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School Dist. 46 . . .

Planning committee reports on progress

THE BUILDINGS and Grounds Planning Committee presents this report to the Board as a summary of what has been done during the first six months of 1965 and what is currently planned for the balance of the year.

The committee is composed of Mrs. Celia Fisher, chairman; Mrs. Leslie Jackson, member, Mr. Wilson, secretary; and Mr. Porter, maintenance supervisor. From time to time, as deemed necessary, other personnel, both within and without the Board, e.g. principals, the local recreation director, representatives of community groups are also asked to take part in committee discussions on matters of interest to them.

The following, then, is a summary of progress made to date during 1965:

REFERENDUM 4

Work on buildings under this Referendum was completed early this year. This involved additions to Gibsons Elementary School, Elphinstone and Pender Harbour Secondary Schools. Site work at Gibsons Elementary School is proceeding. Funds for a site at Sechelt have been transferred to help finance the building program under Referendum 5. Equipment for the Secondary School Home Economics and Industrial Education Shops has been purchased and equipment for the addition to Gibsons Elementary School is being ordered as it is requisitioned.

REFERENDUM 5

This Referendum, along with the non-shareable Referendum 6, was passed in mid-January. All the formalities have been completed, an architect appointed, drawing made and approved and tenders called.

The low bid was well over the Referendum figure but, with the dropping of the covered play areas at Langdale, the gap has been closed. Work will commence immediately, with priority being given to classrooms. It is hoped that these will be ready by school opening and that the building program may be completed by the end of the year. The addition to Gibsons Elementary School is not included at present.

SITES

Property has been purchased for the West Sechelt School and negotiations are in hand for the

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Magistrate aids youth guidance

MAGISTRATE Andrew Johnston of Sechelt was called upon by the Attorney General last week to assist in the formation of a Youth Guidance committee at Merritt, B.C.

This is a similar group to the one formed last year at Alert Bay where the magistrate was asked to assist. This time an enthusiastic group held a day long meeting and included interested citizens from Merritt, Lytton and Kamloops.

Object of the committee is to give guidance to wayward youth in an endeavor to keep them from more serious misdemeanors which might end up in police court.

The magistrate said the scheme is working very well so far wherever it has been instituted and has in fact been in operation in the Sechelt Indian Village for some time.

Free tickets to Sechelt Theatre

THREE tickets to the Sechelt Theatre are awarded free each week to the holders of the three lucky numbers, selected each week and distributed, one in each of three advertisements within the pages of The Times.

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Lucky angler

DR. OLE Westby will no doubt be a regular visitor to Larson's Resort after the success he has had recently while visiting. This 30½ pounder was his largest haul but he also landed a number of smaller Cohoe and Springs. The Doctor is a resident of North Surrey but right now is sold on the Sunshine Coast.

Assistant Sec.-Treas. . . .

Thirty applicants seek school board position

PROGRESS bulletins issued by Sechelt School District No. 46 have been well received and resulted in one letter of congratulation to the board, the writer expressing the wish that all school board members be featured in the thumbnail sketch.

Mrs. Murial Ball who was not present at last week's meeting has expressed a wish not to be featured.

Chairman Mr. Joe Horvath observed that the board had 30 applications for the position of assistant secretary-treasurer, these were reduced to two applicants and the chairman recommended that the board accept Mr. Chamberlain of Ladysmith.

Mr. Chamberlain has served on school boards for 16 years in the position of trustee and chairman and has been actively engaged in adult education programs.

A parent on Bowen Island has made application to the school board for reimbursement of her child's ferry fare to West Vancouver where the child is attending summer school. After some consideration the board felt that it could not make provision for this request.

Mrs. Leslie Jackson felt that the non-provision of summer school for children in the school district was a poor reflection on the board. Superintendent Mr. Gordon Johnson felt that the board had done all that was possible. Advertisements had been placed early in the year for summer school teachers with no response and plans could not be made without teachers. Eventually sufficient teachers were found but it was late in the year which resulted in belated notices being sent to parents of children recommended for extra tuition.

Although sufficient children registered for the classes they were spread over a range of grades, and also over so great an area, making classes uneconomical. Chairman Horvath observed that they should either consider reimbursing summer school or setting up a fund for this purpose whereby a good year would support a bad year.

Superintendent Gordon Johnson also stated that there were now only three teaching vacancies to be filled in the district.

$10,000 REFUND

Secretary treasurer Mr. Peter Wilson reported that a visit from the government auditor had resulted in a sales tax refund of $10,000. Mrs. Service and Mr. Phillips were to be commended as they had previously arrived at a figure within $40 of this amount.

USE BASEMENT

Mr. W. S. Potter reported that it would be necessary to use a basement room for part of the school week at Elphinstone Secondary school. This resulted from the large number

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Dashing Bruno damages vehicle

FREAK accident near Roberts Creek resulted in the death of one large bear and damage estimated at $325 to an auto driven by the public health nurse.

Carol MacLennan was driving to Gibsons shortly after 6 p.m. last Tuesday, July 13, when a large black bear ran across the road into the path of her auto. Unable to stop in time she struck the animal injuring it in the leg and body.

Local resident, Ed Campbell was soon on the scene and dispatched the animal with a shot from his rifle.

Big horse show set for August

PLAYDAY on Horseback, a popular event when put on for the first time last year by the Saddle Club of Gibsons, will be held again this summer, date being set for August 29.

It is anticipated the event will arouse considerable interest and already a large number of enthusiasts are making preparations and are fully occupied in training their horses for the show.

Location of the Playday will this year be the field at the rear of the Sunnycrest Plaza and will again be sponsored by the Saddle Club.

In Oakalla . . .

Six month jail term for false pretences

PORT MELLON man with a flair for obtaining money by false pretences, was committed to a six month jail term when he appeared before Magistrate Andrew Johnston, last Saturday.

Harry Shindel, aged 33, married with children, was already serving a one year suspended sentence following a charge of false pretences in Chilliwack, last August.

Charged with a similar offence in Gibsons last May, Shindel was awaiting trial when he committed a further offence in Vancouver in June. His past record was discovered by the Vancouver court and he was referred back to Magistrate Johnston, who found him guilty on each count.

Another man presently residing in Port Mellon, 24 year old Gary Corrigan, also appeared before the magistrate charged with two counts of false pretences.

Although steadily employed, Corrigan presented two checks to stores in the Gibsons area, both of which bounced.

Found guilty on each charge, he was remanded until July 31st for sentence pending a pre sentence report. Bail was set at $200.

CONSUMING LIQUOR

John Raymond Pinchbeck, aged twenty two of Sechelt, was fined $50 when found guilty to a charge of consuming liquor in a public place.

Offense occurred during a dance at Roberts Creek last Friday, July 16 when Pinchbeck was found drinking beer outside the dance hall.

Recreation Commission . . .

Square Dance success inspires Teen Dances

OUTDOOR Square Dancing arranged by the Sechelt Recreation Commission, really got underway last Saturday and the Shell Service Station was a scene of fun as two sets squared to the calling of Maurice Hemstreet.

Weather permitting, the recreation commission plans to hold the dances each week throughout the summer, and extends a cordial invitation to Square Dancers everywhere to join in the fun. Visitors to the Peninsula are also welcomed and so far the local dancers have made the acquaintance of a few enthusiasts from California.

Another venture to be tried this week will be an outdoor teen dance, to be held Wednesday, July 21st on the Shop Easy parking lot. It is felt some means of recreation is sadly lacking as far as the teenagers are concerned and it is hoped the outdoor dance will develop into a weekly event. This of course will depend on the attitude of the teenagers. If they show interest then the recreation commission will gladly continue.

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Down Memory Lane

With Margaret Allan

ONE OF the nicest holidays I ever spent was at the Sechelt Summer Resort, the property of Herbert Whitaker. No cars nor radios and the men wore white flannel pants and blazers on the esplanade. The sports were fishing, swimming, boating, dancing, walking, knitting and bridge. No bikinis, the bathing suits were from the neck to the knees.

When the Union S.S. Co acquired the property, they rented cottages, mostly for all summer, both in Selma Park and Sechelt. My husband, Bill, was gardener there, and there were tennis courts and badminton where a lot of tournament players practised.

Staff of the USS Co occupied the few houses in the Village and children attended the little red school in the west end (but more of that later, when I climb the hill again).

My husband had taken up homestead land in 1916, but I came to Sechelt in 1929 to live permanently in the cottage that the shoemaker has now.

Bill was very interested in the Indian band who at that time had a brass band that could blow the roof off any hall. Baskets were woven in those days and I think that today the reserve would be a good location for an Art Colony as the Indian people are all artistically inclined. So my advice is "Get with it, boys and girls, don't fool around."

Submit notice on co-operation

DR. WLTER R. N. STURDY, president of the Chiropractors Association of British Columbia, has pledged the co-operation of his profession in implementing the new B. C. Medical Plan.

"We have assured Premier Bennett and Hon. Mr. Black, the minister in charge, of our fullest cooperation," Dr. Sturdy says. "We are pleased that the government has recognized chiropractic by including its services among the benefits under the plan. This brings the plan into line with leading voluntary health insurance schemes.

Under the B. C. Medical Plan patients may claim up to $50 annually for chiropractic services without medical referral.

There are some 150 chiropractors in British Columbia operating under the Chiropractic Act which provides registration, licensing and discipline administered by an official board.

Dr. Sturdy declares that chiropractic is a separate and distinct health service not provided by any other healing art. "Therefore we welcome the decision of the provincial government to include chiropractic treatments in its plan."

A little boy, with a trace of a tear running down from one eye, walked up to a policeman and asked, "Did you happen to see a lady going by without me?"

Clams monitor water pollution

THE COASTAL area here may not be swamped with sea cucumbers, but we don't suffer any shortage of clams, and these two items are making scientific headlines, and aiding the country to boot.

A University of Victoria oceanographer, Dr. D. V. Ellis, in announcing discovery of several rare forms of sea life off the west coast of Vancouver Island, said his find could have military advantages.

Dr. Ellis said the clams and sea cucumbers, as well as other forms of marine life, are usually found only in very cold subartic waters. He said that gauging the effect of polluted waters and warmer currents on the less-hardy species, his four-man exploratory team will be able to map more accurately where water comes from and where it goes.

By providing the Royal Canadian Navy with a more accurate map of oceanic currents —courtesy of the cucumbers and clams—strategists will be able to map out submarine movements with increased efficiency.

The cold water sea life was found at remote Kanish Bay under 120 feet of water.

Dr. Ellis said he also expects the discovery will aid in pollution monitoring and fishery prediction. This year's expedition was the first in a series aimed at charting oceanic currents of the entire B.C. coast over a 10-year period.

