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Area E commitee urges . . . *. . . Failure feared again*

'Highway should follow Hydro lines'

GIBSONS by-pass section of the relocated Sunshine Coast Highway must follow the B.C. Hydro transmission lines, the Area 'E' advisory planning committee feels.

And in a letter submitted to the Sunshine Coast Regional District Board March 29, they warned:

"We assure you that any attempt to finalize a relocation on any route which deviates greatly from this location will meet with the same rejection and failure as previous attempts to finalize this relocation."

The committee is "extremely concerned at the lack of information and apparent progress with the technical planning committee's study of the relocation of Highway 101," the letter stated.

"We fail to understand the considerable length of time which it has taken to complete a relatively simple study which, by the terms of reference as we understand, is merely to locate various accesses and co- ordinate the relation with the local street system.

'Various unofficial reports have come to our attention that the committee is considering alternate locations for the relocation including the original route 'A'.

"It is our understanding from the statistics presented and exchanged which took place at your meeting with the Dept. of Highways in October 1972 that the only logical route for a Gibsons by-pass was in the vicinity of the B.C. Hydro transmission lines."

The committee pointed out that local traffic conditions, particularly in the tourist season, made it imperative for the relocation to be settled quickly.

Area 'D' representative, Harry Almond, told the board he understood the technical planning committee report would be available in April.

District planner, Ed Cuylits, said the study was considerably more complex than the advisory committee seemed to think, and that it must be done thoroughly.

Under other business, the board agreed to ban the discharge of firearms around Gibsons garbage dump, following a letter of complaint from the Gibsons's Wildlife Club.

Megan Moorcroft, conservation chairman of the club, noted the "indiscriminate shooting of bears at the garbage dump serving the village and the district.

"Because of this deplorable behavior, we would like to ask, and would hope, that this area and all other areas in the district be posted as follows:

'The discharge of firearms prohibited in this area."

She recommended that the RCMP be requested to enforce the prohibition.

"We regret that this will entail more work with additional patrol for the RCMP. We regret even more that this will, in effect, put a stop to kids shooting rats with .22s, which has been most useful pastime for many years all over the country."

Mrs. Moorcroft noted that bears could be shot legally during a season laid down by the Fish and Wildlife Branch."

Charles Gooding, district administrator, said the shooting of bears had been a nuisance to district maintenance men for some time. They had to dispose of decaying bodies, he said.

On the motion of Harry Almond, the board agreed to endorse the Gibsons Wildlife Club proposal.

Rita Relf, area 'B' representative, felt the district should consider a firearms by-law prohibiting the discharge of firearms from the highway to the waterfront.

"You can get shot in my area just by going into the back yard," she said.

Alternate director Ald. Winston Robinson of Gibsons suggested that local wildlife clubs should be consulted about any future firearms bylaw.

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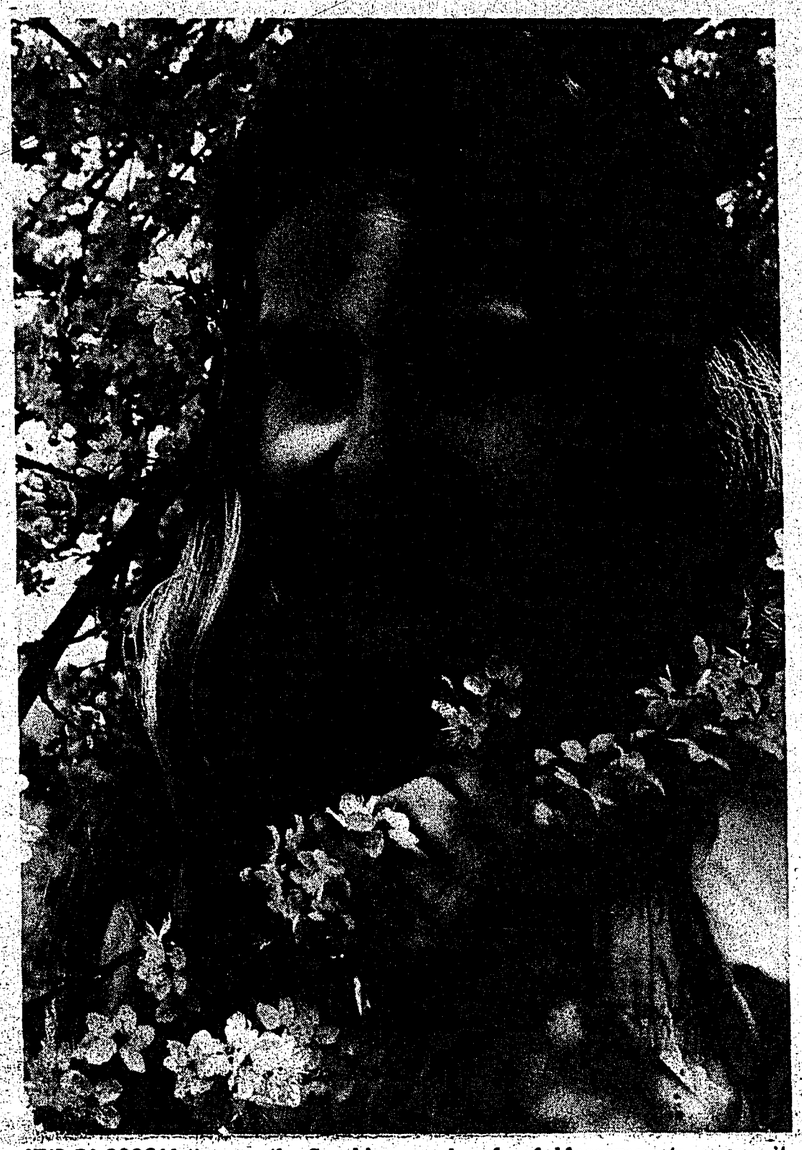

IT'S BLOSSOM time on the Sunshine Coast and Elaine Proctor, 9, a grade four student at Roberts Creek Elementary School stands in amongst a bunch of blossoms to prove it. Spring truly is "busting" out all over. Fishing is good and there have been reports of 20 pounders caught.

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Use of public funds cited . . .

Hospital society blasted for excluding non-members

By ALASTAIR ROGERS

ST. Mary's Hospital Society has come under fire for proposing to bar non-members from its April 12 meeting.

Director Rita Relf (Area A) told the Regional District Hospital Board March 29 that the society handles public funds, so "taxpayers have a right to attend."

She labelled the society's $15,000 deficit "quite a loss" and suggested the board might be able to run St. Mary's better.

Area E representative Frank West pointed out that the April 12 meeting was a membership meeting and the society was "ordained to run the hospital."

St. Mary's is registered as owned by the society, he said, and although they use public funds, they money is shown as grants or donations.

Mrs. Relf said: "This seems to be a holdover from the time when it was a society. It's not a society now."

J. H. Tyner, Area A, said responsibility for the hospital had to rest with some organization, and this was why the society was formed.

"There must be a better way," said Miss Relf.

On her suggestion of the regional district taking over responsibility for St. Mary's, West felt the board had "enough on its plate."

Chairman Lorne Wolverton said the organizational set-up should be looked into, "but the April 12 meeting is a membership meeting and there is nothing we can do about it.

Under other business, West felt the regional board should urge the administration of St. Mary's to use the $25,000 left unspent from the district's hospital expansion bylaw.

"For quite a few months, we have been after the hospital administration to wind up the by-law. I'd like the reggional board to put some pressure on them to finish it and get the final audit," he said.

The board agreed to support West in his bid to speed up expenditure of the $25,000.

Administrator Charles Gooding predicted the mill rate could drop in 1973 because of lower hospital budget requirements.

In presenting the hospital district budget for this year, he noted that the $71,541 total requirement was less than the 1972 figure.

The budget calls for $118,723 in expenditure, against estimated capital grants of $40,121, leaving the district with a total requirement of $71,541.

Of this figure, $24,845 falls under long term borrowing for hospital sites, construction, equipment, supplies and working capital.

Trustee West cautioned that although district requirements were lower this year than in 1972, "all our debentures have not been sold, and any drop in spending will probably catch up with us in 1974."

The board adopted the budget.

Booth cleanup due Sunday

SECHELT—A work party to help clean up the Sechelt and District Chamber of Commerce's new tourist information trailer will be held Sunday at 1 p.m.

President Morgan Thompson struck a committee to determine the best period for the operation of the trailer this summer.

Members of the committee are: Thompson, Mayor Ben Lang, Bob Scales, Ann Martin and John Thomas. Cost of operating the trailer is the determining factor, the members were told at their regular meeting in Wilson Creek Hall.

Scales moved that the chamber write the village council requesting its usual grant to help finance operating the tourist booth.

A discussion was carried on about the value of the tourist booth and Thomas asked: "Who benefits most from tourism?"

"We all do," said several members.

The following persons were accepted for membership: Don Radcliffe, Bob Allan, John Robinson and John Bunyan.

A tentative date of April 22-29 was decided upon for clean-up week.

The chamber will donate $50 to either Pender Harbour Secondary or Elphinstone for a graduating student to carry on his studies.

Because the public is dirty, miserable and inconsiderate, access to Sergeants Bay is closed, said Ben Lang. The privately owned lot was open for public use but the health department suggested that the owner install toilets, he decided to close the site to the public.

A blood donors clinic will be held April 30, 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Hospital, said Lang.

A day to honor the RCMP on May 23 to mark their centennial was suggested to the chamber.

Thompson suggested that the chamber write to Sechelt village council offering its support of the proposal. Mounties on duty on May 23 will be wearing red serge uniforms, the members were told.

Members discussed the recent ban of the strap at public schools and a proposal to protest to Education Minister Eileen Dailley was suggested. Discussion centered on the pros and cons of corporal punishment but no action was taken.

The department of highways follows a standard procedure throughout the province when it comes to putting up mileage signs, the chamber was told by letter from Robert Strachan, minister of highways.

Chamber had asked that more mileage signs be placed on Highway 101. The department will look over the situation.

Requests for road work should reach the district engineer by September, B. A. L'Hirondelle, told the chamber, because that is when the budget is prepared.

The chamber instructed secretary Hugh Duff to note the date so that action could be taken in time for inclusion in next year's highway budgets.

Members agreed to send $5 to the Lions Easter seal campaign to aid handicapped children.

Landscaping of St. Mary's Hospital grounds is not the responsibility of the chamber, members decided in response to a request for plants or money. Seeking the aid was trustee Fritz Leuchte.

