available. Also available for interview were M. S. Taylor, general manager and Tim Arnold from that firm.

The committee concluded that the letter (printed below) presents an accurate statement of the state of negotiations among the various public and private bodies concerned as they stand today. It also answers, we feel, the intent of the questions submitted by the Community Association's committee.

The actions of the Regional District board to date include an approval in principle of the preliminary plan for a gravel operation. This approval is subject to further approvals and did permit the firm to proceed further with its various applications and studies. The board was satisfied that the firm was giving serious consideration to the various features of public concern such as pollution.

The board did not enter any objections to the application for lease of D.L. 2372 except for retention of the rights for the water mains and reservoir.

Questions on the possibility of the Regional District providing the water supply to the plant were included in the discussions with the firm's engineers but no definite conclusions were drawn.

The firm, through use of their equipment available during their surveying, assisted the Regional District and the federal government to install a water meter on Chapman Creek. This meter was installed to gain the information which all three groups vitally require.

The committee recognizes the sincerity of the concern expressed by the brief. However, under the circumstances no further action is recommended at present.

To explain the situation from the Construction Aggregates point of view the following letter was sent to Chairman Cliff Gilker of the Regional District board:

Dear Sir:

Construction Aggregates Limited, a subsidiary of Ocean Cement Limited, extracts and processes sand and gravel for the concrete and road construction business in the Greater Vancouver area. These and their affiliated companies have been operating responsibly in British Columbia for over 80 years, producing and distributing many construction materials so necessary to the growth of this area we all enjoy.

Present reserves of aggregates are nearing exhaustion, and our program to replace production capacity of new resources led us to investigate and determine the magnitude of a deposit in the Sechelt area. This investigation, which to date has been conducted by consultants, has substantiated that extensive quantities do occur in that area. However, the formation of the deposit, its distance from the waterfront and difficulties in constructing a feasible loadout facility suggest that much more detail work will have to be performed before this project might be favorably compared (from an economic standpoint) with other alternatives.

The Sechelt Indian Band, and the Sunshine Coast Regional District board have respectively set aside the land for a plant site and given their approval in principle to an aggregate operation. With this established, the company will now proceed to negotiate or determine royalties, taxation treatment, and other related costs. If at any time economic feasibility is sustained, then detailed plans will be developed and the project will come to life — on paper — to be studied by all interested parties.

In such a development, and in these times, every responsible person attempts to strike a practical balance in rationalizing the effects on environment with the benefits of industry to all groups in a community. Of real concern to us, and to various departments of government, is to determine that such matters as water control, pollution and reclamation are well handled — and most importantly so in this case where many of the residents view the nature of their area to be recreational in nature. It is very unfortunate however that such problems are being prematurely debated in public by people who lack information.

Rather than be expected at this time to provide vague assurances on matters of such public concern, through you we ask to be permitted sufficient time to study the project and engineer effective controls which can then be objectively considered by all parties involved. We solicit your patience, and by means of this letter hope to convince you that, should it become our intention to proceed, we will be absolutely candid about the project and its effect on the community.

Yours very truly,
Construction Aggregates Ltd.
M. S. Taylor, General manager.

Copies of this letter were sent to W. G. Allen, land use officer, Indian Affairs Branch; G. C. Biladeau, consulting engineer; J. B. Buchanan, executive vice-president, Ocean Cement Limited; Hon. I. Dawson, minister without portfolio; C. Joe, Sechelt Band manager; W. Redel, director of lands, and Hon. R. Williston, minister of lands, forests and water resources.

More fire hydrants needed

Sechelt Fire Protection District officials have asked for standardization of hydrant outlets in the Davis Bay-Wilson Creek area. The firemen of Sechelt fire department, which covers the district also suggest more fire hydrants be made available.

Gibsons area fire committee which has not yet registered their desire before the Regional board also are reported to be seeking more hydrants in rural areas.

The Regional Board learned that the combined Gibsons and Gibsons Rural fire committee budget had been set at $10,748 with Gibsons village providing $5,470 and the rural area under jurisdiction of the Regional District board the remaining $5,278. An extra 1,200 feet of hose will be purchased within this budget.

Construction figures up

Sunshine Coast new building figures for eight months of this year are well ahead of last year's 12 month total, according to a report by building inspector F. Reyburn read at last Friday's meeting of the Regional District board.

The eight month figures for this year total $2,403,280 and those for the full year of 1969 are $2,226,900. Electoral area figures are expected to be contained in the year end report available in January.

The building inspector reports zoning enquiries have been numerous and time consuming. One zoning objection is making itself evident and that is the 800 square foot minimum requirement for dwellings in the R-I zone. It is suggested that the 1971 planning committee should consider removing this restriction from the Residential-I zone and perhaps apply it only to areas such as West Sechelt.

An improvement desired

The Regional District board is considering a public relations move to make itself better understood. This was revealed at Friday night's monthly meeting of the board in its Davis Bay board room.

Charles F. Gooding, secretary, said that from time to time, the board has considered the matter of press releases and provision of general information about its work. It had become obvious to him that in recent weeks, after four years of operation and excellent coverage of meetings by the press, many people are still not aware of what the Regional District is, what the board can do, what it cannot do and what it has done.

He had prepared a summary on the district under the title Do You Know Your Regional District? which he said he would like the board to consider and if it is in agreement with its content, authorize its publication and use as a public information pamphlet.

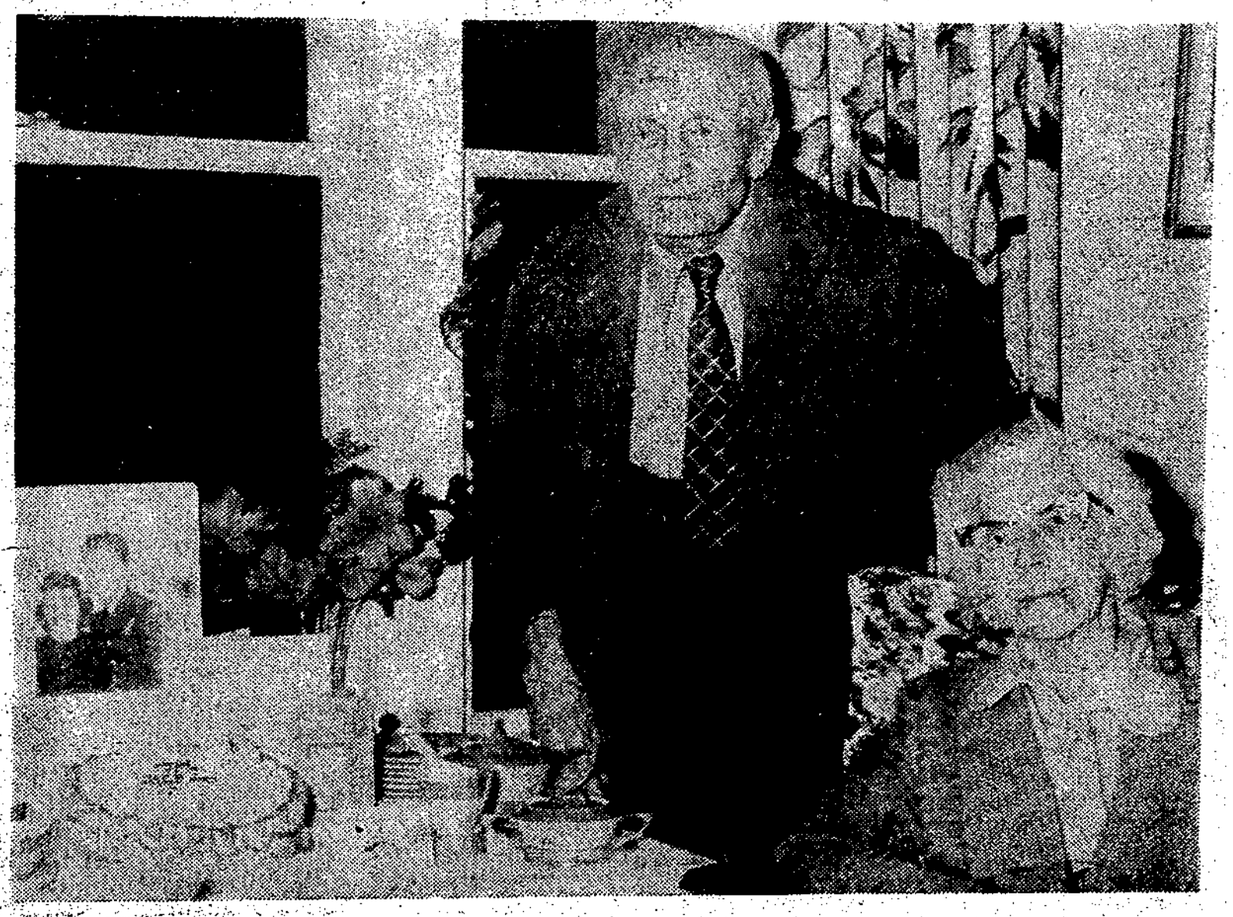
The latter part of the pamphlet refers to the achievements of the board which he thought were considerable when related to the newness of the Regional District and the difficulties imposed by the lack of information and precedent.

He added the district has pioneered the use of Regional District legislation in water distribution, garbage collection and street lighting and has made broader use of its powers than any other Regional District. He was of the opinion the public should be made aware of this.

More water users

Fourteen water connections have been installed in the Rosamund road line, Gower Point area, but there are still a few connections to be completed before water in the old system is cut off at the end of the year, G. Dixon, water superintendent reported to the Regional District board at last Friday's monthly meeting.

He also reported that 2,110 feet of four inch ductile water pipe had been laid in that area and 250 feet of six inch ductile pipe plus two hydrants.



JOHN MacDONALD of Seaview Road, Gibsons, celebrated his 95th birthday last Thursday in his home. He and his wife celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary last September 29th.

ABOVE IS PART of a group of carolers on their march from Elphinstone school where they sang carols to Marine Drive where carols were also sung, then on to the United Church hall for cocoa and cookies.

Merry Christmas
from the
Coast News Staff

Cup of Milk over top

Mrs. Bennie's Cup of Milk coffee party Dec. 17 was the best yet with $320 donated by about 175 persons who took in the event at the Bennie home at Hopkins Landing.

For the first time in 15 years four sisters were together, Mrs. Lindsay Hodgson and Miss Edna Auger of Victoria, also Mrs. Hugh Ferguson of London, Ont., who came out to help Mrs. Bennie, the fourth sister. Dr. David Murdock of the Vancouver branch of the Unitarian Services committee represented Dr. Lotta Hitschmanova. Others from Vancouver who came to help were Misses Hettie and Elsie Ray and Mrs. Joe Wickland. The usual group of helpers were available as well.

Cup of Milk cans will be picked up after Jan. 1 so there is still time to contribute via the cans. Mr. Jacob's class at Langdale school sang carols at Super-Valu store Friday evening and collected for the fund. Cathy Hamilton, a Cup of Milk fund fan since the age of six stood at the door with her can during Langdale school's open house and collected $3.60.

ONE STEP CLOSER

Pender Harbour's hospital clinic is a step closer to reality with a completed brief now available for the provincial minister of hospitals similar to one the minister recommended, the Clearwater brief, Director J. H. Tyner reported at Friday night's Regional Hospital board meeting.

Live Nativity

In an effort to put Christ back into Christmas a live nativity tableau will be presented in the centre of Gibsons Christmas Eve

At 7 p.m. Mary seated on a donkey will be led by Joseph from the wharf at Gibsons across to Pioneer Park next to the Bank of Montreal. Mary and Joseph will enter a stable in Pioneer Park and carol singing will follow.

Don Hauka of Gibsons Electric will supply a loud speaker system for the music.

Anyone who is too busy arranging Christmas parties, wrapping gifts, stuffing turkey, etc, should remember what Christmas is all about. Drop everything and come along.

Board checking highway cleanup

The planning committee of the Regional District is looking into the possibilities of making Highway 101 and secondary roads on the Sunshine Coast designated highways for anti-pollution purposes.

This was decided at Friday night's board meeting when the subject came up. Under the legislation covering designated highways, where abandoned cars and other heavy materials are left stranded, the objects can be removed at the expense of the owner. Further anyone who abandons a vehicle can face court action and be fined up to $500.

The legislation comes under the department of municipal affairs and is known as the Scenic Improvement act. It would not apply to villages or towns which have their own government.

The Regional board's planning committee intends to look it over and see how it can be applied to the Sunshine Coast area.

LANGDALE WATER

The Regional board reported the Langdale well has been drilled to 150 feet with hardpan clay to a depth of 80 feet. The remainder was water bearing sand. Test pumping which started in mid-December produced a rate of 100 gallons per minute with the well maintaining its level.

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Will Christmas ever come?

This ministerial Christmas message applies to all regardless of religious denomination.

My wish is that you and yours will have a joyous and happy Christmas.

Yet my fear is that December 25 may come and go without ushering in the real Christmas. Will Christmas with its good news of peace on earth and goodwill to men ever come in fullness to this war-stricken planet? Will Christmas with its spirit of happy love ever come into thousands of homes where there is discord, alienation and suspicion? Will Christmas with its promise of God and man reconciled ever come into the minds and hearts of countless persons who couldn't care less about the claims of God upon their lives?

Will Christmas ever come? We are given the answer in the opening chapter of John's Gospel which is a sort of treatise on the essential meaning of Christmas. Referring to the advent of Jesus it states: "The real light. . .was even then coming into the world." "The real light" — as much of God's love and purpose as could be expressed in a human personality — shone forth in Jesus Christ "but the world. . .did not recognize him." He was born into a religiously privileged people yet "his own would not receive him. But to all who did receive him, to those who have yielded him their allegiance, he gave the right to become the children of God."

