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At Gibsons . . .

Council is in quandry over building permits

ZONING and building by-laws again came in for discussion at Gibsons municipal meeting when a letter was read from Mrs. Munt charging 'rank discrimination' in the refusal of her building permit.

Mrs. Munt stated she had checked with council on Dec. 11 previous to purchasing her lot, and had been assured by the clerk such a building could be erected. She pointed out a house less than 100 feet from her site was not up to standard and she submitted a rough plan indicating proposed, future enlargement to her present plan.

Council agreed to accept the enlarged plan if the exterior is completed within one year. Building committee chairman, Jim Drummond will contact Mrs. Munt and explain council's situation & invite her to attend he next council meeting, should the proposed arrangement be unacceptable to her. Council will hold a special meeting to deal with this after Drummond contacts Mrs. Munt.

Council's problem is the result of having permitted Macey to build a small, non-rental unit for his mother. At that time he made a verbal promise to council to build a permanent dwelling on his lot. "Macey should not have got a permit," declared Drummond, and commission chairman A. E. Ritchie agreed this had set a precedent and was a week spot in their argument. "With Macey there, this is discrimination," he said.

Drummond felt to protect new areas, a line had to be drawn somewhere and the Munt plan did not suit that particular location. "The idea of a good subdivision is if you can't afford to live there, you don't live there," he said.

We're protecting her values, too," claimed Ritchie. Commissioner S. Fladager felt council wanted a solution so they would not run into the problem again. "We don't want to hurt her, but we can't accept lower standards financially or esthetically," he said. He futher felt each case should be treated on its own merits.

After consideration on zoning bylaws, Drummond felt it would be better to leave them flexible, but to tighten up construcion to meet N.H.A. standards. "There is no use making bylaws, then overriding them as Vancouver does," he said.

BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits, subject to approval of the building inspector, were granted to Mrs. Ellen Marshall to construct a carport with duroid roof valued at $400. Mrs. Pearl Protknow to construct a 56 ft. by 48 ft. single story dwelling with basement valued at $16,000. Einar and Minnie Jorgenson, to build a 24 by 34 ft. five room single dwelling valued at $7250, and W.D. and Jean E. Scott to construct a four room single dwelling valued at $6000.

SUB-DIVISIONS

Permission was granted to A. Propp to subdivide lot 18, plan 3130 provided a 24 foot road allowance was provided through to lot 24. Council is opposed to any futher dead end streets. They also felt Propp would be wise to make lots 7500 sq. ft. minimum to be acceptable for N.H.A. loans.

The remainder of V. C. Goodall's Greenacre subdivision was approved in principle if a 20 foot lane is provided for water and telephone service.

Permission was granted to extend the road allowance across the St. Johnson pro-

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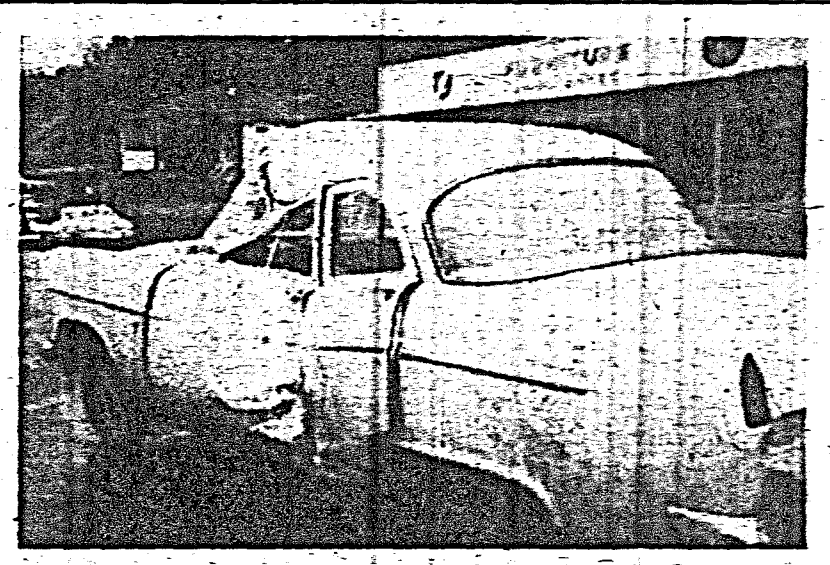

Hits tree

FRIDAY the 13th was unlucky in one respect for Dennis McKinnon of Powell River. McKinnon was driving to the Langdale Ferry via North Road in Gibsons when he missed the switch back turn and skidded into a tree. He was not seriously injured. North Road is used more frequently now by ferry patrons. The dangerous turn is not marked.

Accident puts pair in hosp.

WILLIAM Luoma of Sechelt and Ragmar Larsen were hospitalized as a result of an accident on highway 101, about a mile west of Halfmoon Bay on Saturday night.

The 1960 pick-up registered in the name of Mrs. Edith Caple of Vancouver and driven by Larsen drove off the highway and hit a large rock damaging the undercarriage and breaking the windshield.

Both Luoma and Larsen were taken to St. Mary's hospital, Garden Bay, by Cunningham taxi. Luoma was discharged next morning. Larsen is still in hospital with head lacerations. His condition is reported as good.

LCB location

WHERE is the new liquor store to be located? This is the question everybody has been asking everybody else in Sechelt ever since the announcment was made Sechelt was to have a liquor store.

H. B. Gordon of Gordon and Kennett Ltd., agent for vendor E. E. Osborne of Vancouver announced the lot adjoining the RCMP on the south, legally described as lot 17, block D, plan 8843, DL 303 and 304, NWD has been purchased for this purpose.

Where's the fire?

SECHELT volunteer fire department were called to a fire on the Indian reservation shortly before noon on Saturday. The owner of the cabin had placed a plastic pail of oil on the stove. The pail melted and the oil ignited causing fire damage to the interior of the building.

Pender Harbour . . .

Annual report S.P.W.D. presented to taxpayers

THE South Pender Water District elected two trustees at the annual meeting held Sunday. Len Larsen and Mark Myers, both of Madeira Park, were elected by acclamation. C. E. Mittelsteadt did not stand for re-election. E. S. Johnstone, secretary - treasurer, presented the financial statement audited by R. J. Maxwell. Revenue amounts to $11,521.36; expenditure $423.75 and current assets $13,112.18.

Estimated total value of the project is $256,189 divided as follows: $150,000 under municipal development and loan fund, $18,000 under federal winter works, $9000 under provincial winter works and a balance of 70 to $75,000 guaranteed by the provincial government. Johnstone reported the board had obtained interim financing of $235,000 at 5¾ percent at the Bank of Montreal, Sechelt. To date he had issued cheques amounting to $109,000 for pipe and fittings.

The progress report showed as of Friday night, 1461 feet of pipe, 5689 feet of 8" asbestos cement pipe and 6183 feet of 6" HC pipe had been paid and 971 cu. yards of a total of an estimated 3000 yards of ditch gravel had been moved. This is costing $13.50 a cu. yard and rock above the grade is costing $12 cu. yard.

Trustees are considering making representation to the Department of Highways for a rebate for the work being done widening the road.

Trustees themselves bid on contracts 1 and 3. Contract 1 is 90 percent labor and the bid was $6200. Contract 3 amounts to $9240 for labor and $9660 for materials. Both are under the supervision of trustee R. Webb.

Contract 2 was let to H. B. Contracting for $143,000 for labor. Material ordered by trustees from the lowest bidder amounted to $87,197.

To date $10,000 has been paid to local labor and an average of 11 men are employed by H. B. Construction and 10.6 men by the board. Johnstone's personal opinion is that the project will not be completed by April 30, but since the job is well underway, an extension can be expected.

On a question from the floor, it was learned a chlorinater costing approximately $1400 was required by the Department of Health regulations. Concerning extension of water to the Wilkinson subdivision, it is the subdividers' responsibility to provide water to a subdivision. Subdividers have been notified to place pipes to the board's specifications if they wish to hook-

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Criticised for action

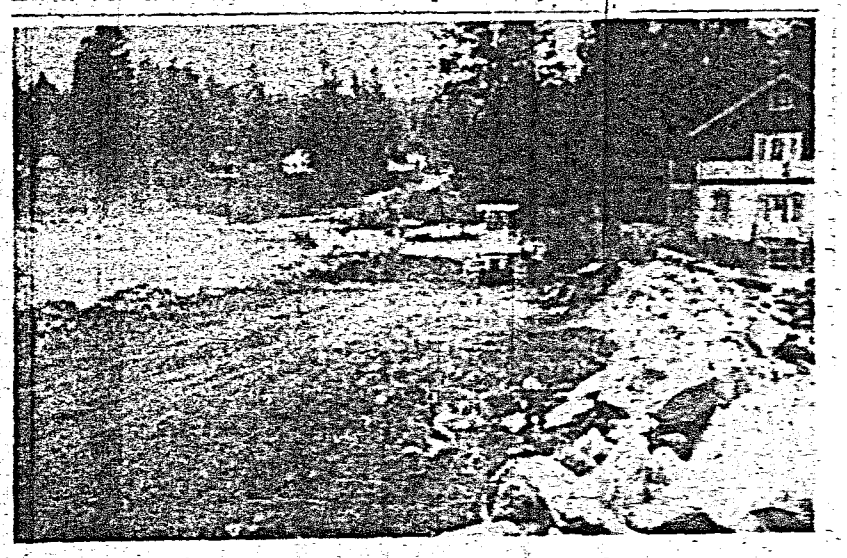
LAST Sunday a complaint was registered against the Sechelt Peninsula RCMP. According to the complaint, a 74 year old Powell River lady was being taken to Vancouver for medical treatment when the car in which she was riding was stopped by the highway patrol for going five miles over the speed limit.

