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New activities . . .

Chamber pursues tourism pushing membership drive

SECHELT and District Chamber of Commerce appears to be extending its activities into seeking membership on behalf of the Sunshine Coast Tourist Association. Apart from a canvass among local merchants, a request was received by Council of Sechelt last week asking that it consider taking out a membership.

Mayor Bill Swain expressed the view that it was nothing to do with the Chamber but was told by Clerk Ted Rayner that the request did indeed come from the Chamber of Commerce.

Alderman Morgan Thompson suggested that for the sake of $10 it was not worth argueing about and moved council take out a $10 associate membership.

Reluctance by the Sechelt Waterworks to complete filling of water-line crossings on roads within the village has involved various correspondence between council and the company. A recent request that the work be completed resulted in a letter from the company explaining that it was assumed after the last correspondence the work had been carried out. Details would therefore be appreciated giving specific details of work involved.

It was pointed out that a total of three crossings have been filled with gravel which soon works out and requires final topping.

Alderman Harold Nelson is to investigate possibilities of paving the section of highway in the residential area of East Porpoise Bay within village boundaries. Alderman Thompson said he felt a full paving job should be considered in light of the amount of traffic now using the road.

Mayor Swain argued that cost of such a job would be beyond council's means at this time and perhaps a double flush coat would prove adequate. After due discussion, it was decided the matter be left with roads chairman Ald. Nelson.

Ald. Thompson questioned council's position regarding garbage pick-up once the Regional District goes into operation with a pick-up service. Mayor Swain said the Regional Board would be putting costs on a mill rate which, he feels, will lead to some protests.

Mr. Rayner explained that it is quite usual for municipalities to put it on the mill rate, at the same time, there does appear to be inequity. He said the situation will depend upon what the Regional Board arranges. Ald. Chuck Rodway agreed that the matter should be left until that time and also stressed the fact that use of the system will have to be enforced. He too disaproved putting pick-up on the mill rate.

Mayor Swain reported that he had been approached by a B.C. Hydro representative who had suggested council might be interested in having two lights installed in the vicinity of St. Mary's Hospital.

Ald. Rodway said he would think it the responsibility of the Regional Board for the hospital is outside village limits. Mayor Swain pointed out that the hospi-

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First Glance

KINSMAN PROJECT

Sechelt Kinsmen have agreed to undertake renovating of the Hackett Park bleachers. Materials will be supplied by the Village and Kinsmen will donate their time and labour to repair and paint the bleachers and back-stop. They will also erect a canopy over the back-stop.

TOURIST BOOTH

Council of Gibsons failed to attend a meeting called by the Sechelt Chamber of Commerce President Erich Hensch at the St. Hildas Hall, Sechelt, March 9th. An invitation was also extended the Gibsons Chamber. It is understood the meeting was to discuss possibilities of a tourist booth to be situated at Langdale.

SKATE PARTY

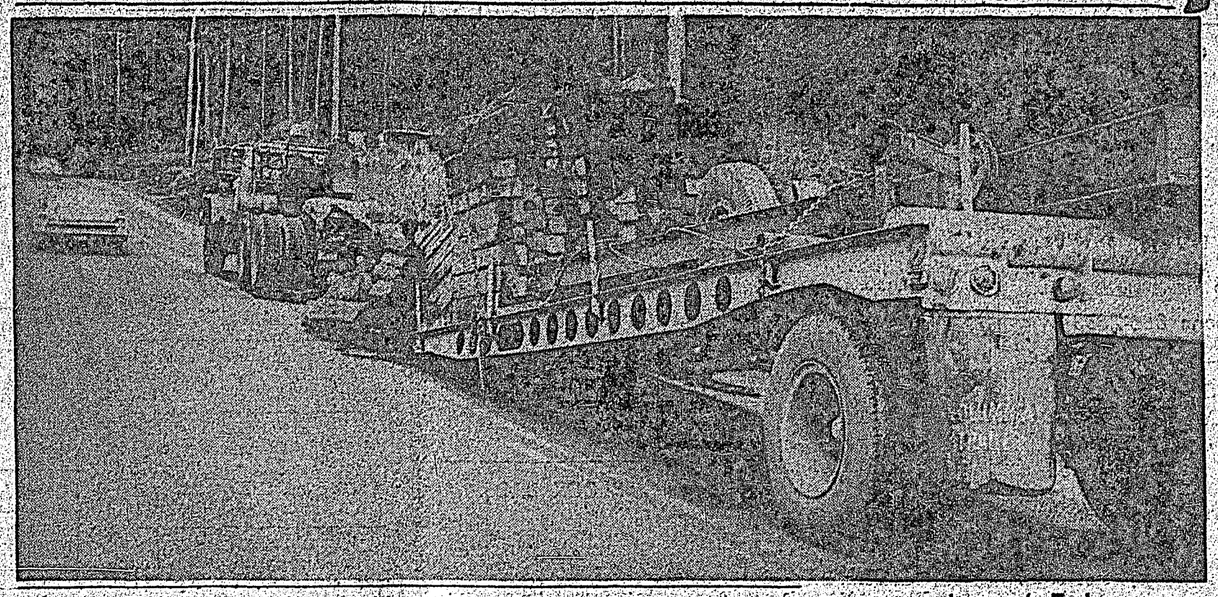
Job's Daughters are throwing a skate party on Saturday night, March 29th from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. at Elphinstone Secondary School.

The party is open to everyone age 12 years and over at regular skating prices. Proceeds will go to the Job's Daughters Educational and Promotional Fund.

John Harvey sworn as Justice of the Peace

APPOINTMENT was confirmed last week of Mr. John Robert Harvey of Gibsons to the position of Justice of the Peace for the province of British Columbia. Mr. Harvey was sworn in Thursday March 20th. by Magistrate Charles Mittelsteadt.

Mr. Harvey, of the Harvey Funeral Home, has long been active in community affairs. He is a past chairman of the St. Mary's Hospital Board, former member of the Sunshine Coast Lions and is presently an active member of the Sunshine Coast Kiwanis Club. His appointment is the second for Gibsons, Mr. Richard F. Kennett has held a similar appointment for some time.



Journey's End

"Well, it is a pretty rough road," ruefully remarked the driver of this Nickel Bros. House Moving unit when he prematurely dumped his load on Davis Bay Hill. It seems the pin was too small for the fifth wheel and worked out, fortunately causing no damage to anything but the flatdeck.

Richard F. Kennett . . .

Gibsons weather reporter suggests airport station

SUGGESTION that consideration be given establishment of a weather reporting station at the Gibsons-Sechelt municipal airport has been forwarded to the District Meteorologist at the Air Services Branch, Department of Transport.

Richard F. Kennett, who for almost eighteen years has kept continuous climatological reports for the Gibsons area, wrote to the department recently and forwarded a copy of his letter to both councils. Mr. Kennett states that weather recorded at his station is a good deal different from that at the airport in that Gibsons is affected by conditions on Howe Sound while the airport and Sechelt are affected by conditions in the Gulf of Georgia.

Council agreed the idea is a good one and moved the letter be filed, as it is only for information purposes no action is called for.

LICENCE GRANTED

Mike Blaney of Sun Glass, in applying for a business licence to operate a light manufacturing business in a section of the old Hillbop Building Supplies, stated he plans to carry out the manufacture of such items as decorative mirrors, etc.

It was explained that the building is now used as a union headquarters but Mr. Blaney is renting part of it. Approval was therefore granted.

WATER REQUEST

Chekwelp Water Board, awaiting establishment of a permanent water supply by the Regional Board, seeks temporary hook up to the village water line which comes to within 100 feet of the Chekwelp line.

Copy of a letter sent to the Regional Board was read at last week's meeting of council and explained that replacement of Soames bridge with a culvert, the dam intake was replaced with a culvert. The dam intake was end is exposed to pollution.

Both pump ram and the 5,000 storage tank are in need of replacement and pipeline from the ram to the tank is 40 years old. It is therefore felt that providing arrangements might be made with the village for a temporary hook-up, the Water Board is prepared to pay cost of material and labour together with payment for water used.

Mayor Fred Feeney suggested the matter should be referred to the engineer and providing he approves, and the Regional Board intends going ahead with its water system plans, then he sees no point in council holding up the Chekwelp Board. Council agreed.

Seek remand . . .

Local men face charges for lights destruction

CHARGES of willful damage resulting from destruction of B.C. Hydro street lights have been laid against two Sechelt men, Edwin Martin Joe and Corby Jeffries, both of whom appeared in court last week.

Seeking a remand in order to obtain legal representation, they told the court they had been in touch with their lawyer, an associate of NDP Tom Berger, and had been advised to ask for a remand. They were each given one week and told to appear in court Friday, March 28th.

IMPAIRED

Facing a second charge of impaired driving before he had even appeared to answer the first, Gene Erickson of Porpoise Bay, also asked for a remand in order to obtain council. He too was given one week and was told to appear in court Friday, March 28th.

Appearing before Magistrate Charles Mittelsteadt Tuesday, March 18th, Alan Richard Wilson of Gibsons was charged with impaired driving following an incident in which an auto he was driving crashed into a fence at Pont Mellon. He was fined $200 and his driving licence suspended for six months.

Another Gibsons man, Leonard Scott Bennett, also faced a charge of impaired driving. He was fined $200 aend given a three-month suspension.

Oren Leroy Kincade of Pender Harbour entered a plea of not guilty to a charge of impaired driving. He was charged following a check by an RCMP patrol car. Found guilty as charged, he was fined $200 and had his driving licence suspended for three months.

FALSE PRETENCES

Following a previous remand, Gilles Arther Cadorette, presently residing in Gibsons, appeared before the magistrate March 18th and was found guilty of false pretences. Offence involved drawing social welfare while employed. He was given a two-year suspended sentence, ordered to post a $1,000 bond and to make restitution to the amount of $2,853 directly to the Department of Social Welfare.

Homes project plan for additional ten

DIRECTORS of the Society wish to express their gratitude for the magnificent response to the appeal for the Senior Citizens Homes. Some time ago, a request was made to help in the payment of the property which had to be done before any thought could be given to the second phase of the building program.

Some $15,000.00 was required for the land and this was paid off in instalments. The first $5,000.00 had to be paid before the first units were commenced and the total before any further expansion. This has now been done and so far over six hundred people have shared in the effort. The special book which will contain the names of all givers is being established and will likely include all gifts received up until May 1st. The names will be placed in alphabetical order and the Donors Book will be placed along with a number of pictures to leave information for posterity.

With the land payment completed, gifts will now go towards the establishment of a further ten homes. When the Housing Society has sufficient funds on hand, the application can be made for a government grant and a loan from Central Mortgage and Housing as was done for the first ten units.

Spring-Time

Many retired people on the Sunshine Coast devote their time to worthy causes and Mr. Dave Hayward's special project is the garden which surrounds St. Hilda's Church, Sechelt. This week the garden is particularly beautiful for golden crocuses spell out the name of the Church.

Growing problem . . .

Business Men's Association seeks solution for parking

FOUR REPRESENTATIVES of the Gibsons Businessmen's Association met last week with village council to seek enforcement of the one hour parking restriction within the village. Recent parking restriction on the wharf has taken away parking for about one hundred cars which has created greater problems for the village.

Spokesman for the group, Charles Mandelkau, told council the downtown businessmen had got together to consider what steps might be taken to ease the parking problem in the downtown area. He said that parking is a cause for growing concern, closure of the wharf and the approaching summer season will add to the situation. The group has therefore decided to ask that council take steps to enforce the one hour parking regardless of who is involved. This request is to assist the shopping motorist.

Mayor Fred Feeney said he could see no difficulty. "It will merely mean a few more signs strategically placed and the RCMP have agreed to enforce the regulations," he added.

Alderman Wally Peterson agreed that the present situation is bad. He asked Mr. Mandelkau if he has investigated cost of clearing his own vacant lot in the village for use as a paid parking lot. He was told the possibility has been considered and it is likely space for twenty cars could be established.

Ald. Ken Crosby suggested an area sufficient to accommodate twelve or more cars could be bulldozed out between the firehall and village pump-house. Mayor Feeney, however, explained that this would prove a problem in view of springs in that area. "It could be looked into but will be costly," he said.

Mr. Walt Nygren told council that wharf parking has been in practice for about thirty-five years, in Gibsons, he wondered why it should suddenly be stopped. Ald. Peterson agreed and explained that council had a plan for sixty cars on the wharf which would, in no way, impede loading, fire service or anything else.

It was agreed an immediate start be made on one hour parking enforcement and Ald. Ken Crosby will check with RCMP in order to determine where signs will be located.

EXPANSION

Time limit for objection to council's proposal to extend the village boundaries has long since past, approval by Victoria is now awaited, but concern at delay was expressed last week by Ald. Peterson who said the whole business seems to be dragging out. Mayor Feeney said the matter now rests with the Department of Municipal Affairs which has probably been kept busy of late.

C. of C. MEETING

Regarding a meeting called by the Sechelt and District Chamber of Commerce, Sunday, March 9th in Sechelt at which council of Gibsons and the Gibsons C of C were invited to attend, some members of council had declared intention of attending if possible, however it was reported none were able to make it.

HOVERCRAFT

Ald. Peterson asked if there were any further developments regarding hovercraft service to the area. He said it seemed rather strange that if the company planned to start in May, as previously indicated, they have not approached council regarding landing facilities in the village.

Mayor Feeney said he has been in touch with the company and had been given to understand council will be approached shortly.

