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West Sechelt water contract hope gone

Replying to West Sechelt's opposition to setting bulk water rates by bylaw instead of by contract, the Regional board maintains it cannot legally enter into water contracts.

This was brought out at Thursday night's Regional board meeting last week when the finance committee reported on the latest West Sechelt move.

The pertinent part of the West Sechelt argument published in the Coast News Dec. 22 reads:

"Dear Sirs: The trustees of West Sechelt Improvement District feel that the imposition of Bylaw 59, is unjust and unwarranted. We are opposed to the Regional District arbitrarily setting bulk water rates by by-law.

Whether the Regional District agrees that there is a contract in force at the present time or not, does not alter the fact that the matter is best handled by contract. We believe the establishment of bulk water rates by a negotiated contract to be the much preferred method, in fact the only method. Resorting to a bylaw is the line of least resistance, a means to an easy end.

This bylaw is not a bylaw for the setting of bulk water rates by the Regional District generally, but one designed specifically for setting rates for water used by the Improvement District alone since the Regional District does not sell water in bulk to any other consumer."

The finance committee, headed by Director Frank West in its reply noted that the WSID letter had been published in the local press and distributed to various political and governmental agencies. The committee found itself somewhat surprised by the less than fair presentation of the situation between the two sides at the time of the bylaw submission.

The Regional board argument states that negotiations with the WSWID trustees led to the understanding that the Region will supply bulk water, leaving the distribution to the WSWID. It was also agreed that WSWID customers should pay the same water rate as the rest of the water users to provide additional revenue to the Region to offset some of the rather heavy supply costs to the WSWID. It was also fully understood that a rate structure should be adopted by the Region which with due regard to the WSWID's debt commitments would not impose a heavier cost to the individual WSWID customer than that borne by the other water users.

To reduce the remaining supply deficit further in future years the trustees proposed and the Region agreed that the boundaries of the WSWID would be expanded to include some water demanding new subdivisions, which could be achieved by the WSWID without material capital cost to them. During the earlier stages of the negotiations the trustees had refused permission to the Region to use that part of their mains, which was needed to supply the subdivisions directly. This is presently the only method to get water to the subdivisions without prohibitive capital costs by having to duplicate an existing main. The agreed rate increase to equalize WSWID rates was $4 per customer for about 140 households of $560 per annum.

Although a fully detailed rate structure had not been completed in final form by the time of the last negotiating meeting, the bylaw amendment incorporated the agreed upon points. It also provided an additional bonus to the WSWID customers by increasing the daily average water allowance to 225 gals. from the 170 gals per day engineered rating of the WSWID. Besides the provision of the $560 additional revenue to the region and some penalty against excessive water waste the bylaw does not contain

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Pender Harbour still in front

Pender Harbour area continues to lead in new home construction on the Sunshine Coast, building inspector Fred Reyburn said in his annual report to the Regional District board.

He showed that 42 homes plus one mobile home were added to the Pender Harbour area during 1971, costing $972,000.

Total construction costs for the entire Regional District, excluding the two villages, was $3,339,950. With the two villages added the total would hit $4,371,017, below the 1698 record of $6,363,000.

Oher areas in the Regional District showed the following construction totals for the year: Area B (Halfmoon Bay) $599,000 Area C (West Sechelt) $596,900; Area D (Roberts Creek) $265,000 Area E (Gibsons Rural) $354,150 and Area F (Langdale) $595,000.

Auxiliaries add to hospital fund

When the Co-ordinating Council of St. Mary's Hospital Auxiliaries met on Tuesday, Jan. 25, the following officers were elected for 1972: President, Mrs. M. Raines; vice-president, Mrs. E. T. Grafe; treasurer, Mrs. G. C. Newman; secretary, Mrs. W. J. Dockar and publicity, Mrs. C. E. Longley.

During 1971, the council paid $8,698.53 to St. Mary's Hospital, to be used for the purchase of furniture and equipment.

The presidents of the six auxiliaries presented their annual reports and turned over to the Co-ordinating Council a combined total of $10,915. The Thrift Shop gave their annual report and turned over a total of $5,700 of for 1971.

Hospital tax to increase

Maintaining St. Mary's Hospital budget for this year was one of the most complicated he has ever seen, Chairman Frank West of the hospital board finance committee, informed last week's board meeting the mill rate this year would be increased from half a mill to somewhere between two and three mills.

This came as the result of construction of the addition to the hospital being completed and repayment of the $500,577 loan starting this year. The amount to be raised would be about $111,000 and based on last year's assessment the tax would range between two and three mills.

Teachers protest!

Teachers of this school district have sent a telegram to provincial education minister Brothers objecting to legislation now before the provincial house.

The telegram reads: "Sechelt Teachers Association strongly objects to proposed legislation removing teachers right to free collective bargaining stop we believe conflict and chaos to be inevitable if your government continues its intransigent and hostile educational policies stop We urge immediate withdrawal this legislation. V. Douglas, President."

CHAIRMAN H. J. ALMOND

Two directors were nominated for the chairman of the Regional District board, at its meeting Thursday of last week. They were Director H. J. Almond, Roberts Creek, nominated by Chairman J. H. Tyner and Director Lorne Wolverton, and Director Cliff Thorold, West Sechelt nominated by Mayor Walter Peterson of Gibsons and Mayor Ben Lang of Sechelt.

By secret ballot Director Almond was elected. The new chairman complimented retiring Chairman Tyner on the excellent job he had done in 1971. Earlier Judge Mittlesteadt administred the oaths of office to the re-elected and re-appointed directors.

Second phase sewer tenders

Tenders have been called to cover the supply of material for Gibsons sewage treatment plant and outfall, Clerk David Johnston informed council at its Tuesday night meeting. These tenders will be opened around the middle of February.

Separate tenders will be called later for the actual installation of the equipment. Council gave first reading to Bylaw 229, the Recreation Centre $500,000 referendum, for a February 26 vote, with an advance poll Thurs., Feb. 25 The bylaw will be passed at a special meeting Thursday. Third reading was given a revised Bylaw 228, the Business Licence Bylaw.

The provincial Motor Vehicle branch requested the Municipal Hall be open and available to the public for obtaining 1972 auto license tags on Sat., Feb. 26. Council agreed.

The annual Salvation Army request for a grant of $50 was granted

Gibsons St. Mary's Hospital Auxiliary sought use of the present library building when vacated for mini-thrift shop use. Mayor Peterson said other organizations had approached him for use of the building. Council decided that all such requests be held until the building is no longer used as a library.

Gibsons Old Age Pensioners organization suggested by letter that its members had discussed the Regional Recreation idea and hoped that no part of the expense of this project will be forced on ratepayers of Gibsons.

Ald. Ted Hume urged council to keep after the sewer contractors to rectify bad spots that have disturbed some citizens.

Mayor Peterson read from Regional District board January meeting minutes items that affected Gibsons area.

Oops! Sorry!

Last week the Coast News set real state values (mentally at least) sky high when it reported as some people thought that four lots were sold at $90,000.

Such was not the case. The $90,000 concerned the cost of the proposed Legion hall. The four lots happened to get in the way by the omission of a comma separating the lots from the cost of the proposed hall.

Payment by UIC disputed

Unemployment Insurance Commission insurance benefits to those laid off work were given quite a workout at a union meeting Wednesday night last week in the Legion hall, Gibsons.

What apparently irked members were discrepancies in payments on what some described as similar conditions, all out of work for the same period of time, under the same circumstances. Yet the meeting learned some would get $123 and others would get variations of that sum down to $77.

John McNevin, president of the Port Mellon union was chairman and George Ingram, UIC representative came from Vancouver to hear the complaints. Mr. Ingram on leaving took some complaints with him to Vancouver.

The union president maintained that reading the act and its interpretation differed widely. He hoped that labor councils would take up the issue and get it solved.

President McNevin said that after the act was passed there were 29 amendments by order-in-council. He described the whole thing as absolutely ridiculous and unworkable, resulting in some fantastic hardships. Mr. Ingram countered by saying that some of the miscalculations could be caused by discrepancies in employer calculations.

Before the meeting ended Mr. Ingram said, in the event of another shutdown at the mill, that UIC representatives would be here on the job in the hope they could put the men straight on calculating their possible UIC payments. He said that when claims are made the employees' on-the-job time for the previous 20 weeks would be the basis for payment and if there were days off during that period such days would be deducted. However, one speaker said that as they paid dues for every day whether they worked or not they should get a return for those days just as though they had worked.

