

Zoning bylaw gets general approval

Only 50 persons attended two Zone By-law hearings arranged by Gibsons council for last week. A third will be held Thursday evening at 7:30 in Gibsons United Church hall.

The meetings were chaired by George Cooper, Gibsons Elementary School principal. Mayor Walter Peterson and members of council plus Clerk Dave Johnston and Vancouver planner Rob Buchan made whatever explanations were necessary.

Most questioners sought information or clarity in what information they had. There were some queries as to the intention of council in the CDA or harbor area.

There are 15 zones with symbols for each. For single family residential there are four zones. They are R1, R2, R3 and R4.

The first three concern the built-up area of the village and R4 the undeveloped sections within the village boundaries. The difference in R1-2-3 involves lot sizes, R1 with a 7,500 square foot minimum, R2 with 7,200 square foot minimum and R3 at 6,000 square feet. R1 site mainly along the shoreline.

Then there is the multi-family residential areas on an R1, 2, and 3 with differing land minimums.

In the commercial bracket there is Commercial (C) 1, 2 and 3. The others are Marine (M), Industrial (I), Public assembly (PA), Park, Recreation and Open Space (PRO), and the Comprehensive Development Area (CDA).

The CDA area created interest and at the public hearings Mayor Peterson aided by Mr. Buchan explained that CDA was a holding label for the bay area as neither council nor the planner had any idea

VOTE Saturday

You vote Saturday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on the \$500,000 Recreation Centre project at eight polling booths extending from Halfmoon Bay Elementary School to Langdale Elementary School.

For the rural section the polls will be at the following points in Regional District electoral areas:

B Halfmoon Bay Elementary School and West Sechelt Elementary School.

C Davis Bay Elementary School.

D Roberts Creek Elementary School.

E Elphinstone Secondary School, Gibsons.

F Langdale Elementary School.

In the two villages voting polls will be in Sechelt's Mermaid St. Legion Hall and in Gibsons, at the Municipal Office.

An organization known as Homeowners Opposing Soaring Taxation (HOST) has circulated a lengthy letter to owners of Sunshine Coast property in Vancouver area and owners on the Sunshine Coast.

The Coast News has received phone calls from Vancouver people inquiring about the letter and what it means. One Vancouverite maintained the trouble with Sunshine Coast people was negative thinking resulting in too many NO votes when some YES votes are required.

as to what future harbor requirements would be.

Excerpts from the bylaw follow:

Use of Land, Buildings and Structures:

No land shall be used, kept and maintained contrary to the provisions of this bylaw.

No building or structure shall be erected or constructed contrary to the provisions of this bylaw.

The use of land, buildings or structures shall not be converted unless or until it complies with this bylaw.

Non-Conforming Uses:

The lawful use of any land, building, or structure existing at the time of the adoption of this bylaw may be continued, subject to the provisions of Section 705 of the Municipal Act. (30 day lapse in use of premises cancels use.)

Any building or structure conforming as to use, but non-conforming as to size, shape or siting at the time of adoption of this bylaw may be altered, repaired or extended provided that any alteration, repair or extension shall comply with the regulations governing the zone in which it is located.

Minimum Floor Area for Dwelling Units:

No single family, two family or row house dwelling shall contain less than 750 square feet of floor area for each dwelling unit except that a single family dwelling in an R1 district shall contain at least 1,000 square feet of floor area.

Living Accommodation in Basements:

No dwelling unit shall be permitted in any basement unless at least 30% of the perimeter of such dwelling unit is external wall not more than 18 inches below the grade of the adjoining ground as determined by the building inspector.

Off-Street Parking and Loading Spaces:

The owner or occupier of every building shall provide off-street parking and loading spaces in conformity with bylaw regulations.

Spring festival for all schools

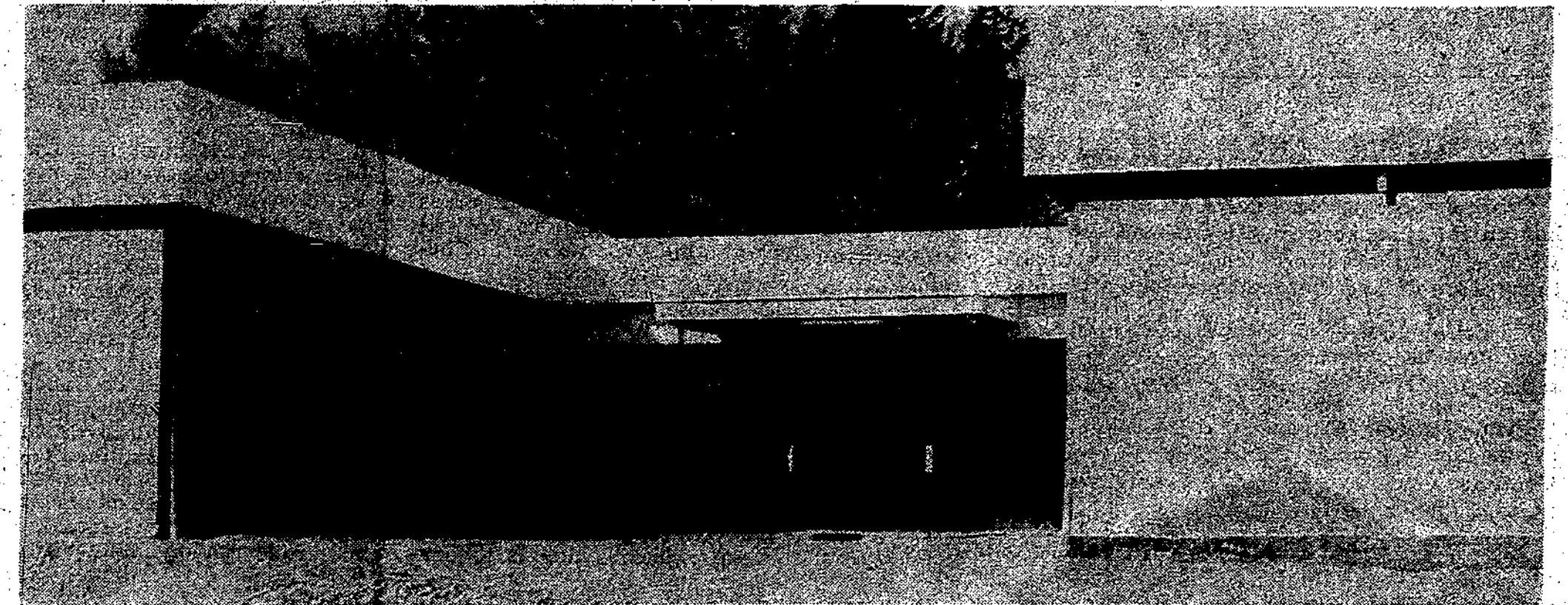
School District No. 46 (Sechelt) is holding a grand festive Spring concert April 17, at 7 p.m. in Pender Harbour Secondary School gymnasium. There will be even greater participation in this concert than there was in the Christmas Concert at Elphinstone school.

Every school in the District, with the exception of one-room schools, will be represented. There will be bands from Elphinstone Secondary school, Gibsons Elementary school, Madeira Park Elementary school, Pender Harbour Secondary school, students from which are playing along with adults in the Pender Harbour Band and Sechelt Elementary school.

Choirs from Gibsons, Langdale, Madeira Park and Sechelt Schools are busy rehearsing, and a recorder group from Davis Bay Elementary school also a combined instrumental and choral group from Roberts Creek Elementary School are completing their preparations.

OAP DONATION

A donation of \$30 has been made to the Kinsmen swimming pool fund by the Gibsons branch of the Old Age Pensioners Association.



Legion opens new hall Saturday

BY ED THOMSON

Jack Morris is most happy at what has already been accomplished on the Legion's new quarters. He was unstinting in his praise of the support shown by all members who have backed up the executive with 100% co-operation. He said it had been a privilege to have worked with such a good gang and under such heartening conditions, to make all the long hours and hard work doubly worth while.

