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Safety representatives

SUCCESSFUL year for the accident prevention committee at Port Mellon was celebrated at a banquet held last Tuesday, March 8. Mill manager Ed Sherman acted as chairman of the event and said the committee may well look back with pride on its achievements.

In all walks . . .

Eye injuries increase warns safety official

GUEST speaker at the Canadian Forest Products Ltd. safety representatives banquet, held Tuesday, March 8 at Port Mellon, was Dr. Doug Watts, Inspector, Accident prevention dept. of the Workmen's Compensation Board.

His talk, emphasizing the importance of eye safety, was supported by a short film showing the removal of a metal splinter from the eye of an injured mill worker. He told his listeners that last year, eye injuries cost $250,000 and that there was an increase in such injuries of 43 per cent above 1961. Although vulnerable, the eye is the most easily protected part of the body, he said. Stressing the importance of protective eye shields, Mr. Watts demonstrated the advantage of safety lenses for glasses which are almost indestructible yet add no more than a couple of dollars to the normal price of glasses. "A recent survey reveals an increase in eye injuries in all walks of life," he concluded.

Representing Local 297 of the International Brotherhood Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers, Mr. Andy Knowles commended the great strides taken at the Port Mellon mill on behalf of safety which, he said, is in the best shape yet of the past seven years endeavor.

Mr. Knowles also expressed the opinion that the recent appointment of Mr. Norm Rudolp to safety representative was a big advance and was already proving beneficial.

Chairman of the event, Mill Manager Ed Sherman, terminated the event by thanking the safety committee for the good job carried out during 1965, upon which, all concerned may look back with pride. "We hope to do even better during the coming year and will make a strong, sincere effort to reduce the accident rate," he said.

Referring to the small disputes occasionally arising between management and labor, Mr. Shermen said that in safety, both worked toward a common cause. We intend doing the best possible job and will enforce safety even if we have to take disciplinary measures, he added. In this respect there should be no chip on anyone's shoulder.

By H. Klyne Headley . . .

Students and parents musical demonstration

ON WEDNESDAY evening at 7:00 o'clock, Gibsons Elementary School, Activity Room—March 16, 1966, students of Instrumental Music and their parents from Madeira Park, Sechelt, Davis Bay, Roberts Creek, Gibsons and Langdale elementary schools will meet for the purpose of demonstrating to parents and the general public the processes of instrumental music education.

This is not a concert. It is a presentation of typical class-teaching so that the parents and others may know the objectives, values and procedures involved.

Children from scattered communities will have an opportunity to meet and play with others. In this way it is hoped the first step may be taken towards more unity of purpose in music education and that is to learn to play an instrument and have fun in music! The choral music program is well established and it is hoped that a similar meeting for choirs as well as instrumentalists may take place later this spring.

Parents often wonder about the wierd sounds made on instruments at home and perhaps feel that no good can come from such squeaks and blasts. It may come as a pleasant surprise to hear the children in ensemble and find out that there might be a more pleasant and worthwhile purpose behind these endeavors. Furthermore, children need the support and encouragement of their parents as well as the approval of their friends. Let us help motivate these children by coming out and supporting their efforts.

The growth of choral and instrumental music in this province has been rapid and astonishing. Results obtained by children everywhere in this part of the world leave us with little to be desired. A lifetime of pleasure lies ahead of the child who learns to play an instrument and can join with others in bands, orchestras or small ensembles.

Port Mellon . . .

Apprenticeship scheme helps industrial need

FOURTY-FOUR indentured apprentices are currently taking part in an apprenticeship training program at Port Mellon, a project undertaken by the Pulp and Paper Industry last May.

Howe Sound Pulp Division was the first International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Workers in B.C. to have its apprentices under indentures, their vocational schooling scheduled and inplant training outlined.

Annual cost of the program to the company is $18,000 to $20,000 which includes administrative expenses and company's share of wages paid to apprentices during vocational school training.

The program is planned to provide the industry with the increased numbers of tradesmen required and will include all mechanical trades such as electrical, carpentry, painting and decorating, millwrights, sheet metal, instrumentation, industrial pipefitting, machine shop welding and heavy duty repair.

Electrical and instrumentation apprentices are required to attend a B.C. vocational school for two months every year while all other trades attend for one month.

With 44 apprentices, the mill had to schedule 54 months of vocational schooling per year without upsetting the normal shop complements.

In-plant training necessary to prepare apprentices for their terms at vocational school necessitated drawing up of "Inplant Training Outline" booklets for each trade. This was done by Ray Delong, the division's training co-ordinator. In addition to co-ordinating the departmental training and apprenticeship training, Mr. Delong acts as the apprentices' counsellor for on the job problems and interpretation of company policy governing apprentices. He also acts as the liaison between the company and the vocational training schools as well as the Apprenticeship Qualification Branch of the Dept. of Labor.

Change over from the old "improver" plan to the apprenticeship training program presented some obstacles for the apprenticeship committee and involved complete organization in a workable system.

Major problems of contract interpretation are dealt with by a committee comprising two union representatives, George Hostland and Bill Sneddon and two company representatives Jim Munro and Bill Booth, with Personnel Manager Don Macklam committee co-ordinator.

Happy return

CRASHING shortly after take-off last Thursday afternoon from Thornhill Creek, popular pilot Bill Bryson was rescued early Friday after spending the night in the hills between Thornhill Creek and Port Mellon. He is pictured safe at home with his wife Lorrie and two youngsters Kim and Brian. Snow shoes he was making in order to walk out will be a long time momento Inset shows the helicopter as it took off to search for him.

Plane crashes . . .

Missing pilot located, rescued by helicopter

LOCAL airlines assisted by an RCAF Air-Sea Rescue helicopter took part in a search from early light Friday, March 11 for well-known local pilot Bill Bryson, when it was learned his plane had failed to reach its destination in Vancouver the previous afternoon.

Taking off from M&W logging camp at Thornhill Creek, Salmon Inlet at shortly after 3 p.m. the light aircraft crashed minutes later in the hills but by the time the alarm was raised, darkness made searching impossible.

Nature of the terrain proved difficult for the local planes and it was finally decided the helicopter would be most suitable in effecting a rescue when approximate area of the missing plane was established.

Taking off from Porpoise Bay on it's second attempt, the machine spotted the crashed plane within ten minutes and immediately landed, to find the missing pilot safe and almost unscathed, putting the finishing touches to a pair of snow-shoes he had constructed from cord and fir boughs.

The rescue climaxed a period of acute anxiety for Mrs. Bryson as well as for numerous friends who quickly rallied around. Although greatly concerned, fellow pilots who were aware of Bryson's capabilities as a pilot, were confident he would be found alive, nevertheless, an air of suspense grew until his safety was reported.

In an interview with The Times, later, Mr. Bryson said the plane was completely demolished but he was able to cushion the impact by striking wing first. Apart from bruises and a cracked rib, he was in good physical condition, and able to prepare himself for his all night vigil. With an axe from his emergency equipment, he was able to construct a rough shelter from cedar boughs together with a bed. With the aid of a fire, he passed a comfortable night, during which he started work on the manufacture of snow shoes in preparation for a ten-mile hike over 20 feet of snow.

At 7:50 a.m. the helicopter passed by but failed to spot him. During the second trip at approximately 9:30 a.m., his signals were observed and the ordeal was ended.

DOT officials are investigating the nature of the incident but it is apparent engine failure was the chief factor.

Mr. Bryson, somewhat overwhelmed at the great concern of so many friend for both his family and himself, expresses his sincere thanks to everyone and also to the many who joined the search.

Coast Capilano MP . . .

Jack Davies active working on floats

ALTHOUGH present plans for a breakwater at Sechelt do not include floats, as previously anticipated, MP Jack Davis is obviously seeking every means of providing such facilities.

Following a discussion on the subject with L. S. Marchand, special assistant to the Minister of Northern Affairs and Natural Resources, the member for Coast-Capilano has been informed by Mr. Marchand that normally public works does not provide docking facilities as it considers this the responsibility of the municipality or the reserve. However, the Treasury Board Committee on Marine Construction has agreed that DPW will undertake marine construction on Indian reserves and that the cost of these structures will be carried on DPW main estimates.

The Vancouver office has been asked to supply us with the necessary details on which we can base a case to Public Works to provide the requested docking facilities for the Indians at Sechelt.

EARLS COVE FLOATS

Further to requests by Mr. Davis for additional floats at Earls Cove, special assistant to Minister of Public Works H. A. Langlois, has replied, stating: This matter is already in hand as a result of your letter of February 2.

Our officials have advised that they expect to be able to submit their report for consideration about the middle of April, at which time the minister will advise you of the decision made on this request.

School trustees to present case

GIBSONS Parent-Teacher Association is happy to sponsor the public meeting on Monday, March 21st in the Elementary School Gym at 8 p.m. at which School Trustees will explain and answer questions about the forthcoming referendum.

It is hoped that as many people as possible will take this opportunity to find out what steps their School Trustees are taking to provide for the needs of the school community.

The PTA committee which has been studying supervision problems at the Elementary school would like to take this opportunity when there will be many parents present to present their recommendations for parent's approval. The brief which has received approval, in principal, from the Elementary School Staff, recommends a shorter lunch break for the intermediate grades. This would allow extra time in the afternoon for sports, hobbies, drama, music, etc. A trial period of three months has been suggested.

The School Board, PTA and Kiwanis are working together to ensure a maximum vote at the poll.

It is hoped to have the tape of the Elementary School Choir's CBC broadcast available for re-play.

Hydro advises on kite flying

WITH the arrival of the kite flying season, B.C. Hydro has issued a reminder to youngsters that while kites are fun, they can be dangerous too.

Tragedy sometimes mars the season when safety rules are ignored, and children—and adults, too—fly kites too close to electric power lines.

Here are a few simple rules for those who fly kites:

First, always fly kites in open fields, well away from electric power wires, transmission towers, and highways.

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Third, avoid kite flying in wet or stormy weather.

Fourth, and perhaps most important of all, don't try to remove a kite if it catches in an electric power wire or on a high pole.

Students advised . . .

Educational standard job promotion factor

LAST WEEK throughout the school district, Education Week was celebrated and many parents accepted the invitation to visit schools while classes were in session.

Elphinstone Secondary School held a "Careers Day" which was somewhat different from those held on previous years when speakers representing various professions have addressed students in grades 10, 11 and 12.

This year speakers from personnel departments of various firms, the National Employment Service and the University of B.C. accepted invitations to advice students of the job opportunities available on graduation.

Students were reminded that in almost any field, promotion opportunities came more readily to those with the highest standard of education. In many instances students revised former plans or found a new goal to achieve as a result of the lectures.

Speakers who addressed students during the afternoon were; Mr. M. C. Hodgson, Personnel Manager, International Business Machines; Mr. A. Whitehouse, Personnel Manager and Miss E. J. Hines, Personnel Dept. T. Eaton Co. of Canada; Mr. Haggeman from the National Employment Agency; Mr. H. E. Hender, Personnel Manager, Finning Tractor and Equipment; Mr. Spitz, Personnel Department, B.C. Telephone Co.; and Mrs. G. E. Leonard, University of British Columbia Student Counselling Service.