In an all-out effort to speed up unemployment insurance payments, Hon. Bryce Mackasey, minister of labor, has ordered all unemployment insurance claims filed since December 1, 1971, be reviewed during the next ten days.

"Any claim that is found to be late because the normal process has failed to produce payment will be paid within 72 hours," he said.

The commission received and processed over 400,000 new claims since December 1, 1971, and is now issuing about 600,000 cheques every two weeks.

Most delays in receiving payment, the commission found, occur for these reasons: the claimant fails to fill out the application form properly; the employer fails to provide the record of contributions or separation certificate; errors or omissions occur in processing the claims.

Idea rejected

Request that the Boy Scouts Association capitalize its land tax over 24 years in one lump sum instead of year by year was turned down by the Regional District board.

The Scout association wanted to pay Camp Byng's water land charge of $4,000 in a lump sum. It was pointed out by board members that this meant a 30 percent reduction. The board preferred not to set a precedent as it would force others paying the full rate to have to make up the shortage.

Gibsons gift to opera!

PICTURED ABOVE is Gibsons own Lyn Vernon as she appeared in her recent success as King Kyrus, the leading role in Handel's opera Belshazaar, performed at the Bernestadt Opera House in Berne, Switzerland.

As a result of 11 successful performances of this opera with favorable write-ups together with other roles performed during the last year in Geneva, Zurich, Sicily, London and West Germany, Lyn has recently been awarded a contract to appear on tour in Australia in two major roles: Octavian in Rosenkavalier and Maddelena in Rigoletto, over a period of the next four to five months. She flies to Vancouver April 10 for an appearance with the Vancouver Symphony. She will return to Australia to complete the tour, after which, back to Switzerland to commence a year's contract a mezzo-soprano with the Zurich Opera Company in Zurich.

Mayor rejects alternate cut-off

An alternate highway cut-off about three quarters of a mile north of the proposed one which has raised a considerable protest, does not meet with the approval of Mayor Walter Peterson of Gibsons.

He said so at the Thursday night Regional board meeting last week when the board's planning committee reported on its study of the minutes of the Jan. 12 meeting between the board, Gibsons council and highways officials.

Mayor Peterson argued that the newly proposed route would run through Gibsons water shed area just above the source and it would affect the 700 water users now on Gibsons system. He added that board members were not aware of this and that it should be included in the minutes.

Here is the board's planning committee report which was adopted:

The committee studied the minutes of the committee of the whole dated January 12, concerning the relocation of Highway 101. It was noted that the department of highways could not accept a route location following the Hydro alignment. However, an alternative was suggested which the department would be willing to consider.

The committee received copies of correspondence from the village's technical advisors indicating that the original alignment would be most beneficial to the village. The committee recommended that the planning director of the board as well as the planning consultant of the village of Gibsons study the impact of the various alignment proposals.

The committee suggests the advisors look at the land use consequences and the effect of altering the number of access points to the highway. Alternate land use plans should be incorporated into the study. Such a study should be completed as soon as possible. Mayor Peterson from the Village of Gibsons indicated it would make its technical advisors available for such a study.

Protest derides parochialism

The following letter addressed to the Regional District board was also mailed to Gibsons council where at Tuesday night's meeting it was read:

Dear Sirs: Despite the controversy on the proposed new highway, we believe that it should be brought to your attention once more, that the route recommended by the department of highways, approved by the Village of Gibsons, endorsed by the Gibsons Chamber of Commerce, who represent the businssmen of the Gibsons District, now we the undersigned who are property owners along this proposed route and represent over one mile of this mile and one half in the area between North Road and Russell Road where most of the disagreement seems to stem.

We feel this route not only the most beneficial to the well being of the area, but a route that can be finalized and constructed without additional costs to the taxpayers, and in time to connect with the major highway improvements being carried on from Sechelt to Pender Harbour (without the fuss we are being forced to endure).

We therefore implore you to accept the department of highways recommendations in their engineering and feasibility study, so that the Sunshine Coast can be a mecca for tourists and industry, not the laughing stock of B.C. because of our parochial views.

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The games we play!

Once-in-a-while a speech is made which deserves more recognition than it gets in the daily news media. The Coast News would like to publish an entire speech at times (rarely). However, excerpts from a speech is about all it can do.

In this case the speech was made by Robert W. Bonner, Q.C., who usually makes speeches well above the usual verbiage. Recently he addressed, as vice-chairman of MacMillan Bloedel Limited, the Board of Trade of Metropolitan Toronto. Below are some paragraphs from a speech headed Scenario for the Seventies.

"I consider this to be the appropriate time for Canadian businessmen to reflect on the eventful days of 1971 and to ponder their meaning for the future. That exercise may lead you — as it has me — to the conclusion that we are at the end of one era in our history and at the threshold of another. A much more complicated era has already begun.

"There is scarcely any aspect of our national life or economic existence which has remained unaltered or unaffected by the world's postwar period of recovery. That this period has ended is implicit in the events which President Nixon's speech of August 15 set in motion.

"We are no longer viewing the non-Soviet world as one in which American leadership is unquestioned in either a political or economic sense. Vietnam, the dilemma of the Arab-Israeli cockpit, American dollar devaluation, the new international payments accord announced after the Nixon-Pompidou meeting, President Nixon's frank statements about the economic strengths of the Common Market and Japan — all these events and experiences attest to the fact that while American power is foremost, it is increasingly foremost among equals.

"New nations and new nationalisms abound. Not all seek or follow American leadership or support. It is a world unrecognizable in 1945 terms.

"Where are the monarchies and their systems of the 19th century?

"Where is the leadership structure of the 1930s?

"In what way does today resemble 1945?

"The disconcerting feature of recent years, particularly last year, is that developments seem to have taken so many of us by surprise. The degree of surprise is a function of our national introversion. We spend so much of our time scrambling over our seats in the bleachers, we tend to lose sight of the game being played on the field."

Mr. Bonner is so right! Provincialism is the scramble while the internationals play on undisturbed.

An ever-negative attitude

The year 1971 was a year of many questions and of few answers — questions mostly about what is wrong, what is unjust, what is unfair.

The constant harping on the problems which face this country, the ever-negative attitude which many of us have towards government, business, institutions will only erode away any pride in this country we may pretend to have.

This does not mean that one must turn away from the pitfalls, from the problems we have. In no way must the sufferings of the disadvantaged continue. In no way must the rights of minorities be denied, nor of the majority cast aside.

However, when prominence, both mental and physical, is given those who wish to destroy, those who wish to deny, those who wish to hate, then corrections are due.

The vocal French-speaking Canadians among us feel mistreated: the English have exploited them for years, they say. The vocal English-speaking Canadians in turn blame the Americans for their ills.

Isn't it time we stopped trying to blame some outside group for our ailments. Isn't it time we stopped trying to blame ourselves. Isn't it time we stopped deliberating over the problems that befall us, stopped this constant search for culprits and began seeking solutions! — **OPTION CANADA Bulletin.**

5-10-20 years ago

FIVE YEARS AGO

The school board budget which passed the $1,500,000 mark was 19.9 percent higher than the previous year.

As a result of a tug sinking with five lives lost the federal minister of public works hopes for construction of the boat shelter in Sechelt area.

10 YEARS AGO

Maintaining Gibsons problems were just as important as others in the province, council Chairman A. E. Ritchey seeks at council's request, provincial Town Planning board services.

In an effort to get public attention Gibsons Volunteer Firemen's annual meeting was opened to the public. None turned up.

Grade A large eggs were selling at 49 cents per dozen.

15 YEARS AGO

A park with a swim pool for small children was agreed on as Pender Harbour's Centennial project.

A Gibson Memorial United church committee will consider construction of a church hall on the unused portion of the church site.

Gibsons Centennial committee is seeking by use of a coupon in the Coast News, to find out what the public wants for a Centennial project.

20 YEARS AGO

Public lavatories for Gibsons are being studied by members of council.

Battery radios were on sale at Gibsons Electric from $10 to $50.

Sechelt's Boxing Club held its first tournament in the Community Hall.

Are B.C. winters getting colder?

(By PHYLLIS M. HODGSON)

(written prior to her accident)

True or false? Are the British Columbia winters getting colder? Some say "What of it. Who cares?" Others take a closer view, perhaps with genuine interest, perhaps from mere curiosity. Whatever the motive, several avenues are open. One can study the habits of the birds or the growth of the berries, or take heed of the old soothsayer's predictions. The more practical compare their fuel bills over the years. Weather has always been the subject of prediction possibly because of its devastating effects and its importance on the livelihood of man.