The building, constructed of fire resistant Duralite block, reinforced by concrete, is both attractive to the eye, as well as highly functional. The main entrance located in the central area leads to a well lit and spacious foyer, the walls lined with framed pictures of legion activities. On the right, through a glass panel, electrically controlled by the steward admits people through doors to the large lounge with its modern bar.

A games area for billiards, darts and shuffleboard, occupies another section, while high on the wall is a t.v. set for sports and other events. In another area is the ample dance floor enclosed by wrought iron railings, the theme of which will be carried out in wrought iron window grills, the gift of Michael Poppe, of Langdale.

In a large central space is a newly laid carpet, with com-

Retired council clerk honored

Sechelt's council honored the retired former clerk Ted Rayner and his assistant Phyllis Boyd at last week's meeting of council. Mr. Rayner who retired early this year due to illness was presented with a cut glass bowl and Mrs. Boyd, a silver tray.

The presentations were made by Mayor Ben Lang with former Mayor William Swain, and Mrs. Rayner and Mr. Boyd present along with all members of council. Mr. Rayner was complimented on his faithful work as municipal clerk.

Garden Bay grant

A list of 136 projects awarded grants under the New Horizons program is announced by Health and Welfare Minister Marc Lalonde, including one from Garden Bay.

The Pender Harbour Vocational Assistance Group, Garden Bay, has received \$9,786 to set up a hobby shop in woodworking and leathercraft. Most of the grant will take care of the initial cost of equipment.

fortable chairs and tables set out in cozy array. The light-controlled by a master switch and rheostat.

Off the bar is an ample storage area; a deep freeze also a cooling chamber with access to the glass panelled service area. Here also is an ice-cube machine capable of looking after the club's requirements and to supply the thirsty visitors come summer. A kitchenette complete with infra-red oven and fridge takes care of snack and sandwich orders.

In the heating compartments two separate, latest design, electric oil fed forced air units maintain the required temperature in any section of the building. Here too are housed the ventilating fans which provide air conditioning.

Ald. Bernel Gordon resigns

Ald. Bernel Gordon, a member of Sechelt's council resigned at last Wednesday evening's meeting because he did not want to be a victim of the Public Officials Disclosure Act, legislative bill No. 132.

In his letter of resignation he said he did not desire to be a victim of the act so he was forced to resign.

This will mean Sechelt will be in the position of calling a by-election to fill the vacancy on council, shortly.

Mayor Ben Lang expressed his reservations concerning the Disclosure Act and informed council he had written a letter to his lawyer, A.T.R. Campbell, Vancouver, sending a copy of it to the attorney-general minister of municipal affairs and the chairman of the Sunshine Coast Regional District board.

In his letter Mayor Lang in part wrote:

"It is my feeling that it is an invasion of privacy beyond the beneficial needs of the general public and most of the broad implications of its demands are privileged information of no concern to any one but me and my family.

"Some measures may be desirable to guarantee to all electors that a public official, or one seeking public office is not endeavoring to benefit his own purse or prestige. However, this Bill has implications too far reaching and too wide in scope.

"One alderman has already tendered his resignation.

"As mayor, I am giving the matter serious consideration, and thus ask your immediate advice.

"I hesitate to resign because I have assumed an obligation to the electorate of Sechelt, and I am not a quitter.

"Much village legislation recently passed and others in the making have been instigated by me and I hesitate to

pass all this on to a new official. It would be unfair to the official and the electorate.

"Were this bill to be withheld until after July 1, a by-election would not be required; or, better still, it would be substantially amended to provide the needed protection to the public that may be intended, but to me is poorly presented in this Bill.

"Kindly give this matter your prompt attention as it is a foregone conclusion the Bill will be given Royal Assent when the Provincial House completes its session at Easter".

At the April 3 meeting of Gibsons council Mayor Walter Peterson and Ald. Ted Hume gave their views of the Disclosure Act.

The mayor maintained it was discrimination against people holding public office. They take the oath of office when elected, and that should be enough. "This bill is calling us a bunch of crooks," he said.

Ald. Ted Hume supported the measure 100 percent maintaining that an honest person had nothing to be concerned about. If they have nothing to hide they have nothing to worry about.

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main of the women of the Legion's Auxiliary, who have taken on all the catering for the many public functions. The walls of the kitchen are lined with banks of generous sized cupboards, counters refrigeration and serving areas, running down under the centre are two electric stoves and a over head canopy and air-conditioning unit.

Johnny Wilson and Chris Beacon, headed up the ground's squad in bulldozing gravelling and grading the 120 car parking area, which will eventually be blacktopped. The work will also include terracing and landscaping and finally the erection of a new cenotaph.

Officials of Branch 109 are Jack Morris, second term president; vice-presidents Stan Verhulst and Don MacNeil; recording secretary, Gerry Clarke; treasurer, Mrs. Jean Roberts; Welfare, George Fellows; sergeant-at-arms, Tom Duffy; padre, Rev. David Brown; Opera ting committees are grounds, Johnny Wilson, and Chris Beacon; finance, Jack Morris, Stan Verhulst and Don MacNeil; entertainment, Reg. Carnaby; Sea Cavalcade, John Wilson; house committee, Gordon Clarke, chairman, Dan Dawes, Ray Day, Ted Hume and Gordon Day, alternate.

Driftwood Players in varied program

Driftwood Players will present a varied program at Elphinstone Secondary School on Saturday, April 14 at 8 p.m.

Junior members of the group will perform a one act farce called Goodnight Please, This is the story of Mr. Whitehouse's desire for a week's rest in bed and the subsequent upheaval it causes in the household.

Eileen MacKenzie takes a change of pace from her role as the grandmother in Red Shoes and presents several of Katherine's speeches from Shakespeare's The Taming of the Shrew.

To round off the evening, John Burnside and Colleen Johnson appear in Village Wooing, one of George Bernard Shaw's lighter plays. It is hoped Village Wooing will be the Driftwood Players entry in the B.C. Drama Association (Vancouver Island zone) festival to be held in Victoria early in May.

Nest Lewis has again produced authentic period costumes which are an important part of each play, and Randy Kampman has shown much ingenuity in his construction of the sets.

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Pressure is mounting!

Evidence becomes stronger day by day that efforts to put brakes on inflation both in Canada and the United States is not working and that governments will have to step in and do some thing more drastic than any previous attempts.

Escalation clauses in labor agreements are continually coming into effect and signs that labor plans continuance of pay and fringe benefit increases are not lacking.

Prime Minister Trudeau and President Nixon are quite aware of the fact the value of the dollar is eroding faster and faster. Controls which can be put on cost money to, police, because policed they must be.

How long will it be before we reach a backs-to-the-wall situation?

When our top level bankers and industrialists are issuing warnings, the crisis cannot be too far distant.

Fighting an economic battle with Consumer Price Index figures as your sole ammunition will result in a lot of heat but not much else.

Inclusion of wholesale prices and wage indexes would be of some help because the wholesale index is a forerunner of what the consumer index would look like a month later.

The monthly Bank of Canada report reveals that in 1962 the Consumer Index stood at 101 and today it is 145.7. Weekly earnings in 1962 averaged \$80.54 and in 1972 \$137.66. Wage settlements averaged 3.5% in 1962 and 7.6% in 1972. The cumulative effect in the 1972 increases makes the 7.6% loom considerably larger due to increased inflation. A 7.6% increase at the 1962 level would not produce as much as 7.6% at the 1972 level. Thus at wage levels inflation is compounded.

If you would like another example to work on take a can of beans (pork added) and follow all costs there are in bringing it from the field where the beans grew, to your table, including the cost of can, printing labels and all the other details involved. Usually it is not the raw material that is costly. It is the manufacture and servicing.

It takes a lot of people and processes to get a can of beans from the field to your table and all those people want a slice of what you spent on that can of beans.

Furthermore your retailer is faced with a growing menace. Retail prices of goods at any given time are to a large extent based on the cost of materials and labor in those goods at the time they are manufactured. In times of rising prices retail goods are being sold at times below their replacement cost. Under Wartime Prices and Trade board operations during the 1940's a sharing-the-squeeze occurred. The wholesaler and retailer each bore some of the increased cost between them.