Before each lecture a student chairman introduced the speaker and a total of 16 different sessions were held during the afternoon, each lasting one period. Students attended those in which they were most interested. Student chairmen were as follows: Lynda Dockar; Carol Mylrole; Laurelai Sheridan; Carolyn Anderson; Royleen Nygren; Nancy Inglis; Lee Goulding; Judy Brown; Phil Reeves; Cameron Hercus; Dave Whittaker; Phil Malpass; Dave Burritt; Michael Willis; Terry Forshner and Ray Moscrip.

Voice of experience

ELPHINSTONE students gained first-hand knowledge of the qualifications employers expect when they interview potential employees, when personnel managers from various firms addressed them during last week's "Career Day." Speakers and Elphinstone teachers pictured here are, standing, Mr. Haggeman, National Employment Service; Mr. Spitz, B.C. Tel.; Mrs. W. S. Potter, principal, Elphinstone; Mr. A. S. Trueman; Mr. F. D. Paquette; and Mr. H. E. Hender, Finning Tractor and Equipment. Seated, Mr. M. C. Hodgson, I.B.M.; Miss E. J. Hines and Mr. A. Whitehouse, T. Eaton Co.; and Mrs. B. Rankin.

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WE WISH to express sincere gratitude and appreciation to our family and friends for the solicitude and help given us during our recent illness. Sincere thanks are also extended to the doctors and nurses of St. Mary's Hospital, Sechelt. — Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Benner. 9389-15

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Clarence Harvey (Chick) Moorhouse

PASSED away on March 11, 1966 at Powell River General Hospital, Clarence Harvey (Chick) Moorhouse of Westview, B.C., formally of Selma Park Survived by his loving wife Mollie; one son Michael; one daughter, Carol; two brothers, Cecil of Sydney, B.C.; Burt from Blairmore, Alberta; four sisters, Mrs. Myrtle Hansen, Mission, B.C.; Mrs. Ivy Craig, Vancouver, B.C., and Edna and Vera. Deceased was a member of Mt. Elphinstone Lodge No. 130 AF&AM, Roberts Creek, B.C. Funeral was held Tuesday, March 15 from the Family Chapel of the Harvey Funeral Home, Gibsons, B.C. Rev. H. Kelly officiated. Cremation. In lieu of flowers donation to Willow Chest Centre, Vancouver, B.C.

Water committee meeting Friday

MEETING Friday, March 18 at the Public Health Unit building, Gibsons, the Water Resources Committee of the Rural Development group will discuss further plans for formation of a metro water district.

Consulting engineer Martin J. Dayton will be present, and chairman Eric Prittie advises that although not a public meeting, interested residents are invited to attend.

Teenagers' club makes its debut

NOT many people have heard of the Dozzerones or to be quite accurate the Sechelt Peninsula Dozzerones, who made their debut last Saturday by holding a car wash in Sechelt.

To be a Dozzerone one has to be between the ages of 13 and 21 and willing to observe the bylaws of this newly formed teen club.

Interested teenagers are invited to attend the business meeting which will be held on March 26th in Sechelt Elementary School Hall. This will be a brief meeting to be followed by dancing to the Powell River Playmates, a teenaged band featuring six boys and two Go-Go girls, refreshments will also be available.

Tickets will be available at the door and a wonderful evening is in store for all young people from 8:00 p.m. to midnight.

Last Saturday's car washing Dozzerones were: Mary Lamb, Kirsten Jorgensen, Linda and Judy Goesson, Dianne Ono, Rita Gross, Judy Chambers and Linda Hadden. Adults on hand to move cars were Mrs. C. Poteet and Mr. T. Lamb.

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Sir Joseph Needham

Sir Joseph Needham . . .

Second chief justice caused legal problem

THE SECOND chief justice of Vancouver Island, Joseph Needham was unwilling to give up his post after the island and mainland colonies were united in 1866. As a result, for the first three years of its existence, the united colony had two supreme courts!

Mr. Needham said the abolition of Vancouver Island's supreme court was not provided for in the terms of union. Judge Matthew Baillie Begbie of the British Columbia Supreme Court said the union destroyed the old colony of Vancouver Island and all its institutions. Governor Frederick Seymour advocated amalgamation of the courts, but as a compromise gave each chief justice sole jurisdiction of his own part of the new united colony.

The controversy was unsettled for three years. Then the legislature ruled that on the death or resignation of either Begbie or Needham, the survivor would have sole authority. This came about in 1870 when Needham resigned to become chief justice in Trinidad, and for his services there he was knighted.

He had come to Vancouver Island in 1865 from London where he had been called to the bar. When he health gave way he decided to travel and he succeeded David Cameron in the senior judicial post. During his term in office he once travelled to the Cariboo when serious trouble threatened over a claim-jumping complaint on Grouse Creek. Only his tact prevented bloodshed, it was believed. He died in England at the age of 83 in 1895.

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May Day meet Mon., March 21

MEETING of the May Day committee is slated for Monday, March 21 in the Hospital Cottage, Sechelt.

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The Reader's Right

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Credit where due

Editor, The News

Sir—Re the West Sechelt waterline—credit where credit is due—the workmen on that project have made a very fine job of it. It has also given more space at that side of the highway for pedestrians to walk. Before they had to climb a tree when a car was coming. It is also a worthwhile venture that was badly needed.

Congratulations.

I myself was behind the door when grey matter was issued out. But who ever thought up or drew up the plans for the project was only issued three fifths of four ninths of the grey matter I have.

Why was not a two inch line taken across the highway at every road allowance to feed all houses on the other side? The way it stands a line is cut across the highway for every house. Eventually a new surface will be put on the highway, and a new home will go up. Oh! Oh! another cut across the highway. The final out-come will be a cut and a bump every fifty or sixty feet. At the rate of growth this will happen in less than ten years.

I cannot give credit for that.

W. FLAY

Hopeless fight

Editor, The Times:

Sir—Thank you for your editorial in March 9 issue "Pathway to Decadence." Every voice helps but the fight to suppress lewd magazines, obscene pictures and filthy jokes sometimes seems hopeless. As you say, the average person deplores the prevalence of these conditions but feels helpless to do anything about them.

We can raise our voices anyway, and I, for one, protest the use of dirty stories told under the guise of entertainment at some of our local functions. It is an insult to the intelligence and taste of an audience to assume that this is what is wanted. Anyone entrusted with the privilege of being a master of ceremonies should be of the calibre to raise the entertainment to a higher level.

Is is to be hoped that organization officials will in future edit the prepared material used, to eliminate distasteful "off color" jokes.

—NOT AMUSED

Appreciation

Editor, The Times:

Sir—The Sechelt Times has been most generous in the space they have donated to news items and pictures of the Girl Guides and Brownies in the Gibsons and Sechelt areas.

We are very grateful for this spirit of co-operation, the way your reporter has attended special events and taken photographs for the newspaper.

It is my privilege to speak for the Guides, Brownies and their leaders in thanking you for this fine support to Guiding.

—MRS. L. LABONTE,
Sunshine Coast Division, Girl Guides of Canada.

Moral support

Editor, The Times

Sir—Through your paper, we wish to thank the many people who helped in the search for our two boys, Wayne and Brian. Also those who were ready to join in the search at the time the boys were found.

There were so many people —too many to mention and thank personally. It is heartwarming to realize that so many people, even those we don't know, were willing to help. Wonderful neighbours and relatives also helped in the search and gave us the moral support, we needed at that time.

We're happy to say the boys haven't suffered at all from their ordeal, in fact it probably bothered them less than it did us and all those close to us.

Once again, may we say a sincere "Thank You".

HELEN & GLENN PHILLIPS

Wife to husband outside theatre showing Tennessee Williams play: "If I wanted to be depressed, I could have stayed home and done the ironing."

Centennial beacon

SCOUTS of 1st Sechelt Co. under supervision of acting Scoutmaster Mr. Norm Burley working on the bonfire which was lit on Friday night together with 200 others throughout B.C. to commemorate 116 years to the day when British rule was established in the Pacific Northwest.

Sechelt social notes

—With Your Neighbours

ANOTHER old friend of Sechelt has passed on—Mr. Archie Cawley aged 87, died in Vancouver on March 9. Mr. Cawley and his wife Norah operated Sunset Lodge at Selma Par. When his wife died, Mr. Cawley went to Australia but soon returned to Sechelt which he loved and where he had many friends. In his later years, Mr. Cawley stayed with friends, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown at Madeira Park.

Mrs. T. Ivan Smith was hostess at a Tupper Home Party, which is a very nice way to spend an evening, meeting old friends and making new acquaintances. The demonstrator was Mrs. Gerry Goertzen and guests were Mrs. Ruby Breese, Mrs. Olive Porte, Mrs. Sophie Brackett, Mrs. Rolly Reid, Mrs. D. Creighton, Mrs. Roy Erickson, Mrs. C. Smith, Mrs. Gladys Prest and Mrs. A. A. French.

Visiting Sechelt and calling on old friends—Mr. Jack Burt, who, with his brother Harvey, logged here in the early forties. He now has his own business in Vancouver, J.M.C. Investments.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. V. F. (Sam) Mackenzie were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pexton and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Long of Powell River.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Parish were three couples from Powell River—Mr. and Mrs. Stan Slater, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Robertson and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Clough.

Mr. Jack Yewdall, one-time resident, has also been renewing acquaintances in Sechelt and Davis Bay.

Back in Sechelt after a long holiday in Desert Hot Springs, California are Miss Jerry Jervis and Miss Margaret McIntyre.

Mrs. Olive Porte recently entertained at a canasta party.

Also back and reported having had a wonderful time, Mr. Francis Stone of Secret Cove who has been visiting friends and relatives in Somerset, England.

Spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bryson of Davis Bay are Mrs. Bryson's sister, Ethel and husband, Bill Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. Roberts were attending the Roofing Contractors Convention at the Bayshore Inn, when news came over the radio that Mr. Bryson's plane was missing on a flight to Vancouver. However, within the hour, pilot Bill was found safe and well and the family is now enjoying a happy reunion.

Mr. Roberts owns a roofing contracting business in Woodstock, Ontario.

Arrival of man is to be marked

THE ARRIVAL of Rene Robert Cavelier, Sieur de La Salle in the New World 300 years ago is to be marked on April 13 by issuance of a five-cent commemorative stamp, Postmaster General Jean-Pierre Cote announced today.

The day of issue has been chosen to coincide with the date on which the famous French explorer first set foot on the soil of New France where he based his operations for 20 years before death at the hands of one of the colonists ended a colorful career.

One of a number of historical adventurers to be so honored by the Canada Post Office, La Salle is pictured amidst symbols of his career including a spyglass, a map of seventeenth century Canada and a ship. The issue, a vertical rendition in tones of aquamarine was designed by Brigdens Limited, Toronto, engarved and printed by the Canadian Bank Note Company, Ottawa. A total of 24 million will be printed.

