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Sidewalk luncheon

CONTINENTAL ATMOSPHERE predominated at the businessmen's luncheon put on by the Sechelt Hospital Auxiliary last Friday as local citizens enjoyed an excellent meal beneath lawn umbrellas set up along the sidewalk. Proceeds went toward the new hospital rapidly nearing completion.

Annual event . . .

Continental atmosphere for business luncheon

BUSINESS LUNCHEON held at the hospital cottage, June 26 proved a very successful venture and was the first attempt of this nature by the Sechelt Hospital Auxiliary. It is now planned to make it an annual event.

Work of clearing up the grounds of the cottage prior to the event was done by Ray Moscrip and Mrs. Hayward.

Something of a continental atmosphere prevailed with tables decoratively arranged around the cottage exterior including that fronting the street.

Large numbers of people turned out to give their support and to enjoy the excellent food served cafeteria style, the idea of convener, Mrs. O. Moscrip.

Commenting on the success of the luncheon, Mrs. Moscrip said she would like to extend a word of thanks to all members who donated food and who worked so hard to ensure the success of the undertaking. Also, thanks go out to those outside the auxiliary who loaned and helped set up chairs and other items of equipment.

This was the last event of this season.

Sechelt court . . .

Heavy penalties follow impaired driving count

IMPAIRED DRIVING proved a little expensive for three men when they appeared before Magistrate Andrew Johnston last Saturday. Apprehended by RCMP when seen to be driving in an erratic manner near Sechelt, Alfred Nolie of Sechelt entered a plea of guilty to driving a motor vehicle while impaired on May 28 and was fined $200 and $7.50 costs. He was also interdicted.

Charged with committing a similar offence June 25, Rober Groves Parker of Garden Bay, also entered a plea of guilty and received a fine of $200 and costs of $7.50.

A Gibsons man, Kenneth Webster Eidt, was fined $150 and $7.50 costs following a charge of impaired driving or 30 days jail in default.

JUVENILES IN POSSESSION

Two juveniles appeared before Magistrate Johnston charged with being minor in possession of beer.

Both were put on probation, one for three months the other six months, under the supervision of the provincial probation officer with orders to report weekly to the officer.

In addition to being in possession, one of the juveniles had broken a bottle with intent of scaring another person.

Swim classes start July 6

KINSMEN swimming classes get underway this year with first classes beginning July 6 with Miss Georgia Warn of Gibsons undertaking the task of swimming instructor.

Times for Sechelt are 9 a.m. to 12 noon and Davis Bay 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The Halfmoon Bay class will be held Tuesday July 7 frm 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Final registration will be $1 and payable at these classes. Next times and dates will be announced at time of registration.

Class 3 licence . . .

Local airline seek unit toll licence

HEARINGS HELD in Vancouver early in June by the Air Transport Board, received a number of requests applications and suggestions from various airlines which included application for a class 3 Licence by Tyee Airways of Sechelt.

It was also suggested by Tyee Airways as well as by other airlines that a regional officer of the board be appointed and stationed in Vancouver: his duties to include—assisting carriers in familiarizing themselves with the orders and regulations of the board: enforcing these orders and regulations: making a continuous assessment of day-to-day changes in the problems facing local carriers: and recommending changes in the orders and regulations to meet the ever-changing needs of the public and the carriers.

One of the problems facing many carriers outlined by Tyee Airways was the fact that in operating close to densely populated areas such as Nanaimo and Vancouver, local carriers become easy prey for larger carriers from those areas. Such carriers might, without safeguards not yet in existence, enter local base areas as a means of utilizing otherwise idle aircraft and not necessarily for the purpose of benefiting the travelling public.

It was also explained that 80 per cent of local traffic involves logging operations and is seasonal by nature. Operators in such an area have to handle the peak load periods yet survive the slack months. Therefore, any additional competition planned to take advantage of the peak periods could well effect adversely the existing charter business in that area.

The company feels that this type of competition could retard proper development of air traffic in the area, but does not think carriers should be protected from competition.

Protection and unit tolls were also discussed at length during the hearings, Tyee Airlines stating "Protection," when it amounts to prohibition, is not a desirable policy. This is where a carrier is granted an exclusive franchise to haul in or out of an area or between two points.

Route protection is not an immediate threat to the local airlines, at the same time. This type of route protection was granted B.C. Airlines at their Campbell River base about 18 months or so ago. This caused considerable hardship to well-respected local operators.

Granting of a class 3 licence would enable the airline to operate unit tolls as opposed to the present charter service. This, in effect, means a person chartering a plane to a designated point has to pay the full fare, regardless of the fact the carrier may have one or more passengers to pick up on his way back.

The carrier may repay the original passenger some of his fare later, but the process is both slow and cumbersome. On the unit toll, fares may be levelled out in advance so that each passenger pays an appropriate share of the trip, thereby making possible a reduction in the present rate structure.

Results of the hearings are expected to be announced shortly.

Three survive crashed plane

AN INJURED pilot and his two pasengers swam 600 yards to safety last Wednesday when their float plane crashed into Salmon Arm Inlet. The 21-year-old pilot, Allan Evans, a recent arrival from South Africa, received a number of cuts about the head and face but not seriously injured.

The two passengers, Gary Theil and his assistant Gordon Spriggs, carrying out a survey for the BC Hydro, received no injuries but lost all their surveying instruments although they succeeded in removing them from the plane before it sank.

After the trio reached shore, Evans walked half a mile barefoot to a nearby camp where he received first aid for his wounds. A boat was then dispatched from the church camp to take him and his passengers into Sechelt.

West Sechelt . . .

Water project reality if full participation

ANNUAL GENERAL meeting of the West Sechelt Waterworks District was held in the Sechelt school activities hall at 8 p.m. Thursday, June 25. There were two trustees to be elected to replace Mrs. E. Lonneberg who resigned and Mrs. J. Acheson who's term of office expired. A letter expressing the gratitude of the district for her capable and devoted services was to be sent to Mrs. E. Lonneberg and a vote of thanks was accorded Mr. J. Acheson. Mrs. E. Hayward was elected as trustee for two years and appointed secretary. Mr. Dennis Gray was elected as a trustee for a three-year term.

The chairman, Mr. C. Thorold reported that it would have been impossible to secure the number of consumers necessary to carry the repayment cost of constructing the proposed water system for West Sechelt, but late last year the federal government made available a sum of money for together with winter works participation will reduce the actual repayment amount by about $17,250 thereby making it possible for approximately 70 consumers, which is more of a reality than the one hundred needed initially to carry the repayment costs.

Bylaws of the district governing assessment, connection fees, taxes, subdivisions of land and the power to borrow money have been passed and approved by the water comptroller.

Hope was expressed that all property owners wishing to avail themselves of the water when the system is constructed would make application at the earliest possible opportunity. Participation to date has been very gratifying but it will require the greatest possible participation to make this proposed project a reality.

Presentation Tea for life member

A PRESENTATION tea was held at the home of Mrs. C. G. Luckan, Davis Bay Hill on Monday, June 22, honoring Mrs. Alice Batchelor with a Life Membership pin in the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 140, Sechelt, representing the men's branch and the Ladies Auxiliary. Mrs. Batchelor was also the recipient of a bouquet of exquisite roses. A sumptuous tea was served with Mrs. C. Mayne and Mrs. H. Roberts pouring at the urns. Other members present included Mrs. D. Thompson, Mrs. J. Gibson, Mrs. M. Cook, Mrs. M. Hansen, Mrs. D. Browning, Mrs. V. Massent, Mrs. E. Foster, Mrs. N. Kennedy, Mrs. M. Leaman, Mrs. F. Ritchie, Mrs. G. Ritchie, Mrs. F. D. Kydd, Mrs. A. A. French, Mrs. I. Biggs, Mrs. D. Erickson, Mrs. P. Handford, Miss B. Burrell, Mrs. M. Swiggum, Mrs. G. Gray and Mrs. J. M. Murphy.

Alberta visitor lands 38 lb. Tyee

TWO rare visitors to these parts met last week-end when Dr. Amy Fong of Edmonton, on her first visit to Sechelt, made the acquaintance of a 38 lb. Tyee salmon while fishing a short distance out from the Tillicum Bay marine resort.

This was Dr. Fong's first attempt and her catch was one of the largest caught for some time in the area, certainly the largest this year.

The doctor who is in B.C. attending the Canadian Medical convention, has always wanted to see Sechelt and took the opportunity of accompanying her brother, Roy Fong of New Westminster on a fishing trip to this district.

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Editor, The Times.

Sir—May I take the opportunity to thank you for the publicity gained and the accuracy of copying the reports I have sent in since your paper started.

Your co-operation has been very much appreciated and the results have been most gratifying.

(Mrs.) SHIRLEY FEARNLEY
Publicity officer,
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Quotes & Comment

By Vito Cianci

FOR A NUMBER of years before I started this column in The News, I did a page for the "B.C. Teacher," the monthly organ of the BCTF, under the same title but written under a pseudonym.

I used a pseudonym because at that time I felt that it was more important for the readers, what there were of them, to consider the ideas being expressed rather than the identity of the writer. This led to a number of vastly entertaining situations, since it was a long time before any of my colleagues suspected that I was responsible for the stuff, and even then only a few spotted me.

It was great fun to listen to some of the columns being torn apart at the lunch table or in the staff room. Sometimes the teachers were even in agreement with the opinions expressed, and on one memorable occasion in a staff room argument, one of the fellows quoted my own words back to me to back up his side of the discussion.

As I remember, there were two or three occasions when the current president of the BCTF hit the ceiling with a stern letter to the editor of the magazine about something he was touchy about, and that I had ribbed a bit. He never did find out that I was responsible for the comments, although I talked about one of the topics with him at convention time.

One of the more spirited exchanges of opinion happened when I made a lot of rude remarks about "The Lady of the Lake" as a literary choice for Grade 8. There was rousing defense of this well-known epic from a teacher somewhere in the wilds of Vancouver Island, backed up by enthusiastic comments by members of his class. I countered by saying that this didn't prove the piece was any good, but only that the teacher must have been a man of superative skill and persuasiveness to be able to put it over so well.

Two years later this man showed up in Powell River in the person of one Norman Macpherson, and thus began a fine friendship.

I suppose the most exciting and satisfying episode connected with my writing of the page for the "B.C. Teacher" was to find great chunks of the material quoted by Hilda Neatby in her book "So Little for the Mind," which came out about ten years ago.

She had been condemning a lot of the professional writing, and the ideas expressed, and then explained that fortunately not all professional writing was of this calibre, that occasionally there were sound ideas to be found in teachers' magazines.

In proof of this statement she quoted from the Alberta Teachers' Association journal, and selections from my pieces in the "B.C. Teacher." She filled nearly five pages in her book with these quotations and her own comments on them.

I went around purring to myself for weeks after that; feeling only a little frustrated at not being able to share this excitement with anybody.

But there came an end to this happy state of affairs, when the August editor decided that my material was getting too controversial or something, and that I should maybe give it a rest. Looking back at it now, I must say that I was sounding off pretty volubly that last year. In addition to "Quotes & Comments" I looked after a question-and-answer page, and wrote a monthly "Open Letter." So I packed it up, with the feeling that there should have been space for controversy in a teachers' magazine, but bowing to editorial judgement nevertheless. And as you see, there's still room somewhere for "Quotes & Comment."

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People places & things

—By Rosy and Alex Simpkins

ANNIE USED TO spit her food out. Now we can't fill her up. She is crawling all over and runs around in her walker. One tooth is in sight and she likes to bite on it. The six-month-old Times, born the same week as Annie, is getting around pretty fast for its age, too. Reports have come in, of it popping up from California to Alaska, from Victoria to Halifax, and quite a bit of globe trotting in Europe.

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We were telling Mrs. Andy Murdoch of Honeymoon Road about the bobcat which Ian Cattanach had shot at his house in our Stone Villa subdivision on Rosamund Road. So Mrs. Murdoch told about the wild life on her property. She was busy with her month-old son when her small boy called from the porch, 'Come quick, there's a big insect'. 'Step on it', says mother. 'It's too big. It might bite me.' Mother runs out and finds a baby mouse with it's eyes not yet open.

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Mr. Fletcher, senior, long-time resident of Wilson Creek, who gardens for Mrs. Charlotte Jackson was giving me some gardening hints when he noticed my Vine Maples. These were brought over from North Vancouver, where they grow profusely, by my brother Bill Ovans. Mr. Fletcher said he hadn't seen any of them growing on the Sunshine Coast. At least one other person has them Capt. John Bunyan, Pratt Rd., Gibsons.