So with pressure on prices becoming acute with no sign of a letup in prospect no wonder warnings are being publicized by bankers and industrialists. Our backs are not to the wall yet but they are getting mighty close when the public is in the frame of mind to set up boycotts. But a boycott on meat alone is merely trifling with the situation.

5-10-20 years ago

FIVE YEARS AGO

A new court room for Gibsons was opened in the basement section of the Municipal Hall.

A bill which passes in the legislature has changed Gibsons Landing into Gibsons.

Fifty-five pupils from Sechelt Elementary school tour the Coast News office.



Very funny!

10 YEARS AGO

The Public Utilities Commission consents to Gibsons council purchasing the old United Church and cemetery for a public park.

A school board \$240,700 referendum was defeated by 22 votes. Total vote was 950.

15 YEARS AGO

March temperature had a 59.2 high and a 29.3 low with 3.76 inches of rain on 13 days.

Gibsons council releases an unused fire truck for the rural area firehall on North road.

Thirteen acres with 1,000 foot road frontage was offered for sale at \$2,150 and described as a gift.

20 YEARS AGO

Vince Prewer opens his Marine Men's Wear shop in the Bal block.

The provincial roads department reports resumed work on the Port Mellon Highway means possible completion by July.

The Soames Point Lawn Bowling club held its first annual meeting and decides to start bowling on May 25.

Frank Fuller in BCTF election

Frank Fuller, on the teaching staff at Elphinstone Secondary school is one of 15 teachers seeking election to the executive of the British Columbia Teachers' association at its annual meeting Easter week.

Mr. Fuller presents his platform and background in the federation's Newsletter. In all there are 27 candidates seeking seven positions on the executive committee. Here is his platform followed by his background:

If elected I will support the many excellent BCTF programs now in effect. However, I will press for change in those areas where the aspirations of teachers and students are not being met. For example:

1. It is a contradictory fact that B.C. teachers' salaries rank among the highest, while working and learning conditions lag many years behind labor agreements. We should concentrate the same kinds of skills and resources in learning and working conditions as on salary agreements and insist that government grant us the same rights as unions to bargain in all areas.

2. The task force on the status of women, which I support and will endeavor to implement, has indicated that discrimination against women exists in the policies and attitudes of the department of education, the BCTF, local school boards and individual teachers. There are thousands of competent women teachers in B.C., but only four are running for executive committee—one fact that substantiates the task force report.

3. The BCTF must make a major effort to develop a relationship with leaders of the 110,000 B.C. Indians to assist us in meeting the rising expectations of Indian students in a system, Indian leaders say, characterized by excessive Indian dropouts, paternalistic attitudes and racism.

4. The task force on labor affiliation has presented moderate recommendations which I support. It reflects a need for a long-range relationship with labor and an acknowledgement of the assistance given us by the trade union movement

last year in our hour of need.

There are other areas of concern for the welfare of teachers that I will support as they arise.

His background follows: Born Texas, 1917; B.A. geography 1961; graduate training U. of Oregon; workers education institutes Banff and Detroit 1966; meteorology school 1941; Air Photo School Ottawa 1971; Sechelt S.D. 1967-73, teacher social studies and adult education director;

IWA, 1965-67, assistant director of research and education, director for educational programs in Canada and U.S. and instructed CLC labor workshops B.C. Ontario; industrial worker, 1933-40 and 1947-60 including 4 years as union organizer; military service 1940-45 as meteorologist for Air Force and civilian employee 1946;

Workers Educational Materials preparation grant, U. of Wisconsin School for Workers 1967; member University-Labor Committee designing teacher training program for CLC Toronto 1966; local association committees; Geographical Representative; TPAC: BCTF task force on labor affiliation; liaison between STA and Sechelt Indian Band.

Little Jimmy in museum

(By ED THOMSON)

The Maritime Museum in Vancouver is richer by acquisition of three gifts donated to the Museum by Sunshine Coast residents.

Dorothy Greene, widow of Canon Alan Greene made a presentation of the Canon's century or so three-octave portable organ that came to be known affectionately as Little Jimmy, the Canon's constant companion up and down the West coast for more than 40 years as skipper and sky pilot on successive Columbia Coast Mission hospital ships. Little Jimmy and his boss barely missed many dunkings when light-footing it across log booms to reach a lonely family, fishermen, loggers, sailors, or Indian Bands, on the remote inlets along the rugged West Coast.

Little Jimmy was well known even before Alan Greene, then a young priest, just out of Trinity College, Toronto, came on the scene. This miniature sweet-toned organ, had done a like service as companion to the Rev. John Antle, revered pioneering superintendent of the Columbia Coast Mission.

Leonard McCann, the ever-acquisitive assistant curator of the B.C. Centennial Maritime Museum says Little Jimmy is settling in quite nicely in his new surroundings, along with all the other treasured exhibits

and particularly the St. Roch, RCMP, Captain Larsen's craft, the first ship to sail the fabled North-West Passage.

The assistant curator also reports with great satisfaction of another recent gift to the museum, a superbly hand-crafted model carved out of wood of the German light cruiser Liepsig. According to Captain Wesley Hodgson, its donor, this model was made by a P.O.W. German naval officer at wartime detention camp No. 101, Ney, Ontario and was presented to Capt. Hodgson, then second-in-command of the camp in 1942, in appreciation of the many courtesies he extended to the P.O.W's

The model is noted for its minute and accurate detailing from stem to stern, even to a centrally controlled system allowing for the elevation and training to port and starboard of her big guns, while a tiny sea-plane is suspended ready to take off. The mast and fire control is a delicate tracery of rigging and radar equipment.

A third presentation of a collection of back numbers of Lloyds Registries and other valuable books on navigation and ships was made by an old deep sea mariner and five times Cape Horn, Stanley Buckley Bracewell, formerly Point Rd. Hopkins Landing, now residing with his wife in a snug in-law suite at the home of his son, Vincent.

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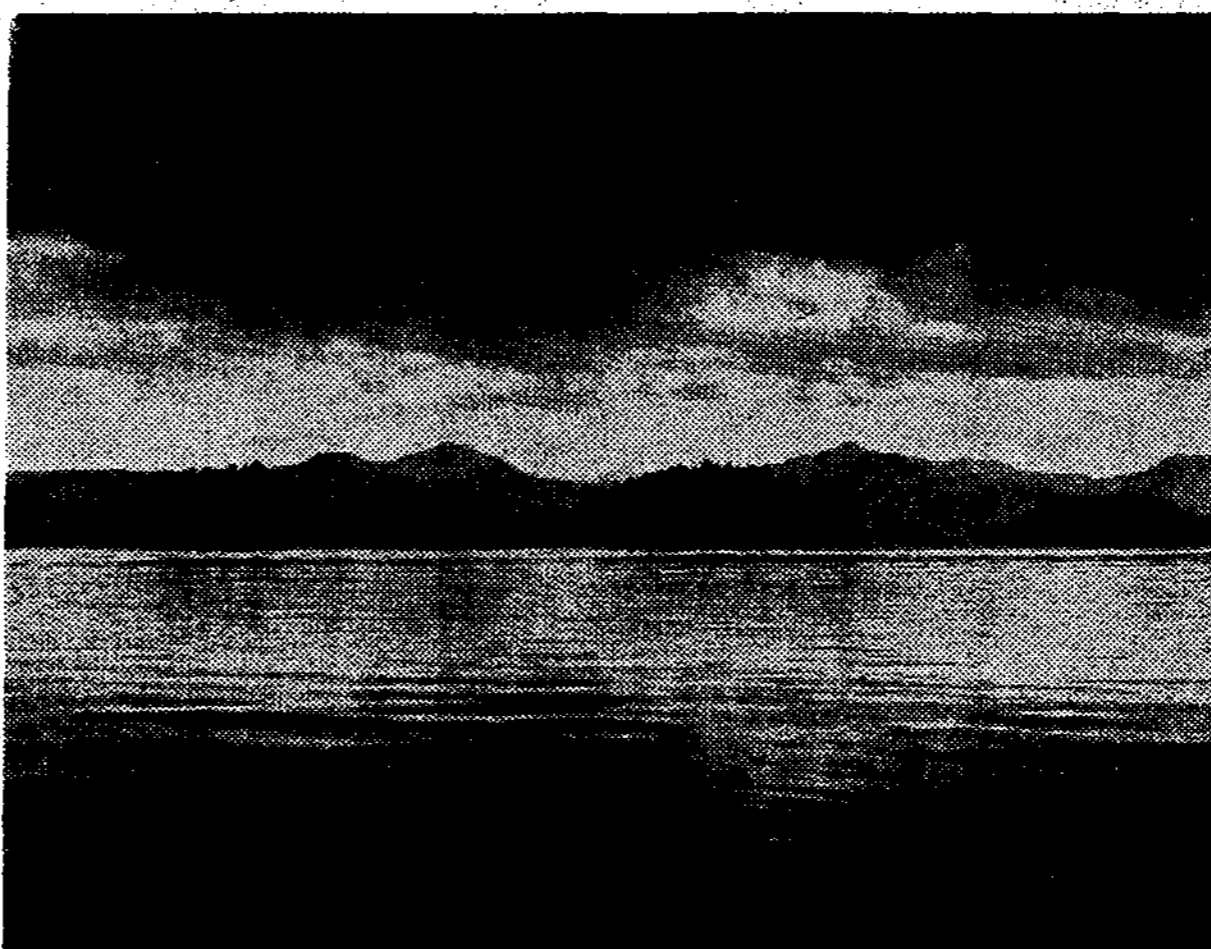
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In most cases, a person who sells his personal home at a profit will not be required to pay income tax on the gain he realizes. If the individual is unfortunatly enough to sell his home at a loss, he will also not be able to claim any deduction for this loss.