From the Boston Globe: "A federal jury fixed damages at more than $9,600,000 in the civil antitrust case, and U.S. District Judge John S. Lord promptly trembled, as allowed under the law."

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PUBLIC MEETINGS

Public meetings will be held at the times and places shown below, at which school board representatives will outline the referendum and answer questions from the audience.

GIBSONS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Monday, March 21st, 1966—8:00 p.m.

MADEIRA PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Tuesday, March 22nd, 1966—8:00 p.m.

SECHELT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Wednesday, March 23rd, 1966—8:00 p.m.

•NOTICE•
TO ALL COMMERCIAL FISHERMEN
NEW LICENCE REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL FISHING BECOME EFFECTIVE APRIL 1ST, 1966

The Department of Fisheries of Canada announces the following changes in the procedure of obtaining commercial fishing licences.

1. PERSONAL FISHING LICENCE — **ANNUAL FEE $5.00**

All commercial fishermen 16 years of age and over must have this licence. This licence may be obtained from any office of the Department of Fisheries of Canada in British Columbia.

2. COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSEL REGISTRATION PLATE-ANNUAL FEE $10.00

All commercial fishing vessels must carry this plate. This plate can only be obtained from the office of the Area Director, 1155 Robson Street, Vancouver, B.C., either in person or by mail. The application forms may be obtained at all offices of the Department of Fisheries of Canada in British Columbia; at Indian Affairs offices; and at the offices of fishing companies and fishermen's organizations.

A facsimile of the application form is shown below to indicate the information required.

B.C. 57 — (For Office Use)

CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES OF CANADA

APPLICATION
FOR
COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSEL REGISTRATION NUMBER (C.F.V. NUMBER)
BRITISH COLUMBIA
FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 1966

1. Applicant's Name (print): _____ (FAMILY NAME) (GIVEN NAMES IN FULL)
2. Mailing Address: _____
3. Vessel Owner (if other than applicant): _____
Address: _____
4. Name of Vessel: _____ or if no Name (check) ☐
Home Port: _____ D.O.T. Number (Dept. of Transport): _____
5. Year Built (approximate if necessary): _____ Year Last Rebuilt: _____
Length Overall: _____ ft. D.O.T. Registered Net Tonnage: _____ tons
6. Propulsion Type (check): Diesel ☐ Gas ☐ Sail or Oar ☐ Engine: H.P. _____
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Automatic Pilot ☐ Radar ☐ Echo Sounder ☐ Other: (specify) _____
8. Estimated Present Market Value of Vessel and Equipment, Including Auxiliary Boats but not Fishing Gear: $ _____
9. Expenditures in 1965:
(a) for Purchase and Installation of Engine (if applicable): $ _____
(b) for Purchase of Fishing Gear (nets, lines, buoys, etc.): $ _____
10. Fishing Operations of Vessel (check):
Gillnetting ☐ Table Seining ☐ Longlining ☐ Packing ☐
Trolling ☐ Trawling (groundfish) ☐ Handlining ☐ Collecting ☐
Drum Seining ☐ Trawling (shrimp) ☐ Other (specify) _____

IMPORTANT: To engage in the salmon fisheries, a Commercial Fishing Vessel Salmon Licence is required and must be applied for, on a separate form (B.C. 58), by May 31, 1966.

Date: _____ Signature of Applicant: _____

Application for a Commercial Fishing Vessel Registration Number may be made at any time. This form must be completed in full and submitted, in person or by mail, together with a fee of ten dollars ($10.00) — if by mail, send certified cheque or money order — to the Department of Fisheries, 1155 Robson Street, Vancouver 5. Assistance in completing the form may be obtained at any office of the Department.

On approval of the application, the applicant will be provided with a Certificate of Registration and with two number plates which must be displayed as prescribed in the British Columbia Fishery Regulations.

Registration must be renewed each year that the vessel is operated but the original C.F.V. Number will remain unchanged.

3. COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSEL SALMON LICENCE — **1966 FEE $5.00**

This licence is required for all vessels that wish to fish salmon and is in addition to licence #1 and #2. This licence is in the form of a plate which is to be attached to the vessel registration plate. THE APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR THIS PLATE IS MAY 31, 1966. This plate can only be obtained from the office of the Area Director, 1155 Robson Street, Vancouver, B.C., in person or by mail.

These application forms may also be obtained from any office of the Department of Fisheries of Canada in British Columbia; at Indian Affairs offices, and at the offices of fishing companies and fishermen's organizations.

A facsimile of the application form for salmon licence is shown to indicate the information required.

B.C. 58 — (For Office Use)

CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES OF CANADA

APPLICATION
FOR
COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSEL SALMON LICENCE
BRITISH COLUMBIA
FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 1966

IMPORTANT: Application for this Licence must be made not later than May 31, 1966. The licence is issued only for vessels that have been given a Commercial Fishing Vessel Registration Number, obtainable by application on Form B.C. 57.

1. Applicant's Name (print): _____ (FAMILY NAME) (GIVEN NAMES IN FULL)
2. Mailing Address: _____
3. Vessel Owner (if other than applicant): _____
Address: _____
4. Name of Vessel: _____ or if no Name (check) ☐
Length Overall: _____ ft. Net Tonnage _____ tons, or if under 15 tons (check) ☐
5. C.F.V. Number: _____ If Number not available, indicate whether:
(a) application submitted but Number not yet received ☐
(b) application for current year enclosed herewith ☐

Date _____ Signature of Applicant _____

This application must be completed in full and submitted, in person or by mail, together with a fee of Five Dollars ($5.00), to the Department of Fisheries, 1155 Robson Street, Vancouver 5. The Salmon Licence fee is in addition to the commercial Fishing Vessel Registration fee.

On approval of the application, the applicant will be provided with a certificate and with salmon licence tabs for attachment to the C.F.V. number plates.

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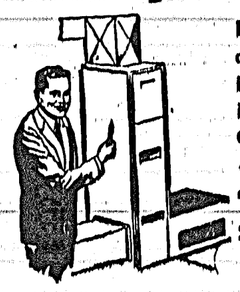

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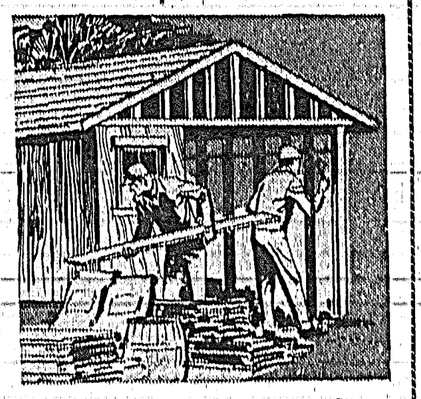

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The Sechelt Peninsula Times

EDITORIALS

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

Wednesday, March 16, 1966

Blood On Their Backs

BLUDGEONING of baby seals with the abandon of homicidal maniacs might well provide the participants with a lucrative income and discerning females of the so called "fashionable set" with something different in wearing apparel, but leaves a shocking indictment against society.

Many who might have read the methods by which the defenceless creatures are slaughtered, probably discredited such stories as impossible, for after all, since the days of concentration camp bestiality, civilization has obliterated brutality. This at least is the happy situation we thought existed.

Those who witnessed actual movie shots of the atrocities carried out behind the flimsy facade of modern culture, must surely have experienced acute shock to see great hulking brutes clubbing extremely attractive and friendly baby seals to death. Some of the more callous mercenaries actually comenced cutting open and skinning them while still alive.

In the event of a race of savages forced to kill for food and clothing, there would be some excuse. Should the seals be a serious hazard to the welfare of genuine fishermen, then humane methods of extermination would be the answer.

The present reasons and methods are inexcusable and provide ample grounds to justify claims that we are indeed a decadent society sinking to depths of degradation generally associated with barbaric Dark Ages.

Since the whole sorry situation has been publicised and exposed, certain action has been taken and some charges laid. It is a foregone conclusion, the fines, if any, will be trivial and the carnage will undoubtedly continue.

This is not a time for kid glove justice. The Western world has been shocked at these revelations which will not be quickly forgotten, and any repetition should be made impossible. There is no place in our desired way of life for depraved brutality. Drastic penalties are called for and should be instituted without delay. It is inconceivable that such morons should be permitted to carry on their nefarious occupation under the guise of making a living. Work is not so short that they have to become engaged in depravity of this nature as a means of making a living.

Every man to his own trade, that is not a trade, it is an astrocious crime against all that civilization stands for.

Put Profits First

WE were intrigued by the news note that the Imperial Tobacco Company, one of Canada's largest controllers of the manufacture and sale of the addictive weed, is not content with its present monopoly, but would like to go a step further..

Imperial is going to reduce the number of wholesalers from 900 to 675 outlets, to allow more profits for the remainder. "Studies of the present distribution system," said the president, "clearly show that there are, in some areas, too many wholesalers involved in the distribution of our goods in relation to the total volume of tobacco business available, to permit such wholesalers to conduct an efficient and profitable operation."

Now it would seem to us, as supporters of the principle of free enterprise, that the tobaccco wholesalers would be the first to discover this fact, and the first to do something about it. What they would do is of course to go simply out of the wholesale tobacco business when it became unprofitable.

When we see a giant like Imperial doing this thinking for them, we suspect that Imperial is not interested in the wholesalers so much as it is interested in the possibility of increasing its own profits by the simple expedient of increasing wholesalers' profits, then raising prices to the wholesaler.

Dedication Deserves Respect

REGARDLESS of whether one approves or disapproves the proposed school district Referendum, there is little doubt the trustees themselves deserve a big E for effort, and are to be commended for the vast amount of time and work put into the project.

In general principle, most of that involved in the Referendum is badly needed, such items as a new school board complex appears to be subject to some doubt, but this too, in actual fact will definitely be needed in the not too distant future. Already growth of the school district has accelerated considerably during the past two years and school board staff is experiencing many inconveniences. With the anticipated growth during the next few years, problems will undoubtedly increase.

Taking into account the monthly rental which exceeds $200, plus maintenance, for what is now inadequate accommodation, construction of a new building could well prove an economic venture.

From an educational point of view, we have to compete with areas such as the North Shore, where funds appear to flow freely and in large quantities. This puts a far greater burden upon a district such as this which is by no means a prosperous one. At the same time, the future of our youth should not be jeoparized due to inferior or insufficient facilities.

As our elected representatives, the trustees shoulder a heavy load of responsibility for which there is no monetary gain. As with all people in public life, criticism is inevitable, some of it is possibly warranted, but again, we all make mistakes. On the overall picture, a great deal is accomplished and each trustee in his or her own way is sincerely working toward a common goal.

During recent weeks, in order to acquaint the public with the fullest possible details of the Referendum, the board has travelled the length of the Peninsula, attending meetings with various organizations. Committee meetings, special meetings and regular Board meetings have all taken a tremendous toll upon their free time, and when people are dedicated to this extent, they deserve the utmost consideration and support.