The expidition was financed by an annual operating grant from the National Research Council and will cost $50,000 to complete, said Dr. Ellis.

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THE TIMES was elected to membership in the Audit Bureau of Circirculations this month; above are (left) ABC field auditor Walter E. Dawkins and editor Doug Wheeler, as final checks were being made on The Times' circulation records. ABC is an international and independent audit service which determines the exact paid circulation of member newspapers for the benefit of advertisers, and its findings are indisputable. Through analysis of ABC reports, the growth (or decline) pattern of any newspaper may be accurately determined. In its short life of 18 months serving the peninsula, The Times has shown a steady upward trend in its circulation curve as more and more readers are attracted to its bright newsy columns and photo-filled editions.

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Planning committee

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purchase of additional land for the Langdale and Madeira Park Elementary Schools. Site development work is proceeding at several schools.

EQUIPMENT

Equipment for the expanded Secondary Programme at Elphinstone and Pender Harbour Schools has been purchased.

REFERENDUM 6

The addition of a library to the Pender Harbour Secondary School has been shelved temporarily as the tender figure was almost double the Referendum figure. It will be seen whether or not it can be built sufficiently cheaply in the winter, possibly by our own personnel.

Site work is proceeding on several schools, including preliminary work on the track at Elphinstone Secondary School.

FUTURE REFERENDUM

Plans are already in hand and studies are being made in connection with the next referendum. This could include all or any of the following projects; further additions to Elphinstone Secondary School for vocational training and possibly a new or expanded gymnasium; the addition of a library to Gibsons, an activity room to Langdale, and a lunch-room to Sechelt Elementary School; possible replacement of old school buildings at Gibsons and/or Sechelt Elementary Schools; covered play areas at Langdale, Roberts Creek and Madeira Park Elementary Schools which have been deleted from the current building programme; money for a future school site at Sechelt; perhaps additional money for the presently planned additions to Gibsons Elementary and Pender Harbour Secondary Schools if they cannot be financed under Referenda 5 and 6. A decision should also be made about the desirability of relocating the School Board Office within the next few years.

FUTURE PLANNING

In order to be able to work to a master-plan and to try to obviate the necessity for amateur guesses concerning the proper siting of such things as playground equipment, covered play areas, playing fields, high school tracks or swimming pools it is intended to engage the services of an architect. In conjunction with the Committee, the District Superintendent, the Principals and other interested parties, he will prepare master plans for each school showing its ultimate state of development, as far as both buildings and sites are concerned, so far as can be judged at this time. The plan will hopefully be sufficiently flexible as to make it capable of adaption in the light of unforeseen changes required in the future.

One man to another at cocktail party: "I'm bushed. I think I'll flirt with some good-looking dame so my wife will take me home."

September 9th . . .

Premier W.A.C. Bennett will open Simon Fraser

PREMIER W. A. C. Bennett will open Simon Fraser University on the afternoon of September 9th, said Dr. A. R. MacKinnon, Dean of Faculty of Education, at a Gibsons meeting last week. Several of Powell River School Board attended.

There will be classes in the morning and the university will be fully equipped, staffed and ready to receive the anticipated 2,000 students. The exact number is not yet known and contrary to belief there is still plenty of room as the university can accommodate extra students by extending the university day and has an arrangement with UBC whereby additional staff may be borrowed.

Nine hundred enquiries have been received from students outside the province.

Faculty members have been carefully selected, said the Dean, the university receiving 300 applications for each appointment. For a university to attain world status it must be known by good teaching.

Two features of Simon Fraser University merit special attention; the trimester system and the lecture tutorial method of instruction.

Through the trimester system the university will operate the year round; students may enrol in September, January or May and attend one, two or three semesters per year giving all students qualified to do so an opportunity to attend.

The basic method of instruction comprises a combination of large lecture sections and small tutorial groups. This method allows the maximum number of students to hear the best lecturers the university can offer at the same time providing through the tutorial groups, personal contact between faculty and students.

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Sechelt social notes

—With Your Neighbours

MRS. Daisy Tierney of Vancouver, guest of Mrs. Geo. Batchelor.

From Ladner, Mrs. Claude Caron with son Steven and daughter Lynn guests of Mrs. Alice A. French.

Recent visitor to Sechelt, Mrs. Bertha Wood of Vancouver visiting her mother, Mrs. Jack Wood and other members of her family.

Mrs. Frank Walker and daughter Carel visiting in Tacoma, Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. De Hart have been busy welcoming friends and relatives to Sechelt during the past few weeks. Mr. and Mrs. W. Scarsbrook and Linda, parents and sister of Mrs. De Hart spent a few days in Sechelt before returning to their home in Nanaimo after visiting Disneyland.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Honeyman of Ladner also dropped in to say "Hello". They have been enjoying a fishing and camping holiday at Tillicum Bay.

Visitors from 100 Mile House are Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wright who have been camping at Sechelt campsite. They enjoyed their visit so much that they will be purchasing property in the area, where they hope to retire. Before returning home they will visit friends in Powell River.

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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, July 21, 1965

Pointless Fence Sitting

ESTABLISHMENT of a water district for West Sechelt, later in the year, will prove a tremendous relief to many of the residents of the area who at this time find themselves in desperate straits.

Some wells have already dried up, others giving cause for alarm and in the event of a fire, it is a sure bet all would be lost. We have an exceptionally efficient fire service but without availability of water there is little to be done. The amount carried by the fire truck is negligible when it comes to dealing with a fire of any magnitude. This was emphasized recently when the fire trucks were called to a blaze at West Sechelt, only to find the well dried up within a few short minutes. Several trips were therefore necessary to refill the trucks, during which time the house burned to the ground.

One can well visualize the joy with which most of the West Sechelt residents will welcome the proposed water system. Unfortunately, although the majority of those in the area have signed for connection, there are more who appear to be in no hurry to avail themselves of the facility.

This is a short-sighted policy, particularly in cases where a well is considered adequate, for apart from the fire hazard, there is also the consideration of fire insurance rates which become appreciably lower for property serviced by a water system. On the other hand, value of property will increase by a great deal more than the cost of hook-up to the system.

Quite obviously, the more home-owners signing up at this time, the lower will be the initial cost to all. There is an additional advantage in that once work has commenced on the project, there will be an extra $50 added to the connection cost.

It would therefore suggest, fence sitting with the object of simply paying a small connection fee later on, will not prove successful. A small group of diligent workers are to be complimented for what they have accomplished in establishing the water district, it now remains for everyone to get behind them and give their support. Contract now and help your trustees make the project an overwhelming success.

Left-Overs

A FIRM in Washington (a "think company" is the description used by the Insider's News Letter), is working on something called "self-regenerating" food.

The immediate pressure for the product is the nourishment of space men on long trips, but it is pointed out that success woul dalso solve the world's food problem.

What the researchers are trying to do is to create an edible tissue that would grow back after part of it was consumed. A space traveler, according to the explanation, would eat up all but a small portion of his "steak," put the left-over piece into a special culture and it would grow back to a full-size steak.

Sound like a fine idea. But let's not confine this promising investigation to food. How about looking into the same kind of possibilities elsewhere?

Say, in self-regenerating children's shoes?

Investigate Building Costs

COST OF many things appears to be based upon supply and demand which in certain instances is possibly understandable. In general principal however, it is an undesirable system open to the utmost suspicion and doubt.

In the case of some motels which have to depend on the tourist season, it is only natural there be some variation in summer and winter rates. All kinds of renovations have to be carried out during the off-season, during which time the operator offers lower rates as a means of obtaining at least a small income. Repairs and winter losses therefore have to be made up during the busy season and usually higher charges are instituted.

One of the rather unsavoury examples of upping prices when demand exceeds supply, would appear to be that of the larger building contractors, particularly when it involves school construction.

Throughout the province we hear of school building referenda falling far short of anticipated expenditure when tenders are received. This is no fault of the local school boards, for they base their figures on those quoted by the department of education, which, it is logical to assume, has experts in construction costs, to advise them.

Certainly the old story of rising costs, blamed on wage increases, is sufficient to make one's heart bleed. Indeed, if one is to believe the tales of woe, we should all shed warm tears of sympathy for the hard hit million-dollar contracting companies.

The big question is what would the companies think of a public investigation? This is what is needed at the present time and the quicker the better. There might well be a few frills attached to the school building programs which if cut out would save a little of the taxpayers hard-earned capital. It is nevertheless, peanuts, compared to the difference in the contractor's estimate to that of the original school board figures.

When only three concerns bothered to return estimates for large school projects, of some 40 or more in the business, it is obvious there is no shortage of contracts. When the lowest of those three tenders is more than $50,000 above the school board estimate, then something smells. Either the Department of Education compiles its estimates from pre-war figures, which is possible, or the trade knows it has the schools over the proverbial barrel and charge accordingly.

Someone needs investigating and it might be a sound idea for a government investigation, starting with the contractors.

One hope is that a local man gets into the business, for right now it is unfortunate that so many large contracts have to go away from the district.

Nothing is so dangerous as being too modern. One is apt to grow old-fashioned quite suddenly.

—Oscar Wilde

Minute Messages

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

Honesty Brings Peace

"I KNOW how to live humbly; I also know how to live in prosperity . . . In Him who strengthens me I am able for anything." Philippians 4:12, 13. (Moffatt)

If all men could honestly say of themselves what Paul here says of himself, they would have peace.

Peace, like a living plant, is not all on the surface. It has its roots beneath the surface of life, in the hidden realm of the soul. The root of peace is not like the root of a parasitic plant; it cannot live in a soul that is dead. It lives only in a soul that is alive, a soul that receives strength and sufficiency from Him who is Life indeed.

One of the major problems which men are facing today is the problem of making peace secure on earth. But peace will never have its security on earth. Its true security is in heaven—in the spiritual realm, in the souls of those who live by the Son of God. The best that can be done on earth, even by international peace conferences for the establishment of social and economic justice and an international police force is only a preparation for the coming of true peace.

Men cannot have peace until they have it root and all; they cannot have peace until they believe in Jesus as the Son of God and know His saving power, and are able to say with Paul, "In Him who strengthens me I am able for anything."

Change Methods?

(Montreal Star)

NO PROGRESS has been made in a quarter century of effort to wipe out the illicit traffic in narcotic drugs, says the Permanent Central Opium Board.

The difficulty of the Board's work is quite easy to understand. There are two prices for opium, the legitimate price for authorized production and the black market price for illicit production, and to the poor farmers in the countries where opium poppies are raised, the black market temptations are very hard to resist.

The boom in air travel, and the impossibility of making thorough searches of baggage make the operations of the smuggler easier.

There is an important implication for Canada in this confession that the drug trafic cannot be suppressed at either end. The method of dealing with addicts should be changed, because we know that addiction is as difficult to eliminate as the traffic.