For a person who only owns one residence soely as a personal home, the tax position is generally quite simple.

Nothing need be done until the home is disposed of, and the only action required at that time is a declaration in the tax return for the year of disposition to the effect that the home has been the individual's "principal residence" for every year of ownership after 1971. Any gain on sale will then be exempt from tax.

Unfortunately, complications can arise in some fairly common situations because the tax exemption is subject to certain conditions. It may not be possible to satisfy one or more of these conditions in the following situations:

(1) The homeowner is not resident in Canada in every year of ownership after 1971. For example, an individual who moves on temporary assignment to a foreign country for one or more years, while retaining his Canadian residence, may find himself taxable on a part of his gain when he eventually sells the home.

(2) If the homeowner owns more than one residence at the same time. The exemption only applies to one residence, so that if, for instance, a person owns a principal home and a summer cottage, only one can be exempt from tax on disposition.

(3) If all or part of the property is used for business purposes, or as a rental property, after 1971. Any part of a residence which is not used as the owner's "principal residence" during a year does not qualify for exemption. There is, however, a special election which can be employed under which an owner can continue to treat his property as his principal residence, for a maximum of four years, even though he has converted it to an income-producing use. This election may or not be to the owner's advantage.

(4) If the residence is not owned directly by an individual who lives in it. In some cases, a home will be owned by a corporation or a trust. A corporation cannot claim exemption, and a trust can only do so in specific circumstances.

(5) If the home was acquired after 1971 from the spouse of the new owner. Problems can generally be avoided in this kind of situation if the spouse making the transfer files his tax return for the year of transfer with a declaration that the home has been his "principal residence" for every year since 1971 (assuming he can legitimately make this statement).

(6) If the property includes land in excess of one acre. In such cases it will be necessary to establish that the excess

land was "necessary to use and enjoyment of the housing unit as a residence", if the gain is to be completely exempt.

(7) If the land related to the residence has been used by the owner in farming. In this case an alternative special election is available, which may be more advantageous than the normal exemption.

Provided the owner is not in the business of buying and selling residential properties, any gain on disposition of a residence will be a capital gain. Therefore, if any gain is to be taxed it will only be to the extent of, at most, one-half the increase in value of the property after 1971.

Space does not permit a full discussion of the possible problem areas, and the possible tax-saving steps which can be taken in some situations; and the main purpose of this article is merely to inform homeowners of some possible tax difficulties which can arise.

Further information on the taxation of residences is contained in a publication available from the Department of National Revenue entitled "Tax Reform And You - Capital Gains." In some cases, professional advice will be necessary.

Books in Library

- GIBSONS**
- New Adult Books
 - Fiction
 - Dance of the Happy Shades by Alice Munro
 - Nonfiction:
 - History --- B.C., Barkerville by Bruce Ramsey
 - History -- Canadian, The Hudson's Bay Company by George Woodcock
 - History -- World, Vancouver's Voyage by James S. & Carrie Marshall.
 - Miscellaneous -- Law, Law and Marriage by F. A. R. Chapman.

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 2:30 p.m., Roberts Creek

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Sunshine Coast Regional District

BY-LAW No.77

The "Construction, Operation and Maintenance of a Recreation Centre, including an Ice Arena By-law No. 77, 1973."

By-law No. 77 provides for the submission of a question of the Owner Electors of Electoral Areas B, C, D, E, and F of the Sunshine Coast Regional District in the matter of their Electoral Area participation in a function which would undertake the construction, operation and maintenance of a Recreation Centre, including an Ice Arena. The question is to be submitted in the following form:

"Are you in favour of the Regional Board undertaking the Construction, Operation and Maintenance of a Recreation Centre, including an Ice Arena under the following terms and conditions:

- The capital cost of construction and development shall not exceed \$500,000.00;
- Apportionment of the cost of the function among the participating member municipalities and Electoral Areas shall be on the basis of assessment which may be taxed for school purposes for the current year in the Electoral Areas and for general municipal purposes in municipalities;
- The annual levy of the said function shall not exceed the product of a levy of three mills on the net taxable assessed value of land and improvements referred to in clause (b).

Yes or No?"

The Village municipalities of Gibsons and Sechelt have agreed to submit a similar by-law to their electors on the same day.

TAKE NOTICE that the above is a synopsis of a by-law which may be inspected at the Sunshine Coast Regional District office, Davis Bay, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, and that the synopsis is not intended to be and is not to be deemed to be an interpretation of the by-law.

A By-law to authorize the submission of the question therein set forth for the assent of the owner-electors of the Regional District and upon which question the vote will be taken at:

Electoral Area Covered	Location of Poll
B	Halfmoon Bay Elementary School
B	West Sechelt Elementary School
C	Davis Bay Elementary School
D	Roberts Creek Elementary School
E	Elphinstone Secondary School, Gibsons
F	Langdale Elementary School

on the 14th day of April, 1973, between the hours of eight (8) o'clock in the forenoon and eight o'clock in the afternoon, and that Mrs. G. T. London has been appointed Returning Officer for the purpose of taking and recording the vote of the electors.

An advance poll will be conducted at the Regional District Office, Davis Bay, between the hours of nine (9) o'clock in the forenoon and five (5) o'clock in the afternoon on the 12th day of April, 1973, and those permitted to vote at the advance poll are only those who, being duly qualified owner-electors, sign a declaration that:

- They expect to be absent from the Regional District on polling day;
- They are for reasons of conscience prevented from voting on polling day;
- they through circumstances beyond their control will not be able to attend the poll on polling day.

Subject to the exception hereinafter recited, persons entitled to vote on this question are only those owner-electors whose names appear on the 1972-1973 List of Electors as prepared by the Regional District for the several electoral areas.

An owner-electors whose name does not appear on the List of Electors but is otherwise qualified may apply to the Secretary of the Regional District for a certificate that he is entitled to vote and the Secretary may, upon production by the applicant of satisfactory written evidence of ownership, give a certificate under his hand entitling him to vote. The applicant shall be required to execute the appropriate declaration under the provisions of section 46A of the Municipal Act before a certificate is issued. A certificate may be procured at any time during office hours between the date of this notice and polling day. On polling day a certificate will be obtainable only between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. at the Regional District Office, Davis Bay.

Where more than one poll is held in an Electoral Area, an elector may vote at only one poll.

Dated at Davis Bay this 31st day of March, 1973.