Shift classes blamed on Referendum defeat

BOARD of School Trustees of School District No. 46. (Sechelt) announced this week that Elphinstone Secondary School students will be on shift schedule beginning September 1, 1969. The decision was reached after careful study of the district's educational facilities available after the defeat of Referendum No. 9.

The plan as adapted by the School Board will provide for two shifts at Elphinstone Secondary School. The morning shift will go from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. It will be for Grades 8, 11 and 12. The afternoon shift will be from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and will be for Grades 9 and 10. It is possible that this shift arrangement may be revised at midterm.

The Board also considered an alternative plan which would have bussed some students from the Sechelt area to Pender Harbour Secondary School. However, under the new secondary program, Pender Harbour Secondary School does not have space for more than one class group. One class group taken from the Sechelt area would not have relieved Elphinstone Secondary School from going on shift.

The School Board's final decision was designed not only to make the best use of existing facilities but also to insure that secondary students will be offered a full program of studies.

Retain identity . . .

Pride in cultural heritage urges former Indian Chief

LAST DECEMBER a brief on human rights was presented to the Human Rights Conference in Ottawa by the Canadian Bahá'í Community. Drawn up by Indian members of the Baha'i Community, the brief is designed to restore Indian pride in its own cultural heritage and states that "Ignorance of the cultural heritage of the Indian peoples has served to sever the Indian from his past."

Member of the Baha'i Community and former Chief of the Nitinaht Band on Vancouver Island, John Thomas visited Sechelt last week and presented copies of the brief to Principal of Sechelt Elementary School W. L. Reid; Mayor Bill Swain; newly elected Chief Henry Paul of the Sechelt Indian Band and The Times.

Mr. Thomas is touring the Lower Mainland distributing copies of the brief and during his visit to the Sechelt School District he visited both Sechelt Elementary School and Elphinstone Secondary School and was quite impressed with the progress of the integration program.

INJUSTICE

Two sources of injustice are pointed out in the brief—one resulting from basic ignorance of traditional aboriginal culture on the part of fundamentally well-motivated whites.

More deliberate acts of injustice have resulted from white men's efforts to exploit the Indian economically, to impose alien European religion on the traditional native way of life and a persistent refusal to recognize the value of Indian and Eskimo achievement.

DIFFERENCES

Cultural differences between Indians and non-Indians are reviewed in the brief, which help explain how misunderstanding arose between the two cultures.

In unfamiliar situations, the Indian tends to be silent and observe until he knows what is expected of him, while the non-Indian generally attempts to cope with the situation by initiating conversation or activity in order to find his bearings. During intercultural meetings, the white man observes the Indian's silence and withdrawal and concludes he is ignorant, hostile or apathetic. The Indian on the other hand, regards the aggressive (however well motivated) overtures of the white man as both confusing and disrespectful.

Many other differences are outlined in the brief which also points out how the Indian has been exploited economically, culturally and in religion.

RECOMMENDATIONS

During his visit, Mr. Thomas stated that the Indian cannot live in the past but action can be taken to restore his identity.

In brief, recommendations include: Recruitment of native Indians as teachers and teaching assistants. Kindergarten and some primary instruction in the native language. Development of courses of study covering the entire religious heritage of mankind. Involvement of Indian youth in Canada's overseas aid programs. Inclusion of the right to a cultural identity in any civil rights entrenched in the Constitution.

The Baha'i faith, which is non-denominational, believes that Human Rights are not concessions to be parcelled out by governments, or justified by political and social philosophies. Rather they represent the unconditioned gift of God to all mankind.

Brief Presentation

Newly-elected Chief of the Sechelt Indian Band, Henry Paul receives a Brief on Human Rights from former Chief of the Nitinaht Band, John Thomas. Pictured on the right Mr. Thomas is touring the Lower Mainland presenting copies of the brief to Indian chiefs, school principals, mayors, and news media.

Senior Citizens seek name for homes centre

THERE is still time to send in your suggestions for a name for our senior citizens' homes in Sechelt. Several very interesting suggestions have already been received which will be considered by the Board at their next meeting.

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OBITUARY

CHARMAN: Passed away on March 21st., 1969, Georgina Charman of Roberts Creek, B.C. In her 79th year, the widow of the late Alfred John Charman; survived by 1 daughter, Mrs. W. Wiren of Gibsons; 3 sons, George of Gibsons, Alfred of Coquitlam, and David of Egmont; 7 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren; and 1 brother, Arthur Husdon of Vancouver. Funeral Service was held on Tuesday, March 25th at 2 p.m. from the Family Chapel of the Harvey Funeral Home in Gibsons. Rev. D. Morgan officiating. Interment at Sea View Cemetary. 2311-17

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Happenings Around Elphie

—by Marilyn Hopkins

NOT too much time left now! The Easter Holidays are less than two weeks off, but there is one thing that sort of takes the joy out of looking forward to a holiday, and that's exams. Grade twelve departmentals are being written the week preceding Easter. Another thing that a few people are not looking forward to is the coast falling off. This talk about the earthquakes lately has got a lot of people wondering if this really will take place. The topic of the coast slipping away seems to be prominent in many conversations. Some really believe it. After all, it has been said that the earth around Los Angeles is going an inch an hour. But for the most, they'll just sit around and wait, and if the coast goes, well, it goes.

Two meetings have been held so far with seven students from Elphinstone, three from Pender and 10 adults from various places on the Peninsula attending. The purpose of these meetings was to discuss the drug situation in the communities. A public meeting is being prepared for April 21 and 28. One in Madeira Park and one at Elphinstone. Dr. Wong, who was the guest at a provincial drug conference which Mr. Bud Mackenzie from our district attended, is to be guest speaker if he is free for those two dates, or at least one of them. Various people from our area will also be there to talk to the public. The format of these meetings is to have Dr. Wong talk briefly and then have the people in attendance break up into small groups and discuss the situation. Later Dr. Wong will answer questions. Dr. Wong and the representatives will circulate during the evening and talk to the groups. It is hoped that the public is interested enough to make these meetings worthwhile.

Our Senior Dance was held on Friday, March 21st at 8:30 p.m. in the gym. "The Sound Condition" from Coquitlam played till midnight. The theme of the dance was spring. Flowers were hanging from the ceiling and the bleachers were sort of blocked off with the flowers. It was a simple theme but done really well by Dinese Quarry, our Minister of Senior Social Affairs and her committee. They did a great job. It was good to see that there was no trouble of any kind at this dance.

Roberts Creek news

MR. AND MRS. J. Sear observed their fiftieth wedding anniversary recently and to observe the occasion Miss E. Harrold held a tea at her home to which were invited members of the Church Committee of St. Aidan's and also members of the Anglican Church Women.

Gold chrysanthemums and freesia decorated the room and with the refreshments a suitably decorated anniversary cake was served. A presentation was made to Mr. and Mrs. Sear to mark the occasion.

After many delays a much needed new set of shelves has been obtained for the library from Mr. R. Birkin's cabinet shop. There was no trouble finding books to fill them, as the library has a very interesting selection of books on loan from Port Mellon.

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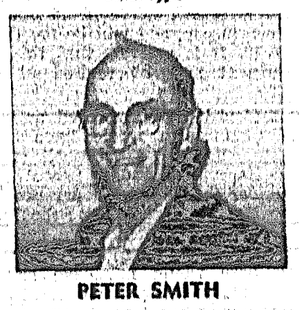

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March 26—2 p.m. Red Cross Cottage, Roberts Creek. Meeting to organize Red Cross campaign in area.
March 28—Gibsons Elementary School Science Fair. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.
March 28—10 a.m.-1 p.m. Wilson Creek Community Hall, Coffee Party.
March 28—8 p.m. Jolly Roger Inn, Pender Harbour Credit Union Annual General Meeting.
March 29—Peninsula Drive-In, Sunshine Coast Credit Union, Dinner and Dance.
March 29—2 p.m. United Church Hall, Gibsons. Elphinstone Girl Guide Assn. International Tea.
March 29—8:30-10:30 p.m. Elphinstone, Job's Daughters Skate Party.
April 1—8 p.m. Port Mellon Community Hall, Hospital Auxiliary Fashion Show.
April 2—8 p.m. St. Hilda's Hall, Sechelt. Garden Club General Meeting, New members welcome.
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Ottawa Report

—The Times Ottawa Bureau

OTTAWA—Canada's new system of tax reform should be in effect in March 1970, Finance Minister Edgar Benson has forecast.

He re-assured Canadian taxpayers that they would not be retroactive in their application.

The government has not yet made up its mind whether to apply a capital gains tax as part of its new taxation plan.

However if the government should decide to levy a capital gains tax Mr. Benson has stressed that it will be on increases in valuation from the date the tax bill reaches parliament.

A capital gains tax, if one is applied, would not be retroactive.

The finance minister has reversed his previous decision not to introduce a white paper first, outlining the government's proposed tax reforms. Mitchell Sharp when he was finance minister, had assured the business community that he would bring in such a white paper to give taxpayers a chance to study what the government had in mind.

Mr. Benson, when he became minister dismissed the idea of a white paper. But the business community and others have been very disturbed and now Benson has agreed to go back to the idea of the white paper outlining the government's new tax ideas.

The procedure Benson plans to follow on tax reform will be to introduce his white paper into parliament in June of this year. It will disclose the government's tentative conclusions concerning the revised tax income structure.

The intention is that the white paper be reffered to a committee of parliament which will hold public hearings on the proposals. The central core of the income tax system will be under review and also under examination will be parts of the core which the government does not propose to amend as well as those that it does want to change.

Those wishing to appear before the committee, or make written representations to it, will do so in September, it is expected. The committee siting on the proposed new tax system are not likely to begin until the commons reconvenes after this summer.

During discussion of the tax changes the Canadian government plans to make public draft sections of the act as they might read if the proposals became law. It is not Benson's thought at this time to dot every "i" and cross every "t", however the draft sections would give sufficient details of the way in which the new taxes would work and interact, so that taxpayers could obtain a clear view on how they may be affected.

While the white paper is before the house committee the federal government will be consulting with the provincial government. At the end of the period of consultation and hearings the federal government will have to decide upon the revised proposals it will put before parliament for enactment.

They will go before the house in the form of a bill and be considered in committee of the whole house. If necessary, the changes once passed will apply back to the time the revised proposals were announced—but there wil be no suggestion of their being made retroactive for a year or two years.

Mr. Benson has now declared that it is hoped to have the tax system amended to take effect for 1970. This will depend to a large extent on how long the commitee hearings continue and how long it takes the government to rethink its position in light of hearings, the consultations with the provinces and points brought out in public discussion.

An interesting outgrowth of the new tax discussions in Ottawa is an indication from Mr. Benson that the old British parliamentary tradition of budget secrecy may be on the way out in this country. The minister in a recent speech dellvered to the Tax Executives Institution indicated he was becoming increasingly impatient with the unwritten law that requires absoulte secrecy surrounding all discussions of tax policies until they are announced in the budget.

It was also apparent from that address that Mr. Benson welcomes foreign investment. He emphasized that Canada has a vested interest in preserving its present image as a safe and rewarding place in which to invest.

The address attracted attention both in Canada and the United States and was commented on favourably. In several Canadian papers the finance minister was described as a "drove on the subject of foreign investment and foreign ownership and control of Canadian industry," in contrast to former Finance Minister Walter Gordon.

Mr. Benson told his American audience he had no doubt Canada will continue to attract foreign capital. Unless there were some barrier in the way, the combination of resources and manpower present in Canada can compete successfully with any other such combination in the world, he said.

"I would go further and say that I have no doubt that we can attract the foreign capital without tax gimmicks or other expensive incentives. But surely it must be clear that Canada has a vested interest in preserving its present image as a safe and rewarding place in which to invest," the minister told the Americans.

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Looking Ahead

With her leg in a plaster cast Sharon Doyle had first hand knowledge of nursing and its related occupations when grade 7 Sechelt Elementary students discussed nursing as a career with Mrs. W. A. Stuart last week. From left are Doris Paul, Sharon Doyle, Pauline Johnson, Susan Timothy, Mrs. Stuart, Adrienne Akeson and Gerry Wilson.

Killings on up-swing since hanging stopped

THE MURDER rate and the number of other criminal killings increased in the first six months of Canada's five-year trial of partial abolition of the death penalty, statistics show.

The figures were made public Tuesday by Barry Mather, New Democrat MP for Surrey, one of the early advocates of trial death penalty abolition.

The abolition-retention battle culminated Dec. 29, 1967, in legislation abolishing the death penalty for all killings except those of police and prison guards until Dec. 29, 1972.

Mather said that at his request, the bureau of statistics furnished data which shows:

— Number of murders rose to 141 in the first six months compared with 122 in the first six months of 1967.

— The murder rate rose to .008 per 1,000 population age seven and older, from .007.

— Male murder victims climbed sharply while female victims declined slightly.

— Suspects in the age group 20-29 increased.

— Victims in the age groups 50 or over and under 20, also rose.

Mather said in an interview the figures for so short a period provide no conclusive proof as to the desirability of the death penalty.

"My interest is to save life," he said. "If we can do so by retaining it, I think it is important to do so. But if we can't, let's get rid of it."