Adele de Lange suggested that individual members could personally remember the landscaping project.

Craft Fair seen as boost to community

CHAPTER of the Pacific Community Self-Development Society has been formed on the Sunshine Coast "to aid in promoting community development."

One of the founders, Yetta Lees of Gibsons, explained:

"Our chapter is called the Sunshine Coast Craft Fair, and the idea, primarily, is to see what we can do, using arts and crafts as a vehicle, to get people together."

Projects slated by the Craft Fair include an exhibition of arts and crafts and a series of workshops for both children and adults, she told The Times.

Their Victoria-based parent organization has backed a number of community-oriented projects in that city such as Cool Aid, a crisis centre for young people.

Sunshine Coast Craft Fair comprises 12 members, eight of whom are directors. Yetta belongs to the Pacific Community Self-Development Society, and, ultimately, will be hired by the chapter to coordinate its activities.

"We have applied for an Opportunities for Youth grant," she said, "and we should know about funding by the end of April, in time to organize a summer fair. If we don't get the OFY grant, we'll see what we can do without government aid."

But this might force the Craft Fair to operate on a reduced basis, she said, and even necessitate charging for some of their programs.

" We're hoping we don't have to do this," she said.

Building values top $407,000 last month

VALUE of building and plumbing permits issued by the Sunshine Coast Regional District in March totalled $407,000.

Building inspector, F. A. Reyburn, reported to the board of directors March 29 that 31 permits totalling $316,000 had been approved up to March 27. And, he said, another seven permits totalling $191,000 worth of construction would be processed by the end of the month.

Figures for the various areas up to March 27 are as follows:

Area A, $51,000; Area B, $101,000; Area C, $21,000; Area D, $39,000; Area E, $64,000; Area F, $40,000.

ALTHOUGH the regional district board of directors claims all standpipes in the Selma Park area are workable, The Peninsula Times, in checking this one at the foot of Snodgrass Road, found a rock firmly wedged in it. The Times photographer could not remove the rock with materials at hand. It would not budge.

'Little fire protection' . . .

Selma Park standpipes workable, board says

SUNSHINE Coast Regional District board has denied allegations that standpipes in the Selma Park area have fallen into disrepair since the regional district took over fire protection duties from the Selma Park Improvement District.

In a letter submitted to the board March 29, Selma Park Community Centre secretary M. Duval said:

"The recent fire at the Red Rooster Drive-in at Davis Bay has brought to light the fact that Selma Park and Davis Bay areas have very little in the form of fire hydrants." (Sechelt Fire Department claimed they had to run their hoses a mile to the nearest hydrant).

"The Selma Park Improvement District installed and maintained a number of standpipes for fire protection in the Selma Park area. Since the regional board took over the duties of the improvement district, we naturally figured that they would also continue to maintain the standpipes.

"We understand that few, if any, of these standpipes are now serviceable.

"Director (Bert) Slade (Area C) pointed out that it is the policy of the regional board to instal six new fire hydrants a year. We trust that this is not a fixed and hard policy that cannot be altered in an emergency."

Charles Gooding, district administrator, said that the district maintenance superintendent checked the standpipes and they were all in order.

Director Frank West said the district could not install six hydrants a year. "We can just put in as many as will come out of the rentals."

Director Slade admitted saying that the district was installing six new hydrants a year, "and I was quite surprised when I saw we weren't providing for them."

Chairman Lorne Wolverton said that hydrants cost $700 each. "Where does the money come from?" he asked.

Harry Almond, Area D representative said that when the present water system was proposed, they intended having six hydrants per mile.

Slade said that this was a standard suggested by the district's underwriters.

Director Frank West said that they would only approach this figure in built-in areas. "If we had six hydrants per mile, most of them would be in empty places."

Wolverton said the district was doing its best to approach the underwriter's requested standards.

The directors were concerned about the fire department charge of having to run their hoses a mile to the nearest hydrant. Slade pointed out that there was a standpipe at the Selma Park store and another on the corner near the Red Rooster.

They agreed to bring up the matter at their next meeting with Sechelt Fire Department.

Sunshine Coastings

by DICK PROCTOR

C. P. (BAL) Ballantine of Gibsons is the originator of the phrase **"Sunshine Coast"**, according to **Capt. John Bunyan of Sechelt.**

Capt. Bunyan, retired from the ferry service, and operating **Bunyan's Variety**, said that Bal coined the term in 1946. Bal is the uncle of **Gordon Ballantine** who with **George Frith** started the old **Sea Bus Lines**, the forerunner of the present ferry service. Sea Bus Lines used to operate from **Fisherman's Cove** to **Gibsons** and the service started in 1945.

Bal, who built Bal's Block in Gibsons, was a progressive merchant and great booster of the coast. He also coined the term, **"Watch Gibsons grow."**

J. S. Browning of Sechelt, one of the regular and most popular letter writers to **The Times**, who was apparently caught in a rainstorm at the time, replied to my query about who coined the term Sunshine Coast, commented: "I dunno, but whoever he was, he had a vivid imagination. He should have written a book of fairy tales. It would have been a best seller."

Helen Dawe, who is compiling a history of the Sechelt area, said that the **All Red Line**, which ran the **"Selma"** to **Powell River** entered a rate war with **Bert Whitaker's Sechelt Steamship Co.** which ran the **"Tartar"** from **Vancouver to Sechelt** and way points in 1910. Whitaker refused service to All Red Lines at his Sechelt wharf. Then All Red purchased property at **Selma Park** which was subsequently purchased by **Union Steamship Co.** in 1917. Union developed a resort there.

Anyway, Miss Dawe says **"North by West in the Sunlight"** was the motto of either All Red Line or Union Steamship Co. "Was this the origin of our current usage "Sunshine Coast," she asks.

Speaking of history, **F. J. Wyngaert of Gibsons,** who has been compiling a history of the area from 1886 to December 1971, would like to know about some of the newspapers of the area.

Wyngaert, who came to Gibsons Landing in 1909 wrote to **Al Alsgard of Powell River** seeking his help in building the history of newspapering here. He said that he is aware of the **Eagle**, a two-page mimeograph sheet to which he contributed in 1931-32.

He is searching for the name of what could be referred to as the first newspaper edited here. He said the year was 1936-37 and the paper was edited in **Roberts Creek** outlining **Peninsula** news and printed in Powell River. Wyngaert said that several persons recalled the paper and the person who edited it, but not the name. He thinks he recalls it being called the **Peninsula Advocate.**

Alsgard replied: "The only paper I know of in the Peninsula area was the **Coast News** which **Ernest Parr-Pearson** and myself started in 1943, and which Ernie edited from **Halfmoon Bay.** Later we moved the office to **Sechelt** and then in 1948 we sold it to **Bill Sutherland and Sam Nutter** who moved it to Gibsons." **Fred Cruice** later purchased the paper.

Prior to that there was a paper printed by **Claude Hoodspith** named the **Peninsula Times,** says Al.

Alsgard was in the printing business prior to 1936 and could not recall any such publication that Wyngaert referred to.

All of which brings us to a round about way of telling everyone that **The Peninsula Times** is planning a progress edition in the early summer. We hope to cover the Peninsula's history and future with pictures and articles and we would like contributions. If anyone has early-day stories or pictures we would appreciate seeing them. We can duplicate them for the paper and photographs will not be harmed and will be returned immediately.

Also, if anyone can help Mr. Wyngaert, they can write him at: Highway 101, RR 1, Gibsons or phone 886-9340.

So much for history.

Joanne McNevin of Hopkins Landing thinks my last comments on tenants holding office is unfair and she brings up a good point. A person holding office, who does not own property, can be more objective than a person who has vested interests in the area, she says. That's a good point and well worth considering.

Joanne also feels that most tenants are responsible persons and that taxes are paid through rent and

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EDITORIALS

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

A. H. ALSGARD, *Publisher* RICHARD T. PROCTOR, *Managing Editor*

More leisure time coming

ON APRIL 14 a vote will determine the fate of the recreation centre.

The need for such a recreation centre is obvious. People have more leisure time and more is coming. Work days are becoming shorter and although it isn't widespread on the Sunshine Coast, the four-day work week is popular in many places. With more and more time on their hands people will turn to leisure activities to occupy that time.

Youngsters have more time on their hands. Ask any judge, policeman, probation officer or priest. Youngsters can find things to do alright. They may not be the right things but they will do something.

Recreation centres such as the one at Roberts Creek are just the things to put those idle hands to work.

Take a look at what is in the centre now. Attend meetings and find out what can be in the centre if voters approve funding for it.

After you have looked over the recreation centre, look over the court proceedings in the newspapers and see how many youngsters are charged with various offences. They are not necessarily bad youngsters but many of them can get into trouble because of a lack of constructive activities.

A recreation centre is not going to cure this problem by any means but it is a step in the right direction. A child who is tired from hiking, ice skating, basketball, baseball and other such programs is not likely to want to prowl the streets at night.

The Sunshine Coast with all its vaunted leisure activities, mainly connected with water and summer, still has not enough to do to keep its young people busy.

More leisure and recreation time is going to be available. It never will be cheaper.

Can we afford to vote against the recreation centre?

A teapot tempest

THE CURRENT furore over old age pensioners rights and spending habits is a tempest in a teapot.

It's a tempest that's not worth the space it has generated. Recently a person in Gibsons wrote a letter to Gibsons area newspaper chastising pensioners for "their many sources of income," and for their jaunts to Mexico, Hawaii and other pleasure spots.

Surely such a letter was written in jest or at least to raise the ire of many retired citizens. If the latter is true, it did the trick because The Times has received several lengthy letters and numerous phone calls protesting the ridiculous attitude of the letter writer. The letter did not appear in The Times.

If a few pensioners are able to go to Hawaii, Mexico, California or wherever—more power to them. It's nobody's business but their own. They know what they can afford and they have been managing budgets longer than most of us.

Most pensioners, however, unfortunately, do not have the wherewithal to take jaunts to sunnier climes. That's too bad because if anybody deserves such trips it certainly has to be the retired people who are responsible for putting Canada on the map.

The letter writer apparently assumes that all pensioners are flat opposed to the recreation centre. This is certainly not the case. We don't think any of them are opposed to the centre just for opposition's sake. We're sure, that the ones who oppose the centre most vigorously do so from reasoned thinking and not just a whim.