Those fortunate enough to be living on the Pacific Coast gloat over our mild and green winters. Cameras click capturing on film roses growing on Christmas day and enthused golfers on the course in January. We have actually felt joy at awakening to find our evergreen playground transformed into a winter wonderland. Beautiful to look at, but devastating in the final count.

The winter of 1934-35 was a disaster. Christmas day of '34 was a typical west coast Christmas, mild and wet. Within a few days King Winter came roaring in from the Strait of Georgia. Temperatures dropped with daily snowfalls of 12-14 inches. In the Fraser Valley snow and whistling east winds kept all roads blocked. Snow ploughs were useless; the winds filled the ploughed sections as fast as they were cleared. There was untold damage in the orchards. Cars were abandoned as drivers could make no headway against the deep drifts. In the city conditions were just as chaotic.

On January 20, the snowfall in Vancouver registered 17 inches paralyzing all traffic. Street cars jammed with passengers became snowbound, resulting in many people having to find accommodation for the night with friends, relations, or wherever they could. Stores remained closed because few people would venture out to battle deep snowdrifts. Oh, for the joys of childhood, the schools were closed. Schools closed and those wonderful hills for toboggans, tin trays, wooden slats, anything that would slide. Apart from the children's joy, it was truly a winter disaster.

The more recent winter of 1968 69 will long be remembered by residents of the lower mainland. Daily snowfalls of 10-12 inches with near zero temperatures was indeed an unpleasant change from the usual Pacific coast winter. In Vancouver alone, hundreds of water pipes froze. Many buildings, small ones and large, collapsed under the tremendous weight of snow and ice. The surrounding countryside assumed a scene of glittering glaze, as beautiful as it was devastating. Boughs snapped leaving the trees stripped. Much of the lower mainland was plunged in darkness as power lines lay a tangled mass amid the snow. To add to the misery, fuel supplies were running short due to the extra demand on the fuel dealers.

History has proven that coming events cast their shadows before them. Do we recognize the shadows? Ten years ago few men, even men of vision, could have forseen the snow mobile industry as it is today, nor could they visualize the thousands of ski enthusiasts on the slopes creating a boom in the manufacture of sports equipment.

Winter chalets, once the joy of the privileged few now becoming as popular as summer cottages. Gone are the light weight winter coats. The racks are piled high with chamois, leather and fur garments. Not the dainty social evening sort of fur, but the rough, tough arctic fur. All this along with fur gauntlets and high boots raises a thought.

Does this change to winter sports, and arctic clothing predict that arctic winters are taking over our mild balmy climate we've loved and boasted about? Could this be the shadow cast by coming events?

With a deep layer of cold air stationary over south-western B.C., writes Thorne K. How in the Centennial Review of Meteorology in British Columbia, moist, December, 1934, air from the Pacific rode over the frigid air and released its moisture in the form of snow. A total of 17½ inches plugged Vancouver on Dec. 20th, closing schools, mills, businesses and paralyzing all traffic. Cars were abandoned as drivers could make no headway against the unyielding drifts. Streetcars, jammed full with commuters who ordinarily drive their own vehicles, became snowbound and were left on the streets. Businesss closed because few people dared to venture out in the three to four foot snow drifts.

Residents of Princeton had to contend with a 63 inch fall! Sections of the interior reported tremendous snowfalls as 3,000 people in the Bridge River area were isolated as a result of 35 miles of road being under 10 feet of snow. Nelson reported 12 feet of snow with a minimum temperature of 17 below. The rest of the Kootenays was buried under 4 feet of snow. In the Cariboo, residents of Williams Lake found themselves digging tunnels in order to exit from their homes. Needless to say, all roads in the area were impassable as temperatures throughout the area hovered around the 50 below mark. A P.G.E train, caught in a slide near Pemberton, was snowbound for several days.

Finally mild Pacific air returned to the region and the cold arctic air mass retreated rapidly, leaving in its wake a snow-covered region in the throes of a quick thaw. In Victoria the temperature at noon on the 20th stood at a frigid 22 degrees. By midnight the mercury had leaped to 37 degrees, and by the time most Victorians had finished their breakfast the thermometer was reporting a balmy 47! In less than 20 hours the temperature had risen 25 degrees!

In Vancouver the minimum temperature Dec. 20 was five above. The maximum temperature the very next day had soared to 43! This sudden moderation of temperature led to a quick departure of the white paralysis which in turn presented another, and possibly more serious problem. Torrential rainfalls descended upon the area for several days following the rapid departure of King Winter. Many roofs succumbed to the tremendous weight of accumulated snow and water; among them, the Forum roof in Vancouver at a loss estimated at $70,000 The lower Fraser Valley did not escape. Vestiges of the rapidly retreating cold arctic air remained in the valleys forming pools of frigid air. As the warm Pacific air flowed over these pools and released its moisture, the liquid drops froze on contact with objects within this natural freezer and the valley assumed a fantasy-like scene of glistening glaze. As beautiful as it was devastating, the ice coated everything from roads to telegraph wires and trees. Boughs snapped under the tremendous weight, reminding residents of artillery fire during the war.

Soon telegraph and telephone wires were a tangled mess as poles as well as wires gave way to the ice. Many orchards were ruined as trees were stripped clean. In some places, four or five feet of snow were covered by an inch thick layer of icy glaze. There soon was a shortage of forage for cattle as all pasture land was locked in a prison of ice. Barns and many older homes unable to support the extra burden collapsed, in many cases leaving families homeless.

The moderating weather and torrential downpours introduced Vancouverites to flooding never before experienced in this west coast city. In the four days following the departure of freezing temperatures over ten and one half inches of rain descended upon Vancouver. The final accumulated total of precipitation of 20.65 inches for the month of January surpassed all monthly records and stands today. It is interesting to note that 3.81 inches of that total fell as snow for a total snowfall of 38.1 inches. The average January precipitation in Vancouver is only 8.44 inches while the annual average stands at 60.23, barely three times this phenomenal January accumulation.

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DEATHS

CARLSON — On January 31, 1972, Richard Carlson of Gibsons. Age 55 years. Survived by his wife Elsie, his parents Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carlson and 1 sister, all of Nanaimo; 1 stepson Howard Dean of Gibsons and 2 grandchildren. Mr. Carlson was a member of the Mount Elphinstone Lodge No. 130, A.F. & A.M. and the Royal Arch Georgian Chapter. The service will be conducted in the Roselawn Funeral Chapel, Vancouver, B.C. on Thursday, February 3 at 3 p.m. Cremation. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Eastern Star, Mount Elphinstone Chapter Cancer Fund, Roberts Creek. Arrangements through Harvey Funeral Home, Gibsons.

HUBBS — On Jan. 25, 1972, Dorothy Mary Hubbs of Sechelt. Age 56 years. Survived by her husband Harvey, 2 sons, Bill, Richmond, Grant at home; 1 daughter, Mrs. Carole Roberts, Coquitlam, 4 grandchildren, 1 brother, 1 sister and her stepmother, Mrs. J. Ford, Vancouver. Memorial service Sun., Feb. 6 at 2 p.m. at St. Hilda's Anglican church, Sechelt, Rev. Canon Alan Greene officiating. In lieu of flowers donations to St. Mary's Hospital, Sechelt, would be appreciated.

ROSS — William Oliver, of Port Mellon, B.C. passed away on Jan. 27, 1972 in his 81st year. Survived by his niece, Mrs. J. MacLeane and many friends. Private service was held. Cremation. Arrangements through the Memorial Society of B.C. and First Memorial Services Ltd

STADNYK — On January 23, 1972, William Stadnyk of Gibsons. Rev. D. Brown conducted the service in the Harvey Funeral Home on January 28.

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to express my appreciation to the doctors and staff of St. Mary's Hospital for their kindness and excellent care. A special thanks to our many friends for their visits, messages and offers of help.
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Sechelt realtor at convention

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Sponsored by the Real Estate Council of B.C. and presented in co-operation with the Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration, UBC, the seminar is an annual event instituted five years ago. Attendance is limited to 120 with a limit of 40 in any one study program.

The seminar is part of the continuing education program conducted by the real estate vocation for licensed agents and salesmen.

Re-cycling

Ten years ago pop bottles were re-used 20 times, now they average seven times. Affluence makes the deposit less attractive and many become non-decomposable litter on beaches, highways and parks.