The practice we have followed, of simply jailing addicts, is useless and vindictive. Drugs can even be smuggled into badly-administered jails. Even the best treatment in special institutions for the purpose is pathetically ineffective. Discharged patients generally fall back into their old ways soon after release unless they have got rid of the personality weakness that tripped them up in the first place.

We have a narcotic-addict population several times that of Britain which has several times our population. Britain, unlike us, goes to no trouble, officially, to control addiction. Addicts are recognized as needing medical care, and they are allowed to secure the treatment they need without police interference. The cost of treatment by a medical practitioner is small, infinitesimal beside that of buying illicit drugs in the underworld in North America, and the patient's life is not disorganized by the means he, or she, must resort to in obtaining the money for drugs and the need to conceal the condition. Take addiction itself out of the crime category and the impulse behind many other offences is removed.

Surrender, Not Negotiation

(New York Herald Ttribune)

THERE comes a moment in every major international crisis when nerves begin to snap and voices cry out for some one to do something to avert the threatened holocaust. And the panacea for which they yearn is usually "negotiation." So it was at the time of Munich and so it is today in the time of Viet Nam.

Congressmen (usually Democrats) tell us that their mail is running as high as 15 to one in favor of negotiating a cease-fire and a settlement. And while they do not have enough courage to come out and reject their president's policy of retaliatory strikes against North Viet Nam, they suggest that their constituents should know better than the White House, the State Department, the National Security Council and all the rest.

University students and newspapers take up the call for "negotiation" and for "settlement;" and who is to argue with virtue and motherhood? The demand seems perfectly right, fair and just. The only trouble with it is that, in most cases, it is intended to produce an emotional release rather than a reasoned course for dealing with one of our most difficult crises since the end of

—see page 6

Jervis Inlet

Oh, snow covered peaks of Jervis,
How I envy your beauty and poise,
Calmly serene and untroubled,
Unheeding the world and its noise.

Making this world more beautiful,
No matter what the season,
Accepting storms or summer skies,
Not questioning God's reason.

Taking from life just its beauty,
The scars you do not hide,
But wear them like badges of honor,
Along your rugged side.

Your beauty's like a cooling hand,
Laid on a fevered brow,
Saying with soothing accents,
"Let peace fill your weary soul now."

"What if life's storms rage about you,
Leaving deep vivid scars?
Keep your eyes lifted upwards,
And there find the shining stars.

"Remember it's always the tallest peaks,
The jealous lightnings strike,
Trying to rock their foundations,
Might striking at its like.

"So if life has dealt with you harder
Than other men you know,
Remember its only the mighty
Who can take a mighty blow!

The B.C. Coast

The snowcapped hills their treasure hide,
From all but those who care
To search for hidden bays and find
The beauty hoarded there.

The jealous sun may try to steal
Their crown in summertime,
But down their sides like molten pearls
It flows in liquid rhyme.

And so the vain hills are bedecked
In jewelled waterfalls,
Whose singing voice is echoed in
The many wild bird calls.

Small islands like lost fairy lands,
That float in sheltered straits,
Are stepping stones to fairer lands,
Where greater beauty waits.

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And wondrous sights can boast,
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Yet it makes you squint
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Rising costs

Editor, The Times

Sir—Ed Green's commentary on the rise of the cost of living and the decline of the science of statistics made a delightful piece of after-dinner reading. Obviously written with tongue in cheek, the article nevertheless drives home the fact that there is a considerable gap between statistical abstraction and the real world in which an individual finds himself at a given time and place.

I would like to think that it was Ed's beefing about reality that enabled my wife to leave the supermarket triumphantly bearing a huge cut of lean round steak, my favorite cut, at 69c a pound, on the day the article appeared. In Seattle this would have cost $1.05 U.S., at best 95c a pound on special. But even if there is no direct connection between Ed's moaning and the special on round steak, his words to give expression to many a frustrated housewife's feelings about prices.

On the chance that some Peninsula housewives might take to quoting indiscriminately from the article, however, I think that one or two comments on matters of fact ought to be made. The States are not free of bureaus of statistics, and a cost of living index is in fact maintained by the federal government and periodically reported on by serious commentators. This index is of course an abstraction; certain key items deemed to be necessities in terms of the standard of living of the American middle class were selected for the index, and the fluctuation in the cost of these items and only these items is what the index reflects. Some economists claim the index is unrealistic in that it does not allow for new and sometimes cheaper products which the consumer often turns to. Needless to say, the American housewife does not consult such statistics, and I am sure the same is true of her Canadian counterpart. If neither one did, she would occasionally have the satisfaction of having beaten the current index by shopping specials, refraining from some purchases, or buying lower-priced equivalents of the items on the list.

A point that should be kept in mind in comparing prices across the border is that there is a difference between the two currencies, currently 8 percent. Thus the Seattle price of $1.05 mentioned above is equivalent to about $1.13 Canadian. More important, however, is the relation of income to costs in a given locality. It is meaningless to compare grocery prices in two widely separated localities, such as Sechelt and the South Carolina city referred to by Ed Green, or even between neighboring localities, without reference to income. The per capita income in most southern states of the US is appallingly low, so that for the majority of the residents, in those states the prevailing local prices present as much of a headache as prices do to residents of areas with a higher per capita income. Individuals with a relatively high income from a non-local source, moving into a low-income area, will naturally benefit from the prevailing low prices; but this relief is not shared by the indigenous population. A dramatic example of such a situation on the international level is described in The Ugly American; a dramatic counterweight is provided by the idealistically motivated participants of the Peace Corps, who voluntarily change their standard of living in keeping with local conditions.

Finally, as an alternative to the suggested investigation by the government into the "plundering of the people's food dollar," another far-reaching measure is available to the consumer in Sechelt as in Ottawa, the strengthening of the cooperative movement. The establishment of a local consumer co-operative should be given serious consideration by any group of unhappy consumers. Its effect will not be as immediate as that of a publicized investigation, but it will contribute to an increasing impact on the national economy as more and more local co-ops spring into being and grow in size. The beneficial effects to the individual consumer, to producers, and to all facets of the national economy are bound to be long-lasting ones.

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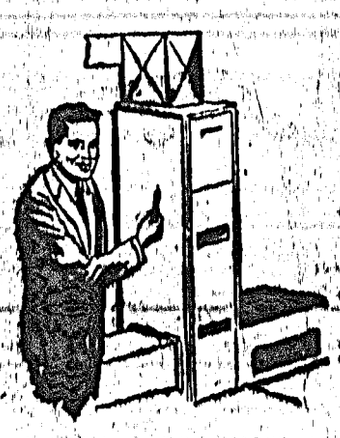
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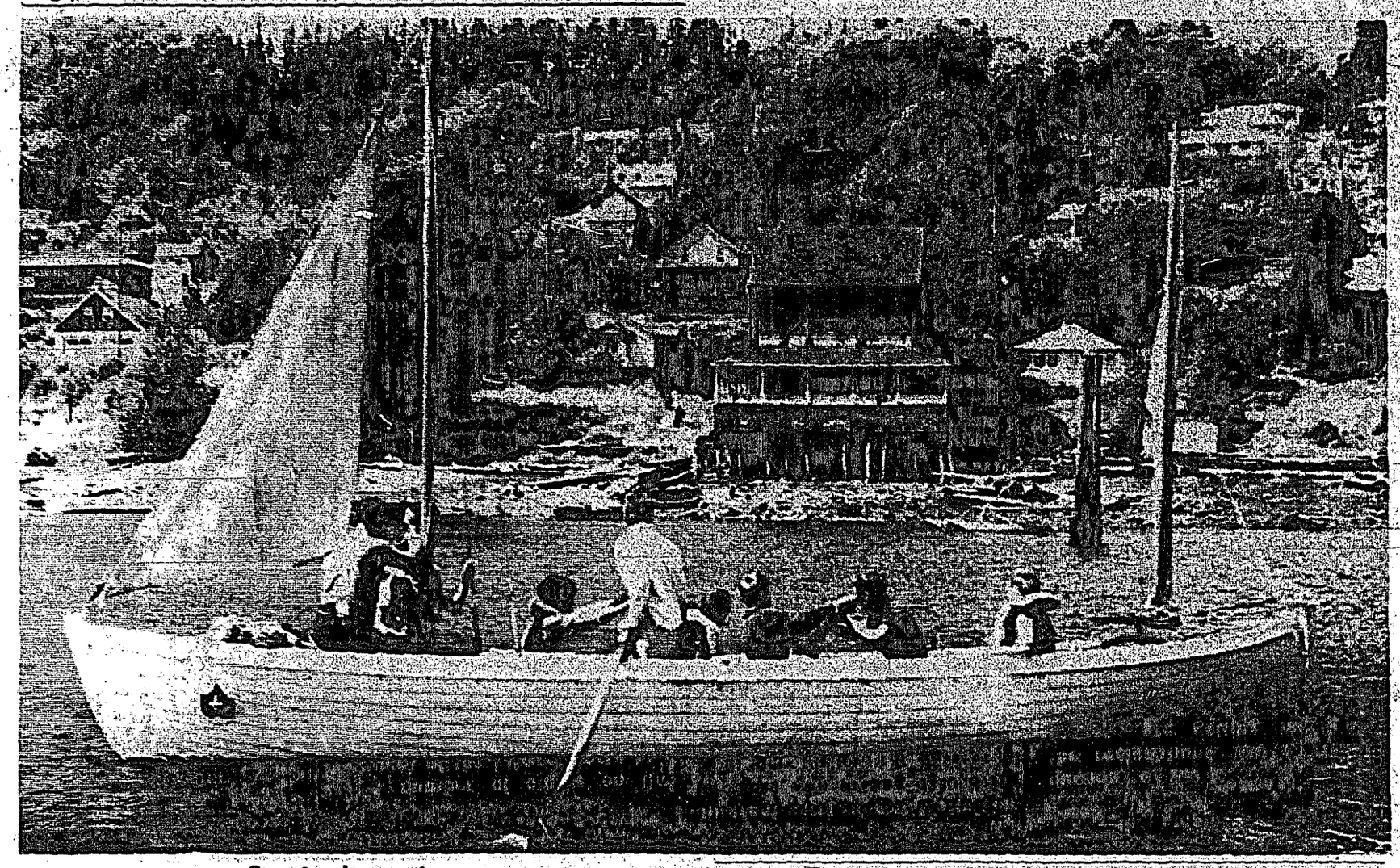

Scouts day out

THRILLING to their first venture in the sleek 27' whaler, last Sunday, were six scouts of the 1st Roberts Creek Co. Accompanying the boys were Scoutmaster G. G. Thatcher and instructor Mr. Mike Fromager. The boys are learning to handle the oars during practice runs prior to their camping holiday in August.