By provinces, here are the number of murders and murder rate in the first six months of the trial period, with the 1967 figures bracketed:

Newfoundland 2 and .005 (none); Prince Edward Island none either period; Nova Scotia 6 and .009 (5 and .008); New Brunswick 1 and .002 (2 and .004); Quebec 35 and .007 (29 and .004); Ontario 39 and .006 (40 and .007); Manitoba 16 and .02 (4 and .005); Saskatchewan 8 and .01 (8 and .01); Alberta 6 and .005 (16 and .01); British Columbia 28 and .02 (13 and .008); Yukon and Northwest Territories none (5 and .2).

Of the 141 murders, 115 persons were charged in 1968. In the comparable 1967 period, 84 persons were charged in 122 murders.

Where in 1967 the number of incidents of murder totalled 110, multi-killings swelled the total of victims to 122. In 1968, the comparable figures were 129 incidents of murder with 141 victims.

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Grades 6-7 . . . .

Elementary school girls get insight into nursing

CONTINUING its programme of bringing people from the community into the classroom, Sechelt Elementary School welcomed a visit from Mrs. W. A. Stuart on Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. Stuart who is the wife of Dr. Stuart, taught nursing at Ottawa Civic Hospital and besides being a Registered Nurse holds a diploma in teaching and supervision.

Speaking from her own experience and with the help of a film, Mrs. Stuart was able to give grades 6 and 7 girls a glimpse of an interesting future which could serve as a goal during their secondary school years.

Students watched intently as the film which was taken at Ottawa Civic Hospital gave them a brief insight into the duties of practical, registered and psychiatric nurses, also the duties of the public health nurse who visits the home and school. They were quick to realise all the careers which are related to the care of the sick.

Mrs. Stuart listed the various schools of nursing, and subject requirements, for those who cannot quite achieve the grade 12 academic standard, students learned that grade ten can lead to many other careers including practical nursing.

Many students probably wonder if they can ever meet the financial obligations and were told that grants are always available to those who are really interested. They were advised to join the Future Nurses Club in high school where they will learn more about their chosen future.

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Captain and Mrs. Ken Diebel with son Alan of Chilliwack are visiting the Ben Langs. Mrs. Lang's mother Mrs. M. Diebel and her aunt Mrs. S. Cockerill are also enjoying the weekend at the Lang home.

Thirty-eight volunteers at St. Mary's Hospital representing auxiliaries from Pender Harbour, Halfmoon Bay, Port Mellon, Gibsons, Roberts Creek and Sechelt attended the annual meeting. Mrs. E. Grafe introduced Mr. J. Lewis who gave a most interesting address on therapy, its history and use. Mr. Lewis is in charge of the therapy division at St. Mary's. He was thanked for his enlightening talk. Mrs. Sylvia Jones volunteered to act as chairman for the ensuing year.

On Saturday evening, March 15th a surprise 25th Wedding Anniversary party for Dorothy and Tom Robilliard was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hayes in West Sechelt. The room was beautifully decorated and a lovely cake done in silver, marked the occasion. A corsage was pinned on Dorothy and a boutonnier for Tom. A beautiful silver tray was presented to the couple with a card from all her family and friends. There were 41 guests in all and out of town guests were Staff Sgt. and Mrs. Dick Payne from Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. E. Prendergast from Powell River, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Smith from Burnaby, Mr. and Mrs. A. Schultz from Whalley, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Brooker from Vancouver, Mr. and Mrs. K. Walker from Coquitlam, and Mr. and Mrs. George Page from Invermere who brought along guitar and amplifier to add to the entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Van Spengen had as their weekend guests, Mr. and Mrs. A. Van Spengen and daughter Mary from Vancouver.

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Surprise Presentation

Gibsons Elementary School Choir children surprised their teacher and conductor, Mrs. Muriel, when they presented her with a keepsake after last Thursday's Annual Concert. Chosen to make the presentation to Mrs. Neilsen who will retire in June were Marilynne Musgrove, Betty Topham and David Hauka.

Danger Land

Right in the den of the seven dragons of Danger Land, but only after they had their terrible powers taken from them by the knight in shining armour, Ricky Stewart and his lady, Debbie Fiedler. Dragons are Kim Gregory, Kerry Bjornson, Dan Nygren, Shaune Reid, Dan Price, Chris Sneddon and Charles Saigeon.

Young Thespians

Eagerly awaiting their cue to go on stage, young actors who performed in the play "A Matter of Conscience" are from left: Marie Rinaldis, Randy Watson, Marla Snyder, Cindy Kurucz, Linda Postlethwaite and Debbie Hill.

Annual event . . .

Elementary school concert thrills capacity audience

GIBSONS Elementary School was alive with activity on Thursday evening of last week, for this was the night of the Annual Concert. At 7:15 p.m. it was obvious that more chairs would be required to accommodate the capacity audience and this is where the young students proved able to meet any situation as they shuttled chairs from all parts of the school into the auditorium.

Young thespians were busy applying grease paint in classrooms, stage hands were busy making last minute adjustments and sixty-eight members of the choir were quietly taking their places for the opening number and somehow, almost miraculously, everything fell into place in time for the opening at 7:30 p.m.

Mingling with the excitement was a touch of sadness for Mrs. Muriel Neilsen is leaving the school at the end of the school year and it is the fervent hope of the students that she will return to teach the choir. Mrs. Neilsen has led the choir for some years and many long hours of practice have resulted in a school choir which is superb.

Principal of the school Mr. George Cooper paid tribute to Mrs. Neilsen and also expressed the hope that it will be possible for her to teach choir next year. He also thanked Mrs. Hazel Evans who although retired from teaching, returns each year to accompany the choir. Both ladies received corsages from the students before the concert commenced.

There is a tremendous feeling of pride amongst the students for their choir and even the primary grades listened attentively to the very fine arrangements of songs which included Shenandoah, Climb Every Mountain, Kum Ba Yah, Born Free, Cockles and Mussels, Ding Dong Merrily on High, the Mexican song Chiaparenac and the Russian, Tumbalalaika.

The school band which has been practicing under the supervision of Mr. Postlethwaite and at noon hour with Mr. McKee, played four selections and won appreciative applause for their excellent progress.

The two plays were delightful and required no obvious prompting.

Young Randy Watson really found himself in an awkward situation when he dispensed with his conscience (Cindy Kurucz) for an afternoon. Supporting the two main actors were Marie Rinaldis (mother), Debbie Hill (sister), Linda Postlethwaite (friend) and Marla Snyder (narrator).

The second play which had been produced to illustrate traffic hazards to the primary grades portrayed the Seven Dragons of Dangerland which are the seven "Don'ts" for youngsters on the road. The dark dragons' cave, illuminated by flashing coloured lights was most effective and obviously appealed to the youngsters. Taking part were Debbie Fiedler, Ricky Stewart, Kim Gregory, Shaune Reid, Kelly Bjornson, Dan Price, Chris Sneddon, Dan Nygren and Charles Saigeon.

Yvonne Stanley and Candice Harrison sang their own arrangement of "To Sir With Love," they were unaccompanied and sang exceptionally well.

Before the program closed, the choir showed its appreciation to Mrs. Neilsen when Marilynne Musgrove, Betty Topham and David Hauka presented her with a cream and sugar set which is to be engraved. This was the children's own idea and many a silent tear was furtively wiped away as the youngsters made the presentation.

Next Friday the school will present a Science Fair for which students have been preparing for some time. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. and it will be interesting to see what the latest invention is, at the elementary level.

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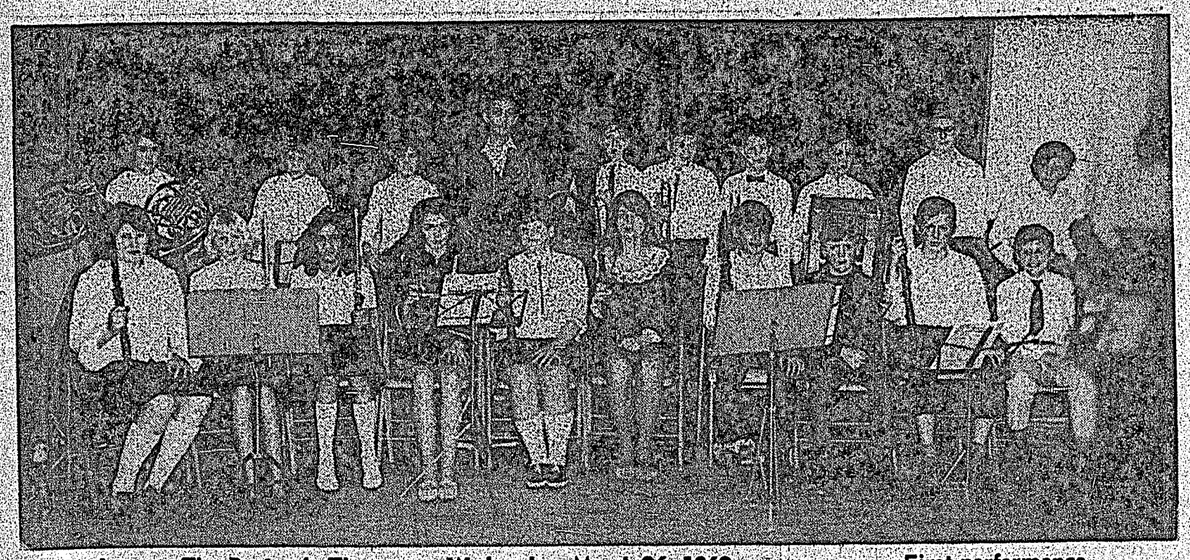

Halfmoon Bay Happenings

—by Mary Tinkley

PLANS for a children's social at the Halfmoon Bay School last Saturday had to be cancelled when gale force winds caused a power failure, but it was possible to proceed with another successful dance for the teenagers. The Halfmoon Bay Recreation Commission acknowledges with grateful thanks the gift of a pingpong set from Mrs. R. H. Sheridan of Marine Drive, Sechelt.

Mrs. Hugh Duff was hostess at a tea at her home on March 21st in honour of her sister, Mrs. Howard Nolan of Montreal. This was Mrs. Nolan's first visit to the west coast and she plans a tour of Vancouver Island and visit to Vancouver and the Okanagan before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Clear are home after a trip to Vancouver Island where they attended the annual banquet of the Pollyanna Club at Bamboo Gardens, Comox. They visited Victoria where it was cold and raining and returned home by the Comox ferry.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lynds' guests last week were Mr. and Mrs. Norman Place of Mission, who are old friends from the Lynds' Cumberland days.

Visiting in the Bay from Squamish last weekend was the Doug Foley family, with Kathy as guest of Sandra Jorgensen and the rest of the family at the home of Mrs. Ruby Warne.

At the Charles Tinkley's was Mrs. Jerry Hynek of Cortes Bay.

FILM PROGRAM

There was a good attendance at the Welcome Beach Hall on March 19th for an exceptionally fine program of films. Of particular interest were the films of folk dancing at the CNE and "Campus in the Clouds," a stimulating and vital film about the Banff School of Fine Arts.

Next program, all in colour, will be on April 2nd at 7:30 p.m. and includes two films about commercial fishing which show the old and the new. "North Pacific" which was produced for the Fisheries Research Board on the new fisheries research vessel the G. B. Reed, offers all the adventure of a salmon fishing trip with a glimpse of science at work on the high seas.

"The White Ship," which offers a study of a different kind of fishing, is one of a fleet of sailing schooners which sail from a Portuguese port to the Grand Banks off Newfoundland each year and fish the North Atlantic in much the same way as the Portuguese have fished there for five hundred years.

"Breath of Spring" pictures the coming of spring to B.C., and the awakening of plant and animal life. A film about the Cariboo, accompanies two Vancouver people as they explore Bowron Park by canoe along a seventy mile chain of lakes and streams.

It is hoped to have a record attendance at the Welcome Beach Hall on Saturday, April 5th for a Bingo. Everybody welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burrows have returned home after a bus trip to Reno where they got the better of the one-armed bandits and returned home a little richer than they left.

Gibsons Auxiliary holds succes dance

GIBSONS Auxiliary Banquet and Dance held on March 15th at Port Mellon Community Hall was a tremendous success.

Mrs. Hugh Archer, convenor, her committee, the hard working members and their husbands are to be complimented for doing an excellent job.

Auxiliary members wish to extend sincere thanks to everyone who supported their efforts. A special thanks to Port Mellon Community Association for the use of the hall and facilities and to Dr. John Crosby who was an entertaining Master of Ceremonies.

The Auxiliary was happy to welcome an honoured guest from Vancouver, Mrs. W. Johnston, Past Provincial President and National Vice-President of the Hospital Auxiliaries.

Kay Butler Realty donated a candyhouse for the raffle which was won by Mrs. John Brandys.

A tooled-copper picture made by Mr. D. McVicar was won by Mrs. Harry Smith. The centre-piece of flowers was won By Mr. L. Reid and other door prizes went to Mrs. M. Bujan; Mrs. A. Vanderhorn and Mr. B. Laird.

Money raised from functions is used to purchase medicel equipment for St. Mary's Hospital.

First performance

The sound of music is beginning to spread throughout the school district. Last Thursday, Gibsons Elementary School Band made its first public appearance playing a four-piece selection which won them a tremendous ovation. The band together with the outstanding performance presented by the sixty member choir has made the school the most musical in the district and also made the public aware of the wonderful participation of the teachers who have devoted lunch hours to make such progress possible.

MORE ABOUT . . .

Sechelt council meeting

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tal is on Indian reserve property which is not within the Regional District.

Ald. Thompson gained general support when he commented that responsibility for such lights rests with the hospital.

