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Trailer overturns

UNDIGNIFIED posture was assumed by this tractor trailer unit after it slid off the highway and overturned, during snowstorm Friday night. Owned by Westview Freight and driven by Martin Jenson who is not injured.

3 last week . . .

Accident rash increase on notorious highway

RASH of motor vehicle accidents last week were concentrated mainly in the Halfmoon Bay-Pender Harbour area, adding considerable weight to the demands for major road improvements to a stretch of highway proving increasingly hazardous as traffic increases.

A City Transfer truck was in collision with a car last Monday near Earl Cove, considerable damage was inflicted upon the car driven by Don McColman of Cartier Street, Vancouver but there were no injuries.

McColman later appeared before the Magistrate on a charge of failing to remain on the right side of the road. He was fined $20 and costs.

HIT SCHOOL BUS

Carl Riller, 34, of Port Coquitlam is reported as seriously injured in St. Paul's Hospital, following a collision with a school bus which was proceeding toward Madeira Park from Halfmoon Bay, no children were aboard at the time.

The collision occurred when the bus was on the right side of the road, the car is a total wreck and damage to the bus estimated at about $2,000.

Police are expecting to lay charges at a later date.

Bob Cunningham was soon on the scene with his ambulance and rushed the injured man to St. Mary's Hospital. Facilities were unavailable for necessary treatment and it was decided to rush him to St. Paul's.

TRUCK OVERTURNS

Snow was responsible for another accident near Halfmoon Bay last Friday night at about 10:30 p.m.

The Westview Freight truck driven by Martin Jepson, slid off the highway and overturned down a decline.

Snow was so heavy at the time that police on their way to the incident were forced to abandon their patrol car and proceed by truck to the scene.

Busters of Vancouver were on the scene the following morning and removed the freight. The driver received no more than a slight shaking up.

Split views . . .

Chairman votes "No" defeats park motion

SPECIAL meeting of Council of Sechelt, Nov. 28, for the purpose of drawing up a provisional budget was highlighted with a diversity of opinion when a suggestion was made by Councillor Frank Parker that provision should be made to purchase the proposed Porpoise Bay parkland, should the project be approved by plebiscite.

Chairman Mrs. A. Johnston disagreed, explaining the referendum had yet to go to the people and that should it be approved, provision could be made later.

Councillor Parker asserted provision should be made at this time, "We will look very silly if the voters approve the referendum, then we have to tell them we have no provision made to proceed," he said.

A motion by the councillor that provision be made, seconded by Councillor Burnel Gordon, reached a stalemate when Councillors Dawe and Swain voted against.

Deciding vote was then in the hands of the chairman, Mrs. Johnston, who proceeded to explain her reasons for disapproving the motion. "I feel it is unnecessary at the time," she said. "Should it be the wishes of the people that we go ahead with the purchase, we shall all have to agree with them. We may then make provision in the next budget."

Councillor Gordon then interposed with, "Let us cut out the verbage, are you voting for or against?"

The chairman then indicated she was voting the motion out, to which Councillor Gordon expressed the view that it would be a simple matter to budget for the expenditure at this time. "Should the referendum be defeated then we won't need it and it will be available for other purposes," he concluded.

Motion defeated by casting vote of the chairman, the meeting was adjourned.

Officers elected for Sechelt scouts

DISTRICT Council of the Boy Scouts of Sechelt held a meeting Nov. 26 for the installation of new officers, with a number of local residents volunteering their services to further the progress of this worthy group.

Past President Ed Sertees handed over the reigns of office to newly elected President Brian Harris; vice presidents Mr. E. Booth and Mr. A. August; Secretary, Mr. J. Janiewick; Treasurer, Mrs. Margaret Burley. Committee members Training Program, Mr. B. Keeley; Health, Safety and Badge, Mr. C. Thorold; Public Relations and organization, Mr. R. Clayton; Camping, Mr. W. Wright; Finance, Mr. E. Booth; Chaplain, Canon Alan D. Greene.

Installation was carried out by Regional Representative, Mr. Norm Burley.

Says board chairman . .

Welding shop incomplete insufferable situation

PROBLEMS brought up at the recent ratepayers' annual meetings, were discussed thoroughly by members of the Sechelt District Board of School Trustees on Monday, Nov. 23.

Action on the Madeira Park School drainage difficulty is awaiting the engineer's report. Extended pupil transportation in the Halfmoon Bay area is also under investigation.

Request that a medical officer examine school children periodically, was not considered necessary as the public health nurses make frequent visits to school and report directly to Dr. A. J. Cunningham, Director of the Coast Garibaldi Health Unit.

Rumour that the school nurse no longer visits Egmont, is not correct. Planning for kindergarten classes in the Pender Harbour area will be included in the next referendum. Extra toilet facilities for Roberts Creek School will be included in next year's budget.

Mr. Porter, maintenance supervisor for School District No. 46, stated that the welding shop in the new Industrial Arts section of Elphinstone has no fire wall and no provision for a hot water sink. When contacted, Mr. J. L. Davies, the architect, stated that these features were not included in the plans. "This situation is insufferable," said

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Future meetings . . .

Voting set January 16 for school referendum

IMPORTANT date in the near future will be January 16, when Sechelt District Board of School Trustees, will request owner electors to vote on Referendums Nos. 5 and 6.

Referendum No. 5, for the amount $339,575 is for the construction and equipment of school buildings and is shareable with the provincial government who will provide up to half the total cost.

Referendum No. 6 for the amount $29,325 is not shareable and is for the improvement of existing schools, in particular, school grounds and drainage problems.

Full details of the referendums will be published well in advance of January 16. Members of the public wishing to discuss referendum plans should contact their school trustee.

Members of the school board hope to arrange meetings with both village councils at Gibsons and Sechelt to discuss plans for the referendums.

Dismal event . . .

Hospital opening fiasco as crowds wait in rain

HEAVY sleet and rain poured down on a large crowd of well wishers, many who worked on the project, and participants, who turned out for the official opening of the new St. Mary's Hospital, last Sunday.

Apart from dignitaries and a group of honored guests within the heated entrance hall from which opening speeches were conducted, what should have proved a momentous occasion was little more than a dismal event for a large number.

Length of opening remarks were diplomatically rectified by the Hon. Eric Martin who cut his speech down to a minimum, showing consideration for the people who bravely saw the ceremony through under extreme discomforture.

The Minister of Health Services expressed his congratulations to these who worked so hard to bring the project to completion, and expressed the opinion it was a major advance in the growth of the Sunshine Coast.

Real stars of the ceremony were the girls of the visiting Indian Mission Band, who clad in thin dresses performed under filthy weather conditions.

A number of telegrams and cables to be read out were quickly put aside when outside visitors indicated their disapproval. It was therefore decided to display them later on the notice board. The Times was told later they included a cable from MP for Coast Capilano, Jack Davis, who expressed his regrets for being unable to attend the opening as previously planned.

For the benefit of those who have been led to believe the project was by the divine grace of the provincial government, The Times takes pleasure in printing in full the cable from Mr. Davis:

I regret I will be unable to attend the official opening of St. Mary's Hospital, Sechelt at 2 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 29. Stop. This is indeed a disappointment. Stop. I had been looking forward to celebrating the opening of this fine new centre, also I would like to have spoken about the extent to which our

—see page 3

Fourth candidate for commissioner

ANOTHER nomination for one of two seats vacant in the coming Sechelt election of village commissioner, is announced this week.

Papers were taken out by Joe Benner of Benner Bros. who following repeated requests by a large number of residents, finally weakened and agreed to stand. Joe has lived in the district for the past ten years and has gained high esteem for his numerous public spirited activities.

Presently president of the Lions Club, he is also a member of the Board of Trade with whom he has served six years as an executive member. He was previously for 4 years a Kinsman and was a Charter President as with the Sunshine Coast Lions.

A veteran with 3½ war time service years, he was with the Royal Canadian Army. Was the local Director to the Polio Board for four years, and with the Kinsmen was chairman of the first Christmas tree lighting committee, chairman of the street lighting committee and chairman of the ambulance committee which donated an ambulance to the firemen.

Joe has for many years shown a vital interest in community affairs and has a great deal to offer the electorate.

Joe Benner

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JOSEPH WILLIAM BANCROFT

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Port Mellon news

—by J. Moore

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR AND BAKE SALE

The WA to Port Mellon Community Church held their Christmas bazaar and bake sale on November 25 from 10-11:30. There was a good turnout to partake in the coffee and coffee cake, also the home baking and novelties. Our president made a snow castle out of sugar cubes and there was guessing as to how many cubes were in the castle. Mrs. C. Graham won it with the guess of 930 cubes.

The Port Mellon Guide company had a handicraft and white elephant table. The guides made many lovely novelties under the guidance of Captain and Mrs. W. Flockhart and Lieut. Mrs. B. Littlejohn.

There doesn't seem to be much news around these days except that everyone is busy with Christmas preparations. Little Barbara Lucas celebrated her 7th birthday last Wednesday with six of her school friends.

L.A. raise $83 from bake sale

Christmas theme gave a festive atmosphere to the fall tea and bake sale, held by Pender Harbour Auxiliary to St. Mary's Hospital at Garden Bay.

Fancy breads, shortbread and many other goodies were featured on the bake table. Gift items, beautifully made aprons and Christmas cards were sold. Although very few attended the tea, the sum of $83.00 was realized.

Mr. Bill Course won the Christmas cake and Miss Klausen, a nurse at the Hospital, won the cup and saucer.

The Auxiliary wishes to thank all those who contributed to the success of this event.

In September, the Hospital Board was presented with a cheque for $783.90 to furnish a one-bed ward in the new hospital.

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Squaringly Yours

—by Maurice Hemstreet

HI! HO! and away we go, walk right along on the heel and toe, bring your girl, come right along and join us in a lot of fun!

Opening my square dance scrap book immediately, I have ventured onto a date that I shall never forget.

Feb. 21, 1959—was the first night of calling at the Welcome Beach Community Hall. A really wonderful group of people, to have built with their own hands, a real nice hall, for their own use and other's too. I met a lot of fine people at their hall and when you hear someone say, Oh! I'm too old for this and that and going out and so on, well let me tell you, the oldest couple on the floor I think were in their 80s, young that is, and they could square dance with the best. Yes, once again, I would like to thank those wonderful people of the Welcome Beach community for the enjoyable evenings I had while calling square dances for them.

Feb. 28, 1959—Powell River Hoedowners joined the Sechelt Promenaders at the school hall in Sechelt. Callers were Gary Monk, Van., Bud Blatchford, Sechelt; Bob Gela from Powell River. I also did my first guest call bit, and boy, did I goof it up. The record I did was a singing call, called Just Because and I forgot the tag line, the dancers were very good though, they went faster and faster and never complained at all. I knew something was wrong, but didn't know what until my calls were finished and I still had music left. Oh! well, that's the way it goes some days, it just don't pay to get up, except the bed has to be made anyway.

March 28, 1959—Square danced at the Hopkins Hall, Bud Blatchford calling. This was my first journey to Hopkins, and must say I enjoyed the dance then and still do. Can't figure out why they lock the door when they see me coming! Oh well, next time I go to Hopkins I shall tippy toe.

Last week, a set of dancers squared up in my basement for a fun filled evening, with Mr. and Mrs. Austin from Vancouver joining us, yes a real square dancer will find a dance when they are truly interested.

On we go to the next of the Ten Commandments for square dancers.

Number 4—Thou shalt go abroad and dance with other callers so that thy opinions expressed as to the merit of this one and that one are based on fact.

Number 5—Thou shalt not let the stranger in thy midst sit on the sidelines and cool his heels, nor fail to speak to him.

Number 6—Thou shalt bathe diligently that the sweet aroma of soap and shaving lotion may assail the nostrils of thy associates.