Don't allow yourself to buy canned pop if you are too lazy to return the cans! There are depots for the empties, and also for beer bottles. Retailers who sell bottled pop must redeem empties. Buy only returnable bottles, and RETURN them!

Are you willing to sacrifice a whiter, brighter wash for bright, sparkling waters? Ecologists tell us that phosphates contribute to water pollution. Soap products and non-phosphate detergents will do a good job for you if you follow package directions. Measure carefully. In many cases less detergent is better than more, and becomes a double saving because oversudsing clogs machines and could cause costly appliance repairs.

Letters to Editor

Editor: I should like to add my support for the development of the proposed Recreation Centre. The Centre will indeed be a very attractive addition to this area with appeal for all age groups.

In view of the enormous amount of work done over the past years by the Recreation Centre committee, the exceptionally generous gift of land we have received on which to locate the centre, and the government grant which is being used to clear this land, let us not sit back in apathy when the referendum for the centre comes up.

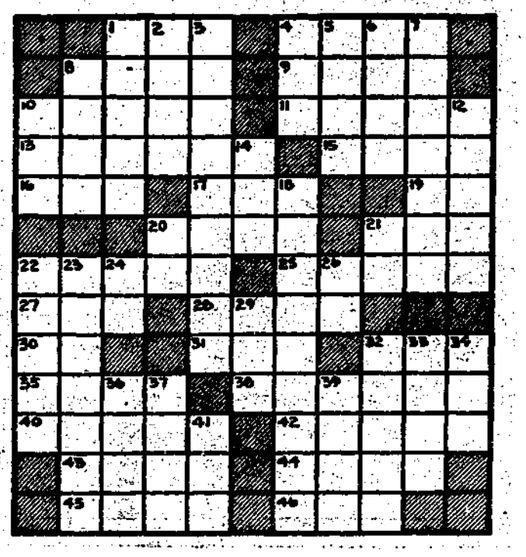
Let us get out there and vote.
—JANET WEBB.

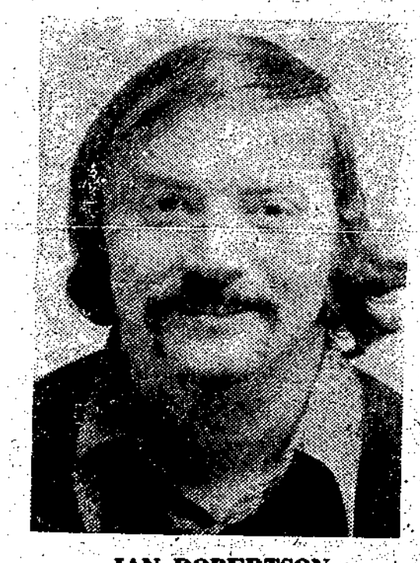
CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS
1. Tough wood
4. Sea swell
8. Embankment
9. Cain's victim
10. Callas, for one
11. Digs ore
13. Corrects
15. Extraordinary (inf.)
16. Man's nickname
17. Sloths
19. Preposition
20. Court proceedings
21. Biblical king
22. —— helmet
25. Kindle
27. Humble
28. Relative of gouda
30. Late Gov. Smith
31. Turf
32. Digit
35. Thick slice
38. Radio comic
40. Kind of bear
42. Troubled
43. Arm bone
44. River through Belgium
45. Trial
46. Weight (India)

DOWN
1. Made known
2. Pelt
3. Vexations
4. Golfer Snead
5. White yams
6. Nevada city
7. Flanders' language
8. British title
10. Encountered
12. Parliament chamber (Fr.)
14. Pose
18. Youthful years (2 wds.)
20. Like
21. Silver (sym.)
22. Embrace
23. Unwind (2 wds.)
24. Exclamation
26. Suffix: not (var.)
29. Fictitious surname
32. U.S. President
33. Extraordinary person
34. Purpose
36. Auk genus
37. Forbids
39. Informed
41. "Brother ——"

Today's Answer





IAN ROBERTSON

Youth worker at Gibsons United Church, Rev. Jim Williamson, minister. Ian is a 24 year old Albertan, born in Calgary. He moved to West Vancouver in 1954 remaining there 16 years. During later years he toured Canada and the United States with a party of four speaking in prisons and other institutions under auspices of the Teen Challenge and Youth for Christ crusade. In Gibsons his objective will be to set up youth programs and counsel young people with problems.

UCW executive starts new year

Rev. Jim Williamson installed the 1972 slate of officers for Gibsons United Church Women at their general meeting Fri., Jan. 21.

The new executive is as follows: President, Mrs. A. Boyes; vice-president, Mrs. M. Volen; secretary, Mrs. K. Swallow; treasurer, Mrs. A. Puchalski; supply and welfare, Mrs. J. Lee; nominating, Mrs. R. Vernon; membership, Mrs. J. Warwick; flowers and cards, Mrs. R. Emerson; publicity, Mrs. T. Fraser kitchen supplies, Mrs. R. Grigg; visiting and friendship Mrs. N. Moore, unit leaders, evening, Mrs. T. Fraser; Grandale and Gower (temporarily united) Mrs. R. Vernon.

Rev. Williamson challenged the women to use their offices in dedicating themselves to giving new hope to their church's future. He charged each member of the UCW to give real meaning to membership in their tian duty not only within their units and their church, but with-church by fulfilling their Chris-in their community and neighborhood as well. He noted with pleasure the upswing of attendance of young and old in both community and church groups using the church hall.

Reports for the past year were given by committee heads and unit leaders. The proposed budget for 1972 was presented and passed after discussion and approval.

The worship service was given by Mrs. P. Stevenson using the Desiderata as her theme. Women interested in joining Gibsons UCW should contact Mrs. J. Warwick at 886-7745.

3 new stamps during March

Three new stamps will be released in March, 1972. The first, to be released on March 1, will be an 8c issue commemorating the World Figure Skating Championships being held in Calgary this year. The stamp will be purple in color with dimensions of 30 mm by 36 mm.

On March 17, the department will issue two new, high value definitives in denominations of $1 and $2 respectively. The theme of their designs is the urbanization of Canada, illustrated by modern and historic skylines.

Produced in a horizontal format, with dimensions of 48 mm by 30 mm, each of the new multi colored stamps will be larger than current high value definitives. The new $1 value replaces a stamp that has been in use since Feb. 8, 1967. The $2 value is being produced in response to a need shown in postal operations.

A JOINT PROJECT

With joint use of Gibsons village and Gibsons rural area fire equipment now in force operating under a joint budget the fire and finance committees of the Regional District board plan to meet with Gibsons municipal council with a view to making the sharing of costs more equitable.

Gibsons council is now paying for costly fire equipment bought recently and from which the rural area gets benefit when fire breaks out.

BARLEYCORN BOOTS

Shoe sizes were originally based on barleycorns, says the Canadian Consumer, official publication of the Consumers' Association. In 1324, King Edward II decreed that three barleycorns from the centre of the ear of corn equalled one inch. It was found that 39 of them equalled the longest normal foot length. This is how size 13 shoes were born. CAC headquarters is at 100 Gloucester St., Ottawa, K2P 0A4.

New Library ready shortly

Gibsons Public Library expects to be in its new premises in the addition to the municipal hall by the end of February, Ald. Ted Hume informed the annual meeting of the library board at last week's meeting. Alderman Hume is chairman of council's library committee.

Jules Mainil was re-elected chairman at the 19th annual meeting and he informed the board it would be his final term. Ken Goddard was named deputy chairman.

Other officers are Mrs. Morrison, secretary; Jean Mainil, treasurer; library custodian, Miss Stevens; juvenile department, Mrs. K. Faris, and board members, Mrs. Carmichael, Mrs. L. Fletcher and Mrs. A. Harding

Ald. Hume in his remarks said he thought the council would provide a carpet for the library floor.

Mr. Mainil's report follows:

This past year, Gibsons Public Library Association, while continuing to provide the community with efficient library service, has proceeded with the planning and reorganization that the move to new and vastly improved quarters and facilities will necessitate.

The usual number of slow moving, obsolete and worn books have been discarded. Some of the memberships, inactive for a long period, have been dropped from the records, in effect bringing that file up to date.

The library has completed another successful year. Adult circulation was 10,052 and juvenile was 3,182.

The revised list shows 373 adult members and 394 juvenile. The juvenile section has a reasonable increase.

Taking into consideration purchases, donations and discards, adult books went from 3,607 in 1970 to 3,717 in 1971, and junior books from 1,812 in 1970 to 1,858 in 1971.