The real Christmas with its love, peace and gladness had come for those who had responded to Christ and had committed themselves freely to his way of life. For instance it had come for Saul of Tarsus and had changed him from a narrow-minded bigot to a great-hearted evangelist.

Christmas has come within recent years for Malcolm Muggeridge. This British commentator, who throughout most of his life stood apart as a somewhat cynical spectator of human affairs, has now abandoned his observation tower and pledged himself to the communicating of Christ's gospel of love to his fellowman. "This little light, if I am spared the strength to keep it going," he vows, "will continue to shine."

Will Christmas ever come? Christmas came when God revealed His Love clearly and preeminently in the life and person of Jesus. Christmas has come and continues to come whenever and wherever men and women surrender to the power of that Love and let it govern their thoughts and deeds.

May God bless you and your home with His Love this Christmas.

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5-10-20 years ago

FIVE YEARS AGO

Ben Lang and Joe Benner were sworn in as councillors in Sechelt.

The Coast News started a 19 Years Ago feature in its columns which was the predecessor of the present 5-10-15-20 years ago feature.

Joseph Horvath was selected chairman of the School Board.

December had 2.22 inches of rain and 47.8 of snow in 11 days of snow and nine of rain. There were 22 days of frost.

10 YEARS AGO

Gibsons municipal clerk Jules Mainil in his annual report forecast construction of a 60,000 gallon domestic water tank adjacent to the tank on School Road (which has since been removed.)

Sunshine Coast building permit values for 1959 were estimated to be beyond the $2,000,000 mark

Tenders were sought for the construction of RCMP headquarters in Sechelt.

A record number of bear sightings were reported throughout the entire Sunshine Coast area.

15 YEARS AGO

The Pat McCallums lost their new home when fire destroyed it while they were at a church service.

Three or four public libraries in the province have enquired about the construction of the new library in Gibsons. Another request came from the United Nations headquarters seeking the same information.

Gibsons council is awaiting the day when Black Ball Ferries moves its terminal to Langdale for an easement of Gibsons traffic problems.

20 YEARS AGO

Gibsons Landing received news that Black Ball Ferries was taking over ferry operations from Horseshoe Bay and that soon car ferries would be operating.

The school board is advertising for a maintenance man to look after school property at a salary of $3,000 per year.

The British Columbia Power Commission announced it was dropping advance deposits on residential accounts in good standing and will be repaid with five percent interest added by applying them to December lighting accounts.

44 years of devoted service comes to end

Howe Sound Women's Institute ended its 44 year career with a final meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 8 at a luncheon at Coast Inn.

With Mrs. J. Warwick, president, in the chair, the members in winding up W.I. affairs decided to distribute its funds in the following manner:

$2,000 to the Kiwanis Senior Citizens housing project.

$1,600 to furnish a four bed room in the new part of St. Mary's Hospital.

$500 to furnish the proposed Gibsons Library reading room.

$350 to the Queen Alexandra Solarium for Children in Victoria (a continuing W.I. project).

$350 for the Crippled Children's hospital in Vancouver (a continuing W.I. project).

$100 for the Maywood home for girls, Vancouver.

The W.I. adoptee in the Queen Alexandra hospital will be remembered at Christmas as usual, as well as shut-ins and sick members.

Members at the final meeting expressed their regret with a note of sadness that the institute would close after 44 years service in "help to home and country," the W.I. motto. It was felt that the need for such an organization seemed to be passing, members getting older and no younger ones desiring to carry on.

Removal of Mrs. Gertie Corlett from Gibsons earlier this year, saw one of its first members fade out of the W.I. picture. She was the first secretary, signing the Societies Act required list of first directors.

The first directors of the Howe Sound Wimen's Institute on Jan. 18, 1926 were Mrs. W. G. Bell, Mrs. F. Borgenstrom, Mrs. E. Winegarden, Mrs. M. Morton, all of Gibsons Landing and Mrs. Amy Burns of Granthams Landing. Their secretary was Mrs. Gertrude Corlett. Operations were chiefly carried out at the School House, Gibsons Landing.

The first appointed officers for 1926 were Mrs. J. Anderson, president, Mrs. Winnifred Wright vice-president; Mrs. G. Corlett, secretary; Mrs. Winn, treasurer and Mrs. Winegarden, Mrs. Morton, Mrs. A. Burns, Mrs. F. Borgenstrom and Mrs. M. A. Bell were directors

At the first meeting Jan. 26 it was decided the membership fee would be 50 cents. Mrs. C. Chamberlin was named treasurer in place of Mrs. Winn.

At the Feb. 13 meeting it was reported permission of the school board had been obtained to use the high school room as a meeting place as long as it did not interfere with the work of Mr. Hill.

At the second meeting on Feb. 23 Mrs. Wright proposed a motion to save time which allowed anyone at the meeting to become members without having been proposed. As a result 19 of those present joined. It was decided to hold a whist drive with two first and two booby prizes, costing not more than $2 each.

The meeting then decided to ask the school board whether a dentist could be brought into the area for school children.

Directors met on Feb. 26 and arranged a concert with Mrs. Wilson as convenor and an admission charge of 25 cents. Prizes were announced for the best school essay on Empire Day and for the painting of the Canadian flag.

At the March 15 meeting it was decided the proceeds of the concert be donated to the Crippled Children's hospital. It was also decided to hold alternate meetings at Mr. Winn's Socialist hall and that the women from Granthams would bring eats.

At a director's meeting on April 15 the question of raising fees was discussed also getting someone to come and speak on whatever subject was of most interest to members.

The meeting decided to make enquiries on prices of land suitable for construction of a hall or meeting room. A special March 4 meeting discussed various pieces of land. The April 19 meeting decided that all members possible go to hear the discussion re the Socialist hall (which could have involved its purchase).

After considerabe pressure on the school board it was arranged that a dentist come and look over the children at the school.

The organization appeared to have trouble keeping a treasurer so at the October meeting the secretary took over temporarily.

The 1927 officers elected were Mrs. W. Wright, president, Mrs. Metcalfe, vice-president; Mrs. Corlett, secretary and Mesdames Horne, Winn, Bartle, Pinson and Smith directors and Mrs. Winegarden, Anderson and Simpson the visiting committee. It was arranged to put the W.I. money in the Royal Bank for safe keeping. It was decided the secretary should receive $15 per year for her work. Mrs. Anderson was made honorary president of the institute and a letter sent her to that effect. At a Feb. 28 special meeting it was decided to obtain a wreath for Mrs. Anderson.

School prizes, awards at annual fairs, donations to numerous child care organizations and other smaller items on entertainment for school children filled out the minutes of most meetings. Roll calls were answered by the member stating where she was born, naming of some product manufactured in this province and other things with each meeting supplying a different subject for members to reveal some of their knowledge.

In places the minutes reveal humanitarian activities by helping destitute families, sick people and responding where possible to look into helping some of the older folk. An example to quote the minutes, reads like this: "We are to buy two pairs of stockings each, a pair of shoes each and a pair of rubbers for the two Stiller children." That is all the minutes contained about this case. The rest must be left to the imagination.

As various secretaries took turns at writing the minutes the handwriting back in pen and ink well days was suitable for the secretary to read, because some of the abbreviations would require translation. However the records were kept, faithfully, diligently and without any thought that history of the Gibsons area was in the making.

Premier's greeting

This is the season when cares are set aside and thoughts turn affectionately to family and friends; the season of pleasant memories and joyful anticipation

This is especially true as we prepare for Christmas 1970 and the arrival of 1971, a most important year in the history of British Columbia.

The deep religious meaning of Christmas makes us realize that we should renew our faith in our fellow man, and rejoice in the many sincere friendships with which we are blessed.

My family joins me in extending to all of you the traditional wish of Peace on earth — Goodwill to man, and may you and yours have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Camerons write

With best wishes for 1971 Margaret and Rev. Murray Cameron write the following for members of Gibsons United church congregation:

"No great changes have occurred in our family since last year. The Macleods have moved in with the Camerons at the Deer Lake manse. Joy looks after the wee boys while Marg continues her studies. Bern teaches in Surrey. Ian goes to kindergarten, and David is increasingly 'a person in his own right.'

"Dave and Margaret are settled in Halifax. During August they introduced John to his B.C. grandparents. He made a complete conquest.

Gary is teaching in Coquitlam and Jean is taking special training in education at S.F.U. We ourselves keep well and busy. It's hard to realize that June 30 will mean forty years in the ministry."

a Joyous Christmas

May Yuletide cheer light your way to a year with happiness each day.

N. Richard McKibbin
Gibsons

HOLIDAY BUS SERVICE

On December 24th and 31st an extra bus will leave Sechelt for Vancouver at 2:45 p.m.

The regular 2:45 p.m. trip will not operate on Friday, December 25th

B.C. TEL

G. F. MacFARLANE

T. F. HEENAN

G. F. AUCHINLECK

The appointment of a Vice-President and the assignment of new responsibilities for two other Company officers, effective December 15, 1970, are announced by the British Columbia Telephone Company.

Gordon F. MacFarlane is appointed Vice-President—Corporate Development, with responsibility for broad corporate planning, the development of the Company's data processing, the Company's participation in the Trans-Canada Telephone System and regulatory matters. Mr. MacFarlane, born in Victoria, graduated from the University of B.C. in 1950 with a degree in electrical engineering and joined the Company in the same year. He has been Vice-President—Operations since October, 1967.

Terence F. Heenan is appointed Vice-President—Operations, with responsibility for the over-all operation of the Company's system. Born and raised in Halifax, he has a Bachelor of Science degree from St. Mary's University and an electrical engineering degree from Nova Scotia Technical College. He has been Vice-President—Staff (Operations) since September, 1967 when he joined the Company after serving with Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company and the Trans-Canada Telephone System Advisory Group.

Gilbert F. Auchinleck is appointed Vice-President—Staff (Operations), with responsibility for engineering, plant, traffic and commercial staff services. Mr. Auchinleck, born in Vancouver, graduated from the University of B.C. in 1944 with a degree in electrical engineering. He joined the Company in 1947 and has held a wide variety of management positions, including that of Island Division Manager since June, 1965.

CHURCH SERVICES

ANGLICAN

St. Bartholomew's
Dec. 24 — 11:30 p.m.
Midnight Eucharist
Dec. 25 — 9:30 a.m.
Holy Communion
Dec. 27 — 11:15 a.m.
9 Lessons and Carols

St. Aidan's
Dec. 25 — 11 a.m.
Holy Communion
Dec. 27 — 10 a.m.
9 Lessons and Carols

UNITED

Gibsons United Church
Christmas Eve - 11 p.m. Dec. 24
11:15 a.m., Divine Service
9:30 a.m., Wilson Creek
2:30 p.m., Roberts Creek

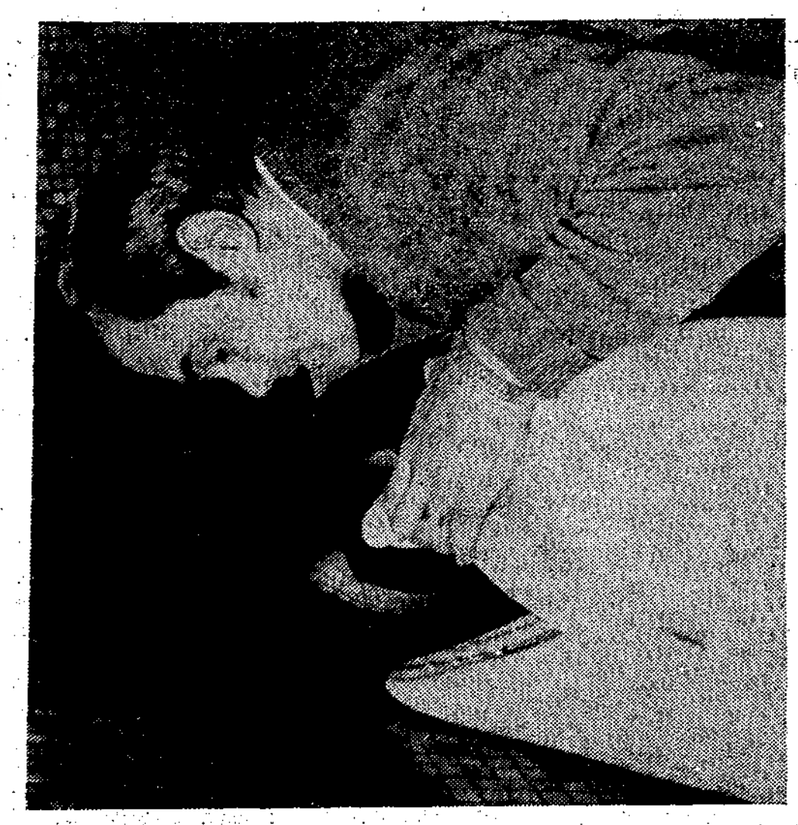
PORT MELLON
1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays
9:15 a.m, Rev. R. D. Morgan
2nd and 4th Sundays
7:30 p.m., Rev. Jim Williamson.

BAPTIST
CALVARY BAPTIST
Pastor Robt. Allaby, 886-2932
Park Rd., Gibsons
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Evening Service 7 p.m.

BETHEL BAPTIST
Mermaid and Trail, Sechelt
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
11:15 a.m., Worship Service

GIBSONS PENTECOSTAL
Member P.A.O.C.
886-9970
Highway and Martin Road
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 7:00 p.m.
Wed., Bible Study & Prayer
7:30 p.m.
Fri., Family Night Service
Rev. B. J. With

GLAD TIDINGS
Gower Point Road
886-2060
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
WITH CHOIR AND SPECIALS
EVENING SERVICE, 7 p.m.
Testimony and Exhortation
Tuesday Service 7:00
With once a month Special
Evangelistic Service



SAY A-A-AH. Bella, one of the Vancouver Public Aquarium's two Beluga whales doesn't seem to mind a gentle assist from biologist Gil Hewlett. A check-up of the docile whale reveals that she has put on 30 pounds and grown five inches since her arrival at the Aquarium two years ago. She now weighs 950 pounds and is 10 feet 9 inches in length.