Cal and Irene Tingley, with their movie camera re-adjusted, took another roll of film which I have just seen and the film turned out dandy, but now I have another problem, while our projectionist, Dick Dooley was operating the projector, he reversed the machine and we watched the dancers moving backwards, this is fun itself, but my problem is, do I dance better going backwards or forwards? See what I mean! Well, I have said it before and I say it again, square dancing is just loads of fun whichever way you manage to get through a dance, even if you should end up with a new partner, just remember that old saying, a change for a dollar bill is three quarters, two dimes and a nickle!

Well one and three do sa do all the way around to an ocean wave and rock it, swing through again, cross trail to your corner, thank her, thank your partner and, everyone else. Oh! yes, how about the caller too, I think he helped make a wonderful night. Don't you?

See you all at the next square dance. Good night all.

Mill manager: "You and the president of this company have one thing in common."

Lazy office boy: "What's that, sir?"

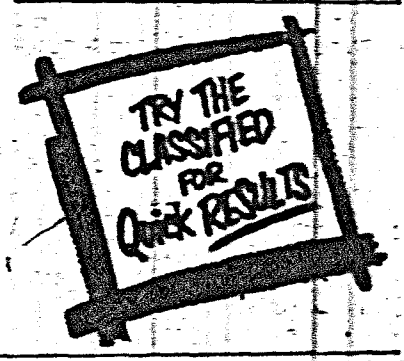
Manager: "You've both gone as far as you can go in the company."

MORE ABOUT . . .

Hospital opening

from page 1—

three levels of government have been co-operating in the election of new projects of this kind. Stop. As you know, health and welfare is primarily a matter for the province and municipalities. Stop. However the Federal Government since 1957 has also made financial contribution to the creation of new hospital facilities. Stop. In the case of St. Mary's Hospital, the federal government in Ottawa has put up $113,993. Stop. Further funds will of course be forthcoming as and when additional beds and other facilities are required. Stop. Will you please thank the board of trustees of St. Mary's Hospital for the cordial invitation. Stop. Please tell them I plan to visit Sechelt at the earliest opportunity when I can make a point of going through the hospital at that time. Stop. Please also convey my warmest greetings to all those on the Sunshine Coast who worked so hard to bring the new hospital into being. Stop. The people of the area are indeed fortunate to be served so efficiently in this way. —Jack Davis, MP, Coast-Capilano.



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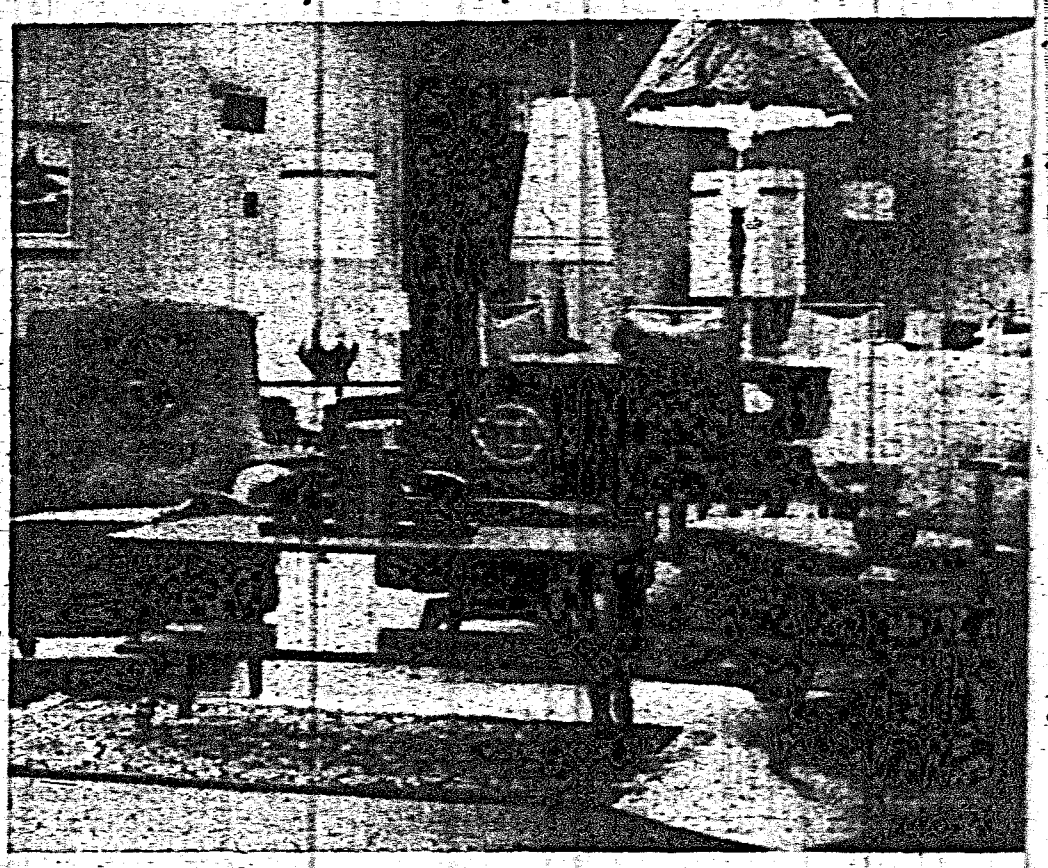

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EDITORIALS

"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, December 2, 1964

When The Hat Fits

RATEPAYERS of Gambier Island, disgusted with various down to earth type subjects discussed on a Vancouver open line radio program, have requested the school board register a complaint with the Broadcasting Board of Governors.

Basis of the complaint being that some of these subjects are unfit for the ears of the youngsters, and to some extent there is justification for the apprehension of the group. Whether the sordid details of rape, drug addiction and prostitution makes the best of listening material for young people, or not, is a matter of opinion on which there are certainly two trends of thought.

Should they be brought up under the impression the world is a bed of roses where anything tainted is not discussed, or should they be allowed to develop into maturity well aware of the pitfalls around them?

The school board agreed to register a complaint with the board of directors but quite rightly will not specify any one broadcast or radio station, although it appears the ratepayers of Gambier had one particular program in mind.

This is a hot line show operated by one man who despite his sometime radical views, is indeed a clever person, commanding probably the largest following of supporters ever known for a one man program.

His forthright condemnation of our so called justice, antiquated laws on drug addiction, prostitution, the legal profession and numerous social evils, has brought him under attack by many who found the hat fitted.

Bigots, righteous fanatics and various little groups, and not always little groups, have used every filthy trick in the book to dispose of him as a broadcaster. So far unsuccessfully and whether he is right or wrong, for those who find his program distasteful, the solution is extremely simple; change stations.

There are many things wrong with our society which through public opinion, eventually get put right, is is usually only through the efforts of a spokesman that such wrongs are brought to light, which is precisely what this broacaster is doing.

No man living could venture an opinion without upsetting some individual and most people are big enough to realizé this and judge a man for what he represents as a whole.

This man without question represents the little man, the man on the street, his opponents represent a minute section of the populace. That a group should take steps to dispose of him, is in itself a move subject to some conjecture.

United We Stand To Succeed

THERE is little doubt we now have a hospital not only a credit to the district but a building of such size and design that many districts considerably larger and wealthier than this have been put to shame.

From time to time in communities everywhere, imaginative people propose projects of benefit to their villages, town and cities. The larger the district, usually the larger the project. In most cases their enthusiasm is given the treatment and the project seldom leaves the deck.

This of course is life, always those for and those against, whether the idea is good or bad. Sufficient support from go-ahead citizens and a project of value is added to the economy of the community involved. Over-ruling opposition from a powerful group of cautious stick-in-the-muds and progress remains stagnant.

To the good fortune of the Sunshine Coast, such an idea was born, nurtured and accomplished. The course was by no means easy, but tenacity prevailed and ultimately ended with the magnificent new St. Mary's Hospital.

This is a striking example of what can be accomplished when imagination finally takes hold and responsible members of the public unite to further the course of progress.

Naturally many proposals are of wild and impractical nature which could end in financial disaster. At the same time, others are worthy of full support but fail through lack of support.

We have groups here at this time attempting to bring out proposals which would add greatly to the growth and prosperity of the area. Gibsons has a group interested in a Curling Rink, Sechelt is to vote on a referendum for the purchase of a valuable waterfront park, a similar propect is under consideration at Selma Park. These are all good projects and could do nothing but good for the area, it requires no more than perseverence and the support of those interested in the prosperity of their districts to bring the plans to fulfullment.

The new hospital is proof that anything needed badly enough is possible, and in most cases, if those for, united as strongly as those against, success would be inevitable.

TB being conquered

THE SALE of Christmas Seals has been going on for many years and while it is a well-known fact that money from the sale goes to the TB Society, little is actually known by the general public about the way the money is spent in the battle against this dreaded disease.

Throughout the past few years greater public acceptance of the annual X-ray program publicized by the society has been noticed. This is mainly through the publicity given the "Operation Doorstep" program of the B.C. Tuberculosis-Christmas Seal Society. Cost of this program is $500-$600 a day with the total cost for the year running to well over $100,000,000.

Operation of the clinic in the city of Vancouver this summer showed the tremendous value to the society, to the persons taking the tests and to medical staffs throughout the country via the following list of figures tabulated from it:

In the 12 weeks the clinic operated in Vancouver, 220,000 people were tested; 36,532 showed a positive reaction because they have been infected by the tuberculosis germ; 128 active cases of the disease were spotted; and 3,269 were found to have lung damage and will require regular health department follow-up X-rays in the future.

Aside from these figures, another interesting aspect of the testing has come out. This is being closely checked and studied by the senior health officer for the city and by the UBC School of Medicine. It showed that 25 definite cases of lung cancer were spotted as well as 54 other tumors of the chest and 87 significant heart conditions as well as many other diagnosis which are being checked.

Gracie, Harpo, Eddie

WHEN the late Harpo Marx played the harp, it was the closeness of the sublime and the ridiculous that made the unspeaking clown the artist. In that way only did he make the point more obvious than his fellow-entertainers, the late Gracie Allen and the late Eddie Cantor.

Their various approaches to the art of being funny, observed the editor of The Christian Science Monitor, helped us keep a measuring stick not only for the sublime but for our own little pretensions.

As "sick" humor makes its comment on a changed world, the memory of their healthy irrepressibility speaks to the future as well as the past.

A rowdy mime who did not need words; a lovable woman who made words throw in the trowel, er, towel; a banjo-eyed comedian whose daughters belonged to us all—these left us laughing.

Is any legacy greater than the legacy of laughter? Possibly. But the sterner virtues are liberated by the laughter of unself-righteousness.

THE WORLD OF CHILDREN is indeed wonderful. At times, it can be downright funny. Take nine-year-old Carol Slavsky of San Francisco, who was given $10 by her father Herman. He advised her to deposit the money in the bank and open her first account. Little Carol was filling out a bank application when she came to the line asking the name of her former bank. Carol wrote in big bold letters: "Piggy."

Reporting Crime

(Revelstoke Review)

THE Review, like many other newspapers which covers police court proceedings, finds itself in hot water almost every week because many people think what goes on in court is nobody's business but their own.

We have tried to point out that we have nothing whatsoever to do with a person appearing in court. He is there by his own volition. We simply report something he has chosen to bring about himself.

The Red Deer Advocate has evidently had experiences similar to ours which no doubt prompted the following editorial which it published recently:

It is an unfortunate fact of life that publicity is a greater deterrent against wrongdoing than the knowledge that the act committed is against the law.

Some people can take the punishment for being found out in their stride, but they wince at the thought their crime will be revealed through a newspaper to their employer, their family and friends or their school.