Mayor Swain also drew attention to the fact that council now owns three lots and as intentions were to clear one in order to construct a small building, something should now be done in this respect. He stated "we are spending money on engineering surveys for projects we cannot afford, I would therefore suggest we concentrate on cleaning up the village with what we have."

It was agreed local contractors be contacted with a view to clearing off the one lot. Filling and drainage will follow.

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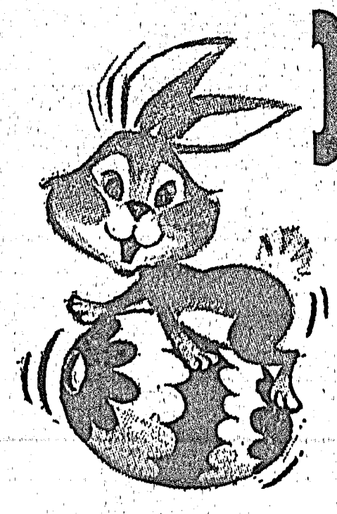

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Hot Spot

New stock of library books arrived in Davis Bay School this week and the 19 young students in grades three and four had a wonderful time choosing a new book to borrow. Many read a book each night and 250 books shared with Bowen Island and Egmont schools are soon read. Recent article in the B.C. Teacher magazine states "the library is reaching out to students in a more personal, self-motivating way than formerly—many are discovering for the first time that the library is the hottest spot in town, educationally speaking."

Estate tax . . .

Bigness isn't efficiency; look at our government

by: Sun Columnist, Pat Carney

THE MEMBER for Coast Chilcotin was sitting at his desk side-burned and smoke-wreathed, figuring out the effect of the proposed new estate and gift tax on his ranching constituents.

I lost Paul St. Pierre as a Sun colleague and won him as my Liberal MP when he wrote a political play called How to Run The Country and ended up playing the lead role in real life.

"What do you think of Finance Minister Benson's proposals?" I asked.

"I just don't buy them," said St. Pierre. He picked up a sheet listing the assets and returns of some 500 B.C. ranches in 1967—they show an average return on capital investment of .85 per cent.

Added St. Pierre: "Looking at these, I just can't see how an estate passing from father to one of two sons can possibly stand the burden of the proposed tax, even if they had three years to pay it."

He started pacing the floor in his slow sweeping manner. "There is not a Liberal MP who is not in favor of the general principle of estate taxes.

"Benson has said that there are two reasons for having an estate tax. One is social, to prevent the accumulation of wealth over generations and the creation of dynasties. The other is economic. We need the money to do the business of the country.

'HOW IN HELL CAN ANYBODY?'

"There are laudable objectives. But how in hell can anybody reconcile these principles with taxing estate under $100,000? There is no accumulation of wealth and damn all profit to the federal treasury.

"And starting to tax estates at the $20,000 level is ludicrous. Today $20,000 isn't an estate. Its a souvenir.

He picked up the statistics again. "What nobody here in Ottawa seems to understand is that a $100,000 or $200,000 ranch can be a very marginal operation in the west.

"This census of B.C. ranches is issued by the Economics Division of the B.C. Department of Agriculture. It shows that the average level of investment in the ranches surveyed was $93,000 in 1967. The average investment in the top ten per cent . . . the largest ranches . . . was $182,500.

"The gross income from these ranches averaged $24,302 varying from $9,720 an average for ranches valued at under $50,000 to an average of $49,286 for the top ten per cent.

"But a lot of these ranches operated at a loss. Net return ranged from an average loss of $2,061 on ranches under $50,000 to $9,234 for the top group. Even ranches valued at over $100,000 netted only an average of $3,680 in 1967.

"The return on capital invested varied from 5.06 per cent on the smaller ranches to 5.06 per cent for the top ten per cent. All ranches valued at more than $100,000 netted an average of return of only 2.28 per cent."

LOOPHOLES IN U.S. TAX LAW

St. Pierre started pacing again. Do you know why the returns are so low when the estate is seeming so large? It's because the ranches aren't worth the amount shown and the ranchers know this. These prices are being paid almost entirely by Americans, who use loopholes in the U.S. tax laws.

"The value of many of the ranches reflects generations of sweat—and damn little money—put into the ground by some families. Many live at the official poverty level of $2,500. The so-called value is just a paper price.

"I'm worried that the estate tax is going to accelerate the sale of these ranches to foreigners. People just won't have the money to pay the estate taxes. But nobody here will concede this."

I thought of the senior tax official who said: "Do you men mean to tell me that if you were offered a $200,000 ranch you wouldn't accept it if you had to pay an estate tax of $43,200."

I thought of the $200,000 ranch in our family. Despite the price-tag, it still can't support enough cattle for more than a marginal return. The banker would not be too receptive to advancing the cash. To raise it, I would have to sell part of the range, making the unit even less economic. "No," I told the official, "I would have to sell it," he threw up his hands in exasperation.

PEOPLE DON'T WANT TO SELL

But I told Paul: "All the experts argue that these ranches shouldn't exist anyway. If they are so marginal and can't pay estate tax, they should fold or be sold. Why should we subsidzie the family farm or private business?"

"Yeah, yeah," said St. Pierre. "And they also say the family farm is out of date and the sons don't want it. It's a chorus around here. But the fact is they exist. People don't want to sell out. They have stayed and worked the ranches to have a life they enjoy and can hand on to their children."

He added: "Do you mean to tell me that the family farm or private business has no social value? I don't agree. And I'm not prepared to concede that bigness is better, that General Motors is necessarily more efficient than a good five-man shop. Government is the biggest business in Canada and let me tell you it sure in hell isn't efficient."

"But Benson says that if you have good expert advice you shouldn't be too badly off under the new system and you might be ahead," I argued.

"I'll agree that a prudent man should do some planning," agreed St. Pierre. He picked up a story, quoting Benson as saying those who don't undestand the new system must have "lousy lawyers."

"In my constituency," said St. Pierre thinking of open country and poor roads and jackpine stands and sagebrush, "how many have lawyers at all?"

A snake charmer in India married a lady undertaker. In their new home they marked their towels "hiss" and "hearse."

Isabel writes . . .

—from the Legislature, Victoria

ANOTHER week of the Third Session of the Twenty-Eight Parliament has just concluded and it has been a busy week which has included four night sittings in addition to the five day sittings.

Select Standing Committees have been hard at work each morning, hearing the remaining briefs and in some cases finalizing reports.

The Special Committee on Automobile Insurance, of which I was a member, has submitted its report to the House and we are now waiting for legislation to be brought in as a result of the report.

The Forestry Committee, of which I am Secretary, heard our final briefs on Wednesday and Thursday, which were presented by the B.C. Truck Loggers, Independent Log Haulers, Prince George Truck Loggers, Independent Squamish Truckers, Caribou Lumber Manufacturers, Canadian Forest Industries, and B.C. Federation of Labour. This has been an interesting Committee, which dealt with problems facing forestry in areas of slash burning, fire fighting, grazing, wildlife, recreation, mining, and 30-50 per cent clause for contractors. Tuesday and Wednesday we will be going into camera to prepare our report to submit to the House, hopefully, next Wednesday.

One of the highlights of this week has been the opportunity to welcome to the Legislature students from Ocean Falls, Bella Coola, Stillwater and Kleena Kleene. The parents of the students have reason to be proud of their sons and daughters, whose enthusiasm and good behaviour was commented upon by a number of people. I felt a little special pride in the boys and girls from Stillwater, along with their teachers, because not only had they, and their families worked so hard to bring about this trip, but they were from families whom I had the privilege of serving on my mail run for a goodly number of years.

It is my earnest hope that other schools in the years ahead will follow these students by visits to Victoria. It is important to good citizenship that young people observe the Legislature in action. I also congratulate the Principal and teachers for their efforts in this regard, for it is indeed a great responsibility to bring large groups such as these for such a trip. And so, to all who helped or took part in this trip and the other trips to Victoria—congratulations!

Monday, the last group from the Powell River area will be visiting the Legislature, and this will be members from the local Air Cadettes.

100 strong turn-out . . .

Branch 69 Senior Citizens chalk up successful event

IT WAS a lively and interesting meeting of Branch 69 Senior Citizens' Association when approximately 100 members attended the Sechelt Legion Hall on March 20th.

When the meeting opened, members stood for a moment's silence in tribute to the memory of Mr. Tom Bligh who had died since the previous meeting.

President Canon Swan advised the meeting that Mr. Harry Hill was ill following surgery in Shaughnessy Hospital. Mrs. Hill had been called into Vancouver and there was a possibility that further surgery would be necessary.

All present were urged to send in their birthday slips which should be marked with an X if it was an 80th birthday coming up. Mr. Milford McAllister celebrated his 92nd birthday on February 10th this year and as no other member admitted to this venerable age, he is presumed to be the oldest member of the Branch.

Tribute was paid to Miss Emma Edmunds who had knitted 300 pairs of socks for the Red Cross.

The president announced that the Executive, striving for Security for members, had obtained privileges as regards haircuts, film shows and permission to ride back to the garage with the shoppers bus on Thursdays in time for the meeting at the usual fare of ten cents.

The following Committee Chairman were appointed: Entertainment, Mrs. Hazel Evans; Transportation, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Clear; Social Committee, Mrs. Jack Whaites; Social afternoons: Mrs. Guy Clear; Visiting, Mrs. Ruth Mitchell; Ways and Means, Mrs. L. V. Yates; Publicity, Mrs. Mary Tinkley.

Social afternoons would be on the first Thursday in each month, starting April 3rd. Admission including tea would be 50 cents. Under consideration are a Tea, Bakesale and hobby display in April and a Pot Luck Luncheon in May.

Canon Swan, in welcoming 25 new members, reported a paid up membership of 156.

Guest speaker was Mr. W. H. Berry of the Division of Aging who advised that the functions of his department had changed over the years. Until recently, the department had been involved only in financial assistance to the aged, disabled and blind. He gave details of the Old Age security, Guaranteed Income Supplements, Old Age Assistance and Blind and Disabled Persons' Allowances, and mentioned the B.C. Hydro Buss passes which, while chiefly of benefit to residents of Vancouver and Victoria, are also useful to residents of other areas who were spending some time in either of these cities.

The Division, said Mr. Berry, is now developing other services to elderly people. The appointment of Senior Citizens' Counsellors, an idea of the Hon. Isabel Dawson, had already proved a valuable service to senior citizens. The Division had started a Housing Registry and offered help and advice in applying for medical services. It was hoped to expand activities in the regions of housing, employment service, recreation, activity centres, clinics and hearing aids. Mr. Berry answered questions from the floor and gave several private interviews after the meeting.

Mrs. Hazel Evans, in her usual good form, presented an excellent program of Entertainment. The audience was delighted with a skit by the Redwell Ladies Guild representing a meeting of the Sunshine Coast Betterment Committee. Those taking part were Mrs. J. Allan, Mrs. Wm. Fraser, Mrs. R. McCrady, Mrs. H. Duff, and Mrs. M. Tinkley. Mrs. Fraser who took the part at a few hours notice and never had the opportunity to rehearse with the other actors, is to be congratulated on a fine piece of acting. Stage Manager was Mr. Hugh Duff.

The Sunshine Songsters, led by their Director, Mrs. Herb. Stockwell, gave an outstanding performance. With several new members, the group seems to have gained in confidence and stature. Their program included "Galway Bay" with the verses sung as male voice solos and "When Irish Eyes are Smiling". They gave a particularly lovely rendering of the African spiritual "Kum Ba Yah" sung in modulation. Accompanist was Mrs. Hazel Evans.

When tea was served, Mrs. Jack Whaites brought in a huge cake, for it was the 50th wedding anniversary of two good and faithful members, Mr. and Mrs. John Sear. Mrs. Sear was presented with a bouquet of daffodils. Said Mr. Sear "It was a most heart-warming experience" and he expressed of himself and his wife for such a kind thought.

The raffle was won by Mrs. Josie Reid.

Job's Daughters honor Grand Guardians' visit

LAST OFFICIAL visit to this district of the Grand Guardian of the International Order of Job's Daughters, Mrs. Nan MacDonald was held on Saturday, March 15th at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Roberts Creek.

All officers were there and Mrs. MacDonald commented favourably on the girls' work. Honoured Queen Pam Boyes presented her with a donation to the Cancer Fund.

Following the meeting, refreshments were served downstairs after which the girls presented the skit which they will perform at the Grand Sessions to be held in Nanaimo during Easter week.