Everyone is entitled to his or her opinion, how to vote on the Referendum is their right, the important thing is to vote. During past years, extreme apathy has been prominent at Referendum polls with as low as 12% turning out to indicate their interest in an event of major importance.

Three quarters of a million dollars is a lot of taxpayers money for the Peninsula, it certainly is not to be taken lightly. The trustees have done their part and the least they might expect is that the voting public has the courtesy to cast a vote. Whether it be Yes or No, let us at least show sufficient interest in community affairs to voice an opinion.

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

ON WHOM WE SERVE

AN old saying is, if March comes in like a lion, it will go out like a lamb. The Word of God states in 1 Peter 5:8, Satan is like a roaring lion and Psalm 51:5 says ". . . I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.". Romans 3:23, ". . . All have sinned and come short of the glory of God." John 8:44, "Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do . . ." These are heart searching statements, even though many will not want to acknowledge them.

In contrast to this, John the Baptist said of Jesus, "Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world. John 1:29".

We come into this world like a lion, that is, only concerned about our own wants, yet through God's grace, we can leave, having the love of God, whereby we are more concerned about the welfare of others more than ourselves. "Isaiah 64:6 says . . . all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags," but 2 Corinthians 5:17 says, ". . . If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature; old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." Christ can even take a quick tempered person and give him a Lamb like meekness, but it all depends on whom we wish to serve.

—Rev. Walter S. Ackroyd,
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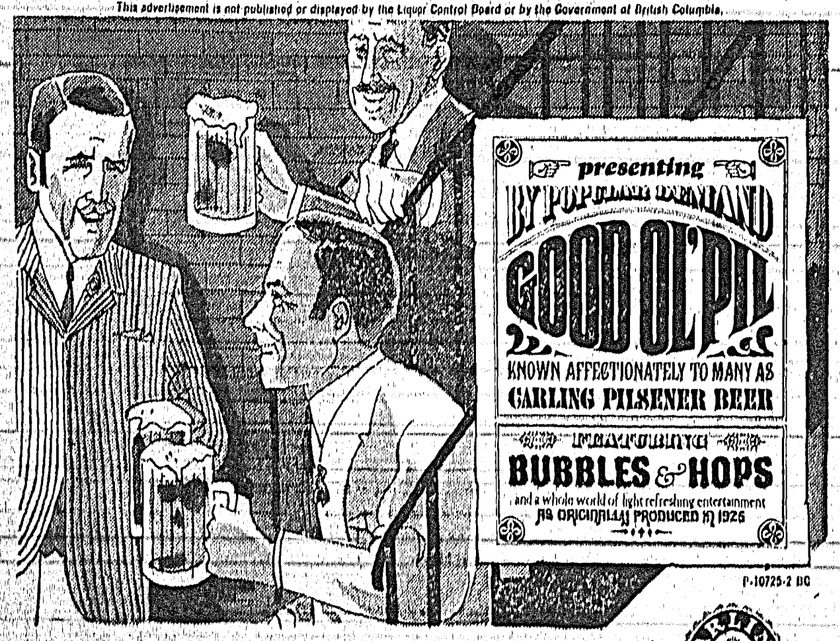

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Egmont Eye

—by John Dunlop

TOMORROW will be too late—Increasing evidence of the lack of terminal facilities at Earl's Cove ferry landing and the inadequacy of the present ferry M.V. Powell River Queen is becoming more apparent, day by day.

The rapidly expanding industrial and business development in the Powell River area is resulting in an increasing number of freight-trucks, many of them of the tractor-trailer variety, making use of the ferry and also of the almost non-existant parking and attendant facilities. At times, long lines of waiting traffic extend from the dock for a considerable distance up the highway and around a blind curve, all on a one-lane approach. It is only a matter of time until a serious accident with possible loss of life will be the result of this illegal, but at present unavoidable blockage of the highway.

The heavier movement of freight must also bring premature grey hair to the ferry personnel, particularly when, as happens frequently, they have to load numerous large trucks and trailers on a vessel not designed to handle other than a very limited number of these carriers. On one night recently there were seven trucks, four large tractor-trailers the through bus to Powell River and eight or ten private automobiles waiting to board the last trip to Saltery Bay. Despite efficient service on the part of the ferry crew, and much juggling and no little cussing by the drivers, it took almost half an hour to load the vessel. This is not an isolated case by any means and conditions will worsen with the approaching tourist season and its accompanying boat and house-trailer traffic.

A larger ferry that will accommodate large freight carriers as well as passenger cars should replace the 'Powell River Queen' and off-highway terminal facilities at Earl's Cove should be made available without necessary delay. Increasing traffic warrants it.

WHAT MAKES ISABEL RUN?

Had a short between-ferries visit from Mrs. Isabel Dawson the other afternoon. A few minutes to spare, a friendly chat over a cup of coffee, then off again. Always on the go, that's Isabel. For a person who has no official standing in our provincial government other than her being a very prominent and active member of the Social Credit League, Isabel has probably worked harder for the betterment of conditions in this riding, than almost any other private citizen in the district. Her narrow margin of defeat in the last provincial election did not in any way lessen her attempts to have needed improvements implemented. A bundle of energy, with a home and family to attend to and an exacting and time-consuming job in private life, Isabel Dawson still finds time for service and community work in her home district of Powell River and will lend her support to any worthwhile effort to improve conditions in the entire area.

Where Isabel finds time for her many activities is a source of wonder, as is the effort she expends, Who says women are the weaker sex?

EGMONT EYEDROPS

Ling cod season, which opened on March 1, is not producing anything in the way of large catches, among our local commercial fishermen at least. A few boats are out but they are a far cry from the numbers that used to fish every cod-reef from Egmont to the Gulf a few years back. A combination of wind and tide conditions, plus a shortage of bait, is probably the main reason for the poor showing so far. Also, incentive to get out and hustle after a winter's closed season is not as compelling as it was prior to the introduction of unemployment insurance for fishermen. Another factor is the apparent lack of demand on the consumers' part for fresh caught ling cod, as tasty and delicious as any sea-food when properly handled, and not in any way to be compared with dragger caught cod which has saturated the market in recent years.

An intensive advertising campaign to educate the housewife on the merits and tastiness of FRESH caught ling and a return to the days of live-cod killed only on packer day might possibly increase the demand and result in the producer receiving a more satisfactory reward for his efforts. Ten or 12 years ago the fisherman received 10 cents a pound, dressed weight. Today he receives the same, yet his costs, along with all others, have increased considerably. Reason enough to seek more lucrative ways of making a living, and many have done so.

Pauline and Ken Griffith's daughter Arlene is our 'this week's patient in St. Mary's Hospital, a dubious honor at best. An attack of the current 'flu' with resultant complications resulted in Arlene being admitted on March 6. Her condition is now improving and she is expected home in a few days. Just remember, Arlene, being in hospital has its sunny side. No older brother there to tease you.

A report has been received that garbage is being brought in to Egmont by private cars from outside districts and being disposed of from the end of the government dock. We in Egmont take a certain amount of pride in our community and certainly do not regard it as a garbage dump. Others should do likewise.

Pender Soars!

—By Bev Ness

ON THE 13th of March four exchange students from our school are going to Longview, Washington. The students who have been selected to go on this trip are: Ian Vaughan, Terry Cameron, Sherrie Silvey and Kathy Mackay.

Four students are also coming to our school from Longview. Two Lions Club members, one from Longview and one from Sechelt, will drive students to Seattle where they will change over. The Sechelt driver will then bring the American students to Pender Harbour.

The dance club is planning to have a St. Patrick's Day Dance on March 18th. We are planning this event as extra entertainment for the exchange students.

Many mothers and some fathers visited our school on Education Day, March 9th. The Future Teachers Club did a very good job of escorting the parents to various classrooms. I am sure the afternoon was enjoyed by everyone.

TEEN OF THE WEEK

We have selected Allan Wallace for this week's "Teen of the Week". Allan has always been a very popular student and is very well liked by everyone. He is kept very busy—he usually writes this column and I must say, he does a very good job!

He is president of the Annual Club and is trying to get everything under control so the annuals can be published. He is also vice-president of the Dance Club and is an outstanding member.

Allan was captain of the basketball team this year and ended up being top scorer for the year. He is a very good basketball player.

As one of his hobbies, he plays the guitar, he has an electric guitar and amplifier of his own and plays is very well.

Allan is in grade 12 this year. As you can see he is a born leader. We all wish Allan the best of luck for the future and I know he will be a great success.

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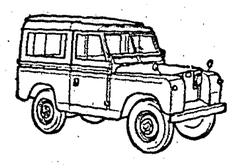

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Integration

—By D. G. Poole

PART THREE of the revealing story "Integration" by Granthams Landing author D. G. Poole, askes "Has white culture become less blind, more visionary, more tolerant?

Against this background of comparison, bureaucrat and Indian alike should consider the following summary and try to give honest answers to the following questions:

Within the communally oriented Indian culture there were simply no concepts of employment, money manipulation, real estate or commercial competition.

Has Indian culture changed to accommodate these concepts?

If so, to what degree and in what way?

Within the feudally oriented white culture there was no concept of an uncompetitive, communal society, no appreciation of religion other than the Christian, no concept of meaningful work other than employment or commerce, no concept of security other than the material, no concept of freedom other than the politico-economic.

Has white culture broadened to accommodate concepts more inclusive than these?

If so, in what way and to what degree?

The unlegal Indian mind was apparently incapable of confronting cupidity with anything but unbelief. Treaty after treaty was agreed to, solemnized and accepted as final, only to be, subsequently, broken and dishonored by whites.

Why does the white practice of dishonoring treaties continue to this day?

Since the dynamic and dominant white culture intruded upon Indian culture, the burden of responsibility in the areas of inclusive understanding and sensitive appreciation must rest principally upon white society. Yet the aggressive-dogmatic nature of white culture has been productive of numerous historical examples of monstrous arrogance and has resulted in policies dictated solely by egotistical blindness. Typical of this myopic tendancy was the policy of conversion; a policy which rested on an assumed superiority and which proposed to change "pagans" into useful Christians and "savages" into servile civilians

Has white culture become less blind? More visionary? More tolerant?

If so, where are the indications?

White policy strove unsuccessfully to over-ride deep psychological differances in values, in temperment, in awareness. It ignored widely divergent concepts of environment and man in environment. When and where the policy of conversion failed, white authority turned, impatiently, to extermination.

Has white policy changed in this respect or has it merely had its face lifted?

Is the current policy of integration any different in principle from the tiresome, old theme of conversion?

Does it or does it not rest upon the identical assumptions?

Does the old frontier adage now read that, "the only good Indian is a processed Indian?"

Does current policy assume that white commercial activity constitutes the only meaningful

Why?

Does the Indian, after centuries of remaining Indian, suddenly want to become "white?"

Or is it that white culture has not allowed him this "privilege" until now?

Or is this simply what bureaucracy assumes is best for him and thus (with the utmost and blindest sincerity) wants for him?