The driver explained his passenger was suffering and offered to give the officer his name and details and get his ticket later as he did not wish to miss his ferry. Apparently the officer refused to make this exception to the rule. The driver missed his ferry and he and his passenger had to wait two hours for the next one.

RCMP officers maintain the lady's medical appointment was for Tuesday and they did not consider this case an emergency. They pointed out that speed limits are set up to protect the public and are to be obeyed. There is plenty of time to make the distance between Earls Cove and Langdale ferries proving at the posted speeds.

Dead bird

DAL CROSBY holds a victim of the oil seepage from the sunken barge.



Work commences

BULLDOZING starts at Roberts Creek wharf preparatory to the installation of Propane-Rockgas storage tanks.

At Gibsons . . .

Elphinstone students help oil-soaked birds

OIL-SOAKED water birds were rescued by Elphinstone secondary students Thursday when vice-principal Montgomery's biology class searched the beaches around Gibsons and brought in grebes, cormorants and ducks which were placed on sawdust in a shed provided by Smitty's Boat rentals.

Earlier Montgomery contacted Stanley Park to learn what could be done for these birds. Instructions were to place them on sawdust, in order to absorb the oil from their feathers, and to place their feet in water.

The students searched the beaches, picking up the birds and placing them in cardboard boxes for easy transportation. Some boys out in rowboats picked up disabled birds unable to make shore. Many gulls were perched on pilings trying to preen the oil from their feathers.

R. J. Bicknell of the Gulf of Georgia Towing Company assured the Times that divers were down on Friday and sealed off the pipes on the old barge which sank with a load of bunker fuel in 195 feet of water off Pasley Island last week.

Bicknell is of the opinion

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COMING EVENTS

WILSON Creek UCW will hold a spring tea in the local hall on Tuesday, April 14. 9901-13

DEATHS

ANDERSON—Alex E. Anderson passed away suddenly, March 9, aged 47 years of the Lower Road, Roberts Creek. Survived by his loving wife, Chris, one son Wilson, Vancouver, five sisters, Mrs. Burnie, Mattson; Mrs. Anna Curtew, Mrs. Minnie Elliott, Vancouver; Mrs. Elvira Clare, Montreal; Mrs. Carol Black, North Vancouver. Deceased was a Past Master of Mt. Elphinstone Lodge No. 130, AF & AM and a member of Roberts Creek Canadian Legion. Funeral service was held Friday, March 13 at 2 p.m. from Gibsons United Church, Rev. M. Cameron, Rev. D. Donaldson and Rev. Denis F. Harris officiated. In lieu of flowers donation to the Eastern Star New Hospital fund, c/o Mrs. Bessie Shaw, Roberts Creek BC. Cremation, Harvey Funeral Home, directors. 9742-14

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In Land Recording District of Vancouver and situate North of Sechelt.

TAKE NOTICE that Victor Wiebe of 3804 Edinburgh St., Burnaby 2, occupation refinery manager, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted 80' South of PP on South End of East Boundary of Lot 7022; thence South 15 chains; thence East 15 chains; thence North to Road, 13 chains; thence Westerly along South boundary of road 17 chains and containing 20 acres, more or less.

The purpose for which the land is required is summer home.

VICTOR WIEBE

Dated Feb. 23, 1964.
9732—Pub. March 4, 11, 18, 25

Form No. 15 (Section 40)

LAND ACT

Notice of Intention to Apply to Purchase Land

In Land Recording District of Vancouver, B.C. and situate East of Sechelt Inlet 17½ chains from S.E. corner of Group 1, sub lot B Lot 7071—NWD.

TAKE NOTICE that Michael Stewart McGuire of 594 S. W. Marine Dr. Vancouver 14, B.C.; occupation barber, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following lands:

Commencing at a post planted 17½ chains from S.E. corner of Group 1 Sub lot B Lot 7071—NWD; thence West 20 chains; thence South 5 chains; thence East 20 chains; thence North 5 chains to point of commencement and containig 10 acres, more or less.

The purpose for which the land is required is a homestead.

MICHAEL STEWART McGUIRE

Dated March 14, 1964.
9740—Pub. March 18, 25, 1, 8

Indian ladies club is busy

THE Indian women's homemakers' club will hold a raffle on March 21 to raise money to pay for the organ in the church. The woman were fortunate to get a second-hand organ for $300. At their monthly meeting it was decided to canvas during the week for donations for the hamper.

A message from District Guide commissioner Mrs. Harriet Newton, asking if there are any girls between the ages of 8-11 who are interested in joining the Brownie pack recently formed at the Residential school, was relayed.

The homemakers are collecting Nabob coupons for a coffee urn.

New citizens

WHITE—To Mr. and Mrs. John White, formerly of Hopkins Landing, a daughter, Heather Lynn, born March 6 in Vancouver.

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Bridge tournament

THE recent Bridge tournament in Port Mellon was the scene of concentrated effort.

M. Hostlands' win tourney

THE winners of the Bridge Tournament in Port Mellon were Mr. and Mrs. Morris Hostland.

The other participants were as follows: Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Macey, Mrs. R. Godfrey, Mrs. L. Norman, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. C. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. J. Serrafin, Mrs. W. Davis, Mrs. L. Blaine, Mr. and Mrs. J. Strayhorn, Mr. and Mrs. Whiting, G. Hostland Sr., G. Hostland Jr., Mrs. W. Holden, R. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. M. Hostland, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Peddie, N. Randall, Mrs. B. Campbell, Mrs. G. Wiren, A. Edmonds, A. Winn, R. W. Whiting, M. Nygren, A. MacMillan, J. Ferrarri, L. Blaine, R. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. G. Hunter, Mrs. J. Legh, P. M. Wong, Mr. and Mrs. J. Glassford, Mrs. N. Hill, Mrs. D. Hanson, Mrs. C. Woods, J. Calder, Mr. B. MacDonald, D. Hill, Mrs. W. Ross, Mrs. T. Henniker, Mr. and Mrs. W. Welsh and Mr. R. Gibson.

Many calls received . . .

SPCA President takes action on bird problem

THE barge that sank on Thursday, March 5th, and resulted in heavy leakage of fuel oil near the entrance to Howe Sound certainly gave the S.P.C.A. a headache.

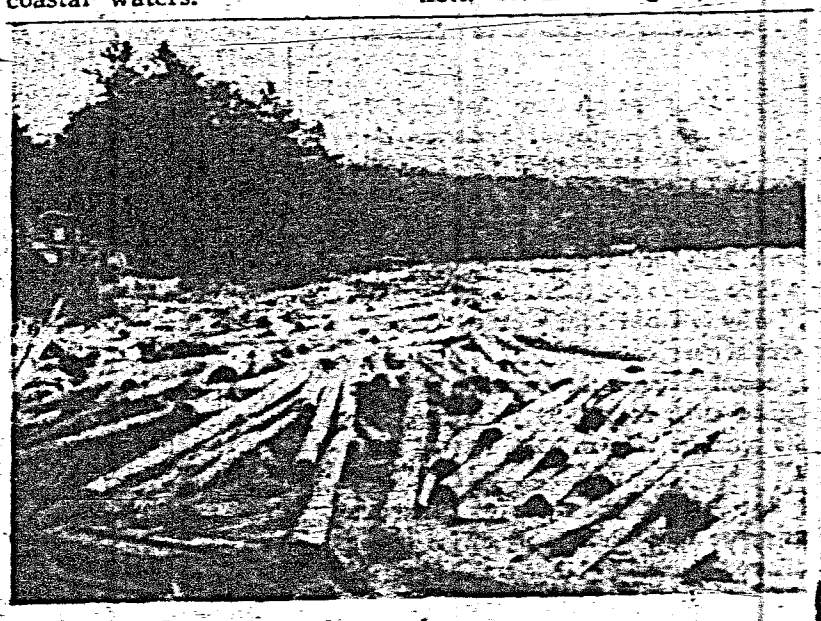
Calls were received from Hopkins Landing to Selma Park about gulls and coots that were wabbling about on the shore unable to navigate properly.

In one case a coot was caught in a carton & brought to be chloroformed. In yet another case the president, with the very capable help of the resident of Cresthaven, caught one on the beach and it was destroyed. In other cases a badly soaked coot was brought in dead, and at Selma Park, two men succeeded in getting a coot back into the water & on its way. Several other reports from points between, told of tragedy or near tragedy but the heavy wind helped to right matters.

The president contacted the RCMP as these birds are protected by the Migratory Birds Convention Act but could not get permission to shoot them. He then telephoned the Fish and Game Branch of the Provincial government. The reply came from the Federal Wild Life Service by telephone, that if no other way of dealing with the matter could be worked out, permission was granted to shoot the birds to save them from destruction by dogs, cats, coons and other predators.

This information was passed along to persons who took enough interest in the fate of these poor birds to report their condition to the SPCA.

In future all will know what to do if oil leakage should again invade our part of the coastal waters.



Log salvage

FORTY-THREE sections of logs from two tugs broke up in the vicinity of Roberts Creek during the night of March 9. A scow, lost in the same storm, drifted onto the beach near Byng Bay.

Variety and skill . . .

Sechelt family night best show in years

ONE of the best Family Nights ever presented was staged at Sechelt Elementary School on Friday and Saturday evenings. Recitations by Heather Hall, Phyllis Humphrey, Wendy Walker, Barbara and Elizabeth Humphrey displayed careful coaching and good delivery, and a special mention goes to Carol Boser for her spine-chilling monolog.