Charles F. Gooding,
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LETTERS

TO THE EDITOR

Editor: Another false rumor reached my ears today that really makes me wonder how far people will go to discredit what is a simple attempt to improve the community.

The story goes that my husband and other members of the Recreation Centre committee own a large block of land in the park vicinity, and plan to subdivide at huge profits once the centre is built.

This is not true, and is very discouraging to hear after watching them work so hard on the project for years.

It may be hard for the cynical to believe, but whether they are right or wrong, the committee members are just a group of decent men who sincerely believe they are working for the good of the community. They have a vision of a place where great things can start to happen for everybody.

—BONNIE PAETIKAU.

Editor: I would like to reply to Mrs. Macey's letter of March 28. I don't know how she can condemn one segment of our community for the defeat of the last recreation referendum.

I have talked to several senior citizens who are in full support of the recreation complex as they realize there are very few outlets for our young people and they would rather pay for healthy outlets than have their taxes going to correctional institutions.

I have also talked to people with young families who are against the complex. If we are to blame anyone maybe we should look at the people who fail to register their votes. The average percentage of voters for this area is 30-40%, surely, 60-70% aren't all non-resident voters.

In regards to the soliciting of the merchants, I'm sure they would tell you that almost every organization on this peninsula goes to them for assistance of one kind or another.

As co-ordinator for the Carpet Bowling, I object to having this programme used as a battling ground. This project was the combined effort of a small group of teen-agers from the United Church, the Gibsons Athletic Assoc, the Royal Canadian Legion 109 and the United Church.

It is open to all retired and semi-retired people to play bowls or just come for friendship. The Sr. Citizens did not ask for this project but were asked if such a programme would be beneficial and used. The bowlers themselves now look after this project and it has proven to be a most successful venture but without the co-operation of all the previous listed groups it would never have come into existence.

So lets stop blaming the other guy. Look at the pros and cons of the project - the costs - the values - the opportunity for healthy outlets for our young people. Make your decision and make it known at the polls April 14.

—(Mrs.) L. HUME.

Editor: On April 14 there will be another vote taken for or against a recreation centre. It is worth while to take a look at (1) what this really is, (2) what it is going to cost to build and (3) to operate.

(1) The project basically is to provide year round ice for midget ice hockey. (2) It is going to cost half a million dollars for Phase 1. (3) The estimated annual deficit, that is, overhead less receipts will be \$10,000.

The area to have the benefit of this enterprise - and to be saddled with paying for it is the strip of coast from Port Mellon to Halfmoon Bay, about 50 miles long and a mile wide, containing about 9,000 residents, including therein the villages of Gibsons and Sechelt. A considerable portion of these residents are retired on some form of pension, and came here because this was an economical place to live.

West Vancouver, the wealthiest municipality in the province, has a population of about 40,000. It has a recreation centre which has never got off the ground, one of the reasons being that the residents prefer the North Vancouver centre. North Vancouver, city and district, has a popu-

lation of about 100,000, also has a recreation centre, operating 24 hours a day, and subsidized from taxes from the day they took the first shovel-full of dirt from the site.

This project is financially beyond our present population. There is a possibility of getting government assistance towards the capital cost, but this at present is a pipe dream, and the plain fact is that this help simply comes from your money raised from taxes hidden in your light bill, food and other essentials. There is no provision for picking up any part of the operating loss.

This project has received the blessings of the ecclesiastics and of the doers of good up and down this area, as a wonderful outlet for the activities of the rising generation, but the ones really to benefit will be the labor aristocracy.

As a commercial venture this thing is not viable. So, be careful, and vote No.

—ERIC R. THOMSON

Have a look at the "Gourmet 8" Cook Book when next in Miss Bee's Shop, Sechelt. Other interesting cook books also available.

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April 17, 7:30 p.m., United Church Hall

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POWER OUTAGE

Electric power will be interrupted as follows:

Thursday, April 12 from approximately 1 to 3 pm in the area along Gower Point Road west of Pratt Road to the end of Ocean Beach Esplanade.

This outage is necessary to permit BC Hydro and Power Authority to carry out maintenance and construction for the improvement of service.

B.C. Hydro & Power Authority

Jack and Jill Child Minding Centre GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, April 11 - 8 p.m.

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All parents interested in enrolling their children for next year are asked to attend and fill in a preliminary enrollment form.

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Horoscope for the next week

By TRENT VARRO

ARIES - March 21 to April 20
A great deal of activity is going on in the sign of Aries at this time. This could possibly involve some luck. You may have to look long and deep for this "luck" but it's there.
TAURUS - April 21 to May 21
This coming weekend will mark the start of a lot of activity and this will be enhanced by a very beneficial event. A child born in the sign of Taurus this year may turn out to be a genius.

GEMINI - May 22 to June 21
"Business as usual" is the order of the day for Gemini right now. This week might prove to be a little "hum-drum" This is all for the best, as "over-activity" could be rather unwise.

CANCER - June 22 to July 22
The last half of next week may be much better than the first half as the moon, your ruler starting today is in a very touchy aspect. By next Monday and Tuesday it will be in a very good position.

LEO - July 23 to August 23
There just could be a "clash" or argument with others at this time, but you can be certain that you hold all the cards. Be sincere and fair in all business dealings.

VIRGO - Aug. 24 to Sept. 22
Great benefit is coming your way in the very near future. New friends and prospects of romance are also in the offering. Altogether a most interesting and pleasurable time in store for Virgo persons.

LIBRA - Sept. 23 to Oct. 23

Your ruling planet, Venus is not able to help you much at this time, and so this is not a good time to start "new ventures". By the end of the month things should be much better.

SCORPIO - Oct. 24 to Nov. 22
A period of "new starts" could be in the wind for all Scorpio persons. This is not a "short-term" project, and if it can not stand the test of time, it should be looked upon with caution.

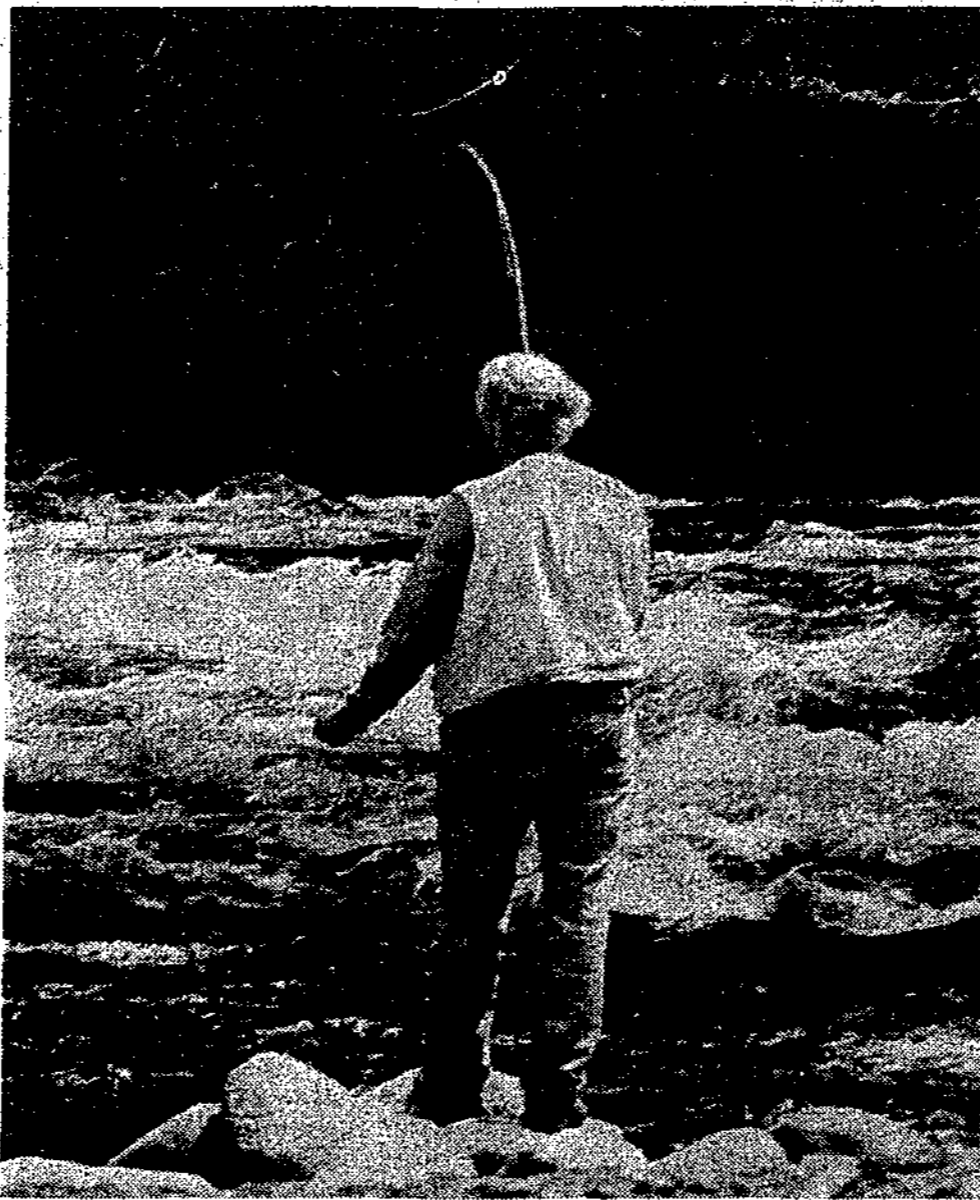
SAGITTARIUS Nov 23 Dec 21
"Jupiter" your ruling planet, and also known as "The great benefactor" in astrology is once again shedding some great benefits on your sign. You may get some exciting surprises!