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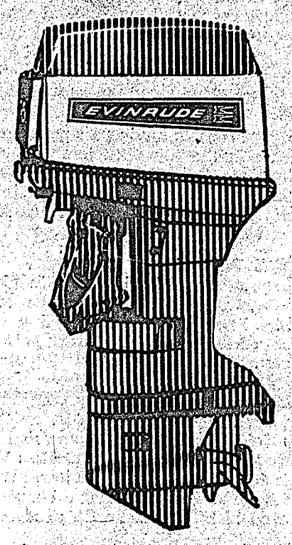

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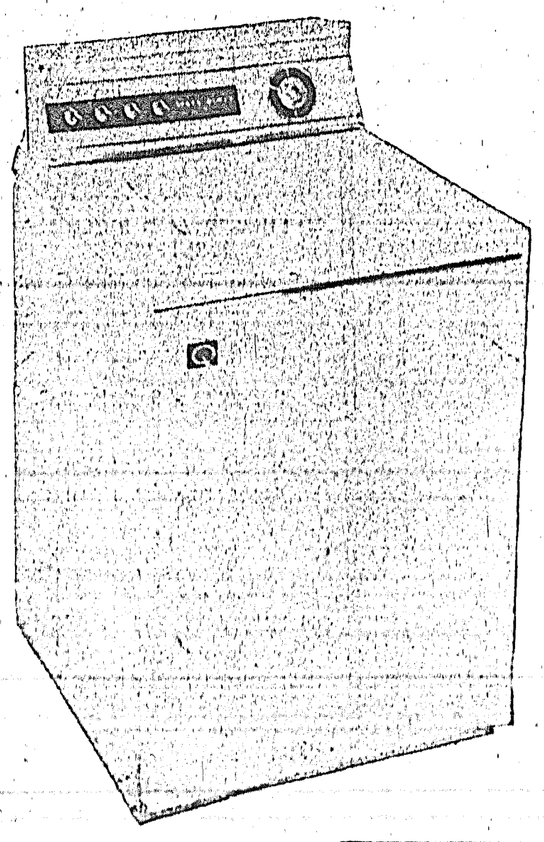

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Around Gibsons

LOWELL Pearl, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Pearl who on the 19th of January sailed on the P&O liner "Oriana," visited San Francisco and Los Angeles before going on to Honolulu and the Fiji Islands; thence to New Zealand where he has spent weeks on North Island enjoying the wonders of nature. He visited a resort in the Bay of Islands area where there are many lovely beaches, and sport fishing is a feature.

Lowell reports having a super tan after a month in the sun with temperatures of 75 degrees. On March 15th he went to South Island. He will be leaving on March 31st from Auckland, returning to Vancouver by plane.

BRIDGE PARTY

Three tables of bridge were in play at the delightful party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kirkham earlier this month on the occasion of Mr. Kirkham's 95th birthday. Present to offer felicitations were Mrs. Dorothy Hanson from Vancouver, Mrs. Gladys Davis, Mrs. Marion McVicar, Mrs. Ivy St. Denis, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Reid, Miss May Kirkham from Vancouver, Mrs. Pat Verhulst, and Miss Violet McRae from California. Delicious refreshments were served, including a beautifully decorated birthday cake with candles.

IN BRIEF

In honor of the birthday of her young son, Cammie, Mrs. Lineker entertained a happy crowd of children on Friday morning at a jolly party at the Sunshine Coast Trailer Park.

Down from Prince George were Dal and Mary Crosby with baby, Shannon, to visit Dal's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Crosby.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Weinhandl enjoyed the good roads and fine weather while on a two-week trip to the prairies, going as far as Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. They visited relatives there and in Alberta.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd H. Partridge had as guests, Mrs. Partridge's parents from Penticton.

Mr. and Mrs. Reg. Godfrey, who observed their wedding anniversary recently, visited their son and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Godfrey and children at West Vancouver.

Mrs. Kay Charlton has opened Katy's Drive-In at Selma Park.

Mrs. George T. Smith of "Carol Lodge" visited her sister and niece at Harrison Hot Springs recently.

The Kinettes will be selling Easter Baskets at local grocery stores on April 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 5th. The Easter Baskets will also be available at the Bakery. Money raised from this and other projects will, with help from the Village and the Athletic Association, be used to sponsor a playground supervisor.

Helen Schroers, wife of Port Mellon employee Karl Schroers, has been notified from New York that she was the prize winner of the month for a recipe submitted to the publication "The Pulp and Paper Worker."

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Butler visited friends at Whalley recently.

There's hidden danger in household items

HAVE YOU developed habits to keep your home as safe as possible? There is ever-present potential danger from accidental poisoning from household preparations in your home unless you practise such common-sense precautions as the following, listed in the federal health department publication, **Keep Your Home Free from Poisonings:**

— When answering the phone, carry with you or put out of harm's way any preparation that could hurt your child. It is better to risk losing a call than to risk losing your child.

— When "dry cleaning" keep doors or windows open. Remember, fumes from cleaning fluids can poison as well as ignite.

— When housecleaning, if you cannot watch your child every moment, at least keep an eye on the cleaners and polishes you are using. Place them all in one basket and take them with you as you move about the house.

— When your children are around, warn them of the dangers of the preparation you are using. Familiarize them with the container. Never transfer harmful substances to cups, milk bottles, or other food containers.

— When discarding medicines, curling solutions or other potent preparations, make sure children will not be able to recover them from garbage cans or elsewhere.

— As soon as your task is done, put away the "tools." The sooner poisons are restored to a safe place, the less the risk of accidents.

Tagged

Here a mature bull is tagged. Since the program began 6,796 animals have been tagged. These plastic tags could help save the species. Animals are caught with an oversized shepherd's crook and the animals are hauled to the boat in seconds. Taggers make a race for the herds when the caribou are at a mid-crossing point. —Kryn Taconis photo

Caribou . . .

Once the mainstay of the arctic these big deer face extinction

Imperial Oil Review

CATCHING caribou from a canoe with a shepherd's crook looks like dangerous and exciting work. Actually, it isn't. The biggest danger the catchers face is the danger of catching cold when they get soaked with the spray kicked by the struggling animals. As for the caribou themselves, what they get from the ordeal is a temporary sore throat and a bright yellow plastic streamer pinned to one ear for life.

Why would anybody want to tag a caribou? The answer is simple: the animal is in danger of extinction, and if it should die out the Indian and Eskimo way of life that it supports will die out too. The caribou is the livestock of the north—it flourishes in the tundra as no other large animal can, providing food, clothing, even shelter by means of skin tents, and makes it possible for man to exist in that hostile world. Other animal species in Canada may be as hard-pressed as the caribou, but none is so vitally important a resource over so large an area. Tagging is just one project being carried out by wildlife agencies trying to learn enough about the caribou to save the species. Tags returned by hunters will, it is hoped, establish the routes these animals follow in the seasonal migrations from their winter ranges in the northern forests to their summer ranges on the open tundra.

Their range covers almost a fifth of Canada's land area. It comprises the Northwest Territories from Hudson Bay to the Mackenzie delta, and it takes in northern Manitoba and Saskatchewan and a part of northern Alberta as well—about 750,000 square miles. In that huge territory they once roamed in large numbers—the estimated capacity of the range is a little more than two million. At the last count taken in 1967 there were a few more than 350,000, an increase of 150,000 from their record low of 200,000 in 1957-58.

The terrible decline was caused by man. Since 1907 the north has been penetrated by white men, and they brought guns, outboard motors and fire. The guns and motors have made it possible for the Indian and Eskimos who once picked off the caribou one at a time with spears to kill them in hundreds of thousands—the 1940 kill is estimated to have reached 200,000 animals—although they often left the carcasses to rot. In the spring of 1957, for example, the Indians and Metis of Stony Rapids, Sask., killed 1,090 caribou, mostly pregnant cows, so that the hunters could satisfy their appetite for unborn caribou calves. This relentless hunting pressure over the years killed more animals than the herds could replace, reducing them to the remnant that survives today. And fire has destroyed so much of the winter ranges where the slow-growing lichens occur on which the caribou depend that the herds have starved. One burned area that was investigated was found to be still unsuitable for caribou 39 years after the fire.

To put it in money terms, John P. Kelsall, supervisor of mammalogy research for the Canadian Wildlife Service in Edmonton, estimated that a herd of a million caribou could produce a harvest of 150,000 animals a year providing meat alone worth $8,125,000. If you add the revenue from recreation and sport hunting that a large population of animals would permit; the value of the hides of the harvested animals as leather, in handicraft, or specialized clothing; the value of the antlers for cutlery handles or handicrafts; and the value of the bones, hoofs and viscera ground up for dog food or meal for fur ranchers, you get as much again.

That the caribou can be saved and its number increased sufficiently to ensure its survival there is no doubt. Kelsall suggests that if all caribou hunting were stopped completely, the number of animals would double in five years, perhaps in three. At that point Kelsall believes 'it should be possible to permit hunting adequate for all esential human needs.' The difficulty, he points out, is providing alternate food sources and occupations for caribou-dependent people in the interval. Perhaps it would be possible to allow limited hunting if a complete ban could not be obtained, he concedes, but the practice has been unsuccessful in the past and he does not believe it would be successful in the future. If nothing is done, the very scarcity of the caribou might help them to survive if hunters gave up the chase in frustration. But this is a gamble with the odds stacked against the caribou which, Kelsall points out, 'quite literally come to the hunters. Many of the larger settlements in the north where most caribou are killed, are on the most commonly used migration routes or winter ranges. It is quite conceivable that the last remaining barren-ground caribou would be shot while migrating, in traditional fashion, through the centre of a northern village.'

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— Put away anything that might be pulled off table tops.

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While some Maritimers will tell you that lamb is the only meat to serve in this particular curry casserole, Chef Vanrleuwenhuizen says it can be prepared with beef if no lamb is available. Just make sure that all fat has been removed and only solid cubes of meat are used.

The ingredients given in this recipe are sufficient to serve four people.

INGREDIENTS

¼ cup butter
2 large onions, diced fine
2 teaspoons curry powder
1 lb. cooked diced meat, lamb or beef
2 cups cooked rice
3 Oxo beef bouillon cubes
1 pint boiling water

METHOD

In a casserole dish, on slow heat, mix 2 teaspoons of curry powder and 2 finely diced large onions and braise in ¼ cup of butter.

Add 1 lb. of cooked diced meat, lamb or beef, and 2 cups of cooked rice. Gently stir. Increase your heat and add 3 Oxo beef bouillon cubes which have been dissolved in a pint of boiling water. Heat thoroughly, uncovered.

The final step is to sprinkle your casserole with breadcrumbs on top of which you put little pieces of butter. Finish cooking, uncovered, in a hot oven at 375-400 degrees for 15 minutes.

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By Dr. T. C. Webb . . .

Prevention outweighs cure with dentistry advancement

DURING the last fifty years dentistry has advanced to the point where decayed teeth can be restored or replaced by permanently attached dummy teeth with virtually no discomfort. A person who has lost teeth or whose teeth are badly decayed can once again have a complete set without partial dentures.

This is achieved by covering the remains of the tooth with porcelain. The result is indistinguishable from natural teeth and resistant to further decay. Furthermore a person's appearance can be improved. The porcelain can be shaped to correct crooked teeth or shaded to lighten dark ones. Most of the brilliant smiles of Hollywood's stars are provided by their dentists.

The advantages of modern porcelain bridgework seem to be appearance and comfort. However in the long run the chief gain is the preservation of the other teeth. How is this?

Nature has equipped us with thirty-two teeth for the purpose of chewing food small enough to be comfortable to the stomach. The front teeth are designed for cutting and the back teeth for grinding food. The loss of teeth leads to poor chewing and the inevitable indigestion and, sometimes, stomach ulcers. Teeth, like a picket fence, are partly supported by each other. The absence of a tooth from the row eventually causes the loosening of three or four other teeth by gum disease.

Nowadays many people maintain their teeth and restore missing ones with fine bridgework. Salesmen and people concerned with the public do this, perhaps, just to help the impression they make when meeting customers but more and more people have first class dentistry because it is more comfortable and looks nicer.

What can be done for badly damaged teeth depends only on the willingness of a person to invest the cost involved. This can be as much as $75 - $100 for each tooth restored. These days treatment, which is going to last twenty or thirty years, is often financed by people who previously thought that they couldn't afford the best treatment.

So far I have been talking about restoring teeth: surely it would be better to avoid decay in the first place. It is well known that tooth decay is a disease of civilization. Primitive people living on a diet of fruit, vegetables and meat don't have it. North Americans eating refined sugar, fine milled flour, sweetened bread, packet cereals and finishing their meals with pie or cake have the worst decay rate in the world. Ironically, this is why North America has achieved so many advances in techniques for repairing teeth.

In the last few years dentists have had many conferences devoted to methods of reducing dental decay.

Obviously one way is to eschew civilized diet. This is not easy but can be accomplished partly by anybody, particularly mothers concerned for their children's health.

Use unrefined brown sugar, never finish a meal with pastry—try fresh fruit and don't snack on cookies. Remember "if it makes you fat it rots your teeth."

Decay is caused by the acids in sugars and starches sticking to the teeth. Therefore have your dentist show you how to brush your teeth properly and do it after meals. Most people brush wrongly. Also if your toothbrush is more than two months old it is useless: the blunted bristles don't clean between the teeth.

That fluoride combined with tooth enamel strengthens it is well known. This community doesn't have fluoride in the drinking water so young children need fluoride drops or tablets. Have your teeth coated with fluoride once a year by your dentist. This will reduce cavities by 40-50%.

This brings me to the last, and most neglected, preventive measure. A cavity starts as a nearly invisible hole in the hard enamel on the surface of your tooth and then spreads out in the less hard underneath part. The sugar acids dissolve the tooth until it is a soft, cheesy, bacteria infested mess which suddenly falls to pieces or starts to hurt. When this happens the tooth is beyond a simple filling and you will need an expensive repair or if you can't afford this, an extraction.

If you go for a dental check-up every six months the cavity can be spotted early. It can be filled for between $5 and $15 and a great deal of discomfort will be avoided. Unfortunately many people don't realize that when you can see a cavity it is often too late to restore the tooth simply. Your dentist knows where decay starts so he can find cavities while they are small.