There is no longer any shame attached to appearing in a magistrate's court to face an accounting with the law, though the publication of the offence and the punishment attached to a judgment prove far more upsetting to those who believe that their guilt should be concealed from the society they have wronged.

It is fairly obvious that the Western Chiefs of Police Association has been thinking along the same lines. Recently they recommended that news media be allowed to publish names of juveniles who commit criminal offences and traffic violations.

Regina Police Chief Arthur G. Cookson, who introduced the proposal said that because these names could not now be made public an attitude had grown up among juveniles that they could not be touched or even questioned by police. Delegates heard a report on legislation in Montana allowing publication of the names of juvenile offenders. The report said that juvenile crime had been cut.

Publication of magistrate's court news in a newspaper is not part of the punishment, though in many cases it is now regarded as such. A newspaper is merely carrying out its duty to keep the public informed; it is not making a judgment or taking part in a punitive process.

Playing for Keeps

(Abbotsford News)

AN American journalist, returning to the post in Moscow after a year's sabbatical leave at home, reports that Soviet attitudes, on the surface at least, have mellowed. On small matters, he says, members of the regime are saying "yes" a bit more often and being civil about it when they do. means if possible.

He warns, however, that the Soviets still negotiate to win, not to compromise, and remain extremely suspicious of any proposal not introduced by themselves.

This is a timely reminder that the ultimate aim of Soviet communism continues to be world domination, by peaceful

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The big central parts warehouse of General Motors of Canada at Oshawa stocks quantities of 180,000 individual parts. The company maintains nine other parts warehouses across Canada.

Nostalgia

—by Vee Lobb

Come, let us embark for a place
far away;
To the fabulous land of our
birth.
We'll slowly glide in to safe
Table Bay
And the fairest of Capes on all
earth.

We'll sail in ere dawn, whilst
the land's at rest,
Hear the sea-bird's sad plaint,
—lonely sound.
We'll see Table Mountain. It's
flat-topped crest
Decked in nubia cloth swirling
round.

Ah! When the ship docks, fast
will our hearts beat,
And our eyes dim with long
suppressed tears.
We'll be carrier ashore by our
alien feet;
Cape Town! After fifty long
years.

We'll traverse the North Road,
the Swartland throught;
Great rich granery, known far
and wide,—
Quaint missions and hoomesteads; warm friendly view,
Fishing villages, prosperous,
beside.

On the banks of the Olifants
River we'll drive
Through a land, where the
citrus man's dream
Of wealth-laden branches, is
concrete, alive,
And King Orange reigns, proud,
all-supreme.

Then, a vast wilderness, ridden
by drought,
Parched, and seemingly left to
it's doom!
Spring dances, and lo! Rains
come, spreading out
Gorgeous carpets of flowers in
bloom.

Next, the East Road we'll venture—called 'garden route,'
It's escarpments fantastically
stand;
Through ancient forests, wild
flowers, grains, fruit,
To charmed Knysna's lagoon,
lotus land.

We'll go up the east coast, and
Zululand see;
Kruger National Park also,
world famed;
Where captive wild beasts in
their thousands, roam free,
Man protected—yet savage,
untamed.

Paradoxically, traveling south,
we'll go
By the Great North Road,
through the Vaal.
Pass over the wealthy central
plateau,
Where City rubs shoulders with
Kraal.

We'll cross the Karroo, observe
it's weird sights,
Then for two thousand feet,
dropping down
On to the terrace, through
towering heights
The Great Road will return us.
Cape Town!

Strange, polyglot Land, sun-drenched in spun gold,
Endowed with fine vineyards
and farms;
Mixed races, mixed creeds; the
New and the Old!
We'll be cradled once more in
your arms.

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In Your Garden

—By The Old Rake

WHILE we so often have trouble with house plants owing to the dryness of our homes, there is one group of plants that are made to order for such conditions. These are succulents, and although they often bear some resemblance to castus, they are an entirely different group.

One main difference is that Cacti bear their spines in clusters in definite uniform patterns on the stems rather than in the single hit or miss manner of some succulents. This group of plants, besides being tolerant of adverse conditions also comes in a great variety of forms and often bear flowers that border on the exotic. Once you become bitten by the succulent bug, beware, it can easily become a mania and soon your life will be controlled by them.

They are mostly constructed of thick fleshy leaves and stems which allow them to get along without water for some time. Conversely, they will not tolerate a wet, soggy condition for too long. The first thing to remember is to provide adequate drainage for them. Equal parts of garden loam, sand and leaf mould is a good mixture to grow them in. Extra sand is added when growing Cacti. A sunny window is the ideal place for them, as many of them have color variations the sun will intensify the colors. Watering should be done with care to get the best results. During winter when they are not in active growth a weekly watering should be sufficient. When the plants are growing rapidly or flowering they will use more water and should not be allowed to dry out for too long. It is better not to water if the sky is overcast, if in doubt, leave them, as they are plants than can be left for a few days without coming to any harm.

Propagation of succulents is easy, if you wish to increase your supply or if your plants get too big, cuttings of mature shoots usually root with no trouble at all. Use a sharp knife and leave the cuttings till they stop weeping before setting them in the cutting bed. The best medium to use is coarse sand, kept damp, water just enough to keep the cuted cuttings should be potted up in small pots, do not over pot. Mealy bugs are about the only pests to bother succulents and are easily picked off with cotton wool on the end of a toothpick.

Some of the commonest kinds of succulents include Echerarias, Crassulas, Mexican hat plant and colorful ice plant (Mesembyenthemum) to mention a few. There are enough different kinds to please practically every taste.

A far Eastern diplomat was once taken to a particularly hard-fought Harvard-Yale football game. He was not overly impressed. In fact, his comment became famous around Harvard Yard: "Football? If it's a fight, it is not enough; if it is a game, it is too much."

Canadian fabric encourages US

THE resounding success of a shirting fabric in Canada for the past eight years is now being echoed in the United States. Which is a nice reversal of the usual marketing procedures in the two countries.

"Terylene" tricot men's shirts, in white or with a fine stripe of colored nylon, have been the number one "no iron" shirt on the Canadian market since they were introduced in 1956. The fabric is distinctively Canadian development and the first one on the continent to be granted an unqualified "no ironing" approval by the United States Testing Company.

Nevertheless, in spite of this knitted fabric's instant acceptance on the Canadian men's wear market, there was no demand for it in 1956 in the US where woven fabrics were traditional in men's shirtings.

In 1959, however, Arrow in the US, encouraged by the triumph scored by their Canadian company with "Terylene" tricot, launched a similar knitted cloth called "Dectolene." Success was immediate, and a new fabric trend was underway.

Today it is forecast that the production of tricot shirting fabrics in the US in 1965 is expected to be around 30 million yards, at least double that of 1963. The rage is prompted by the fabric's wash and wear characteristics and by the general interest in knits. Like Canadians, Americans know a good thing when they see it.

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We owed them a lot in 1964

$4,340,434,848 to be explicit. This figure represents the cash deposits of well over three million Canadians at the Bank of Montreal at the October 31st year-end. And we're the first to point out that the nation is in debt to these customers . . . because most of our depositors' dollars went straight to work on projects vital to Canada's progress and to the well-being of her individual citizens. They're working dollars, employed to the national advantage. In fact at the Bank's year end, $2,728,862,030 was on loan to individuals, to companies and to communities across the nation. Another $874,466,266 was invested in high-grade government bonds and public securities which have a ready market, and $268,181,390 in other securities—mainly short-term credits to industry. Yes, we owed a lot to our more than three million customers in 1964.

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To be raffled

MRS. LEE Redman, president of the Sechelt Hospital Auxiliary, displays the fine Indian sweater knit by Mary Martha Joe; candle centre piece, donated by Mrs. N. F. Macklin and doll's outfit made by Mrs. R. Reid. Proceeds will go to the new hospital.

Round about the town

—By Ed Green

AT THE time this was written the Mobile Testing Unit of the Motor Vehicle Testing Dept. passed through here on its way to Powell River and by the time this appears it will probably have set up shop in Sechelt where all cars and trucks on the Peninsula will be required to appear for tests.

Most of us are familiar with the tests having passed through the testing station in Vancouver but there are many who haven't and they will be wondering what it is all about.

There is little mystery to it. If you are registered owner of a motor vehicle, and by this they mean practically anything that rolls on the highway, you will probably receive a notice telling you to appear at the testing station, wherever it happens to be, where your car, or truck, will be put through tests to determine its mechanical condition.

The tests are comparatively simple. All lights, brakes, wheel alignment and tires must come up to minimum standards for safety. You are given a card showing what parts fail to meet this standard and you are advised to have the faults rectified at once. If your car passes you are given a windshield sticker. Failure to have the faults corrected can result in serious consequences.

The testing officials are not hard to get along with. All they ask is that you co-operate and realize that what they are doing is for your own good; your safety and that of others.

Before the last war when the Vancouver testing station was opened all cars using Vancouver streets were required to pass the tests. As soon as an out-of-town car appeared on the city streets without a sticker the owner was warned to have it tested, or else. Full scale tests were required. Previous to this the then provincial police carried out spot checks on different streets or highways. Your car would be stopped and an officer would inspect your lights and tires. He would then fasten a device on your running board and ask you to speed up fast and then slam on the brakes. A needle on the device registered the brake effect. If everything was satisfactory you were allowed to proceed but if not you were given a warning.

During the first years of the war when cars and parts, especially tires, were almost impossible to obtain, this writer owned a collection of junk whose sole virtue was that it had a fair motor, good tires and a practically new license plate. It was only used to travel 10 blocks to and from the shipyard on the North Shore where no testing sticker was necessary. On occasion we would venture over to Vancouver where we never failed to get a warning sticker to have this car tested or stay out of Vancouver. After studiously ignoring these warnings, we recived a rather brisk letter to the effect that the next time we profaned Vancouver's sacred streets with this untested bucket of bolts we would be brought before the magistrate. Since we didn't care to bandy words with men in high places we decided to appear at the testing station where they would see something to set testing ahead, or back, 10 years.

The white coated official gave us a dubious look when we entered his test lane. Board in hand he walked around the now steaming vehicle and then came to the open window and said; "You're not kidding, are you?" We solemnly assured him we were not and to please get on with the test. As each test was completed he would shake his head and mark the examination card. "Well," he said, "you have done very well. You have scored the only complete zero I've seen since I've been on the job. I'll try your windshield wiper now." He reached inside. "Never mind," I told him, "that doesn't work either." But he turned it on and for the first time since I had the car it made a few vigorous swipes and quit. "Well," the official said, "you've got two very good license plates and all you need to do is jack a new car under them." We ignored this impossible advice and hastened back to the North Shore and never again attempted a *sortie into* Vancouver.

Ten years ago practically every second car around the Peninsula wasn't much better. This was a logging town then and loggers never won any medals for keeping their cars in top condition. There were exceptions, of course, but before the blacktop came the ill-kept roads shook everything loose. If you had a good car to start with you could bet it wasn't going to stay that way very long without constant attention. Most of the hardy souls had neither the inclination nor the time to waste on such frivolities as perfect headlights, properly aligned wheels and good brakes. All they asked of a car or pickup was that it get them in and out of the woods without any nonsense.

How some of them managed to do that day after day was nothing short of a miracle.

That this somewhat risky condition prevails in other parts of the province is evidenced by the fact that over 70 per cent of the cars just tested at Cloverdale failed to pass. True, the faults were minor in most cases but the fact remains that the percentage is too high for comfort.

If the tests are carried out here, what will be our percentage? The local police think they will not be too bad. They say that when the occasion warrants it they unofficially inspect many cars and advise the owners to have them put right. This, they explain, is not done to show their authority and should not, as it often is, be resented by the motorist. It is done solely in the interests of safety and should be accepted as such.