Ottawa report

—The Times' Ottawa Bureau

THERE is "a sinister and growing involvement of crime in politics." That statement was made by no headline-hunting political hatchetman. It was made by Prime Minister Pearson, following publication of the Dorion Report. He pledged his government to a war on crime.

Not many months ago, Mr. Pearson, along with most Canadians, would have greeted that kind of statement with a certain mocking incredulity. It would have been un-Canadian to believe that the tentacles of international crime, the Mafia, the Cosa Nostra, L'union Corse, were reaching into government itself.

Some of that incredulity greeted Conservative MP Erik Nielsen last November 23, when he rose in the Commons to reveal charges of bribery and coercion in government offices.

The course of the next few months, not only vindicated Mr. Nielsen, but opened the eyes of Mr. Pearson to what dangers lurk in the seemingly safe and familiar lagoons of politics.

Judge Frederic Dorion, Chief Justice of Quebec Superior court, was named to make a full inquiry into the charges. Before his tribunal trooped a savage and unsavory crew from the demimonde of crime and politics.

FELLS JUSTICE

The judge's report felled Justice Minister Favreau, not for any lack of honesty or honor, but for his failure to recognie the dangers and to deal with them adequately.

Gone too, and perhaps facing criminal charges, was Raymond Denis, former executive assistant to former Immigration Minister Tremblay. Judge Dorion said there was no doubt Denis had offered a $20,000 bribe in an attempt to obtain bail for suspected dope smuggler Lucien Rivard.

Guy Rouleau, the personable young member of parliament from Montreal-Dollard who became embroiled in the affair, saw his career disintegrate almost overnight. He lost successively his job as parilamentary secretary to the prime minister, chairman of the Liberal caucus, and finally his seat in Parliament and his membership in the Liberal Party.

A number of others on the fringes of the Liberal party had their careers abruptly terminated. Some will have their day in court. Others, if they are lucky, may live out their days in peace, content to have lightly escaped their brush with organized crime.

In the meantime, the men at the top have bee made rudely aware of the power and influence of international criminals. They have been forced to consider how, in the scheme of things, the money paid out for an election poster could well be the same dollar that paid off the prostitute or the dope peddler.

BLIND AREA

For men like Mr. Pearson, this has always been a blind area. It did not behoove a political leader to pay much attention to the twilight zone between politics and crime. Only recently, when it became apparent that the criminals elements were boldly intruding on the political scene did the government become alert to the dangers.

The danger, contrary to what some may think, does not come solely from oldline Quebec politics.

Consider the Harry Stonehill case. He was a wealthy immigrant who wanted to settle in Vancouver and become a Canadian. He found influential friends in British Columbia. It took a long time to get rid of him, in spite of his sordid background of influence-peddling, and the fact that he was wanted in the United States on several charges. One Vancouverite who made representations in Ottawa to keep Stonehill in Canada has been convicted of forgery for signing B.C. Premier Bennett's name to a letter.

Then there was the case of Nono Minaudo, a Windsor immigrant with alleged Mafia connections who managed to delay his deportation for several years. He too had the help of no-doubt well-meaning friends. At one time he had the present External Affairs Minister, Paul Martin, as his lawyer.

The one heartening fact about all these cases—the Rivard affair, the Stonehill case, Minaudo—is that the pressure tactics didn't work. The payoffs were rejected, the bribes turned down, the influence petered out at a certain point.

Lucien Rivard did not obtain bail. He had to escape from jail instead. Stonehill and Minaudo were both eventually forced to leave Canada.

But there are other disturbing questions raised by the incidents.

TWO QUESTIONS

How is it that a man like Lucien Rivard, engaged in the international smuggling trade, was able to find so many diligent helpers in the ranks of and on the fringes of the Liberal Party?

Why was the easy assumption made by criminals that government figures could be bought, that political influence could be diverted to thwart the course of justice?

These are the long disturbing questions now being pondered by Mr. Pearson.

Their implications take him deep into the nature of the financing of political parties, the slush fund, the use and abuse of political power at every level, in short, the war on crime in politics.

At the moment, naturally enough, the personal consequences of the Dorion report—the resignations, the shattered careers—are getting most attention. The government certainly has a duty to act on the report's conclusions.

MORE ABOUT . . .

Other Opinion

from Editorial page—

World War II.

Most, in all probability, refuse to face the fact that peace is what every one wants but no one has been able to devise—on one honorable terms. And the reason is simply that North Vietnamese and their Chinese allies refuse to make these terms available.

As in the case of disarmament they cannot be unilateral. If there is to be a reasonable agreement, both sides must want it. And the Viet Cong don't want it because they smell victory by conquest.

Thus our present choice is between, on the one hand, doing what President Johnson is doing (those who complain his policy is unclear find it so because they refuse to open their eyes and ears) in the hope of persuading our enemies to come to honorable terms, and, on the other, (surrendering to those enemies, imperiling not only our own position as a Pacific power but also the independence of those other nations marked for Communist conquest. This is the path of dishonor and disgrace.

There are some, of course, who favor the latter course, even at its terrible price. But they should then use the English language for the purpose of expressing instead of concealing their thoughts. And the word which fits them is "surrender" not "negotiation."

New citizens

CHRISTMAS—To Mr. and Mrs. Peter Christmas, Roberts Creek, a daughter, born July 14, 1965 at St. Mary's Hospital, Sechelt.

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New operator

PORPOISE Bay water taxi, previously owned and operated by Jack Nelson has now changed hands and new owner Vern Rudolph comes to the district from Rosetown, Saskatchewan. Vern heard through a friend in Sechelt that the business was for sale, looked the area over, liked it and decided to stay. He is seen about to embark on a mission assisted by his son Rodney.

Egmont Eye

—by John Dunlop

SECHELT PENINSULA 1985? This scenic wonderland, surrounded by the finest salmon-fishing waters imaginable is indeed a veritable tourists' paradise.

Situated, only a short distance from Vancouver, the Sechelt Peninsula is the year-round playground of that great metropolitan area, and also attracts many visitors from other parts of Canada and from the U.S.A. The many, well-stocked lakes provide excellent trout fishing and are easily available. The ridge of mountainous backbone, running almost the full length of the peninsula, has been developed into one of the most popular winter playgrounds in the vicinity of the lower mainland and offering the best of skiing and other winter sports facilities.

The opening of the Squamish-Port Mellon highway in 1970 and the great improvement in B.C. Ferry service over the previous five years did much to bring the Sechelt Peninsula, and the entire range of the Sunshine Coast, within easy reach of thousands of Greater Vancouver residents. Many of them, now that transportation was not the deterimental factor that had existed in the early 60's, purchased property and built summer homes. In addition there was an influx of permanent residents, some of them seeking retirement in more congenial surroundings than were to be found in the large cities, others to participate in the building and construction boom which, by this time, was well underway.

The circular tour, inaugurated in 1965 by the addition of the Powell River-Comox ferry, also added to the congestion on the Peninsula, particularly in the summer months. Within a year the new ferry service from Powell River proved to be totally inadequate to handle the increasing tourist traffic. The then existing coast highway, with its narrow, twisting 54 miles of dangerous roadway, and which already had been the subject of much discussion, was the scene of an increasing number of accidents. Public opinion, as expressed by tourist associations, chambers of commerce and other groups of citizens, together with the tremendous pressures brought to bear by the booming economy of the Powell River area soon forced the government of the day to take a second look at these facilities. As a result, another larger and faster vessel was added to the Powell River-Comox run, additional summer service was provided on the Jervis Inlet crossing and the long awaited express highway, from Sechelt to the Jervis Inlet ferry terminus was commenced early in 1970.

The new highway, opened in 1972, proved of major importance in the growth of the peninsula. Running along the western shore of Sechelt Inlet it not only served as a fast, direct route to Powell River and the Upper Peninsula, but more important, it opened up new areas which hitherto had been inaccessible to the general public. Gibsons, Sechelt and Pender Harbour were bulging at the seams and available property was at a premium. The original Sunshine Coast highway had been renovated and straightened in many places, new motels had been constructed and older establishments had increased their accommodation.

Contrary to the opinion expressed by many, when first mooted, the new Sechelt Inlet Highway did not detract from route 101. Used, primarily, by fast through traffic, it relieved congestion on the coast route, leaving the latter to residents of the various communities between Sechelt and Earl's Cove and to the hundreds of tourists holidaying along this picturesque shoreline. True, several motels, fishing resorts and camping areas followed the new highway. Two places to become sizeable towns were Doriston & Egmont. Situated, as they were on either side of the now famous Skookumchuck Rapids, Doriston and Egmont with the new highway at their doorsteps, had rapidly become tourist resorts of considerable size. Doriston, in particular, together with Pender Harbour, and both serving the winter sports area on Mt. Hallowell and the Caren Range, became year round tourist meccas.

Sechelt, from the up and coming village of the early 60's had expanded and progressed with the increasing growth of the peninsula. The breakwater, commenced in 1966, had been enlarged and lengthened over the years, eventually providing a large and well sheltered harbour which proved to be of immeasureable benefit to the entire area. A modern city, Sechelt now serves as the metropolitan center of an area extending from Howe Sound to Jervis Inlet.

Twenty years has brought many changes to the peninsula area, many of them just far-fetched dreams in 1965. Easier access brought people who, in turn, required services. As the demand increased, mercantile and manufacturing industries followed. The logging and fishing industries, their methods entirely changed from our earlier days, still contribute to our local economy. Tourism, of course, is the mainstay of our particular area and we on the peninsula are fortunate in having so many natural endowments. Mountains, lakes, streams and seashore, all a must in the tourist's book.

Fantasy? Who can tell? After a 20-year absence from the Okanagan Valley, and noting the changes that have occurred from Penticton to Vernon, particularly from a tourist's viewpoint, the above description of the Sechelt Peninsula in 1985 may be closer to the truth than any of us realize at this time.

Roberts Creek News

—by Florence McSavaney

A VERY pleasant evening was enjoyed by the friends of the Cliff Beeman's on the occasion of the fourth anniversary of the Sunshine Coast Service.

It was also a farewell party for Mickey Baba and Brian Flummerfelt, who together with Jim Rogers, have gone to Williams Lake to operate a garage there. There were over forty guests and when there were too many outdoors they overflowed into the house, where the furniture had been moved into the corners to make room for everyone.