And if the Indian does not want to become "white," can he specify what he does want?

Has he been asked what he wants?

Has he assayed the integration proposal from the standpoint of its practical value to him and from the Indian point of view?

Does he know whether it is way of life?

Does it assume that human societies and cultures are essentially, all alike—some being merely more "backward" than others?

Does it assume that the intellectualized white model is the optimum cultural configuration to which all must aspire?

Since white and Indian cultures have now been in constant association for nearly five hundred years and integration has not "happened" through natural intercourse and mutual acceptance, Indian and white alike must ask themselves . . . .

truly, a sympathetic proposal, or whether it is merely a bureaucratic assumption?

Has he been asked for an opinion?

Will his opinion have any effect on bureaucratic decision and official policy?

By any honest definition, the official policy of Integration means, processing Indians, just as any honest difinition of modern education means, processing children. Integration is concerned principally with Indian children and has the object of transforming them from wards of government into dark-skinned, white-enculterated civilians. The primary means to this end is education; standard public school education, where possible under the normal circumstances of any average community. Efforts are being made and will continue to be made, to draw the children and young people away from the reservations, to involve them first, in the school curriculum (with emphasis on technical studies) and second, in routine employments, with the hope that they will eventually settle in Canadian communities and live as normal, self-supporting, Canadian citizens. There is also the realization that the old people who cannot or will not change, will eventually die off.

It is perhaps understandable that to the bureaucrat or the social engineer this mode of integration seems not only practical but also humane. Thus, the sincerity of the architects of this policy is not here in question. But one must question the assumptions upon which it seems to rest. Namely, that Indians ought to be attracted to the white way of life; that Indians, once processed, will not want to return to the reservations and will be equitably accepted into white communities; that integration is a one-way street.

If it is to work, integration must be a two-way street paved with the enduring macadam of equality. Which is to say that the white community must look for and discover something to admire and desire in the Indian way and the Indian as a human being—just as it is presently assumed that the Indian ought to be attracted to white culture and ought to find something to aspire to in the white human being. And insofar as this is not the present state of affairs, then it would seem that there must be an interim step in the Integration program with a switch in emphasis, from white acculturation to Indian cohesion. It would seem that a program should be devised which will help the Indian rehabilitate himself as an Indian, regain his old-time self-respect and discover a degree of integration with Indians which he has never known.

But beyond making it work, there is another reason why it is vitally important that integration be a two-way street. In the western world, the meaning of life, the traditional purpose and central source of respectability for almost everyone, has been that of preparing for a job, getting a job, earning a living and accumulating possessions. For hundreds of years a great deal of virtue has been attached to this particular definition of work as the dominant custom affecting human activity. In consequence, earning has come to be regarded not merely as an economic necessity but as a moral achievement. It follows, of course, that those individuals who do not conform to this definition of "life's purpose" are classified as good-for-nothings. It also follows that such nonconformity is regarded as a vice. Such is the western tradition, indeed, that in the minds of a surprising number, leisure is still associated with sin, as as, also pleasure.

There is no intent here to quarrel with this narrow tradition but it must be realized that during the past 20 years a major shift has been inaugurated at the very base of white commercial culture. Twenty years ago, the active individual in society was evaluated in terms of production. He was referred to as a producer. Today, the shift has proceeded far enough so that the same individual (though he may still be a producer) is evaluated in terms of consumption. He is referred to, with ever-increasing frequency, as a consumer. For this to have happened in the short space of twenty years is hard to believe, yet it is nothing compared to the changes which the next twenty years can be expected to bring. Interpreted realistically, this shift in value and emphasis can only mean; 1) that there has been a decrease in the need for the productivity of human labor, and 2) that there has been an increase in means, other than earning (social welfare, unemployment insurance, etc.), whereby non-producers may still function as consumers.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Leith

CELEBRATING their Diamond Wedding last week at Pender Harbour, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Leith have resided on the Francis Peninsula since 1950.

Pender couple's 60th anniversary

MR. AND Mrs. James E. Leith celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on March 14, at their home on Francis Peninsula, Pender Harbour.

Married in Natick, Massachusetts, U.S.A., Mr. and Mrs. Leith moved to Vancouver in 1908, where Mr. Leith continued in his profession of landscape architecture, laying out many of the old Shaughnessy Heights grounds.

Moving to Richmond in 1920, Mr. and Mrs. Leith took an active part in the community. Mrs. Celia Leith was president of the P.T.A. for many years and her husband was secretary and vice-president of the Richmond Agricultural and Industrial Society from 1922-1942.

There is one son living, Robert E. Leith, five grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

To celebrate their diamond wedding anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. Leith held an "At Home" from 2-4 p.m. at their residence on Francis Peninsula, where they have lived since 1950.

Roberts Creek News

—by Florence McSavaney

SPECIAL speaker at last week's meeting of the Roberts Creek Parents Auxiliary, was Dr. Eric Paetkau, who had been asked to outline the drug problem as it applied to high school students. Symptoms of the use of various types of drugs were described, but Dr. Paetkau said he was not aware of any problem among students in this area.

Remainder of the meeting was given over to members of the school board, who described in detail the items included in the referendum, which is scheduled to be presented to ratepayers on March 26. Mr. Potter from Elphinstone Secondary and Mr. Cooper from Gibsons Elementary schools also addressed the meeting.

Mr. Potter stressed the need for extra rooms for special courses which they will be required to offer next year and that with the continual increase in the number of students it will be necessary to have boys and girls gym classes at the same time, thus making it necessary to have a larger gymnasium. All those speaking, reminded the audience that all the proposed new buildings would have to be obtained eventually and that it was good economics to build them now as costs were bound to be greater the longer put off.

Annual meeting of the Community Association was attended by 11 people. On a motion from the floor, the same executive installed as last year, with the exception of secretary. Mrs. Monrufet, who has held this office for a number of years and is on a prolonged visit to Barbados. This office has been filled by Mr. R. McSavaney.

List of officers includes: Chairman Mr. J. Forbes, Vice-chairman Mr. Geo. Mould, Secretary Mr. R. McSavaney, Treasurer Mr. M. Stevens.

Seaview Market at the village corner has undergone a complete renovation and face-lifting and now presents a very smart appearance. The interior is much larger and convenient and the whole thing is very clean and fresh with lots of new paint.

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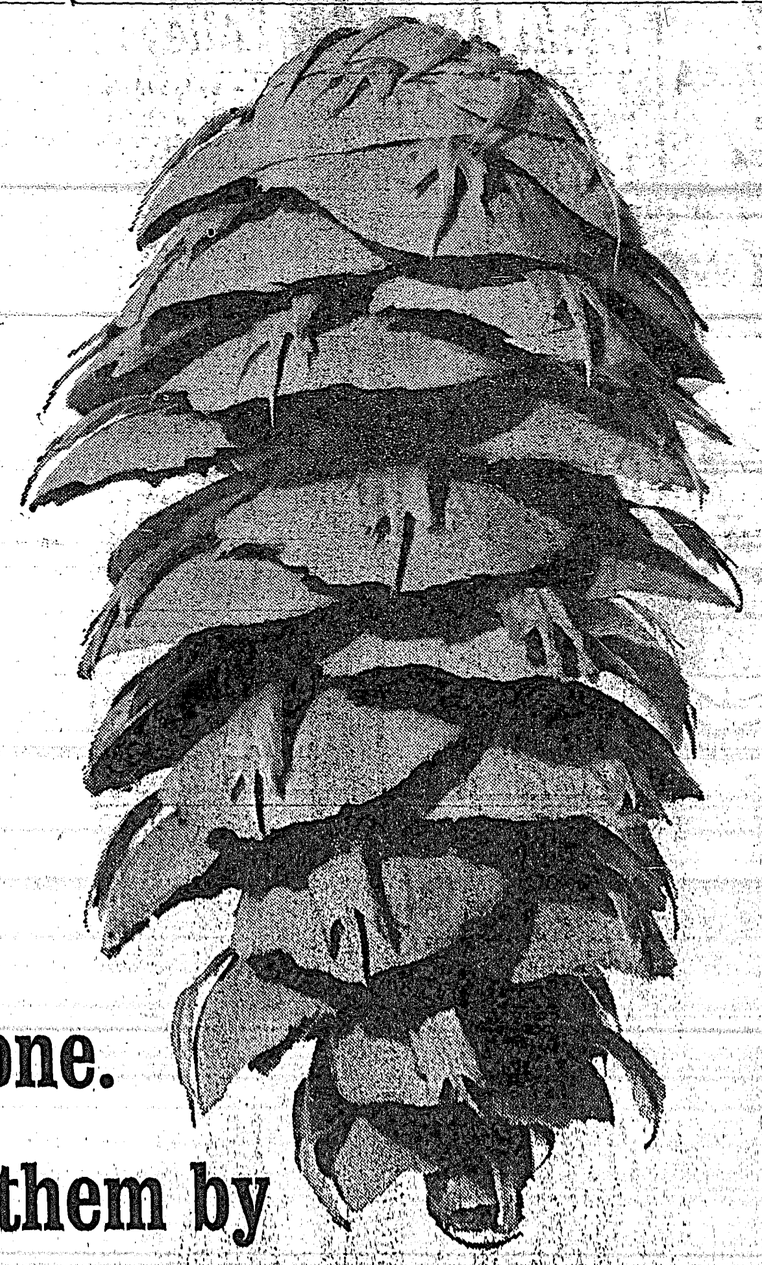

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Davis' Ottawa Diary

By Jack Davis, M.P.

INTEGRATION of Canada's Armed Forces is proceeding apace. For those irritated Admirals, irate Generals and infuriated Air Marshalls who have had to resign it may be going too fast. But to the average Canadian integration makes good sense. At last our defence budget is under control and an effective force is being forged out of Canada's old Army, Navy and Air Force.

Canada's experiment, for that is what it is, has attracted a great deal of attention abroad. This is obvious from the frequent visits to Ottawa of delegations from the United States, Britain and France. Often they come to criticize. More often they go away to write learned articles on the advantages of integration from both a technical and economic point of view.

Canada, as is often the case, has been forced to take this step. We have no conscripts in our Armed Forces, only volunteers. Ottawa therefore has to pay more to get them and to keep them in uniform. Pay and allowances have therefore tended to get out of hand. Cut backs have been necessary in other places and this meant cutting back our outlay on transport and equipment.

When the Pearson administration took over in 1963 it was faced with two alternatives. Either it could cut out buying new equipment altogether, or it could cut down on manpower and start equipping a mobile force worthy of the name.

The then new Defence Minister Paul Hellyer chose the latter course. He began to streamline his organization. A lot of the brass had to go. Overlapping services had to be done away with.

PAYS OFF

In overall dollar terms this has paid off. Mr. Hellyer has held this line. Canada's total defence expenditure still rounds at around $1.6 billion a year. But, in the context of a growing economy this is not so bad. We now spend less than four per cent of our total national income on defence. The corresponding figure in the United Kingdom is seven per cent and in the United States 10 per cent.