CAPRICORN - Dec. 22 Jan 20
The moon, passing through your sign at this time may cause you undue concern over family or business matters. As was stated last week, this will soon pass, but it can be mildly upsetting.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21 to Feb 18
If you have been trying in the past to achieve something that seemed impossible, now is an excellent time to "try, try again." The zodiac will give you much support.

PISCES - Feb. 19 to Mar. 20
A much milder approach to events that have got you "up in the air" in the past will help you immensely right now. Your intellect is good, you'll find that soft spoken words are more impressive than harsh ones.

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Inflation helps budget boost

The 1973 budget for the Regional District board increased \$57,077 to \$438,069 over the 1972 budget, according to figures placed before the board at its meeting last week.

Budget boosts have occurred each year of the board's operation due to inflation plus increasing demands and functions. Budgets since 1970 are \$249,115 for 1970; \$345,349 for 1971; \$381,992 for 1972 and for this year \$438,069.

The breakdown of expenditure for this year follows:

- General government services \$72,913 up \$8,268.
- Fire protection \$25,674 up \$6,486.
- Street lighting \$8,075 up \$943
- Garbage sites \$47,000 up \$20,

550 as the result of government upgrading of dump requirements partly covered by a surplus of \$13,722 from last year and the sale of timber. Garbage collection \$23,000 up \$1,000.

Environmental planning and zoning \$24,124 up \$5,000 due to heavier requirements in the planning department.

Building and plumbing inspection \$18,850 up \$1,200.

Water supply and distribution \$213,737 down \$1,421.

Acquisition of park and green belts \$2,000, not a function previously.

Chief items in the capital expenditure program were \$6,000 for fire fighting equipment and for water supply \$66,410 covering connections, hydrants and line extensions.

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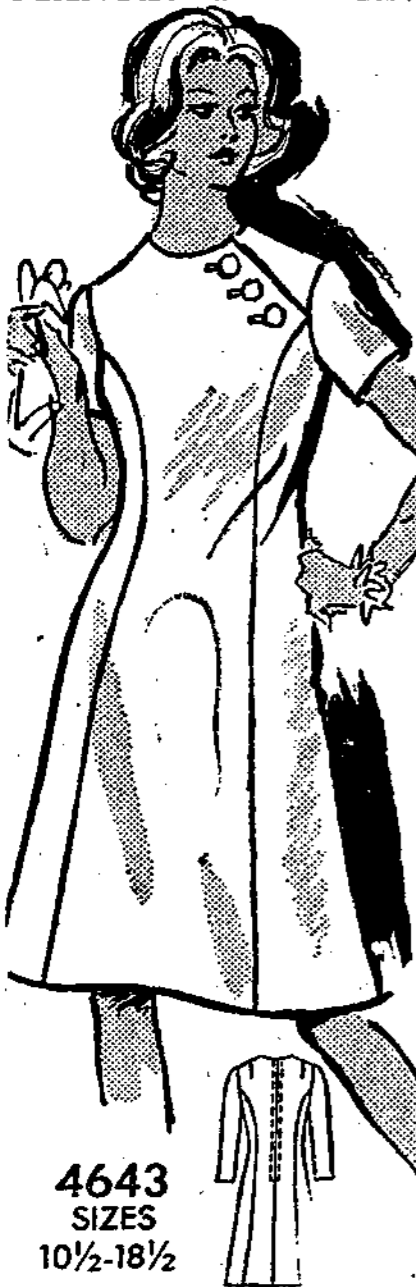
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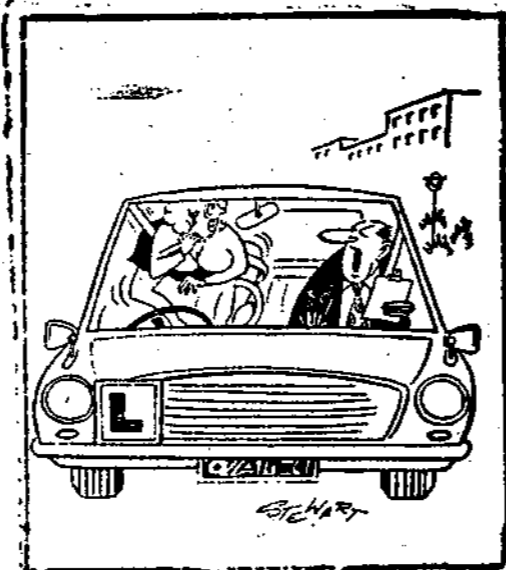
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Legion Auxiliary potent force

BY MRS. MARION LEE

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 109, received its Charter in 1933. The first meeting was held on Feb. 4, 1933, with 14 members present. The organization was comprised of ladies from Roberts Creek, Wilson Creek and Sechelt as well as from Gibsons.

The original Charter members were: Mrs. Ruth MacDonald, (first president,) Mrs. Margaret Glassford, (first secretary,) Mrs. Eleanor Morris, Mrs. Eva Pilling, Mrs. Clara Bartle, Mrs. G. Edmunds, Mrs. Edith French, Mrs. Clara Freaner, Mrs. Jean Kean, Mrs. Margaret Kynoch, Mrs. Alice Loney, Mrs. Mary Martin, Mrs. Ellen Penson and Mrs. Isabel Sweeney. Two of the original members are still with the auxiliary, Mrs. E. Morris and Mrs. E. Pilling.

The meetings at that time were held in a small green cottage on Martin Rd. The dues were \$1 per year and at each meeting the members donated 25 cents each to cover the cost of sandwiches and coffee.

During the depression years, the auxiliary held whist drives

who is 86 years young, has to raise money. The amount raised at each drive was between \$5 and \$7.50. Coffee and sandwiches were served. In those days money was very scarce and every penny was stretched to obtain a few luxuries. The filling for the sandwiches consisted of a mixture of chopped bully beef and onions. At that time, Gibsons did not have banking facilities and the members took turns in safe-guarding the money. They were in constant fear that they would either lose the money or be robbed while travelling the long, dark roads.

On November 11 each year the Legion and auxiliary members marched up the hill to the then Women's Institute hall. Remembrance Day services were held there and the hall was always filled to capacity.

During the Second World War, the auxiliary joined forces with the Red Cross and between them they made surgical gowns, and also knitted socks etc. for war amputees.

For a good many years, all food for catered dinners was donated by the members. The bread, buns, pies, cakes and pickles were all home made; nothing was store bought.