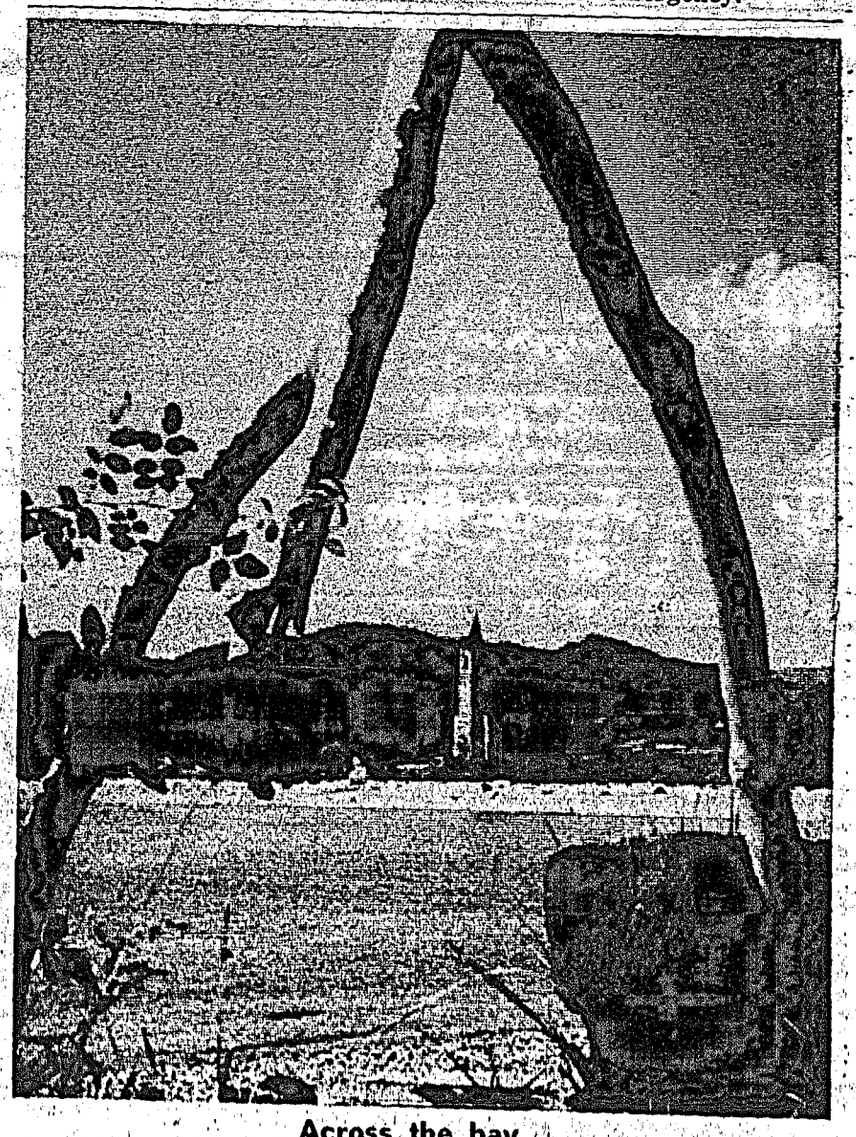
While both Mickey and Brian will be missed by their many friends here, the good wishes for their success in the new venture will go with them from the whole community.

Gary Flummerfelt had the misfortune to fall from a moving car and sustained head injuries, which gave him a few days in hospital.

Work has commenced on laying a water line from Camp Douglas into the picnic area at Roberts Creek Park. This is good news for those who like to spend the day at this beach.

Mr. Harvey Hubbs and Mr. Orv Moscrip accompanied the Little League All-Stars to Vancouver on Thursday, July 15th where they played the Delta All-Stars, which resulted in a victory for the local boys. They will play a return match on Saturday. Four boys from Roberts Creek are playing with the team.

The only exception to the British North Aerica Act requirement of a federal election at least every five years was an amendment to the Act which permitted a six-year government term during the First World War emergency.



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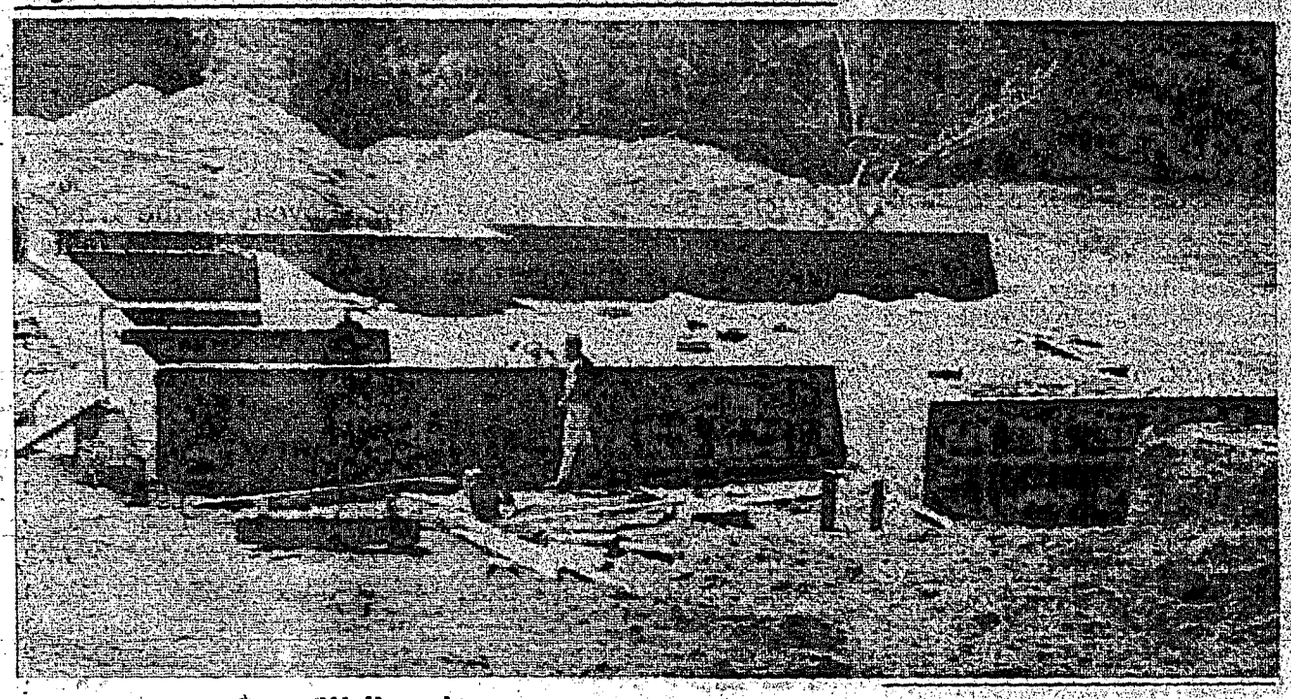

Well underway

WITH THE foundation already poured the two room annex at West Sechelt shows every sign of being ready to receive students next term. Teaching appointments have already been made. The annex is being built on the 5½ acre site recently purchased by the school board on Mason Road.

Round about the town

—By Ed Green

HAVING once again renewed the exhilarating sport of playing hookey from the undertaker I have met many people who have congratulated me for getting out of our hospital. I don't know how to take this because many of them are hypercritical about anything they can't control, so therefore the hospital is fair game and they are practically telling you that anybody who survives a session in there is lucky to get out alive.

On the other hand they might be sincere but I doubt it. Many of these are the same people who scream for the entire medical profession and all of their facilities when they come down with a slight cold.

There is nobody who can screech louder or complain and criticise anything and everybody more than me when I feel grubby, which is most of the time. While others heave a sigh of relief and are glad to see me depart, my poor long suffering wife has no such privilege. She must sit helpless and listen to my continuous discussion of ailments real and imagined and in my more lucid moments I think she should get a medal for her endurance. However, she is philosophical enough to discount about ninety eight per cent of my complaints because, she says, that when I am in fair health I complain the loudest and if the Mayo Brothers had to try and diagnose all of my ailments they would sell up their Rochester Clinic and take a Fuller Brush route.

This is not strictly true. There I am lying in bed in St. Mary's and speculating on the fact that all the ladies I have seen thus far must be fine singers because they had legs like canaries and one of them even had a beak to match. When you consider that this is a somewhat distorted view because all I had ever seen up to this time was the ceiling you can imagine my state of mind. I am thus engaged in the gloomy business of contemplation when Dr. Paetkau arrives with the cheering news that my body is filled with such savage bugs that penicillin, aura and tetramyacin, powerful as they might be, are too frightened to take on these raging demons that now infest me. However, he smiles and says, he has a new one that he hopes will make short work of them and will I kindly stick out my arm because this new gladiator must be administered intravenously.

It is no easy matter to find a vein in my arm so the smiling doctor says I have a fine hand. I foolishly invited him to try it.

In about ten seconds I knew what an Arab feels like when he gets a hand lopped off for stealing a camel, or something. Of all the places on a body to jab with a needle the back of the hand is the most painful. However, in the ensuing sessions he found veins in other places that weren't as touchy. Being immune to all other antibiotics I can only hope this one will be effective.

The new drug must have been effective because in about two days I feel good enough to sit up and look around to I do not have far to look, see what I can grumble about. Though it is near the end of June there is a cold wind whistling in across the water and as it hits those brown colored wooden screens it howls and wails and screams like tortured souls and then it plunges right on through and into the ward. It is such an eerie sound that a sensitive person would be justified in racing down the corridor yelling for help. The high class aluminum window must have been fitted by experts who wanted to catch the last ferry because enough of that wailing wind gets through to make the drapes wave like distres signals.

While all this is going on, the air conditioning system is working hard and with such great zest that between the two of them you find yourself calling for extra blankets during the night.

This is a small matter and is to be expected. The engineer says that the installation experts will allow a certain period to elapse while all of the mechanism gets thoroughly run in, and then they will balance the system. Now, if they can find some more experts who will find a way to balance that wind outside we will be getting some place. Or even if they can keep it outside we would be grateful.

A day or two before the hospital is going to improve itself by getting rid of me, the doctor tells me they have a new machine that is a marvel of its kind and will be of great help to me. He said it was a Bird Respirator and a series of treatments on it would be of great benefit. I was not too enthusiastic about this because up until now anything that was supposed to be of great benefit to me usually ended up by being of greater benefit to the other fellow, especially if he was selling it.

This pessimistic view is confirmed after my first treatment. I feel the same as I ever did. This marvelous machine turns out to be a shiny plastic box about eight inches square that contains a lot of stuff like valves. There is a hose-like thing attached to it with a mouthpiece, which is also packed with parts. The nurse pours certain drugs and sterile water into a space in the mouthpiece. You then place it in your mouth and start to breathe.

draw a breath there is a sharp

The moment you start to "click" and a stream of air and oxygen rushes into your lungs. When you exhale the stream is shut off. You continue to breathe in and out of this gadget for fifteen minutes.