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The grass grows greener on the other side of the fence! We met a charming lady in a gnome house set on a hill. It had a breathtaking view of the sea, sky and highway. It is the kind of spot where anyone could be happy: but her desire is to have a place down on the beach where she could feel the pound of the waves. Yesterday we were in a beautiful home on the waterfront and the people would like to find a place where they could see the sea but get away from the noises, winds, and high taxes.

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My sister Marguerite and husband Charles Sutton are leaving for two months holiday in England. They have given their Staffordshire address and have explained that they do not want to miss a single copy of the Sechelt Times.

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On Fathers' Day, Alex and the boys went fishing to Gambier Island. A couple of salmon did what they were expected to do. The little lanes on the island are winding and picturesque. There are 20 cars on the loose and no place to pass. The inhabitants are expecting a head-on collision any day now. What appears to be needed more than anything else are handymen and woodcutters. Land is not expensive, people are very friendly, pioneers are needed.

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We went to see Mr. Harry Batchelor's building ground, Tuwanek beyond the road's end. Here campers buy water-access lots, on a hillside fit for side-hill Gougers and Woof-woof birds. A black bear and cub shuffled off into the bush. Billy said, 'Let's catch the cub 'But that was 80 years ago', and raise it, like your dad did.' 'Well dad, is that where cousin Jim got the name Jasper?' 'Well Jasper was Jim's own brainchild, which sprang from the history of the original bear Eva which my dad found, brought home in his pocket to Winnipeg and raised on cow's milk'.

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Things noticed in the past week include:

A swallows' nest above the light bulb on the porch of the Gibsons dentist office. Two figurines of loggers sawing log. Power is supplied by fast creek. There is a sign over, 'Not on strike'. A field of strawberries on Mason Rd. in West Sechelt, which is a sight worth photographing. A car from New Jersey and big trailer from California.

Last week a piece of land, $1500 in Davis Bay, was sold to a Vancouver man, sight unseen. This has happened several times this year. We wish we still had land for sale for it looks like a real estate boom is getting underway. In 1910 there was a boom in North Vancouver. Lots were bought and sold on the ferry. We met a man who bought such a lot, sight unseen, without road, light or water. He paid taxes until 1954 and sold them at a profit. It is better not to buy in a boom, but buy before the prices go sky high.

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Years ago some young men were climbing a rock face near our B.C. Mountaineering Club cabin on Grouse Mt. One fellow broke a leg. The mature members frowned on this sort of thing, since it reflected on our reputation. Also they pointed out that the articles of incorporation expressed the purpose of the club was to study the flora and fauna of the B.C. coast. As a matter of fact, Tom Fyles of Hopkins Landing was one of the original members to bring the delights of the Black Tusk meadows and Garibaldi to the attention of the outside world. There is no room among proper mountaineers for stunt men, and a poor fellow who drills holes in shear rock and dangles about on ropes after dark can only come to a sorry end. This sort of thing has little place in the most fascinating of outdoor non-competitive sports, where the most important aspects are development of heart and lungs, good fellowship, and exploration.

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I was an automobile accountant for years and so can appreciate the superiority of making a living out-of-doors. The subdividing of land in unorganized territory here is a needed occupation and one which can be just as agreeable and satisfying as bricklaying. The surveyor will draw up the necessary forms and make application to the Dept. of Highways. No lot should be less than 15,000 sq. ft. as otherwise a water system may be mandatory. A water system requires the blessing of the Public Utilities Commission. Swamp land may need drainage or get a rejection from the Dept. of Health.

Every lot must have proper road access, unless it can be classified on the waterfront as a water-access-lot. There is a definite minimum road frontage dimension related to the lot depth.

Road to be built will become the property of the Dept. of Highways.

So they must be 60 feet wide, fully cleared and debris burnt. They must be properly ditched and gravelled. Permanent culverts, concrete or steel, must be constructed as ordered. An additional 33 foot slice down any property edge may be requested along with a demand for cash to cover cost of clearing such a future road allowance. If the proposed sub-division faces a highway, an entirely new road will be requested, parallelling the highway.

When the Highways and Health Departments have accepted the subdivision, the necessary papers having been signed by the property owner, Dept. of Highways and the surveyor are sent to Victoria for final approval.

After a few dozen transactions have been recorded the Income Tax Dept. will come calling for a hand-out. On approved subdivisions the Hydro have run power lines free of charge. If you plan to subdivide it is advisable to calculate all these costs before a price tag is put on the lots.

Middle age is the time when a man is always thinking that in a week or two he will feel as good as ever.

Weekly Rambles

—by Tom Jones

JULY IS NEARLY here but summer isn't, not according to the clouds in the sky or the behavior of the family cat. The sky is blue in spots with a thick looking thundercloud that appears to mean business, and the family cat has found a dark corner in the house to sleep in.

The lack of summer weather has not deterred visitors from coming to see our town.

Mis Edna Bourque of Vancouver is visiting her friends Mr. and Mrs. Leo Johnson and family and will be here for July 1.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Lamb and family will be going on a holiday this month. Maybe they will have better weather with dehydrated sunshine.

Chuckie Pottet and Walter Kohuck have started on a trip and won't be around for a while.

Mrs. Janet Marshal and her daughter Jill visited Mr. and Mrs. Harold Nelson and family last week.

Later last week Mrs. N. J. Nelson had her daughter Mrs. Ester Bertram and her grandson Johnny visiting her home.

Lack of good weather will not hold up the swimming classes either. Rain or shine the first swimming class will be held on July 6.

Alice Potts, Heather Patrick, Gail and Valerie Swanson, Leslie Cobligh and Heather Espley left on the 8:30 ferry Sunday on their way to Sorrento on Shushwap Lake fifty miles east of Kamloops. They will be going to the Sorrento Lay Training camp as a work party. While there they will work on the grounds, do some Bible study and take part in recreational activities.

The choir of St. Hilda's had a picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dawe on Saturday afternoon.

Rev. D. F. Harris dedicated a communion service on Sunday as a gift from the congregation to commemmorate the recent ordination of the Rev. J. B. Fergessen as a priest of the Anglican church. Mr. Fergessen has been at St. Hilda's for the past year.

Mt. Andrew's fellowship to be formed in the St. Hilda's Anglican Church.

Sylvia and Pete Jackson entertained at a garden barbecue in honor of Mrs. O. Erickson (Auntie Dorothy) who recently celebrated a birthday. After dinner callers were Fran and Alan Jackson and Sue and Billy Woods.

Bob and Lorraine Tyson are in from the Queen Charlottes and were also visitors at the Jackson home on Dolphin St.

Davis' Ottawa Diary

By Jack Davis, M.P.

WHILE THE FLAG issue has been capturing the headlines Parliament has been hard at work on other things. It passed the Columbia River Treaty in jig time. Then it turned to another and even more important matter—slum clearance in the heart of Canada's bigger cities.

Up until now the emphasis in new construction has been on the single family dwelling—the typical 3-bedroom suburban home. More than a hundred thousand units have been built every year since the end of World War II—principally in the outskirts. Over 90 per cent of these new homes have been put up to house people of average means and the well-to-do. Only a few per cent—less than 10 thousand—have been built in what might genuinely be called re-development areas. This isn't even a beginning when one thinks of those hundreds of thousands of Canadians who live in the blighted areas of our bigger cities—in substandard homes some of which should be condemned and most of which are in need of repairs of one kind or another.

Slum clearance is an expensive business running to several hundred thousand dollars an acre in our more congested downtown areas. And there are operating losses. Our city councils couldn't really face up to the expenditures involved and they kept putting off the day when they would have to tackle these schemes in a really big way.

Now they will have no excuse for dragging their feet. Ottawa will meet part if not all of the operating losses associated with urban renewal. It will make special loans for the installation of new sewage systems. All buildings don't have to be torn down. Some can be face lifted instead. And it will no longer require that housing re-

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The Time Has Come . . . . To Talk of Many Things; of Shoes, Ships, Sealing Wax, Cabbages, Kings

Wednesday, July 1, 1964

Fashion Reverts To Stone Age

THE CYCLE is almost complete and it but remains for topless swimsuits to be outdated by bottomless swim-suits to end up where it all started, in the stone age.

Britain has joined the "back to nature" fad by contributing the topless cocktail dress which has already caught on to the imagination of those who delight in bucking society regardless of the degradation involved.

The moral implications of the approaching bare bosom era are not as serious as might be generally considered, for in very short time it would be become accepted as a way of life, whether desirable or not.

Only problem awaiting the ladies once they finally reach rock bottom, is, where will they go from there? Over the years they have sought means of attracting the male of the species by revealing more and more of what nature bestowed them with; they have now all but exhausted their resources.

With no more secrets to reveal and having reverted to the fashionable attire of their jungle counterparts, it would seem the next spectacular advance by the fashion experts will be strings of beads, naturaly at first, of a clear nature and later, as daring prevails, obscured beads.

All being well, by the end of the century, the little lady should have again reached the stage where knee length skirts will have caused an outcry from the moralists of that time.

This fluctuating craze of prudity to nudity is indeed good business for the clothing industry but it surely must raise something of a smile among the so called primitive and uncivilized native women who save a fortune by retaining nature's clothes through the centuries.

Christmas Spirit Revived

PERTURBED at the sorry manner in which the oldtime spirit of Christmas is falling by the wayside in the tidal wave of commercialism, business man and councillor of Gibsons, Sam Fladagar, came out last Christmas with a suggestion which he felt would help maintain, to some extent, a concept presently facing oblivion.

Taking into account the numerous lodges, clubs and institutions in the district, Fladagar put forward the idea that one or more of the groups undertake the project of erecting a large wooden cross on top of the "Bluffs," Illuminated with colored lights, the cross would be seen for miles and would not only help remind people of the Christmas story, but could be retained as a Gibsons landmark.

This was undoubtedly an excellent suggestion with lots of merit; nevertheless, the idea like many others failed at the time to make first base and was, to all intent, forgotten.

Last week the proposition was given light of day when a local man approached the councillor with a view to discussing possibilities of actually going through with the project.

It is hoped one or more of the institutions get behind the scheme and carry it through to completion for it would indeed be an admirable accomplishment.

Capital Makes Jobs

SINCE THERE exists a degree of uninformed public prejudice against profits, Ottawa's proposed surtax on foreign dividends may be politically popular. But in its inevitable consequence of discouraging foreign investment, responsible critics charge, this tax policy may be disastrous.

The government's proposal, in brief, is that for foreign-owned companies that do not offer to sell at least 25 per cent of their shares to Canadians by the end of 1964, the withholding tax on dividends to non-residents will be raised from 15 to 20 per cent.

One outspoken critic of this policy of hostility to foreign investors is Eric Kierans, minister of revenue in the Quebec Government. "Of all the returns from new investment," he said in a recent speech, "dividends are the least." If foreign money builds a new $50,000,000 pulp mill, he went on by way of specific example, the owner's dividends may come to $1,000,000 a year. But the public's gains would be much greater: an estimated 1,500 new jobs, and indirect employment for hundreds more; $10,000,000 a year in wages and salaries; $3,000,000 a year in tax revenues; the annual purchase of $15,000,000 worth of raw materials and services.

Capital makes jobs, and it will require a great deal of capital—much more than Canada can supply on her own—to expand employment to the predictable labor force growth over the next decade.

Phony War

THE CHARGE that there is widespread poverty in Canada, says a professor of economics at the University of Western Ontario, is a myth concocted by social workers who want to create jobs for themselves and by the sensational press, which wants to increase circulation. He might have added also that some politicians have been making exaggerated statements on the subject, hoping to win votes by implying a monopoly on sympathy for the poor.

"Despite the advertising campaign about poverty," Professor John Madden told the Canadian Conference on Social Welfare, "it's everybody's judgment for himself. Nobody can say scientifically who is poor." It is a valid point. Living costs and living standards vary from province to province, from village to city, from family to family. Some people can save money on an income that leaves others in hardship.

But if, for the sake of argument, we take a $2,000 annual income as the poverty level, Professor Madden pointed out that 87 per cent of Canadian urban families are above that line. Further, only 38 per cent of individuals living outside of families receive less than $1,000 annually. Those figures, he contended, do not justify a massive government crash program, the "war on poverty" of the political speeches and sensational headlines. Rather, he argues, we should do the obvious and fairly easy things that need to be done—such as higher pensions for the needy poor, or allowances high enough to enable a widow to bring up her children with dignity and education.

It is a tragic paradox that, with all the spending of public funds on welfare and security programs (more than $4,000,000,000 annually at all levels of government) we fail to do enough for some. The cause, of course, is that the principle of universal programs—equal aid to all, regardless of need—not only deludes us into believing that poverty has been relieved, but leaves far too little for the really needy.