Unlike the Vancouver testing station there is no fee for the tests. For this astonishing reason alone we should avail ourselves of it.

Annual event . . .

Volleyball tournament Elphinstone's third win

ELPHINSTONE hosted Max Cameron, Brooks and Pender Harbour for the annual Sunshine Coast Volleyball Tournament, held November 14.

First game saw Elphinstone girls play Pender, with Elphie winning. Max Cameron then fought a gallant battle with Pender resulting in Max winning two out of three games. Elphinstone and Brooks girls played the next set with Elphie's strong team again winning.

Most exciting game of the tournament was between Max and Elphie girls, during which no one could predict the result until the final moments. "Game service," was called with both teams raring to go; it took a couple of seconds for Elphinstone Girls to realize they had won the tournament. This is their third consecutive win.

The remaining teams still had to compete for second and third winners. Pender and Brooks played three games with Brooks proving the stronger team. Max Cameron and Brooks, who had been cheering for each other during the games now found themselves opponents. Max proved superiority by winning the first two games.

Two senior boys' teams played three out of five games with Elphinstone Cougars defeating Brooks in the first 3 games.

Final results: Senior girls—Elphinstone, Max Cameron, Brooks and Pender.

Senior boys—Elphinstone and Brooks.

Special thanks to Mr. Yablonski and Mrs. Richardson for planning the tournament also to the girls for preparing and serving the luncheon.

Willem Vanderwoerd

Gibsons boy wins award

JUNIOR Forest Warden William Vanderwoerd, Gibsons, has been awarded the Gold Tree Degree badge, the highest proficiency award in the Junior Forest Warden organization, announced J. A. Moyer, Crief Warden of B.C.

This signifies the completion of a three-year conservation program sponsored by the Canadian Forestry Association.

William is a member of the Lone Patrol system, studying by correspondence, and conducting field trips on his own.

ATTENTION!! SECHELT VOTERS

I find this message necessary in order that all voters may familiarize themselves with facts and ideas concerning: Referendum No. 1—By Law No. 68. Quote: "Are you in favour of the proposal to purchase Block 9, D.L. 303 and 304, plan 6457, at Porpoise Bay, Sechelt containing 3.85 acres more or less for a sum of $28,000.00?"

It is my firm conviction the reply to that should be **NO.**

Please read on and then decide for yourselves whether or not the reasons I have listed justify this stand.

1. It does not stop at $28,000.00, this figure merely purchases the waterfrontage in its raw state. The beach at Porpoise Bay, as it is, cannot be used — it is a mud flat.

Even with the most generous rumored offer by Mr. Osborne to pump sand from around the sea plane base over on to this land, does not excuse the fact that directly in front of this property is **mud,** a vast amount of mud, and we are going to have to hire expensive equipment to disperse with it.

The expense involved to remove several hundreds of thousands of yards of mud and sand would greatly overshadow the original price of this property. This figure may be spent at some time in future by private business on such a project, but for us to consider such a spending to develop a second beach when we already have access to one, leaves much to be desired at this time.

2. I maintain that the waterfrontage between James Wharf and Mr. Burley's property is far superior in most respects than that offered by Porpoise Bay. The beach out front is free from flying pests, in camparison, the beach behind is not.

The tidal movement out front being more expansive and free provides us with vicibly a more cleaner water. Many compliments have been given Sechelt by visitors on this very fact.

Secondary conditions not nearly as important but however do exist are:

—a slight danger exists in the locating of a public beach in the immediate area of landing sea planes (etc.).

—the beach out front offers short walking distances for children and adult alike to cafes and stores—(a most welcome convenience for holidayers etc.).

In conclusion I suggest that in the Parks and Recreational field in Sechelt there is an immediate urgency. I believe that you and I owe something to the peoples of **this** generation here in Sechelt and that moneys should be found to provide shade picnic tables and conveniences, swings, slides, teter-toters, wading pools, grass, tennis courts, improved field conditions for our young athletes—all of the things you would normally find in a completed playground.

The location should obviously be in the area already owned by this municipality, normally referred to as Hackett Park!

I am in full favour of giving the capable men and women of our municipal council the go sign in respect to the promoting of desirable projects we can best afford—but I believe we are looking too far ahead in the crystal ball here, and rather than have a little bit of something completed to offer for everyone's enjoyment we shall perhaps wind up having a tremendous amount of nothing to offer for many long years to come—should we purchase this land.

I urge you good people of Sechelt to very carefully and cautiously weigh the information I have offered before you make your final decision on December 12th, 1964.

R. F. BRANCA

At B of M . . .

Electronic 'Genie' facilitates service

ALADDIN'S "Genie" came to Vancouver recently and it will soon be making big changes in banking services around the city . . . and province.

"Genie" is the name of the Bank of Montreal's fully-integrated system of machines and computers which make use of electronic speeds to clear cheques and post ledgers.

The bank's Vancouver "Genie Centre" went into operation recently and will eventually service 60 offices in the district.

The installation will operate around the clock, with deposit slips, cheques and statements moving between branches and the centre by automobile.

ALADDIN'S LAMP

The name "Genie" is derived from the tale of Aladdin's lamp and signifies "GENerates Information Electronically." The name was suggested by G. R. Filliter, manager of the B of M's office at Yarmouth, N.S., in a staff contest at the time the bank's first "Genie" centre was opened in Montreal last year.

The new Vancouver centre is the bank's third in a chain of similar installations which will ultimately be located in major cities across Canada. The first was at the bank's head office in Montreal and the second was opened at Toronto earlier this year.

Canadians like to write lots of cheques. In fact, they write more per capita than any other people in the world.

This is the main reason why Canadian banks have had to turn to automation, according to J. D. Cameron, manager of the Vancouver "Genie Centre."

"Today, our customers are writing twice as many cheques as they were ten years ago and, by 1970, it's predicted that the Canadian banking system will have to deal with more than a billion items a year.

"Under the manual system, each of these items had to be processed by hand several times."

STRANGE SYMBOLS

Key to operation of the Vancouver "Genie Centre" is a set of strange-looking numerals, known as "Magnetic Ink Character Recognition" symbols.

Printed on cheques and deposit slips in ink containing iron oxide particles, these MICR figures become magnetized as they are processed on sorting equipment. The figures have been given their odd shapes so that each one could carry a distinctive amount and arrangement of iron oxide particles which can be "read" by the sorting machine.

Before the new electronic equipment could be used, the bank had to ensure that a high percentage of cheques for customers' current and personal chequing accounts were magnetically "encoded" and personalized so as to adapt them for automated banking.

Sechelt social notes

—With Your Neighbours

A SUCCESSFUL tea and bake sale was held by the LA to Canadian Legion, Branch 140, in the Legion Hall. Guests were welcomed by the President of the LA, Mrs. C. G. Lucken. Mrs. R. Mitchell sold tickets at the door. On the raffle, Mrs. G. Batchelor and Mrs. F. Lyonns. The general convener was Mrs. C. Foster. Other LA helpers were Mrs. M. Leeman, Miss E. Burrell, Mrs. N. Kennedy, Mrs. Jo Gibson, Mrs. R. M. Thompson, Mrs. S. Waters, Mrs. W. E. Handford. At the urns Mrs. W. J. Mayne and Mrs. E. Biggs. Winner of the grocery hamper, 1st prize, Mrs. F. French; 2nd, Mr. J. Growning. Door prize, Mrs. A. Leslie. Child's door prize, Edward Sigouin.

Congratulation to our newly married neighbours Mr. T. Moran and Mrs. Moran, formerly Gladys West.

Mrs. Andy Johnston (our Chris) recently celebrated a birthday with a quiet dinner party with her family. Mrs. Johnston is chairman of our village commission and a hard worker in our interests. We wish her many happy returns.

A delighted audience appreciated the showing of wonderful pictures taken by school principal W. S. Potter while on a month tour of Africa. There were 41 teachers from different localities who gave up their vacation to work with the white teachers on this visit. We saw the beautiful city of Nairobi with its modern buildings and beautiful gardens, also some very good pictures of wild animals in the big game reserves.

At the close of the show Mr. Potter was presented with a token of appreciation on behalf of the local film board by Mr. H. J. Barendregt.

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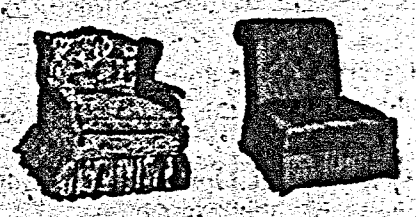

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Students' council

MEMBERS of Pender Harbour High School Students' Council are from left (back row) Wendy Hately, Dick Goodrup, Peter Lee, Syd Lee, Sally Hyatt, Boyd Bennett, Esther Phillips, Bev Ness. Front row: Cindy White, Carolyn Gough, Joe Hately, Sandy Hately, Shirley Gooldrup, Norma Joss.

Pender High . . .

Fund raising carnival provides team uniform

COUNCIL of the Pender Harbour High School sponsored their annual fund-raising carnival on November 20. It was held in the school gymnasium for the first time since its inception several years ago.

Magnificent public support given by the citizenry, who turned out in record numbers, made this one of the most successful carnivals to date. Six hundred and fifty dollars was raised.

This money will buy team uniforms for boys and girls, and provide many "extras" for the school.

A special "thank you" goes to Mr. Mark Myers who provided free bus transportation for the public to the school.

The staff was out in full force to assist, but found little to do except in the money counting department. Of course Mrs. Whittaker did have her fill of cakes (figuratively speaking) in the Cake Walk, and Mr. Ward has dishpan hands for a very good reason!

Mrs. Fleming, principal of the school complimented the Council for their excellent management of the evening, and for the fine clean-up job after.

Among the students who were particularly helpful to the council effort are:

Vicki Lee, Carol Wray, Peter Lee, Anne Cameron, Steve Dediluke, Bonnie Lee, Janice Lee, Peggy Lee, Dale Cameron (an indefatigable piano player like her mother), Linda Warnock, Terry Cameron, Carol Fenn, Marion Vaughn, Judy Nygard, Janet Webb, Wendy Godkin, Wendy Hately, Maureen Gardiner, Mary Brown, Georgina Ibey, Brenda Lee, Elaine Klein, Teddy Lee, Darby Reid, Roger Duncan, Graeme West, Roddy Webb, Sandra Sundquist, Neil Whittaker, Cheryl Crichton, Cheryl Clay, Joe Brown, Rae Edwardson, Robby Kilborn, Frank Beale, Gail Deller, Jrogina Deller, Roi Kilborn and Roy Warnock.

More students than recorded here moved in where required to help the Council to make this an outstanding success.

A prize of two dollars offered by Mrs. Fleming for the best carnival poster, was won by Betty Mills, runner-up was Janet Webb.

NANAIMO VISIT

The Fishing Class and other interested students from the Pender Harbour High School plan to visit the Nanaimo Experimental Station during "open house". The station holds a three-day open house once in every three years, so the students are fortunate to participate.

First two days are reserved for commercial fishermen, shore workers, and other industry representatives, and government agencies involved in fisheries.

Students will see special exhibits on films, and photographs which are planned for visitors, to show the various facets of the biological and oceanographic work of the station. Live fish will be on display and station scientists will be on hand to explain their work.

This trip is made possible by a $25 donation from the PTA, the funds furnished by the School Board for such trips, and a small contribution from the participating students.

Over 25 students will travel by bus, under the supervision of Mrs. Fleming and Mrs. Whittaker.

BASKETBALL

Pender Harbour High School hosted Brooks High School from Powell River for an evening of basketball games on Thursday, Nov. 24.

Three games were played, and though Pender put up a good battle, they were out-numbered and out-played, leaving Brooks the victor on each of the games.