The Library association is in a sound financial position, the result of continued careful administration. The bank balance will be substantially reduced by the cost of moving and the purchase of new books as soon as our more spacious quarters become available. The present building continues to be neat and well tended.

This year the Library Development Commission has put its quantitative standards policy into effect. As a result of our inability to conform with a goodly portion of this policy our annual provincial grant of $500 has been cut to $50. This will probably partly re-adjust itself with the new facilities that the municipality is presently preparing for us. The municipality has also assured us that it would give the library reasonable help over and above the $500 annual grant if it becomes essential.

Regardless of changing times and customs we continue to fill a real need in this community of readers.

I particularly wish to thank the ladies who operate the library with a special thanks to Mrs. G. G. Morrison, our efficient treasurer, who is retiring.

Also the municipal council, not only for its grants and constant interest, but for actually providing us with a beautiful new library. Ex-alderman Ken Goddard was a joy to deal with. We shall miss him. At the same time I wish to welcome Alderman R. E. Hume, our new municipal representative. He too shall be our friend and helper.

Thanks also go to the Library Development Commission for its supply of books from the Travelling Library. This is a real help in rounding our our book stocks.

With the introduction of the Library Development Commission's minimum standard policy; with the new and modern facilities provided by the municipality; with the growth in population, changes are inevitable in the operation of our library. I am confident this association will take all these changes in its stride and continue to be a vital part of the community.

BROWNIE MEETING

The Gibsons Auxiliary to Guides and Brownies will meet Friday, Feb. 4 at 10 a.m. in the Anglican Church hall. All mothers of the girls should try to attend as the Guide movement needs the backing of an auxiliary group to function properly. The auxiliary is important for without it there would be no funds available to train the Brown Owls and Captains who are most necessary if all the little girls in the area are to continue attending their Brownie and Guide meetings.

ALBERTA BEATS BOTTLE

Bottles continue to be a problem in ditches, parks and beaches. The Consumers' Association of Canada reports new Alberta legislation will require that all non-returnable bottles be withdrawn from the market by December 31, 1972. CAC headquarters is at 100 Gloucester Street, Ottawa, K2P 0A4.

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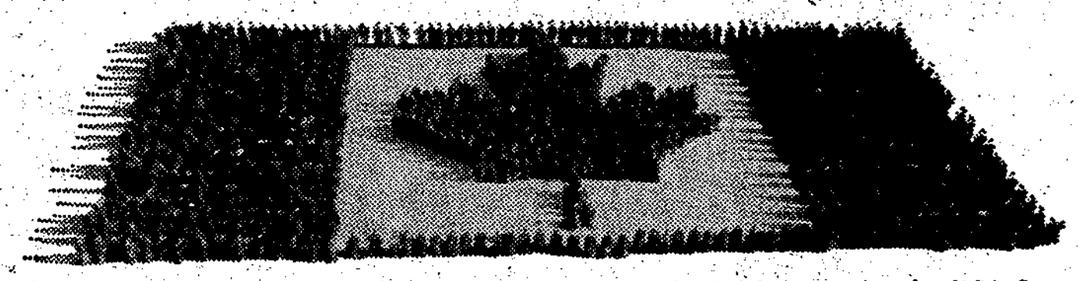

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Well, if we want to keep our country together, we have to understand that some Canadians need more help than others. That we cannot solve our problems unless we help a lot of Canadians to catch up.

It's not easy to understand the other fellow. Especially if sometimes it seems as though he doesn't understand you. Yet one thing is sure. There are a lot more people who want to understand and want to keep Canada together than those who would tear it apart. But it's going to take time and we've got to start now.

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PUBLIC HEARING

ZONING AMENDMENT BY-LAW No. 107

Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Sechelt, will hold a Public Hearing at the Municipal Hall, Sechelt, at the hour of 7:30 p.m. on the 16th day of February, 1972, under provisions of the Municipal Act, to consider the proposed amendment to provide for Commercial uses in the Semi-Industrial Zone described as: Lots 15 to 24 of BLOCK G of BLOCK 11, D.L. 303 and 304, PLAN 10030.

Copy of the proposed amendment may be inspected at the Municipal Hall, Sechelt, during business hours, between February 1st and February 16th, 1972.

Dated at Sechelt, B.C., January 28th, 1972.

E. T. RAYNER,
Clerk.

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Next Week: V The COST

Your Horoscope

Horoscope for the next week
(By TRENT VARRO)

ARIES - March 21 to April 20
You should be able to reap a rich harvest of rewards for work done in the past Many persons have been watching you and your work. Now is the time that it will 'pay off!'

TAURUS - April 21 to May 20
Your business sense is very sharp right now, but watch out for legal entanglements that involve your partner or business associates. Things can be rather 'high strung' at the present.

GEMINI - May 21 to June 20
Look for sudden shifts in your worldly position. You may receive a gift or legacy of some kind that will aid you greatly. Don't press domestic matters right now. Everything will work out later.

CANCER : June 21 to July 21
Don't 'fly off the handle' over some trivial matter next week! If you do, you'll set yourself way back. Be patient, and understanding of others, and hold your temper!

LEO - July 22 to August 21
New doors are being opened up to you in your search for happiness in life. It is very likely that someone will contact you during the next week, who hasn't been in touch with you for years.

VIRGO - August 22 to Sept. 21
Travel, communication and writing will probably take up much of your time during the next couple of weeks. It would pay you to seek more "understanding" in some problem that has bothered you in the past.

LIBRA - Sept. 22 to Oct. 22
Channel your energies very carefully at this time. There are some splendid opportunities coming up that will challenge your ability to understand the pattern of 'human behavior."

SCORPIO - Oct. 23 to Nov. 21
The stars are offering you many opportunities now, to achieve your deepest wishes. If you carefully analyze your past life, you can come up with the answer to success.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov. 22 to Dec. 20
Great benefits are working for you at this time. Much activity is indicated in matters that have been 'on the shelf.' Your social activities are strongly highlighted.

CAPRICORN - Dec. 21 to Jan. 19
Your intuition here is sharpened and can help you greatly in domestic matters. Be careful with electrical appliances. Your best base of operations is your own home.

AQUARIUS - Jan. 20 to Feb. 18
This should be a generally favorable week. Legal matters, legacies, institutions and hospitals are very much in the spot-light now. Get competent legal help from a good lawyer if you need it.

PISCES - Feb. 19 to Waren 20
Many questions may come up this week having to do with your business life. There is a most favorable aspect in the zodiac at this time aiding you greatly. Don't 'jump' without thinking!

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Elementary articulation!

To many youngsters poems aren't too bad to listen to but write one? Impossible! Too hard to find all those rhymes.

With step by step preparation in class, pupils discover that poems express feelings very suitably without the use of rhyme. Here are some samples written and illustrated by 7th year pupils in Gibsons Elementary. The form is the Haiku which only requires the writer express his thought and feeling in three lines of 17 syllables altogether.

Fawn and mother —
Swiftly they run and turn
To see the sun paint their outlines
Valma Scrugham

Cars with roaring engines
Wheels of steel
Rushing; stopping; forward;
backward; automobiles.
Nick Panasuk

Eagle through the dusk
Soaring beautifully high
King over birds of prey.
Brad Quarry

Burdened are the trees
The storm brings nature's clothing
Coat hangers of the snow.
Bruce Goddard

The water drips soft
Upon the lifeless pond.
The cool dew is gone.
Norma Skogmo

Trees age not with looks
But with rings
Concealed in the huge green majestic giants.
Gordon Currie

A lily flower bloomed
So beautiful and gay
Lovely jewelled flower floats away.
Mona Suveges

100 lease applications in '71

Discussing last year's operations of the Regional board's planning operations, E. R. Cuylits, planner, reported that most of the leases handled in 1971 were in the Pender Harbour area. During the year there were 150 lease applications

The Regional board undertook the planning function on a full time basis in April, he said. This permitted adequate administration of the zoning by-law, lease applications, sub-division applications and related functions. Long range planning commenced in the latter part of the year.

The zoning by-law has been guided through three major revisions and now appears to be a workable document. Some discussion is still being held between the department of highways and the board concerning zoning in Electoral Area A (Pender Harbour). At present the original zoning in that area stands. In future, the board will be faced with applications to rezone, as individual owners approach the board with their particular ideas of development.

This year two special reports were prepared by the department — one concerning anchorages and upland access along the B.C. coast and the other was directed toward the relocation of Highway 101 at Gibsons. The former report has been very well received while the latter provided a basis for extensive discussion.