Delay increases road costs

Postponing road improvements creates added expenditure Gibsons council has found as the result of the provincial roads department through lack of funds, holding up an improvement to Gower Point road in Franklin road vicinity.

It was planned more than one year ago that the roadway there should be widened. The present road is as close to waterside property lines as it can get and to widen the area rock blasting will have to be done on the other side.

Gibsons council at its meeting Tuesday night of last week noted that the work, as the result of a year's delay would mean an added cost of $6,000 will be necessary as the result of inflation, chiefly.

Gower Point road is the type of highway that comes under government assistance. Today council estimates the cost of widening the road will run to $22,000 for work which if it had been done when first estimated would have been $16,000.

Holiday spirit!

The holiday spirit was evident Friday, Dec. 4 when Gibsons United Church Women held their annual Holly Tea in the church hall. Wreaths and Santas adorned the walls and choir boys graced the tea tables.

Many persons took advantage of the novelties, candies and bake goods to add to their Christmas shopping. The UCW thanks all who donated their time, talents and support to this tea and hope that their visitors had as much pleasure as the UCW did in hosting it.

Mrs. Gill heads hospital auxiliary

At the Port Mellon auxiliary to St. Mary's Hospital meeting Dec. 9 at the home of Mrs. Inge Neilson, Mrs. Elsie Willis officiated at the traditional candlelight ceremony for installation of 1971 officers.

Mrs. Margaret Gill will be president, Mrs. Gladys Booth, vice-president; Mrs. Margaret Swan, secretary; Mrs. Rita Hincks, treasurer, and Mrs. Dorothy Fraser, public relations.

Committees gave their reports on the year's activities and it was decided that the next meeting would be held on Jan. 13 at the home of Mrs. E. Sherman, Port Mellon.

The meeting concluded with a Christmas luncheon and exchange of gifts, with a special one going to Mrs. Willis in appreciation of the many hours of work she had contributed to auxiliary work.

Some stories amaze

Further comment on the numerous stories going the rounds concerning the gravel project for Sechelt area drew from Ald. Norman Watson that some of them were really amazing.

He offered this observation at last Wednesday night's Sechelt council meeting. Ald. Watson is Sechelt representative on the Regional board. He said he could not see where the public was going to be affected by the gravel operation. It was on Indian land and it did not appear that anyone could do anything about it. He forecast that there might be homes built on the gravelled land 20 years from now when the area might by then be good residential property.

As it was the final meeting for Ald. Watson and George Flay, Mayor William Swain expressed his commendation for the efforts they had made as aldermen, to which Ald. Flay added, he enjoyed his work.

Ald. Flay reporting on airport affairs said the committee was looking into the possibilities of having Hydro power servicing the airport. In the meantime there are some installations under way for the improvement of airport lighting.

Council certified for the Centennial committee its written statement to Centennial officials in Victoria that had as its Centennial project the housing of future museum pieces in the present public library building.

Coffeehouse to resume

Once upon a time Gibsons had a Coffeehouse. News to you? Well, all last summer on Saturday nights it ran to crowds of 15 to 40. Not too well known and not too successful.

But it is trying again with Makara II. On Dec. 26 from 7:30 till who knows when, treat yourself to the entire spectrum of folk music.

Six performers are coming from Vancouver. Chris Craft and Jim Ham pick bluegrass banjo. Jim also plays some flamenco guitar. Lyn Ham prefers the more obscure folk material. She sings it beautifully. Roberta Rudolph and Brad Ewing prefer the modern folk idiom. Dick Coe writes his own.

Also performing are local residents Waldo Dahl and Barbara Williams, and hopefully a new group composed at present of Colleen Husby, Noni Veale, Gordon Hauka and Mike Willis.

Admission is a mere 75c, so bring family and friends to Makara II at the Gibsons United Church hall on Boxing Day, Dec. 26. Okay?

Douglas Tann writes

Once again Douglas Tann has written the Coast News and sent along a Christmas greeting. Last year it was from Hong Kong. This year it is from Singapore. The post office cancellation stamps urged all to keep Singapore clean and pollution free, so pollution is definitely not a B.C. product.

A dash of salt in starch keeps the iron from sticking and also gives linen and fine cottons a glossy, like-new finish.

Blake C. Alderson, D.C.
CHIROPRACTOR
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TUES. WED., THURS., FRI.
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SATURDAY 9:30 - 1:00
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GREETINGS
FROM THE
TWILIGHT THEATRE

PLEASE NOTE:
The theatre will not be open Sun. Dec. 20 to Fri. Dec. 25 inclusive

Sat., Sun., Mon., Tues.
Dec. 26, 27, 28, 29
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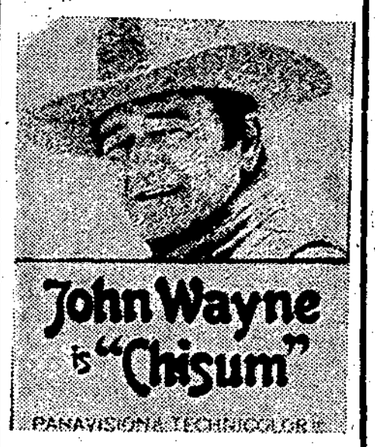

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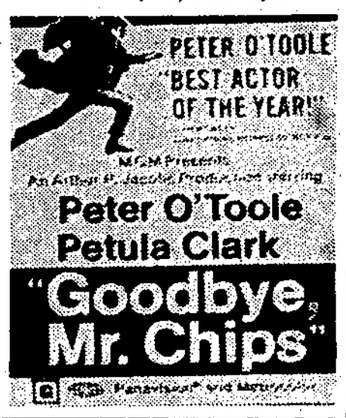

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GREETINGS

Season's Greetings to all my friends. In lieu of Christmas Cards a donation has been made to the Cup of Milk Fund and Oxfam.
—John Hind-Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Dill Jones of Wara tah, Gibsons, wish their many friends on the Sunshine Coast a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. In lieu of cards we have donated to the Mission to Seamen, Vancouver and the Gibsons Hospital Auxiliary.

Christmas Greetings to all our customers
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To all my good friends in Roberts Creek:
I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year Instead of cards and presents this year, I am sending a donation to help those poor thousands of starving children, dying for lack of food.
—Jen Monrufet.

Anne and Vince Prewer wish their many friends on the Sunshine Coast a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. In lieu of cards a donation has been made to the Salvation Army.

To all our friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
—Freeman, Virginia and family.

The Ed Wray family sends Season's Greetings to all friends and relatives. In lieu of cards, donations to Senior Citizens Building Fund in memory of our beloved parents, John and Alice Wray and Clifford Denham.

CARD OF THANKS

A sincere thank you to all our friends and neighbors for their cards and words of sympathy in the passing of a dear husband and father, Alf Ritchey. Also thank you to all who visited him during his lengthy illness. A special thank you to Dr. Inglis and the nurses and staff of St. Mary's Hospital.
—Chris Ritchey, Joanna, Peter and family.

FOUND

White Persian cat on car deck of Sunshine Coast Queen, Sunday. Owner phone 886-9982.

Boy's Cub cap found on Marine Drive near entrance to Scout hut. Owner phone 886-2839.

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Ladies: Bonnie McConnell 597 (253), Melody Henry 226, Mavis Wilson 225, Evelyn Berdahl 615 (234).

Gibsons A: Paddy Richardson 654 (225, 227), Sylvia Bingley 614 (253), Eric May 609 (236), Len Ellis 244, Don MacKay 626 (281), Helen Girard 688 (263, 222), Mavis Stanley 685 (304), Virginia Reynolds 565 (235), Freeman Reynolds 669 (226, 244), Carol McGivern 228, 233), Frank Nevens 746 (233, 250, 263), Buzz Graham 606 (246, 223), Kris Josephson 718 (304, 222), Dunstan Campbell 624 (234), Dan Robinson 608, (229).

Teachers: Godfrey Robinson 260, Dan Robinson 772 (264, 241, 267), Don MacKay 637 (277), Irish Cramer 246, Peter Mouzakis 244.

Thurs. Nite: Mavis Stanley 689 (232, 249), Hugh Inglis 229, Tom Stenner 602, Hans Peterson 238, Taffy Greig 694 (298, 234), Kris Josephson 671 (265), Buzz Graham 701 (251, 222), Ben Prest 663 (319), Jim Thomas 231, Nan Stevenson 238, Godfrey Robinson 617, Denise Littlejohn 225, Red Day 229.

Juniors: Rick Delong 532 (261, 271), Stephen Charlesworth 427, (227, 200), Susan Charlesworth 287 (155), Deborah Hill 287 (151), Bruce Green 300 (154), Leonard Green 313 (185), John Sleep 464 (229, 235), Elin Vedoy 340 (185, 155), John Volen 373 (188, 185), Jackie Inglis 288 (151), Kevin Honeybunn 305 (154, 151), Randi Hansen 329 (182), Graeme Winn 317 (175), Louise MacKay 276, (187), Mike Hansen 271, Valma Dupuis 295 (151).

Log scaling in cubic feet

Resaurces Minister Ray Williston has announced that log scaling for government purposes in the province will soon be exclusively in firmwood cubic feet. The change-over will be complete by January 1, 1972, and will eliminate the present two competing units of measure — the board foot and lumber cubic scale.

The decision to drop the board foot scale in favor of cubic foot measurement was made following extensive study by a special committee appointed by Mr. Williston early this year. Its membership comprised representatives of the Forest Service, the Truck Loggers' Association, and the B.C. Council of Forest Industries.

Robert Corregan, scaling coordinator for the B.C. Forest Service, said the firmwood cubic scale is simpler in use than the other forms of measurement, and provides a more accurate measure of wood volume.

REMEMBER
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Haleys OAPO life members on retirement

OAPO Branch 38 meeting Dec. 14 in Gibsons Health centre with William Haley, president, in the chair, attended by a larger number of members than usual, decided to send a $200 cheque to the Kiwanis Senior Citizens Housing project. A report on this housing project was given members who were told that the application for the project has been forwarded to Victoria.

Inquiries have reached the organization about hearing aids and any member interested should contact Mr. Haley, president of the branch. With Mr. Haley's intention to retire at the end of the year, the meeting decided that both he and Mrs. Haley, secretary, be presented with life memberships as a result of their many years work with the OAPO.

The meeting adjourned for tea and the entertainment by eight talented musicians, Cindy Kurucz, Marla Schneider and Kerry Mahlman, and the Giggle Gang of Cindy Beaudry, Michelle Phillips, Christine Irvine, Margaret Duncan and Melanie Mahlman. The entertainment was brought to a close with the reading of The Night Before Christmas by Mrs. Mahlman, with Santa Claus passing out goody bags to all good boys and girls. This was a thoughtful gesture of the girls who wished the members a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The January meetings in the Health Centre, Gibsons, at 2 p.m., will be a social, Jan. 4 and the regular meeting, Jan. 18, with the installation of officers.

Seventy-three members and guests attended the Christmas dinner, Dec. 16, at the Legion Hall, Gibsons, a gift of the men of the Legion, Branch 109. A delicious turkey dinner with all the trimmings was prepared and served by the Ladies Auxiliary to the Legion. For their kindness in remembering each member with a gift of home baking and other goodies, distributed by Santa Claus and his elves, all members of the Legion were given a very hearty thank you. Hon. Isabel Dawson sent her regrets, as she was unable to attend, and sent her best wishes to each member.

Life Membership certificates were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Haley, by Mr. Adams, on behalf of the members of Branch 38. Three excellent nature films were shown by Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper, after which the members wished each other a happy Christmas, bringing to a close a most enjoyable evening.

Car licenses!

Mailing of licence renewal application forms will commence the middle of December. Motorists will not receive new passenger car licence plates for the 1971 year but upon payment of the yearly fee will receive a decal to affix onto the presently assigned licence plate, in the space provided. Licence renewal can be done on and after Jan. 4.

Apply early to save yourself time and inconvenience. Bring your renewal application form with you and make sure it is properly signed. This will save time too.

Officials review costly complex

Information covering a recreation and retirement complex to cost millions of dollars in the Sakinaw Lake area released at Friday night's meeting of the Sunshine Coast Regional District board details the requirements the company involved must fulfill.

The information was supplied from a letter to F. M. Cunningham, of Anmore Builders Ltd., North Vancouver from the provincial lands branch under the signature of G. A. Rhoades, administrative assistant for the director of lands, and under the date of Oct. 1 and reads as follows:

Reference is made to the three applications to acquire land in the name of Anmore Homebuilders Limited on the Sechelt Peninsula for development of a recreational and retirement home complex.

Your letter of Sept. 10 with the accompanying report has now been reviewed by the department. Lands Branch policy is to approve applications for disposition covering those lands upon which development is imminent. Your report indicates that much of the area involved in your application does not fall within this classification and it would therefore be inconsistent with this policy to approve for disposition all of the land applied for. In order that you may be aware of additional Lands Branch policy the following points are brought to your attention.

1. It is evident that the area under application is excessive and any disposition considered by this department will be on a smaller land area than that envisioned in your report. The department is not prepared to enter into any agreement upon which development cannot be contemplated in the immediate future.

2. The submission of your report is only a small portion of the development plans required by this department. We will need complete engineered drawings, tim table for construction and estimated costs of the complete project along with the approval of the Regional District of the concept proposed.