HIGH AMONG the reasons for thoughtlessness, cloudy judgments and mental confusion is that all too few persons set aside time to do some hard thinking. To do your job well, whether it be as a homemaker, student, farmer or executive, you have to set aside some period each day, however limited, for reflection and stock-taking. This daily "thinking time" is a must if you are to measure up to the challenges of your day-to-day personal responsibilities as well as the more profound implications of why you were born, where you came from and where you are going. If thinking does not come easily at times, take heart from what Robert Blatchford said in 1903: "It takes longer to think clearly than it takes to learn rifle shooting, round-arm bowling or piano playing."

as Quoted

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. . . food for thought

Don't be afraid to take a big step if one is indicated. You can't cross a chasm in two small jumps.

—David Lloyd George

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

What They Don't Know

(West Virginia Hillbilly)

IT WAS terribly sad. Here somebody was nosing into things and found that these families were living on some property that Mrs. Lyndon Johnson owned. The houses were classed as shacks. There seemed to be no plumbing as better people know plumbing, and, well, the people were underpriviledged. Only they didn't know that, see? So the reporters tell the old man how bad off he is. He shakes his head. He saw nothing wrong. He thought Mrs. Johnson was a fine woman to give him a house to rent cheap, only five dollars a month, which is a good tip in a night club for over privileged people who don't live in shacks. The reporters went away shaking their heads, and the underprivileged families shook theirs. But they'll be back, the reporters, and soon they will get through to the people that they are really underprivileged and that Mrs. Johnson is a Shylock. And the man will move into a house which isn't a shack with running water and get him a television set and watch plays about men with problems and frigid wives. They will get steady jobs and moonlight a little bit and get their ulcer ration. Once in a while they will have a minute to rest and think about a little old shack down in Alabam' where that nice Misses Johnson treated everybody so good and where you didn't have no worry all day. The moral might be found somewhere between a hospital that wakes a patient to tell him how sick he is and the fact that the most active battleground for the war on poverty will be fought on the front pages of the newspapers.

A Magic Carpet

(Fraser Valley Record)

THE Better Business Bureau has warned that certain firms that sell carpeting are understood to be operating in the Interior of British Columbia.

In many cases these contracts will be a follow up of a very heavy direct mail campaign which has brought many replies. Extravagant claims are made as to savings to be made and the quality of the carpeting which will be supplied. If householders are approached they should, the Bureau advises, take the following steps—

Ask the salesman to show them a tradesman's licence for your area.

Demand and retain a sample of the floor covering offered for comparison with the material delivered.

Take the time to check price and quality very carefully before signing a contract.

Do not be rushed into signing a contract simply because "This is your last opportunity".

Do not accept any salesman's statements or promises unless written into and forming part of the contract.

By source, tax payments made to the old age security pension fund for the year ending March 31, 1964, were: sales tax at manufacturer's level $327 million; personal income tax $302 million, corporation income tax $116 million; total $745 million. Pension payments from the fund in the year totalled $809 million.

Rain Drops

The raindrops run with hasty feet,
Along the slanting roofs,
Sounding like the hurried beat
Of tiny unshod hoofs.

Down they drop onto the ground,
To hurry on their way,
For they have lots of work to do,
Before they've time for play.

They have to scrub each dusty flower,
And wash each blade of grass,
And water all the thirsty roots,
As on their way they pass.

And when the world is washed and clean,
And all their work is done,
Away they run to find a stream
And have a bit of fun.

Here they toss and roll with glee,
And fill the air with spray,
Just like a lot of children on
A summer holiday.

For their little hearts are joyful
Because they're going home,
To the rolling sea which feeds them
On ice cream made of foam.

Little Boy Houses

Houses are more than just four walls,
Topped by a roof where raindrops fall,
For some are bright and jolly and gay,
With windows that gleam in a friendly way.

But some are snooty and coldly stare,
At passers-by from their windows where
The curtains are hung with so much care,
You're sure that no little boy lives there.

Then others are built as if they'd found,
A secret treasure 'neath the ground,
And vainly tried with skulking mein,
To keep their gold from being seen.

Then some look cross, as cross can be,
With roofs pulled down forbiddingly,
You're sure that if you dared to stop,
They'd bite off your head, with a big loud CHOP!

Maybe you don't believe it's true
That houses act like they oughtn't to,
But you'll find it true as could be,
If you were a little boy like me.

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Round about the town

—By Ed Green

ONCE AGAIN A fatal accident has occurred on the Sunshine Coast highway when a semi-trailer truck ran out of control and turned over on the Halfmoon Bay hill. The how or why of it might never be learned because the man who could give the answers died. However, one fact stands out clear; the driver could have lost control.

Many will challenge the last part of the last sentence but a hard analysis of it will bear out the truth in it. The dictionary gives many definitions of control but they all boil down to the one thing; restraint under all conditions.

How much restraint has a mere mortal on a 30-ton vehicle plunging down a long hill at even 40 miles an hour? None at all if the least thing goes wrong. If the tractor brakes are perfect but the driver loses his air on the trailer he might have a chance to stop the unit on a level road but he dare not put his foot on the brakes on a downhill run or it will 'jack-knife' and crash. Any one of a dozen things can happen and all have the usual result, a crash.

There is nothing more deadly than today's highway speeds. Authorities say the speed doesn't hurt you. That's true but the sudden stop can and does. On a straight stretch of smooth highway you seem to be going at a crawl at 60 or 70 miles an hour. The moment you realize you are travelling at too great a speed comes when something looms suddenly up ahead. You have no time to even think. Where now your control?

It is laughable to watch many of today's super-drivers tooling along at 50 miles an hour with one hand lightly on the wheel and the other propping up their chin from the window sill. They airily tell you they have everything under control with power brakes and steering. All they need is some power thinking because no man or woman has anything under control with only one hand on the wheel. Let a front tire blow and where are you?

Today's motor vehicles are as safe as the engineers and designers can make them. If there were only some way of making the driving public as good we would be getting somewhere.

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"You say," the boss roared, "that you have a thousand reasons why you should have a raise. Name me ten."

"A wife and nine kids," said the man and got his raise.

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One of our local merchants who gave up smoking for health reasons on being asked how he felt, replied: "It might be good for your health but the way it looks now is that I am going to be the healthiest patient in Essendale."

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"I didn't call him anything, your honor," the defendant told the magistrate. "All I said was that on my way back I would stop at the butcher shop and pick up a bone for his mother."

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Where does Selma Park end and Davis Bay begin? It isn't as simple as you think. The bus company will sell you a ticket to Davis Bay but the moment you come up the long hill you are in Selma Park and another 15c is due. If you buy a ticket in Sechelt for Selma Park the driver wants another 15c before he gets to the top of the Davis Bay hill. There is a 2,000 foot gap of No Man's Land.

Since the end of World War Two more than 60,000,000 people living in countries within the British Commonwealth have assumed complete independence.

SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 46 (SECHELT)

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1963

Exhibit A

REVENUE FUND

ASSETS

Cash on hand and in bank	$ 13,956.98	
Accounts receivable	3,687.68	
Prepaid expenses	10,708.66	
	$ 28,348.32	

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

Accounts payable	$ 9,895.08
Accrued debenture interest	12,626.50
Surplus — Schedule 1	4,498.70
Owing to Capital Fund	1,328.04
	$ 28,348.32

CAPITAL FUND

ASSETS

Cash in bank	$ 18,928.48	
Debenture debt recoverable	12,000.00	
Discount on sale of debentures	16,913.35	
Fixed assets — at cost:		
Sites	$ 163,051.56	
Buildings	1,349,683.92	
Equipment	208,545.42	1,721,280.90
Owing by Revenue Fund		1,328.04
		$1,770,450.77

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

Debenture debt — Schedule 2	$ 698,600.00
Surplus — Schedule 1	1,071,850.77
	$1,770,450.77

Exhibit B

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1963

REVENUE

TAXES:		
Provincial Government — rural area	$619,715.00	
Village of Gibsons Landing	37,580.00	
Village of Sechelt	23,704.00	$680,999.00
GOVERNMENT GRANTS:		
Basic, capital and debt	$144,211.00	
Department of Health	3,135.42	
Department of Education	116.80	147,463.22
MISCELLANEOUS:		
Rentals	$ 3,592.29	
Dental Fees	793.15	
Sundry	44.00	
Night School Fees	558.00	
Tuition fees	3,850.00	
Grant in lieu of taxes	324.00	9,161.44
Excess of expenditure over revenue — carried to Schedule 1		13,967.27
		$851,585.93

M. F. Ball, Chairman

Anne Burns, Secretary-treasurer

B. W. M. Bone, Auditor

EXPENDITURE

ADMINISTRATION:		
Salaries	$ 14,466.75	
Office expense	3,277.63	
Trustees expense	5,450.90	
General expense	13,666.87	$ 36,862.15
INSTRUCTION:		
Teachers' salaries	$428,586.98	
School clerical salaries	7,206.99	
Teaching supplies	23,961.94	
Other teaching expenses	7,886.05	467,641.96
OPERATION:		
Janitors' salaries	$ 53,787.90	
Janitors' supplies	4,494.27	
Light, power, water, fuel	24,980.74	
Insurance, rent, etc.	8,667.49	92,385.40
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE:		
Grounds — wages and supplies	$ 6,579.13	
Buildings — wages and supplies	37,367.42	
Equipment — wages and supplies	6,577.98	
Sundry	3,103.46	53,627.99
CONVEYANCE OF PUPILS:		
Outside contracts	$ 67,522.00	
Other conveyance expense	2,142.95	69,664.95
AUXILIARY SERVICES:		
Health	$ 8,455.93	
Board and lodging	910.00	
Correspondence courses	486.00	
Retarded children	587.00	10,439.83
NON-OPERATING EXPENSES:		
Payments to other school boards		2,243.10
DEBT SERVICES:		
Debenture principal	$ 55,200.00	
Debenture interest	35,807.45	
Debenture discount amortized	1,175.54	
Bank charges	843.36	91,926.35
CAPITAL ACCOUNT:		
Expenditures on sites, buildings and equipment		27,699.20
		$851,585.93

Along Peninsula . . .

Man made attractions tourist eye catchers

MOST DISTRICTS have some little focal point of interest which in so many cases is a man-made attraction, often by one particular ingenious individual or group of people. It is a credit to these people that they put themselves out to the extent of providing their community with eye catching attractions.

The Peninsula certainly has no Leaning Tower of Pisa or Taj-Mahal. It does however, apart from natural beauties, have a number of items of interest, created by homeowners who have taken pleasure in establishin gsomething a little differen.

Many visitors continue to stop and admire the working model of two loggers sawing through a log, in the Roberts Creek area. This is the handiwork of L. M. Gray, who has occupied his home for the past 38 years.

This almost life-size working model is a simple but novel idea and is operated by a small jet of water ejected through a pipe by gravity from a nearby creek. Brightly painted, the attraction has been in operation for almost five years.

Gray, who previously lived at Elk Bay, Vancouver Island, is now retired and has a property to be proud of. Another attraction not so visible from the highway is an ornamental pond complete with dummy fish, ducks and tortoise, and surrounded by artificial flowers. Gray has not yet finished for he has plans for other attractions in the future.

Closer to home, in West Sechelt, the front garden of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Murray is a delight to the beauty lover. Eye catcher of his attractively fenced lot is a pair of large glass containers with plastic flowers. Rest of his garden is a profusion of flowers and shrubs.