Many pensioners are for the recreation centre. Some of them can and some of them cannot afford to take jet flights to exotic sun spots, however, they too, have studied the value of the recreation centre and see good in it.

Persons who write such letters condemning a group for its selfishness have certainly not used the same good reasoning process that most citizens have.

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EVERY THURS.—8:00 p.m., Bingo, Pender Harbour Community Hall.
April 4 —8:00 p.m., Sechelt Garden Club meeting, St. Hilda's Hall
April 4 —8 to 10 p.m., Recreation Centre meeting, Sechelt Elementary
April 5 —7:30 p.m., Welcome Beach Hall, film show on Italy
April 7 —2 to 4 p.m., Welcome Beach Hall, plant sale
April 8 —Family picnic, everyone invited, Recreation Centre site
April 9 —8 to 10 p.m. Recreation Centre meeting, Elphinstone School
April 9 —Vimy Night, Royal Canadian Legion, Gibsons
April 10—2 to 4 p.m., St. John's U.C.W. Spring Tea, Bake and White Elephant Sale, Wilson Creek Hall
April 12—7.30 p.m., Tommy Tompkins outdoor films, Pender Harbour High School Auditorium
April 12—8:00 p.m., Sea Cavalcade Fashion Show, Gibsons Elementary
April 13—1:00 pm., Roberts Creek School parents' auxiliary rummage and bake sale, St. Aidan's Church hall. Pickup 886-2593
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Grandmother replies

Editor, The Times:

Sir—In recent letters to a local newspaper, some pretty scathing remarks were made about the OAPs, lumping them all together in a snarling, greedy, grasping selfish bunch of malcontents rolling in slothful luxury.

This I resent. None of my circle of friends is against the proposed rec centre nor any other worthwhile project. If there are a few, it may be probable that they have a reason other than selfishness and there are a great many, other than OAPs, who are not in favor of the centre at this time. Why pick on OAPs?

One writer states that he and his wife brought up four children on "very little". Good! I was a widow with young children and I didn't drown them either, in fact, bought them up also. And now that they have children of their own and maybe have to pay a little extra in taxes to keep me in luxury, it is good to know they don't have to take me into their homes and keep me somehow. If the day comes that they do, then under present circumstances they won't be out financially, as would have been the case before pensions. And it won't be too long before their generation will be taking my place.

Since the writers have jumped us all together, may I place us generally in three categories. Those of us, who gratefully, still own our own beloved homes, and because of it find it diffcult at times to make both ends meet; those of us who live in apartments and just manage nicely and those of us who live in senior citizens housing who are best off financially but have had to sacrifice cherished personal belongings into such small quarters.

It costs more, in comparison, for an OAP to maintain a home than a younger person. For example, if a younger homeowner wants to give his house trim a protective coat of paint he buys a bucket of paint and Saturday morning goes out and applies it. An OAP buys the paint and has to pay someone $150 to $200 to do the job. Likewise digging the garden, cutting the grass, any job which requires standing on a ladder. When young working people getting $6 per hour (possibly a working wife, too) and are faced with getting work done on their homes at $6 or so an hour they raise a fuss—but the OAP just pays it and goes without everything else for awhile. I point this out just to show you that we aren't rolling in extra money.

One writer seems to resent one lovely, perhaps once in a lifetime, trip to Hawaii, by charter at reduced rates. Some of us were financed by our children, some of us had been saving for years for just this sort of last-chance binge. I don't suppose anyone got it out of their current pension.

I can't say if I deserve to live in comparative freedom from worry in these final years. I do know that ever since I can remember I have given, month after month, year after year, to every charity, organization and community project - Red Cross, cancer, arthritis and TB projects, CNIB, heart fund, hospital auxiliary, St. Mary's Hospital, scouts, guides, church walkathons, Salvation Army, City Centre Mission, Save the Children Fund - Bundles for Britain! You name it. And no doubt my fellow old people have done the same. I don't feel I am a moocher. I still give to everything and try to keep enough to buy Christmas and birthday gifts for my grandchildren.

One group of people who do not resent us are the merchants as the steady flow of government cheques pass through our hands into their tills, for we, almost exclusively, shop at home. It is the younger, better-heeled people who have the physical strength to go to Vancouver's Army and Navy, Woodward's specials and so on. The local liquor store is probably the only one which doesn't benefit by our being here, except for the odd bottle of sherry or brandy as a heart stimulant.

We are good customers at the medical clinic at so much a visit. Perhaps my letter-writing friends would like us to ask our doctors for overdoses of sleeping pills?

Signed, A rotten grandmother.
(Mabel M. Rockridge,)
Highway 101.
Sechelt

Slaves of security

Editor, The Times,

Sir: The curse of Canada today is the manner in which we have become slaves of security. In effect, we continue to relinquish our freedoms, rights, drives, dreams and desires in return for welfarism, grants, subsidies and giveaways.

All too often the price of security is acceptance of the commonplace standard of the common man—the conformity of the third-rate. Yet it was not the apathy and smugness of security that got the wheel and polio vaccine invented—but the insecurity of hunger and disease. It was the insecurity of religious persecution which brought the Plymouth Pilgrims to the New World. The timid stayed home, compromising their beliefs and relinquishing part of their freedom.

Today, the socialist rides to power on the backs of timid men who have made security their god. In the process, they would have all citiezns enslaved in the "security" of a dictatorship that recognizes neither individual human rights nor the principles of freedom which date back to the Magna Carta.

PATRICIA YOUNG
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Mexican trips denied

Editor, The Times,

Sir: In reference to the letter of S. A. Macey in March 21 edition of a Gibsons paper, I wish to reply to same. I don't know of what age this person happens to be, but that doesn't matter because a person with so warped a mind needs to be pitied more than accused.

Yes, I am one of those old age pensioners who is so fouly criticized, but I am sorry to say that I am not one of the fortunate ones who travel the world over on vacations to, sunny Mexico, Hawaii and all points south. I have never been to Mexico, Hawaii or any other of these exotic places, as my funds will not permit me to do so. You talk about paying taxes, well let me inform you that I pay full taxes not $1 per year as you state. I also pay school taxes here for your children, if you have any and I think it is absolutely unfair that I should do so as we have no children of school age, our youngest being 41 years of age.

Yes, I have paid taxes in full in B.C. for the past 46 years, and am still paying them. You state that pensioners get so much given to them in special privileges, such as reduced fares for travel. Well I have a card for the bus in Vancouver which hasn't been used yet, cheap haircuts which refers to me, because I haven't very much left to cut. You also state about the raise in pensions, do you remember the big raise we got of 42 cents due to the high cost of living?

Yes we did get a little more this time, I just received my statement from the government that I will get another $6.75 per month, so Hawaii here I come. You state that the local merchants are paying us to shop somewhere else. I don't know how you could be so naive to say a thing like that.

I agree with you that the younger generation should be supported to a certain extent by the local populace and recreation provided for them, but that it should be in the main sponsored by the provincial and federal governments.

How are old people going to get to the recreation centre? Will they subsidize a bus service for both young and old, and if they do, taxes will go even higher. In regard to your statement of initiating carpet bowling for Gibsons senior citizens. I thank you for that as I receive a great deal of pleasure out of it myself and I know of many more who feel the same way. You also refer to getting a raise in the Canada security pension (recently raised) retirement pensions and so forth. Yes! I got a retirement pension from the firm I worked for in Vancouver for 27 years the large amount of $19.70 per month so where do you get your figures of large retirement pensions?

To give a run down on what I receive in pensions and what I pay in taxes is as follows, including the minicome provincial pension, which some are now receiving. My net taxes for last year amount to provincial taxes: $197; water rates $211; total $408.

Now add your light or heat onto this, which amounts to approximately $25 per month, thus $300 per year. By the time you pay all this money out in taxes and utilities from a pension of little more than $2,500 per year, it leaves you a rough balance of about $1,800 to live on for two people. So that doesn't give me much of a chance to go to Hawaii or Mexico does it?

In closing I would like to say that I do not bear any malice toward you for your statement, but only let you know how the other part of the world lives outside of your select circle. Please remember you may be a senior citizens yourself someday.

P.S. I wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. C. Mandelkau for their kindness in supplying transportation for some of our members, it is a wonderful gesture.

JIM HOLT, chairman,
Transportation Committee
Branch 38, OAPO

Pensioners deny charges

Editor, The Times

Sir: In reply to two letters appearing in last week's papers: First in reply to Rev. Swan I would like to point out that in many cases OAPs have absolutely no other income than their pension which is by any standards barely enough at the present inflated cost of living to maintain even a semblance of respecable living with a great deal of making do with whatever means available.

Some have private means from savings, sale of property or whatever. These people have spent their lives, along with their ancestors in making Canada into the affluent country that it has become and I fail to see why with the weekly UIC rate, welfare and help from other sources available to young people where they are so hard done by compared to the older generation might enjoy themselves.

Would it not be better for we old folks to concentrate on providing a little pleasure and peace of mind in the little time remaining to us who seem to have been forgotten or accepted as a necessary burden until we are gone?

Speaking personally I am concerned, not only with we old ones who are here now, but for the uncounted millions who are getting older day by day and when we are gone they will take our place. It's an inevitable fact.

Therefore, we are the ones to be concerned with our own welfare as we are in the minority and must do for ourselves.

In reply to a letter published in another publication—presumably by a female, I would say this: I personally take strong exception to the views of this person. I also know that I speak with the complete support of the group in which I have for two terms (and in my third) the honor of being the president of Branch 38, OAPO and I write this with the blessing of my executive and the total membership of the group.

At a meeting of a large portion of the membership, prior to the previous plebiscite, it was passed unanimously that we were in agreement in principle of a recreation centre as presented to us. But as this plan had nothing to offer us in the form of recreation beneficial to us and coupled with the transportation problem (at a cost to us) was not in our best interests. Therefore the above was submitted to council at a meeting to express our views and the reasons for same and our reasons for non-suport of the project where we OAPs are concerned as this would impose a further burden on us.

We are in no way opposed to the younger generation having fun. We, in our day, made our own. We realize that this is a changing world and I can assure you it is not for the better. Be that as it may —this person for lack of a better designation refers to older people as "a lot of senior citizens who protest so loudly" as a "selfish lot".

This person is irked by the fact that for the most part we must live in inexpensive homes in a more or less mediocre section and pay only one dollar taxes, while they, presumably in an expensive home in a select area, must pay full taxes.

Secondly, do you Mr., Mrs., or Ms. live on the $200 provided by the government or do you rely on your reserve which most of us do not have?