A booming economy, however, presents its own problems. Industry is bidding for skilled help. Men with trades now get tempting offers. A qualified radar mechanic gets $6,000 a year if he is a married man and a sergeant. Private enterprise, however, is offering him between $8,000 and $10,000 a year for his talents. No wonder that 21,000 out of the 26,000 leaving Canada's Armed Forces over the last 18 months have been in the highly trained category. No wonder, also, that Mr. Hellyer is having to offer special $200 a year bonuses to keep key men in the forces a while longer.

The opposition in Parliament has been pointing to what it calls the dreadful state of morale in Canada's Armed Forces. This may be true of the more highly paid ranks. But the great majority, faced with private industry and the defence department both bidding for their services are bound to be happy. Nearly two thirds of them voted for the Liberals in the last election. Apparently they are not afraid of integration. A more popular image is also helpful in boosting their sense of being useful to the nation.

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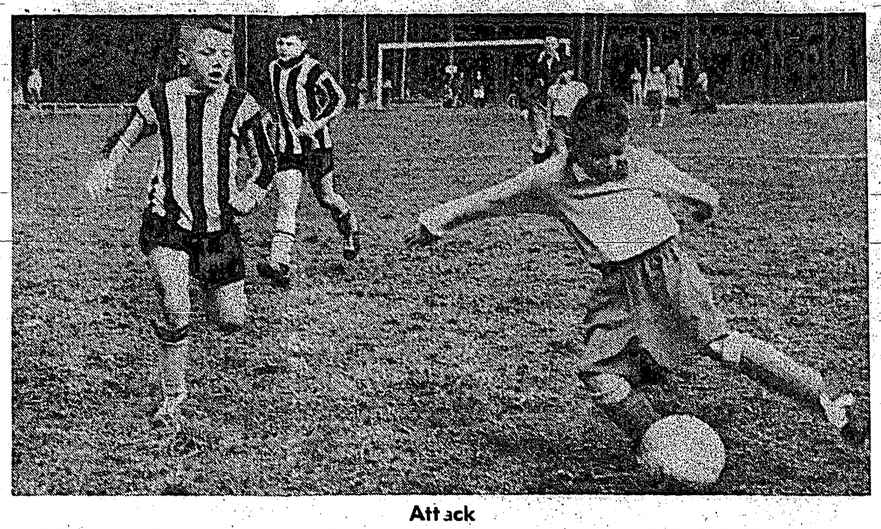

Attack

DIVISION 6 Creamer's Real Estate prepares to block pass of Sechelt Residential's fleet-footed left wing, Jacky Timothy during provincial playoffs at Hackett Park. The Powell River team scored a 1-0 victory in a very close game which kept spectators on their toes.

Westpoint scores

TOM BLAIN of Gibsons United groans as muscular Ron Gordey of Powell River's Westpoint United scores goal in provincial playoffs at Hackett Park, last Saturday. Westpoint scored 2-0 victory over home team weakened by Lorne MacMillan sidelined with injured knee, and Kirk Thomas and Robert Anderson barely recovered from flu. Gibsons goalie Frank Hoehne won the admiration of spectators.

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—by Eve Moscrip

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FIXTURES FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 20

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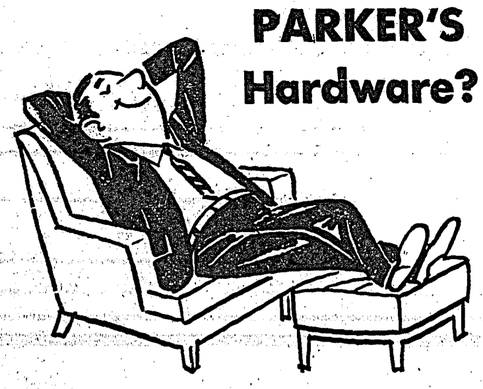

In The Legislature

—by Tony Gargrave, M.L.A.

CONSERVATION or the preservation of our natural resources whether they be for industry or recreation is one of the pressing problems of our century. Conservation is already a great project all over North America.

I do not wish to argue the details of conservation, but to argue for the broad, philosophical approach.

Our resources are not inexhaustible, and British Columbia is one of the last resource outposts of North America. Since most of our land acreage is unproductive we must be careful to protect our river valleys. Only two percent of our land is arable. A plane trip over the interior of the province on a clear day proves this.

We are fortunate that we have a laboratory adjacent to our boundaries in which we can foretell the future. While observing our neighbor to the south, the United States of America, we can see the unfortunate misuse of resources. By observing what has happened and is happening, we can in many cases forecast the future with great accuracy in British Columbia. Since the pace of development is now accelerated, often the warning is short. There is no need to make certifiable mistakes in the management of land resource. In the handling of our resources we must remember unborn generations have a claim on the resources of British Columbia equal to our own.

The one fundamental fault in this government's thinking is its belief in the "Myth of Superabundance." This myth still stalks the halls of our Legislature, and it is a myth which must be abandoned. The free enterprise philosophy has encouraged this myth, and the new mine in Strathcona Park, which is going to discharge its tailings into Buttle Lake, is an example of the myth in action. The government should have purchased this claim many years ago.

The "Myth of Superabundance" plus the "Myth of Free Enterprise" and a philosophy of extreme individualism caused the over-grazing of the American West and the consequent dust-bowl conditions, the disappearance of the buffalo, the Atlantic salmon and the passenger pigeon.

Development can be amazingly rapid. We have little time in which to learn from American experience. The American experience is a unique look into the future for ourselves. We must have more statistical evidence of events in the United States applicable to British Columbia. We should have a special bureau to sift and distribute meaningful facts to our own provincial government departments.

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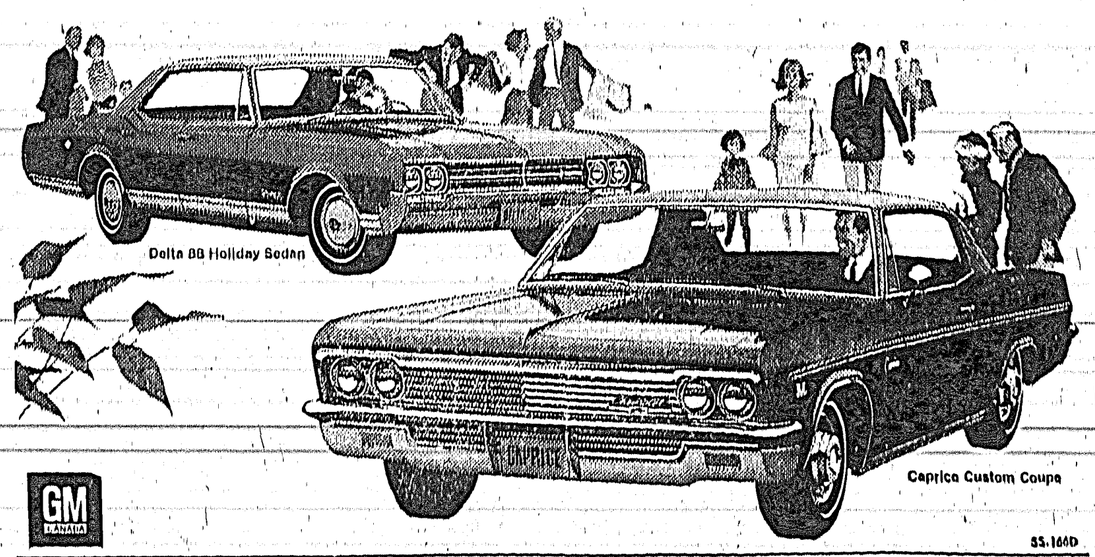

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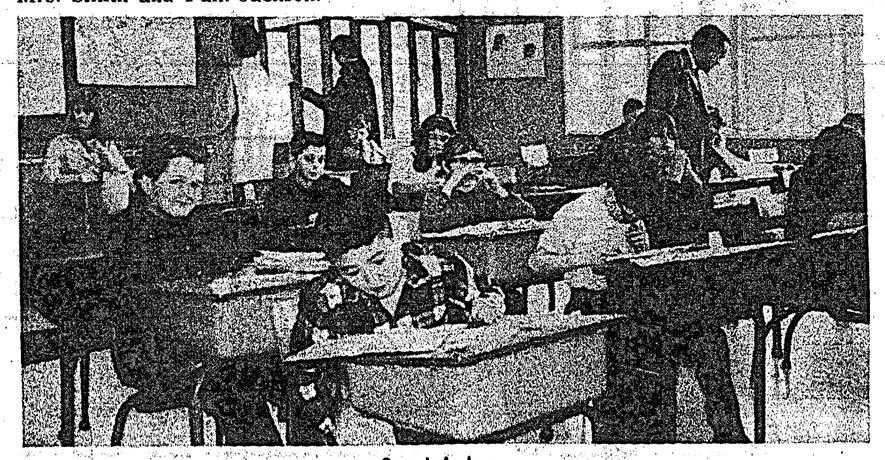
Elphinstone hostesses

AFTER a busy day of baking under the supervision of Mrs. I. Smith, Home Economics students at Elphinstone prepare to serve refreshments to speakers and visitors at last Wednesday's "Careers Day." Making sure the coffee is just right are: Linda Goesson, Sharon Thomas, Judy Goesson, Sandra Clarke, Kay Hensen, Mrs. Smith and Pam Jackson.



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IT'S HARD to concentrate when Mum is at the back of the room checking one's work, but it only happens once a year during Education Week. A long line of cars parked outside Langdale Elementary School, last week, proved that parents were happy to accept the invitation to look over the recently enlarged school.

Round about the town

—By Ed Green

THERE is a columnist on a Vancouver paper who knows more about free Scotch and soda than he does about hospitals but he raised a great foofaroo when he exposed the awful condition of the surgical equipment in Vancouver General Hospital.

According to him, the surgical tools used today are the same ones donated by the Indians when they quit cutting off peoples heads & things. He said they were so bad that even the surgeons wouldn't know what they were using if they weren't painted in the tribal colors and identified by a code that meant Bad, Awful, Useless. He intimated that the most modern of the equipment was war surplus junk, Boer War that is, and that it was all due to Mr. Bennett's government sitting tight on the moneybags. He also said that it was so far from Admitting to Operating Rooms that you not only had to have a guide but also pack emergency rations and spare oxygen bottles. This is a sad state of affairs and is made much worse when the newspaper for whom this columnist is said to work, sent another man on the job and he came up with the news that things were worse than ever and the doctors were too intimidated to say or do anything about it in case they found themselves doing their operating stints on parlor tables or maybe the curb.