For three full treatments I puffed and blew in this gadget like a leaky steam engine and sardonically observed that no wonder Dr. Bird could live in Palm Springs if he could get the price he was getting for this gimmick. Then, after the fourth treatment, things began to happen. I started to breathe more freely than I had done for years. Ordinarily I was exhausted by the slightest exortion but now it was different. I could draw a full breath without effort. It was heaven; it was like getting a reprieve after being strapped in the electric chair. I was about to consider being happy when an awful thought struck me; how long would this last? Was the relief permanent? The doctor asured me that this was as permanent as anything could be under the circumstances and that after a time only an occasional treatment would be required. Those of us here who suffer from asthma, bronchitis and emphysema have cause to be grateful to those who were instrumental in getting this marvelous piece of equipment for our hospital.

There are those who will complain about our hospital and its staff but they are the ones who will complain if they were in paradise. It should be remembered by all that this hospital is new and like anything else that is new there are a lot of bugs to be shaken out before it can begin to operate with the smoothness demanded of it. Constructive criticism is welcomed by the staff and administration. I know. The soggy toast I mentioned in my last column is said to have been done away with and the five cent charge on coffee is no more. As a matter of fact there is no more coffee either, at least that's what I hear.

Saves $1,000 on painting tender

EXORBITANT prices charged by the only contractor who submitted a tender on the painting of schools in Madeira Park and Sechelt, resulted in Sechelt District school board making a saving of $1,000 on one school alone, utilizing the District's maintenance crew.

Tender submitted by a contractor in another school district quoted $2,375 for painting the interior of Madeira Park school, $1,168.25 for the combined teacherages and $2,068.45 for Sechelt Elementary school.

Mr. Al Porter, maintenance supervisor, estimates that the cost of giving Sechelt Elementary two coats of paint would be $814 and the activity room at Sechelt, $254.

The board of school trustees agreed at last week's meeting to appoint Mr. Porter as clerk of works for building under referendum No. 5. Cement foundations for the West Sechelt school were poured last week and work has started on the Roberts Creek school.

Mr. Karateew's tender (the only one received) was accepted for supplying 500 cubic yards of top soil to Halfmoon Bay Elementary school at $3.25 per cubic yard, also 200 cubic yards of fill at 0.75 per cu. yd.

David Thomas Gant

PASSED away July 10, 1965, David Thomas Gant of Gibsons, B.C. Survived by his wife Etta, three sons, David North Surrey, B.C., John, Ocean Falls, B.C. and Alf, Gibsons, B.C. Three daughters, Mrs. Nadine Lumquist, Nanaimo; Mrs. Bessie Wyhatt, North Surrey, B.C. and Mrs. Maxine Reynolds, North Surrey, B.C. 19 grandchildren and one great grandchild. Deceased was a member of Royal Canadian Legion Branch 109. Funeral service was held Wednesday, July 14 at 3 p.m. from the funeral chapel of the Harvey Funeral Home, Gibsons. Rev. H. Kelly officiated. Interment, Seaview Cemetery, Roberts Creek, B.C.

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July 24—10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Port Mellon Community Assn. Sports Day. Dancing in Community Hall during evening.

July 30—2:00 p.m. St. Aidan's WA Annual Garden Party. Robert Cumming garden, Roberts Creek.

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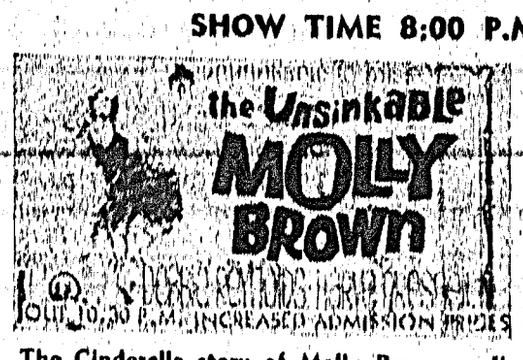

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Squaringly Yours

—by Maurice Hemstreet

OH! HI, yes I'm here again. I bet you didn't expect me to have a column in this week. Well, I don't know why you would think that I would miss a week because in the square dance picture there is always something to talk about and it's generally interesting.

To start with our first open air square dance at the Sechelt school tennis courts did turn out to be more fun than ever I had thought for a first night. I arrived on time as usual, had the P.A. set up, the colored lights strung and music going by 8:00 p.m. I must admit that I got more practice than anyone else, however, I needed the practice anyway.

It really was a beautiful night and those who did turn out soon filled the night air with laughter. There was my good taw Peg, my good friend Cathy Berry and Dick Dooley from Sechelt, Art Holden, Jack Inglis from Gibsons, and Mr. Marshal brought a car load up from Roberts Creek. So we had a set going for a spell and anyway the square dance was represented by members of all of the square dance clubs from Gibsons to Sechelt which is pretty nice when you stop to think about it.

By the time you read this account on the first square dance the second one will have come and gone so I hope they grow in succession to the wildest dreams of our local recreation commission, because when a group like this gets out to put on such an event, well, it would be a darned shame if the people of the Sunshine Coast couldn't come out to help too. Who knows, after these Sat. night square dances get publicized a little more, we may even get square dancing tourists to stay over and join us. "Time to Ponder".

Talking of open air square dancing, about two years ago we held one on the Shell station lot and of course the Gibsons Squarenaders came up. There was some from the Roberts Creek club, and a few came down from Pender Harbour. Anyway it made quite a large gathering when all were square dancing together.

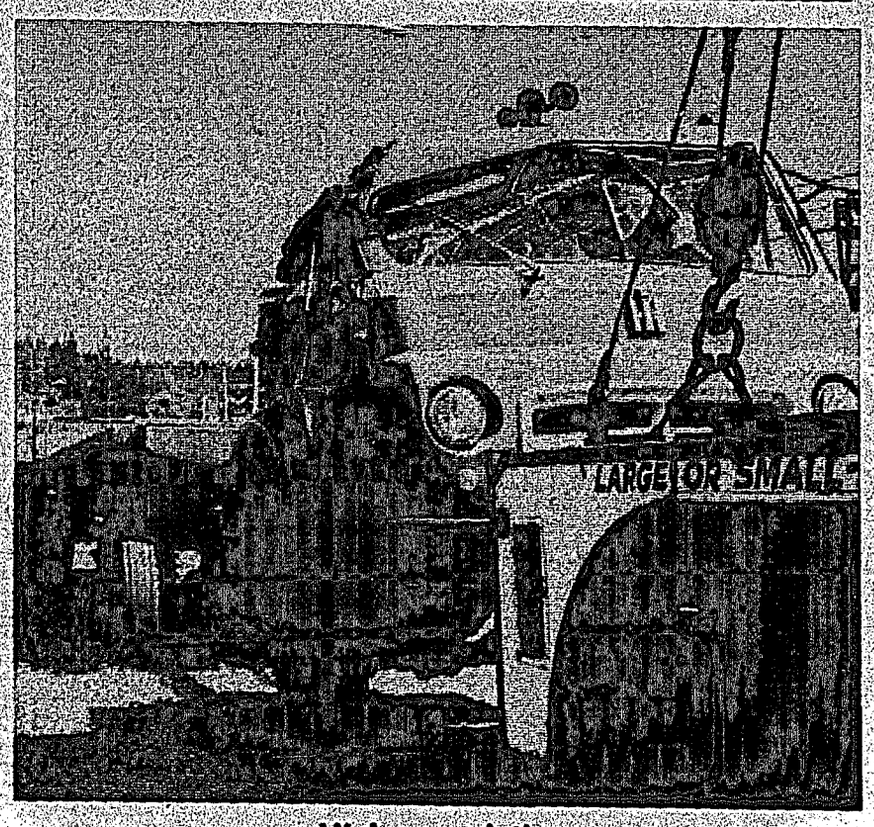
Well, after about a half an hour, another dancer joined us and he was dressed in chooped off denims and raggedly shirt so I thought he must be one of the Gibsons Club members. (No offence Squarenders). However, I was a little annoyed because the fellow was inebriated to the full extent and was really messing up the dancing for the other couples.

Now it's a known fact that alcohol and square dancing don't mix and it's a rigid rule the world over that if you drink well don't bother coming to the square dance. Anyway I put up with this fellow's nonsense because I just didn't want to hurt anyone's feelings. After the square dancing was over, I invited Harry Robertson and his taw Deanna to our place for coffee during which I said to Harry that I didn't think it was right for him to let one of his square dancers come to even an open air dance looped like that. "Heck Maurice," he said, "I thought he was one of your square dancers and I hated to tell him it wasn't right." Well, we both had a good laugh and decided it could only happen at a square dance. I often wonder where that fellow came from or where he went to, it just goes to prove that square dancers are a wonderful group of people to put up with something like this and still keep smiling.

The open air square dances will be sponsored by the Recreation Commission and held at the Shell Station Lot in Sechelt every Saturday night until further notice with a fifty cent donation each to help offset expenses. This will be done in the usual way with a pay parade.

Oops, time marches on to the tune of turkey in the straw, so I will see you at the square dance.

I was nutty as a kid—I tried to make an agnostic out of a praying mantis.



Highway victim

DRIVER Roy Martin of Burnaby escaped injury when his flatbed rolled over near Halfmoon Bay last weekend. Mishap occurred when a chain broke holding a load of timber, resulting in the vehicle overturning. It was the property of Builtwell Homes.

MORE ABOUT . . .

Thirty applicants

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of grade eight failures who would be repeating the grade thereby making it necessary to have four grade eight sections this year.

Mr. Alec Merlin, principal of Roberts Creek, demonstrated to the board how the provision of a new type dry copying machine would cut down lesson preparation, which is quite a problem when teaching mixed grades. Trustees agreed that any device which results in saving of labor is worth considering and will require a report on the efficiency of the machine.

A letter from the fire marshall's office in Vancouver concurred with Mr. Clay's advice that more portable fire equipment is needed at Pender Harbour Secondary school. The cost of the equipment which the board agreed to purchase is $300 and being in a benevolent mood the board agreed to throw in an asbestos blanket.