A couple of points before I close I feel should be clarified: 1. Persons who travel to Hawaii, Reno, Mexico . . . do so strictly on their own by whatever means at their disposal.

2. I would like to go on record stating that we OAPs do not oppose anything beneficial to the community. But in view of the recent rash of vandalism recently in which several of our pensioners have been hurt materially in various forms, is it fair to ask us to help supply recreation at our expense for younger people who hurt us? I'm quite sure that it is not older people who are causing this damage and I appeal to these younger people to stop this vandalism and especially where it involved older people and we will thank them for it.

To clarify the carpet bowls situation. The original set was donated by the Legion to the athletic association. I presume for community use but primarily for pensioners. The second set was purchased by the OAP group from our funds. The third set was purchased by the athletic association. The OAP group owns only one set of bowls and the others were never donated to us.

Thirdly to clarify the situation on the shopping trips that we are supposed to have made through the generosity of the merchants we have made only one such trip—a busload to Richmond last year prior to Christmas which was primarily a pleasure trip and at which I venture to say that from the whole busload, with one exception, there wasn't $100 spent on this trip and in no way did the merchants subsidize it. Every person paid his or her own way.

Regarding donations to us by merchants, they, as well as others have been most generous to us. But indirectly, as all these donations have been relayed to us through other groups and we are most grateful and thank all concerned for any such. But to my knowledge our group have never solicited donations up to now.

Let we say in closing that I hope this clarifies our position for all times.

L. D. MacLAREN
President, Branch 38,
OAP, Gibsons

'First things first'

Editor, The Times,

Sir: Re: the meeting at Welcome Beach Hall on March 28 to hear about and discuss the proposed recreation centre at Roberts Creek.

It amazed me that no one from West Sechelt bothered to come and only three from the Secret Cove part of Area B.

Many were there from the Redroofs Road and Welcome Beach areas of Halfmoon Bay and all were unanimous that an increase in the mill rate of three was impossible on either a small, fixed income or old age pension. It was also queried that if (as the present government has promised) the school taxes come off homeowner taxation would the homeowner grant remain? It was considered most unlikely! Therefore, many people would, in that case, be taxed more heavily than at present.

Also in the whole of the area north of West Sechelt water is the main problem.

If water comes from West Sechelt as proposed by the regional board then the land tax of $40 per lot will have to be met or if sewage main drains come, the increased cost of this will have to be met.

So, first things first in the retirement area please!

Many residents in this area helped to build and raised the necessary funds locally for the Welcome Beach recreation hall and it is used five nights a week by the area. A few from West Sechelt come to the 35-cent film shows twice a month and to the Christmas and Halloween parties also to the recreational group of Area B parties for teenage and younger children.

The younger and more active group could drive their kids as far as Roberts Creek and may be willing—as they are still employed and earning high wages—to pay the extra three mills.

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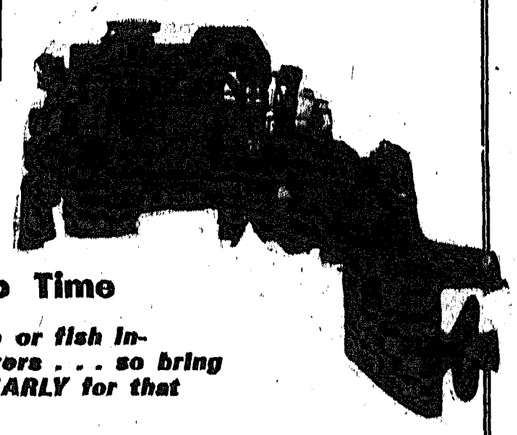

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Sliding scale of income . . .

Subsidized day care centres are expanded

AN EXPANDED day care program, effective April 1, which subsidizes the cost of day care services to families according to a sliding scale of income and family size, has been introduced by the department of rehabilitation and social improvement.

"The effect of this new program will be to make more children able to enjoy the benefits of day care," Norman Levi, minister, said. "For the first time government will be reaching beyond the low-income levels to assist the average income earner with day care costs. We are doing this because government recognizes that good day care is beneficial to children."

"I think the public should understand," Levi continued, "that the responsibility for developing more day care services is an ongoing process, and that the community must share that responsibility with government. The government has already demonstrated its willingness to share that task with community groups by the introduction last December of a capital grants program available to non-profit organizations through my department."

The new policy Levi announced extends existing subsidy arrangements to include other child care services such as nursery schools, private kindergartens (where no public ones exist) and before-and-after-school care.

Eligibility for assistance with child care costs is based on the number of persons in the family group and net family income. To qualify, each family group eligible will be asked to fill out a declaration of income form and mail it to the local day care information centre or to the local office of the department of rehabilitation and social improvement.

Families not eligible according to the scale, but still having difficulty meeting the cost of day care, may complete the application for assistance with day care fees form, which is available from the day care information centres, or the district offices of the department. This will enable families with major monthly medical expenses or similar financial burdens to take advantage of the expanded program.

The Day Care Inormation Centre in Vancouver is at 45 West 8th Ave. (telephone 873-3767, 873-3768 or 873-3769). In Victoria, write the Family and Children's Services at 1627 Fort Street, or phone 382-5121.

In other areas, contact your district office listed in the phone books under department of rehabilitation and social improvement.

The day care information centres have been set up to provide information to parents about services available to their children, to let people know where day care services are available near them, and to try the help families determine their eligibility for government-paid contributions.

The information centres will also provide consultative services to community groups wishing to establish centres.

THIS YOUNG LAD is in his fourth year of what could be 16 years of plastic surgery, orthodontia and speech therapy required to properly correct a cleft lip and palate abnormality. Sechelt Peninsula Lions clubs are sponsoring the sale of Easter seals to help pay for such surgery and other programs to aid handicapped children.

Strait talk

— by Joan Proctor

THE other day someone tried to sell me a new desk for my office. Now I ask you, what could possibly be more impersonal than a metal desk? How could it have any character, let alone charm?

I'm quite happy with my grandmother's old Singer sewing machine cabinet. It's just the right height, has plenty of drawer space, even a partitioned one just perfect for holding pens, pencils, paper clips and typing erasers. But the best feature of all is the good old treadle. It makes a perfect foot-rest and when I become overly inspired, the family can immediately tell because I treadle like the blazes as I type. In between thoughts it's fun just to sit there and lazily treadle. Sort of like treading water I suppose.

Where the machine itself used to be housed, I now store typing paper. The wooden box-like arrangement which once sat atop the machine to keep it dust-free is used elsewhere in our house for a little fireside bench.

The salesman did his best to sell me on the attributes of his metal furnishings, then huffily suggested that anyone who liked to treadle while they worked must be some kind of weirdo. He said I'd probably get over-developed ankles.

Well, I've found that the family that treadles together settles together, I said. The kids love to sit at my sewing machine desk and treadle while they do their homework. Why, I've even got one kid who practised his piano lessons at it. We were too poor to afford a piano at the time, and then when we did get one, folks came from miles around just to hear him play a Brahms "Sewnata."

"Oh real-ly!" said the salesman in disgust. "Why just look at how beat up the wood is on that old piece. Metal can just be wiped clean and stays gleaming and slick looking. That old wooden cabinet has gouges out of it."

"Those happened years ago," I said. One of my brother's used it for a saw-horse and accidently sawed part of the cabinet top. It doesn't matter though, just gives it more character. Why I'll bet nobody'd ever think of substituting a metal desk for a saw-horse would they?"

"Your entire office looks highly inefficient to me," he continued. Why, you haven't even got a waste-paper basket."

"I have too," I said indignantly as I pointed to the corner of the room where my old butter churn stood. "I use the wooden paddle for pushing the paper down," I said smugly.

"Well, anyhow, where are your filing cabinets?" he inquired. "Every office needs metal filing cabinets."

"You're right, I countered, and mine definitely are metal. As a matter of fact you're sitting on one of them."

He stood up and gazed unbelievingly at the old steamer trunk. He headed towards the door and then circled around. I figured he was either going to be sick or try some further line of persuasion.

"Hey, uhm, well . . . . . say, would you mind if I tried that old treadle just a couple of times?"

"Sure, go ahead," I said smiling. "You know, it really is neato."

DEIRDRE MURPHY of Halfmoon Bay, winner of the E. S. Hopper Trophy for her singing at the recent Powell River Music Festival, has been chosen by the adjudicators to enter the provincial festival in Vancouver. Winner of the provincial festival will represent the province in Toronto in September in the national festival.

Easter Basket draw set

GIBSONS—Ladies Auxiliary to the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 109, Gibsons, will hold an Easter basket draw April 21 at the club room. The Easter basket is on display on Don's Shoe Store.

Carpet bowling classes slated at Pender Harbour

PENDER HARBOUR—An introductory session of carpet bowling will take place in the Pender Harbour Community Hall on Thursday, April 5 at 2 p.m. This is to acquaint people with the game so there will be an early start in the fall forming teams.

MOVIE

"Last Safari" starring Stewart Granger will be shown in the Community Hall on Saturday, April 7 at 8 p.m. This outdoor adventure takes place in Kenya when a rich playboy seeks out an elephant that killed his best friend. It's an outdoor action film for all the family.

POOL

Where are all the people who wanted pool tables at the Community Hall? There is room for more players. Attendance lately has not been good.

BAZAAR

Committees have been formd to look after the various booths at the annual spring bazaar to be held May 5. Donations are needed for all the stalls. The raffle this year will be a luncheon cloth of imported linen which was hand-worked by Mrs. Fraser. Approximately 200 hours of work went into the cloth. Tickets will be available shortly from any executive member.

In charge of the various booths are: Doris Edwardson, Kay White, Vi Tyner, Joyce Duff, Jessie Reitze, Marie Reid, Ruth Kobus and Muriel Cameron. If you are willing to donate or help just phone one of the above-named ladies.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership dues are still payable. The fees are two dollars for a single member or three dollars for a family.

There is a board of directors consisting of 12 persons eleced annually to operate the Community Hall and carry on the work which goes with it. These people donate their time to provide the area with a hall and organize entertainment and recreation for the community.