A reinatch is planned for after December, when Pender will travel to Powell River. Good luck to you Pender, and congratulations for games well played. It's nice to win, there's no denying that, but there's glory too, in the sporting spirit shown by all players whether they win or loose.

ATTENDING UBC

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lockhart and family, were weekend guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Perry of Silver Sands. Mrs. Lockhart is on leave of absence from Pender Elementary School while she attends UBC this year. Mr. Lockhart will be attending barber training school, starting in May.

HEAD-ON COLLISION

A routine run turned into a nightmare for school bus driver Ray Mair, on Wednesday, November 25. Returning from Halfmoon Bay after delivering the students safely home, the bus was hit head-on by an eastbound car. Bus driver Ray Mair had no way to avoid the oncoming car.

The accident occurred about three-quarters of a mile west of Halfmoon Bay. Driver of the car, Mrs. Carl Riller of Port Coquitlam was seriously injured, and after emergency treatment at St. Mary's Hospital, was transferred by ambulance to Vancouver. Mr. Mair was not injured.

Damage to the two vehicles was extensive. The car, a 1964 Pontiac is reported to be a total loss. Damage to the bus is estimated at $2,000. The bus has been towed to Vancouver for repairs.

Mr. Myers has replaced the damaged bus with a chartered bus which will serve temporarily to transport local school children.

PASSING ON

We regret to note the death of a valued and respected resident of Pender Harbour. Condolences are extended to the family of Mrs. George Phillips who passed away on Monday, November 23.

Don't sit back . . .

Push more projects urges Isobel Dawson

"THIS is one election promise which has been carried out," said Mrs. Isobel Dawson, speaking at the Sechelt Legion Hall, prior to the opening of St. Mary's Hospital on Sunday.

There is still a dire need for senior citizen projects, particularly on the Peninsula where there is a large proportion of older people, said Mrs. Dawson.

Commending the ladies auxiliaries and hospital trustees for all the work that had been put into the hospital project, Mrs. Dawson also had warm words of congratulations for the Sechelt Indian Band for donating the land, she expressed regret that no member was present for the Saturday evening meeting. Mrs. Dawson concluded by thanking the Hon. Eric Martin for backing this project.

Referring to the election campaign, which was Mrs. Dawson's first public meeting, Mr. Martin said that although not elected Mrs. Dawson still had the interests of the Peninsula at heart and kept Victoria informed on any problems as an MLA should.

"St. Mary's Hospital," said Mr. Martin, "is the most modern on the continent and the finest for its size. Through the cooperation of those concerned the project was completed earlier than is usual but all problems were not yet solved as the operation of the hospital would also present difficulties". He felt sure however that board was well equipped to overcome operational problems.

Speaking on hospitalization costs, Mr. Martin said that under the sales tax system, the B.C. resident pays less than by direct taxation as visitors to the province contribute but make no claims. This year 72 million dollars were spent on hospitalization compared with 14 million in the first year of operation, but provincial taxes have not increased in proportion to this higher cost.

Increasing revenue from the development of the Peace River area and oil and gas fields has helped provide the home-owner grants which in some instances reduce taxes to one dollar. People whose taxes were reduced to such a small amount were more inclined to vote in favour of school referendums.

Statistics show that provincial taxes in B.C. are lower or on a par with other provinces; for a healthy economy, people must have purchasing power said the Minister.

The Provincial Public Health Programme presently employs 1,100 people. The success of this programme is illustrated by the fact that in 1953 there were 473 cases of polio in this province, the free distribution of Salk Vaccine has reduced this number to zero for the past two years. The killer disease Diphtheria has become so rare that doctors have difficulty identifying it.

The time is coming said Mr. Martin when we will have to provide other facilities for long term care chronic cases, old people and cases for rehabilitation.

The meeting terminated with a short question-answer session, a vote of thanks to the Minister being proposed by Magistrate Andrew Johnston.

Those who rest on their laurels soon find their laurels resting on them.

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Notes from Pender

SUCCESS of any association depends on the members at large, said Mr. John Dunlop, retiring president of Pender Harbour and District Chamber of Commerce at the annual meeting held Nov. 23 in the Pender Harbour Hotel.

In the reading of the minutes of a previous meeting, guest speaker E. R. Boyce was quoted as saying, "The Chamber of Commerce, is recognized by the B.C. government as the most important voice in any community." Mr. Boyce, district manager of the B.C. Telephone Co. also holds the following offices: Provincial vice-president of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, vice-president of the B.C. Chamber of Commerce and director of the B.C. Tourist Association.

Membership in the 1964 local chamber totalled 56; the chamber would like everyone possible to support it by becoming a member, guests are welcome to attend meetings. The board of trade was originally formed for businessmen, but this concept is not practical in rural areas where interests other than business affect the community as a whole.

Mr. Dunlop presented the 1964 propects report: Roads—representation had been made to the highways dept. regarding Francis Peninsula, Egmont and Sinclair Bay roads and work has been done on each. Egmont road requires more work, Sinclair Bay, road in good condition, Francis Peninsula well on the way to completion. A letter has been received from the highways dept., stating that a representative will be glad to meet with the chamber roads committee to discuss dept. plans for the Pender Harbour district.

Liquor store — Committee members who prepared the excellent brief presented to the Liquor Control Board, were commended for their efforts. However, the board did not see fit to establish a local liquor outlet at this time.

Skookumchuck — Mr. Bruchs, Social Credit MLA for Esquimalt and Mrs. Isabel Dawson of Powell River, had toured the Skookumchuck area and were imprssed with the tourist potential. Department of recreation and conservation has reserved the Skookumchuk area for a park site and the chamber is attempting to spur action and interest in its development.

Garbage disposal—Delegates from Pender Harbour attend each of the Peninsula garbage collection and disposal meetings, and the interests of this district are being taken care of.

FISHING

Chamber representative Mr. E. Lee has been in touch with the fisheries with regard to restoring the local salmon run. The department has stated that it is making investigations of local conditions in various areas, and is investigating artificial spawning. It is expected that attention will be given to this district.

The provincial fisheries has been approached with a view to stocking several local lakes. A letter was read from the area director of fisheries, Mr. Hurston, who promised to meet with the chamber after January 1, 1965. Mr. Hurston will be accompanied by a member of the department technical staff who will explain work carried out in spawning areas.

FLOAT ACCOMMODATION

A representative of the publis works department will investigate the need to have additional float accommodation supplied at Egmont.

FERRIES

Reports had been heard that the ferry terminal was to be moved from Earls Cove to a site at Agamemnon Bay. Enquiry made by the chamber brought the reply that no change of ferry terminals is contemplated at this time.

PUBLICITY

Tourist counsellors from the B.C. Ferries were entertained at Pender Harbour during the summer.

Brochure — The chamber of commerce has published a tourist brochure of this district, which will greatly benefit the area. Results of this effort are expected to be apparent this coming season.

A report submitted by Mr. A. Lloyd, chairman of the Brochure committee stated that the work on the brochure was started too late in the year to cope adequately with all the obstacles encountered. The map which was the second one the committee had received, was not too satisfactory since the Egmont area and some roads had been omitted. Rather than delay further, the map was included in the brochure so it was ready on July 1. 10,000 copies were printed and distributed to the Greater Vancouver and Victoria Visitors and Convention Bureau and the Abbotsford Travel Bureau. The brochure gives valuable advertising. It was noted that publicity is a must to encourage round-trip travellers to stop in this area when the Westview-Comox ferry goes into service.

Businessmen who had agreed to underwrite the cost of the brochure were urged to honor their pledges immediately.

WATERWORKS

The Pender Harbour Waterworks System is now in operation. The chamber has supported this project to the utmost, over the years, since 1947. In 1955-56 the chamber applied for a water reserve on the Haslam Lake, but found that such application must be made by a group of property owners.

Mr. Dunlop thanked the members for the privilege of conducting the chamber of commerce affairs for the past two years and expressed appreciation to the executive which had carried on this year, during his absence. He also commended chamber members who give so much of their time often at expense to themselves. If members work together and support the new executive, this group will prosper, said Mr. Dunlop.

New executive officers elected for 1965 are: President, Mark Myers; vice-president, L. L. Larson; secretary, Mrs. F. Fleming.

Executive counsellors: C. Anderson, J. Bathgate, J. Bosch, E. Lee, D. Fielding, J. Haddock, C. Middlestead, J. West, H. Whittaker, G. Gordon.

In accepting his office, Mr. Myers said that with the help of the executive and members, he would work to the best of his ability for the area.

The meeting continued with Mr. Meyers presiding. Further discussion and suggestions regarding the brochure and publicity were invited for consideration by the new executive.

"And," said Mr. Myers, whose buses transport area school children, "If anyone has trouble putting Egmont on the map, just come to me because I'm one man who really knows where Egmont is!"

Mr. J. Love urged the chamber give attention to having maps available for tourists when they come into the area, and that the dept. of highways be contacted to see if more signs could be erected along the highway.

The meeting was advised that the regulations governing highway signs are under consideration by the dept., but at present, this area has all the signs existing regulations allow. However, the Sunshine Coast Tourist Association, of which this chamber is a member, is considering putting an information booth at Langdale.

Members were told of a recent news item which told of intention to establish a custom cannery at Pender Harbour. The names of the backers of this venture were not disclosed, however, such a service was hailed as being an asset to the area. It will be a great convenience to tourists who wish to have their catches processed to take home.

Mr. L. Larson commended Mr. H. Clay, chairman of the Pender Harbour fire brigade for efforts put forth on behalf of the area.

After the meeting, Mr. R. Murdoch showed slide pictures of a holiday trip which covered California, Arizona and Idaho.

Members paid farewell tributes to Mr. Murdoch for his services to the chamber of commerce over the years.

ABBOTSFORD BOUND

Mr. and Mrs. Royal Murdoch are leaving Pender Harbour, where they have lived for 23 years. For 19 years they operated the Indian Island Marina, retiring four years ago. For the past two summers, Mr. Murdoch has managed the government Travel Bureau at Abbotsford, where they will be making their home. Best wishes go with Mr. and Mrs. Murdoch. They will be missed by their many friends and associates in this district.

NEW BANK

Mr. H. Clay, chairman of the PH fire brigade has announced that the brigade has co-operated with the Bank of Montreal in giving the bank temporary quarters in the firehall in Madeira Park. The bank, which was the first to enter this community, is scheduled to open on December 2.

CENTENNIAL

A temporary centennial committee has been set up to get things rolling for the centennial propect for this area.

The project must be started and completed in 1967, and must be of a lasting nature, of benefit to the community. Two years are allowed for planning and deciding.

The federal and provincial governments will each give a grant of one dollar per capita —based on the 1963 census. This must be matched by $1.40 per capita by the community. The community contribution can take the form of land, work, materials, or cash. This will give our project a minimum value of approximately $3,000.

Ideas and suggestions for an acceptable project are earnestly solicited. The committee is open for your thoughts. A park? Where? Swimming pool? Historical site to preserve? Where? Senior citizen housing? How Send your ideas and thoughts—in writing—the more detailed the better, to Mr. R. J. Crichton, Madeira Park.

There will be a public meeting in the early part of 1965. Watch for the date, and be sure to attend. Remember, if there is no community support, our grants can be relinquished to another community. Let's not do that! You'll wait another hundred years for another chance like this. Or will you?

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Road victim

ANOTHER victim of the Sunshine Coast Highway hits the dust. This mishap occurred near Earls Cove when the auto driven by Don McColman of Vancouver hit a truck.

Cast of 40 . . .

Tide Water Players reach further fame

ABOUT 25 years ago a players' club was born, known as the Roberts Creek Players. On through the years the club put on plays to raise funds for various charities and worthy causes, so on down through the years the Roberts Creek Players put on the production line many, many plays and social evenings, needless to say, all were huge success, but due to diminishing interest and lack of funds the club lay dormant for the last number of years.