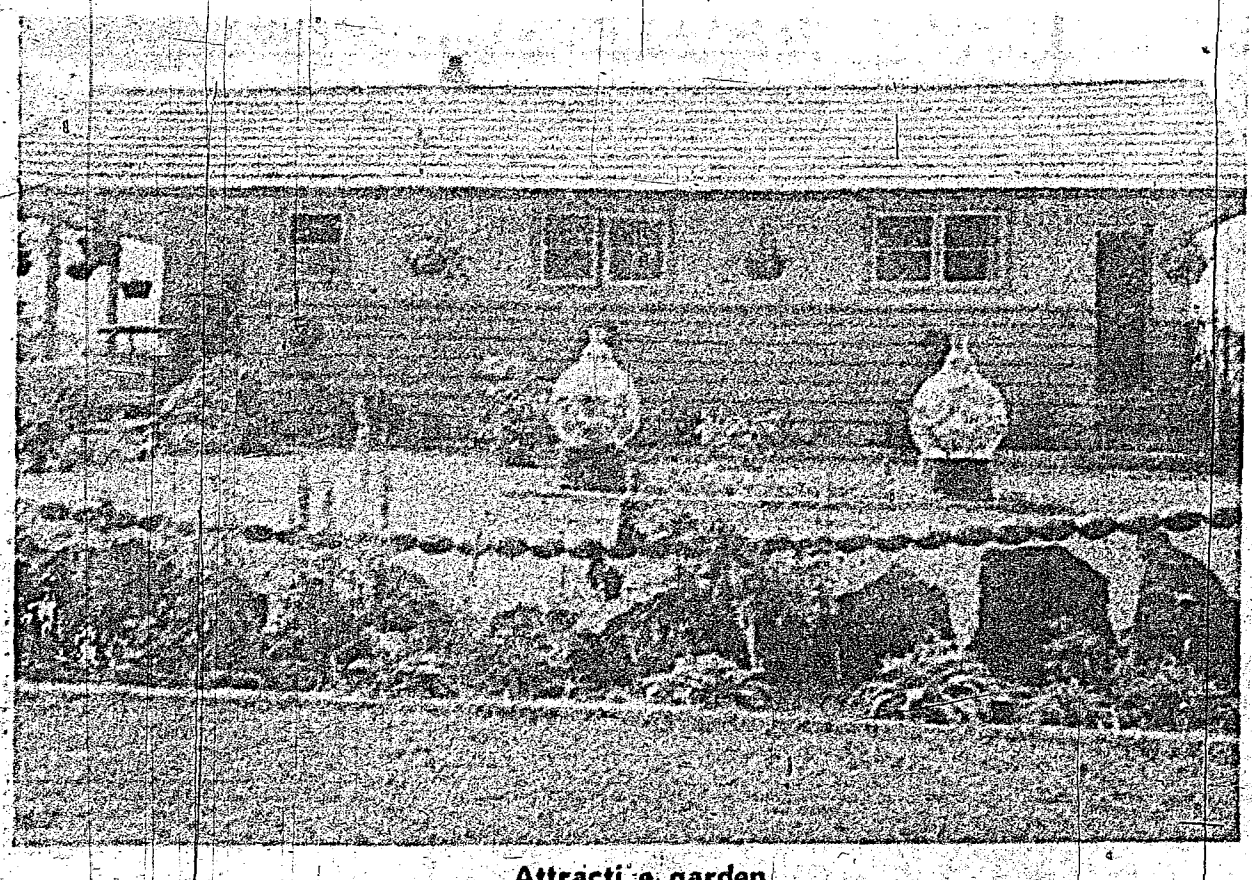
The glass container, which have been an established showpiece for the past three years, were originally brought over from England. Murray, who came to Sechelt from the Nanaimo area, obtained his idea from his brother who has a similar attraction. A Nanaimo dentist also has such a container, but he uses his as a large goldfish bowl.

Further down the highway, another novelty serves as quite a landmark. This is a model of a wooden cannon, the brainchild of Assistant Ranger William G. Brown and is situated between Halfmoon Bay and Middlepoint.

Commanding the highway from both directions, the cannon was manufactured from an old cable spool and a cedar log. It has occupied a position up on a large rock for the past four years, and will soon be joined by a smaller addition, which Brown is currently constucting.

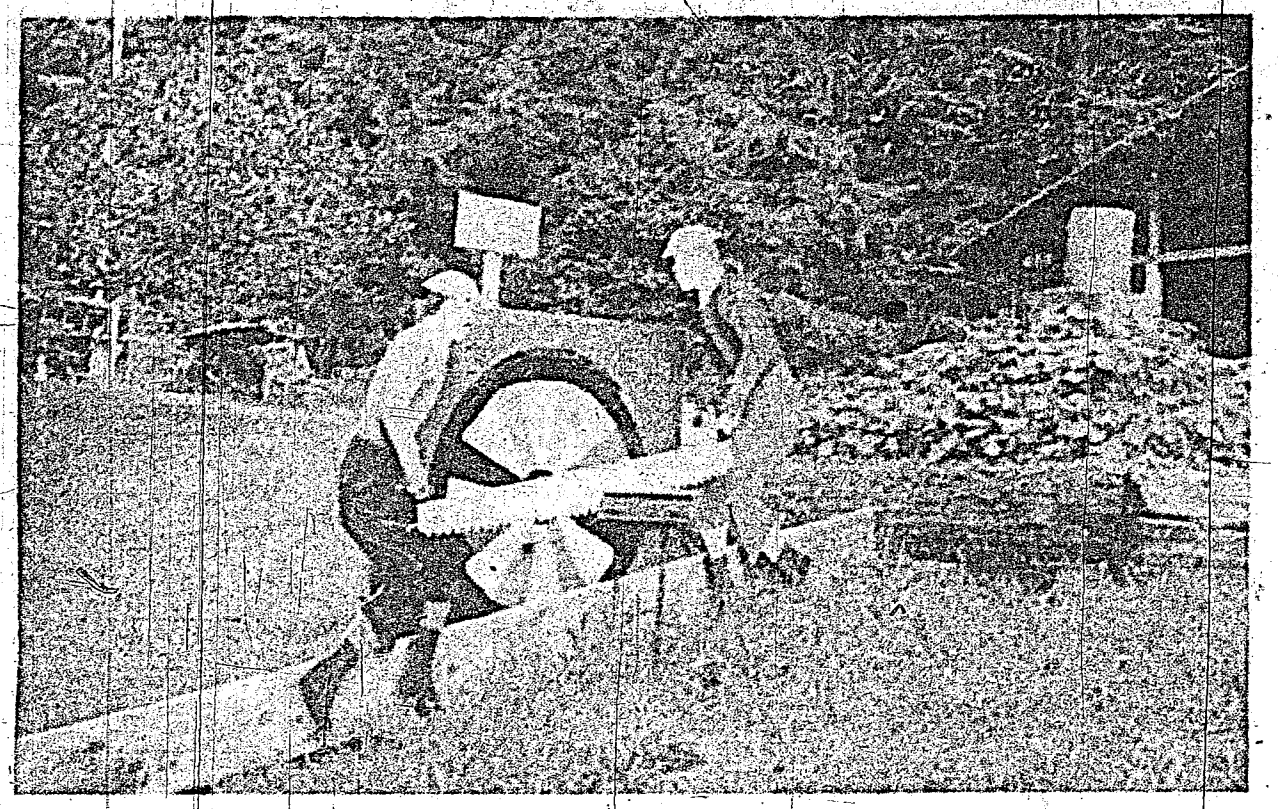
These are but three examples of what a little imagination and work can accomplish. There probably are many more throughout the Peninsula but possibly not as predominantly situated.

Numerous visitors to the district will remember it from these examples of man's ingenuity. They are to be congratulated for their endeavors.



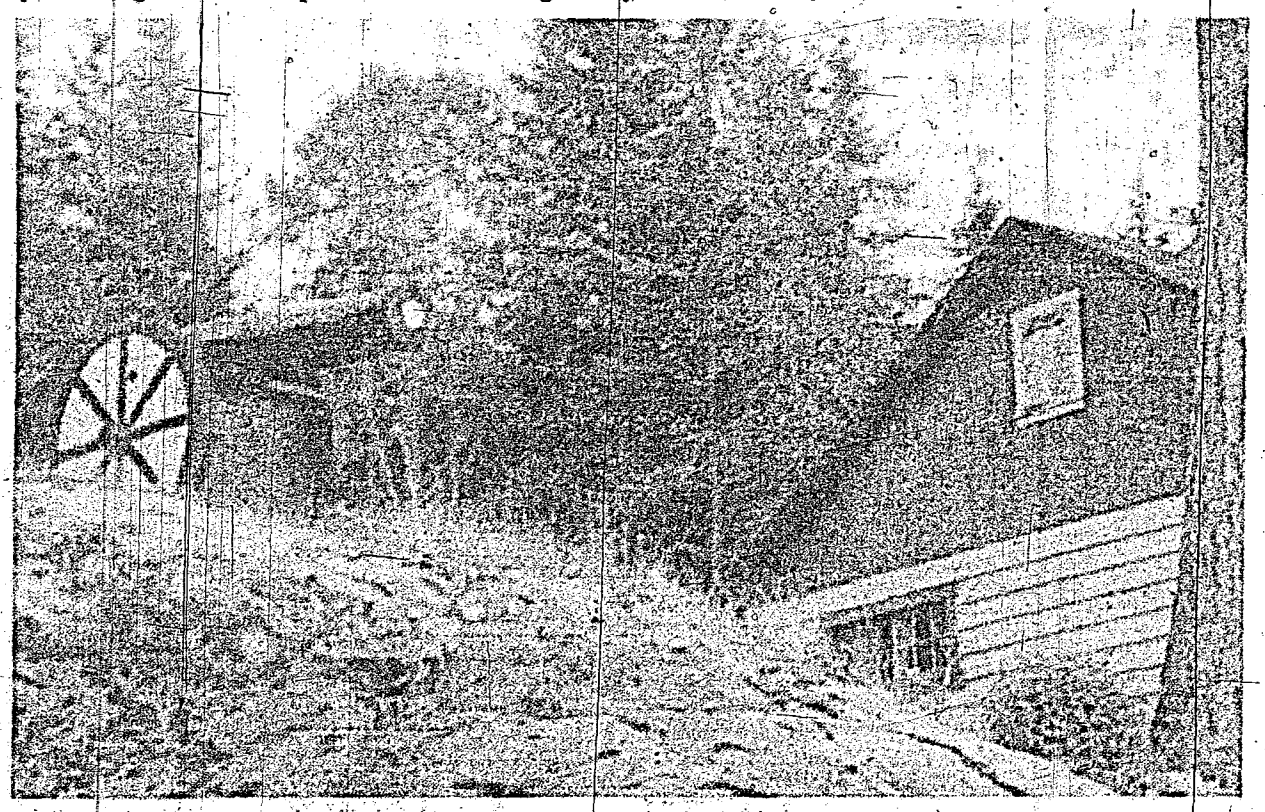
Attracti e garden

THESE TWO LARGE glass containers arrest the progress of many visitors, with their vivid display of plastic flowers they grace the garden of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Murray of West Sechelt.



Loggers at work

SOURCE OF interest to residents and tourists alike, this working model of loggers at work was constructed by Mr. L. M. Gray of Roberts Creek more than four years ago and is operated from a gravity fed water jet.



Cable spool cannon

SITUATED UP ON a high rock, this dummy cannon, manufactured from an old cable spool and cedar log by William Brown of the Halfmoon Bay area, has been a landmark for the past four years. Mr. and Mrs. Brown resided for 20 years in Gibsons before moving to their present home.

MORE ABOUT . . .

Davis' Diary

from page 3—

place housing. Industry and commerce can be encouraged to move instead. All that is needed is a comprhensive plan —one that fits into an overall scheme for the metropolitan area in question and the necessary help will be forthcoming from Ottawa.

There will be low interest loans for the rehabilitation of existing homes in selected areas. Assistance will also be given to non-profit organizations willing to provide shelter for people in our lowest income groups. But enough, perhaps, has been said to indicate that a fresh look is being taken at the problem of slum clearance in Canada. The provinces, all of them, are willing to co-operate. So are our various political parties. This vital legislation is therefore as good as passed. Soon it will issue in a new era in respect to urban development in this country.

"You must wear a swim suit when tanning on the roof of the hotel," the Las Vegas hotel matron told the young model.

"But why? We're high enough."

"You were lying on the dining room skylight."

In Your Garden

—By your gardener — The Old Rake

THE ROSE IS one of the most long suffering plants we grow. There are probably more wrong things done to roses than to anything else in the garden. The summer care of the Queen of Flowers should be aimed at keeping the foliage clean and the blooms at their best for as long as possible.

As prevention is better than cure, the spraying program should begin after the pruning in April. Whether you use the old fashioned lime sulphur or one of the new preparations made exclusively for roses makes no difference, what really counts is the fact that unless spraying is done regularly there is no guarantee that it will do the job properly.

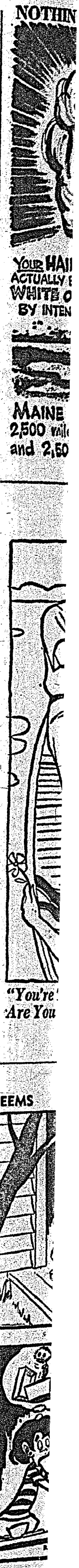
Black spot is the worst enemy of rose foliage. Just as the name indicates, it is recognized by black spots on the leaves, which soon turn yellow and fall to the ground. The worst thing you can do is to allow these diseased leaves to remain on the soil or to work them into it. This is as sure way of keeping the disease in your rose beds. All leaves infected with Black Spot should be removed as soon as they are noticed, and burned, never put on the compost pile. Dusting often gives good results, but some gardeners object to the residue that is left on the leaves, all in all systematic spraying is the answer to Black Spot tree roses.