Band leader Della Segue led the West Sechelt tiny tots rhythm band with gusto. Dianne Beck and Keith Jaeger were very funny in their old time costumes singing the old perennial, "Ouch, my rheumatiz."

The Beatles were ably mimicked by Brenda Nickerson, Phyllis Crowston, Wendy Bystedt and Kathy Scott with flinging wigs and hysterical contortions while singing a Be-Bop song. Sechelt's own Elvis Presley, Randy DeLeenheer, was a scream singing "I'm All Shook Up." And he was.

The two tumbling displays were tops. Sechelt Elementary boys, Mike Day, Trevor Oram, Kent Sheridan, Gary Lawson, Ray Sheridan, Robin MacDonald, Mike Corley, Randy DeLeenheer, Charles Carlson, Tom Blaine, Dave Ennis and Peter Carey went through several routines.

Garry Lawson was the star of the show. He was the only one to clear the human pyramid without touching.

Indian residential school boys with their fluid motion and obedience to the silent direction of instructor Billows gave a skilled display. Johnny Loui, John August, Gordon Dick, Norman Hackett, Roland August, Randy Campbell, Phillip Timothy, Gilbert Guerriro, Lawrence Johnson, Danny Loui, Edward Johnson and Gilbert Joe received thundering applause from the audience.

Piano solos by Debra Marsh and Claire Hague and a vocal solo by Mary Lamb were expertly rendered.

Mrs. Lowe's dancers scored a hit in several numbers. Marilyn MacKenzie was in season with her Irish tap dance. Five year old Rusty Cunningham, suitably dressed in a fancy cowboy suit, captured the audience with his nonchalance as he danced the cowboy tap.

Debbie Baba was cute in her sailor costume dancing the Red, White and Blue. Lonar and Wendy Duncan, Linda Hately, Janice Northrup and Diane Keeley were smart in the Banana Boat song, and Shirley Gooldrup was breathtaking in her acrobatic dance.

Grade sevens and their flutophone, the boys choir singing "When I Was a Lad," Sharon Malyea's accordion band, and the girls' quartette added merit to the show.

Sechelt Guides presented a typical camping skit and the grade sixes put on a funny sketch where the wife fell into the trap she had laid for her husband.

Star of the whole show was little Janice Mullins for her expect baton twirling routine.

MC Maurice Hemstreet kept the show rolling smoothly and Sechelt PTA made good returns from their candy and popcorn sale and wish to thank all those who donated.

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Mar. 19—Sechelt Girl Guide Ass'n Bake Sale, Hospital Cottage 10 a.m.

Mar. 20—1st Gibsons Brownies flying up. School hall 8 p.m.

March 20—Sechelt Kinettes Fashion Show, Legion Hall, 8 p.m.

Mar. 21—Homemakers' Raffle, Indian Comm. Hall 2-4 p.m.

Mar. 21—Legion Aux. Rummage Sale, Legion Hall 11 a.m.

Mar. 21—Sechelt Promenaders Square Dance, Roberts Creek. Caller Cy Blake, 8 p.m.

Mar. 21—Vol. Fire Dep't Dance, Gibsons school hall 9 p.m.

Mar. 24—May Day public meeting, Pender Harbour Comm. Hall 8 p.m.

Mar. 28—Public DeMolay Installation, Masonic Hall 7:30 p.m.

Apr. 4—Sechelt Hospital Auxiliary Smorgasbord, 6:30 p.m. Legion Hall.

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Wednesday, March 18, 1964

Vote Yes!

BALLOTS have been received by every telephone subscriber on the Gibsons-Sechelt exchange. Subscribers now have the opportunity to indicate if they favor an slight increase in rates in return for free calling between Sechelt and Port Mellon. A stamped, self-eddressed envelope is enclosed for their convenience.

This choice is a serious one. It is not simple one of deciding, "Do I make enough calls now to justify the increase in rates?" The increase is actually very slight and should not work a hardship on anybody who can afford a telephone. Actually the decision you are making is, "Am I interested in the progress of my community to pay this slight extra cost?"

Communication is the life-line of any organization. Without it we develop into isolated segments with boundaries set directly by the ease of communication between parts. When we work as isolated segments we cannot work to any common interest, mainly because one group is not well enough versed in the problems and plans of the other group. Many times well intentioned groups and individuals are pulling separate ways simply because of poor communication. And poor communication has resulted because of telephone tolls and transportation time and costs, which is ridiculous in a modern society.

Here is the opportunity to permit the free flow of ideas, to pull us together into an integrated whole that can work for our common good. Remember, in the final analysis, one part of this area can only proper as all other parts prosper. Mark your ballot 'yes', then watch our common progress.

Curious Double Standard

RECENTLY The Times carried a front-page story which reflects the perennial problem of teenagers or minors and their drinking experiements.

Even a cursory glance through statistics available shows that juvenile (teenage or minor) drinking is on the increase; that convictions against this age group mostly come through offences involving liquor.

It is easy to see why this occurs. Juvenile drinking simply illustrates a protest against a restraining society. It is a fact recorded through prohibition and war days that once a human being is told he cannot do something, he will "bust his neck" to do it, or at least most healthy, active, normal people will. Prohibition proved it in Canada and the United States; wartime "rationing" saw liquor sales skyrocket as people who never before had entered a liquor store made sure they got their monthly ration.

Juvenile drinking and thwarting of police efforts is largely done for kicks, not because any problem of alcoholism. The cost is small, and the rewards in this warped way of thinking are so big in the way of being recognized as a law-breaker, or a not-afraid-of-anyone type. Magistrates will tell you that in many cases before them, the youngsters are actually—for only a moment—proud of being hauled into court.

The problem is not simple, but there is one main source from which it springs, and that is our present unrealistic liquor set-up. The B.C. Liquor Control Board gets most of the blame, but is is an unfortunate fact that this one-man "board" is not to blame, simply because it is helpless and emasculated. The Attorney-General finds it very convenient to issue all the orders, direct all policies, pull all strings, and yet stay in the background while the mild and aging Col. McBugan takes all the criticism and all the blame.

Premier Bennett finds it very convenient to use the Liquor Control "Board" as a rug under which all these unpleasant things can be swept. But the pile is getting so big now it begins to show.

The root of the problem—not of all its solutions—lies in the present provincial laws. Our legal age for drinking is 21 years, which is to say that a young person is not capable of using his better judgement until he is 21. This contrasts sharply with the legal age for killing . . . a young person may join the military at 18, and he may start driving a car at 16; he may drive a high-speed boat at any age.

Australia, England, and some US states set the age of discernment for alcohol at 18; in many countries there is no law as such, nor are there statistics to show that their problem is worse, or even as bad, as ours.

When the incidence of lawbreaking climbs as sharply as our has, and is in the majority closely linked with liquor, it is time for examination of the laws which are being broken. Good law enforcement and good legislation demand a close examination of laws which are constantly broken by a lot of people, for this constant breaking could indicate the law is unrealistic. A highway speed law, for instance, of 30 miles an hour would result in such a cageful of speeders as to show that it is a silly law.

Our society is indeed peculiar. We demand observance of antiquated liquor laws, yet we are constantly bombarded through books, magazines, movies and TV and other advertising with the "gracious living" atmosphere with liquor consumption. Are we trying to tell our kids that there are two kinds of people, the kind they live with and the kind they read about and see on screens?

We are. It's a double standard that is heading down a fast highway of social decline.

SOME PROVINCES are pressing for permanent drivers' licences, along the same idea as British Columbia has adopted in 5-year driver licences with permanent serial numbers. More to the point would be permanent licence plates for all vehicles. Adoption of such a system would make car theft and ownership-shuffling far more difficult; they would save a lot of red tape; they would end once and for all those ridiculous line-ups and last-minute rush for new plates every year.

Minute Messages

"Most people are bothered by those passages of Scripture they do not understand; but . . . the passages that bother me are those I do understand". — Mark Twain

"EASTER is March 29th, and Good Friday is March 27th," said a little girl as she talked to me recently. Then she asked, "Why is Good Friday called 'Good'?" She had asked a crucial question!

Good Friday commemorates the execution of Jesus Christ on a common cross over 1900 years ago. Her question was quite sensible. Why call this sort of thing 'Good'?

The fact is that Jesus Christ chose to become a human being just as we are, while being divine at the same time. He allowed himself to become the target of evil, to experience real agony, and to die for men.

We call it 'Good Friday' because only a very good God would do this for us, a God who cared enough to die for us. Giving his life for us was the ultimate act that Jesus could offer on our behalf.

Because Jesus made that supreme sacrifice for us, the Friday could not be anything but 'Good'.

—Rev. J. B. Fergusson,
St. Hilda's Anglican Church, Sechelt

Fun Fare

. . . let a smile be your umbrella

The sweet young thing was complaining about a stiff neck and sore arm after a recent weekend. "How come?" she was asked.

"We were necking in a drive-in."

"Why should that give you a stiff neck and a sore arm?"

"We were in different cars."

as Quoted

. . . food for thought

We learn rather late in life to admit that we do not know that which we do not know, that we have not read those books we have not read. But once we have made up our mind as to this, what a relief it is!

—Andre Maurois

Other Opinions

"I may be wrong,
but I shall not be so wrong
as to fail to say
what I believe to be right."
—JOHN ATKINS

News Suppression

(Lions Gate Times)

THE LIONS Gate Times has on occasion (the frequency seems to be increasing) been asked not to publish certain stories involving persons and circumstances not favorable to the individuals involved.

Unless there is a singularly exceptional instances, we publish all the news. But sometimes there is a difficult decision to be made.