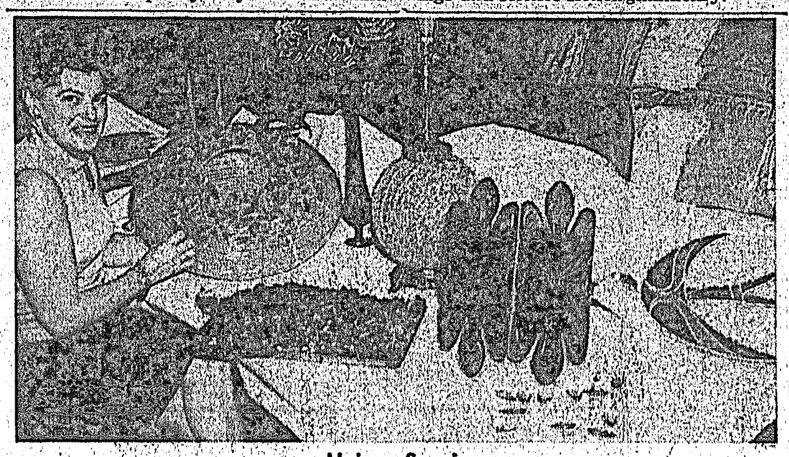
Finally, the Health Unit in this area sends three-year-old children a birthday card entitling them to a free check and fluoride treatment at a dentists. Use this service; it might start your child on the road to being one of the growing number of seventy-year-olds with all their own teeth—and no indigestion.

Fantastic Experience at Waterfront Theatre

THOSE who plan on going to Sechelt Theatre on the Waterfront this week should prepare themselves for an adventure into the "Magic Theatre" of the mind as Jane Fonda and John Phillip Law star in Barbarella.

This sex-oriented science fiction tale is based on the popular adventures of a French adult-comic-book character. The setting is the year 40,000 A.D. Girl astronaut Barbarella (Jane Fonda) receives orders from the President of Earth to find a missing Earth scientist, inventor of a weapon that can destroy the world. During the course of her mission, Barbarella is saved from fearsome disasters by a succession of male rescuers, and to each she offers herself as a token of gratitude.

Much transpires before the indomitable Barbarella completes her task in a bizarre world of grotesque characters, way-out settings and science fiction gimmickry.



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Pictured working on one of the beautiful lamps which are a specialty of the House of Dallis, Davis Bay, Mrs. Dorothy Carter offers a unique service to the district for she will design and select colours to order. Imports from all over the world may be found at the attractive store which opened last fall.

Rides with "Oscar"

Linda McClennen of Oshawa went for a ride with "Oscar" recently. She found that "Oscar" doesn't have much to say but he does show General Motors experimental engineers a lot about driver comfort and car seat construction. "Oscar" is a 2-dimensional checking dummy used by the engineering staff at GM of Canada in Oshawa. His precise angles make sure that seat construction provides the best in driver comfort and the ability to reach and handle the car's controls. "Oscar's" dimensions simulate the head, shoulder, back and leg angles of 90 per cent of North American drivers. — Public Relations Department, General Motors of Canada, Oshawa.

New slogan emphasizes more hopeful approach

WHAT WAS described as a "positive, more hopeful approach" to public education on cancer was adopted in Ottawa by delegates to the November meetings of the Society. The organization approved a new slogan for its 1969 campaign, "Cancer can be beaten," to replace the one in use for several years, "Fight cancer with a Checkup and a Cheque."

The Society also adopted "Seven Safeguards" to replace the now familiar "Seven Warning Signals." The Safeguards, according to Dr. Ruth Alison, chairman of the Society's national education committee, "are meant to dispel the fear which our surveys have shown is largely responsible for keeping people from going to a doctor."

The safeguards are as follows: have a regular medical checkup; don't smoke cigarettes; practise regular breast self-examination; have your dentist check for abnormal conditions in the mouth; have a regular Pap test; arrange with your doctor for a bowel examination; avoid excessive exposure to sunlight.

"The purpose of an education program about cancer," said Dr. Alison, who is senior staff physician at the Princess Margaret Hospital in Toronto, "is to prevent people from getting the disease wherever possible and, when that is impossible, to motivate them to seek early treatment. Only by knowing the facts about cancer can we develop a hopeful, realistic attitude which dispels paralyzing fear and fosters appropriate action."

She said that in the opinion of 57 percent polled in 1961, fear was the leading cause of delay in consulting a doctor when cancer was suspected. Last year in a similar poll, 31 percent listed fear as the principal cause.

"Looking at these safeguards," said Dr. Alison to the delegates, "You will note that the keynote is prevention, the greatest hope for the future."

She said her committee had also decided to increase its promotion of this theme: "Cancer can be prevented, cancer can be cured, and cancer patients can be helped."

Squaringly Yours

—by Maurice Hemstreet

NOW FOR a short short story on the square dance picture of the Sunshine Coast.

We didn't get to the square dance last night at the Hopkins Hall because my get up and go had already got up and left. However, I just phoned the callers ranch and was informed that the next dance will take place Easter weekend, April 5th, at the Hopkins Hall, 8:30 p.m., with Harry Robertson and the Gibsons Squarenaders, shall we go? Why not!

Last Saturday night they had over two squares so if everyone turns out on the fifth of April we should be able to square up about six sets yet and this would really prove to be a great night for all.

Bumped into Jack and Pat Whitaker last week and they are still square dancing out in the Fraser Valley somewhere. Pat said that down there you could square dance every night of the week if you chose to. I still don't think that you would have as much fun in six nights of square dancing down there as you would by joining us for one night at the Hopkins Hall, because it has been observed that most larger clubs are troubled by what we call cliques, and if one should make a mistake, well! it's just good-bye for now.

Surprise tea honours Roberts Creek couple

BRILLIANT sunshine and happy faces greeted Mr. and Mrs. John W. H. Sear of Roberts Creek, last Wednesday when Miss Ena Harrold honored them at a "surprise tea" for the 50th Anniversary of their Wedding Day.

The tea table was centered with a floral arrangement of Golden Mums, Friezias and gold ribbon and a large "50th Anniversary Cake."

Miss Harrold had invited members of the Church Committee and the ACW whose joint gift to the honorees, each a member of these groups, was an antique cut-glass comport supported by a golden cupid pedestal.

Those present were: Rev. Dennis Morgan, Mr. C. Bedford, Mesdames L. C. Bengough, R. Bernard, R. Cumming, F. Downes, W. H. Dodman, Norman Ewart, A. M. Harper, D. Marshall, J. Matthews and W. Oakley.

Several of the invited guests were deterred from attending through illness.

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

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Persistence pays rewards

PERSISTENCE has paid off for Vancouver School Board which has whittled down a $2.4 million budget deficit to the sum of $140,393 by successfully obtaining additional educational grants from the Provincial Government.

Vancouver School Board's deficit of $2.4 million was reduced as was Sechelt's when all 85 school districts received an increase in the basic education program. Vancouver's deficit was then reduced to $1,048,000.

Further pressure from Vancouver School Board resulted in the Minister of Education agreeing to share in the cost of senior education staff salaries which further reduced the deficit to $981,703.

At this stage the School Board was forced to ask city council to make up the deficit but it refused, making a referendum necessary. The board felt that this would be a great expense relative to the amount to be raised. To cut the budget would mean dropping some teaching programs and other expenditures, so urged by the council, the school board made further representations to Victoria.

This is where persistence paid off, for Education Minister Donald Brothers announced a further special allowance of $825,826 toward operation of special education classes.

Letter from the Minister stated that an additional allowance for special classes will be given to all B.C. School Districts which operate them. The classes include facilities for teaching mentally retarded children in hospitals; children with hearing and visual handicaps; slow learners and others.

The letter further stated that representations made to the department of education indicate that the instructional unit amount of $11,960 should be increased by an increment of 75 per cent for the number of instructional units in each school district equivalent to the number of special classes operated. This will increase the basic education program for school districts with special classes.

By sending delegations to Victoria, Vancouver decreased its deficit to a mere .33 per cent of its original budget of $42 million. Although Vancouver School Board is appreciative of the special allowance, it has gone on record as still being dissatisfied with the present education finance formula.

Brief recently presented to the Sechelt Board of School Trustees by the Association for support of Progressive Education points out that various school districts have successfully applied for supplements and assures fullest support in an endeavour to get a better deal for the Sunshine Coast.

Recently in the Legislature, in reply to Mr. Strachan, the Minister of Education gave the percentages of net budgeted operating expenses paid by the Provincial Government to each school district, as direct grants and exclusive of home-owner grants, for the year 1968. Sechelt School District received the fourth lowest grant out of the 85 districts, in the following order: Campbell River — .09%; Powell River — .53%; Howe Sound—1.56%; Sechelt—5.61%. Other less wealthy districts receive grants up to 99.96%.

It would seem that perhaps a few delegations to Victoria from the Sechelt School District may be in order.

Handouts on increase

UNKNOWN to general membership, or indeed, the executive as a whole, the Sechelt and District Chamber of Commerce has circulated, and since canvassed, local merchants and businessmen to take out membership in the Sunshine Coast Tourist Association which at this time has its headquarters in Powell River.

While it would appear something new for a Chamber of Commerce to undertake a membership drive for another organization, we assume all things, however strange, have an explanation and without doubt the president will shed a little light among his members in due course.

In the meantime, a number of business people have taken out membership in the organization which undoubtedly, theoretically anyway, has something to offer.

There was a time when quite a number of enthusiastic people in both Gibsons and Sechelt held membership in the Tourist Association. In time they became disenchanted and chose to add support to their own Chamber of Commerce, which among other things should be actively engaged in the pursuit of tourist promotion anyway. Main trouble was that for what it cost to join the Association, it was felt this end of the Sunshine Coast was gaining little in return.

We have no doubt that an efficient tourist organization can prove an extremely worthy institution providing it carries out its activities and promotion equitably.

Certainly there have been changes within the structure of the operation and after the recent promotion during which we were given to understand the only way we can obtain provincial grants for tourism is through this organization, then it is to be hoped those who have been pursuaded to pay out more hard earned cash for membership will at least see some reasonable return.

Admittedly associate membership is only $10 but there are well over 100 organizations between Port Mellon and Earl's Cove, many of them worthy groups who expect support, and get it. In a comparatively small area we have three Chambers of Commerce and two councils, all dedicated to the betterment of the community. We have a Hospital Society, Masons, Kiwanis, Lions, Kinsmen, six Hospital Auxiliaries, Church organizations, political organizations, just name it and we probably have it. We have numerous annual canvasses for charitable institutions throughout the year and the bulk of them depend upon the merchants and businessmen. In other words, the amount of money we are asked to contribute each year runs into a considerable sum. Therefore, just where does it end? If every time some other body is able to con another would-be "big operator" into peddling another worthy cause we are expected to eagerly dig out another donation on assurance that we have to be progressive and look ahead.

We most certainly must look ahead but there is a limit to how much we have to pay to do it. The village badly needs sewers, which it cannot afford, the waterfront is falling away for want of a sea wall, we can't afford that either. The Chamber of Commerce is operating on an extremely thin budget but has, apparently, committed itself to seeking funds for yet another organization.

It will naturally be argued that an influx of tourism will increase village revenue and no one has pointed to this potential more than The Times. Nevertheless, as we have also stated, at this time we have so little to offer the tourist. Not even a boat rental. Summer residents are another matter for they do at least bring in revenue but one hardly needs a tourist association to bring in summer residents.

It is doubtful if anyone desires to see the Chamber fold up, at the same time, if we are to be continually paying for community promotion, serious consideration will finally have to be given to just how many groups do we have to join. If the tourist association can offer more than the Chamber, perhaps that is the direction our funds should be channeled. On the other hand, perhaps the Chamber itself should give a little thought to just what it has accomplished of late.

Fletcher's Philosophy

—Harry W. Fletcher

SENTIMENT

You ask me what is love, my dear,
Its mystery is not defined
In bounds of word, nor may we hear
Its sound, or sight or taste in kind.

Affection satisfies the heart;
Devotion aids a sighing soul,
And faith and trust must play their part,
But love has still another role.

For love supplies unspoken need,
The understanding and the grace
To give unasked—is there to heed
The muted cry, the trysting place.

Real love is not a bottled herb
Or something chemicals may test;
For love is not a noun, but verb,
And can by no one be possessed.

Most blest is he whose need is met;
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While others need the world, and yet
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Readers' Right

Second thoughts

Editor, The Times,

Sir—A fine mess our bulldozing Postmaster-General has made of our mail service. Glad he has had second thoughts about prosecuting the men who walked off—it is a wonder they didn't all go.

If I post a locally addressed letter on Thursday after 4:25 p.m. (local pick-up time), it will not reach its addressee until some time on Monday! Isn't that progress?

E. W. ABRAHAM

Victoria, B.C.

Ladies unite

Editor, The Times,

Sir—The ladies of the Sechelt Indian Reserve Homemakers Club wish to express their opinion of all the remarks that have been made in press, radio and television involving local Indians.

We feel that things have gone too far. All we want is to stay united and left in peace as Indians.

We strongly disapprove all the accusations made against our local doctor, we have respected him and he has served us well at all times. There has not been discrimination between the doctor and members of the Sechelt Indian Reserve.

LADIES OF THE SECHELT
RESERVE HOMEMAKERS CLUB

Editor's Note: The above represents the views of about twenty members of the "Homemakers" and has been signed.

Ethnic cultures

Editor, The Times,

Sir: Herewith is Postal Order for $5 for subscription to your newspaper. I saw and heard you talk on CTV and appreciate your opinion on racial entities.