Aphids often appear on the end of the new growths and buds, these can be taken care of by spraying with a soap and nicotine solution.

When cutting roses for the house, don't be afraid to take a good length of stem and if this is cut above an outside bud it will keep the bush in the proper shape. The morning is the best time to cut flowers and they will last longer if they are cut before they open up. Keep spent blooms cut off and when you come to the last flower on a stem, cut it back to where there are five leaves and to an outside bud. An examination of your bushes will show you that when you come down to five leaves you will find an eye that is swollen and ready to grow.

The leaf roller is easily spotted by, as its name denotes, a leaf rolled up tight. As spray can't reach them it is better to remove the leaves and burn them with the caterpillar inside. All sucker growths that come from below the grafts should be removed at the point of origin.

Spending by all governments in Canada, exclusive of intergovernmental transfers is estimated at $13.6 billion in 1963, an increase of $683 million over the previous year; combined deficits of all governments were $877 million



NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH — by Arnold

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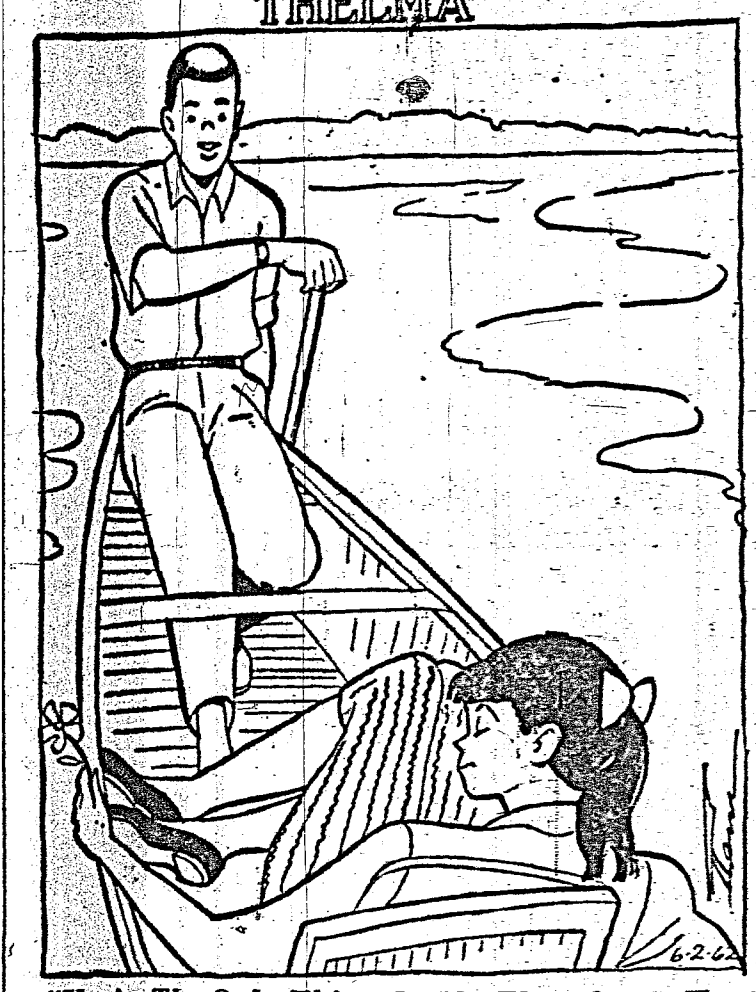
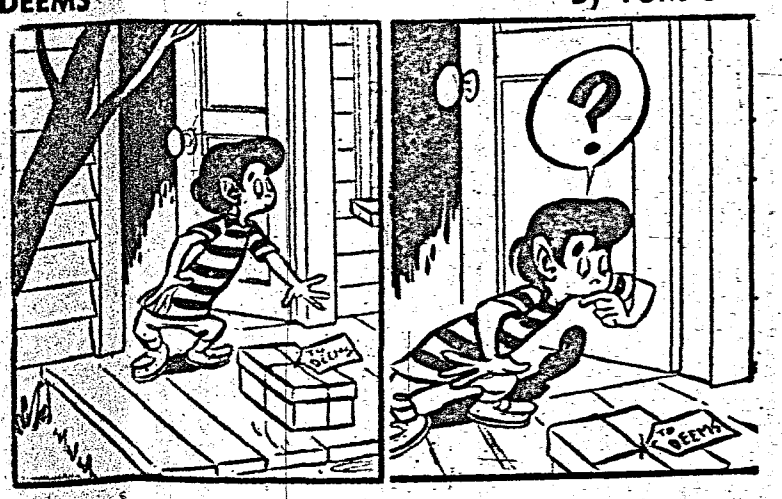
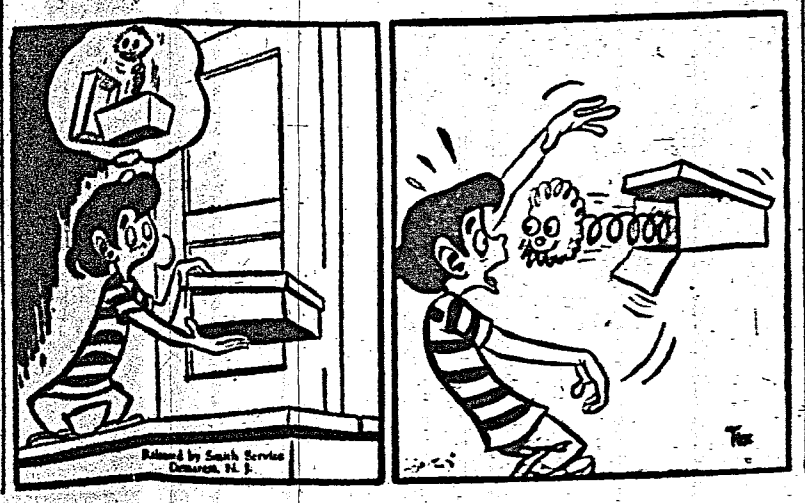


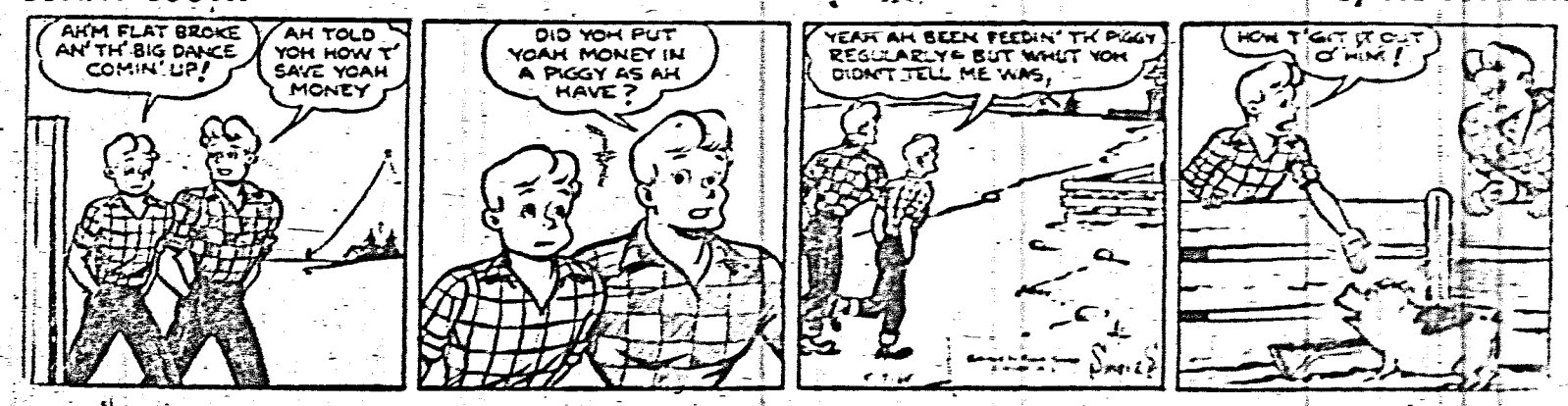
"You're The Only Thing In My Thoughts — Hey Are You Sitting On The Lunch?"