We here on the Peninsula in what the city slickers call a "hick" town do not have these blessings of the svelte urbanites who look down their aristocratic noses at us. We have something they do not have and one of our big problems of the future is to figure out how to keep them from dipping their muzzles into our particular patch of cream which is the St. Mary's Hospital. These city slickers would not think twice about slipping out of Vancouver and gaining admittance to St. Mary's on one excuse or the other and we'd better realize it

What makes St. Mary's so inviting? It is new. It is modern. It is well-staffed and well-equipped. What is more important it is ours. It was brought into being by a hard-working, civic-minded group who worked day and night to bring it about. The people of the Peninsula threw themselves wholeheartedly behind it and voted overwhelmingly to shoulder the cost. Even now they are talking about adding another storey to accommodate more beds and also a chronic care wing. Both will be needed.

St. Mary's is a community hospital, the community of the Sechelt Peninsula. I don't know the intricacies of provincial hospital financing but I do know that we, the property owning people here, were asked to approve a tax increase to pay for St. Mary's, which we did. The response was astonishing and auxiliaries went into action to such an extent that if you walk along the hospital corridor you will see brass plates on ward doors to show that the ward was furnished by an auxiliary or association of some sort.

How about the expensive medical equipment? It is as modern as tomorrow and when something new is required there is no fiddle faddle about it. By one means or the other those marvelous organizations, the St. Mary's Hospital Women's Auxiliaries have heard about it, and the money is immediately forthcoming. Where do they get it? They work hard and the results are there for all to see.

At one time the North Vancouver Hospital was the best-equipped hospital west of Toronto. In those dreary depression days nobody accused the City of North Vancouver of throwing money around; they didn't have any. But they did have the best equipped hospital and it was so good that Vancouver people flocked across the Inlet to get beds there. They also had the Elks Club and a lot of blind cops.

The North Van. Elks Club ran a monthly sweepstake. The prizes weren't astronomical, about $300 was First Prize, but they were there every month. The books of tickets selling at 50 cents each were on the counter of every North Vancouver store. They were also sold quite openly everywhere. If they were illegal the cops never heard of it because they bought the tickets too. Once a month the draw was made on the stage of the Lonsdale Theatre. The place was crowded and people stood out on the sidewalk to hear the news—good or bad. The groans of the losers were drowned by the screams of delight by the winners and the hospital authorities were pleased too because next day they would receive a cheque for what was left of the money collected after prizes were paid. It usually amounted to around $700 which the Elks Club stipulated must be spent on modern equipment.

The sweepstakes ended with the start of World War 2 and nobody seems to know why. It is something we could use right here and nobody would be hurt.

Selma Park home gutted by blaze

FIRE broke out last Thursday at about 7 p.m. at the home of Leo Nestman of Selma Park which gutted the interior of the home.

Mr. and Mrs. Nestman and their eight children were all home at the time but were able to escape the blaze. Firemen were quickly on the scene and saved the house from total loss, although damage from smoke, flames and water was extensive.

The family was taken in by relatives and neighbors who quickly volunteered their help.

Sunday morning, Lions club members carried out a clean up of the building which it is believed may be made habitable in due course.

Fire is understood to have started from either a washing machine or the furnace.

Four fine films shown this week

"CANADA on Screen," a program of four films will be presented by the National Film Board of Canada and the Sunshine Coast Community Arts Council this week.

So that everyone may have an equal chance to see these magnificent films they will be staged in Pender Harbour (secondary school) on Thursday, March 17, in Sechelt (elementary school), on Friday, March 18 and at Gibsons (elementary school) on Saturday, March 19. All programs begin at 8 p.m.

"The Living Stone" presents an evocative picture of a spring and summer among Eskimos of Canada's eastern Arctic, demonstrating their creative craftsmanship, carving ivory, bone and stone. "Circle of the Sun" takes the viewer to one of the last gatherings of the Blood Indians in Alberta. The camera picks up a sundance and a fantastic variety of customs and rituals. "Nahanni" a chance to see the breathtaking scenery of the Headless mountains and the Funeral range in the Northwest Territories. Lastly in complete contrast, the "Stratford Adventure" a small Canadian city realizes the vision of one of its sons, the creation of a fine Shakespearean Theatre.

These films, made by Canadians to help to interpret Canada to the rest of the world have won for us a total of 33 international film awards.

Squaringly Yours

—by Maurice Hemstreet

HELLO, fellow square dancers, in keeping with the trend I will start as usual with a very successful evening at Wilson Creek Hall on Monday night.

Sad but true, Pender Harbour classes have been discontinued till the fall session under the night school. However, those who are still interested in furthering their square dance knowledge will be welcomed at the Wilson Creek Hall 8:00 p.m. on Monday nights, sponsored by the Wilson Creek Community Center.

Friday night, the flu bug was still on the loose and had played havoc with the Sechelt Jr. squares, only one set out, better luck next week.

News special of the month—the Sechelt Promenaders held their annual St. Patrick's square dance at the St. Hilda's Church Hall with six clubs present, Sechelt Promenaders as hosts, Gibsons Squarenaders, Circle 60, Club 13, Star Dusters and Silver Spurs from Powell River as special guests.

Twenty-three members from the various clubs from Powell River attended, which with our local square dancers, made a grand total of six squares on the floor. Rather a tight squeeze for the church hall, but really something to watch, the colour, the excitement, the laughter, and best of all, the friendship that prevailed during the entire evening.

Master of ceremonies and caller for the evening, Harry Robertson of the Gibson Squarenaders.

Guest callers were Frank Oliver of the Circle 60 Club, Brian Small of the Silver Spurs (keep up the good work, Brian), Ken Laidman of the Circle 60 Club, who was really on cloud nine and yours squaringly completed the guest list which provided a variety of calls, figures and styling to make a very successful square dance night.

To top off the evening, two long tables were stretched the lehgth of the hall and were soon loaded with goodies which the various ladies had brought. As usual this was known as the quiet time of the square dance world because square dancers would rather eat than fight.

Once again, we on this end of the Sunshine Coast wish to thank the Powell River dancers and their callers for helping to make the best St. Patrick's square dance the Sechelt Promenaders have ever held.

Well, I will leave you now with this thought in mind, allemade left, with your left hand, it works better.

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Wilson Creek notes

—By Mabel Wagman

INFORMAL discussion—The scheduled March general meeting was cancelled due to no quorum. It was decided to hold an informal discussion which among the topics mentioned was the ball park improvements by the Kinsmen.

Planned is a grand stand seating 100 people.

Wiring in Club Hall has been completed for electric range and hot water tank. Donation of fridge was kindly appreciated. It was also mentioned that possibly a greater co-operation be sought between organizations so events will not clash on the same date.

Notice of motion—Change of meetings to by-annual.

ARRIVED HOME

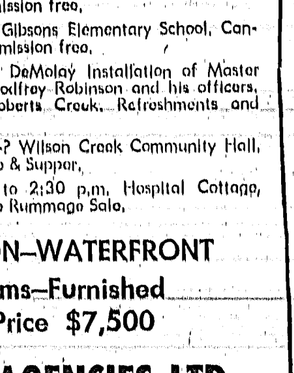
Joanne and Jerry Van de Meeberg and Robert have arrived home from Mexico where they enjoyed a rewarding experience of living 'completely native' at an isolated community on the coast among the palm trees and banana plantations, south of San Blas.

ST. PATRICK'S

A St. Patrick's Dance, held at the Wilson Creek Community Club Hall will start 8 p.m Saturday, March 19. An evening of entertainment including music, dancing and an Irish play is planned. Highlight will be a plate of 'Irish Stew' which will be served during the evening. $1.00 per person. There will also be a door prize.

FROM SASKATCHEWAN

Mrs. Florence Gory from St. Walburg, Sask., was recently visiting at the home of Mary and Don Marcroft and family. Mrs. Gory is now visiting at the home of the Tom Gory residence at Sechelt.



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March 17—1:30 p.m. Wilson Creek Hall. Regular meeting O.A.P.O. Branch 96. Followed by music with an Irish flavour.

March 17—8:00 p.m. Pender Harbour Secondary School. Canada on screen. Admission free.

March 18—8:00 p.m. Sechelt Elementary School. Canada on Screen. Admission free.

March 19—8:00 p.m. Gibsons Elementary School. Canada on Screen. Admission free.

March 19—8:00 p.m. DeMolay Installation of Master Councillor Elect Godfrey Robinson and his officers. Masonic Hall, Roberts Creek. Refreshments and Dance.

March 19—9:00 p.m.-? Wilson Creek Community Hall. St. Patrick's Dance & Supper.

March 19—10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Hospital Cottage, Sechelt. Girl Guide Rummage Sale.

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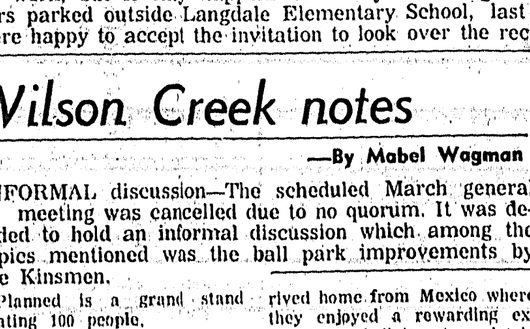

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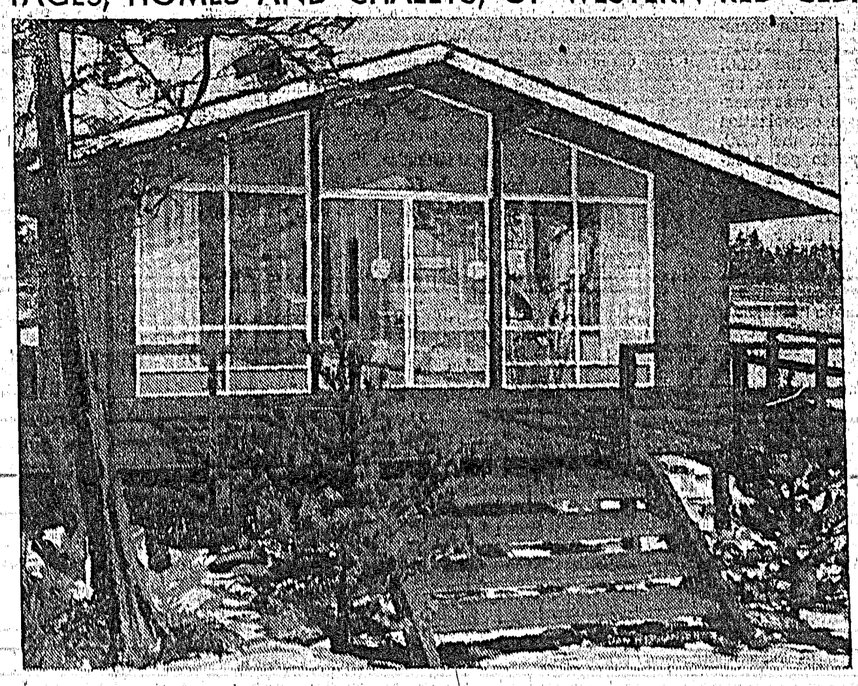

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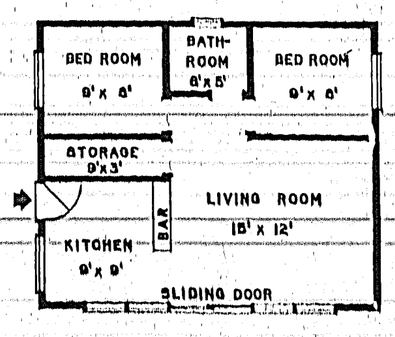

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Ottawa report

—The Times' Ottawa Bureau

UNION workers in Quebec have been noticeably deaf to the siren calls of separatist agitators. The separatists themselves have from time to time deplored their failure to appeal to the ordinary, working class French-canadian.