Back in the Hungry Thirties the Vancouver Folk Festivals began with the idea of preserving and glamorizing the ETHNIC cultures and costumes, music, dancing, of the many different nationalities in British Columbia and Canada and elsewhere.

The Irish continue to celebrate their DAY with St. Patrick cards, legends, and sad theme songs such as, "The Wearin' o' the Green."

And the native Indians have their ancient grievances. What is the real difference between elected democratic government's distribution of public revenues on extravagant, troublesome Universities, and the "Paternalism" of Federal Government Department of Indian Afairs shelling out of Indian land revenues?

Why cannot papa W. A. C. Bennett provide free medical care for all Indians and other folk of British Columbia from his MILLION DOLLAR BUDGET?

Why cannot the Department of Indian Affairs provide free fishing and peddlers licences to Indians to sell fresh fish directly to consumers, cut out middlemen dealers' charges.

M. M. TAIT EVANS

Just who?

Editor, The Times,

Sir—An editorial in your paper Wednesday, March 19, states that "In the event of incompetent employees, then again, the trustees themselves are best suited to judge and act when necessary." If the School Board should find that an employee was incompetent and refuse to release him what then? Is it possible that the School Board might resign in a body? Were such a resignation to occur what action would our un-education minded Social Credit government take? Would the government then mess up this school district's affairs by appointing a special administrator to replace our School Board? If so, just who would that be?

E. COOPER

Interested

Editor, The Times,

Sir—I would like to congratulate you on your excellent news coverage of School Board events in the past and especially last week's issue of the Times.

I was greatly interested in Frank West's letter and wondered why it wasn't printed in full. However, as the outcome of this meeting with the Finance Committee and Mr. West is to be made public, perhaps, you could print this letter with the results.

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Poet's Corner

—by Leta Hanney

"QUEST"

I wandered many seeming endless miles
For that lost Jewel once within my soul.
Sore was the load I carried.
Bent was I beneath its awful weight
As I pressed on to reach the longed-for goal.

One said: "'Tis never wholly lost,
Memories shall fill the heart with
strength and peace,
And other gems along the way
will beckon you,
And you shall rise again with some of these."

And so, on every road I chanced to walk,
'Neath sunny skies, and rugged mountains high
I searched, and longed for that which I thought
lost,
Knowing not that it was ever nigh.

Then in deepest meditation dawned the light.
A flood of joy came to my heart,
And then a silence—and in joy and peace and
love,
I found the Priceless Pearl enthroned within.

Cigarette smoking and heart disease

YOU ARE probably well aware of the established link between cigarette smoking and lung cancer. But are you aware of the link between cigarette smoking and heart disease?

The greatest risk of cigarette smoking is death from a heart attack, says the federal health department pamphlet, "Am I an Exemplar?"

About half the premature deaths of cigarette smokers are caused by heart attacks. This danger is found among younger as well as older smokers.

How cigarette smoking increases the risk of heart attack is not known. Studies point to three possibilities— the increased heart action and need for oxygen caused by nicotine, the decreased ability of the blood to deliver life-giving oxygen to the heart because of the effects of the carbon monoxide in cigarette smoke, and faster blood clotting in smokers, the pamphlett says.

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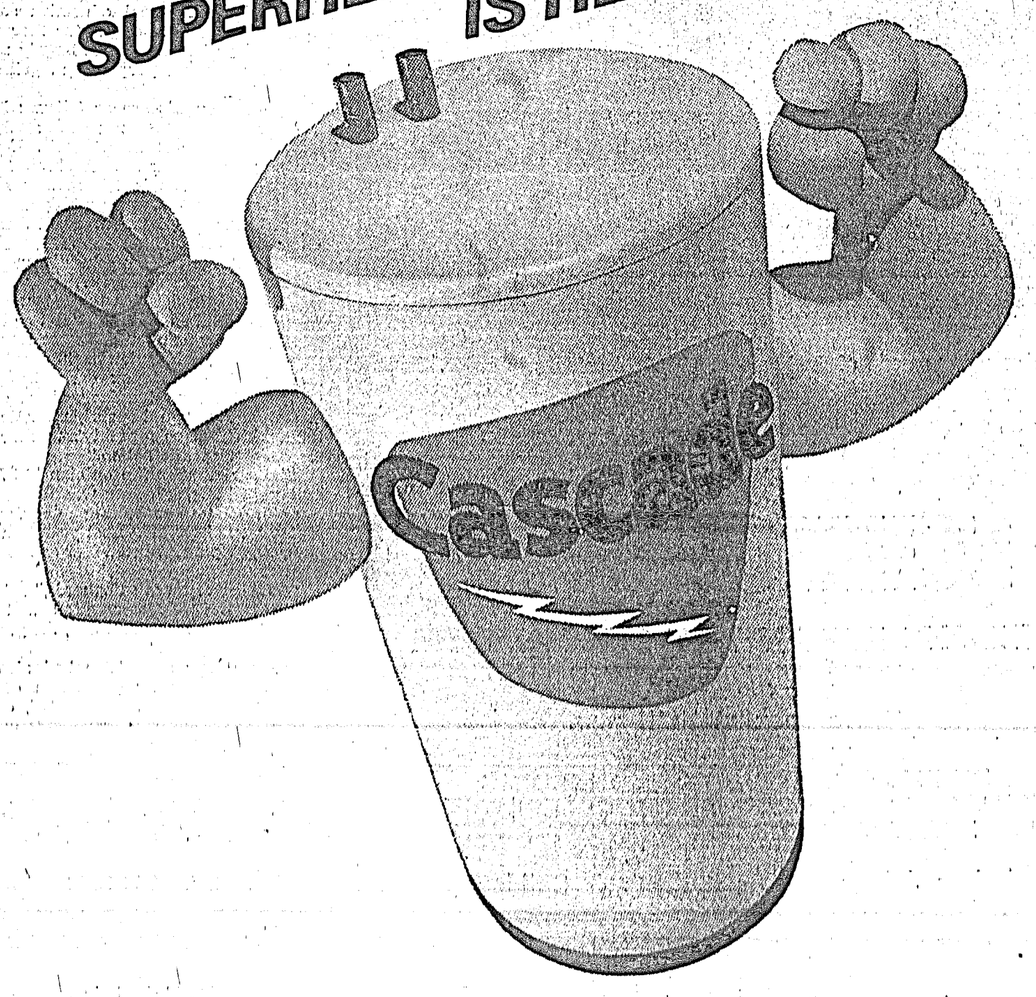

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Dainty Goalie

Her hat may have been dainty but she packed a mighty wallop in her toes. The only "lady" to wear a skirt in end of the soccer season fun game had everyone mystified until she lost her hat revealing an unmistakable Pete Jackson who successfully blocked Boyd Goeson's goal.

Latest Dance

fathers and sons.
It looks like a tango but the action soon changed as Grant Hubbs on right beat Eric Nielsen to the kick scoring a goal which was promptly declared off side by a very impartial referee, during last Sunday's game between

Fine spirits prevail as soccer season ends

SOCCER season ended in fine spirit at Hackett Park on Sunday when parents, coaches and linesmen who have been telling the kids what to do all season, went into action.

The mothers proved they really do know something about the game when they beat a combined Shop Easy-Timbermen team by 1-0. However there was a bit of sneaky work afoot between the goal posts.

All star team picked from Shop Easy and Timbermen took on division 5 Sechelt Legion and the older players displayed true sportsmanship by coasting along and just applying a little pressure at the end of the game which they took with a 6-4 score.

Real action came when the fathers played an energetic division 2 team and by half-time the dads needed all the reserves they could muster. If the players had been wearing soccer boots, the hospital expansion would be an immediate necessity but the boys really enjoyed themselves and managed to polish off 20 dozen hot dogs and an equivalent amount of pop.

The mothers, of course went to work in the kitchen as soon as their game ended and the fathers eased their aching muscles into the nearest resting place as soon as they possibly could and tried to ignore the ribbing on their sons.

Recreation committee seeks your suggestions

CONSIDERABLE support has been given the conception of a Sunshine Coast recreational center and following a number of meetings held throughout the area, the committee headed by Dr. Eric Paetkau, has reached the stage whereby the feeling of the public is sought as to type of facilities required.

In order to assist, all interested are asked to complete the following questionnaire and return to Box 638, Sechelt, B.C.

No. 1—Are you in favor of a Recreational Center for the whole area from Port Mellon to Egmont?

Yes ..... No .....

No. 2—In order of preference, what would you like to see included.

Please indicate on list below.

ICE ARENA .....
CURLING RINK .....
SWIMMING POOL .....
TENNIS COURT .....
BOWLING ALLEY .....
ROLLER SKATING RINK .....
GYMNASIUM .....
AUDITORIUM .....
PLAYING FIELDS .....
HANDICRAFT ROOMS .....
OTHER .....

No. 3—Where would you like to see such a Center located?

How to treat burns

—by St. John

BURNS hurt—and sometimes they're serious. What do you do about a burn?

Most people slap on some greasy substance—butter or vaseline. Wrong, says St. John Ambulance.

Where the skin has not been broken, immersion in cold water or the application of a cold wet cloth will relieve the pain.

Where the skin has been broken, infection is a hazard. Don't apply greasy substances. These remedies have only slight value in reducing pain and greatly complicate later treatment.

For a serious burn remove or cut away clothing over the burned area but don't try to pull off clothing which is stuck. Cover the burned area with a clean dressing and bandage securely. If medical aid is near, speed is more essential than perfect bandaging.

In the case of burns by corrosive chemicals, flood the part thoroughly with water and apply normal treatment for burns.

Unemployment Insurance

Any Questions please?

Q: Can I draw Unemployment Insurance benefits while attending University?

A: First of all you must have sufficient contributions to your credit to establish a benefit period. Then you must be ready, willing and able to work at hours when you might reasonably expect to find employment, and in a type of work in which there are employment opportunities.

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A: Provided you have a minimum of fifteen contribution weeks since 1 July, 1968, your rate of benefit is based on the average of all contributions to your credit from that date up to the effective date of your claim for benefit. The maximum is $53 per week for a person with a dependent.

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Sechelt Bowling Lanes

THE Star Bowlers for January-February were: Ladies—Hazel Skytte (Sports Club) and Cauleen McCuaig (Commercial) tied with 4 each (games of 250 and over). In the Men's League, Roy Hutton (Commercial) with 6 games of 275 and over. And in the Seniors, Susan Jorgenson had 4 games of 185 and over, and Bob Benner with 7 games of 200 and over.

Ladies Tues: Rose Rodway 635 (259), Chris Crucil 618 (291); Lil McCourt 635; May Walker 271; Marie Keyes 268.

Ladies Wed.: Jean Robinson 588.

Mixed 10 pin: Pat Porter 269 (166); Pat Mullen 353 (198).

Pender: Isabel Gooldrup 568; Marie Reid 561; Red Robinson 306; Albert Edwardson 723; Bill Peters 663.

Ball & Chain: Les English 699 (266); Roy Hutton 654 (285); George Derby 627 (315); Gail Redman 588 (251); Dave Hopkin 661 (286).

Sports Club: Jean Robinson 258; Kerry Eldred 680 (281).

Commercial: Eve Moscrip 647; Lola Caldwell 631 (282); Hazel Skytte 611 (266);; Dennis Gamble 644 (285); Dick Wise 709 (322); Sonny Benner 695 (333); Roy Hutton 642 (285); Cauleen McCuaig 253; Lionel McCuaig 769 (340).

Juniors: Melody Farewell 296 (171); Leonard Page 262; Ernie Kingston 152; Craig Rodway 157.

Seniors: Scott Henderson 601 (248); Ken Wing 217 & 234; Bob Benner 219.

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Smoking affects quality of life

ARE YOU aware of the effect cigarette smoking has on the **quality** of life?

Shortness of breath, coughing, sore throats, catching colds easily are a few of the symptoms smokers frequently complain about.

A recent report of the federal health department, "Cigarette Smoking and Health," affirms that cigarette smokers tend to have more health problems and higher rates of disability than do non-smokers.

"Decreased breathing efficiency, increased cough and phlegm production and an increased rate of illness and absenteeism are found even among young smokers," says the report.

Which orange drink contains Vitamin C?

DO YOU know which orange beverages contain Vitamin C?

There are so many different types of orange beverages on the market today, you are probably confused as to which ones contain this vitamin, so important for normal bones, cartilage, teeth and gums in infants and young children.

A recent Consumer Memo produced by the Food and Drug Directorate of the federal health department, presents the following facts on orange beverages to guide you in your shopping:

If the product is orange **juice**, it will contain Vitamin C naturally. If the product is an orange **drink**, it will contain Vitamin C only if so labelled. If it is not indicated on the labelling it is not added.

The best way to make sure of the presence of this essential nutrient is to check the label.

You should remember that the addition of more water than that required by the directions will dilute the Vitamin C content of orange drink mixtures.

To retain maximum Vitamin C benefit, it is advisable to:

—keep orange mix refrigerated after mixing,

—use synthetic beverage made from powder or crystals within a few days after opening or mixing. It rapidly loses Vitamin C.

Your health protection: is it up to date?

PHYSICAL fitness in itself does not prevent the illnesses against which you can be immunized, says the federal health department publication, "Get Fit—Keep Fit," a physical fitness and training guide for young Canadians.

Everyone should be protected against smallpox, tetanus (lockjaw), diphtheria and poliomyelitis. It is a good plan to discuss your immunizations occasionally with a doctor to determine if your protection is up to date.

On religious-revival tent: "Tremendous savings!"