DEEMS — By TOM OKA



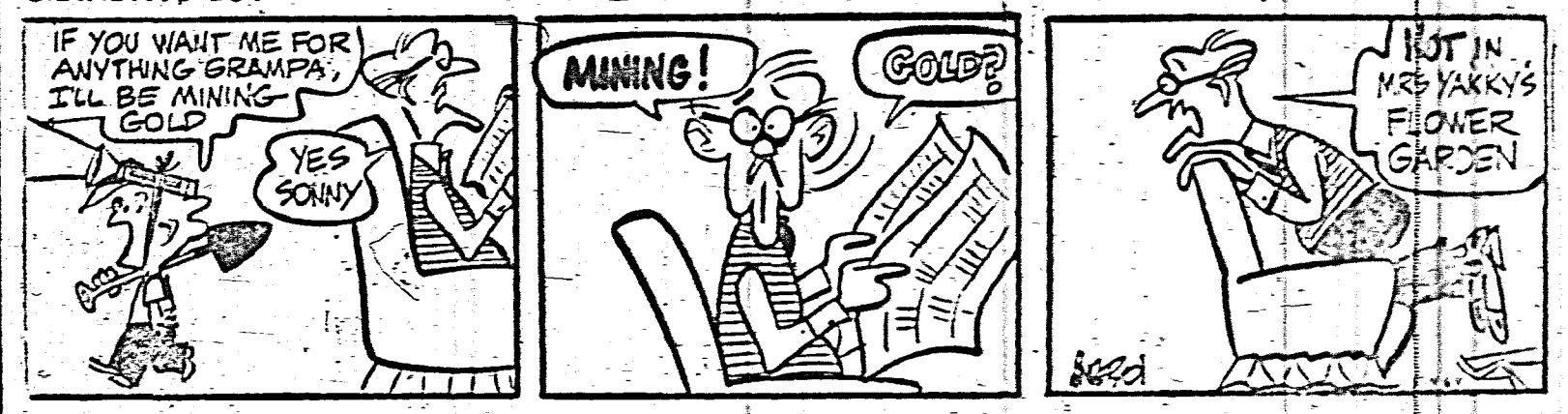


SONNY SOUTH — by AL SONDERS

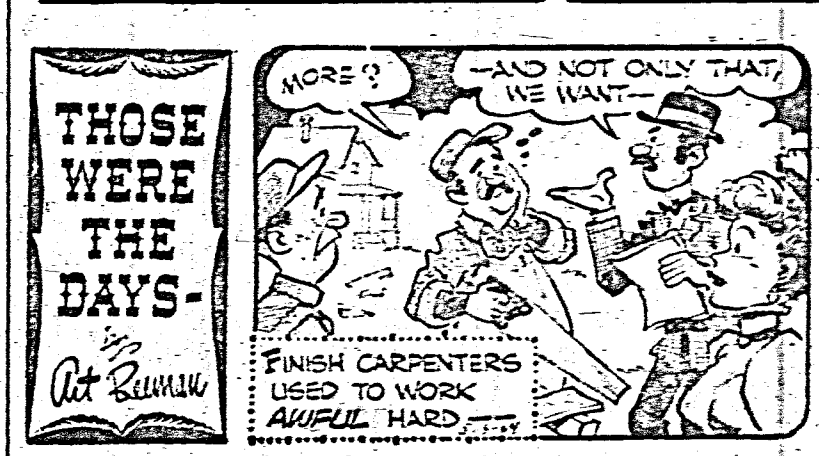


GRUBBY — BY WARREN SATTLER

GRANDPA'S BOY — by BRAD ANDERSON

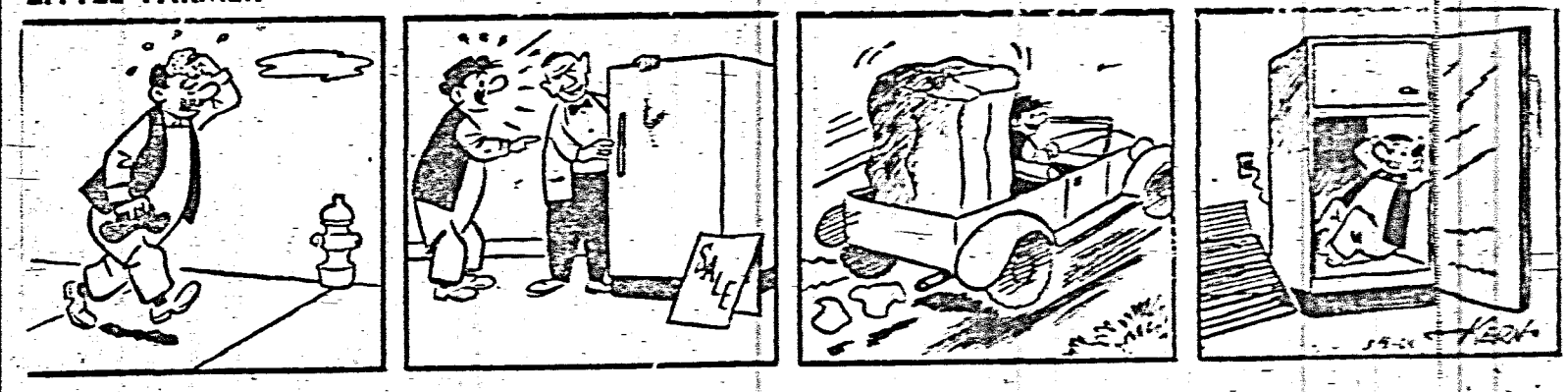


THOSE WERE THE DAYS — by Art Berman

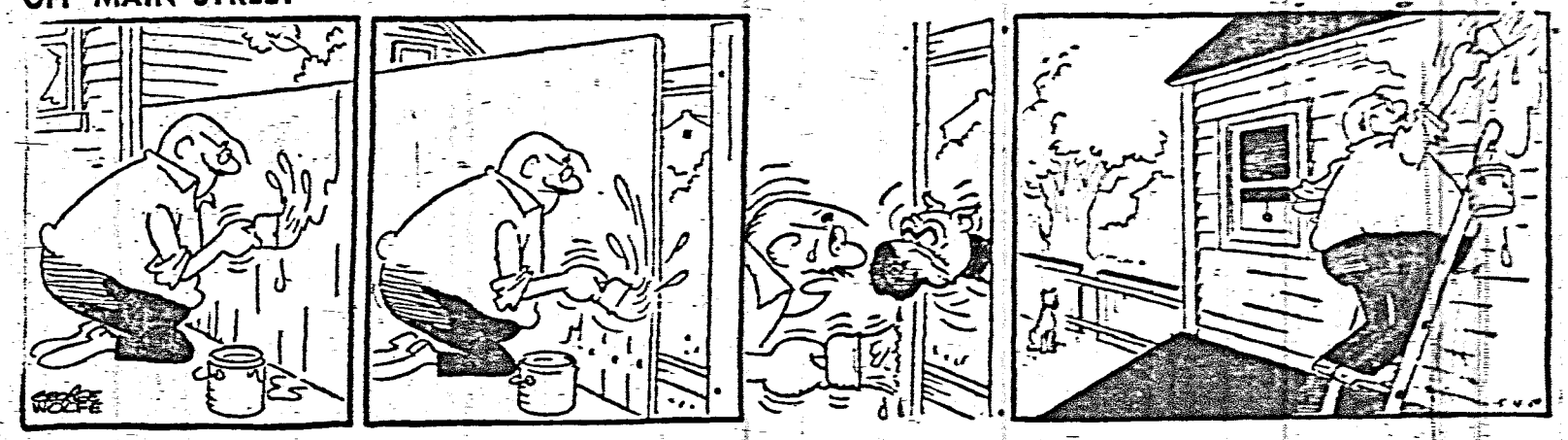


But now- WOW!

LITTLE FARMER — by KERN FEDERSON



OFF MAIN STREET — by JOE DENNETT



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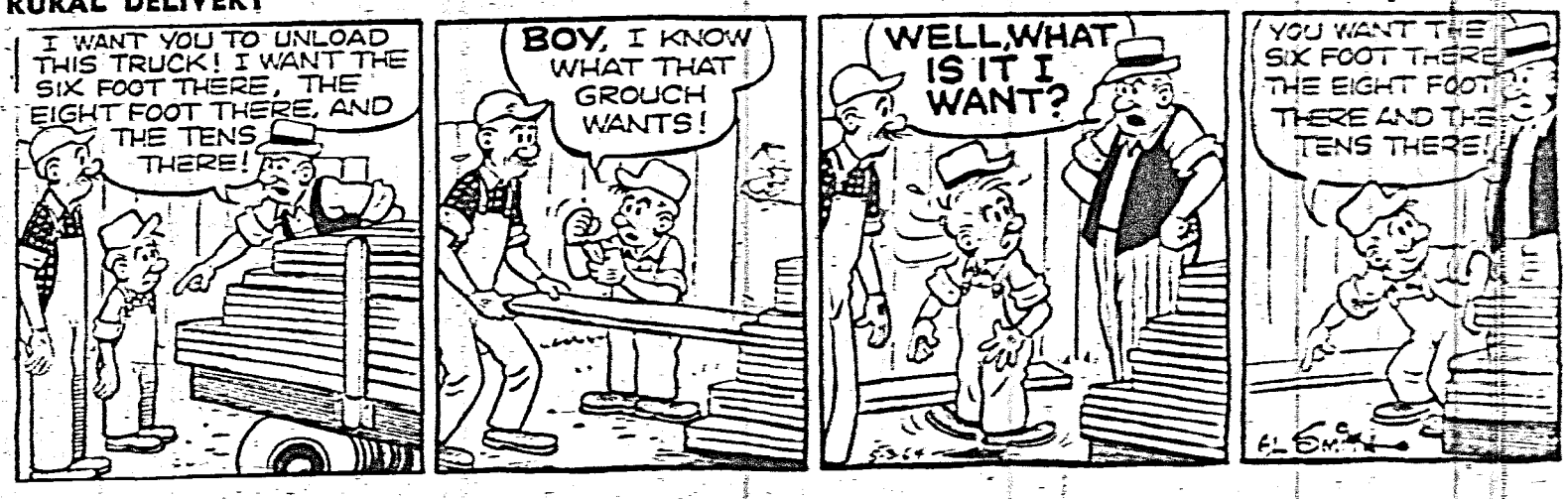


Selma Park chatterboxing

—from here and there

BROTHER McGURTY of residential school off for two months to visit his home in Scotland . . . Father MacDonell of Mission will be leaving for trip back to Nova Scotia and points East, for next month . . . Miss Barbara Lindholm, teacher at Mission school, will be leaving for Calgary, taking along with her "Murphy," her German shepherd . . . Mrs. Seymour who has taught on the Peninsula for the past 13 years, will be taking her family, and stopping at Tofino, where she will visit her son, he is taking teacher training course at UBC, and will be going back next year for his third year . . . they will then motor to Coal Harbor, where for the time being Mr. Seymour is . . . At present time they will be just taking camping equipment until they are sure of a permanent spot, if that's possible in the fishery dept's. plans . . . Mr. Seymour plans on a long rest, after her many years of steady teaching . . . She sends her best wishes to all her many friends on the Peninsula, and especially her many pupils . . . we wish her God Speed, and hope it will be "Happy Landings . . . "

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Yates take off for Calgary next week, with their family, visiting along the way, and then to their daughter, Wendy and her husband . . .

Scenes of sadness and joy, at the departure of the students of mission school, some going north, some south, many leaving and not returning . . . Many not too happy about leaving, and would be happy to stay, but school closed for the summer. Sisters taking their well-earned rest, all was a confusion of good-byes and farewells for those not returning, many going to higher grades in Mission school, or Kamloops, where they have higher grades . . . Sorry to see them leave, they have grown up for past few years in the school, and it is a wrench to see them go, to wonder what the future holds for them. They are very smart pupils, and with a little moral support will go on to bigger and better things . . . We wish them all the best in the future . . . Along with the children went three kittens, progeny of the school "matron" "Sylvester" named long before she proved herself . . . She was a very sad mother all day, kittens went so fast, she didn't realize it for some time . . . So besides sad hired help, we have a very sad and lonesome cat . . .

A workshop will be held at residential school for coming week, over 20 boys and several priests will be in residence . . . workshop for boys who have leanings towards a vocation of priesthood, to give them instructions and an outline of life in the seminary, to help them make their very important decision . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Irving, Gary, Home visiting at Ben Langs . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Lang away to Williams Lake for the weekend . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Alf Gary down from Powell River for the wedding of Elsie Blomgren and Walter Loitz of Gibsons . . .

Well our liquor store is open in Sechelt . . . Will have to go in and browse around some time, and admire the pretty bottles on the shelf, that's the extent of my shopping, they'd never make their salt on my purchases . . .

After this weekend, have to start dreaming all over again, they didn't draw our ticket, oh the dreams we have, spending all that money, without a hope in the world. But then guess that's what life's made of—dreams . . . . And I guess many many times that's what keeps us going . . . Hard reality is too much sometimes to face . . . Maybe next time . . . We keep telling ourselves . . .

A little suggestion to our "card" stores, wouldn't it be possible to stock a few more Mothers' Day and Father's Day cards, in the near future . . . several of our late shoppers, and there are always these among us, were very badly disappointed, when at the 11th hour went for cards, and were told there was no more . . . That store did not want to stock too many . . . after all, better to have a few over, than so many disappointed customers . . . or maybe I'm speaking out of turn . . . Just a suggestion . . .

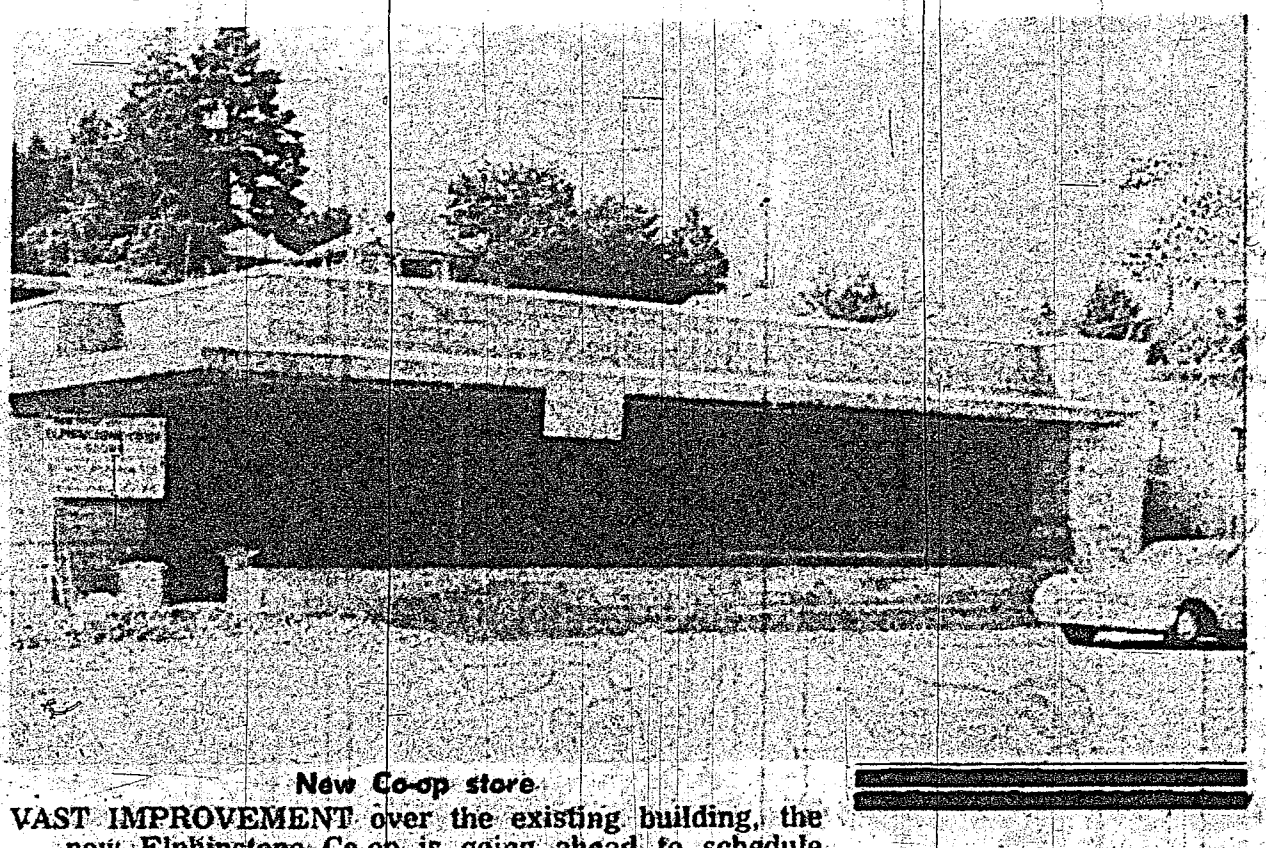
Looks like two more new stores for our main street . . . Hope they are going to be occupied, little sad to see "empty," stores in the area . . .