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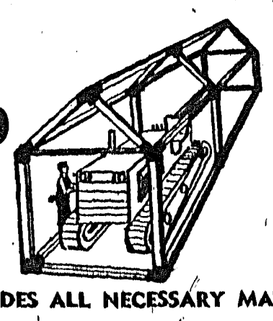
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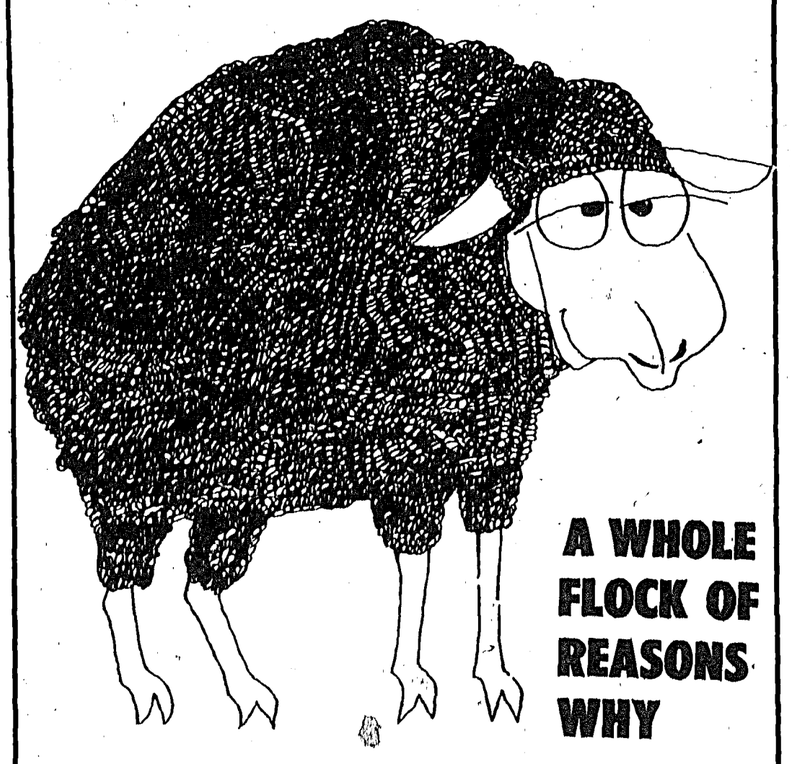
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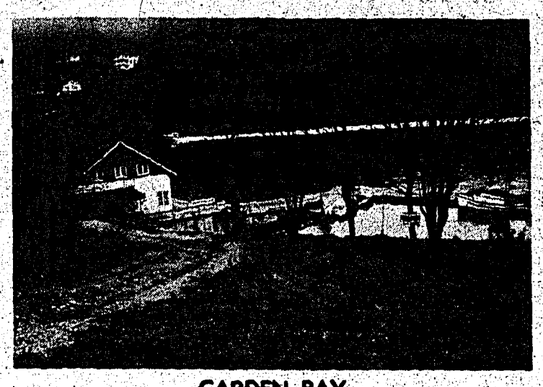

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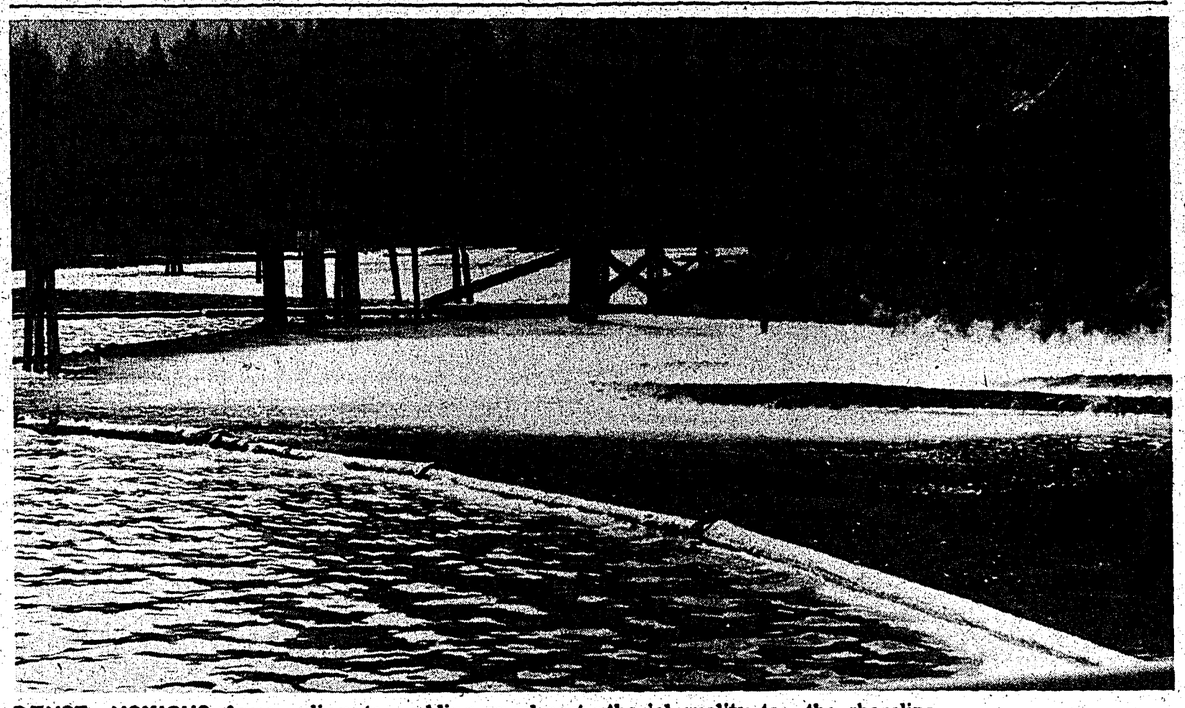

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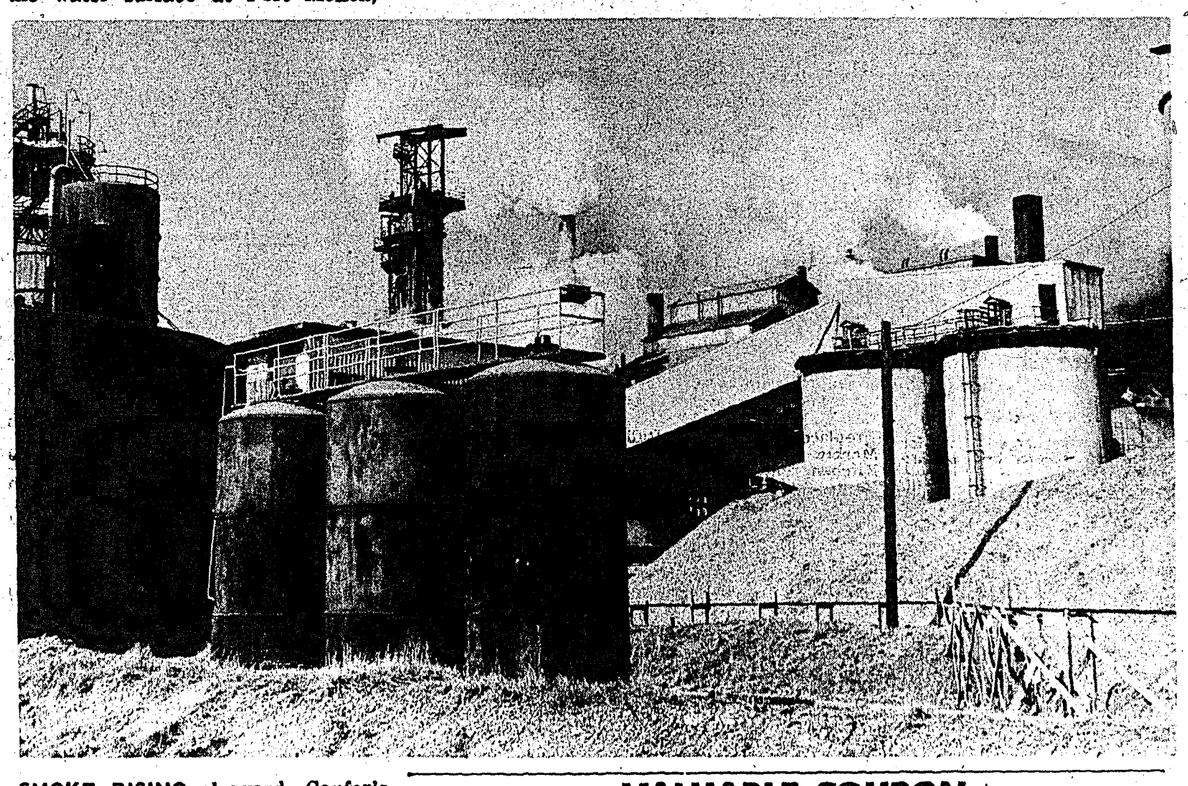

SMOKE RISING skyward, Canfor's Port Mellon mill adds its own fragrance to the scent of summer.

Signs placed along trails at centre

ROBERTS Creek—Latest phase in the development of the Sunshine Coast Recreation Centre site was the placing of signs along trail 3 March 20.

The nature trails sub-committee, which was responsible for the work, involved many local residents.

Frank Parker and Dave Smethurst identified and wrote excerpts on over 60 specimens of trees and vegetation.

Local artists Trudy Small, Liza Pedrini, Christel Gehring and Kaye Wells created attractive and accurate representations of fungi, mosses, conifers and flowering plants.

The information gathered by Parker and Smethurst was typed onto cards by Rita Gross and then sealed in plastic along with the artwork representing the various flora.

Robert Foxall and Bobby Hopkins helped plane and fibreglass botanical signs, while Len MacLaren carved and painted all the directional signs.