In 1964 a glimmering little spark of hope and faith was soon fanned into a roaring production by the Roberts Creek Players, called a Fandango, followed up by Country Capers, another great evening for both audience and players alike.

Later on, it was suggested that the Roberts Creek Players Club disband and a new club be formed that would take in the entire Sunshine Coast from Port Mellon to Pender Harbour and way points.

A contest was published for a new name and soon after the Tidewater Players Club was formed with president Bud Blatchford; vice-president George Kynock; secretary Madge Newman; treasurer Helen Winehandle; play readers, Mavis Christmas, Molly Almond, Dianne Laird.

Madge Newman, Gwen MacKenzie and George Kynock are the only original members and their assistance is invaluable.

Tidewater Players last production, with a cast of forty members plus numerous wardrobe helpers, stage hands and musicians presented "Calendar Countdown", playing to a full house at Roberts Creek Hall on both nights, Friday, Nov. 27 and Saturday, Nov. 28, 1964.

The name "Calendar Countdown" arises out of a great-grandmother and great-grandfather reminiscing from the 1890s to the present day, with the cast acting out the various scenes depicting how they met and the highlights of their lives.

The audiences hearty applause, proved that another successful evening was had by the Tidewater Players Club.

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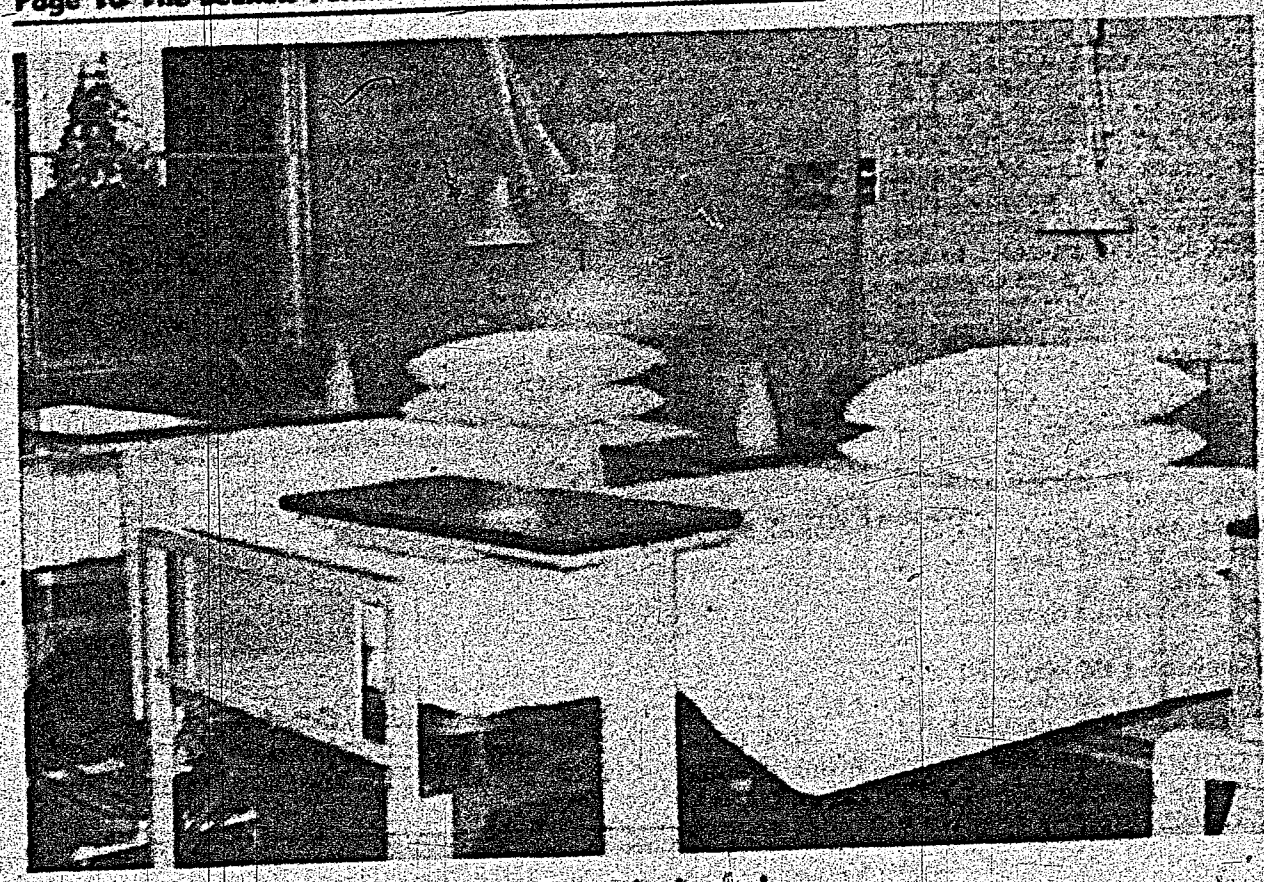

Three-bed ward

THIS picture of one of the three bed wards shows the neat and completely up-to-date lay out. All wards are equipped with the latest in accessories yet retain a comfortable appearance.

Lengthy corridor

SOME idea of the length of the hospital may be gathered from this shot of the main corridor, taken about half way along.

By Canon Allan D. Greene . . .

Sincere wishes from Columbia Coast Mission

ARCHDEACON Patrick Ellis, as the present superintendent of the Columbia Coast Mission, would certainly join with me in extending to the people of these parts his congratulations on the completion of the new St. Mary's Hospital at Sechelt.

Perhaps it is equally fitting that I should voice the good wishes of the CCM, because I was present at the opening of the old St. Mary's Hospital, August 16, 1920, when the then Lieut-Governor Randolph Bruce officially opened it.

Archdeacon (later Bishop) Sir Francis Heathcote conducted the opening ceremonies. The Rev. John Antle—the man behind the whole project kept modestly in the background.

The Princess Patricia was chartered by the Mission to bring 200 friends of the mission from Vancouver to the new government wharf, directly below the hospital. I had come down from Quathiaski Cove in my small mission ship, Rendezvous.

The first nurses in the old hospital, Miss Bessie Newbolt and Miss Marion Antle, constituted the nursing staff and Dr. Thompson from Ontario the first doctor. A cook and handyman made up the rest of the staff. The hospital itself was built for an approximate cost of $25,000. Mr. R. Brynildsen Sr. donated the site.

Admittedly, the Columbia Coast Mission feels as deeply as anyone else, the closing of the Garden Bay Hospital, but we saw the inevitableness of such a move as time brought such vast changes in population and highways. A more central position for a district hospital became imperative.

We have had to close other Mission hospitals elsewhere as the changing years brought new requirements as to location and improvement of hospital facilities. We fully understand how a great many people felt, who regarded St. Mary's Pender Harbour, as a permanent feature of their life. We feel sure that with due thought being given to the problem of getting to the Sechelt hospital, the residents of the upper section, formerly served by the old hospital, will finally find the completely modern hospital, a source of tremendous blessing to them all.

That is the sincere wish of the Columbia Coast Mission to all our old friends at Pender Harbour and there abouts. We hope that they will now get behind the new hospital with all the loyalty they showed the old.

—On behalf of the Columbia Coast Mission, Alan D. Green, Former Superitendent, C.C.M.

Operation drapes!

SEWING drapes for the new hospital was no small task but with the help of many hands the LA completed the job last Friday. Pictured threading the curtains, from the left, Mrs. R. Spencer and Mrs. D. Hayward watch sewing convener Mrs. Betty Williams demonstrate correct procedure. Mrs. Mildred Chambers is already off to a good start.

Registration time

MRS. LEONA Lee, busy etching identification marks on the valuable pieces of equipment to be used in the new hospital.

Gleaming steel

UNPACKING stainless steel utensils for use in various parts of the new hospital are Mrs. Susan Dubois and Mrs. Amelia Craigan (partially hidden).

Dismal experience

PART of the large crowd who stood out in the snow and rain for the official opening of the new St. Mary's Hospital, Sechelt, last Sunday.

People places & things

—By Rosy and Alex Simpkins

CONGRAULATIONS, happy birthday and many more of them to the Sechelt Peninsula Times. For the past 12 months you have been crawling and standing up, like Baby Anne. Now, we expect, we won't be able to hold you back, and we'll find you in every home on the Peninsula. (Note to advertisers: circulation is skyrocketing).

We went in to sign some real estate papers in Gibsons, Mr. Kennett's office. This is where the bus stops and the land seekers step right out and onto Mr. Kennett's porch where he'll shake their hands and say he's glad to see them. He told us that he liked our paper, only the Gibsonites call it the Penicillin Times—good for what ails you. Laughter is the best medicine.

(Special note to type boy in Powell River: Our good friend ex-magistrate Cope, also ex-president SPCA and student of Hansard is complaining about your misspelling Mr. Gordon's name. So please watch out for the spelling of his partner's name. Incidentally the seeds of the mushroom are called spores not sports. And when you come to natural history or geological terms it would be much better if you would simply copy the words as they appear on the typewritten sheet).

Frank, age 17, is now back from the Cariboo, looking bigger and stronger. He is now working for Alex. We saw Chris Smith at the E. & M. Store, home on leave from the Navy. He reports learning more in a day than sticking in a rut here in a year. He thinks evryone should have some travel experience before he settles down.

We have Mother's Day and a Father's Day. May we suggest a Maiden Aunt's Day. We have an Aunt Grace in our family, who doesn't discriminate between her adopted nieces and nephews and the real ones. She remembers Christmas, Easter and the birthdays and collects their pictures. Every family needs an aunt like this one. She gave us a breather on the weekends by taking two at a time. She showed them the sights of the city so they didn't become too country-fied. She kept a stock of clothes and toys for unexpected visits.

Rosy's family had an Aunt Mary who did likewise. This good woman took over the management of the house and six children, while Rosy was being born.

This is indeed the age of machinery. Last month, high-speed lawyer Mr. J. A. Sharpe ordered a fireplace and stone wall for his hideout on Gambier Island. In the middle of the night, at low tide, we loaded eighteen tons onto Mr. Harry Smith's float in the bay at Gibsons.

This included concrete mixer, power saw and tractor loader together with sand, bricks, cement, flue-lining, cut stones, lime, flashing, damper, bars, asbestos, screens, tools.

At the job the loader transported materials along the beach and up the bank. It also scooped up sand, gravel and rocks. When finished, our equipment went back on the float. Mr. Smith threw a line from his boat, and the whole business went back to the beach at Gibsons. We drove our trucks down to the float, loaded up in the moonlight, and returned to home base.

Our next big job is a house for brother Clarke at Secret Cove. My only regret is that we didn't bring back some of the beautiful green and purple conglomerates of the Gambier Island group, so that they might be incorporated in his newest cut stone fireplace.

One day, the outboard wouldn't start, and we paddled to the island in half an hour. There are nice little roads, passable by Land Rover, and much good land. Population is 180.

We are still picking rosebuds and blue violets in our garden. We also noticed a pussy willow tree in bloom in Gibsons last week, for after all this is the Sunshine Coast.

Recreation Branch appoints director

APPOINTMENT of a recreational director for the Sunshine Coast has finally been made with the announcement that Mr. Philip Lawrence will take up duties early in the New Year.

Visiting the district last week, Mr. Lawrence was accompanied by Mr. Tommy Ruebens of the recreation dept.

This will herald a new approach by the provincial government which previously has made a small grant to small communities for recreational assistance. This will cease with the appointment but salary will be paid by the recreation branch.

Such an appointment has been under consideration for some time by the department and will in effect be in the nature of a pilot project. This being the first district in the province to have a full-time director supplied by the recreation branch.