Ray Rankin hopes to enter UBC next year where he plans to major in sociology, and eventually get his BA . . . Ray finished grade 12 at McGee in Vancouver . . . We wish him all the best . . .

Dan George from North Vancouver, addressing a meeting of over 200 representatives of various tribes on Vancouver Island, at a meeting where a formation of Legion of Mary Society was formed . . . told of two little Indian children, who had no religious training, getting lost in the woods, they decided to pray, trying to remember what they had heard from a nearby church hall . . . Kneeling down they began "Under the B 21 . . . under the B 21 . . . sound familiar?

Prize and raffle during garden tea

MRS. T. W. Ritchie of Selma, will hold a garden tea on Monday, July 6 from 2 to 4 p.m. There will be a door prize and small mystery raffle. A charge of 35c will be made to augment the Ladies Auxiliary funds to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 140 of Sechelt. Everyone welcome.



New Co-op store

VAST IMPROVEMENT over the existing building, the new Elphinstone Co-op is going ahead to schedule but opening date has not yet been set. Next to the Gibsons Bank of Montreal, the new building will feature lots of paved parking space and will be fitted out with the latest possible in equipment.

Hatfmoon Bay Brevities

—News and Views

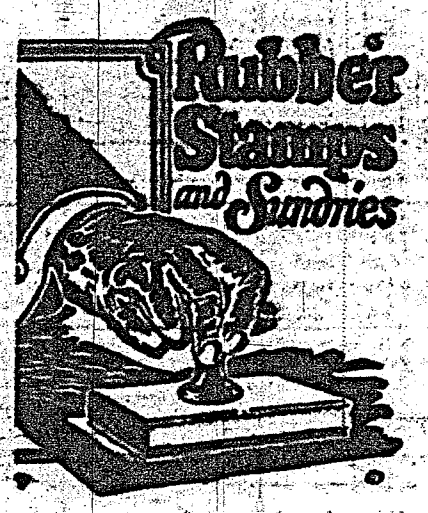
MRS. FRANCES FLEMING, principal of Pender Harbour Secondary School, will be at UBC this summer to act as counsellor to a group of principals of small high schools who will be there taking a short course in administration. This helps show the quality and ability of teachers we have in the area.

Dave Steen, Canada's best shot putter, who was a teacher part time at Pender last September and a friend of many people throughout the Peninsula, will be unable to represent Canada this year in the Olympics at Tokyo. A serious attack of infectious mononucleosis has laid him low and because of this he will be unable to compete for several more months.

Already this year a boat from the area has run out of gas several miles from shore and had to get help from a boat close at hand. Around this area it is fairly easy to get help because of the number of boats in the vicinity but there are still a number of people who do not think very clearly about water courtesy.

The unwritten laws here follow those of the road in many ways especially in that they are mainly based upon common sense and regard for fellow boaters, ignoring peoples pleas for aid or even such a small thing as crossing over or getting in the way of a fishing line while they are landing a fish may cost a person loss of time and money and may discourage them from returning or from recommending the area to friends.

Realizing that it is quite often the visitors who do this to themselves we hope that they along with everyone else will realize that little things may mean a lot out on the water.



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Ottawa report

The News' Ottawa bureau

CANADA'S BLUFF Minister of Agriculture from Calgary, the Hon. Harry Hays may lack polish and experience as a Parliamentarian. He has a knack of getting himself and the government into mild trouble with naive answers that leave him exposed to opposition broadsides.

But what he may lack in this field he makes up in imaginative ideas that rival his predecessor, the Hon. Alvin Hamilton, who never lacked them.

Mr. Hays latest is due to go understudy by the Agricultural Committee of Cabinet very soon and seems likely to get full cabinet approval before Parliament adjourns for the summer recess.

It is legislation to allow the Farm Credit Corporation to make loans to purchasing co-operatives formed by farmers who make arrangements to share the use of costly farm machinery such as combines. Interest on the loans would be at economic rates, perhaps between six and seven per cent, but the financing would be infinitely less costly than the 10 to 18 per cent that many farmers have to pay to finance companies. It will also make available to the individual farmer modernized machinery that he could never, otherwise afford to buy.

STIFF PRICE

And it is at this point that Mr. Hays used his imagination. The House of Commons Committee on Agriculture in its last session took a look at farm costs that turned a record shattering gross cash income on the farm last year into a decline in net income. One of the major troubles, for the eastern farmer, it found, was feed grain.

By the time the milling companies had turned the western grain into millfeed the farmer, in spite of a heavy transportation sudsidy, paid a price so stiff that livestock feeding in the summer months was almost unprofitable.

Farm machinery companies are now looking into suggestions that they might manufacture a mobile feed mill. It would be costly, probably in the neighborhood of $20,000. But purchased co-operatively, it might solve one of the major problems of the farm.

There's many a slip between an idea and legislation, still more likely slips between an idea and an end product but that's no reason for not pushing both.

'GOOD FATHERS'

The third edition of Canada's pension plan has one great advantage over its brothers. It was born alive and will survive and grow in the paternalistic smiles of its joint godfathers, Prime Minister Pearson and Premier Jean Lesage. The first plan was stillborn. The second survived to the stage of legislation that died on the House of Commons' order paper.

About three quarters of the new plan represents acceptance of the Quebec provisions, (which Ontario Premier Robarts expressed such a liking for) the other quarter, compromise betweer the Quebec and Canada plan. But it must be admitted that its last state is better than its first. The main trouble may be that it is too good. Higher benefits and contributions are going to make it more difficult to integrate the Quebec plan and the Canada plan with private pension schemes.

Barring an unexpected dissolution of the Parliament at Wesminster inclusion of survivor and disability benefits in the plan are now assured. The bitter flag debate was interrupted almost at the start to whisk through the necessary petition for an amendment to the British North America Act.

The Quebec Legislature, having been given details of the federal government's survivor and disability plan gave its consent after a one-day debate.

DEATH BENEFIT

These benefits will cover a death benefit to the estate of up to $500 and payments to a disabled pensioner from time of disability to age 70 of 75 per cent of the full pension he would have received at 65 plus $25 a month. For those earning less than $400 a month the total benefit is larger than the pension, for those at $400 it is the same, and for those at the maximum pensionable earnings it is $1.04 a month less. At age 70 the $25 a month is replaced by $75 a month old age security and he switches to full pension.

In addition, survivor benefits arise on death of husband as follows:

1. To a widow aged 45 to 65 or at any age if there are children—$25 a month plus 37½ per cent of husband's pension had he contributed until 65. Maximum total of $64.06 a month.

2. To a childless widow younger than 45—the above amount less 10 per cent for each year she is under 45. At 25 she gets nothing on her own account.

3. To a woman widowed between 65 and 70 or a widow reaching 65—a complicated formula providing for the greater of (a) her own pension plus 37½ percent of husband's pension adjusted downward by averaging his earnings over the full period to 65. (b) 60 per cent of what the combined pension would have been or (c) $25 a month plus 37½ per cent of husband's pension with the $25 replaced at 70 by present $75. Old Age Security payments.

Also, on account of each child under 18 or dependent and attending school to age 25—an additional $25 a month up to a maximum of $104.17. A widow with more than four children will be able to receive a total on her own and her children's account of as much as $168.23 a month.

All benefits are adjusted upward with increases in the cost of living.

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CAPITAL HILL CAPSULES

The French Embassy is at it again. Having failed in its attempt to force TCA through the government to buy the Caravelle French jet plane, it is now promoting establishment of an assembly plant in Quebec for French cars. It looks very much as though the government might be caught on the horns of a dilemma. The two companies involved, Renault and Peueot, backed not only by the French Ambassador but by Priemier Lesage, are demanding far more in tax and tariff concessions than has been given to new plants in other provinces. If the government accedes to the demand it will be accused of discrimination against other provinces. If it refuses it will be blamed for loss of a Quebec industry with all that this implies politically.

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A major consideration which may never be disclosed, in the government's decision to hurry adoption of a Canadian flag, was the threat of Quebec extremists that they would create incidents during the Queen's visit unless they got it before that time, ripping down Union Jacks and breaking up the singing of the National Anthem.

Employees of the federal government's departments and services not including Crown Corporations) totalled 201,793 in January, and payroll for the month was $78 million.

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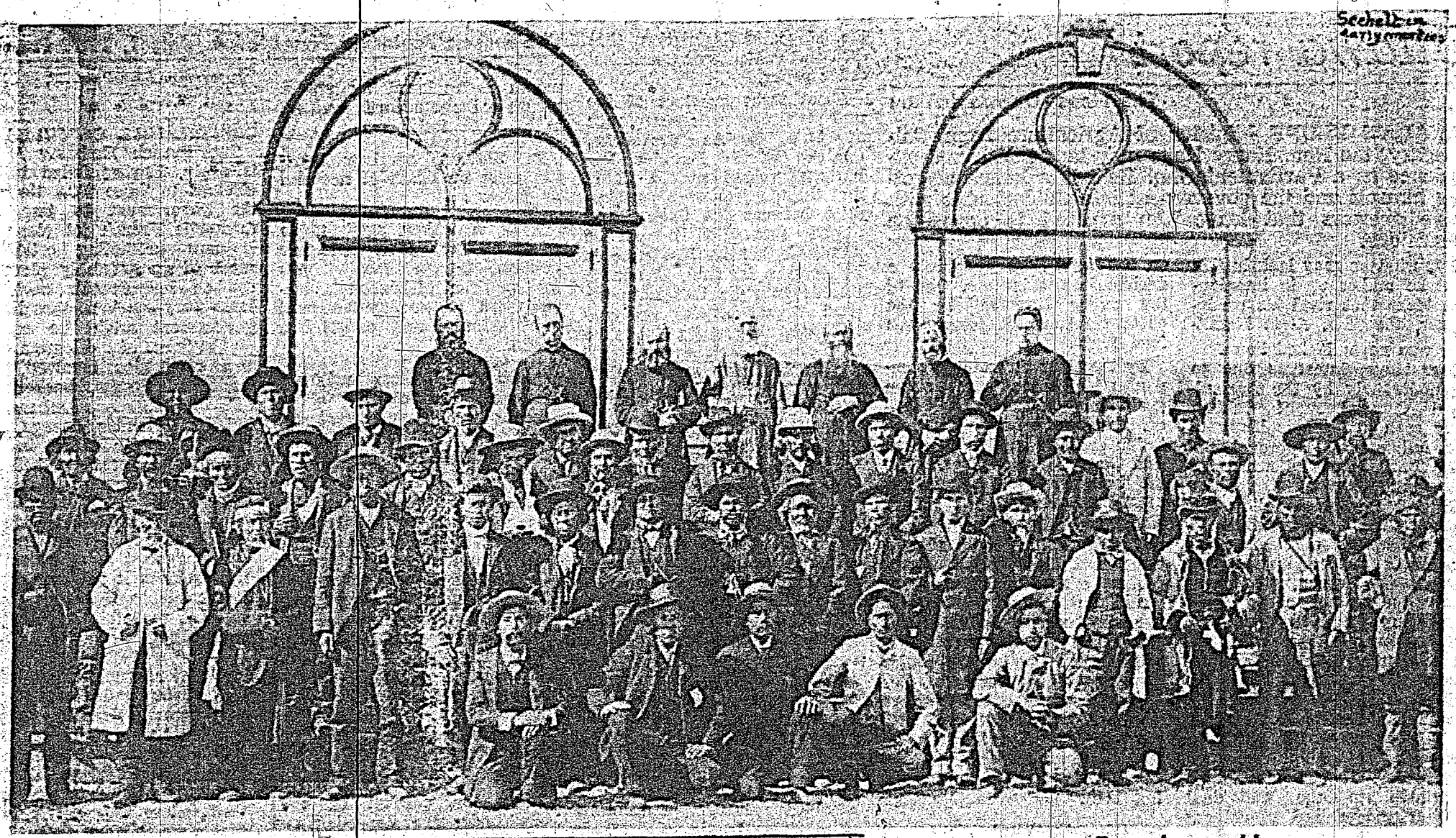

Record assembly

CLAIMED TO be one of the largest assemblies of Indians on record, gathered for the opening of the Sechelt Indian reserve church, June 10, 1890.

Churchmen meet form fellowship

CHURCHMEN of St. Hilda's Anglican Church met on the evening of June 23, at the home of E. Booth to organize a brotherhood of St. Andrew.