3. Any disposition of Crown lands in this area will be on a lease-develop-purchase basis.

4. The Lands Branch would be prepared to issue a lease on a metes and bounds description for a period of one year subject to a further period of four years providing the lessee files with the department a development plan which is acceptable to the Regional District of Sunshine Coast and meets the requirements of the department of highways with respect to roads.

a. It will be the responsibility of the lessee to establish on the ground the boundaries of the Crown lands included in the leasehold.

b. The lessee will be required to post a performance bond to cover the engineering costs of the roads and other services required by the Regional District of Sunshine Coast.

c. The lease rental will be based on 5% of the appraised value of the raw land and in addition to the annual rental the lessee will be required to pay all taxes, rates, duties and assessments whatsoever now charged or hereinafter to be charged upon the Crown lands or any part thereof.

d. The lease will contain an option to purchase clause which may be exercised at any time during the term of the lease over all or any portion of the leasehold which has been subdivided and developed or otherwise improved with roads and services to the satisfaction of the department of highways, Regional District of Sunshine Coast and any other authority which may have jurisdiction in the area.

e. The option to purchase may only be exercised by Canadian citizens or a corporation registered in the province of British Columbia if the majority of the shares are held by Canadian citizens. Satisfactory proof of the principals and shareholders of any company requesting a Crown grant must be supplied to the department.

f. Prior to exercising the option to purchase all or any portion of the leasehold it will be the responsibility of the lessee to have the said portion or portions of the Crown lands surveyed out of the leasehold at his own expense by a B.C. Land Surveyor of his choice under instructions to be obtained from the Surveyor General.

g. The purchase option at the original appraised value of the Crown lands shall not extend beyond the five year term of the lease.

h. The lessee shall not commence construction on the ground until such time as the approved development plan referred to above has been filed with the director of lands.

i. The lessee will not cut or destroy, or allow to be cut or destroyed, during the term of the lease, any timber or trees on the Crown lands without the consent in writing of the minister and then only in accordance with such terms, conditions and regulations as the minister may make under the Forest Act and regulations made thereunder.

When you have advised the department that you are prepared to proceed on the basis suggested above and have restricted your application to a size commensurate with the use envisioned arrangements will then be made to carry out an appraisal of the lands by an officer of the department.

—G. A. Rhoades, Administrative assistant, for director of lands.

A FAVORABLE VOTE

Argument as to whether the Halfmoon Bay vote recently on whether ratepayers desired a water system for the area passed or was defeated, has been settled. The Regional board at its Friday night meeting said the vote was an expression of opinion and only a simple majority was required. It passed 110 for to 100 against.

Secretary Charles Gooding explained that when it came time to spend money on the proposed system another vote would have to be taken to authorize the board to borrow such funds.

WORK ON DUMPS

Sunshine Coast Regional District directors are still working on garbage dumps and plan to apply to Victoria for a special use permit on Crown land for a Pender Harbour dump. As regards Halfmoon Bay dump, the board is still awaiting a reply from Victoria officials on its request covering fencing. A letter was sent three weeks ago. The board decided that it should write and suggest something should be done.

We wish all our Sunshine Coast Friends a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Bill & Helen Weinhandl
Ann & Elmer McDannald
Ethel Barnes
Jean, Bob, Kelly, Davina Bolderson.
Peg, Marven Volen & family
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Mike, Betty & Joanne Fitzpatrick
George & Vera Ruggles
Vince, Dorothy & Kim Bracewell
Alex & Jean Davidson & family

Instead of sending local Christmas Cards, these families have donated $227.75 to the Gibsons Kiwanis Senior Citizens Building Fund.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS to all our freinds from Gibsons Auxiliary to St. Mary's Hospital

Phil and Mary Fletcher.
Mrs. Mary Lovell.
Mrs. Robt. Telford.
Mrs. Sarah Thompson.
Mrs. Oney Decamp.
Mrs. Marie Scott.
Mr. and Mrs. Colin Dobell.
Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Jones.
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Georgette and Bill Nasadyk
Mr. and Mrs. A. Boyes and family.
Lorne and Amy Blain and family.
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Dwight and Dorothy Johnson.
Bill and Gladys Davis.
Blake, Dorothy and Jeffrey Alderson.
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Al and Jess Christiansen.
Bill and Dorothy Murray
Bill and Carol McGivern.
Mickey and Doris Parsey.
Jim and Kay Waterhouse.
Hugh and Margaret Inglis
Dora Benn.
Robt. and Marion Alsager and family.
Ed and Mae Freer.
Ernie and Virgi Baxter.

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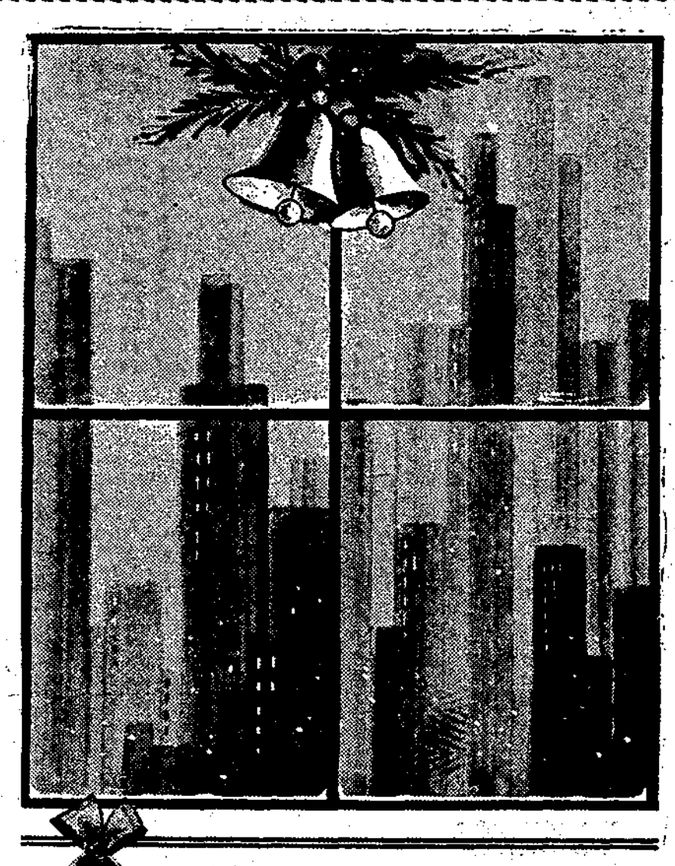

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR A DISPOSITION OF CROWN LAND

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

Take notice that Eileen Margaret Davis, of R. R. 3, Mission, B.C., occupation, housewife, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at S.E. corner of unsurveyed portion of South half of Block C of Lot 6855, Group 1, N.W.D.; thence 200 feet west; thence 15 feet North; thence 198 feet East; thence following shoreline to point of commencement and containing .07 acres, more or less.

The purpose for which the disposition is required is Private Boat Dock.

Eileen Margaret Davis
Dated 15 December, 1970.
Dec. 23, 30.

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Take notice that Richard Joseph Pomper, of Vancouver 5, B.C., ocmupation, Security Trader, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted 1100' S.W. of lot 4448; thence 100' south; thence 300' east; thence 100' north; thence 300' west; and containing three-quarters acres, more or less.

The purpose for which the disposition is required is Residential.

Richard Joseph Pomper
Dated December 10th, 1970.
Dec. 16, 23,

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TENDERS

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Tender documents can be obtained on deposit of $25.00 in the form of a CERTIFIED bank cheque to the order of the RECEIVER GENERAL OF CANADA, through offices of the Dept. of Public Works, 1110 W. Georgia Street, Vancouver 5, B.C.

The deposit will be refunded on return of the documents in good condition within one month from the date of tender opening.

To be considered each tender must be submitted on the forms supplied by the Department and must be accompanied by the security specified in the tender documents.

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Carmen O. Robinson
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New R. N. executive director

Miss F. A. (Nan) Kennedy, R.N., has been appointed executive director of the Registered Nurses' Association of British Columbia. She served as acting executive director from Sept. 1, following the resignation of Miss Eleanor S. Graham, R.N.

Miss Kennedy began her nursing career as a general duty staff nurse after graduating from Vancouver General Hospital School of Nursing in 1935. She was a nurse at Vancouver General and Bralorne hospitals and later went into private duty nursing before becoming a public health nurse.

In 1954 Miss Kennedy joined the World Health Organization staff as a public health nursing tutor in Dacca, East Pakistan and two years later became a public health nursing consultant with WHO in Tehran Iran.

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Frozen birds should be kept frozen until a day or two before preparation time. It is therefore important to estimate the thawing time as accurately as possible. The home economists of Canada Department of Agriculture say that a turkey which is small enough to go in the refrigerator will require from four to five hours per pound to thaw there.

It should be left in its original wrappings but the bag should be slit and the turkey placed on a rack over a pan to catch the drip. A large turkey will thaw more quickly if it is submerged in its water-tight bag in cold water, allowing about one hour per pound.

When the bird is thawed, it should be treated as fresh and refrigerated promptly. Store wrappings should be removed and the turkey covered loosely in waxed paper or foil. All poultry, whether bought in its fresh state or just thawed, is very perishable and should be cooked within two days. If the giblets are enclosed in the neck or body cavity they should be removed and stored separately because they spoil rapidly.

As soon as the meal is over, the stuffing should be removed and stored separately. The carcass should then be refrigerated or the meat removed from the bones, covered and stored in the refrigerator for not more than four days. If meat is to be kept for a longer time it should be frozen. The bones may be placed in a freezer bag and frozen for making soup at a later date. Stuffing may be frozen or refrigerated and used in a day or two.

Children's party at Country Club

The Sunshine Coast Golf and Country club held its annual children's Christmas party Sunday afternoon, Dec. 13. Mrs. Margaret de Hart, convenor, and her numerous helpers went all out to make the party a success.

The clubhouse was artistically decorated with a Christmas tree and other fancy decorations. While waiting for the program to begin the children and adults enjoyed Christmas music played by Mrs. Evelyn Hayes on Mrs. Margaret Barley's organ brought in for the occasion.

House committee chairman Phil Nicholson welcomed the gathering then comic films were shown on a projector loaned by Norman Burley.

After carol singing, Santa Claus arrived with gifts and goodies for the young. The afternoon wound up with hot dogs, juice and fancy cut-out cookies.

Bridge winners at the club's monthly card night Dec. 14 were Alf Whiting and Alf Winn.

Ruby Lake outlet

The fish and wild life branch of the provincial Conservation department reports that during the past two spawning seasons, cutthroat trout from Ruby Lake near Sechelt have used more of the artificially created outlet spawning channel. The increase appears to be related in part to a reduction in velocity over the spawning gravels. This was accomplished by widening the original channel and lowering the gradient. Fish appear to prefer to spawn in areas near cover in the form of pools and shading.

In a straight section of the channel, not previously used for spawning, cover has now been created by the installation of plywood sheeting. It is hoped this will induce fish to spawn but, should it prove unsuccessful several new pools will be created. These changes in habitat are being evaluated to better understand the relatively unknown spawning requirements of the coastal cutthroat trout.

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Langdale school art show

On Dec. 16 and 17 an art show was held at Langdale Elementary school. The grade 6-7 class displayed their various creative efforts in the areas of mosaics, landscapes, seascapes, underwater scenes, rock art, posters, free art, 3-D pictures, Christmas scenes and geometric patterns.

The show was presented by Mr. Jacob's class. A ballot box was set up by the class to poll people for their views of the three best efforts in each section. Parents and students viewed their efforts and then cast a ballot.

The first, second and third winners were:

Mosaics: Geraldine Fyles, Cathy Hamilton, Jamie McPhedran

Geometric patterns: Cheryl Forbes, Joanne Laird, second and third.

3-D pictures: Cathy Hamilton, Wayne Wolverton, Geraldine Fyles.

Posters: Cathy Hamilton, Cindy Frykas, Jamie McPhedran & Iris Vedoy.

Landscapes: Cathy Hamilton, Joanne Laird, Cindy Frykas.

Seascapes: Cindy Frykas, Jamie McPhedran, Geraldine Fyles

Underwater scenes: Dawna Prest, Cathy Hamilton, Jamie McPhedran.

Christmas scenes: Cathy Hamilton, Dawna Prest, Cindy Frykas.

Rock Art: Iris Vedoy, Tom Stanway, Wayne Wolverton.

Free Art, Cathy Hamilton, 1, 2 and 3.

This art show was on display during parent-teacher interviews

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Dec. 26	Sechelt to Nanaimo	12 p.m.	Jan. 2	Sechelt to Nanaimo	12 p.m.
	Nanaimo to Sechelt	1 p.m.		Nanaimo to Sechelt	1 p.m.
Dec. 27	Sechelt to Nanaimo	3 p.m.	Jan. 3	Sechelt to Nanaimo	3 p.m.
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Point of law

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This week we will deal with the Consumer Protection Act. This act provides safeguards for people who buy on credit or borrow money. The seller or lender is required to disclose the complete cost of credit so that the proposed buyer or borrower may "shop around" and see where he can get the best terms suitable to his budget.

When buying on credit by means of a time-payment program, the buyer must be told: The cost price; the amount of any down payment or credit allowed for a trade-in; the amount of the finance charges, and any additional charges that may be added on in the event that the buyer shall default and fall behind in his payments.

When borrowing money, the borrower must be given a written statement before the loan is made, setting out the amount loaned, the cost of borrowing in dollars and cents and as a percentage figure, any lending fees, the rate and intervals of repayment and any charges made in the event of default.

If anyone makes a purchase from a door to door salesman, and the price of the goods or services exceeds $50 the sales contract must be in writing. In addition, the contract must state the name and address of the buyer and seller, the goods or services must be described, the price and the terms of payment must be set out and any warranties must be included. If there are to be no warranties the contract must say so.