Therefore it is with considerable interest that we read of the discussions being held in England on whether or not newspapers should publish stories involving sex and violence. Some segments of the press have a tendency to cater to sensationalism.

But discounting that, in the case of this newspaper, it is more than an academic point whether such matters should be published.

The truth is the stock in trade of this newspaper. One could only wish that all truth were pleasant. But it isn't.

The Lions Gate Times reflects what is going on around it. It is first and foremost an accurate record of facts on the activities in West Vancouver. And, certainly, The Times has a responsibility to treat the facts with as much circumspection as possible.

But we believe that suppression of unpleasant news is wrong. One way to correct wrong is to bring it to the light of the public attention.

This is a good Biblical principle where "There is nothing hidden that shall not be revealed" as seen in the stern preachings of such a man as John the Baptist.

Certainly the unpleasant is not all the news and much of the time it is not even the principal news. But it is a large part of the news a great deal of time.

Bringing matters to public view is one way to get them corrected. Suppression of unfavorable facts or of facts which do not happen to meet with someone's favor, is a disservice to the public, and contrary to our basic freedoms.

Boom in Books

(New York Times)

THOSE who fear we have become a nation of Philistines, so lost in material pursuits that we trample on culture, may take some comfort from the report of the book publishing industry that 1964 will be its biggest year. The pleasantest thing about this prosperity is that its principal spur is a vast expansion in the sale of books of educational and cultural value, both hard cover and paperback.

We keep reading about electronic "brains" that squirrel away a whole library of lore on law, medicine, science or any other subject and spew forth extracts, neatly synthesized and printed, on demand. But happily, the uncybernated brain is still eager for enrichment. Mysteries, Westerns, and miscellaneous trivia are selling well but the "growth" element in publishing is the growth of mind.

The error of youth is to believe that intelligence is a substitute for experience, while the error of age is to believe that experience is a substitute for intelligence.

No Down Payment

Oh the parting pains should grieve me as I watch each dollar leave me,
It doesn't seem to matter how I've never learned to save,
If I get it I must spend it, I began so I'll end it,
For you cannot hear a huckster in your solitary grave.

But I'll leave a host of useless junk to my long cherished heir,
He shall have my ten tube super-set and an ancient frigidaire,
My combination stereo, my vacuum sweeper too.
My nineteen eighteen Buick if I meet the payments due.,
If colledtors do not reposses my automatic clock,
He'll never have to count the days or even turn a lock.
For my home is super-synchronised a combination sleek,
The gadgets cost me nothing down plus thirty bucks a week.
He shall have by Oil-O-Matic, this machine is hard to beat,
Though the payments are spasmodic it is steady with the heat.
There's an automatic washer and a kindly dryer too,
Plus an all electric mangle and a thought I'll leave for you.
How our world is like a washer and no matter how you try,
You're bound to get a soaking and at last they wring you dry.
And the candy coated brainwash makes you think it's all a joke,
So you'll always feel uneasy if you're anything but broke.
That is why today I'm resless for I've cashed my monthly cheque,
Once again I've made some payments and the salvage from the wreck,
Just amounts to seven dollars so I think I'll see the town,
And correct this little oversight by paying nothing down.
And a little when they catch me on a gadget grand and new.
It's the latest national pastime so it's quite the thing to do,
And today you can't avoid it on our credit ridden earth,
So smile and keep donating just ten times the gadget's worth,
And assist the finance companies pave each golden mile,
As you stagger on to pay for stuff now ten years out of style.

—By Ed Green, Sechelt

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Pender Harbour . . .

Community club reports good response to teas

PENDER HARBOUR community club reports good response to their fund raising teas. A tea held at the home of Mrs. Doug Fielding, Garden Bay, netted $36. Mrs. J. Emily of the Boardwalk won the cake raffle.

Convenors Mrs. Fielding, Mrs. Dellar and Mrs. Love express appreciation to those who donated home baking and attended despite the inclement weather.

A tea held at the home of Mrs. Elsie raised $15. Mrs. Bill Warnick is planning a tea the week prior to Easter in aid of the community club.

The executive meeting on Tuesday reported the school board's offer to lease the community club grounds for a token payment of $1 a year was turned down.

A public meeting is called for Tuesday, March 24 at 8 p.m. in the community hall to plan for May Day. A good working committee is needed or there will be no May Day celebration this year at Pender.

Reports indicated that the scrap drive netted $136, the membership drive has progressed favorably, and a fresh herring sale will be conducted soon by Albert Edwardson.

Mrs. L. Kilborn was appointed secretary to replace Mrs. J. Whittaker who resigned, and Mike Reid was appointed to replace Gary Thompson.

A sewing class, under the direction of Mrs. Kilborn and Mrs. Ray Lee, has met with overwhelming success.

Doug Wakefield

Sechelt man to Germany

DOUG Wakefield, son of Mrs. Edna Wakefield of Sechelt, is home on leave before leaving for Germany on March 26.

Doug has just completed training with the R.C.A.F. at Camp Borden and is en route to a three-year posting in Germany.

He has promised to share his travel experiences with Times readers.

Port Mellon News

THE March meeting of the W.A. to the Port Mellon Community Church was held at the home of Mrs. J. Manton in Gibsons, Mrs. Manton was a former W.A. member. The main topic of the meeting was raising funds to defray costs of painting the church basement and back rooms.

It was voted to have a bakeless bage sale. More details will be in the mail next week to housewives of Port Mellon.

IN HOSPITAL

Linda Moore has been a patient in St. Paul's Hospital for the past ten days. She would like to thank all those who visited her and sent cards and well wishes.

FROM MANITOBA

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Allan and daughter Melanie from Rathwell, Manitoba are visiting Mrs. Allan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Moore of Port Mellon.

BIRTHDAY

Miss Jackie Comeau celebrated her third birthday on March 11. Twelve little ones helped her to celebrate. Her cousin, Melanie Allan, arrived just in time from Rathwell, Manitoba to join the fun.

LANDMARK BURNED

Tuesday evening an old landmark was burned to the ground by the Port Mellon Volunteer Fire Department, to make way for futhes improvements in the townsite. The building was constructed around 1910 as the home of the mill superintendent. This was about the last of the original buildings that comprised the old townsite.

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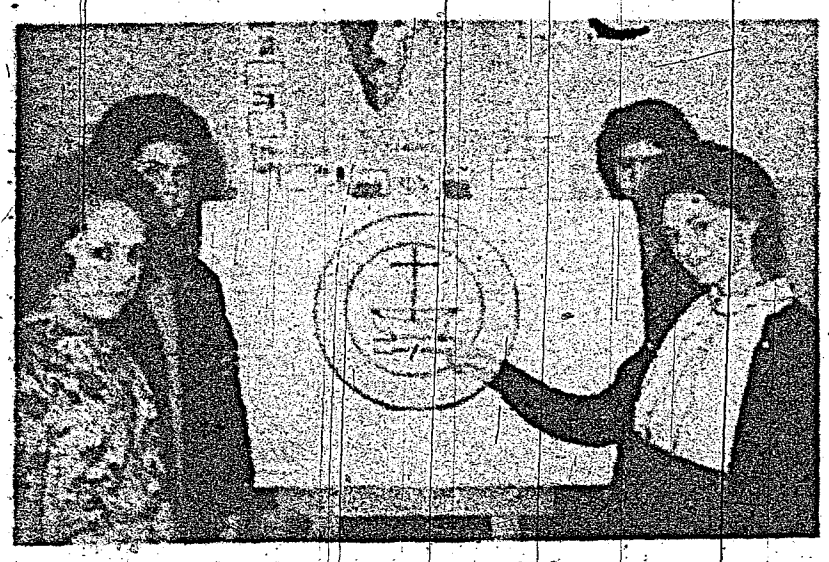

Demonstrate symbol

CHERYL Billingsley, Valerie Swanson, Gail Swanson, and Alice Potts, members of St. Hilda's Girls Auxiliary, demonstrate the symbol of the Delhi Conference at Family Night.

At Sechelt . . .

St. Hilda's girls auxiliary stage family night

LAST Saturday night, March 7th, the Girls Auxiliary of St. Hilda's Anglican Church carried steaming bowls of white rise, exotic dishes of hot curry and a variety of nine garnishes to the serving table.

It was family night for St. Hilda's Church, and the Girl's Auxiliary were acting as hostesses.

With the help of Mrs. Francis Stone, their leader, and assisted by the church school staff, the Girls Auxiliary organized and led the dinner and the evening's program on India.

Following the dinner, the girls had a television-type interview, describing what they have learned in their recent course of study on the World Council of Churches third meeting in New Delhi, India, 1961.

Cheryl Billingsley and Valerie Swanson depicted on a flannelgraph the background history of the conference. Heather Patrick and Gail Swanson described the tent-like building where the public meetings were held.

Alice Potts explained the symbol the World Council of Churches used, a ship with a cross for a mast, sailing on the sea representing our troubled times.

Jacquie Franklin and Linda Hanson outlined the three themes of the World Council: christain unity, witness and service. Following the interview the girls did a fine job of answering general questions from the floor.

The evening concluded with a filmstrip and an informal discussion group for the parents and teens. Meanwhile the children were learning an hilarious game played by the boys and girls of India.

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up to the South Pender Water District.

R. J. Maxwell has been appointed auditor.

Adjustment will be made for summer users.

PAY TRUSTEES

On a suggestion from M. Myers that trustees be paid, E. S. Johnstone advised from Feb. to Dec. 8 he and his wife had averaged 16 hours a week. Since Dec. 8 his diary discloses he has spent 364 hours on this project and felt it "right and proper" that he be remunerated.