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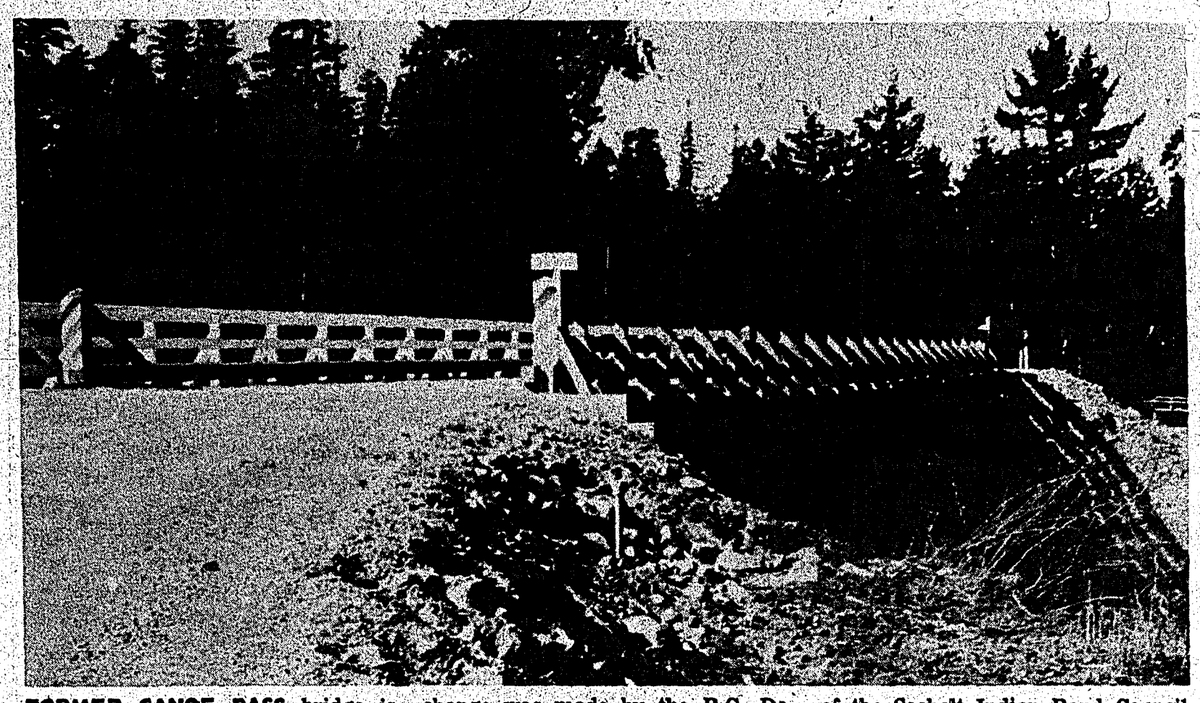

FORMER CANOE PASS bridge is known as Salahlus Bridge. The name change was made by the B.C. Department of Highways as the request of the Sechelt Indian Band Council.

B.C. Tel discriminates, Pender ratepayers claim

PENDER Harbour Ratepayers Association is fighting B.C. Tel's recent decision to retain toll charges to their area.

B.C. Tel earlier rejected applications to include Pender Harbour in the lower Sunshine Coast toll-free zone on the grounds that projected usage did not justify the expense of conversion.

In a letter submitted to the Sunshine Coast Regional District March 29, J. Jones, secretary of the ratepayers association, charged that the toll charge from Wood Bay to Pender Harbour "discriminates against the Pender Harbour area and holds back the natural flow of information between various parts of the Peninsula."

He asked the board's help in establishing communications with B.C. Tel, which failed to respond to letters from the ratepayers association.

"On February 7 of this year, we sent a letter to the British Columbia Telephone Company to the attention of their president, Mr. J. Ernest Richardson. Up to now, we haven't received the courtesy of a reply.

"Today (March 7) we have written again. To us, there is no excuse for not answering our letter.

"Any help that you can give us in this regard will be most appreciated."

The association's latest letter to B.C. Tel reads as follows:

"On January 12, 1970, the Pender Harbour & District Ratepayers Association (with close to 300 members) wrote regarding telephone service in this area.

"We were lead to believe that there would be some major improvements made within two years.

"Here it is three years later, and we are still waiting for the most important improvement—toll free calls throughout the Peninsula and Nelson Island.

"At a meeting of the Pender Harbour and district Ratepayers Association, held recently, it was unanimously passed that a letter be sent to the British Columbia Telephone Company, asking when we can expect toll free calls throughout the Peninsula.

"The RCMP office is in Sechelt; the hospital is also in Sechelt; the ambulance service is at Halfmoon Bay. All the above are long distance calls which, in an emergency, most times take a great deal of time in completing, as compared to local calls.

"Enclosed is a copy of a statement from the telephone company's 1971 annual report. Surely with such large expenditures made to improve service, this area could be made toll free.

"We cannot urge you too strongly to make all the Sechelt Peninsula, including Nelson Island, a toll-free area. The area is one unit, and we feel that the telephone company should treat it as such. Also, the Pender Harbour, Egmont and Nelson Island areas are cut off from the rest of the Peninsula because of the toll charges.

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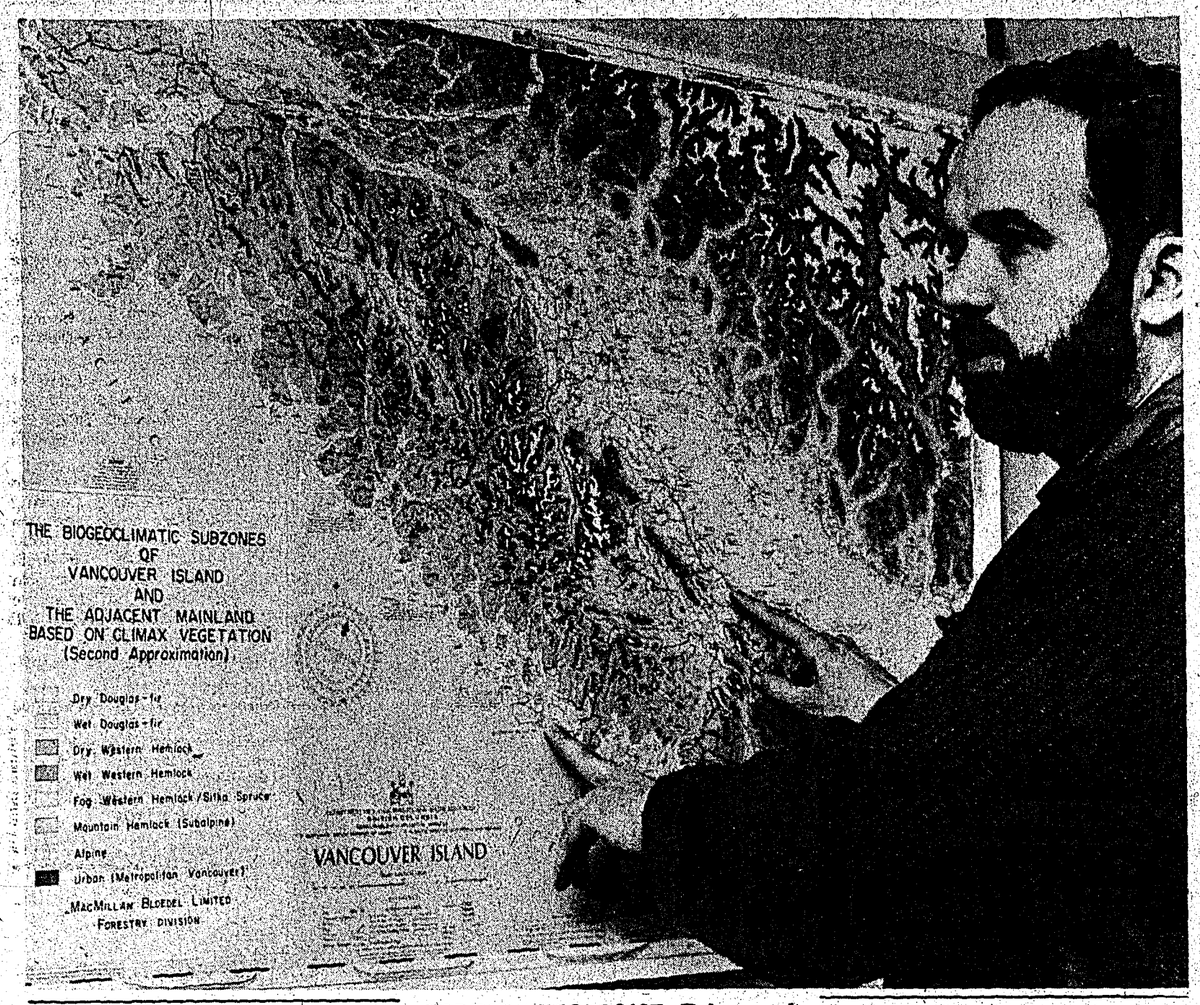

FOREST ECOLOGIST Edmond Packee points to two features on biogeoclimatic zone map of Vancouver Island, which is drawing attention of foresters, universities and government agencies throughout North America and in Europe. Map, which is part of a three-year study-report, defines the many zones and subzones by tree species. It will enable forestry firms to grow better forests, to plant the appropriate tree species in a zone to reach optimum growth, to improve spacing and thinning techniques, and it will help in wildlife management. Packee's ecosystem approach to forest management, with modifications, should be applicable throughout North America. Packee points at right to dry Douglas fir zone on east coast of Vacouver Island and at left to wet western hemlock zone on west coast.

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that tenants should be entitled to the same rights as a land-owning taxpayer.

Fritz Leuchte, trustee of **St. Mary's Hospital Society,** is looking for help again. Earlier Fritz wrote to about 15 organizations and asked for donations of plants or money to buy plants to help landscape the hospital grounds. The hospital received $18,000 LIP grant but that was for labor and does not include plants.

"Now, however," says Fritz, "we are looking for lots of groundcover from the public, **St. Johnswort (hypericum)** and **periwinkle (vinca)** and others maybe. These plants should be brought in boxes to the hospital ground to either **Mack Baba,** the landscape gardener or to the well-beloved **Frank Reid,** also employed on the project."

Times staffer **Al Rogers** who, among his many other duties, collects the newspaper box money from the **Sunshine Coast Queen** carried along his usual brown paper bag instead of the nice new one from the Royal Canadian Mint. In letters about two inches high it states $1,000. Al doesn't doubt the honesty of the average **Sunshine Coaster** but feels the bag is just too much of a temptation for the few dollars he collects.

Dr. D. L. Gemmill, director of the **Coast-Garibaldi Health Unit** has resigned to accept a position with the city of Winnipeg to be effective May 1. Dr. Gemmill says he hopes to announce his successor at the April 18 meeting in the health unit office in Gibsons.

Adele de Lange of Sechelt who had her telephone number changed after having possession of it for nine years expressed her indignation at a recent **chamber of commerce** meeting.

B.C. Tel said that the number change was required to serve customers requiring consecutive sequence lines. **Graeme Stuart,** B.C. Tel p.r. supervisor said that 18 numbers in the Sechelt area were affected. All affected subscribers will have calls transferred automatically and will be furnished with a rubber stamp to change numbers on letterheads.

Frank West, Area E director of the **Sunshine Coast Regional District** has been appointed director of the Municipal Finance Authority at its last meeting.