The first life memberships were presented in the old Legion Hall in 1946, by Mr. Mc Nichol. The recipients were Mrs. Pilling and Mrs. Morris. These ladies were recently presented with 40-year pins. Life memberships for outstanding service have been given to other members throughout the years. Besides the original two only three members in possession of this award are still with the auxiliary, Mrs. Ethel Barnes, Mrs. W. E. Evans and Mrs. May Lovell. A Life Membership is the highest award presented by the auxiliary.

Throughout the years the auxiliary has assisted with blood donor clinics, Kinsmen's Mothers March, and C.N.I.B. campaigns.

Each year the auxiliary takes charge of the Poppy Can vags to assist the Legion Branch. The members distribute collection tins to the local stores and schools. They personally take up collections in various localities throughout the village.

Some of the activities which the L.A. engages in to raise funds are: catering, rummage sales, bazaars and raffles. The money was used to support the following:

Proficiency awards and book prizes to the elementary and high schools; provide Christmas cheer for needy families;

donate to the Legion Branch each year, also donate to Pacific Command scholarship bursary fund; Shaughessy and St. Mary's Hospitals; Red Cross; O.A.P.A.; Central City Mission Crippled Childrens Hospital; Retarded Childrens Fund; Heart Fund and C.N.I.B.

Recently sponsored a youngster in a Sea Cavalcade Poster Contest. Our sick and visiting committee, known as the Sunshine Committee, visits members and veterans in hospital and at home. Besides giving comfort and cheer to those who are ill or in distress, the committee sends cards, flowers and small gifts. Mrs. Morris, been in charge of this committee for several years and is still going strong.

Our membership at this time has reached the grand total of 52 members, an increase of at least 75% in the last year. With the increased membership and the new larger hall, we are confident that we can attain bigger and better things in the future.

Roberts Creek members carry on

With membership in the Roberts Creek auxiliary to the Legion branch dwindling through people moving away, those left are carrying on as best they can.

They have made their contributions to the Scholarship fund and four members travel led to Powell River for a luncheon. Roberts Creek will be the hostess for the September zone meeting.

There will be an auxiliary tea April 27 with a raffle and home cooking. A rummage sale slated for May 25 will not accept clothing.



For goodness sake make up your mind!

Roberts Creek Community Association

ANNUAL MEETING

Wednesday, April 8 - 8:00 p.m.

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PUBLIC HEARING

Amendment to Zoning By-law

Pursuant to s.703 of the Municipal Act, a public hearing will be held at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 25th, 1973, at the Roberts Creek Community Hall, Roberts Creek B.C. to consider By-law 35 (15) - a by-law to amend the Sunshine Coast Regional District Zoning By-law No. 35, 1970. All persons who deem their interest in property affected by the proposed by-law shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard on matters contained in the by-law.

The intent of the by-law is to permit parcels of no less than 18,000 square feet in Electoral Area D (Roberts Creek) of the Sunshine Coast Regional District.

Take notice that the above is a synopsis of a by-law that may be inspected at the Regional District Office, Davis Bay, at the times indicated, namely Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and the synopsis is not intended to be and is not deemed to be an interpretation of the by-law.

Sunshine Coast Regional District
Box 800, Sechelt, B.C.

C. F. Gooding,
Administrator



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At SPRING & SUMMER '73

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Presentation of Sea Cavalcade Poster Awards will take place

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NOTICE OF MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the

St. Mary's Hospital Society

will be held on

MONDAY, APRIL 16, 1973

at 8 p.m. in the

SECHLT LEGION HALL

NOTE: Entitled to participate in and vote at the meeting are:

1. Members registered in 1972, who have paid Membership dues (\$2.00) for 1973, before the commencement of the meeting.
2. New members who have been registered and have paid Membership Dues (\$2.00) for 1973, NOT LATER THAN ONE MONTH PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

The 1972 Financial Statement and Auditors Report is now available at the Hospital for inspection.

Any Society Member wishing a copy of the Financial Report prior to the meeting can obtain same from the Hospital. Copies will be mailed out upon request.

St. Mary's Hospital Needs Your Support and Interest NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

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Gibsons Legion branch opened in 1924



membership of 31 veterans and 13 members of the women's auxiliary, together with friends from as far away as Sechelt and adjacent islands.

Many a late evening Mrs. Morris trudged home along the two miles of rocky trail with the evening's take tucked away on her person. Although times were tough in the dirty 30's it could never be said the vets, their wives and friends didn't make the best of it, taking the rugged life in full stride.

Jack Lowden and Norman Stewart, veterans of two World Wars, both at the age of 15, recall bluffing their way through the recruiting sergeants; to sign on as buglers in World War One. Jack joined up in Moose Jaw and Norman in Vancouver. Both as members of the 1st Canadian over seas contingent, saw active service in France, before their age caught up with them and they were promptly recalled to England, to be members of the Young Soldiers Battalion at Bramshot, where they were singled out to be included in a guard of honor for the late King George V.

Jack tells of another youngster of 14, the mascot of a Canadian outfit who was smuggled to France in a crate. He too got up in the line before his age was discovered and like buglers Lowden and Stewart, was yanked back to Blighty and reassigned to the Young Soldiers Battalion.

Two years later Jack and Norman returned to France, where they saw plenty of action right to the end of the war. Following the armistice, they found themselves back in Canada where, persuaded by Norman, Jack came over to Gibsons Landing where his pal's father operated a hardware store in this rather out-of-the-way coastal community. Here, Jack went to work in the Stewart store.

They remained firm friends over the years and both signed up for a second hitch in 1939. Lowden recalls the beginnings of veteran activity on the Sunshine Coast. According to him, Peter Ostergard was the first organizer of Gibson's Pioneer GWVA unit. Later, in their second location at School Road and the highway, the veterans became the centre of social life.

While questing around for a list of the earlier history presidents and officers, we learned that all records in 1949 went up in smoke, as a result of a filing cabinet fire in an accountant's office.

One could ask where too has gone the corps' bugle band; trumpets long silent and
(Continued on Page 10)

Old Soldiers Never Die, They Simply Fade Away -- so goes the old army ballad and after three wars dating back to 1914 there are plenty of old soldiers still to fade away quietly.

In the late forties and fifties no November 11 Armistice Day service was complete with out World War One Veteran Eric Thomson and his bagpipes as shown above.

It was in the old quarters at School Rd. and the highway that the late Canon Oswald served as president, a well loved and respected padre.

Gibsons war veteran history started in 1924, a branch of the Great War Veterans association, formed in the early days of 1919 in Winnipeg.

Out of the depleted ranks of Great War veterans there are a few left in this area and interviews have been possible with Alan Nevins and his sister, Mrs. Eleanor Morris of Pratt road. They are both charter members and holders of 40 year pins.

Mrs. Morris for many years an active Girl Guide leader and member and standard bearer of the Legion's Women's Auxiliary when it was organized in 1932, recalls the names of such veterans, some now gone, such as Archie Main waring, Henry Bartle, Curley Martindale, Albert and Daisy Crowhurst, Gordon Gibson, Joe Wheeler, Ernie Low, Harry Kennett, Ron Haig, Bill Finlayson, Bill Haley, Bob Graham, Jack Lowden, Tommy Clarkson, Mrs. MacDonald, Bob McNichol, Art Pilling, Dave Herrin, A. G. Grattan, Canon Oswald and others.

Mrs. Morris' memory contains happy thoughts of the many good times up at the old green cottage, which served as the first meeting hall. One night a convivial character by the name of Al Penson fell off the roof. Then there was Mrs. Penson's hefty bully beef and onion sandwiches, the two-bit whist drives, the lye-strong coffee, brewed in a wash boiler; the 40 inch square knitted shawl won by Al Nevins in a raffle; occasions that brought out the entire

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Legion opens '24

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mouldering in some obscure corner?

With the coming of yet another cease-fire in 1946 and the return of the men and women from overseas, the Gibson's unit received a new and fresh infusion of young blood and in the spring of 1948 the decision was made to build a third hall.