If someone wishes to cancel a contract made with a door to door salesman, he may do so by giving notice of the cancellation not later than the third day after the date on which the copy of the contract was received by him.

Any advertisement by a lender or seller for a loan or sale on time mentioning an interest rate must disclose the true interest rate which must include all the charges involved. If no mention is made of interest but reference is made to some other term of credit then the borrower must be told what amount he will actually receive, the down payment, the amount of each installment, and the actual cost of borrowing or buying.

A judge has the authority to find that the cost of borrowing in any particular transaction is excessive and unjust and he may rearrange the terms to make them fairer.

If a lender errs and quotes the cost of credit and then tries to change it and make it higher, the borrower only has to pay the lower sum quoted to him.

When unsolicited credit cards or unsolicited goods are received, the recipient has no legal obligation to accept them or to refuse them. He only becomes liable if he acknowledges his acceptance by using them. In the absence of acknowledgement the recipient has no liability if the credit card or goods are lost misused, damaged or misappropriated.

Every person who breaks the law regarding the above requirements can be fined a maximum of $2,000 or imprisoned for a maximum of one year, or both. If the offender is a corporation, the fine is a maximum of $25,000.

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At the Regional District Hospital board meeting in October St. Mary's Hospital board through Director Frank West of the Regional Hospital board asked to have placed on record in board minutes that it was greatly concerned about a gravel project close to the hospital.

At the December Regional Board meeting Friday night Director West refuted claims that the hospital board had approved such claims. He said the hospital board knew nothing about gravel project plans and had never stated it was satisfied about having a gravel crusher 1,000 feet from hospital premises.

I.O.O.F. DRAW

Sunshine Coast Lodge No. 76 I.O.O.F. annual draw was won by Mort Reid of Sechelt with J. Bjornson of Gibsons second and B. Phillips of Vancouver third.

FIVE CHRISTENED

Rev. J. Williamson had five christenings at Sunday morning's United Church service. Christened were Jason Cope and Jenifer Marie, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Earwaker Brandi Cristine and Bobbi Lea, children of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Greggain and Nelson Reid Moore, daughter of Mary Ann Moore.

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HOLIDAY BOWLING

SUNDAY, Dec. 27, 1:30 p.m.

MOONLIGHT BOWLING — MONDAY, Dec. 28, TUESDAY, Dec. 29 — 7 p.m.

BOWL & DANCE — WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30, 7 p.m.

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Election — December 12, 1970

Electoral Area	Director	Valid Votes	Elected (E)
"B"	HOLGATE, Herbert R.	35	
	RELF, Rita	87	
	THOROLD, Clifford G.	98	(E)
"D"	ALMOND, Harry J.	79	(E)
	JAMES, Arthur M.	22	
	MACLEAN, Ian	32	
"F"	WOLVERTON, Lorne	32	(By Acclamation)

By-law No. 49 Submission

FOR	110
AGAINST	100

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Greg E. Girard
Returning Officer
Sunshine Coast Regional District.

Dated December 15, 1970.

The Board of School Trustees wishes the entire staff of School District No. 46 A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

COAST NEWS
Second Section

A Winter trip

By Jules Mainil

It was a late November evening in 1934. Winter had come early to Saskatchewan, and there had already been several minor blizzards. The sleigh roads were fairly good and for reasons of economy and convenience we had put up the car. Dad had gone for the mail; Marraine, our maternal grandmother, and Marie, the neighbor's daughter who usually helped her were preparing supper, and the chores being done, I was in the house reading.

I heard Dad's rig come into the yard. I thought, he'll probably be cold, even if it is only a three mile drive; I'll go and put his team in and he can go right into the warm kitchen. It was a nasty evening, around zero with a blustery wind.

When I got out he was already unhitching the rorses, I told him "Go on in, I'll do this. "No," he said, "I'm not cold." I didn't argue. We took the horses in, unharnessed them and led them to their stalls. I had previously fed them for the night.

As we left the barn the Boss said, "I went to the Post Office by way of the school. They are going to run out of coal, the teacher has good reason to be worried. It's my fault, as Chairman of the board I should have seen that coal was brought from the mines in early October when the weather was good. We may have to buy some locally, but we really can't afford it, it costs five times as much as from the mines. I told the teacher that we would get her some coal, that you would probably be willing to get two sleigh loads which should see the school through the winter. I know you have already made four 50-mile round trips for our own coal, but that was in good weather and I think you enjoyed doing it. This is different, it can be a brutal trip for both you and the horses."

We were in the house by this time and he could see that I was anything but enthusiastic about his suggestion. "If you don't want to go, Jules, seeing that it's my fault that the school is short of coal I'll go." I was in my early twenties, he was almost fifty. "No," I said, "I'll go. Our horses are in good shape the school needs the coal and we must save whatever little money we have to pay the unfortunate teacher. I don't like the idea but I'll go."

We sat to our supper. Suddenly I made by decision. "If I'm going to make this damn trip I can't get it over with too soon. I don't think the weather will get better and it could get worse. This dry snow could easily start drifting. Tomorrow morning we will get up a little earlier than usual. I want to be away from here with my two outfits by 9 o'clock. Right after supper I'll go and give the horses an extra feed and start preparing for the trip."

As I was speaking my plans the phone rang. Dad answered it, turned to me and said, "It's Adolph Kercher, he wants to speak to you." Now Kercher was not only one of the most ineffectual men in the community but he was also genuinely unlucky. He was not only poor in that he had no money, he was poor in that neither he nor his wife were very well, their children were forever down with something, his equipment tended to fall to pieces, and his horses were scrawny.

"Jules," he said, "I hear you are going to Bienfait for coal. Would you mind if I went with you, we are almost out of coal." The winter had barely started and already they were out of coal. Not very graciously I said "Yes, I'm going to Bienfait for coal. I shall be leaving the yard shortly before nine tomorrow. It will take me a little less than an hour to get to your corner. You can meet me there and we can go together. Dress warmly." Already I was starting to feel a sense of responsibility for the man. Kercher yelped, "I can't be ready by tomorrow morning." I said, "I'm sorry, that is when I'm going," and hung up the phone.

I came back to the table perplexed. "How in hell did Kercher know I was going to Bienfait?" Somewhat embarrassed the Boss said, "The teacher and I went to the coal shed at recess time and the children probably heard me say that you would go." "Oh."

After supper Dad came out with me to do whatever we could towards getting ready for the morning. He knew I was annoyed but neither of us said anything about it. We filled a sack with crushed grain and pitched hay down from the loft to put in the sleigh boxes the next morning. I got the logging chain with a large clevis attached and hooked it on one of the sleighs. All that could be done tonight had been done.

As we were walking back towards the house the Boss said, "One should always try to do what is needed and God knows the coal you are going for is needed and if you help anyone it should be someone who needs help and God knows, Kercher always needs help." I remained silent but realized he was right on both counts.

When we got back to the house, Marraine and her helper were making up my lunch. I told them, "This isn't like the Fall trips. No jars of fruit, no apples, no oranges. Lots of meat sandwiches, half o dozen hardboiled eggs, buttered bread and fruit cake of some kind. Nothing fancy — good sustaining food that can stand freezing. Oh, yes, a couple of handfuls of coffee so I can make coffee in the power house where we will be having our meals and bedding down for the night."

At nine o'clock the next morning I was on my way. When I got to Kercher's corner he wasn't there, but I could see him hitching his team to his sleigh. "To hell with him," I thought "I won't wait for him, he can catch up to me." In any case I wanted to set the pace and be first over this little used road. A bit of dry snow had drifted in the ruts during the night and it would be much easier on his team following my two rigs.

About noon I dug a couple of beef sandwiches from my lunch box. I had buried the box in the hay and they weren't frozen yet. I ate them with relish but I didn't leave my hands out of my mitts very long. The sleigh runners were squealing more and more; the thermometer was falling at midday, not a very good sign.

Things went well regardless of the increasing cold, and we got to the mine shortly before 4 p.m. We cleared our sleigh boxes of the hay, oats and whatever else we had with us and drove directly under the coal chutes. The mine had scales but didn't use them, they simply filled your box and called it two tons. It was near the end of the day and they gave us tremendous loads, particularly Kercher. This was good but we still had to take these huge loads home.

We moved our loads out of the way, heading them towards the mine yard exit, unhitched our horses, watered, stabled and fed them. We then took our blankets and lunch boxes to the power house where we had a huge leisurely meal and then made up our bunks for the night. All the while the thermometer was going down; I worried about myself but more about Kercher and his nags.

As we were laying down I said, "I've asked the night fireman to wake us up at 4 o'clock. I want to be away by 5 tomorrow, I don't like the looks of the weather." This did not go down too well but Kercher didn't want to be left behind, so 5 it would be.

At 4 o'clock the firemen woke us with "God it's cold, nearly 20 below and a breeze with it." Just what I had feared, 'a breeze with it.' We went directly to the barn, watered and fed our horses and then put the harnesses on thm. Worry gnawed at me for myself, but particularly for the sickly Kercher and his thin horses. On the way back to the power house I picked up a piece of two-by-four laying by the barn and loosened the runners on the three sleighs. Trying to move a frozen down sleigh on a really cold day was a good way to start even the best of horses baulking.

Back in the powerhouse the fireman had made us a pot of coffee and we had a big breakfast. It might be hours before we could eat in reasonable comfort again. Kercher was not too anxious to leave the warm furnaceroom but I was itchy to get started. We repacked our lunch boxes, wrapped them in our blankets, thanked the fireman and were on our way.

It was steadily getting colder and the breeze was now strong enough that you could see an occasional skiff of snow move along the ground. We got our teams hitched to the sleighs without trouble even if the horses were somewhat restive because of the cold.

We started; thank God, we were on our way. I took the lead

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Christmas Cheer

At this joyous time of year, we extend our warmest wishes and express our appreciation for your loyal support.

from the Management and Staff

CANADIAN FOREST PRODUCTS

HOWE SOUND PULP DIVISION

A Winter Trip

(By JULES MAINIL)

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with my two outfits and Kercher brought up the rear on the smoothened road. The three sleighs were overloaded, but being human we had accepted all we could get — something for nothing.

Although there was no moon and sunrise was hours away, it wasn't really dark, the white ground and the stars peeping through broken clouds gave considerable light. The minute we got away from the shelter of the mine buildings I realized how cold it was, the breeze was a wind, not strong but a wind and already snow was sifting across the road leaving behind tiny inch-high snow banks. The runners squealed like banshees.

The first mile or so the horses had to be held back, they were going home and they were cold. They soon steadied down to a slow even pace, already they were fighting the drifting snow filling the ruts in the road. Kercher caught up to me and suggested that we speed up a bit. "No," I said, "if anything we should slow down. The way the wind is rising we are going to be breaking trail all the way home. And it's getting colder. Our loads are way too big but I'd like to get them home. This is going to be a question of endurance."

Grumbling under his breath and already blue with cold he returned to his sleigh. Truth to tell I did consider throwing about a ton off each load or putting both teams on one sleigh. I certainly couldn't do the latter, I had to stay with my companion.

Slowly, slowly we ate up the miles. Shortly before 8 o'clock we reached the school house seven miles from the mine. We were edging towards home but already the horses were quite willing to stop to catch their breath. I walked back to see how Kercher was getting along only to find him sitting on the front of his load with a blanket wrapped around his legs and another over his shoulders and head. My patience was wearing pretty thin. I said, "Get off that damn sleigh and walk, move around, if you don't you will lose your legs at the very least."

Slowly he threw off the blankets and started getting off the sleigh. He just about fell down, already he was in bad shape. I helped him to the rear of his rig and told him, "Kercher, you have got to fight or you will freeze to death. It must be 25 or 30 below and this wind is going up steadily. You and I have a battle on our hands."

I was scared for Kercher but I was starting to fear for myself as well. It was now daylight and the whole country appeared to be moving. The drifting snow was only a foot above the ground, but the ruts in the road were completely filled with the dry resistant snow. If the wind increased a little we would have a full blown blizzard.

I went back to my sleigh, the horses were getting chilly and they were glad enough to get started. At the first reasonably level spot I moved up the second sleigh to the lead so that the team which had been breaking the road since we left the mine could be given some respite.

We were moving slowly but we were moving and at noon we were almost halfway home. I thought to myself, "If the wind doesn't rise much more we are going to make it with our loads, it will be nip and tuck, but we will make it." Lord it was cold, I could feel it working right into my body. I kept a close eye on Kercher — at every opportunity he would get back on his sleigh; given his poor physique and his barely adequate clothing, he could be in serious trouble very quickly.

Once again I looked back and so help me, Kercher had managed to get the right half of his rig off the road into the loose snow. His top heavy load was on the verge of tipping and the madman was trying to make his poor horses pull the load back on the road at a sharp angle. Fortunately his horses were not strong enough to do his bidding, they were stuck and did not upset the load. I yelled at him not to do anything and walked back. I knew what I would have to do, cold or not, blizzard or no blizzard. I would have to take my biggest team, a set of eveners, the logging chain to attach them to the tongue of his sleigh and pull him back on the road without upsetting. Right at that moment I could willingly have left the fool and his horses to freeze to death.

I moved my two outfits forward a couple of hundred yards to give myself working space to drag his sleigh back up, then took my team and equipment back to his rig. I was tired, I was cold to the marrow of my bones. I was thirsty, Lord, I was thirsty and finally, I was scared; I had three rigs to get home now, Kercher was helpless from cold and weakness. I yelled at him, I cursed him, I ordered him to come and help me; he tried but he just couldn't. Somehow I got the chain and eveners attached to his sleigh, hitched my team in front of his, made sure his lines were slack and we were ready to try.