"It's a great challenge for me and an honor for the Sunshine Coast," says Frank. **J. H. Tyner,** director of **Area A, Pender Harbour,** congratulated him on behalf of the board and said the appointment was just recognition of his work in the finance field.

Are you wondering what's going on in **Dick Clayton's** old Shop Easy store on Cowrie Street in Sechelt? Dick is turning the store into a sporting goods retail outlet. The store, to be known as **Trail Bay Sports Unlimited,** will be under the management of Dick's brother, Bob, who is coming home from his interior job.

The store will feature all lines of sporting goods: baseball, basketball, soccer, tennis—you name it. It will also feature Hondas, Lionel trailer campers, Hourston Glascraft boats, Apache trailers, Johnson outboard motors, E-Z loaders. The Claytons hope to be open for business in the first part of May.

That family picnic to be held at the recreation centre site, Sunday will be held from 1 to 5 p.m. Everybody is welcome to attend and refreshments will be served.

Help to support cancer research. Give generously to the April campaign of the Canadian Cancer Society.

Juvenile fined $25

A PENDER Harbour juvenile charged with breach of probation was fined $25 in provincial court.

The juvenile, one of group recently convicted in a minor crime wave in the Pender Harbour area, was picked up by West Vancouver police and charged with being a minor with liquor in his possession.

PHARMACIST Don Westersund will operate Westersund Pharmacy in the soon-to-be opened Pender Shopping Centre in Madeira Park. Westersund is a graduate student of the University of Alberta, Edmonton. He has a master's degree in pharmacology, and a bachelor of science in pharmacy and has worked towards a Phd at U of A. He was raised in the farming community near High River, south of Calgary. Art Alexander of Madeira Park is developer of the centre which will include an IGA store.

Girl, 17, satisfactory after being hit by car

SECHELT—Seventeen year old Angelina Johnson was reported in satisfactory condition Saturday when she was taken to St. Mary's Hospital after being struck by a car.

The girl was lying on the road near Selma Park at about 10:45 p.m. when a car driven by a Sechelt woman struck her. Police did not charge the driver.

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Dental Topics

FOSSILIZED remains of man show signs of tooth decay and gum disease dating back to the Stone Age. The most common disorder was excessive wear of teeth, probably the result of chewing coarse foods. There is no evidence of treatment until 700 B.C. and then any any advances were kept secret. Rapid advances are now made through research and science but there are not enough dentists to correct all damage so prevention is important.

There is no single way to prevent tooth decay but measures can be taken to reduce it. Tooth brushing removes food particles from the teeth and prevents the accumulation of dental plaque. Plaque is gluey substance sticking to our teeth, harbouring harmful bacteria. If unable to brush, rinse well with water.

Reduce the amount of sweets in your diet particularly in between meals. Foods containing a lot of sugar should be eaten at mealtime and the teeth cleansed immediately after. Snacks should be limited to fresh fruits, cheese, nuts, popcorn and other foods with little or no sugar content. By eating nourishing foods at mealtime snacking will not be necessary.

The application of fluoride to the teeth strengthens the enamel making it more resistant to decay. Fluoride in the community water supply is most effective as it is ingested everyday. However, fluoride can be applied directly to the teeth as well. This preventive treatment is done in a dental office.

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HOWE SOUND PULP'S Frank Zantolas, right, receives a watch and gold service recognition pin from L. L. G. Bentley, president of Canadian Forest Products Ltd., at the ninth annual 25-years service awards banquet recently in Vancouver. H. W. (Harry) Macdonald, vice-president, pulp, is in the background.

25 years with Canfor . . .

Port Mellon employee honored for service

PORT MELLON — Frank Zantolas of Howe Sound Pulp Division at Port Mellon was among 115 employees honored last month at the 25-year service award banquet at the Hotel Vancouver by Canadian Forest Products Ltd. and affiliated companies.

Zantolas is the 12th employee of Howe Sound Pulp Division to become a member of Canfor's 25-year club. His connection with the mill at Port Mellon started briefly in 1940 before he joined the army. In 1947, Zantolas returned to work for Sorg Pulp Co. as boomman and later head boomman. After Canadian Forest Products took over the mill, Frank was a heavy duty equipment operator for 12 years and he took over his present job, yard supervisor, 10 years ago.

Zantola used to box professionally when he was a teenager and he founded a boxing club at Port Mellon. He has taught hundreds of children from Port Mellon and Gibsons the basics of the sport. "Often," he says, "there were 50 children in the hall at a time. The highlight of our year used to be the trips to take part in competitions in Vancouver and elsewhere."

Nearly 600 persons attended the banquet for long-service employees of the Canfor Group of companies. Chairman J. G. Prentice and President L. L. G. Bentley presented the 115 new club members with a watch and gold service recognition pin.

The Canfor 25-Year Club roster now stands at 504. Canfor operations represented in the club are: Eburne Saw Mills Division, Plywood and Hardboard Division, Mainland Logging Division, Englewood Logging Division, Stave Lake Cedar Division, Huntting-Merritt Shingle Division, Howe Sound Pulp Division, Head Office Division, and North Canadian Forest Industries Ltd. which is an afiliated company in Grande Prairie, Alberta.

Safe Motoring

MINIBIKES represent the nation's fastest-growing recreation among children 10 to 14 years old.

The trend has fanned a controversy between those who say that minibikes help youngsters develop skills needed for operating a motor vehicle, and those who claim they represent a serious safety hazard.

The B.C. Automobile Association agrees that minibikes can be unsafe and maintains that parents must assume responsibility for purchasing one that is safe as well as for laying down strict rules governing its use.

BCAA says these are the safety features parents should insist upon:

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- A well-guarded chain and flywheel.
- Suspension on at least one wheel.
- An accelerator that operates freely and does not stick in the open position.
- A conveniently located "kill" button to stop the engine.
- Fenders to prevent the throwing of rocks and dirt.
- Square cross-section tires impede steering and should be avoided. Large tires are preferable to small tires, especially on rugged terrain.

Before closing the sale, minibike purchasers should obtain a complete instruction manual, and make certain that a reasonable warranty on all parts is provided.

Once the youngster has taken possession of the new bike, parents should:

- Conduct a practice-driving session undert heir supervision on a flat, large area free of obstacles.
- Make certain the rider is wearing protective apparel, including proper clothing, helmet, eye protection and sturdy shoes.
- Determine a speed limit adjusted to the youngster's age and abilities.
- Instruct the child to obtain the approval of the owner when operating the bike on private property, and to observe the rules when riding in a public park.
- Direct him to cut off the engine when walking the bike across the street or when leaving it unattended.
- Caution him to avoid touching a hot muffler or exhaust pipe.
- Above all, see that the minibike is operated only in areas where is is both safe and legal.

The BCAA points out that proper maintenance of the minibike also is an important safety factor.

Pender Hi-lites

— by Cecile Girard

I WOULD like to apologize for the mistake I made with the Haida and Nootka house game scores last week. The correct score should read, Haida, 21, Nootka 15.

Last week the house games were volleyball for the girls and floor hockey for the boys. Junior girls played volleyball Monday with Nootka winning as usual, by taking two games and Haida none.

Junior boys played floor hockey on Tuesday with Haida making a winning score of 10-2. There were a lot of bruised boys after this game but there was a quick recovery for the grade 10s as they play in the senior games also.

The senior boys game was on Thursday and it was what you would call quite rough when the fighting to get the puck results with a pack of five boys landing on top of Doug Barsaloux; people flying across the floor due to tripping and quite a few sore people. Haida won 9-2.

We now have a tennis club which includes 24 members. The number of players is shared evenly between boys and girls. We also have a schedule for practices: the morning and one noon hour for boys and girls, and on Fridays it is a mixed practice.

It looks like people are practising for the big run before Easter. This run, of course, is none other than the Ruby Lake road relay. It begins at Ruby Lake and ends at our school.

The grads' car wash last Saturday was a successful one and all are very grateful to those who supported it. The grads took in a profit of $54 at 99 cents a wash.

Last weekend Miss Burris went skiing at Whistler Mountain but didn't wear glasses. Due to the bright sun and reflection and no sunglasses she was absent on Monday and Tuesday and was home with snow blindness.

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Effective April 1st, the new day care program means no child will be denied the benefits of day care because of lack of family funds. The program has been expanded to include nursery schools, private kindergartens (where no public ones exist) and out-of school care. Families can now shop around for the service that best suits their needs. In addition, more families will be eligible for government-paid contributions whether the parents are working or not.

Any family participating in the day care program can tell you the benefits . . . reliable (and if need be — special) care for your children, more resources available to the family, as well as a wider choice of day care services.

The cost is calculated on the number of persons in the family "group" and the total family "take home pay" plus income from any other sources.

The Provincial Government will subsidize the cost of day care to families on a simple sliding scale. (See the chart below.) For example, in a three person family, (two parents and 1 child or 1 parent and 2 children) if the total take home pay is $460, the chart shows that that family group would pay a total $5 a month for day care for the children and the government would pay the balance of up to $100.00 per child. The DECLARATION OF INCOME FORM(for those who qualify on the chart) must be completed in order to qualify for Provincial Government contributions, and is available from the Day Care Information Centre in each area. It is processed by mail, so no interview will be necessary.

People who are not eligible for government contributions according to the chart, but will still have difficulty meeting the cost of day care, may request the APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE WITH DAY CARE FEES from the local Day Care Information Centre or district office of the Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement.

The day care information centres are set up by the Provincial Government to provide information to parents looking for care for their children, about where day care centres exist in the different areas, and to help new centres with licensing regulations. The information centres will also try to help families determine their eligibility for government paid contributions.

Write the Day Care Information Centre in Vancouver at 45 West 8th Avenue or phone 873-3767, 873-3768, 873-3769. In Victoria write the Family and Childrens Service at 1627 Fort Street or phone 382-5121. In other areas contact the district office of the Department of Rehabilitation and Social Improvement.

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If you have any difficulty with the chart please phone the Day Care Information Centre.