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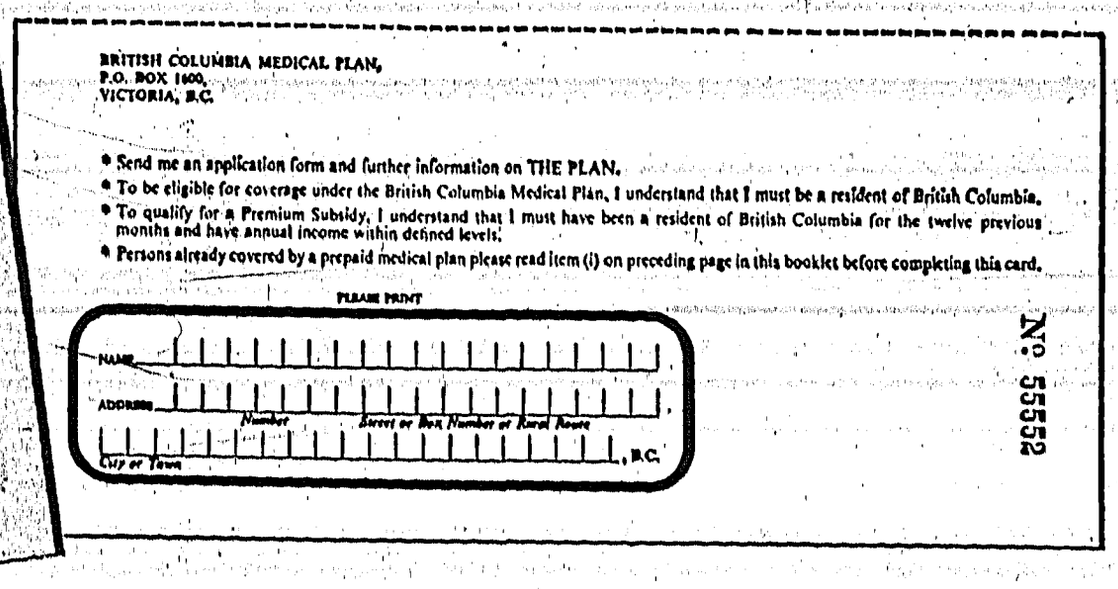
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What, no pets!

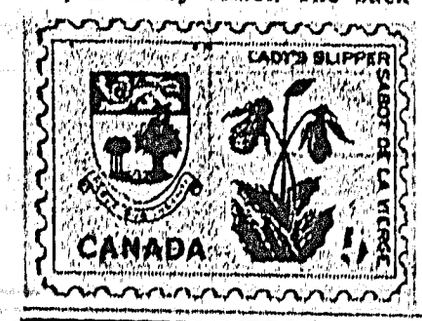
MANY children showed up but not enough pets for last week's cat and dog show. It will now be held at 3 p.m. on July 29th in Sechelt Elementary School playground, so get those pets trained to face the keen competition set by Robin Barendregt's Newfoundland "Astrid". All these prizes and many more are to be won, so if your pet is shaggy, small, large or tall bring him along.

Eighth in series...

Prince Edward Island honoured with stamp

DETAILS of a special postage stamp to honor the province of Prince Edward Island were announced today by the Hon. Rene Tremblay, Postmaster General. The stamp, which will be the eighth in a series of stamps honoring the offical flowers of the 10 Canadian provinces and the two northern territories, will go on sale July 21, 1965.

The new stamp will be issued in the large, size, horizontal format. It will be printed in three colors by a combination of offset lithography and intaglio printing from hand engraved steel plates. The provincial floral emblem, the lady's slipper or moccasin flower, (Cypripedium acaule) will appear at the right of the stamp and will be printed by offset. The background tone of the stamp, and the provincial coat of arms on the left side will be printed by the Intaglio process.



In announcing the new stamp, Mr. Tremblay noted that the Legislature of Prince Edward Island had officially approved the lady's slipper as the provincial emblem in March of 1965. Drawings for the stamp were prepared with the co-operation of the Public Archives of Prince Edward Island and with the federal department of agriculture.

The stamp, as with the others in the floral series, was designed and printed by the Canadian Bank Note Company of Ottawa. It will be of five cent denomination. A total of 26,510,000 stamps are being issued.

Stenographer to friend: "That's the dress she wears when she wants to look halfway decent—but not completely."

Handicapped golfer: one who is playing with the boss.

Hon. L. R. Peterson . . .

Minister of Education explains new curriculum

(THIS is the second of a series of articles by the Minister of Education describing the new secondary school curriculum.)

In my article last week I mentioned that the reorganized curriculum for the senior secondary schools which will affect students going into Grade XI in September has six programs or options. Five prepare students for subsequent specialized training at one of the regional vocational schools in the fields of commerce, industry, community service, arts or agriculture. One leads to university or an institute of technology and I would like to tell you about that one first.

It is called the Academic-Technical program and like all programs it has four elements. The first element consists of the same general education constants as all the other programs. These are two courses in English, one in social studies and one in guidance and physical health education over the two year period. The same subjects will be taken by all students in senior secondary schools.

The program constants, taken by all students on the Academic-Technical Program, form the second element. They consist of one science course, one mathematics course and one language course. The language requirement is an addition of one year to the present requirement. It is felt that any student who is going to pursue a further academic education must have enough facility in one foreign language, or enough knowledge of language structure, to study that language or some other even further. One exception is allowed for the pupil intending to go to an institute of technology. For language he may substitute an additional technical course from the specialty he intends to follow if that is his wish.

Assuming that all academic students require the same general education and program constants, the Academic-Technical Program then makes provision for three fields of endeavor which the student may enter. These are called program specialties. They are the arts or humanities, science and the technical specialty.

The arts specialty is for people whose chief interest lies in languages or in the social sciences. They must select three courses from a prescribed list of language studies, history, literature, etc.

The science specialty also requires three courses, one in senior mathematics and two more sciences.

The technical specialty, designed for those who plan to attend an institute of technology, is much like that for science. It requires the senior mathematics but only one science course. The third course is selected from the appropriate vocational specialty.

The remainder of the students time is occupied by four elective courses. These may be chosen to make up deficiences at the Grade X level if he has them, to widen his education on a personal basis, or to take more work in his chosen field.

The new Academic-Technical Program will in some ways be more demanding than the old University Entrance Program. It is frankly intended for students whose abilities are such that they will be able to undertake the strenuous work demanded in universities and technological institutes.

For those whose interests and talents lie in other fields, other programs leading to further specialized training in vocational schools are available. These programs cover commerce, industry, community services, visual and performing arts and agriculture. Each will be explained in future articles.

The Province has six vocational schools already and will have 10 by 1967. They offer a wider variety of specialized training than is available anywhere else in Canada. The institution known as the vocational school is not new but in recent years has become recognized as an essential branch of the higher education which all young people should have if they are going to be successful in the complicated modern world.

When a man and woman marry, they become one. The trouble starts when they try to decide which one.

E. Ormrod reviews . . .

Adventures of a Canoe in the public library

PADDLE-to-the-Sea is the tale of a small Canadian canoe which sailed from Nipigon down the Great Lakes to the sea. A small Indian boy who longed to travel, carved the one foot long canoe, with an Indian sitting in it.

Beautifully made, with a good keel and balance, it started down the stream, through to the lakes, past sawmills, eventually given a small plaque to indicate the stopping points on its journey, the boat visits all the lakes, is part of a shipwreck, sees a forest fire and winters once with an old lady in her cottage by the St. Lawrence. At last it reaches the sea, is found by a boy on a French fishboat, and has further adventures before its return to Nipigon.

Clancy Holling-Holling who wrote this story also illustrated it. The young reader therefore has a fine pictorial record of life in the great area of the Lakes. He can, as it were, fly above them and look down on one half of Canada, and see all the activities there. Surely geography can seldom have been introduced more attractively!

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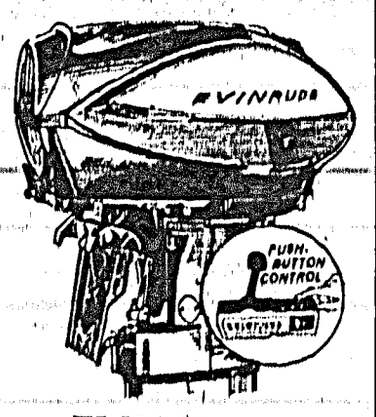

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VISITING Vancouver Burrard Conservatives were entertained last Saturday at the Sechelt waterfront home of Mr. J. K. MacLeod. Special guests were Captain and Mrs. Boyd Shannon. Pictured from left are: Capt. Boyd Shannon (Coast Capilano Progressive Conservative candidate), Mrs. R. B. McInnis, Mrs. Cowley, Mrs. Boyd Shannon, Mr. R. B. McInnis, Mr. J. K. Macleod and Mrs. Jacobs.

Wilson Creek notes

—By Mabel Wagman

AIRPORT-GOINGS-ON

Planes have been coming and going quite frequently, some on business, others on pleasure trips. Among those have been Beechcraft Debonaire, bringing a salesman from Portland, Oregon to visit Port Mellon on business.

From Vancouver, a Cessna 310 twin engine with a family who came for a picnic at the end of the run-way. Seems they were seeking privacy.

A Piper plane from Langley, with a doctor who lands often. This plane has fittings for floats which he usually uses during the summer. This makes it possible for him to land at Sakinaw Lake where he has a summer home.

A Taylorcraft recently visited the airport. This party took in the fishing at the creek which is conveniently located at the end of the runway. It is known that this is a good place for steelhead and trout fishing.

VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Smith of Victoria visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Tuba at Wilson Creek.

Recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Browning were their grandchildren and Mr. and Mrs. Doug Forster from Vancouver.

PARKING AREA

We see that there has been a larger space graded at the sides of the main highway at the Sand Bar making it more convenient for people to park their cars while on the beach.

At the end of 1964 Canadians had more than 12 million savings desposits in chartered banks and these savings totalled nearly $9 billion.

District 46 . . .

Insurance coverage sparks board debate

POSSIBLE reduction of insurance coverage on Sechelt School Board property once again came under discussion at last Thursday's school board meeting. Mr. N. R. McKibbin, insurance agent who previously assessed school board property for insurance coverage once again advised the board against taking advantage of the 90% co-insurance clause which based on the present appraisal of property, performed by the firm of Marshall and Stevens (Canada) Ltd., would reduce present coverage by approx. one half a million dollars.

Mr. T. A. Hazlett representing the firm of appraisers explained to the board how his firm had carried out the detailed appraisal which no insurance company would dispute. Although he had no wish to act as insurance adviser to the board, Mr. Hazlett stated that the majority of school boards take advantage of the 90% co-insurance clause, in fact appraisals are sold on this basis. The appraisal is based on present day replacement values.

Mr. McKibbin maintains that with replacement values increasing as they are today, a situation could arise when the board finds that the insurance coverage is well below 90%.

Secretary treasurer Mr. Peter Wilson referred the board to extracts from a 1958 publication dealing with school district fire insurance principles and practices which recommends that school boards take advantage of the benefits of co-insurance preferably the 90% co-insurance percentage. The publication also recommends that appraisals should be made by a commercial firm of valuation engineers with yearly reappraisals.

No decision has yet been reached by the board as the policy is not yet due for renewal.

Dr. A. R. MacKinnon . . .

Simon Fraser head speaks at Gibsons

FUTURE teachers studying at Simon Fraser University will spend a total of six months teaching in schools under the supervision of an experienced teacher, designated as an associate in education.