Johnny Wilson recalls how he and Dave Herrin, then Legion president, hauled the first load of lumber to the location in the midst of a heavy March downpour. The structure was all-but-completed by December, in time for the inaugural New Year's Dance. The guests ignored the incompleteness of the appearance and persevered in the Clubroom below, where a mixture of sawdust and water soaked party dresses four in-

ches above the floor-length hemline (Johnny's figures) giving the wearers a bedraggled look, as if they had just been wading through the creek. At any rate it was a good party ushering in the new era of rewarding post-war activity and expansion for Gibsons Branch.

Johnny admitted, quite apart from social activities, educational bursaries and assistance to members and their dependents, the veterans performed many never heard about services throughout the area even to donating paint for a church.

It was this backlog of service with the membership at its peak, 231 active members, that the fourth move to larger quarters alongside the old Legion hall started. In August 1972 the first sod was turned and by speeding things up the building was available for a pre-opening dance in January of this year. More than 300 members, wives and guests with two orchestras danced their way through a momentous evening.

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High scores for the week:
Marty Meldrum 749, Paddy Richardson 296, Jim Thomas 290, Vic Marteddu 726.

Tues. Ladies: Maureen Dorais 600, Betty Holland - 605 (244) Irene Rottluff 624 (277), Phyllis Hoops, 250, Isabel Hart 242, Joan Barnes 238.

Gibsons A: Henry Hinz 694 (264), Don MacKay 612, Eric May 260, Darlene Maxfield 648 (245), Dan Robinson 644 (258), Paddy Richardson 661 (296), Pat Prest 225, Frank Nevens 665 (263), Vic Marteddu 660, Gwen Edmonds 717 (247, 257).

Wed. 7 p.m.: Roy Smith 609, Kathy Edey 618 (238, 231), Art Holden 696 (286), Ester Carey 277, Dan Weinhandl 603, Ron Evans 673 (252), Marty Meldrum 749 (225, 241, 283).

Wed. Ladies: Nora Solinsky 631, Marty Meldrum 721 (290, 228), Yvonne Phillips 644, May Jackson 254, Lila Head 605 (233), Janet Nickerson 604.

Ball & Chain: Carol McGivern 248, Wally Langdale 633 (251), Marge Langdale 618 (233), Bonnie McConnell 648 (243, 253), Roy Taylor 630 (264).

Thurs. Nite: Jim Thomas 692 (290), Hugh Inglis 260, Orbita de los Santos 234, Vic Marteddu 726 (277, 276), Art Holden 675 (269), Maureen Sleep 602 (229), Boris Meda 621, Celia Meda 239.

Bantams: Clint Suveges 324 (207), Larry Lineker 298, Glen Solinsky 295, Noel Fraser 298, David Atlee 282.

Senior Citizens: Belva Hauka 376, Art Teasdale 290, John Thurston 282.

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In Court

Johnny Joe Phare was convicted of breach of probation and was fined \$25. Phare pleaded not guilty to a charge of wilful damage and was remanded April 17 to set a trial date.

Neil Ronald MacLean of Gibsons pleaded guilty to a charge of driving while impaired. He was fined \$300 and his driver's licence suspended for one month.

Gibson Building Supplies Ltd. were convicted of polluting Chaster Creek and were fined \$100. This offence took place when a settling pond used by this firm did not function properly and silt from a sand at washing plant carried into the creek.

Robert Bredfeld of Sechelt was convicted of speeding and

Trio rescued

At approximately 2 p.m. Wed. three persons in a car running brakeless drove off the government wharf in Gibsons. All three were rescued quickly and taken to St. Mary's hospital for treatment of minor injuries.

Lorne Findlay of Vancouver was the driver of a Bedford van when it ran over the end of the wharf. Other occupants were Karen Rice of Vancouver and Gordon Davey of Secret Cove.

The trio were pulled from the water after their escape from the car before it sank, by Carl Peterson and Don Sharpe of Gibsons. Findlay claimed his brakes failed and he was unable to stop the vehicle.

fined \$35.

William Campbell Kennett of Gibsons was convicted of driving with an alcohol content in excess of .08% blood alcohol; assaulting a peace officer and resisting arrest. He was fined \$300 for driving in excess of .08% blood alcohol.

Kennett was sentenced to jail one year definite and two years less a day indeterminate on the charges of assaulting a peace officer and resisting arrest. Judge Mittlesteadt recommended that Kennett serve his term of imprisonment at the Haney Correctional Centre

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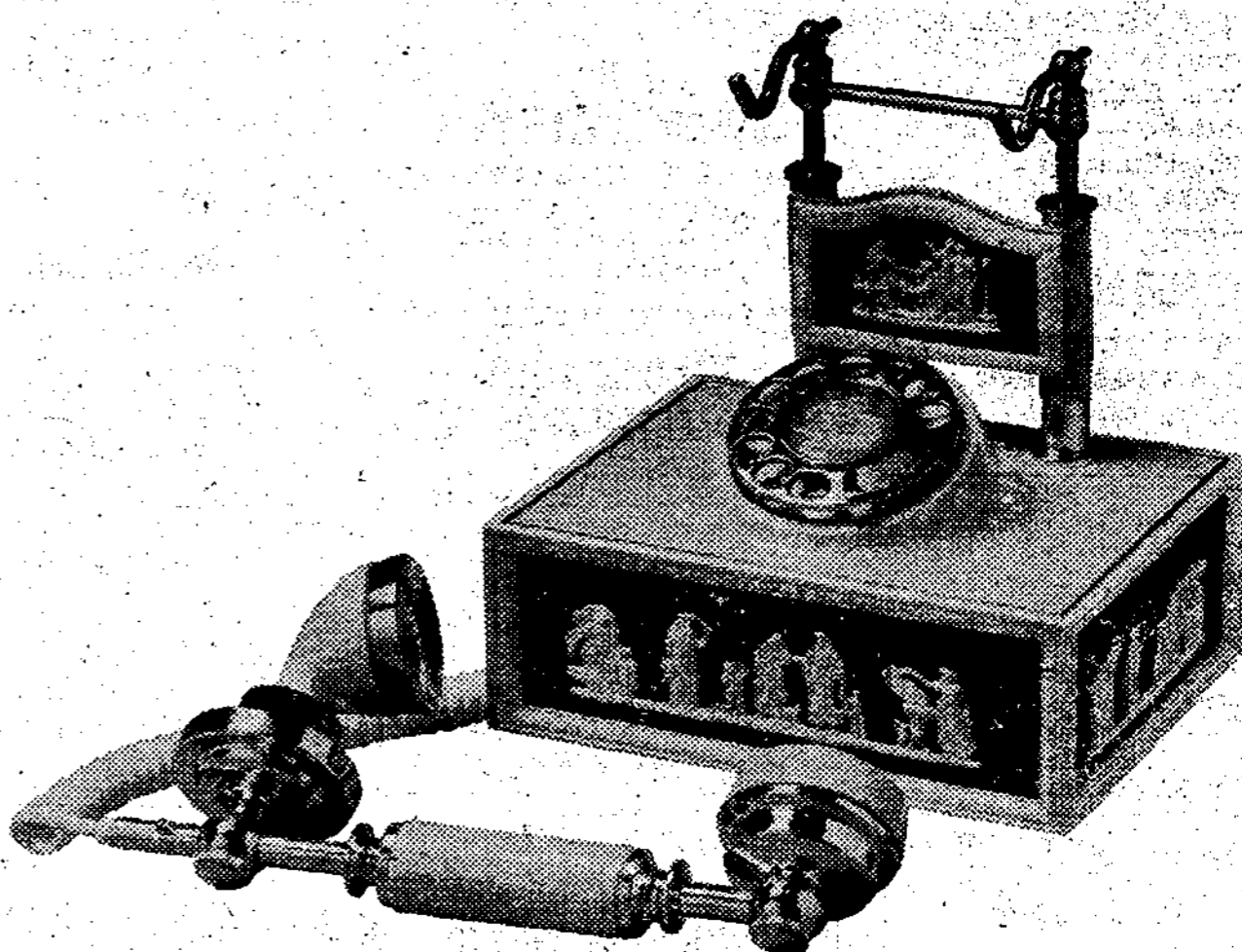
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