With regard to mapping, arrangements have been made to obtain plastic originals of the 1:500 series perpared by the department of lands. This will permit the board to keep a permanent record of subdivisions and prints of updated maps can be made on request.

With reference to subdivisions, the board has a Sub-division By-law administered jointly by the board's planning department and the provincial department of highways. The board has been in the process of amending the by-law since October 1970.

ADULT EDUCATION

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These three words make up the title of a course that is to be introduced to the Sunshine Coast area for the first time

"FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION" programs have been conducted with great success in several areas of B.C.

The course will take place in the Elphinstone Sr. Secondary School for four nights only starting on Tuesday, Feb. 8 at 8 p.m. The course will take the form of a talk and discussion and will cover the following areas:

FEB. 8: MAN AND WOMAN

Speaker: Dr. John Friesen, Faculty of Education, University of B.C.
Dealing with the power struggle between husband and wife, family fights, fights between the sexes.

FEB. 15: THE TASKS OF THE FAMILY TODAY AND SIGNS OF TROUBLE IN FAMILIES

Speaker: Dr. John Stewart, Director of West Van Institute of Living and Learning.

FEB. 22: FINANCES

—The Psychology of Finances in the Family
—The Practical Aspects of Financing
Speaker: Mr. Norman Alban, Accountant Consultant

FEB. 29: SINGLE PARENT FAMILIES

Speakers: Mrs. John Birchall, President of Single Parent Organization, Vancouver.
Miss Marge Martin, Social Worker
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RESIDENT FARES

For the information of residents in the POWELL RIVER - SUNSHINE COAST Regional Areas we would advise the following changes:

1. On April 1, 1972 single (passenger and/or vehicle) resident fares will be obtainable to persons who are able to present their residents identification card at the ticket booth at time of travel.
2. Any member of a family travelling alone will need an identification card if he/she wishes the residents rate. It therefore is necessary for each family member who expects to travel without the head of the family to obtain individual resident identification cards. It should be noted that parents or guardians can complete residents affidavits for minors. Identification cards will be available at the following locations commencing January 31, 1972 at the times listed.

Monday - Friday – 8:30 a.m. - 12 noon
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

1. **Sechelt Motor Transport, Sechelt, B.C.**
2. **Pender Harbour Fishing Resort, Madeira Park, B.C.**
3. **Tourist Information Bureau, Powell River, B.C.**

Daily – Business Hours

1. **Langdale Terminal, Langdale, B.C.**
2. **Saltery Bay Terminal, Saltery Bay, B.C.**

3. Purchase of commuter books will not be necessary after April 1, 1972.
4. Commuter tickets in circulation after April 1, 1972 will be honored.

BRITISH COLUMBIA FERRIES

West Sechelt water bylaw

(Continued from Page 1)

anything which was not expressly agreed upon.

It is a matter of record that the area director, who as a trustee of the WSWID very ably conducted the negotiations either together with his fellow trustees or by himself in the water committee, voted together with all other directors for the amendment, the board reply stated.

If the trustees perhaps found in the agreements something they wanted to get out of on second thought, why did they not come out and say so? Instead of keeping their side of the agreement by starting some action with adjusting their own bylaws to implement them, the trustees apparently chose to put political pressure on the board through Victoria. We feel their latest demand that only a contract could regulate the relationship between the Region and the WSWID can only be interpreted as another gambit in their delaying action.

The trustees are absolutely in error when they claim that the bylaw amendment is only designed to discriminate against them. We can assure them that, although they are our first bulk buyers, we hope to add some others in due course, to whom the bylaw will equally apply. Certainly Schedule B is applicable to the WSWID only. It must be understood that each bulk buyers' individual circumstances have to be fully considered to establish an equitable contribution, which has to be made to cover the actual costs of the service. It is just this very consideration of other WSWID commitments which made us establish the very favorable below-cost rate. The trustees' attempt to use it to cry discrimination does not stand up to closer scrutiny.

Continuing, the board maintains it has the greatest difficulty to understand their insistence on a contract only. Their alleged reasons that the board has a short memory or could have, is an unwarranted slur against present and future directors, implying they have already in the past or will in future violate their oath of office. If the trustees of the WSWID have any evidence for the past, would they come forward with their proof. As to the behavior of future directors we leave any innuendoes to the trustees. This sort of aspersion is rather apt to backfire without damage to the target.

The whole clamor for a contract begs the question whether special privileges should be conferred upon one group, which could not be enjoyed by the very much larger number of other water users, who absorb a major portion of the heavy WSWID supply costs. These costs are fully substantiated by engineering data and given to the trustees. Although they still pretend doubt about the figures they never took the trouble to disprove them.

If and when there has to be a rate change, everybody will have to contribute a fair share. No small group can rightly demand special privileges, which would permit them to escape by unloading their share to other shoulders. Conversely, nobody can be singled out to bear a larger share than the rest. Such would really be discrimination, with enough remedies available under existing laws to prevent it. No particular contract would be required.

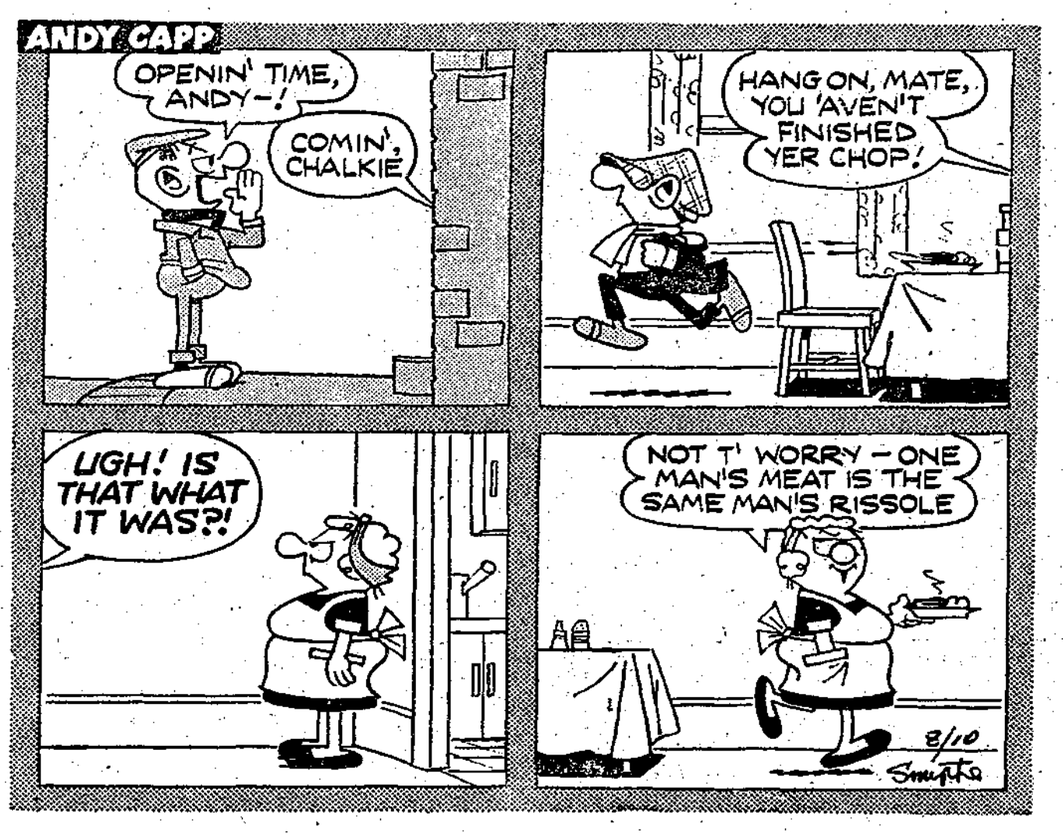
However, just to lay that contract affair finally to rest, we had once more our legal counsel review the contract between WSWID and the former Sechelt Water Works Ltd. He still confirms our stand that it is null and void.

The information supplied by Bruce E. Emerson, legal counsel for the Regional District follows:

"In my opinion, in the light of Section 568 of the Municipal Act it is clear that the legislature intended that the water authority should exercise such authority by by-law, and that, as in the enactment of other by-laws, its authority to determine the rates, terms and conditions is unilateral and unreserved.