Aims and purposes are to promote better fellowship and understanding among all churchmen of every race and creed.

Meetings were arranged for every fourth Tuesday evening and will be held at the home of one of the members. Next meeting will be at the home of the chairman Mr. Fred Taylor.

Interested persons may phone the secretary, Dave Hayward, at 885-9755.

Well, you have to admit the Russians have us beat one way. They're more successful at blaming their shortcomings on others.

Haida Chieftain . . .

Fastest tug refitted for improved service

THE FASTEST TUG on the Canadian west coast has been re-engined, refitted and renamed. The Kingcome Navigation tug, "Haida Chieftain" formerly the N. R. Lang" has returned from an extensive refit at Burrard Drydock, and successfully completed her trials on June 19.

Kingcome Navigation is the marine division of MacMillan, Bloedel and Powell River Ltd.

The "Haida Chieftain" is the largest tug in the Kingcome fleet, scaling 150 feet in length, with a 33-foot beam and 15-foot draft. Reconstruction work included installation of a 2,400 horse power Stork-Werkspoor engine with a direct drive to a 10-foot propellor and extensive above deck renovations. The new power plant will make her the fastest tug on the Canadian west coast, and one of the largest tugs under Canadian registry.

Built for the US Maritime Commission at Orange, Texas in 1944, the vessel was purchased after the war by the famous Maritime Foundation organization, named Foundation Lillian", and operated out of Halifax as a salvage tug in the North Atlantic. In 1953 she was sold to Bulk Carriers at New York, and renamed "Escort."

She was placed on the Pacific and on her initial run in 1953 towed a tanker to Japan. Here she was acquired by the Powell River Company, who were on the alert for a powerful deep-sea tug to handle the heavy weather of the Queen Charlotte towing lanes. Following a refit, the tug was renamed "N. R. Lang."

With the advent of the log carrier era, the "N. R. Lang" proved her worth as the high-speed workhorse of the Kingcome Navigation fleet. The "Haida Chieftain" will be employed mainly in towing the self-loading, self-dumping log barge "Haida Carrier." Her increased power and speed will aid in providing better service to contract customers and to remote logging operations of MacMillan, Bloedel and Powell River Limited.

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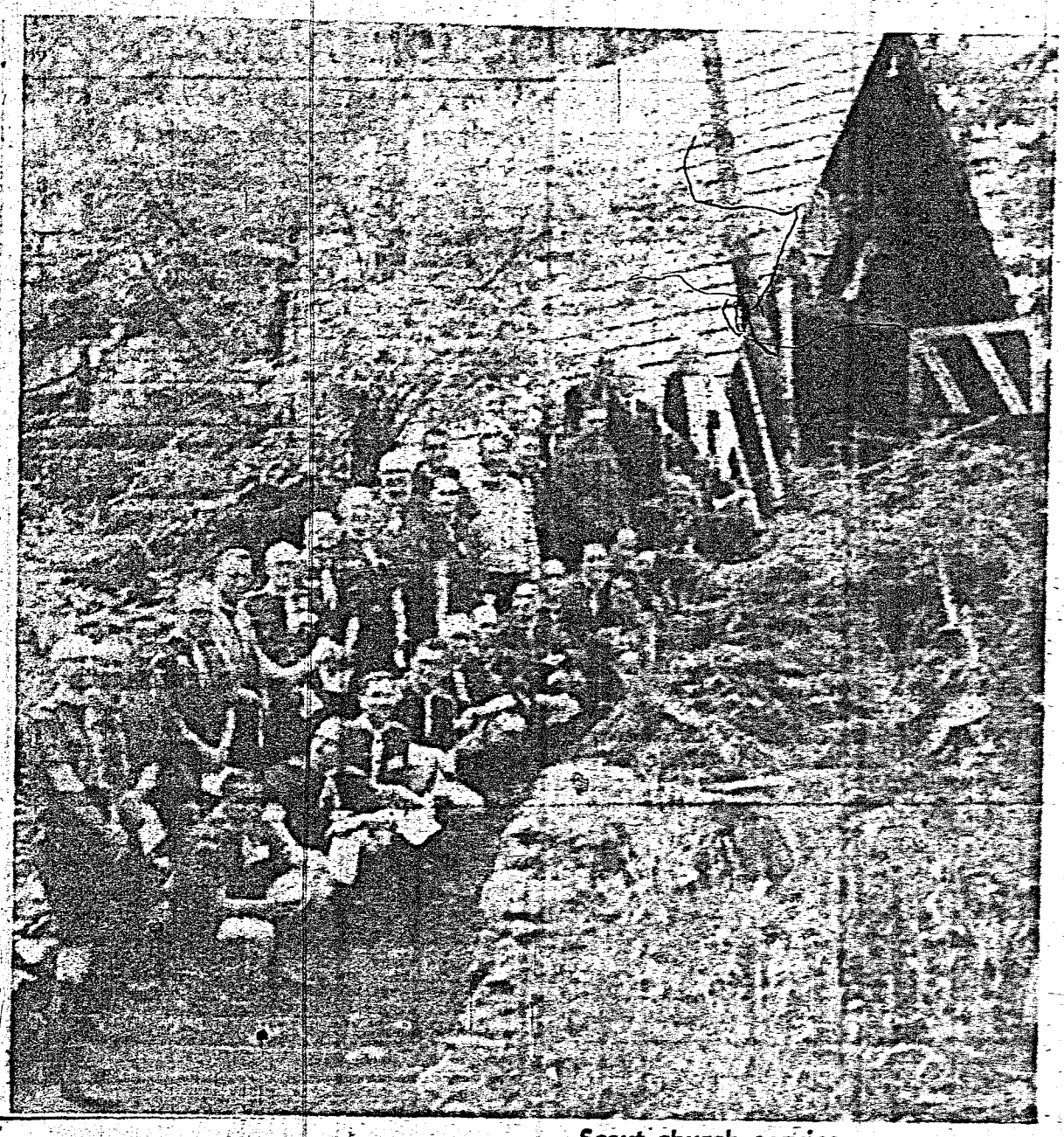

Scout church service

LEADERS OF THE Third Rover Scout group turned up in force last Sunday to attend church service conducted by Canon Alan D. Greene in his little Church of His Presence, at Redroofs. The leaders were at Earl Haig camp, Roberts Creek June 26-July 1, on a training course, and were from many parts of B.C. including Vancouver, Victoria, Burnaby, Comox and Chilliwack. Troup was under the charge of Jack Adair, regional field executive of the Vancouver Region.

At the beginning of 1964 long-term foreign investment in Canada totalled $25,271,000,000, of which $4.3 billion was invested in government securities and $21 billion in business enterprises.

Third Rover group . . .

Scout training course at Roberts Creek Camp

THIRD ROVER SCOUT Leaders Part II wood badge training course to be held in B.C. will be taking place at Earl Haig Scout Camp, Roberts Creek from June 26 to July 1.

Candidates registered for this advanced training course for leaders of young men, 16-23, in the Rover Scout section of the Boy Scouts of Canada are: Wilf H. Gibson, Donald Hamer, R. T. Paul, C. H. Humble, Charles D. Reeves, G. E. Simmons, Albert E. Yates and Roy Bromley of Victoria. John Dowling and W. L. Lawrence, Burnaby; Edward F. Halsall and Joe Wallace, Chilliwack; Frank Warrington, Port Moody; John Stevens, Comox; R. L. Dolphin, James D. Forrest, Gerard J. Jansen and Stan Seymour, North Vancouver; Charles Nash, West Vancouver; W. R. Shortreed, George Barrass, Bruce Blain, Guy Doucet, W. R. L. Gage, Edward A. Hulme, John H. Hurley, Verne Johnson, J. S. Lillyman, Bill Rolston and Dr. S. L. Williams of Vancouver.

The training team for this outing will be Stanley Wilson, Burnaby; Roy Maclaren and Jack Scrivener, Victoria; Nigel Snelgrove, West Vancouver and Jack Adair, Vancouver.

Mr. T. S. Mallory, Roberts Creek will be Chief Cook for the course. The training team will be assisted by Cliff Beeman, Roberts Creek, President of Mt. Elphinstone District Council; Norman Rudolph, Port Mellon, Assistant Regional Commissioner and Cpl. Ray Nelson, RCMP, District Commissioner, Sechelt.

Rev. Alan D. Greene, Halfmoon Bay will be in charge of the special Church Services in his "Church of His Presence" at Redroofs, Halfmoon Bay.

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July 1—Port Mellon Community Association annual children's sports day. 10 a.m. Seaside. Hotdog tickets at 9:30 a.m.

July 1—Gibsons July 1 annual celebration.

July 6—L.A. Branch 140, Sechelt. Afternoon Tea: Home of Mrs. T. W. Ritchie, 2-4 p.m., 35c everyone welcome.

July 6—Kinsmen swimming classes. Sechelt 9-12 noon. Davies Bay 1-4 p.m.

July 7—Kinsmen swimming classes. Halfmoon Bay, 1-4 p.m.

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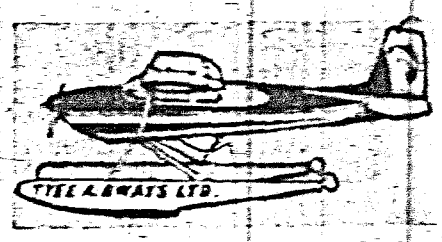

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Wilson Creek notes

—By Mabel Wagman

A NEW BUSINESS for Wilson Creek is 'Big Maple Motel' owned by Elsa and Paul Hansen. First Class, four-star cabins with modern facilities are available. Very convenient for sunbathers is a good beach, with sand bar, less than one-quarter mile away is accessible. 'Big Maple Motel' is named after the large maple tree located on the front area of their property.

Camping grounds are also available to the public.

Elsa and Paul Hansen, who arrived from Calgary last year, felt this sea-side area was a perfect location for their motel.

LEAVING

Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Hobson and family, recent residents of Davis Bay, have moved to Gibsons where they will make their home.

VISITORS

Mrs. Ada Jackson and Mrs. Bert Dunfield visited sister, Mrs. Dorothy Erickson and other relatives here. Also Mrs. Jean Murphy and her brother Jack Peebles, West Porpoise Bay, both were former Kitsilano residents.

SPORTS DAY

The Davis Bay School closed with a sports day on June 25 for the children. Events started at 2:00 p.m. with a march to grounds and singing of "O Canada." Mrs. R. L. Jackson officially opened the sports day. They were also fortunate to have the JOTP Coach Mr. J. O. Little to officiate at the sports. Mrs. Margaret Slater kindly donated ice cream and treats for the children. Also a word of thanks goes to the A. Simpkins for their donation of pop and to all those who helped and participated in making the day a success. Due to the fact that they ran short of time to finish the sports events they will be continued on a future date.

SURPRISE SHOWER

A social evening was held at the home of Mrs. Queenie Bing, hostess, where the guest of honor was Mrs. George Wagman, who is expecting a new arrival soon. Many lovely gifts were received. Those present were Mrs. Connie McDonald, Mrs. Kaye Moore, Barbara Anne, Mrs. Mary Flay, Mrs. Annie Drew, Mrs. Bonnie Nelson, Mrs. Sundi Reid, Mrs. Wilma Stephanson and Mrs. Frances Betts. Unable to attend were Mrs. Connie Martenez, Mrs. Emile Strochien and Mrs. Lenore Nygren.

Port Mellon News

by J. Moore

BROWNIES GOOD DEED

Mr. Davey Gant and W. J. Kennedy were pleasantly surprised by the Brownie Pack of Port Mellon on Father's Day. The Brownies presented the two grandfathers with a cannister of home baked cookies baked by the girls. The girls also made the cannisters. Mr. Gant and Mr. Kennedy would like to thank all the girls who participated in the effort.

WA NEWS

The WA to Port Mellon Community Church held their annual Strawberry tea on the lawns of House No. 14. The weather being perfect garden party weather, the event attracted many guests from Gibsons as well as Port Mellonites. The WA members served about 100 with strawberry shortcake. There was also a bake sale. The children were ably supervised by Mrs. D. Dunham and members of the Girl Guides of Port Mellon. The event netted $76 to go to the church paint fund.

VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Turner of Port Alice were visiting their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. Hostland in Port Mellon for the past week.

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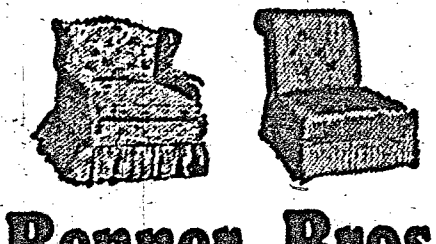
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