THE PORT MELLON INDUSTRIAL CREDIT UNION
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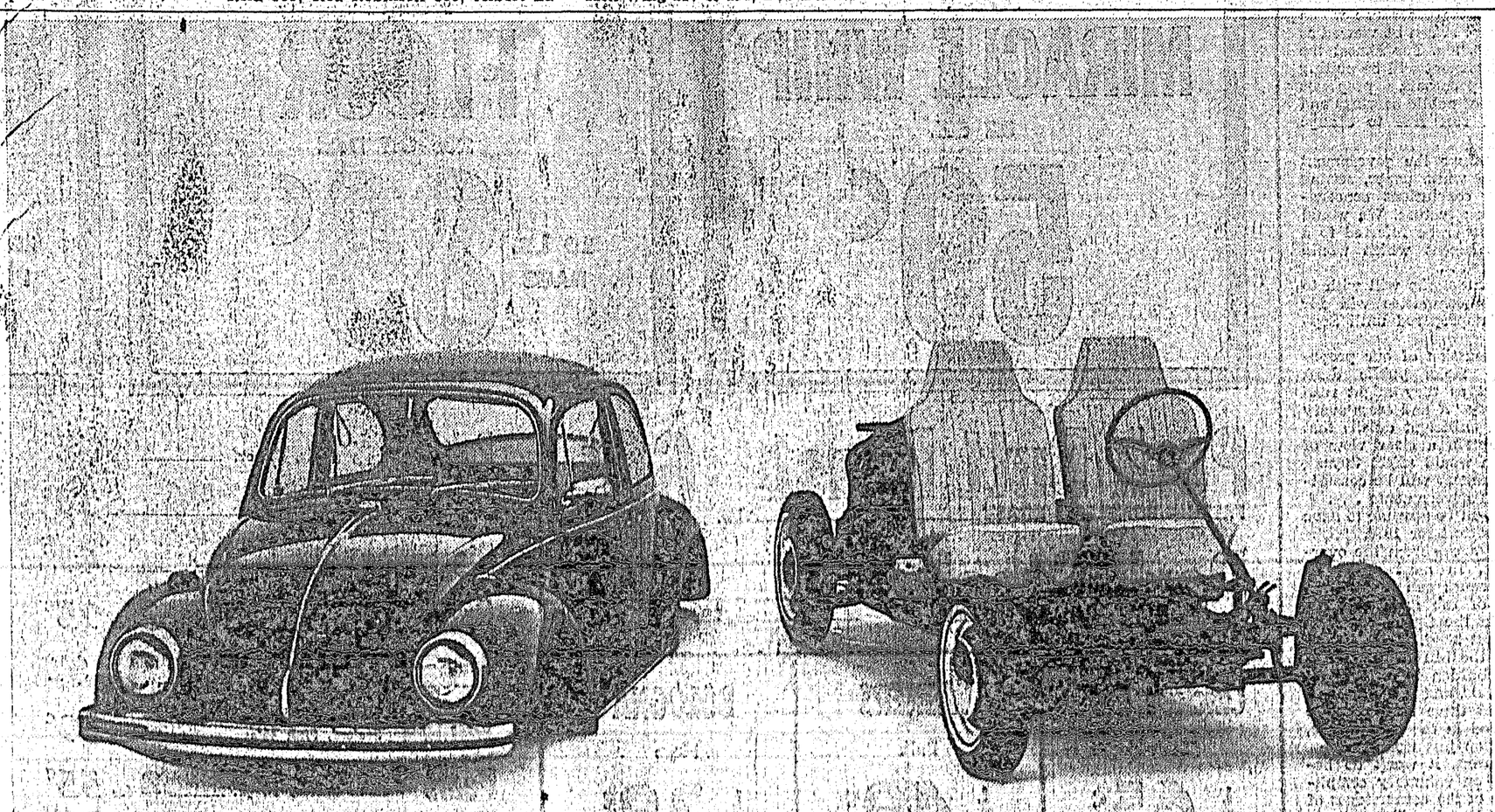

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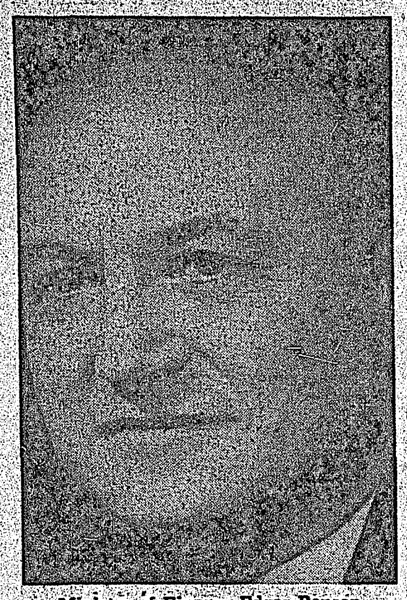
Paul St. Pierre

—Letter from Parliament Hill



Minister of Finance Edgar Benson

OTTAWA—Our guest columnist today is Edgar Benson, minister of finance. His picture appears here also, so that those of you whose political sentiments are of a particularly turbulent nature will not shoot at the wrong bird.

The public looks upon Mr. Benson as the national tax collector and, as such, a man whom only a mother could love. (In fact, taxes are collected by Revenue Minister Jean-Pierre Cote, but since Mr. Benson announces the forms and rates of taxes he is the man who bears the public wrath.)

Mr. Benson is now charged with reforming the Canadian taxation system. By June of this year he expects to issue a White Paper on the subject, a White Paper being a statement of the government's intentions.

This will be followed by one of the damndest hums of bees around the hive that you or I have seen since September 10, 1939.

There will be smoke, foot-stomping, hollering, loud cries of delight, some song some blood and many piercing screams.

Pursuing my firm conviction that voters in Coast-Chilcotin should be warned that somebody is going to kick the bees' nest this summer, I have made Mr. Benson your guest columnist for the week.

The following are excerpts from his speech of March 3, to the Annual Mid Year Conference of the Tax Executive of Washington, D.C.

Mr. Benson now speaks:

"This is an age when almost every citizen is involved in the tax system, when income tax rates of 40, 50 and even higher percentages are paid by many more persons than ever before, when it seems that tax provisions have to be as intricate and to some extent as baffling as society itself.

"As a result, it is dangerous to enter into any complex transaction without having studied carefully the tax results —it may well be that in such as age, we in Canada will have to re-examine our tradition of parliamentary secrecy in tax matters.

"In many ways, the procedure which we intend to follow . . . can be viewed as a step in this direction. For almost the first time, the government will be putting forth tentative proposals, proposals which, in the light of public hearings and discussion, it will feel free to change extensively.

"Some time in June the government will make public a white paper, setting forth its tentative conclusions concerning the income tax structure. We would propose that this paper be referred to a committee of Parliament which would hold public hearings . . .

"I expect that those who will wish to appear before this committee will for the most part be unprepared until September . . .

"During the discussion of our proposals we plan to make public draft sections of the act as they might read . . . not to dot every "i" and cross every "t", rather to give sufficient details that taxpayers could obtain a clear view of how such a system would affect them.

". . . the government will be consulting with provincial governments . . .

"I hope that it will be possible to have our tax system in effect for 1970.

"The first issue arises from the overall level of taxes. In most developed countries . . . revenues run between 30 and 40 per cent of the gross national product. In Canada the figure lies close to the middle of that band.

"The size of the bill makes it imperative that the burden be distributed fairly. At these levels, and there is nothing to indicate that these levels can be dramatically reduced in the near future, an unfair distribution just won't do.

"In practical terms, it won't do because of its effect on voluntary compliance, which is one of the cornerstones of taxation in North America. It won't do because of the unfair burden it places on the 90 per cent of taxpayers who do comply completely with the tax laws and who, because of their economic circumstances, cannot take advantage of the shortcomings of th eselaws.

"To say that laws must be fair is not to say that they should not be used to provide incentives. Taxpayers understand the need for governments to spur certain kinds of activities.

". . . it must be clear that Canada has a vested interest in preserving its present image as a safe and rewarding place in which to invest."

"Perhaps this is enough about our prospective tax reform. The next step is to be taken in June and by this time next year, the new rules should be in effect."

In sports department: "Compasses—with complete directions."

Justice minister . . .

Youth, once silent voice of politics now confronts educators in violence

"EDUCATORS in Canada who had deplored the silence of youth in politics, now confront the violence of the politics of youth," said John Turner, minister of justice, addressing a meeting of the Canadian Club of Montreal.

He referred to George Williams University which had become the scene of the greatest student disorder in Canadian history. The establishment there, he said, was one of the most liberal institutions of higher learning in Canada. Yet it was at Sir George Williams where students accused a professor of racism and though twice vindicated, the university vice-president was forcibly detained and forced into signing a statement implicating the professor. Students broke up hearings into the alleged discrimination. And after two weeks' occupation laid siege to the building, wrecked the computer, ramapaged through the building and caused an estimated two million dollars in damage.

Source of the trouble was deep rooted, said Turner: Students had begun to ask questions about the running of the university; some became increasingly politicized; impersonality of the university staff towards their questions fueled radicalism; students who had looked to legitimate channels for expression now found illegitimate channels of violence.

"How, then, was this cataclysm of violence to be controlled, if not prevented?" asked Turner of his audience.

He suggested several legitimate forms of protest. A person may speak in a public forum, print and distribute pamphlets, organize mass meetings, denounce the political leaders as incompetent or corrupt, and exercise any other form of dissent, said Turner.

Mass demonstrations must be confined to functions which communicate a point of view, he said, arouse enthusiasm and group cohesiveness among participants, attract others to joining, and impress upon the public and the authorities the point advocated by the protesters, the urgency of the demand and the power behind it but must not include terror, riot or pillage.

Mr. Turner said there are exceptional instances where civil disobedience may be justified. Every available legal recourse must first be exhausted. Law protested against must itself contain an alleged illegality: evil complained of must be of such magnitude as to present a clear and present danger to the fundamental values of society. Choice of methods of civil disobedience must not infringe upon the rights or innocence of others.

"Freedom is the pre-condition of liberty," he said, "and restraint is the beginning of all freedom.

"There will be no solution unless we deal with the root cause of dissent—both at the university level and in society."

Turner said that inadequate response within the university staff to the pressure of responsible students has sometimes made it possible for irresponsible elements to turn the issue to their demagogic advantage.

"Students have a right to participate in determining what happens to them during their tenure at university," he voiced. "The student is consumer of the educational process."

He felt university must develop basic regulations for student conduct that would allow the students as much freedom as possible in the pursuit of their educational objectives.

On the wider sphere of society as a whole, he felt we need restoration in politics. Governments must institutionalize citizenship participation—and particularly that of the young—in the decision-making process. "Whatever the depth of student dissent, it is vital for the public as much as for them that they feel that change is possible, that they can do so within the political process and by lawful means," he said.

Turner suggested governments should not be insulated from their citizens, and citizens must have access to their governments.

"Central concern of young people today is the dignity of man, and through this the creation of community," said Turner. "They demand a political system that will create and preserve the individual dignity of man and the sense of community among men."

Contact lens time

HOW LONG each day should a person wear contact lenses?

It is good policy to wear the lenses for a maximum of 10 hours, which is the normal working day, after which they should be removed for two or three hours. They could then be worn again for a full evening.

Prevent baby accidents by constant vigilance

A BABY is born with 270 bones, and every one is precious.

A serious fall which results in a bone injury to an infant can cause complications later in life unless it is detected and corrected.

Sometimes it is difficult for mothers to determine the extent of a bone injury in very small children. It does not always pain a child to move an injured bone.

Nature provides the tiny bones of young children with natural protection against the routine bumps, stumbles and tumbles of growing up. But mothers must be constantly alert to conditions which can lead to serious falls and injury.

CARELESSNESS A FACTOR

The Council on Family Health in Canada says that many home accidents are due to adult carelessness, or at least a lack of awareness that a hazard exists.

The Council, a non-profit organization established by members of the drug industry to promote family health and home safety, offers a number of suggestions on how to make life safe for youngsters.

A mother who has become accustomed to having her baby lie in one spot when she places him down, may not realize when he is ready to turn over by himself. He usually tries by the fourth month and succeeds in the fifth month.

Infants have rolled from couches, beds, table tops, bathinettes, cribs and carriages. Don't count on your baby to stay put exactly where he is placed while you answer the telephone or doorbell, or run to take something out of the oven or off the stove.

SAFETY FIRST

Always place the baby safely back in the crib, with the sides up and secured, when leaving him alone. Even if the baby is sound asleep, crib sides should be up.

Keep a rubber mat in the bathtub when little ones are bathed. Small children look upon the bath as a play period. Under no circumstances should a very young child be left alone in the tub.

Aside from the danger of slipping on the slick surface, there is the additional hazard of an exploration trip outside the bath, perhaps to investigate the medicine cabinet. Even if the medicine cabinet is safely locked and beyond his reach, the child may climb up on the toilet, sink or laundry hamper to check for himself. A fall to the hard tiled floor can produce serious injury.

Give special attention to windows. In summer, when screens are put in place for the season, check to make sure they are securely fastened. If there is an aggressive little climber in your home, install window bars. They may interfere with the decor, but they can prevent falls from dangerous heights, says the Council.

Gates at the head and foot of stairs are important safety measures. When children are old enough, teach them to keep a hand on the handrail when going up or down stairs.

Sometime during the two to four year age period, mothers can discover lucky opportunities to teach safety habits to prevent falls.

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