Board chairman, R. Spicer felt all board members shared equal responsibility and advised the meeting if Johnstone were paid, all board members shou'd be paid. J. Cameron suggested all trustees be remunerated at the completion of the job.

"You'd better find another secretary, then," stated Johnstone. "I've forfeited my own work to do this project. Last February the trustees gave a negative report. If it hadn't been for somebody taking the project in hand we would not be at this point now."

A speaker from the floor agreed things started to move after Johnstone took over. J. Cameron tendered a vote of thanks to the board and moved remuneration be left to the board itself.

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Wilson Creek notes

—Rosamund Simpkins

THE 1st Sechelt Girl Guides went on a camping trip to Wilson Creek on March 7th and 8th to Camp Olave. They stayed at the new campsite called si yay lum or blue sky, fine weather.

There is running water, electric light, shower and bathroom and hardwood paneling around the fireplace. Saturday afternoon the guides hiked to the beach and gathered firewood. Mrs. Caldwell took them on a nature study trip.

The cook patrol and Mrs. Stockwell prepared roast beef, green beans, potatoes and gravy, topped with cake and cocoa. Visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Allen, Marilyn Olson and Wendy Inglis. Mrs Allen showed them how to make fuzzsticks and Miss Erica Ball demonstrated a hectograph.

There was a mug-up at 9:30 and weiners were toasted over the fire.

Next morning Mrs. Allen took the whole camp on scouts pace (half walk, half run) around the grounds and hospital cottage, a total distance of one mile.

On completion of the course, nine guides taking the test were obliged to also deliver a message without huffing and puffing.

There was a special Sunday School class of their own. 26 people in all enjoyed this weekend camp.

Our Marilyn, having her first night out, might have been homesick but for the fact that she had been in the camp on several previous occasions when helping her dad with the stonework of the fireplace and wishing-well.

At one time in the past there was a Guide Leader at Camp who used to swim daily to White Islets and back. Another Guide Leader, Mrs. Don Munday, used to carry a 70-pound pack on her back thru the trackless jungle of the BC coast.

LIKED MAGAZINE

My sister Mrs. Marguerite Sutton, who taught school in England for many years, liked the compositions and poems which were published in the Davis Bay School magazine called Short Wave. She has taken them to her class at Norquay School in Vancouver, so that they may get some inspiration from them.

TIMES POPULAR

Babye Anne is trying new foods, but spits most of it out, because it is new to her. Likewise, some people are so immature that they don't like anything new, such as our local paper. One woman said she would not have it in her house. Each week her husband enjoys a quiet smoke and the Times in the woodshed.

Last Wednesday his neighbor was coming up the drive, so he might join the woodshed party. Lo and behold there she was, with a red face and her hand behind her back. When asked "and what have you there?" she explained that there was something in the Wilson Creek column which she just had to know about.

OF INTEREST

Mrs. Hazel Critchell and Mrs. Don Hauka visited their brother and father, Mr. Micky McArthur who is seriously ill in Shaughnessy Hospital.

Barbara, Betty and Phyllis Humphries, Carrol Boser, and Wendy Walker, students of Mrs. Critchell, successfully took part in Family Night program.

Jonn Hague, who had a motorcycle accident, is now home from hospital.

Mr. J. deKleer, senior, and wife from West Vancouver visited the deKleer family.

Happy birthday to Mr. G. Critchell, Marilyn Boser, March 15 and Michael Jackson, age 12, March 17.

Denny August, Wilson Creek is building a new house at Porpoise Bay.

MEETING TONIGHT

A meeting is being held tonight, March 18, at 8 p.m. at the hall. Your moral support is required. Please come for an hour or two.

BIRD EATS CAT

Everyone knows that cats kill birds. But where, except on the Sunshine Coast, are you likely to see a bird eating a cat? The cat was run down by a nocturnal motorist. Next morning the eagle was fulfilling his function of keeping our highway clean.

GOLD MINE

Recently my husband met a man who would be willing to retire here but who is afraid that he wouldn't be able to find enough to do to occupy his time. He is so imbued with city living that he can't appreciate the superiority of Wilson Creek.

Where else is there an unlimited water supply with no sprinkling restrictions, where one can build without permits, do business as he wishes and discover innumerable opportunities? It hardly seems possible that we are but 25 miles from the city yet can leave our doors open, keys in our vehicles, tools in our gardens and walk without fear of roadside murder.

Where else can you catch your supper off the wharf, find oysters and clams on the beach, or take a short walk for blackberries, salmonberries, or strawberries in proper season? Table decorations can be picked for free.

If you can't afford oranges for vitamin C there are plenty of rose hips here. This is the place to watch the salmon spawn or the steelhead come in.

This is the home of the fish eaters, such as otters, eagles, kingfishers, and herons. When out fishing if a salmon jumps into your boat you will not be establishing a precedent. There is much driftwood in this area, which is a constant source of pleasure to many.

Sven Hansen, working for my husband these past thirteen years, was standing in Chapman Creek at low water. I asked, 'If this were in Denmark what would they do?' The answer was quick, 'It was a go-old mine!'

TEENAGERS

With the population explosion will come increasing demands for food. Even at the present time there is a living in this area for a number of people who might like to grow strawberries in volume.

The late Mr. Risby, of Mason Road, produced several tons of berries annually on his nice patch of British Sovereigns.

Plants must be fertilized every year, rotated every several years and kept clean. Children will pick the fruit on a poundage basis. Customers will come to you.

At Wilson Creek the wild strawberries are plentiful, indicating that this is a natural area for them.

Sunshine Coast Hospital Improvement District No. 31

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

In the four Zones of Sunshine Coast Hospital Improvement District No. 31 to be held at the following places and dates:

Zone 1
Tuesday, March 24th, 1964
Granthams Community Hall

Zone 2
Monday, March 23rd, 1964
Gibsons Elementary School Hall

Zone 3
Thursday, March 19th, 1964
Sechelt Elementary School Activity Room

Zone 4
Friday, March 20th, 1964
Madeira Park Elementary School Activity Room

All meetings to begin at 8 p.m.

FRANK WEST,
Secretary

Helpless duck

A HELPLESS oil-soaked duck flounders on the Gibsons beach waiting to die of exposure.

Oil-soaked grebes

OIL-SOAKED grebes, ducks, and cormorants recuperate on sawdust in a shed provided by Smitty's Boat Rental and Marina of Gibsons. Mr. Montgomery's biology class rescued the birds on the Gibsons waterfront.

MORE ABOUT . . .

Oil-soaked birds

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that salvage is impossible in that depth, but says checks will be made to assure there is no futher leakage.

Beaches are coated with a heavy film of this tar-like oil and sea birds from Port Mellon to Sechelt have been reported as dying from its' effects.

Officers elected

MT. ELPHINSTONE chapter, Order of DeMolay, elected officers for the next term.

Elected were Peter Emerson, master councillor; John Smith, senior councillor and Ken Preiss, junior councillor. Heather Garlick was elected chapter sweetheart.

Installation will take place March 28 in the Masonic Hall commencing at 7:30 p.m. The public is cordially invited.

Gibsons social notes

—By Doreen Crosby

THE regular meeting of the Gibsons Hospital Auxiliary was held March 12 at the Anglican Church Hall. Six new members joined bringing the total membership to 41. The profit from the Smorgasbord and dance will enable the the auxiliary to purchase a Diathermy Machine which will cost $600.

FASHION SHOW

Plans are being made for the coming Fashion Show to be held on April 15 at 8:00 p.m. in Elphinstone Secondary School. There will be no advance ticket sales this year. A new idea of paying at the door will be tried out. The cost will be 75c for adults and 35c for children.

Proceeds from the Fashion Show will go towards the furnishing of a room in the new hospital.

The fashions to be shown will be from Marine Men's Wear, Thriftee Dress Shoppe and Todds Drygoods.

Candy will be sold and anyone wishing to donate candy, please contact Mrs. F. J. Willis at Port Mellon phone 884-5346.

SALES GOOD

Coffee sales at the Kiwanis Bingos have done well for the auxiliary and they are now able to purchase a coffee urn.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Gibsons Hospital Auxiliary will be held on April 9 at the Anglican Parish Hall. New members are welcome.

FIREMEN'S BALL

Big plans are being made and there is bound to be loads of laughter next Saturday, March 21 when the Gibsons Volunteer Firemen stage their Ball. It is understood that the Smokey Stover Revue is coming to life again with a few new additions. The time is 9 p.m. and the place is Gibsons School Hall. The cost is $1.50 per person. Come and have a "Ball" with the Firemen.

Coffee and sandwiches will be sold—all proceeds go towards the Firemen's Fund.

TO FURNISH ROOM

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 109 and the Ladies Auxiliary to Branch 109 Gibsons have voted on the furnishing of a room of St. Mary's Hospital. They will donate $800.

NEW ARRIVAL

Of interest to friends of Joan and John White, formerly of Hopkins Landing, is the arrival of a baby girl, Heather Lynn, born March 6 in Vancouver. John is attending UBC for a teachers degree.