The program of teacher education at SFU was explained by Dr. A. R. MacKinnon, dean of the faculty of education at last week's meeting with superintendents and trustees of Powell River, Sechelt and Howe Sound school districts, held in Gibsons. Several members of District 47 (Powell River) School Board attended.

Student teachers normally spend periods of one to three weeks of practical teaching usually toward the end of the course.

Professional development at SFU, which follows the completion of the required number of semesters in arts or science for the certificate being taken (three for elementary teaching and seven for B.Sc. or B.A.) is undertaken in two stages.

Stage 1 is a complete semester of 16 weeks, the first eight weeks being spent in school, planning lessons and teaching. During this period the student teacher is one of a team of four working together in the same school under the supervision of the associate in education who is an experienced teacher in the school, chosen by SFU, and for that period being a part of the faculty of education and receiving an honorarium from SFU of $400. After the first two weeks the associate will be assisted by a participating teacher in the same school and the university faculty.

Advantages of grouping the students in teams of four will be the sharing of common problems, mutual discussions and evaluation. It is during this period that the student teacher will discover if he is suitable for the teaching profession; at this stage there is still an opportunity to withdraw in favor of a more suitable profession.

The second two weeks of Stage 1, the student will evaluate his experience against the best and most recent educational thought and undertake an intensive study of professional literature.

Stage 2 is composed of two complete semesters of four months each. The first semester will again be spent in schools when the student teacher will either teach under an associate or replace a teacher who wishes to attend SFU. This will provide an opportunity for teachers to undertake a complete semester of study in which ever field there is a need for revision. This is where Dr. MacKinnon felt new life could be injected into the teaching profession. For this semester the intern teacher would qualify for the $10 per day internship and could be considered a member of the teaching staff.

The final semester will be devoted on campus, to undergraduate studies related to the student's professional choice, improving competence and depth of background.

Dr. MacKinnon said "We hope a cross-fertilization of techniques and ideas will develop which will demonstrate that we are not using schools merely as a training ground but that we are working with schools to improve the quality of the entire educational system.

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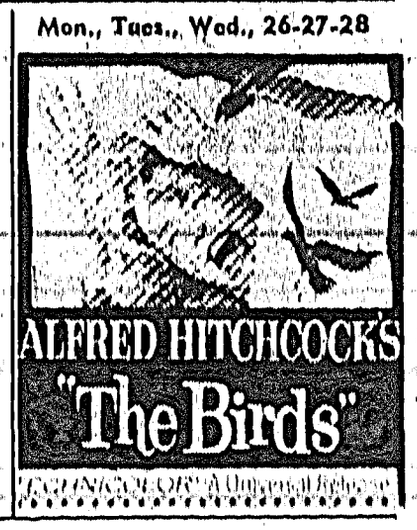

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Capt. Boyd Shannon . . .

Conservative canditate investigates Medi Care

by Boyd Shannon
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THE TERM Medi Care lately has been talked about to a great degree by a number of politicians to such an extent that on my recent trip to Britain I made it a point to study the plan in operation in Britain at close hand.

I spent considerable time getting all the facts and figures in London right where they are complete and correct from sources in the House of Commons literature. I also wondered just what effect it had on the state of the mind of the people towards the Welfare State as it is evident that the Health Plan they operate is obviously the keystone to a welfare state.

I would like to say right here that I am not against a Medical Plan, but rather the opposite, as I feel that the time is long overdue when someone, contacting say cancer, can see their whole life's work go down the drain and their loved ones left nothing. Also, chronic cases and old age pensioners need proper care. However, in a society such as ours I believe that normal medical care and provision for it can be much better handled outside of a benevolent government which feels that we do not have the ability to handle our own money, but feels that the proper procedure is to tax the people around 60 per cent of their earnings and then dole it back as it sees fit.

I would like to make it clear that I am in no way engaging in a criticism of Britain, as I am too proud of my British heritage to do so. My mother came from Leeds and my father was Irish. However, statements made by people of Britain themselves I cannot be blamed for. I feel that the true role of a politician is to truthfully present all the facts to the people and then if they still say, after considering all the costs involved, that they are prepared to pay the cost, then it is the duty of the politician to set up the finest program possible.

How can we get the true facts from men like Jack Davis when we consider some of his statements? For instance, lately he has been speaking strongly in favor of the Canada Development Corporation, and I quote from the Citizen of May 5, regarding the Canada Development Corporation. "Its job is to sell shares in modest amounts to Canadians and invest the proceeds in industry which might otherwise fall under foreign control. Socialism? Well, hardly. The Government will only get the Corporation going. Afterwards it will be run like every other business with the profits going back to the average Canadian who is willing to invest his savings in this way."

However, let me quote to you from the Ottawa Journal of April 30, 1965. "In May, 1963, Mr. Jack Davis, M.P., who became parliamentary secretary to the Prime Minister, said in the House that the proposed Corporation would provide funds for the creation of new industries when private sources of funds did not see fit to establish them without subsidies. Mr. Davis took pains on that occasion to emphasize that he was not in favor of large numbers of Crown Companies, and gave this warning: "If we go on in this way, if we continue this immense financial bias in the creation of Crown Companies, we shall eventually arrive at the creation of a socialistic state north of the International boundary. I think we should develop a mechanism for selling of these Crown Corportions' ".

In the same article in the Citizen, Mr. Davis extols the wonderful budget of Mr. Gordon and his beneficial plans to give the people a ten per cent income tax cut, and he picks on the case of a man making $5,000 a year saves up to $5 per month. But he does not tell you to examine your 1963 income tax form and see that your old age security tax charge was three per cent or $90, while in the 1964 form the rate is four per cent or $120. So, they put it on first in a sneaky manner and then take it off again, and this man tries to kid us we are getting a wonderful gift from Mr. Gordon.

It is this type of misrepresentation that I am so opposed to. I hope the day never comes when I have to resort to such tactics to put over an idea on the public.

Next week in The Times, I will give what I feel to be a true picture of Medi Care as practiced in the United Kingdom.

Sechelt group . . .

Recreation Commission occupied with projects

MEETING of the Sechelt Recreation Commission, held last week in the office of Recreation Director Phil Lawrence, was chaired by Joe Benner and attended by a total of six members.

Foremost on the agenda was the proposed visit to the Powell River Sea Fair next month with a float. Mrs. C. Poteet enquired whether the expenses of the youngsters travelling with the float would be paid for by the commission.

She was told such expenses would be met by the commission and Mr. Lawrence said he would take them as far as Earl's Cove in his station wagon.

Due to the poor turn-out at the first outdoor square dance held on the Elementary School tennis courts, it was decided to hold them in future on either the Shop Easy or Shell Service Station parking lot. Doug Wheeler emphasized the need for colored lights to enhance the setting. Joe Benner agreed and suggested large signs also be displayed advertising the dances.

Further discussion on teen dances resulted in plans to hold an outdoor teen dance Wednesday, July 21, also on the Shop Easy parking lot. Ray Clarke and Harry Gregory were appointed in charge of this event.

Phil Lawrence reported he had been approached by Mr. Les Peterson of Gibsons who had suggested a car-acade from Gibsons to Sechelt, ending with a beach picnic.

Members displayed little enthusiasm for the idea which literally failed to make first base.

It was disclosed that while recreation classes under the direction of Heather Nickolson, were well attended at both Wilson Creek and Halfmoon Bay, neither district had responded to a request for a donation. Selma Park however has donated $25, Village of Sechelt $200 and the Sunshine Coast Lions Club $10.

Another project as a fund-raising venture under consideration is an amateur night at which performers and musicians will be invited to display their talents. Anyone interested in this might contact Doug Wheeler at The Times office in Sechelt.

Personal income tax was first levied in Canada in 1917 as a special water tax; it was not until 1948 that the name of the tax was changed from the Income War Tax Act to the Income Tax Act.

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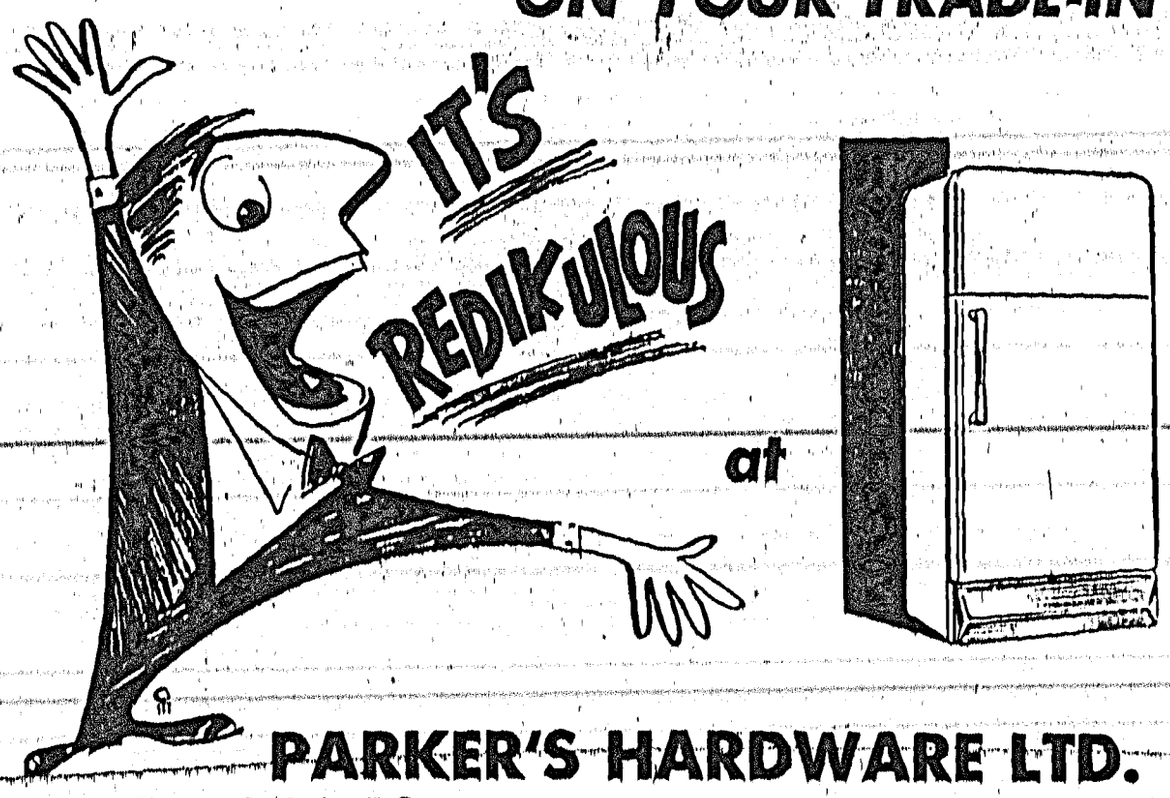

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