Davis' Ottawa Diary

By Jack Davis, M.P.

COAST Capilano is booming. Our constituency—that is the North Shore and the Sunshine Coast—is attracting people at a fantastic rate. New industries are opening up and construction is breaking all previous records. We are more prosperous than ever before.

One thing however, has happened which should cause us to pause and think. It is the shutting down of the big copper mine at Brittania. Three hundred fifty miners were promptly thrown out of work. Now they are looking for employment elsewhere.

Fortunately, ours is a buoyant economy. New mining areas are opening up and skilled miners are in short supply. Mining companies are looking for men. They are also prepared to pay higher wages than those which were paid at the strike torn property at Britannia.

Nor is this all. The construction industry needs men. So the labor force at Britannia has quickly found other jobs. Today fewer than 20 miners are drawing unemployment insurance.

But there is also the human side—many of these men have families. They have children at school and its costs money to commute to other work—especially in distant places like the Merritt area or Hudson Hope. And there is loneliness with the breadwinner away from home for weeks at a time. Whole families tend to move on.

Britannia, however, will not be a ghost town. It is only 40 minutes drive from downtown Vancouver. It's 180 freshly painted homes will continue to rent for between $23 and $65 a month. They are a bargain in anyone's language. All the usual community services are there. And the climate is ideal. So even if the mine never opens up again, Britannia will prosper as a residential area.

But the outlook is far better than that. Britannia is a fine industrial site with road, rail and deep-sea port facilities at its doorstep. Britannia is the ideal place at which to locate a copper refinery. B.C. needs one—more copper mines are opening up and we should not always be shipping our ores and concentrates to Tacoma for processing.

Victoria, not Ottawa, is responsible for mining with control over property. It alone must say what the Anaconda Company can do in this respect. Victoria has also tried to bring the mine management and labor together, so far it has failed. However, Ottawa also has a job to do.

First we have to look after the unemployed. The National Employment Service has this job in hand. Next I, as your Member of Parliament, can also try to get the mine operating again. I am talking with the union and Anaconda's top officials in New York with this in mind. And, looking even further ahead, we must hasten the day when a copper refinery is built on the coast. Foreign market studies and the negotiation of tariff concessions are among Ottawa's responsibilities. This sort of thing we must do as a nation if we are not only to provide more jobs but also to upgrade more of our resources in this country.

I could go on. I could talk about foreign ownership. I could talk about tax policies and subsidies. But suffice it to say that I spent some time recently at Britannia. I also came back to Ottawa with the feeling that, despite this heartbreak, this community is not only recovering but will also soon prosper once more.

Sechelt Bowling Alleys

—By Eve Moscrip

ROGER Hocknell set a seasons high three of 611, and also a high single of 252.

League Scores:

Buckskins — Gilbert Joe, 584; Dorren Joe, 491.

Ladies — Lil McCourt, 638 (281); Bev Robinson, 269.

Ladies Matinee — Mary Henderson, 675 (280).

Pender — Barbara Iverson, 666 (296); Dave MacDonald, 621 (283); C. Hauka, 623; Bert Gooldrup, 641; Roy Fenn, 641; Dennis Gamble, 635; Bill Cameron, 639.

Sechelt Commercial — Frank Newton, 713 (328); Sam MacKenzie, 719; Eileen Evans, 286; Gloria Barker, 258; Dorothy Smith, 747 (258, 250); Lorne Allen, 705 (286).

Sports Club — Ray Nelson, 799 (314); Hazel Skytte, 652

Ball & Chain — Walter Dooley, 671; Anne Kurluk, 265; Anne Joe, 532.

School League:

Seniors — Earl John, 416 (213, 203); Jack Goesen, 379 (210); Wayne John, 332 (237); Arlene Johnson, 344 (201).

Juniors — Earl John, 333 (176); Marshal Gibbons, 170 (86); Sharon Lawson, 163 (91).

Ten Pins:

Roger Hocknell, 611 (252); Randy Wiren, 527; Dick Clayton, 558 (217); Frank Jorgenson, 526 (223); Orv Moscrip, 515; Ron Robinson, 516; Earl Tyson, 540; Don Caldwell, 518; Butch Ono, 515; Sam MacKenzie, 558.

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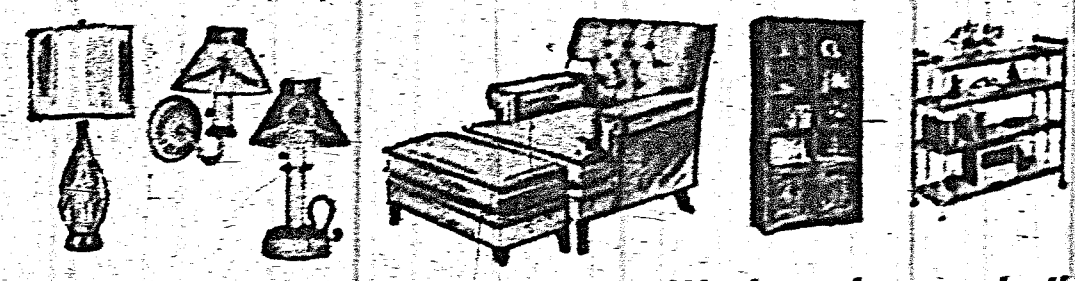

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DRIVER of this totally wrecked auto was seriously injured when he came into head-on collision with a school bus near Madeira Park last week. No passengers were on the bus and the driver was uninjured, but damage to bus is believed to be about $2,000.

$2,000 damage

DAMAGE looks slight in picture but it is estimated at $2,000. School bus is on way to Vancouver for repairs.

Slippery roads

ANOTHER victim of last week's sudden fall of snow. This auto slid into the ditch near Roberts Creek, fortunately with no injuries or damage to car.

Say You Saw It In The Times

Indian setting . . .

"Flying up" ceremony with colourful theme

INDIAN theme provided a colorful setting for the brownies "flying up" ceremony which took place Monday, Nov. 23 at St. Hilda's Church Hall.

Brownie packs attended in full force to see 11 of their members join the guides. Janice Jaeger, Glenys Macleod, Charlotte Bain and Elfreda Moldowan garbed in Indian blankets and head bands flew up and were received in Indian fashion by the Guide Captain, Mrs. Dorothy Stockwell, into guides. Linda Pearson, Heather Hall, Cathy Scott, Wendy Bystedt, Marsha Gibbons, Artuna Woods and Marilyn West all walked over the threshold into guides wearing Indian moccasins.

Following the ceremony, all guides and leaders performed a spirited Indian war dance. Brownie Denise Tregon, did a most professional job of leading the brownies and guides in the Rain Song. A fireside sing song terminated the evening which was an added success due to the fine attendance of parents. Sickness prevented brownies Karen Parsons and Gwen Aldred from taking part in the ceremony.

Nine brownikins were enrolled in the 1st Sechelt Brownie Pack on the afternoon of Monday November 23. Shirley Cook, Adrienne Akeson, Marie Bain, Judy Whyte, Eleaner Lonnenburg, Rosemary Hoefsloot, Lynne Oike, Evelyn Sturam and Janice Mullen are now members of this busy little pack. Song and games were enjoyed by the Brownies and mothers who attended.

The Reader's Right

Letters to the Editor must carry a signature and address, although a pen-name may be used for publication.

Non resident

Editor, The Times:

Sir—$28,000 is a lot of money for a village park in the raw. Mr. Green urges the people of Sechelt to go into debt for this. For the sake of argument this writer, also an outsider with no vote and no business telling the good people of Sechelt anything, would like to mention a few things.

In the not-too-distant future the quiet dead end waters of Porpoise Bay may be too polluted for bathing. If the merchants of Sechelt want to attract more tourists they could consider establishing a summertime tourist information centre. They could provide water, campfire and toilet facilities at Sechelt waterfront, in like fashion as Powell River. Meanwhile visitors enjoy the clean, salty water and are not afraid of a little July and August westerly.

—A. R. Simpkins.

Commendation

Editor, The Times:

Sir—As a former resident of your area I would like to commend all the citizens of Sechelt, Gibsons and Pender Harmour and all the surrounding communities for the construction of the new St. Mary's Hospital in Sechelt. This achievement is the result of community effort without which the project could not have been completed.

I sincerely hope that this community support will continue in the operation of the new hospital because it is only through such support that the hospital will be able to keep up with new advances in medicine and will be able to operate most efficiently.

Congratulations to the entire community on a job well done.

—Peter F. Stonier, M.D.

The trouble with Canada's foreign relations is that so many of them are broke.

MORE ABOUT . . .

School board

from page 1—

Mrs. Ball; "the building code of B.C. calls for this and it is elementary logic that it would be a part of the plans." Mr. Porter remarked that in Surrey a clerk of works was employed to inspect school construction. The Board agreed to write a strong letter of protest to Mr. Davies, a copy being sent to all trustees.

Commenting on the three phase wiring for the new addition at Pender Harbour Secondary School, Mr. Porter stated that an independent appraiser had been called in. The present estimate of $2,000 was considered too high, in fact Mrs. Ball considered this was sufficient cost to rewire the whole school.

The erection of Gibsons Landing Elementary School being well underway, the glue-lam beams and columns were expected to arrive last Friday, the Board agreed to pay Maniago D'Appolonia Construction Co. the sum of $14,822.26. It was decided however, to withhold 30% of the architect's fee until the completion of the project.

In Los Angeles, a salesgirl in a plush specialty shop reports that a young customer approached her at the perfume counter to ask if she could recommend a femme fatale perfume. "I have to change mine," the young thing explained. "My steady has built up an immunity to it."

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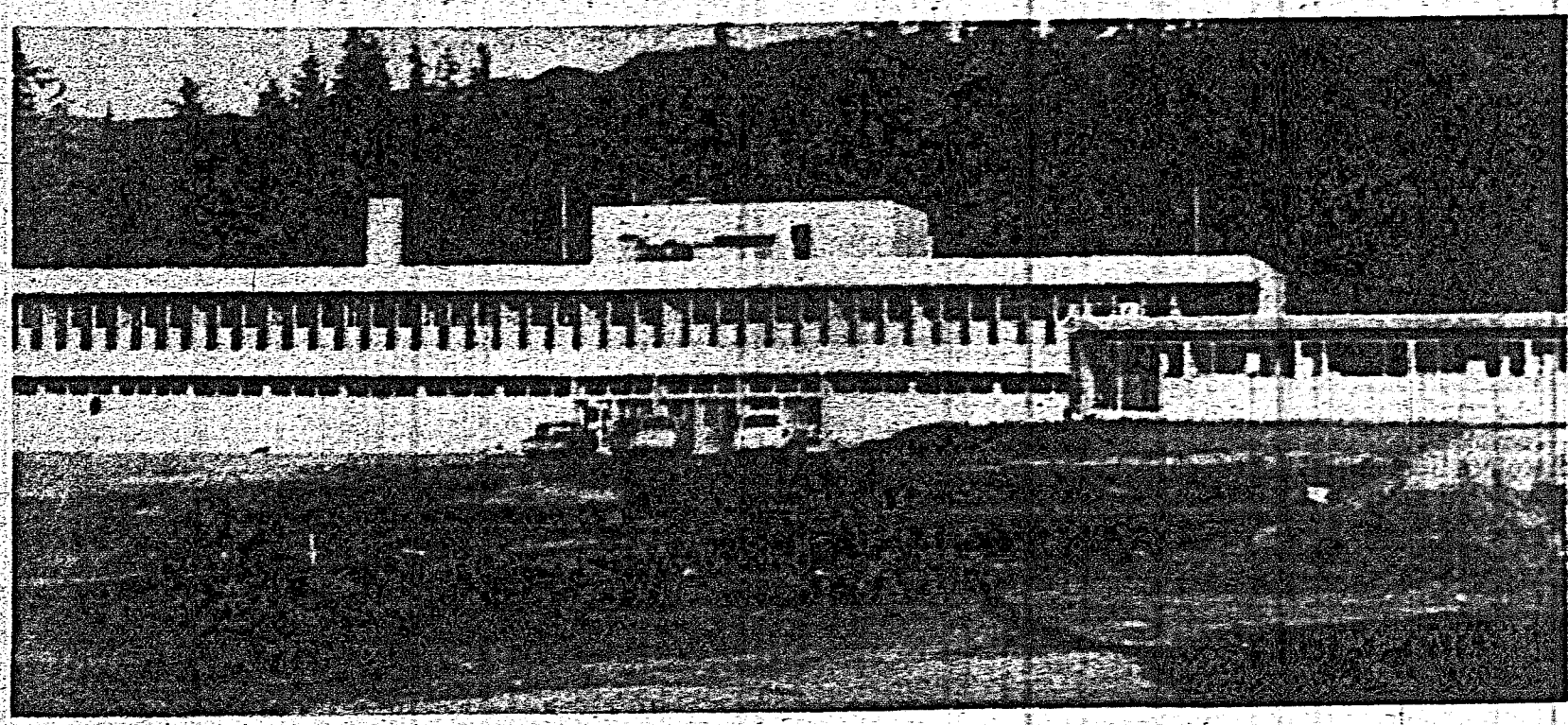

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Ideal location . . .