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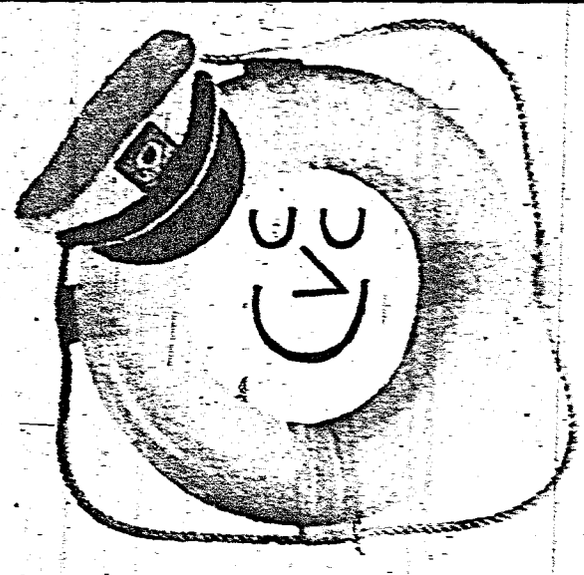

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TEEN TOPICS

Elphinstone News

—By Diane Turik

TWO CLASSES of general program students boarded the bus on Friday to visit the stock market exchange. Mr. Bujan and Mr. Montgomery accompanied the 45 students.

Nancy Inglis and Sherwood Hayes spoke at Monday morning assembly about their trip to the Legislative assembly.

Tuesday night the badminton tournament between Pender and Elphinstone was hosted by the Future Teachers' club. A special thanks to Mrs. Hercus; sponsor of the FTC.

The Biology 91 class took Thursday afternoon off to rescue the oil-laden ducks. Mr. Montgomery phoned the Stanley Park zoo keeper to obtain information on the care and feeding of these birds. About 12 birds have found new homes in Gibsons. This caused a great commotion—there were reporters from CBC television, Vancouver newspapers, and the Times.

The gymnasium was bouncing on Friday when another indoor track meet was held. The junior grades held their competition in the morning while the senior grades held theirs in the afternoon.

Relay races, obstacle races, and other inter-house competitions were held. The unofficial standings for the houses were: Bobbers, Sabres, Spitfires and Mustangs. Good spirit was shown by all.

Teen-of-the-week

TEEN-OF-THE-WEEK, Karen Hansen is a grade 11 student at Elphinstone secondary school on university program. She participates in many extra curricular activities. Karen is proud to be president of the high school Red Cross which last week raised over $85 to purchase a home for a deserving Korean family. She is a member of the Elphinstone ski club, cheerleaders and treasurer of the newly formed Nyselsa Hi-C, and teaches Sunday school.

Karen Hansen

Karen's future plans include a psychology major at Victoria University or at one of the other new universities soon to be built. She wants to be a teacher. Karen's immediate ambition is to pass the Easter exams which begin next week. To this end, books are out and the midnight oil is being burnt to earn a few recommendations to make June departmentals a bit easier. And the other is her wish to keep her driver's license long enough to pass the city test.

"Life is only what you make it," says Karen, and she is busy making hers useful and interesting.

PENDER HARBOUR CREDIT UNION

17th Annual Meeting

Madeira Park Comm. Hall

MARCH 20th - 8:00 p.m.

The READER'S RIGHT

The Times welcomes opinions from readers, but does not necessarily agree with those expressed. Brevity is a virtue which should not be overlooked.

All letters must be signed by the writer, although a pen-name may be used for publication.

Garbage disposal

Editor, The Times

Sir—I was present at the garbage disposal meeting held in Selma Park March 5. This seems to be a much needed project, but I should like to know what kind of a disposal field is planned and how far away it will be placed from residenatial areas. Maintenance costs are heavy in sanitary fill. In the case of open fill, it will be difficult to burn except early in the day as it will be in the middle of a forest area.

I was a resident of Cranberry Lake water district for 12 years, and up to 1950 when we amalgamated with the town of Powell River, we had an open fill ¼ mile behind our house, which covered a large area of cleared ground and also had a strong fence and a locked gate.

On windy days we got the smell, also plenty of sea gulls, then bears, then rats. The road leading to the dump had almost as much garbage on it as the dump itself. People hauling their extra garbage out, found the gate locked, so the road area was the target. Such items as old cars, debris from construction jobs, old paint cans, and plumbing fixtures littered the road.

I spoke of this matter at Thursday's meeting and was not satisfied with Mr. MacDonald's reply that if people paid to have their garbage hauled away there would be no need to haul it themselves. From what I've seen in the past, extra garbage has to be paid extra for such as old cars, and building materials.

The possibility of local fills ending up as I have outlined is a possibility which should be examined very closely before we commit ourselves.

R. M. THOMPSON,
Selma Park.

Success

Editor, The Times

Sir—The visiting for observing at work at Sechelt Elementary School brought 170 adults to the school.

The main purpose of visitors' day—to see children in regular classwork—was successfully accomplished by the good assistance of parents and children.

A display of education materials was set up in the window of Parker's Hardware. Judging by the number of school newspaper bought at 1c a copy, and the lesser number of sample arithmetic tests taken for which there was no charge, the display was closely inspected by a good number of people.

The theme of the display was the "New Arithmetic", and sample pages from workbooks showed typical "new" methods in this subject.

GEORGE COOPER,
Principal, Sechelt Elementary School.

Not in favour

Editor, The Times

Sir—A few words about the Lions Club. It is one of the hard and fast rules of Lions International that the membership fee must be paid before anyone is elected to any office in the club. The local club entirely ignored this, so they started off on the wrong foot by making regulations of their own. I am sure you will agree with me that no club of any consequence elects its officers from just anyone, whether a legal member or not.

The Charter Night Banquet was held at Gibsons. Why is it that the chief commissioner there was ignored when the choice was made for the person to give the address of welcome. If he was not available surely the editor and publisher of the newspaper there was next in line. Failing that the senior Past President was surely the person to ask.

I organized a Lions Club in 1937 in the east and was its first president so I have a Past Presidents button. It has the custom then that all Past Presidents and their wives, if with them, were given a table to themselves right near the head table. In this case nobody knows how many Past Presidents were present at the banquet, they were entorely ignored too. I was also for just over two years the Secretary of the largest Lions Club in the west end of Toronto and have attended more than one charter night banquet. Those banquets were conducted in a very different way to the one last Saturday, and a much more sincere way too, honour was given where honour was due. That used to be a standing rule too but evidently the Sechelt gang have decided that they know more about it than the Lions International.

I believe I am the only one in the district who personally knew Melvin Jones, the founder of the club. He was a wonderful man. I feel sure he must have turned over in his grave last Saturday night while the banquet was being held. Melvin founded the first club in 1917 and was described as the great dreamer-thinker-builder-leader-doer.

Needless to say I will not be a member of the Sunshine Coast Lions Club.

B. L. COPE
Roberts Creek, B.C.

Emerson is DeMolay head

PETER Emerson, master councillor elect, and his officers will be installed by members of Crown chapter, order of DeMolay, North Vancouver, at a public ceremony on March 28 at the Masonic Hall, Roberts Creek. The general public are cordially invited.

Last Sunday, three cars of DeMolay boys accompanied by their chapter dads, Bill Rankin and Ross Garlick, made a trip to Mt. Baker for an afternoon of skiing. All had an enjoyable day.

To attend church

SUNSHINE Rebekah Lodge No. 82 will attend a church service at Bethel Baptist Church, Sechelt on Sunday, April 22 at 11:15 a.m.

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The Fact Is . . .

—By Ray Nestman

ONE day last week, a man whom I had never seen before stopped me on the street and asked me if I happened to be Ray Nestman. He said he recognized me from the picture that had appeared on my column at one time. After I made sure he wasn't armed, I confessed that I was Nestman and asked him why he cared.

"My wife," he said, "thinks you are a louse." "So does mine," I said. "My wife thinks you are cruel and unfair." "So does mine," I said; "but do you ever think that maybe people are sometimes cruel and unfair to me?"

"Yes, possibly," he said "but she doesn't see it that way. She thinks you should take steps to be less critical and start being a little more helpful."

"What steps do you think should be taken to correct this horrible misconception your wife has?" I asked.

"The first step," he said, "would be into the pub, where we could have a small beer and talk this over." "That," I said, "meets with my approval."

It later developed that the man disagreed with his wife about my character. He didn't say this flatly, but gave me the impression that I wasn't really such a bad guy after all (I was buying the beer) and that women always stick together. Another round brought out the fact that his wife was really a crab. We left then and I decided to carry on being critical and being a louse.

A tip of the old top hat to Sechelt Motor Transport and their drivers. I was travelling to Powell River Saturday night when a pick-up truck went off the road and tipped over just a few hundred feet in front of us. The bus driver, Al Jamieson, stopped the bus right there and we went to their assistance immediately. We were able to get them out of the truck and since SMT carries a well kept first aid kit on the buses, a nurse who was passing by could dress the wounds and make the injured more comfortable.

Bob Cunningham was johnny-on-the-spot when called out with his ambulance. It does one's heart good to know that there is always someone around to help in such emergencies.

Being prepared like this and giving the very best in personal service are some of the reasons why Mr. Lawrence has been so successful.

DEAR MOM:

Mary did it again. She washed all my undies the other day and she must have put something red in the washer. I am now wearing the most beautiful "baby pink" undies you have ever seen. What with this and trying desperately to collect on my insurance with her cooking, I'm not sure what to do. If you still have that spare bedroom please save it. I don't know what she is trying to do to me, but I may be home yet.

—Love, your son, Ray.

NOTE TO SUNSHINE

Thanks for the cream and sugar. How did you know I was talking about you? With your smiling face I could drink it black.

MAY DAY

To Be or Not To Be— It would appear that no group is interested in taking over May Day. It seems a shame that in this day and age that there aren't a few people who could get together and make a day of this.

What's the matter with the business men around here? Could they not pitch in and see to it that the children have the opportunity of enjoying this holiday? If we have any patriotic blood in us at all, we should know that this is the Queen's birthday and the children should not let this be forgotten.