This does not mean however, that Quebec trade unions don't want to have their own specially-adapted organizations. In the field of labor, as in politics and culture, there is a burning Quebec desire to resist domination by English-speaking majority groups, and to develop home-grown structures.

This is part of the background to the open conflict that has broken out between the Canadian Labor Congress and the Quebec-based Confederation of National Trade Unions.

On the surface, it is an unequal contest. The CLC, with more than 1,200,000 members, is the central labor body for Canada. The CNTU has about 180,000 members, nearly all of them in Quebec, and fewer than the CLC has in Quebec.

But the CNTU is aggressive, militant, ambitious, and is growing rapidly, partly because of its unabashed raids on membership of Quebec unions affiliated with the CLC.

It has the CLC on the defensive, just as the Quebec Government has the federal government on the defensive. The parallel is fairly close. Even though the CLC President, Claude Jodoin, is a French-Canadian, his organization is accused of favoring federal or English interests at the expense of Quebec.

ONLY VOICE?

The CNTU, like the Quebec Government, pretends to be the only true voice of Quebec.

Late in February, in the same week, both labor organizations presented briefs to the federal government. Some philosophical differences were immediately apparent in the presentations.

The CLC, for example, was concerned about regionalism, decentralization, and favored a strong central government for Canada.

The CNTU, on the other hand, emphasized decentralization, and was concerned about some aspects of federal economic policy which appeared to infringe on provincial rights.

Philosophical arguments may be pursued calmly and peaceably. Real fighting doesn't start until a specific issue appears, and it already has.

The issue involves 600 CBC stagehands in Quebec, who are now represented by the International Alliance of Theatre and Stage Employees (IATSE), a CLC affiliate.

The CNTU canvassed the membership and succeeded in winning a vote as bargaining agent. The trouble began when application for certification was made to the Federal Labor Relations Board.

TURNED DOWN

The board turned down the application, on the grounds that the CBC, and other national companies, should deal with employees uniformly across the country.

There are four union members on the federal board—three appointed by the CLC, one by the CNTU. It was apparent to the CNTU that whenever it as a union organization was in conflict with the CLC, it could not hope to get a favorable decision from the board.

The CNTU officers made this the chief point in their brief to the government. They threatened to boycott the Canada Labor Relations Board unless the board is made bilingual, and unless the effective control by the CLC was removed.

The Federal Labor Department asked time to consider these demands, and further meetings were to be held.

But the CLC was not so diplomatic. Following an executive meeting here, President Jodoin fired off a statement that amounted to a declaration of war on the CNTU.

He accused the Quebec organization of making a deliberate attempt to disrupt labor legislation and collective bargaining practices in Canada. And his criticism went beyond labor matters.

The CNTU, he said, was also trying to 'undermine the whole structure of Canada . . . with a deliberate attempt to cut the ties that bind people of various provinces and racial backgrounds together as Canadians."

Jodoin also said that the CLC represented more workers in Quebec than did the CNTU. The CNTU policy would lead to wage differentials among regions.

FROZEN WAGE

Workers in Quebec, for example, would see their wages frozen and would be unable to overcome the wage gap with Ontario and other provinces which now exists.

He predicted "chaos." For example, a small group of employees in one locality could tie up a trans-continental railway system.

"The Canadian Labor Congress will fight this with every ounce of energy we command," warned Jodoin.

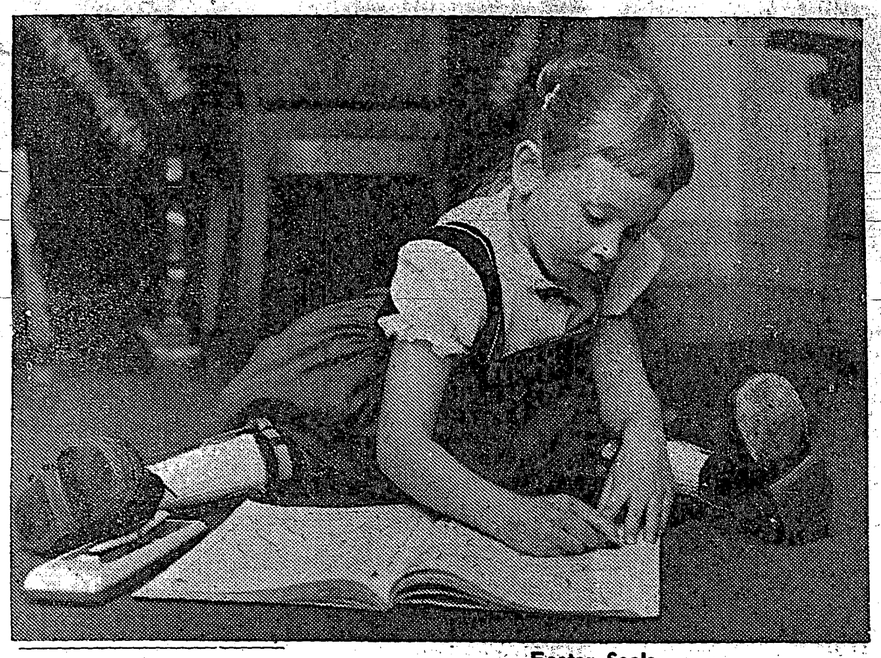
It may be assumed that the CNTU will fight equally hard.

What does seem clear is that in the makeup of the federal labor relations board there is a built-in disadvantage to the CNTU.

On the other hand, abandonment of the hard-won right to bargain on a nation-wide basis would surely bring hardship to workers in poorer provinces, including Quebec.

This could be the biggest problem the Federal Labor Department has faced in many years. It has all the aspects of the wider problem in Canada—Canadianism versus Quebecism, English versus French.

Its resolution, certainly, will be no simpler than the resolution of the larger Canadian problem.



Easter Seals

MEET MISS Mildred Mouw, age 6½ years of 759 Williams Road in Richmond, B.C., recently selected as this year's "Tammy" symbolic of Crippled Children for the Coming Easter Seals Appeal. Mildred was born with Spina-Bifida, a crippling disease of the spinal column. She wears braces, uses crutches, and is presently undergoing some therapy treatment. Her brother's name is Ronald.

Tony requests money for law

LAWYER MLA Tony Gargrave has said more money should be spent in B.C. on research into law and suggested a research institute be established.

Gargrave (NDP-Mackenzie), during debate on Attorney-General Bonner's estimates, said the institute might be run in connection with the UBC law school. He said the government should provide something like $50,000 to assist the attorney general in research into law.

He said with the tremendous expansion in the province there is a chronic shortage of lawyers, and research into law going on now in the U.S. might prove of value in B.C.

Backward glance . . .

Centennial feature turns pages of time

THE PASSAGE of 100 years meant little to some of British Columbia's Douglas firs—a few more rings, a broader girth, a few more fire scars.

But what a change in the people!

Old records in the provincial archives show that the population of the two Crown Colonies of Vancouver Island and British Columbia in 1866, by the most generous estimate, well inside the 65,000 mark.

And today we're nudging two million.

No census had been taken in 1866. But it was thought there were at most 7,000 whites on the island and 18,000 Indians. On the mainland, whites and Chinese were said to number 10,000 maximum and the Indians 10,000.

The number of white people took a drop every winter because many of them were gold miners who scooted south from the Cariboo and Fraser goldfields with the coming of snow.

The two colonial governments in 1865 had total budgets smaller than most municipalities today. B.C. spent $676,810 and Vancouver Island $351,300.

More than half the colonial revenues after the two colonies merged in 1866, came from customs revenues.

There were duties to be paid on most food items and many manufactured items brought into the colonies.

Vendors of spirituous liquors paid excise taxes that contributed another huge block of the revenues of the day. A licence to operate cost $100 for six months in the town and $30 in the country for a like period.

Opium sales to the large Chinese population were legal and the government collected from this nefarious trade. A licence cost $50 for six months. A dance hall could be licenced for $200 a year while a banker paid $400. A miner's certificate cost $5 annually.

Gold was still the mainstay of the industrial wealth of the land. In 1866 an estimated $3.5 to $5 million was dug from the earth. Coal however was of increasing importance, especially to the ships of the Royal Navy who for a year had made Esquimalt a Pacific base.

(The fleet under Rear Admiral Hastings on the Esquimalt station included HM ships Zealous, Malacca, Scout, Sparrowhawk and the gunboats Forward and Grappler).

The coal miners at Nanaimo were earning $3 a day and laborers were getting up to $1.75 and the mines shipped 25,212 tons that year.

There were about a dozen sawmills gnawing at the timber wealth of the new united colony. Lumber from B.C. was going to Australia, the Sandwich Islands (Hawaii) China and South America.

There was no militia law in British Columbia but there were two volunteer rifle companies drilling, one at Victoria and one at New Westminster.

Paper money was being issued as notes of the Bank of North America and the Bank of British Columbia.

Silver and gold coins in circulation were either from England or the United States. But the English coins had to be "translated" to the dollar scale.

One of the most serious lacks of the colony however lay in the field of education. On Vancouver Island there were only 404 children in common schools and 419 in private schools. No reliable figures were available for the mainland—but it was certain the situation there was not as good.

Notes from Pender

—by Lorill Kilborn

REGULAR meeting of Pender Harbour Auxiliary to St. Mary's Hospital was held on March 9 at Madeira Park Clinic. In the absence of Mrs. J. Love, first vice-president Mrs. D. Philip presided.

Final plans were made for the Spring Tea, which will be held on March 26 at the Community Hall in Madeira Park, at 2 p.m. There will be a sale of home-baking, aprons, plants, mystery parcels and greeting cards, a white elephant stall, door prize and raffles.

Added attraction again this year, will be an exhibition of paintings, the work of students of Mrs. Stephanie Hooper's Art Class, which will be of interest to all.

Mrs. T. Scales reported that the Auxiliary Cook Book is selling quite well, and anticipates an increase in sales during the coming tourist season.

Next meeting will be April 13, a 2 p.m. at Madeira Park Clinic. New members are welcome.

FORMER RESIDENT

Formerly resident in Pender Harbour for many years, Mrs. Muriel Hatt-Cook, now of Toronto, is on an extended visit in the Harbour, as the guest of Mrs. Linda Andrews.

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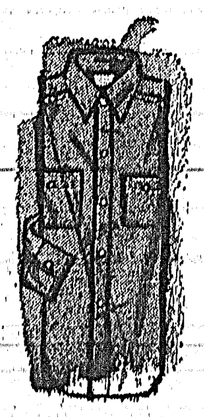

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