"The law in this country has always been that the municipal water utility, in supplying water, is not entering into a contract at all. The arrangement does not have the legal incidence of a contract. The utility simply supplies the water and the consumer pays for it, but the supply of such water confers no contractual rights on the user at all. The user is bound to pay, but the supplier is not bound to supply. I need only mention everyone's arrangements with B.C. Hydro or the B.C. Telephone Company to demonstrate the analogy.

My conclusion on this issue is that the Regional District is without authority to enter into a contract with the Improvement District for the supply of water. The Regional District must proceed by by-law. It could proceed by contract and adopt the contract by by-law, but enabling legislation would have to be obtained from the legislature to authorize the Regional District to enter such contract in the first instance."



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FASHION NEWS

Fashion's yarn is clicking everywhere to put together the clothes that make headlines this spring.

Cling's the thing for the fashion look, and knit does it. The long lines, sleek stretch fit, soft and swingy skirts and body-liner looks all go smoothly in knit.

Textured yarns give a lush hand to an otherwise simple synthetic knit—for an example the pattern of a polyester jacquard knit or the rich matte surface of a texturized double knit.

Boucle is back to star in novelty knits such as bright and clashing art deco patterns.

Printed cotton knits brighten up spring for any style of fashion.

The cotton sweater knits become spring scene stealers. Not only are these ribbed and tweedy knits big in the fashion picture, they are comfortable too.

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Mainly about people

(By ED THOMSON)

That a poet or a prophet is entirely without honor in his own hometown does not apply to Peter Trower, Gibsons deep sounding bard of the backwoods, the voice of the all-too-inarticulate West Coast loggers and a rigging man himself — "a good man to be working alongside of when the going got tough," according to Larry Labonte, who worked with Pete in the woods and the mill at Port Mellon.

Peter Trower now at the mature age of 40, has plenty going for him. Brought up in these parts, Pete the Poet received his early schooling at Port Mellon, then briefly in Vancouver and when the family returned to Gibsons, was a Grade 10 pupil in the old secondary school. Stan Trueman, now a retired high school principal, recalls Pete as a quiet, studiously-inclined scholar holding good grades, a bit of a dreamer, and an avid reader. One thing in particular Mr. Trueman recalls, that Pete elected to take Latin as one of his language subjects. This was a bit unusual as he was the only pupil in the school that even thought of Latin as an elective. It is to his teachers' credit that Trower was given a thorough grounding on the subject. While Pete may not have realized it at the time, this urge to master a dead language may well have been a subconscious harking back to the high scholastic achievements of his grandparents, both learned Greek scholars.

At present Pete is polishing up several poems of the woods, among these five pieces that have already been accepted in advance of publishing by Thomas Nelson, text book publishers for inclusion in their forthcoming Grade Eight school reader.

Irene Glassford who taught at Port Mellon saw another side of Pete, a bit of a heller in his wilder days, when he would come pounding on her door in the wee small hours and demand to be psychoanalyzed — this was done to the accompaniment of mugs of steaming, strong coffee and slathers of toast, bacon and eggs.

Grace Wiren, another retired teacher, now at Hopkins Landing, although she never taught Trower, came to know him well, as a friend of her sons, Jack and Randy. Many's the time Pete was on the receiving end of a stinging lecture for his shortcomings, said Mrs. Wiren. "I used to bawl him out severely — he was such a likeable rip. Even then I couldn't help but realize what great potential Peter had. I'd tell him he had to stand on his own two feet and make those wonderful dreams come true. I must say he took it all in good part and would even thank me for the lecture. Peter, to me, was a very special sort of person."

Bruce Campbell of Hopkins Landing remembers Pete best as a boyhood friend when they both attended the old two-room Seaside Park school house at Port Mellon. Two teachers were recalled, Eva May Healey, now retired in Ontario and a Miss Ireland whose whereabouts is swallowed up in the folds of time.

These two close friends succeeded in growing up together in a mill town settlement without getting into too much trouble. Possibly the fact they were practically isolated and with no roads to lead them astray had something to do with it. Campbell remembers Pete was forever drawing cartoons and in fact, created his own comic strips.

In his omnivorous reading Pete was particularly keen on science fiction stories and when, on one of their hikes through the woods, they stumbled on a deserted logger's cabin where they found mildewed stacks of back numbers of Amazing Stories magazines, Pete was in seventh heaven.

To the Braithwaites, Pat and Frank, Pete will always remain an enigma. They encountered Gibsons baffling poet when they first came to this part of the country six years ago. Both Frank and Pat regard Pete as a good friend and understand him as well as anyone. But they too share the general puzzlement, that why one gifted with such obvious talent in the gift for words, has not done something big about it over the years.

"Why, Pete fairly oozes poetry. Good stuff too, no four-letter word tripe or soul-sick drivel!" according to Frank. "Pete's verse is virile and redolent of the back woods."

Many's the impromptu reading session the Braithwaites have attended in the Trower's concerted two part garage out at the back, which Pete shares with his brother Marty. According to Pat, Pete is a sort of Pied Piper. Everywhere he goes along with his battered brief case, bulging with verse, you'll find him accompanied by a fascinated audience, ranging from the quite young up through to the oldsters, and Pete is only too willing to read his stuff, quite indifferent to his surroundings, whether in a beer parlor or a commune, high up on the upper reaches of Mount Elphinstone — there you'll find Pete weaving a spell with wonderful words.

It was Les Peterson, who perhaps more than any other single person, gave early guidance and encouragement to Pete. When Les returned from World War Two, he was quick to realize the genius that lay within Trower and counselled him to be his own self in all his writings, and not to be swayed from his natural metier: the telling of the story of the West Coast logger.

Spring will not come again to unlock the doors of early accomplishment, for Pete at 40 is past the first fine flush of youth. This is reflected by the superlative excellence of the more recent poems he has put together in his third and latest book Between the Sky and the Splinters, now well in the works and under consideration by a leading Canadian book publishing house. He is also busily revising his first book, hitherto unpublished, There are Many Ways, while his more recently published poems, Moving Through a Mystery, beautifully illustrated by Jack Wise, in a limited edition of 1,000 copies and published in 1969, is all but out of print.

Peter is also at work on the lyrics for a recorded folk album and if one of the songs, Dwindling Sally, is a sample of what is yet to come, this album should have high acceptance.

There's no doubt Pete the Poet has plenty going for him right in his own hometown and more waiting for him in the big world outside. While his friends declaim, if he would only get off his butt and grab hold of a destiny that must be manifest, even to him.

Bruno Gerussi, who called in on Pete, armed with his tape recorder, while working with the CBC series The Beachcombers, did a spontaneous, on-the-spot interview, that appeared on Gerussi's network morning show. Bruno did a beautiful job in reading several of Pete's more recent poems. As a former west coast logger himself, Bruno quickly identified with Trower and drew him out to make a delightful broadcast.

Without admitting it, Pete hopes the publishing and acceptance of his new book Between the Sky and the Splinters, will unlock the door financially and free him once and for all from the insularity of his pent-up life.

SCOUTERS TO MEET

The 1971 annual meeting for Vancouver-Coast Region, Boy Scouts of Canada, will be held Monday, Feb. 14 at 8 p.m. in Woodward's Oakridge Auditorium, 41st and Cambie. Highlights will include election of officers for 1972, presentation of honors and awards and a slide presentation of 1971 Scouting events.

FLUENT IN FRENCH, David Halton, seen above with his wife, is also an expert on the Russian writer Dostoevsky. He is the CBC television and radio correspondent in Paris. A few years ago, Halton was stationed in Moscow and met Natasha Nikolayevna. The story goes that he hated every minute of his assignment until he met Natasha and that he then did everything but refuse to leave the country until he could take Natasha with him. They were married in the famous Palace of Weddings in Moscow in late 1967 and Halton has been the CBC's man in Paris ever since.

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Point of law

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Q. My wife has been in a mental institution for over four years. Can I get a divorce because of her insanity?

A. No, you cannot get a divorce because your wife is insane. Insanity is not a ground for divorce. You may be able to get a divorce on the ground that you have been living separate and apart from your wife for over three years, however, judges have decided in similar cases that mere physical separation during the three year period is not sufficient and it is necessary to show that the matrimoninal relationship has ceased. This may depend to some degree on the extent of your wife's illness and possibility of recovery. You should consult a lawyer.

Q. I want to divorce my husband. We still live together but for the past few years he has been impotent. Will his impotence enable me to get a divorce?

A. Impotence in itself is not a ground for divorce. It may, however, amount to mental cruelty which renders future cohabitation intolerable. Generally, though, if you and your husband have been living a normal married life in all other respects you would not have grounds for divorce.