I tightened my lines and said, "King, Prince, up, get up boys." Those courageous, those wonderful horses, slowly, deliberately pulled Kercher's rig, horses and all, back onto the road. Once back on the road I stopped and went to their heads. I could have kissed those two big geldings, instead, I broke the icicles from their nostrils and swore at them from relief. I got my horses back to my sleigh and we started once again.

We had wasted at least an hour and the short winter day was changing to dusk and we were only slightly more than half way home.

The next three or four hours were an agony of endurance for horses and men. The road was plugged with hardening snow banks and the pulling became harder and harder. Every half hour we would stop for a few minutes, I would check my sleighs and then go back to Kercher. Invariably I would find him sitting on his load looking more dead than alive. I would help him down or rather pull him down, cursing him all the while. The abuse that I threw at him had become a saving ritual, good for him in that it forced him to move, and good for me in that it allayed my fears. We were all doing our best. Mile after painful mile went by. It seemed to be getting even colder but the wind was moderating and the drifting had almost stopped. We topped a small rise and there were the lights of our district. Kercher was about three miles from home and I was about six, with the last three being the worst part of the whole trip. Even our stumbling horses seemed to regain some strength from the sight of our distant lights. Still the routine continued — go a ways, stop, swear at Kercher — until eventually, almost miraculously, we were at his turnoff. He was a quarter of a mile from home and a light was beckoning him to his house.

I went by his corner, stopped and went back to where his played out horses were laboriously trying to turn down his driveway. The minute I stepped on the driveway I knew his horses could not drag that load of coal for the last quarter mile. It wasn't a road, it was an intermittent series of hard packed snow hummocks about a foot high. I couldn't break the road for him, my horses still had three terrible miles to go and I was coming to the end of my own tether. I helped him off his sleigh and he fell to the ground. God, the man was done, completely done. "Adolph this is what we must do. We will un-

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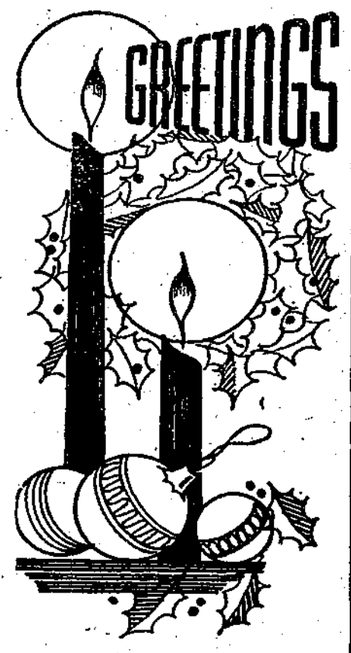

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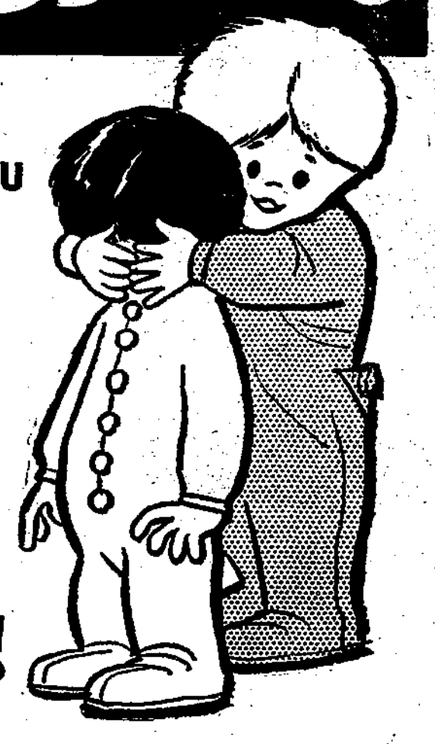

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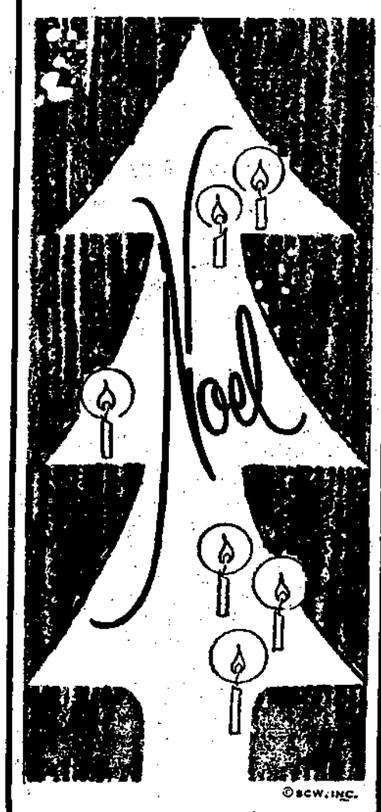

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COAST-CHILCOTIN

On a day of flailing snow, when the only cheerful sight in Ottawa's downtown were the stores, jammed with the excesses of the affluent society Christmas, I was reminded of a Christmas far from home in Mexico City, of a bullfight and of a taxi-driver named Pedro.

We had driven all night through the Barrancaras, the five of us jammed in one small Austin in which we had driven south from Vancouver. The year was, as I can best recall, 1962, a time so far sunk in the past that it seems to me that Sir Wilfred Laurier was then prime minister.

My wife and daughters wished nothing except sleep when we reached Mexico City an hour or so before the dawn but my son and I were intent on seeing a bull fight. For that reason, we had driven all through the night.

What we had not realized was that the Christmas Eve bull fight is one of the largest events of the year and that tickets sell weeks in advance. For the largest bull ring in the world there was no room for us except a couple of three-peso seats on the far upper reaches of the sunny side of the ring.

At the hotel off the Juarez Avenue, I discussed this with Pedro, the taxi driver. I was seized of a strong suspicion that 25 cents did not purchase prime seats.

Pedro gave a low moan of dismay. "I have attended bull fights all my life," he said. "Never in seats so bad as those. Very bad, Senor. Much drinking. Maybe fighting."

Pedro did not appear to be a man of any affluence. He had sandals, but no socks, a pair of thin cotton pants, and old and much worn white shirt knotted at his waist. I learned, during our ensuing acquaintanceship, that he worked 12 hours of each day, driving someone else's taxi, trying to feed a family.

Typically Mexican, he was also a sensitive man. Even an insensitive one might have sensed our disappointment. "Wait," he said, "Momentito senor. I will see my friend Jose." He went away and returned with Jose, a dark, quiet youth who worked as a bellhop in the hotel.

The plan unfolded. Jose liked to see bullfights at any time, even in those terrible seats. He, Pedro Garcia, would also go with us because after all we were all the way from Canada and this was perhaps the only bull fight we would ever see in our lives.

We bought two more 25 cent tickets. Pedro turned off the taxi meter and we set out for the ring. It was too dangerous for me, a Canadian stranger, to drive my own car to the bull ring.

When we ascended the cliff to our seats at the top of the ring, Jose and Pedro sat on each side of my son, who was at that time not a great deal larger than a yardstick. "Sometimes people fall from up behind us and knock you down," said Pedro. "We will look out for that."

Someone did later. Pedro blocked his tumble. He told me afterward that he would have hit the drunk, "but he apologized too quickly, senor. There was nothing I could do."

From where we sat, the bull, the matador, the picadors and all the rest of the spectacle were tiny, distant figures. Possibly not a bad way to see a bullfight.

A bloody affair and scarcely a northerner's idea of suitable Christmas Eve entertainment. But there were moments.

The Mexican matador, whom the crowd loved as much as they disliked the Spaniard who appeared with him that day, was mortified by a poor performance on one of the six bulls which make up a standard corrida. At the end of the afternoon, it was announced that the Mexican had purchased a seventh bull which we would fight, free, for the pleasure of the crowd and the salvation of his dignity.

It was a most spectacular display which he gave and the whole arena blossomed with white handkerchiefs, a sign of the highest acclaim. Pedro, I noticed, was waving the tail of his shirt. He didn't own a handkerchief.

Savage as it may have been, there was courage, dignity and unselfishness shown in the ring that day, and there could be worse remembrance from a Christmas Eve.

We returned to the hotel, and I pondered what Pedro's bill would be. We had never discussed money.

At the door, Jose bade us a graceful goodbye and returned to his job. Pedro shook our hands, wished us well, and got back in the cab.

"Where are you going?" I said.

"I must go to work," he said.

I reached in my pocket and brought out a 50 peso note.

"No, no," he said, "No. You were my guest. No money."

"Not for you," I said, "For your children. Something for Christmas." On that basis he took it.

When he had driven away, the slow computer of my skull clicked a few times and translated 50 pesos into a mere $4.00 Canadian.

I tried to find him again in the days that followed, but he was one of thousands of Mexico City cab drivers. We shall probably never meet again.

But on Christmas Eve. I always remember Pedro.

NOTE: May I, on the eve of Parliament's Christmas recess, take this opportunity to wish you all in Coast Chilcotin a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Drop in and while you wait we can make a copy for you on our Xerox of any important document you have.

COAST NEWS

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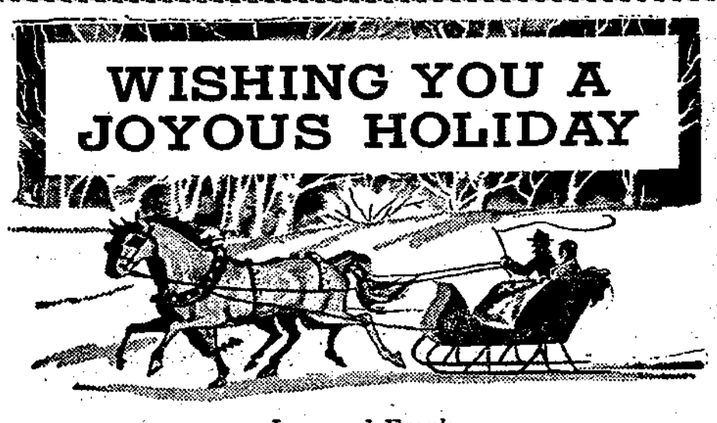

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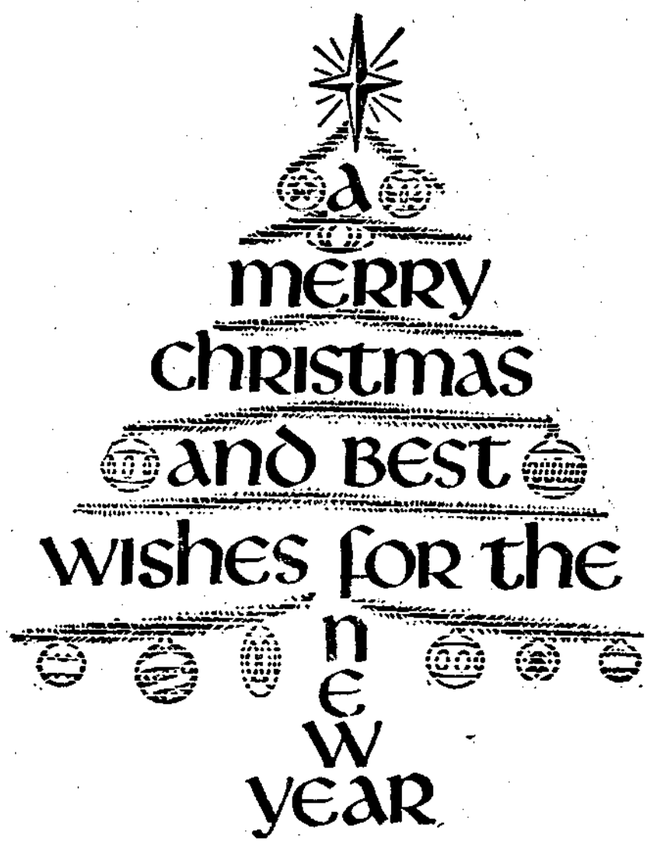

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Hopkins Landing

A Winter Trip

(By JULES MAINIL)

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hitch your horses, tie the lines behind your back and let the horses take you home. Do you understand, don't do anything, don't try to drive them, just make sure that you stay within the tide lines and that you hang the tied lines and that you hang in front of the house drop the lines and go into the house. Your wife will put the team in the barn or they will find shelter close to the outbuildings. Do you understand?" "Yes Jules, yes Jules." With hands that no longer wanted to move, we unhitched the horses, I double tied the lines and slowly, slowly they started towards the nearby yard. I had done all I could.

I went back to my sleighs, afraid, and lonely for Kercher who I had cursed a hundred times over the last 12 hours. My horses had rested a bit and were shivering, it was time to move. "Get up, boys," and slowly we started down the last three miles How far is three miles? A nice walk on a sunny afternoon. Three minutes' drive on a good highway. A few seconds in a jet. For a man and animals having given all they had, it was a good big chunk of eternity. I don't know how long it took us or how many times we stopped, but those gallant horses kept inching their way towards home. I should have stopped at Kercher's for the night but once one is cold enough, miserable enough and tired enough it is not easy to be rational. All I could think was I want to get home, I must get home.

We got to a crossroad and I could not believe my eyes — this was the corner of our farm. I looked up and there were our lights, a lantern coming towards me and suddenly the Boss was there. "Jules, Jules, are you all right Jules?" I was a child again and all I wanted to do was throw myself in his arms. Instead I said, "Yes, Pa, I'm all right, I've made it."

The Boss and my young brother Albert helped me into the house, turned me over to Marraine and Marie and then went back to unhitch and generously tend the weary horses.

Marraine's gentle old hands struggled to get my outer clothing off my now uncontrollably shaking body, while Marie took off my overshoes and shoes. How good it felt to be in somebody else's hands.