Surely a little effort on the part of a few businessmen or organization could make this worthwhile.

THOT OF THE WEAK

A man owes a lot to a garden spade. It at least gives him one place where he can put his foot down.

Even back in the Stone Age when women wrote down their ages, they were chiseling.

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Music exam results in

PUPILS of Mrs. Betty Allen all obtained favorable results in the Royal Conservatory of Toronto theory and piano exams. Results were:

Piano, grade 10, pass, Shirley Haddock; theory, grade 1, first class honors, Debra Marsh; theory, grade 2, honors, Deborrah Dockar; history, grade 5, first class honors, Mae Freer.

USE TIMES CLASSIFIED

Poster prize winners

THE Sechelt PTA poster prizes for Family Night posters which was open to students in Sechelt Elementary school from grades 4 to 7 have been announced. First prizes of one dollar and second prizes of fifty cents were awarded to firsts and seconds as follows: grade 4, Dandra Hemstreet, Susan Gibbs; grade 5, Janice Jaeger, Joan Gory; grade 6, Marilyn MacKenzie, Alan Hemstreet; grade 7 boys, Mike Corley and Robin MacDonald, Clint Booth and Elliot Truman; and grade 7 girls, Karen Kenteew, Rita Ono.

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Send resolution . . .

Censorship opposed by Sechelt P.T.A.

A RESOLUTION to amend section 150 (amended) of the Criminal Code will be submitted by the Sechelt P.T.A. to the B.C. Parent-Teacher Federation. The resolution, sponsored by Malcolm Mactavish, a teacher at Sechelt elementary, is in opposition to the resolution concerning obsenity and censorship as defined in section 150 (amended of the Criminal Code, approved by the BCPTF at their 1963 convention.

Mactavish's resolution which won the approval of the meeting reads: "Whereas section 150 (amended) of the Criminal Code is an infringement of the rights of a citizen to exercise the privilege of living his life with a minimum of interference from restricting and antiquated laws which are impossible to uphold, be it resolved that the BCPTF request the Government of British Columbia to repeal the amended section of the Criminal Code."

The resolution approved by the BCPTF at last year's convention reads: "Whereas obscene publications, including those which glorify violence as a means to an end, and which emphasizes sadism and sexual perversion, continue to appear on newsstands despite the amended section 150 of the Criminal Code; and whereas these publication are readily available on newsstands and may be purchased by children be it resolved the British Columbia Parent-Teacher Federation request the Government of British Columbia to appoint an Advisory Committee under the Attorney-General's Department, whose functions and responsibilities would be: (1) to review any publication which a citizen considers obscene; (2) to notify the distributor when, in the opinion of the majority of the members of the committee, a publication is considered to be obscene, and to request the removal of said publication from distribution and sale; and (3) to instigate court action if the distributors do not comply with the request."

FEDERATION'S STAND

The Federation states their concern is with the fact that publications which are considered to be obscene are available on newsstands and may be purchased by children.

In a letter signed by Mrs. Grace Allam, executive secretary, the Federation says: "It is our opinion the establishment of an Advisory Committee under the Department of the Attorny-General would serve as a means of enforcing the existing law and would not in any way involve censorship. Such a committee could (a) help to raise the moral standards of the community; (b) assist citizens wishing to lodge complaints concerning publications; (c) protect the public from over-zealous pressure groups; and (d) prevent the censoring of publications of literary merit."

Under section 150, the statuatory definition of obscene literature, "any publication, a dominant characteristic of which undue exploitation of sex and one or more of the following subjects—namely, crime, horror, cruelty, and violence, shall be deemed obscene."

According to the Federation, it is their understanding before any action can be taken under the Act, a complaint against the distributor must be entered in court. They feel this can be a costly procedure and not many people, regardless of how strongly they may feel in regard to a particular publication, wish to go through this legal formality.

MACTAVISH'S ARGUMENT

In speaking to his resolution Mactavish said "Our democratic system, which has taken many hundreds of years to evolve, and is indeed so doing, is a system and a way of life that is too precious to be tampered with, and I feel that censorship as witnessed in Germany" Italy, Britain and USA in the past and today in Ghana, Vietnam and South Africa causes far more bad than good."

He continued, "the BCPTF is attempting to lead a crusade that will help eliminate corruption and immorality in our youth. Unfortunately, in my humble opinion, they are working against the tide by trying to protect the young, when indeed they would be better employed if they worked systematically toward educating parents and potential parents. Furthermore they are invading the rights of the parents themselves. "The BCPTF is not only attempting to take over the privileged position of the parent, but is helping us, as parents ,to shirk the responsibilities we have voluntarily brought upon ourselves by bringing youngsters into this world. Surely, if we are mature enough to assume the duties of feeding, clothing, sheltering and guiding our youth and preparing them for the day when they must assume the mantle of adulthood, we must not be over-protective, but teach by example rather than telling, the way of life we wish them to follow."

DEFINITION

"Webster's dictionary," says Mactavish, "describes obscenity in several ways; (1) offensive to taste; foul; loathsome; disgusting; (2) offensive to chastity of mind or to modesty; expressing or presenting to the mind or view something that delicacy, purity and decency forbid to be exposed; lewd; indecent; as obscene language, dances, images; characterized by or given to obscenity; as, an obscene mind or person."

According to Mactavish, W. E. Henley, an English author of the 19th century, used the definition: "Obscene with sweat and grease and soot."

"After reading that definition, said Mactavish, "I must remember not to grease my automobile and then sweep my house chimney on a hot day. Who knows? Some courageous and upstanding citizen may feel duty bound to lay a charge of obsenity against me!"

Mactavish continued, "beware the attractive young woman who wears a swimsuit, wiggles when she walks, and goes for a swim at a public beach. If nothing else, she may be charged with undue exploitation of sex. I wonder how the human race survives. We must all be the products of sex maniacs."

"Crime, horror, cruelty and violence are being duly exploited all and every day on this earth," said Mactavish. "Surely our duty as parents is not to hide the shame of mankind, but to use it as an example of how not to behave . . . I say, expose all the badness, then, when it is visible, attack. If it is hidden its smell will soon give it away.

"Who gives our youngsters their impressions, good or bad, on obscenity? Adults. What they don't pick up from listening to snatches of dialogue from behind closed doors they pick up from the so-called advertising beamed out over the airwaves, coupled with adult conversation, gossip, double talk, and unanswered questions.

"Why should any group, no matter how well-intentioned try to ban any publication that may or may not be to its taste? Is it qualified to condemn the tastes, manners or morals of the general public? Is any group, no matter how well meaning, entitled to regulate the choice of everyone, even down to the intellectual level of a child?" concluded Mactavish.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions to be presented at the 1964 BCPTF in March which will be attended by Mrs. T. Lamb, president and Mrs. Martin Henry, were presented to the meeting for approval or disapproval.

The meeting approved resolutions dealing with recognition of educational psychologists by the Department with resultant departmental grants, the decrease of kindergarten pupil-teacher ratio from 30 to 25; the reduction of pupil-teacher ratio in elementary school from 38 to 30; the provision of dormatory accommodation rather than boarding allowance for pupils; the teaching of French in the early grades, the restriction of advertisements for smoking, the government sponsored dental care for all children up to five years of age, the improvement of working conditions for social workers, the creation of more centers for the treatment of retarded and emotionally disturbed children and encouragement of more students into social work thru scholarships and bursaries and the extension and research of the health and personal development program.

The meeting suggested an amendment to the resolution to add to the kindergarten curriculum to the enrichment of the kindergarten curriculum. They opposed the teaching of esperanto in BC schools and dispensing with schol referenda for capital school costs; the increase in age limits for drivers' licences from 16 to 18 and extension of use of adequately trained counsellors on elementary schools.

CANCEL FILMS

The National Film Board films will be discontinued next year due to transportation difficulties and lack of response from parents.

May Day was discussed. Mrs. S. Dawe was present and explained May Day plans thru the recreation commission were being abandoned because of too much criticism. No response was indicated by the PTA to organize May Day.

George Cooper, principal of Sechelt Elementary School, reported teachers had decided there would be no inter-school sports this year. If more enthusiasm is to be shown in community affairs, one person should not hold office on more than one committee at a time, a member felt. In her opinion this permitted a person to sabotage one project in favor of another and also curtailed community interest through participation.

J. D. DeShields, psychologist from Powell River, may be guest speaker at the May meeting.

Fives and tens . . .

Variety of scores at Sechelt alleys

LEAGUE SCORES this week at Sechelt Bowling Alleys were: Ladies League: Joan Joniewick 657 (252), Bev. Nelson 620 (263), Lee Redman 267.

Pender: Charlie Hauka 758 (330), Dick Wise 704 (293), Gordon Freeman 690, Laurie Granger 656, Isobel Gooldrup 624 (255).

Peninsula Commercial: Bonnie Wilson 746 (276), Dorothy Smith 780 (228, 264), Andy Leslie 739, Lorne Allen 277, Vi Budzko 271, Frank Wheeler 276.

Sports Club: Andre Dube 741 (306), Roger Hocknell 674 (287), Lil McCourt 647 (292), Harriet Duffy 251, Lawrence Crucil 645.

Ladies Matinee: Jean Robinson 642 (260).

Ball and Chain: Matt Jaeger 688, Marian Cook 626, Red Robinson 624, Aileen Bystedt 260.

High School: Alex Skytte 327 (165), Susan Read 396 (218).

Pee Wees: Gary Lawson 373 (212), Rita Ono 285, Penny Caldwell 154.