Q. My husband was an alcoholic for many years. I got fed up six months ago and left him. I have heard from relatives that he has stopped drinking. Can I get a divorce?

A. From the facts you have given you cannot get a divorce. Addiction to alcohol is grounds for divorce only where the spouse has been addicted to alcohol for the three year period immediately preceding the petition for divorce. Thus, in your case, as your husband has not been addicted to alcohol for the preceding three years, you cannot get a divorce on this ground. You may be able to get a divorce on some other ground, such as cruelty. See your lawyer.

Q. My husband and I are incompatible. Although we are still living under the same roof and take our own meals together our marriage has broken down. Can I get a divorce on the grounds of marriage breakdown?

A. No. The term marriage breakdown is misleading as the divorce act defines it (in general terms) as follows: 1. Three years imprisonment. 2. Two years imprisonment for an offence for which the respondent was sentenced to death or ten years (or more) imprisonment. 3. Three years' gross addiction to alcohol. 4. Three years' gross addiction to a narcotic drug. 5. Three years disappearance. 6. Non-consummation. 7. Three years' separation if the respondent deserted the petitioner or they separated by agreement and five years separation if the petitioner deserted the respondent.

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In Land Recording District of Vancouver, British Columbia, and situated approx. one mile north east of Earls Cove on Sechelt Peninsula.

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The purpose for which the disposition is required is a summer home site.

Janet Seeley
Dugald Ervine Christie (agent)
Dated January 18, 1972

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CHANGE POLLING BOOTH

Maintaining the polling booth at Pender Harbour school, used by the Regional board for elections, was awkward for the elderly to use, the suggestion from Pender Harbour Community club that its premises be used in future, was accepted. The club also suggested a street light be installed in vicinity of the hall. This was agreed to by board members.

AN R.N. APPOINTMENT

The Regional Hospital board meeting last week agreed to a suggestion from the Registered Nurses association that one of its members be appointed to the hospital advisory committee in a consulative capacity.

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Evelyn Berdahl 275, Jean Jorgenson, 693 with 3 games the same, 231. Lorne Gregory 714 (275).

Ladies: Elsie Star 659 (241), Pat Comeau 661 (259), Carol Kurucz 630 (265), Juanita Stromquist 229, Jean Jorgenson 680 (269, 225), Tina Vanderhorn 600 (228), Marybelle Holland 258, Irene Jewitt 656 (267).

Gibsons A: Buzz Graham 689, Dunstan Campbell 690 (256), Mavis Stanley 668 (261), Bill McGivern 640 (253), Frank Nevens 691 (250), Henry Hinz 601, Vic Marteddu 644, Tom Stenner 662, Nancy Phillips 271, Evelyn Mac Kay 613 (255), Frank Nevens 612

Teachers: Ed Gill 669, Gerry McConnell 618, Bonnie McConnell 634 (237), Dan Weinhandl 686, Fred Swanson 708 (269, 261) Tom Stenner 645, Frank Nevens 694 (255), Art Holden 692 (251), Joan Quarry 620 (226).

Wed., 9 p.m.: Joan Quarry 234 Roy Taylor 630, Evelyn Hogue 235, Bob Benson 269.

Thurs. Nite: Mavis Stanley 652 (227, 226), Art Holden 637 Gerry Turenne 238, Evelyn Prest 626 (227, 228), Buzz Graham 686, Ben Prest 614, Reg Carnaby 654 (259), Evelyn Berdahl 663 (275, 236), Jean Jorgenson 693 (231, 231, 231), Lorne Gregory 714 (275), Harold Jorgenson 651 (256), Gerry Nimmo 241, Rod Powell 628 (257), Kevin Prokopenko 600.

Bantams (2 games): Brad Comeau 256, Clint Suveges 304 (157) Cathy Star 306 (178), Patty Star 269.

O.A.P. Tues., 2 games: Ernie Reitze 398 (203), Mac MacLaren 3 35(185), Belva Hauka 302.

Some of the members of the O.A.P.O. have formed a league under the supervision of Mr Mac Laren, bowling 2 games every Tuesday. They are keenly interested and we are pleased to have them in our bowling family.

Juniors: John Volen 761 (338), Kevin Prokopenko 648, John Sleep 621, Gerry McConnell 243, Kim Bracewell 237, Bruce Brown 235, Elin Vedoy 511 (197), Lisa Kampman 173, Jackie Inglis 190.

JUNIOR BOWLING

On Sunday, Jan. 30, junior bowlers from Gibsons travelled to Cranberry Lanes, Powell River for a competition match. The junior girls team were the victors by a small margin. The boys team lost to Powell River heavily, as did the single boy and the single girl. They had a great time and enjoyed their visit.

Powell River junior bowlers have a large choice of players, and the average of four years of bowling, whereas here, only a few bowled two years. Their boys are great bowlers and I'm confident we can win on the return match shortly.

Many thanks to the parents who volunteered to transport the bowlers to Powell River, though it was a very tiring trip before bowling, of almost four hours of travelling.

A competition meet is already being arranged for West Vancouver.

To all bowlers and parents, thank you. **Mike Prokopenko, (coach).**

BASEBALL TOURNEY

Alderman Gerry Dixon announced at last week's council meeting that he has entered Gibsons in the provincial Festival of Sports for this year. He said there would be a baseball tourney during the May 24 holiday weekend.

Basketball

(By BRAD NORRIS)

This weekend's basketball proved disastrous as the Cougars were pitted against the Templeton Titans from Vancouver. The Cougars slipped in the first few minutes and in no time the score was ten to none for the Titans.

The Cougars came back however and the quarter ended with the score 12-8 in favor of Templeton. The second quarter was when things really started falling apart for the Cougars. The Titans threw a full court press on the Cougars and it ended up in a few baskets from steals. The game progressed and in many ways resembled a rugby match as good basketball was not played.

The Cougars, although yet to be defeated in their own league have lost five straight games to AA competition.

In the game the top scorers for Elphie were Brad Norris with 13, Wayne Smith with 6 and Bill Sneddon with 4.

Next weekend Elphi travels to Templeton where they will be guests along with the North Delta Huskies in a tournament. This should prove interesting as the Huskies are last year's high school basketball provincial champs.

OAPO plans trip to Reno

The first meeting of the year of Branch 38, OAPO, Monday, January 17 at the Health Centre, Gibsons, observed a minute silence in memory of Mr. Kurtzhal who at one time served as treasurer for Branch 38.

The annual reports of the secretary and treasurer revealed that 1971 was a busy and rewarding year. A proposed bus tour to Reno in April, when the desert is in bloom, was discussed. Members interested should make their wishes known to Mr. MacLaren.

For members interested in hearing aids, the address of the Clinic is Western Institute for the Deaf, P.O. Box 765, Station A, Vancouver, phone 736-7391.

It was decided to combine ways and means and entertainment into one committee with George Follows as chairman. and Jim Holt, plus the help of all members. Other committees will remain the same.

The monthly raffle was won by Mrs. Bernhof. The meeting was followed by tea time.

February meetings are, social on Monday, Feb. 7 and the monthly, Monday, Feb. 21 at 2 p.m. in the Health Centre, Gibsons.

RUMMAGE, BAKE SALE

A rummage and bake sale will be held in St. Aidan's Church hall Friday, Feb. 18 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. by the Roberts Creek Parents Auxiliary.

CHURCH MEETINGS

Churches within the West Howe Sound United Church charge will hold their annual meetings as follows: St. John, Feb. 6; Roberts Creek, Feb. 6; Gibsons, Feb. 13.

TUWANEK PLEBISCITE

Tuwanek Ratepayers Association will be informed by the Regional District board that a plebiscite on garbage collection for that area on East Porpoise Bay will be held Sat., April 1. The board will prepare the bylaw to be put before those ratepayers.

CEDAR WAXWINGS ARRIVE

On Monday Mrs. Wynn Stewart of Stewart road reported she had about 150 cedar waxwings in her garden, cleaning up the berries left from last fall. She regards it as a sign spring is not too far off.

SEEK FIRE PAYMENT

Pender Harbour's fire department request for $500 to cover the department's fighting a fire on open land last fall has been rejected again by the Regional Board which maintains it cannot pay for services it did not order. The fire department was urged to write the Forestry office if they were commandeered by that office and in turn the forestry people would send a bill to the Regional board.

NOTICE

Sunshine Coast Regional District Ratepayers Association

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