Marie said, "Jules, we heard you coming and we have a big steak and hot french fried potatoes ready for you, will you eat now." "No, Marie, let me rest and get over the worst of this shaking, Give me a glass of water, I'm parched, I haven't had a drink since four o'clock this morning." By the time Dad and Albert got back to the house the shaking was passing and suddenly I was ravenously hungry. No steak ever tasted better, no strong black coffee was ever more welcome. I ate and ate and then suddenly my head was nodding, I was falling asleep over my plate.

The Boss helped me to the bedroom, I dropped on the bed, clothes and all, and can just remember a big soft comforter being thrown over me and being gently tucked in around me.

During the night someone, Marraine probably, looked in on me two or three times but did not disturb me and I passed the night on top of that bed wrapped in the comforter.

The next morning when I came to, the family had already had its breakfast and as I listened to the kitchen noises I thought why I feel fine, how wonderful it is to be 20. I got up, walked to the kitchen and said to Marraine "I'm going upstairs to wash and change clothes. I'm tired of these. When I come back I'd like a big breakfast of toast, bacon and eggs and lots of coffee, I'm as hungry as a bear." Marraine smiled happily. "Come on Marie get busy, Jules is hungry." Appetite was Marraine's unfailing gauge of a person's wellbeing.

As I was eating my breakfast the Boss came in and sat at the kitchen table. I looked at him and said, "I think I will phone Kercher's, I'd like to know how he made out." "You can't," the Boss said, "the line is out." I kept eating but curiosity and interest in Kercher was getting the better of me. "After last night's episode there will be a fair track to his turnoff. I think I'll take the light team and cutter and go and see them."

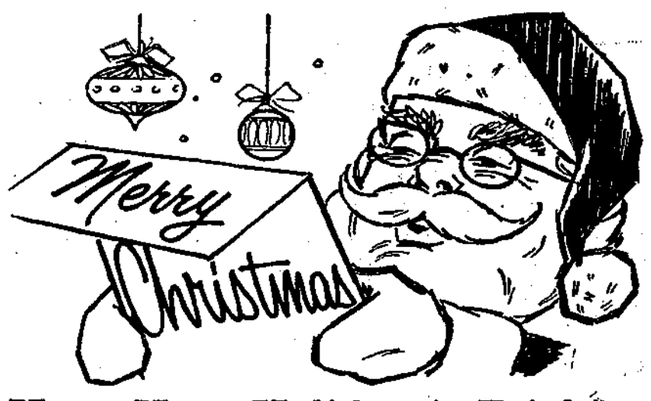
Dad said, "Take your time with your breakfast, I'll go and get the team ready. Dress warmly, it's a pleasant day but cold as hell."

Shortly after ten I left the house to retrace the three unending miles from Kercher's that I had made the night before. Conditions were somewhat different this time. I had fresh skittish horses, a top cutter, and was comfortably snuggled down under a buffalo robe. It seemed to take only a few minutes to get to Kercher's turnoff. His load of coal was where we had left it last night. The road from his turnoff to his house was a succession of rock hard snowbanks two and three feet high. Even with the cutter that road was difficult to negotiate.

As I stopped in front of his door, Adolph came out and there was a look of surprise and pleasure on his drawn face. I said, "The telephone was out so I had to come to find how you had made out." Kercher said, "Let me put your horses in and I will tell you about it when we get to the house. The wife will make us a cup of coffee." I said, " A cup of coffee will be welcome, we will tie the horses out of the wind, throw the robes over them and they will be fine." We walked to the house and I entered Kercher's home for the first time. Signs of poverty and possibly want were there but also signs of decency and kindness. Somehow I had changed, had become a little more human over the last couple of days.

Companionably, Adolph Kercher, his wife, and I had a cup of coffee. He told me how his horses literally dragged him to his front door and gave full marks to his wife for getting him into the house and the horses into the barn. After about half an hour with them I said, "I must go now, Dad is waiting for me. Next year we can go to the mine together again, maybe the trip will be easier," Mrs. Kercher smiled and said, "Adolph will be glad to go with you, perhaps he can go earlier next year."

As I was leaving the yard I thought, "This has been a good 48 hours; two big loads of coal for the school, a great portion of love and attention from my family, and finally, I have made two new friends. Not bad at all."



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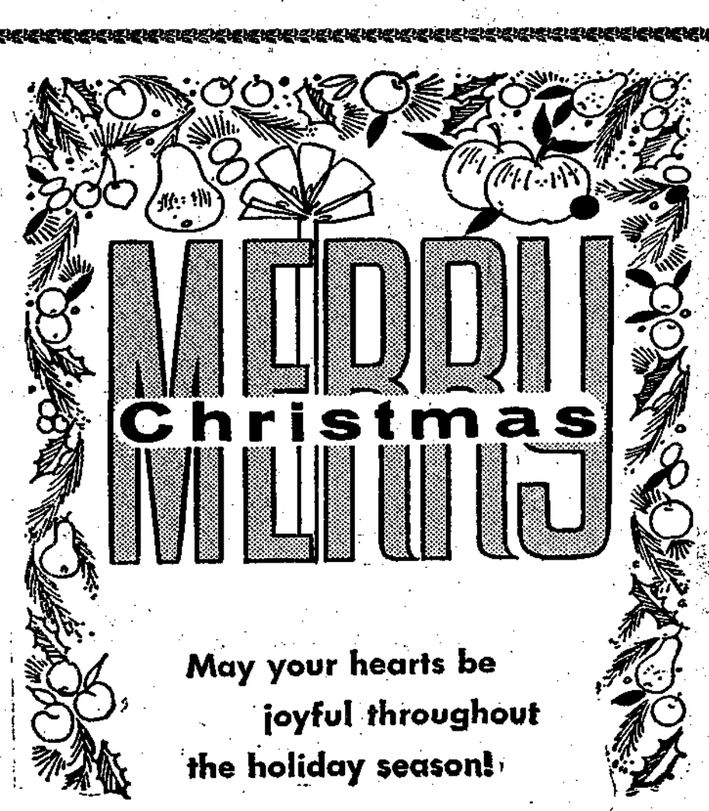

May your hearts be
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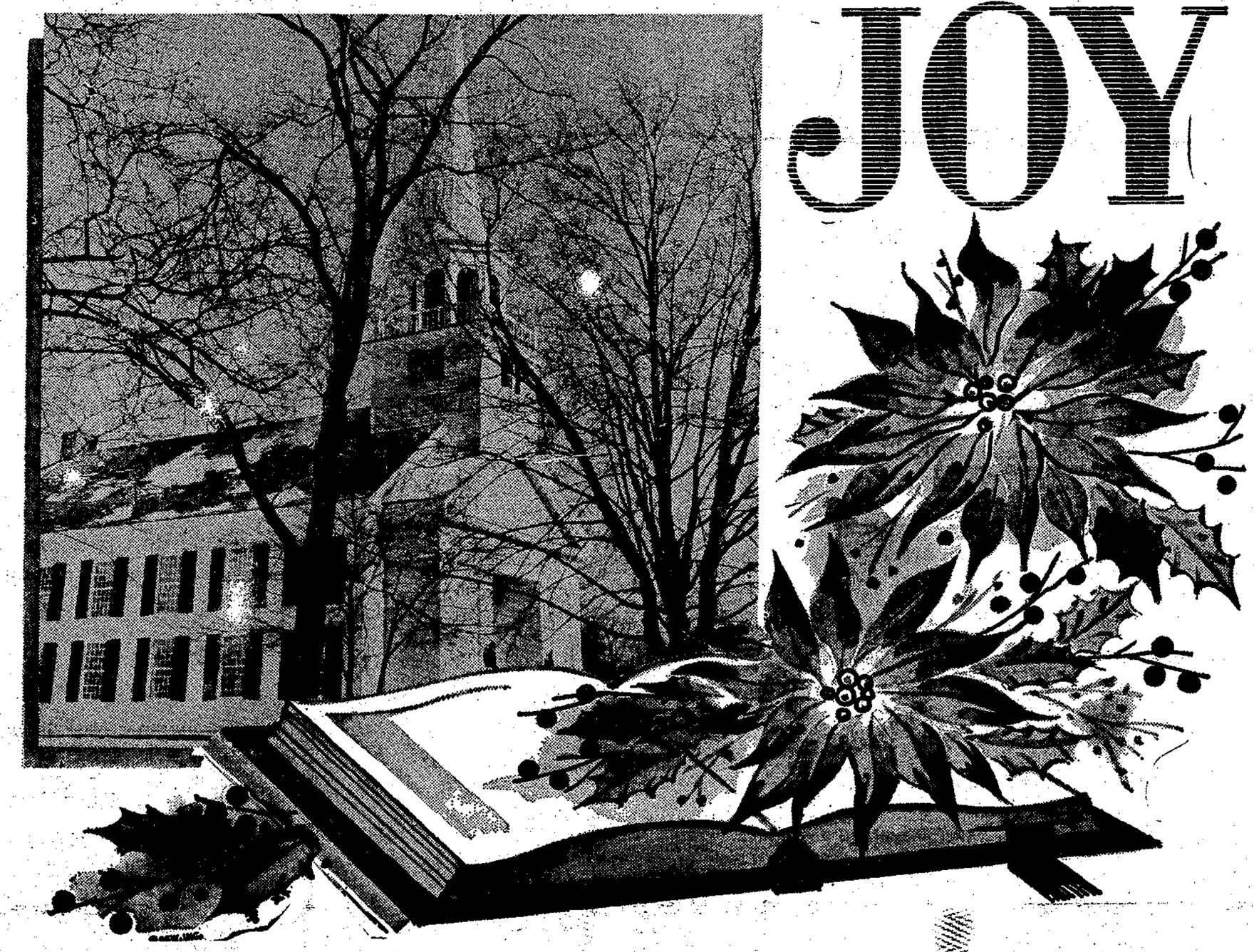

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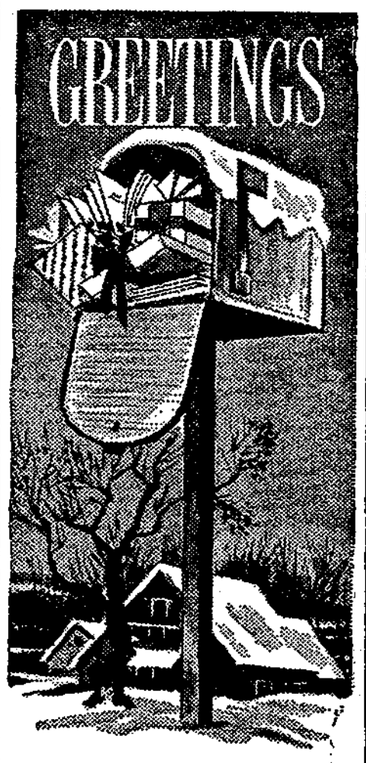

Time again to say, have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Ray and Ev

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The Labor scene

The four-day work week, says Plant Administration and Engineering business publication, is fast becoming a reality, as well as a firm AFL-CIO union commitment for 1974.

"And," adds the editor, Jim Vernon, "far from hurting management's cherished production statistics, it leads to greater plant efficiency, according to studies by efficiency experts."

National holidays now account for several four-day weeks each year — about 10 percent. The changeover results in improved morale and the lessening of employee fatigue, leading to increased productivity. Also noted, remarkable decrease in absenteeism (practically eliminated in some small operations); reduced recruitment activity and expense; smaller overtime payroll.

Five proposals for improving mediation procedures in British Columbia and for settling other labor problems were proposed in a brief to the provincial cabinet by the Mining Association of British Columbia. They are:

1. A means of ensuring that strike and acceptance votes do in fact represent the wishes of the employees concerned would be of benefit to both parties during collective bargaining.

2. While recognizing that compulsory settlements under certain labor conditions are inevitable, the association suggested that the Mediation Commission Act be modified to provide for alternative final procedures for dealing with an industrial impasse.

3. That longer but non-extendible terms be used in the appointment of mediation officers to prevent the practices of porlonged stalling and refusing to come to a settlement in collective bargaining until the pattern is well established.

4. That existing hot cargo clauses and edicts usually applied against unrelated third parties in the form of industrial blackmail be discouraged, as they tend to spread even small disputes into major disruptions.

5. That the rights of non-unionized groups be respected against attempts to force them into bargaining units composed of existing majority of employees.

The Mining Association presented its annual review of growth, operations and economic impact to the cabinet, and at the same time made some important points on other aspects of its operations.

On resource use, the association said increased competition and conflict in the use of natural resources is an inevitable product of the growing economic and social demands of modern society. The policies of the Mining Association are directed toward achieving increased co-operation with all resource users.

The Mining Association endorses the concept of multiple resource use and is working with government agencies and other resource users to find answers to such problems as the disposition of timber on mining claims, roads and rights-of-way, forest damage arising from mining operations, and land acquisition and surface titles.

On pollution control and mining lands reclamation the association said it fully appreciated the responsibility of the government in regard to these matters and said the industry is keenly aware of the environmental problems.

In education and job training, the association has initiated education and job training programs to provide training for or upgrading of prospective employees. Planning is going ahead for establishment of a mining school in British Columbia, with a target date of March, 1971, for the beginning of the first courses.

The Research Branch is releasing the third in a series of continuing studies of collective bargaining agreements negotiated in British Columbia.

The report analyzes 73 provisions of 202 selected collective agreements, broken down into six industrial classifications and including such subjects as union security, employee security, hours of work, overtime pay, premium pay, statutory holidays annual vacation, pay guarantees technological change, and health and welfare.

While only 13,948 employees are covered, the provisions as detailed in the tabular section of the report are in actual fact representative of a much larger segment of the British Columbia labor force, in view of the specially chosen sample of collective agreements.

This publication is obtainable free of charge upon request from the Research Branch, British Columbia Department of Labor, Parliament Buildings, Victoria.