TEN PINS

Butch Ono 590 (214), Pelle Poulsen 571 (210), Mickey Baba 548 (212), Dave MacDonnell 523, Pete Jaekson 531 (203), E. Tyson 518, Randy Page 519, Roger Hocknell 522, Dick Gray 527, Jack Nelson 516.

At Sechelt . . .

Monthly meeting busy time for Hospital Aux.

SEVERAL new members were welcomed to St. Mary's hospital auxiliary monthly meeting by president Mrs. J. Redman.

People are advised to pick up their smorgasbord tickets early for the April 4th smorgasbord which will be held in the Legion Hall starting at 7:30 p.m. Tickets will be limited to six per person and will go on sale Saturday, March 28 at 10 a.m.

Volunteers to help prepare the hall on Friday night, April 3rd and clean up Sunday morning should contact either Mrs. G. Hall or Mrs. B. Fearnley.

Votes of thanks went to Mrs. McDermid for her work in the collection of Nabob coupons, where over 7000 were donated and two coffee urns, teaspoons and tea towels were obtained; to Mrs. S. Baptiste for her donation of tea towels; to Mrs. J. Clement of Gibsons for her donation of a bulletin board to be put up outside Hospital Cottage; to Mrs. L. Benner for Tupper ware party prizes donated to the auxiliary and to everybody who copied by-laws for members.

Raffle tickets for the clock radio and crocheted place mats will be drawn at April meeting. Tickets are still available.

An associate tea convened by Mrs. C. Connor is planned for June 17th at St. Hilda's hall to give the four St. Mary's hospital auxiliaries an opportunity to get together.

Membership deadline is March 31. The active membership fee is $1.50 and the associate membership fee is $2. Smart membership pins are available. Applications for membership can be made by writing to Box 198, Sechelt.

Pender social notes

MRS. Muriel Hatt-Cook arrived in Toronto where she will take up residence with her son Joe.

Roy Dusenbury is in hospital undergoing an operation on his knee.

Mr. Harper of Indian Isles Marina is in the Cariboo for a short time.

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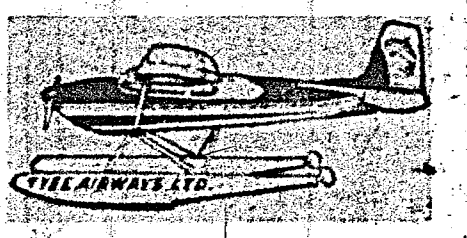

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Building permits

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perty to that purchased by Shell Oil.

ACCOUNT PDID

Accounts in the amount of $1885.63 were ordered paid. Of this $1117.65 is under winter works.

Council were advised Department of Health and Welfare and not Department of Municipal affairs should be the ones to make any changes in the T.B. act. Appointments should be arranged with Hon. Eric Martin.

A cheque of $667 was received from the right-of?way branch of the Department of ceived from the right-of-way for road construction purposes on the old United Church property.

The opening of the Kinsmen unit is postponed because Hon. Eric Martin is unable to attend on March 14.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fladager reported that one-third of the work had been completed on the waterline in the lane. There had been trouble with cave-ins. The standpipe will be removed and a tap off will be put in above the reducer to increase pressure on the Martin line.

Drummond reported progress on the airport. Trees on the east end of the runway, which constitute a danger to landing, are to be felled. A three room building is ready for occupancy by a caretaker.

Standard Oil have applied for formal permission from the Department of Transport to install gravity feed tanks. Drummond reported that Normington had advised that Ritchie's estimate on a power plant was ridiculous. Ritchie contended the figure quoted was B.C. Hydro's estimate. Application will be made for installation of a phone. More funds are needed to paint signs and socks.

Commissioner F. Feeney reported N. Harris was the new assistanct fire marshall replacing Bob Wilson who had moved out of the village.

Commissioner N. MacKay reported the pile driver would be here next week. He recommended the work in front of Solnik's be widened. The Chamber of Commerce are awaiting official government recognition as public reserve for the area for the proposed boat launching ramp. After inspecting the area MacKay felt parking space was going to be limited.

Village clerk Jules Mainil reported collections were the toughest he had encountered in five years.

Easter seal target $1,000

EASTER Seals are on the way, look for todays today.

The 1964 Easter Seal Appeal is the eighth to be sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Gibsons. The campaign committee includes: campaign treasurer, T. Henniker; publicity, W. Wright; and chairman O. Hincks.

In 1963 2700 householder appeals were mailed out with returns of $846.71. This year the target is $1,000.

Some of the services rendered include the Cheehalis Easter Seal Camp with facilities for 125 children a year and a fully qualified staff; Easter Seal House in Vancouver for treatment and diagnosis purposes; 27 Easter Seal buses which provide transportation for more than 600 passengers a day to schools and treatment centres, and in addition to these specific services, the Society provided assistance with special needs on the recommendation of sponsoring groups or doctors.

This is a proud record of service which is only made possible through the help and support of 52 service clubs.

Welcomes guests

GERRY GORDON welcomes guests and introduces the head table at then Pender Harbour Chamber of Commerce 11th Annual Smorgasbord.

Pender Harbour . . .

C of C smorgasbord well organized affair

AN abundance and variety of food and good organization contributed to making the Pender Harbour and District Chamber of Commerce smorgasbord and dance an outstanding success. Chairman of the smorgasbord committee and MC Johnny Haddock, urging everybody back not for second or third, but fourth helpings, regulated the self-service in a friendly and orderly manner.

Gerry Gordon, standing-in for president John Dunlop, who is on a Pacific cruise, welcomed and introduced the guests. Out of district guests included Art Taylor from West Vancouver, representing the associate chambers of commerce, and Mr. and Mrs. Al Vincent from Powell River. Grace was said by Canon Greene.

Royal Murdoch, first president of the Pender Harbuor and District Board of Trade and now secretary of both Pender Harbour and District Chamber of Commerce and Lower Mainland Chambers of Commerce, outlined the functions of these bodies in unorganized territory. In such area he felt the C of C has a definite function to promote projects for local benefit.

At the moment they are working to have the scenic Skookum Chuck area made accessible to both tourists and local residents. Murdoch feels the tourist potential should be more highly developed in this area.

Guest speaker of the evening, Art Taylor, welcomed the Peninsula chambers of commerce back into the associated fold and urged them to bring their problems to the associated board which represents 28 boards from here to Hope, BC. Taylor commended the chamber for their hospitality and community effort. He felt this type of organization had broader interests than those of other districts which are more highly organized.

J. T. Chippendale of Sechelt greeted the guests on behalf of Magistrate A. Johnston who was unable to attend.

The communiy Hall was gayly decorated in St. Patrick's motif. Mrs. Harry Hopper's night school painting class arranged a decorative display of their work which

Art Taylor

drew many favorable comments.

Door prizes were won by Mrs. Bathgate of Egmont and Jerry Wilson of Oyster Bay. Raffle winners were Rocky Duncan of Langley Prairie who won an electric skillet, Jack Fleming of Sechelt who won an electric tea kettle, and George Matson of Vancouver who won a barometer.

Selma social notes

MRS. Gladys Batchelor was in Vancouver visiting her mother Mrs. F. Cox, who is a patient in the Lions Gate Hospital. Mr. Cox is able to visit his wife every day. Mrs. Cox is recovering nicely.

Mrs. G. Sparrowe of West Vancouver has been visiting her daughter Mrs. F. Yates. While here she visited her old friends Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Gray. Mrs. Gray quietly celebrated her 80th birthday this month.

At Roberts Creek . . .

Community club elects slate-year a success

ROBERTS CREEK community club elected the 1964 slate of officers at the well-attended annual meeting held in the community hall. Elected were president, George Mould; vice-president John Forbes, treasurer M. Stevens (re-elected), secretary Mrs. J. Monrufet (re-elected), committee chairmen (flowers), Miss E. Harrolds, (roads), Albert Danroth, (library), Mrs. McSavaney, and (hall), Ernie Fossett.

Past president, J. R. McSavaney gave a report from the recreation committee covering the area from Port Mellon to Egmont advising a district director situated at a centrally located office will be chosen in due course with the provincial government helping out on expenses. McSavaney will continue as one recreation committee representative, the second will be selected at the next meeting.

Eric Prittie reported on the garbage meeting held at Selma Park, March 5. The outlined plan was endorsed by the meeting.

The financial report, presented by M. Stevens, treasurer, showed $2028.65 as the total expense for the year. The secretary, Mrs. Monrufet, reported 10 meetings were held during the year and attendance had improved. The association is anxious to have more younger people take an active part in the work.

Miss E. Harrod was thanked by the president for the good work she had done on the flower committee. The library report, given by Mrs. McSavaney, showed an increased interest in reading. The library is open on Saturday afternoons. The indefatigable hall committee chairman, Ernie Fossett, reported a lot of work done on the hall last year, with plenty more to do.

The past president's report indicated great possibilities in the athletic and recreation lines and plans are underway to enlarge the hall parking lot to accomodate the large crowds which congregate especially on bingo nights. McSavaney thanked all who had worked hard and cooperated willingly to accomplish so much work in one short year. The assembly gave him an unanimous vote of thanks was tendered the entire 1963 executive by Mrs. Grace Cummings.

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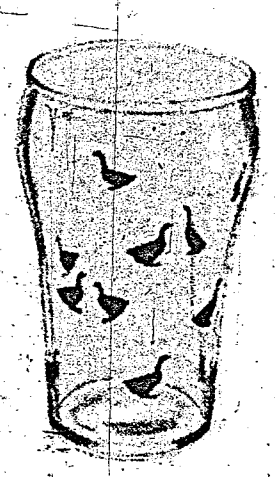

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