Chairman of Gibsons commends Hospital

SPEAKING on behalf of the Council of Gibsons, Chairman A. Ritchey told The Times, "we feel the excellent new St. Mary's Hospital is a tremendous advance for the entire district and while such a project would have been welcomed in Gibsons, it is quite obvious Sechelt is the ideal location.

"It is a credit to the people who worked so hard to bring about its establishment and will be greatly appreciated by those who might previously have had to go to Vancouver for treatment.

"I would therefore like to take this opportunity on behalf of Council of Gibsons, to offer sincere congratulations to the St. Mary's Hospital Board of Trustees, members of the hospital society and residents of the Sunshine Coast on their fine acquisition."

May we extend our congratulations to St. Mary's Hospital Society on the opening of the new St. Mary's Hospital.

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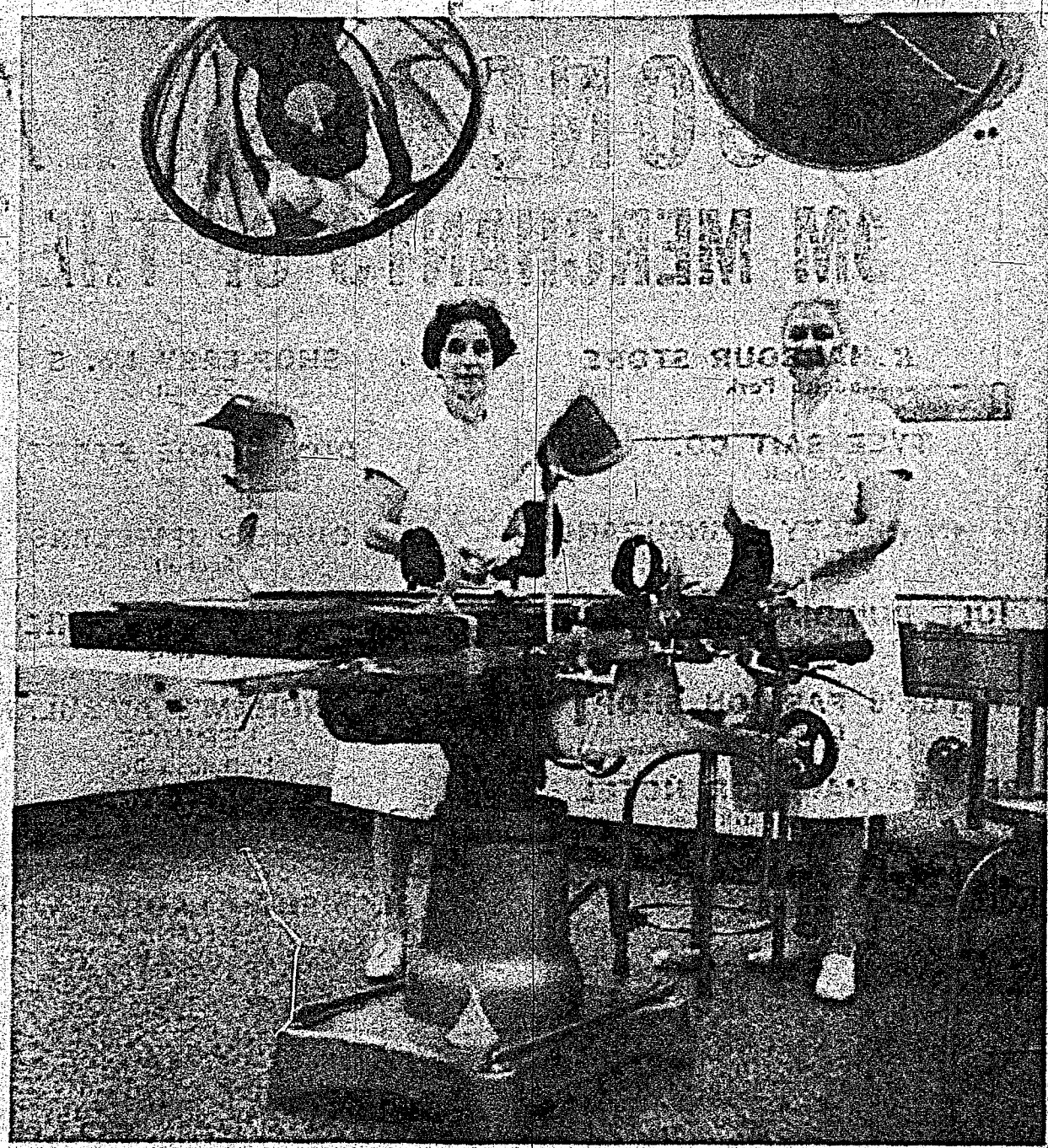

Operating room

SURGERY nurse Mrs. Nathlie Gardiner assited by Miss Ethel Berry, set up the very latest in operating tables. Equipping of the room cost in excess of $6,500, the two arc lamps alone are valued at $2,500.

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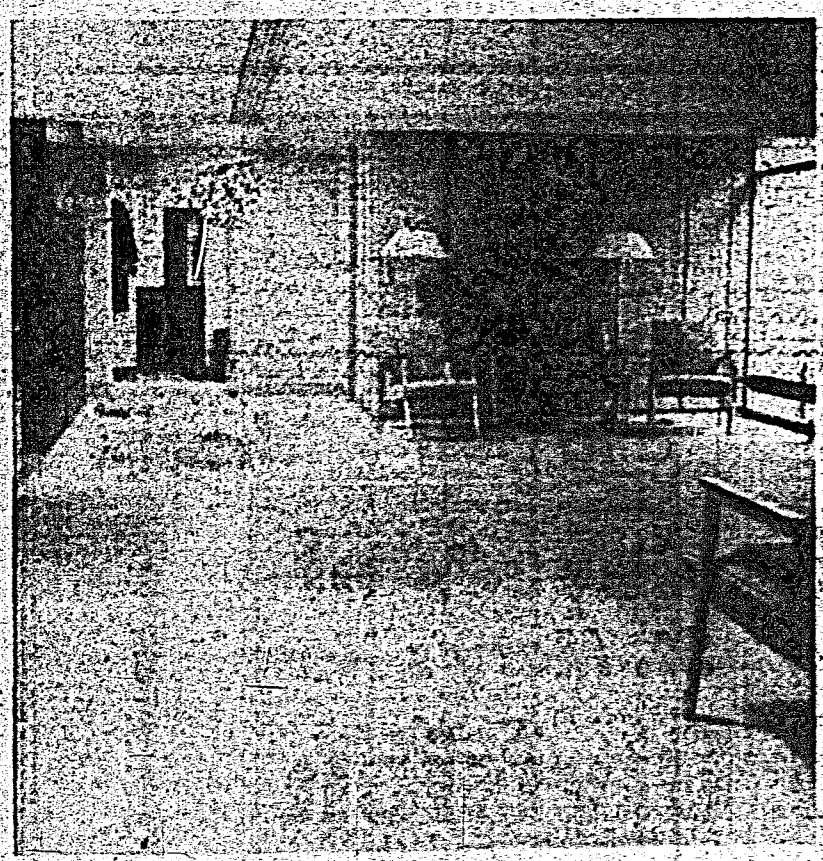

Entrance Hall

SPACIOUS new entrance hall with its non-slip floors and pleasant color scheme gives a touch of distinction to the building. The floors in two-tone delicate shades create an extremely pleasing affect.

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Nelson Ford

MAN in charge of construction, Nelson Ford, has probably carried more responsibility than anyone during the entire operation, and has been on the job since the latter part of September, 1963. He did in fact work on the grade lines before the actual contract was signed. A veteran and member of the Legion, Mr. Ford resides in Richmond, B.C. During the time he has been employed on the construction of the hospital, he has gained the respect of all with whom he has been in contact.

Indian gift made project possible

Presentation of a Scroll to the Sechelt Indian Band marked one of the major steps in making the new St. Mary's Hospital possible for although another site might have been located, it is very doubtful whether such an excellent position would have been found. For their donation of the land, we shall long owe the band a debt of gratitude.

Altogether, about 11 acres of valuable land was donated by the Indian Band who voted 100 per cent in favour of the donation when the importance of a Hospital was impressed upon them.

WELCOME REPLACEMENT

Filling a need when built, the old twenty bed Hospital at Garden Bay has long proved a problem in a number of ways. What it's future is, no one seems to know for at this time no plans have been made known.

The new 35 bed building is a tremendous advance, providing comprehensive facilities including acute care radiological and physiotherapy, laboratory, Pharmacy, major operating rooms, one two and multiple bed wards and a private ward for mentaly disturbed patients.

Members of the staff, some of whom have had extensive experience in hospitals across Canada, claim it is one of the best designed hospitals they have yet had the pleasure of working in. For this, credit goes to the architects, Underwood, McKinley, Cameron, Wilson and Smith.

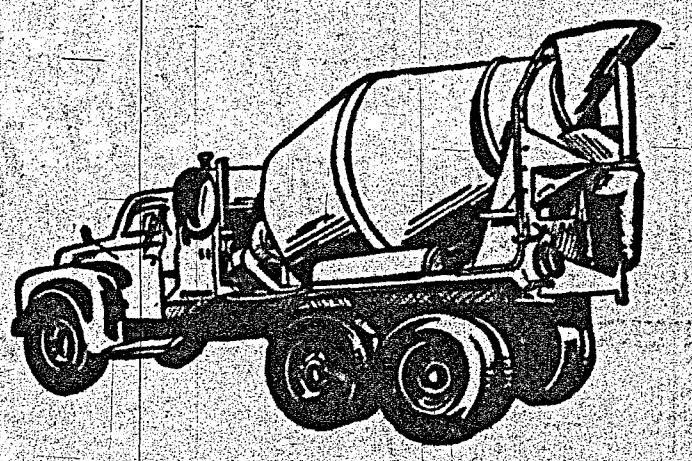
STAFF RESIDENCE

Known as Staff House, the 13 bed frame building, to the right of the Hospital, is also well planned and equipped with a matron's suite, laundry, kitchen, waiting room, and staff room.

The entire project is expected to cost in excess of $900,000. Provincial grants, $466,000.

AUXILIARY BUSY

Ladies of the Auxiliary have been busy over the past few weeks assisting in the sewing of drapes and multitudinous other final touches prior to the official opening.



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