The Research branch still has available a limited supply of its earlier works entitled Working Conditions in British Columbia Industry 1969, and Wage Changes (Excluding Fringes) Negotiated through Collective Bargaining in British Columbia. These books are also free of charge, and interested parties are requested to contact the branch.

ROBERTS CREEK

(By MADGE NEWMAN)

The gayest little spot in these parts on Friday was the Roberts Creek Library where the auxiliary to the hospital held its annual coffee party. There was little lack of communication as guests balanced cups and home made goodies in one hand and purchases in the other as they rubbed shoulders with others similarly laden. Home baking, novelties and home-made candy sold readily making the two-hour session a most profitable one for the auxiliary. The Community Hall Bingo club made a generous donation.

The Christmas cake was won by Mrs. C. Hilchie and the other prizes, a doll and a teapot and cozy, went to Mrs. Kay Wells and Mrs. Leora Hughes.

Christmas lights and decorations brightened the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Raines on Monday when then entertained some 25 members of the Roberts Creek Auxiliary to St. Mary's Hospital.

The business session was short and the festivities long and light-hearted. Following an exchange of gifts a delectable supper was served. Mrs. Raines is the president of the auxiliary. The next meeting will be held January 10.

May your holidays be all you hope for!

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Charles F. Gooding,
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor: The Driftwood Players thank you publicly, through this column, for the encouragement you have given our club.

This first year of our existence has been quite a struggle, particularly as far as our financial position is concerned, but we have honestly felt that we have been making a worthwhile contribution to this community.

The public response to our latest production, See How They Run, has encouraged us in this belief, but we recognize the fact that without your very practical support by way of photographs and articles, the community would not have been made so aware of our existence.

On behalf of all our members, I wish to express our deep gratitude to you.

—Colleen Johnson, sec.-treas.
Driftwood Players.

Editor: There is no question in my mind that some lakes without power boats or similar craft are desirable. Some reasons are:

1. The desire of some people for a peaceful environment or retreat.

2. Power boats are noisy and tend to drive wild life from the area.

3. Power boats pollute the water with oil and foul the air with an obnoxious vapor.

4. Power boats often create large waves endangering other craft and swimmers.

5. The number of lakes already covered by such a ban is far too small in comparison with the increasing trend to canoeing, quiet fishing, hiking and nature study.

6. Banning motor boats, which can traverse a lake in a few hours in favor of a canoe which would take a day or more has the effect of lengthening a lake and increasing park area in like proportion.

I realize that the extension of such a ban must not come in conflict with reality. The lakes chosen should clearly not be in common use by the logging industry or have shoreline under lease or privately owner. Neither can we infringe on the rights of the power boat enthusiast, the racer, the water skier, the fisherman. Most large lakes are thus, ruled out. I do, however press for the banning of motor boats on these additional lakes: Buntzen Lake, Chilliwack Lake and Bowron Lake.

—Robert N. Bork, B.C. District, Canadian Canoe Assoc.

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Take notice that Eileen Margaret Davis, of R. R. 3, Mission, B.C., occupation, housewife, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at S.E. corner of unsurveyed portion of South half of Block C of Lot 6855, Group 1, N.W.D.; thence 200 feet west; thence 15 feet North; thence 198 feet East; thence following shoreline to point of commencement and containing .07 acres, more or less.

The purpose for which the disposition is required is Private Boat Dock.

Eileen Margaret Davis
Dated 15 December, 1970.
Dec. 23, 30.

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The purpose for which the disposition is required is Residential.

Richard Joseph Pomper
Dated December 10th, 1970.
Dec. 16, 23,

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OF CANADA TENDERS

SEALED TENDERS addressed to Supervisor of Tendering, Dept of Public Works, Pacific Palisades, 747 Bute Street, Vancouver 5, B.C. and endorsed TENDER FOR APPROACH REPAIRS, GIBSONS, B.C. will be received until 11:00 a.m. (PST) THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 1971.

Tender documents can be obtained on deposit of $25.00 in the form of a CERTIFIED bank cheque to the order of the RECEIVER GENERAL OF CANADA, through offices of the Dept. of Public Works, 1110 W. Georgia Street, Vancouver 5, B.C.

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A/Supervisor, Cost, General and Pay Accounting.

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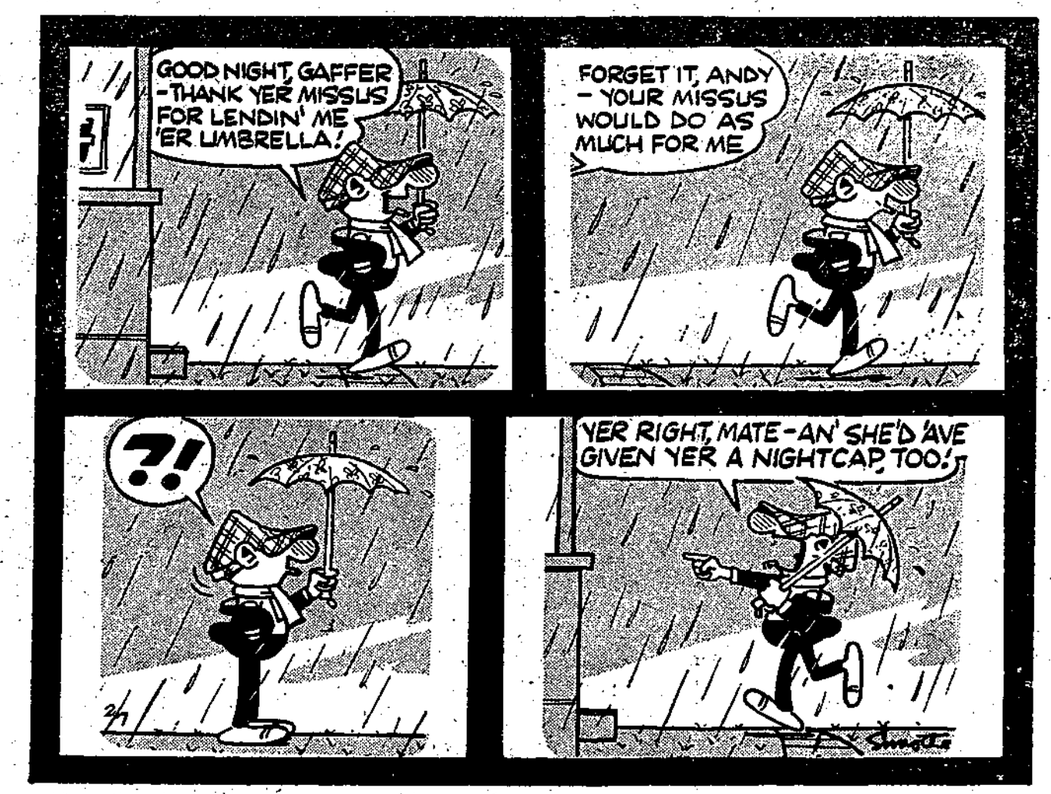

Winter protection of roses

By A. R. BUCKLEY

Plant Research Institute, Ottawa

At this time of the year, the winter protection of garden roses is on every gardener's mind. Not all roses need protection except in expremely cold areas.

Hybrid perpetuals and most shrub roses are decidedly hardier and, in most cases, need only some pruning to thin out weak growths and to keep them within bounds. In milder areas of British Columbia, Newfoundland and Ontario only the tender species and cultivars need protection. In most of Canada, hybrid teas, floribundas and polyanthas roses, climbers and ramblers will need some protection.

Since one of the most important factors that determines hardiness of all plants is the early maturing of the wood, efforts should be directed towards achieving this condition before actual winter protection is considered.

Before the ground has frozen, spray the roses with a fungicide and mound soil around the hybrid teas and floribundas to a height of eight to 10 inches. Bring the soil from another part of the garden for this operation, or purchase some light soil. Drawing soil up to the roses by means of a hoe or spade will often expose the roots and cause greater damage than if the plants were left intact.

Then cover them with evergreen boughs such as spruce to hold the snow and provide shade Much success is obtained in some places by using a three or four inch layer of leaves instead of boughs. The experience at the Ottawa Plant Research Institute has been that if this is done some flowers-of-sulphur should be dusted in with the leaves after application to prevent mice nesting. Boughs as mentioned are necessary in this case to hold the leaves in place.

An interesting innovation in the protection of roses has been the introduction of rose cones. These are large rounded polystyrene cones that have the appearance of wide-brimmed hats worn by the pilgrim fathers. They are placed over individual rose bushes, after the plants are dormant. The bushes are first trimmed a little or tied so that the cones completely cover them After the cones are in place the rims should be weighted down with soil to prevent them from being blown away.

A modification of this method is still being tested in our own rose gardens by using builders' sheets of polystyrene and placing them over the roses in an inverted 'V' position. The sheets are kept in place by stakes which are placed in the ground at one end. They cross over at the apex of the tents at the other end. All sheets are taped where they join.

Climbing roses should be taken from their supports right now if not done already, and pinned down close to the surface of the soil. Then the entire plant may be covered with the soil or the base of the plant mounded and the rest wrapped in burlap. When the ground has frozen, cover with straw or boughs and, as is done at the Plant Research Institute, use inverted V boards.

Climbing roses, like Blaze, produce their flowers on old wood and that which was made the year previously. so you must save as much wood as possible. That is why it is safer to take the whole bush down from its support every year.

Rambling roses such as Dorothy Perkins, Minnehaha and Hiawatha, flower only on the wood formed last year, so all the shoots that flowered this year should be cut out.

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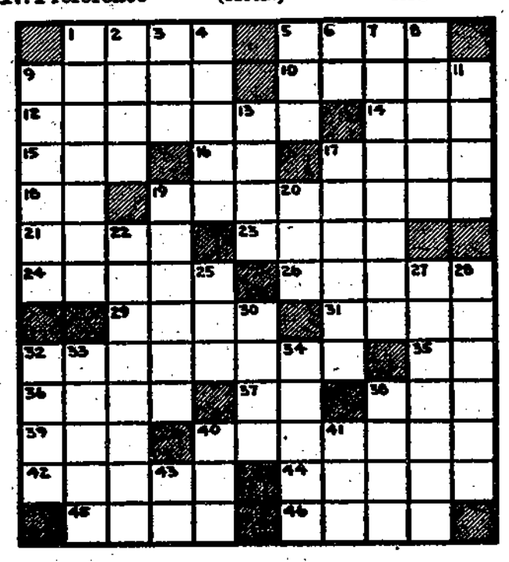
9. The stone of ——
10. Ways out
12. London's financial district. (2 wds.)
14. Jibe (inf.)
15. Linen-making step
16. Starter's word
17. Heavy blow
18. Exist
19. Upset —— —— cart (2 wds.)
21. Fright
23. Malay tribal chief
24. Rye fungus
26. Young girl (var.)
29. Kind of beer
31. Preminger, for one
32. Stale
35. Indefinite article
36. Ages
37. Pronoun
38. Finis
39. G.I.'s address
40. Puget Sound city
42. Restrict
44. Cut corners
45. Word in New Year song
46. Kill

DOWN
1. Plotter
2. —— laureate
3. Corporation (abbr.)
4. Whinny
5. Exclamation
6. Bunyan's prize beast
7. Crossroads' aid
8. Metallic blue
9. Bombard heavily
11. Withered
13. Nailed obliquely
17. Preference
19. Soldiers
20. Old Dutch measure
22. Scientific husbandry
25. Pull by rope
27. Livingstone's discoverer
28. Over there
30. Large volume
32. Sea mammal
33. Indians (Ariz.)
34. Paper quantities
38. Girl's name
40. Sault —— Marie
41. As far as (poet.)
43. Prefix: not

Today's Answer



One chairman

On Indian Integration committee operations it was decided that the present chairman Mrs. A. Labonte remain as the one and only chairman of this committee and that guests would have no voting rights.

The education committee will continue to have representatives from the student council in order that present operations of the committee can have the widest representation in this field. Its next meeting will be held Feb. 2.

A query as to insurance coverage for teachers transporting students on school operations will be looked after by Supt. Hanna who stated that such coverage is now in effect.

The next school board meeting will take place on Jan. 7 when the new board will take over.

Cheques presented

At an executive meeting of Sechelt and District Retarded Children's association Monday, cheques from donors were presented. The Sunshine Coast Fall Fair represented by Mrs. P. Tretheway offered a cheque for $500 Mrs. Mabel Livesay $30 and an anonymous donor $30. The executive offered thanks to the donors for their help.

The executive was pleased to note that there is about $1,000 left to pay on the building fund. The year had been successful thanks to the contributions and help from people of the Sunshine Coast.

'71 Express to start Jan. 12

A unique feature of the year before Centennial year, will be the appearance of the British Columbia Confederation '71 Express, which was introduced by L. J. Wallace, general chairman of the British Columbia Centennial '71 committee in Vancouver.

The Confederation '71 Express a 1928 Pontiac truck, will offer a souvenir of great interest to philatelists, in the form of a First Day Cover.

These first day covers will be carried by the '71 Express on a cross-Canada tour starting on January 12 at St. John's, Newfoundland, and finishing Feb. 20, 1971 in Victoria. The envelopes then will receive a special cancellation mark and be mailed to the owners.

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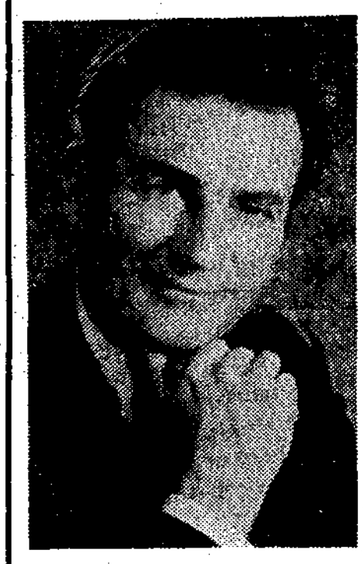

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