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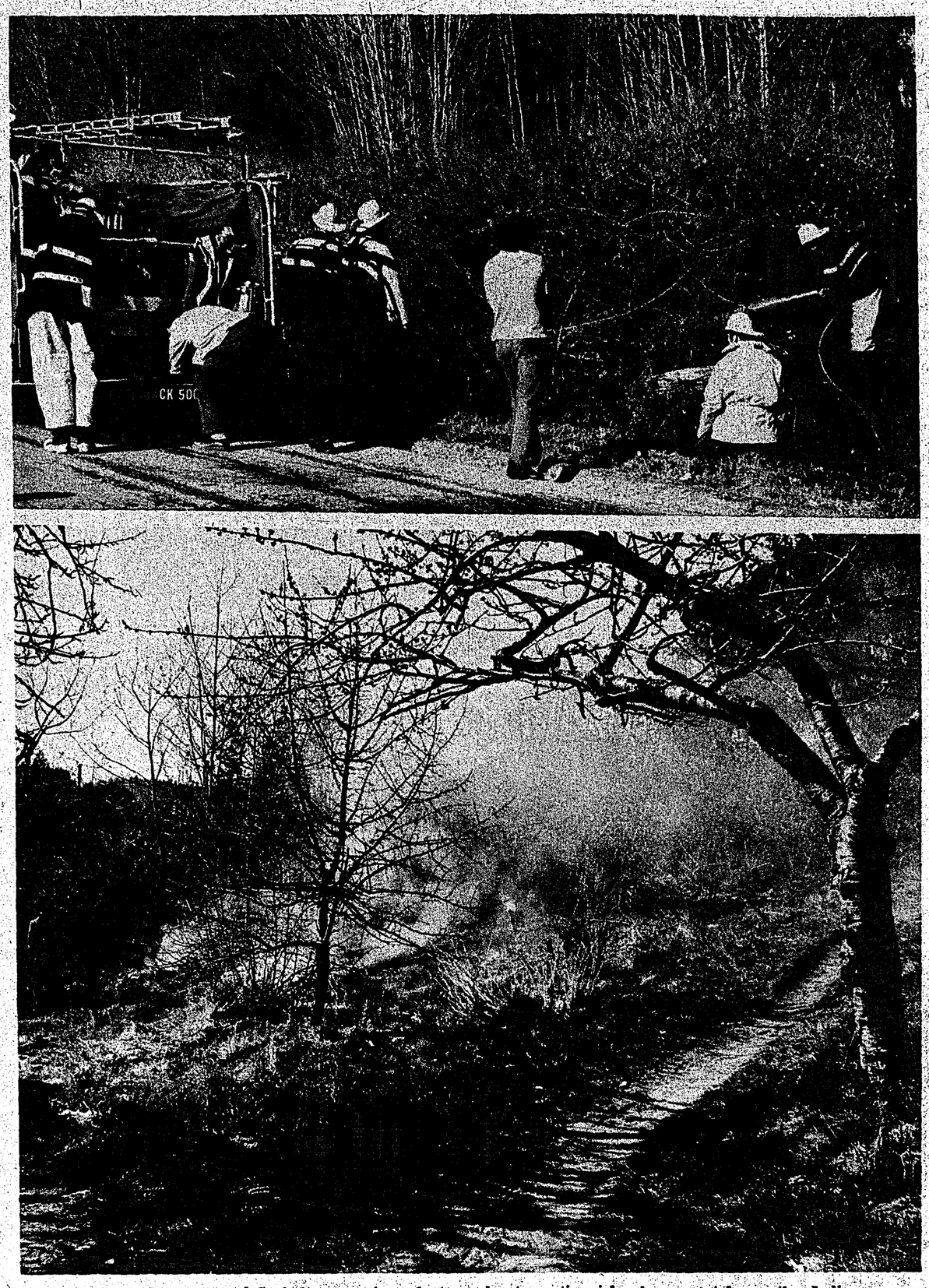

IT'S BRUSH FIRE time and Sechelt Volunteer Fire Department warns residents burning slash and other debris of the winter to use caution. Firemen were called out on two occasions last week to extinguish brush fires. One on Mason Road (above) was lit in several places indicating that the cause was vandalism. In the picture below a blackberry patch on the Indian reserve nearly went up but residents doused the flames themselves. However, if the wind had shifted, houses could have been ignited.

Sechelt News Notes

—by Peggy Connor

SUNDAY was a beautiful sunny day, the kind of day we had been waiting for.

A five-year old girl, two ten-year old girls, mother and a grandmother, went for a walk through the recreation park at Roberts Creek.

The trails are laid out so well with easy grades, soft ground underfoot everyone made the tour easily. Children who live all their life by the ocean found the streams an outstanding delight. Untouched, the water wends its way down through the park, over rocks higher than a house, drops over a sudden cliff, slips quietly over smaller rocks, widens out to a quiet pool, agitatedly leaps around corners, over logs, under bridges constructed by man, but in such a way they are part of the woodland glory.

The small one is a cautious soul, even she found a spot where she could get to the waters edge to scoop up a drink of water in her cupped hands.

The senior member couldn't get over the work that had been done, the trails and bridges done so cleverly that it perhaps takes a more experienced eye to see the amount of work it takes to make it all appear so natural.

The lecture hall, so simple, done with the materials at hand so effectively, makes one want to take part be it either as a listener or a talker.

Friendly picnic tables wait invitingly for picnicers on the banks of the streams.

People who can do what has been done to this recreation park, on their own time, or by donations of money, men and equipment are deserving of your interest and cooperation in adding further facilities for everyone's enjoyment.

Main objection is, "It is going to cost too much on our taxes," and, "I may never get to use the facilities." Is this really the objection? There may be a few who can honehtly say it's the added tax that is the reason, but it is like the fellow who should quit smoking and can find a host of reasons why he shouldn't. Open up your mind, think what it could mean, to many people who may never go inside. People start travelling up and down the highway in huge numbers, there is no doubt that there will be a bus service bound to come.

Transporting people is not just done by doting parents. Bingo brings out people from Egmont to Port Mellon. Distance does not deter them.

Ice skating can be a family affair, the families that travelled icy roads to skate on lakes at Halfmoon Bay, Pender Harbour or wherever, testified to that.

This last week the holiday seekers were at Reno. Archie and Sis Scott on one bus trip, met Marion Cook who went on a charter bus with a group from Langley. Another bus carried Mrs. Ina Grafe and Mrs. Paula Gibbons, whose biggest thrill was to see and hear Wayne Newton, who they say, was fabulous. They all won some money and lost some but that is the thrill of it.

Manifred Cook is still at St. Paul's Hospital in Vancouver but he was happy that his wife could get away for a few days holidays.

The extended-care party for two birthday people was held on Wednesday evening March 28. Parker Freeborn's birthday was right on the day, while Mrs. Hicks was a few days before.

Roberts Creek Auxiliary hosted, with Mrs. Betty Merrick, Mrs. Flo McSavvaney, Mrs. Lillian Thomas, Mrs. Madelaine Grose looking after the food end, while two other members Mrs. Mavis Christmas and Mrs. Mollie Almond entertained with guitar and songs.

Mrs. Hicks daughter, Mrs. Peggy Volen, and Marvin, from Gibsons provided the second cake.

The Sechelt LA to Guides and Brownie monthly meeting will be held Wed. April 4 at the house of Betty Powers.

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At the movies . . .

'Red Shoes' to be shown tonight by film society

By ALLAN J. CRANE

TONIGHT sees the screening of the famous British ballet film, **The Red Shoes** which stars Dame Moira Shearer. The choreography is by Lonide Massine, and the color design by Hein Heckroth who also designed **The Tales of Hoffmann**, another film using color beyond the narrow bounds of realism.

Following **The Red Shoes** in the Twilight Theatre's regular program on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 5, 6 and 7 is **Butterflies are Free** starring Goldie Hawn. Next Wednesday, April 11, is the starting date for **Nicholas and Alexandra**, the academy award winning film which will also be playing on the following Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 12, 13 and 14. Please note that this film commences at 7:30 p.m. ending approximately 10:35. As this film is part of the Twilight Theatre's regular program, regular admission charges will apply to members and non-members of the Film Society alike for Wednesday, April 11.

Based on Robert K. Massie's best-selling book of the same title, **Nicholas and Alexandra** tells the story of Tsar Nicholas II, his German-born wife, Alexandra, and their family during the last days of Tsarist Russia. The producer, Sam Spiegel, is noted for his shrewd choice of subjects and directors. His previous successes include **The African Queen** (directed by John Huston, and a Film Society presentation last October), **On the Waterfront** (Elia Kazan) and **Lawrence of Arabia** (David Lean).

For **Nicholas and Alexandra**, Spiegel chose Franklin Schaffner as his director. Schaffner's meticulous attention to period detail was most recently seen in **Patton** for which he won an academy award. Winners of NATO's producer and director of the year awards, Spiegel and Schaffner have in **Nicholas and Alexandra** mounted a sumptuous production with a huge cast and lavish sets. The cast includes the Royal Shakespeare Company's Janet Suzman as Alexandra, Michael Jayston as the Tsar, Michael Bryant as Lenin and Tom Baker as the monk Rasputin whose power over Alexandra was widely feared. Smaller roles are played by such notables as Sir Laurence Olivier, Michael Redgrave, Jack Hawkins and Irene Worth.

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Times SPORTS

Softball league gets ready for season opener

SECHELT—Sunshine Coast Men's Softball League is planning a strong league this year, Jim Gray told The Times.

Any players interested in signing up for the Wakefield Inn team my turn out for practice Sunday, April 8 at 2 p.m. Further information may be obtained from Frode Jorgenson or Jm Gray at 885-9470.

Riding club plans June 10 horse show

GIBSONS—Timber Trails Riding Club is busy planning for its June 10 horse show.

Volunteers are needed for ring work and the concession. Volunteers may phone 886-2160.

One of Brushwoood Farm mares, "Polly's Double", is sure proud. Her 10-month old gelding was shown at the Totem Quarterhorse Show recently and won his class as well as being named reserve champion gelding of the entire show.

The Newshams of Wilson Creek have a new mare, "Tweedy", an iron-grey Quarterhorse. They hope use her in gymkhanas.

Gail Hairsine is excited about her recent purchase, a lovely bay mare previously owned by the Fernlys of Sechelt. Gail hopes this one will be the endurance horse she has been looking for.

June Gallup of Wilson Creek is readying "Sahara's Rapture" for halter classes in Fraser Valley shows.

Debbie and Keith Rodes will be coming down from Dawson Creek for the summer bringing Blackburn 80 and Brushwood Peso with them. Blackburn 80 is heavy in foal to "Blackburn 3 Bars" so will foal at Brushwood Farm and be rebread to "3 Bars" for a '74 foal.

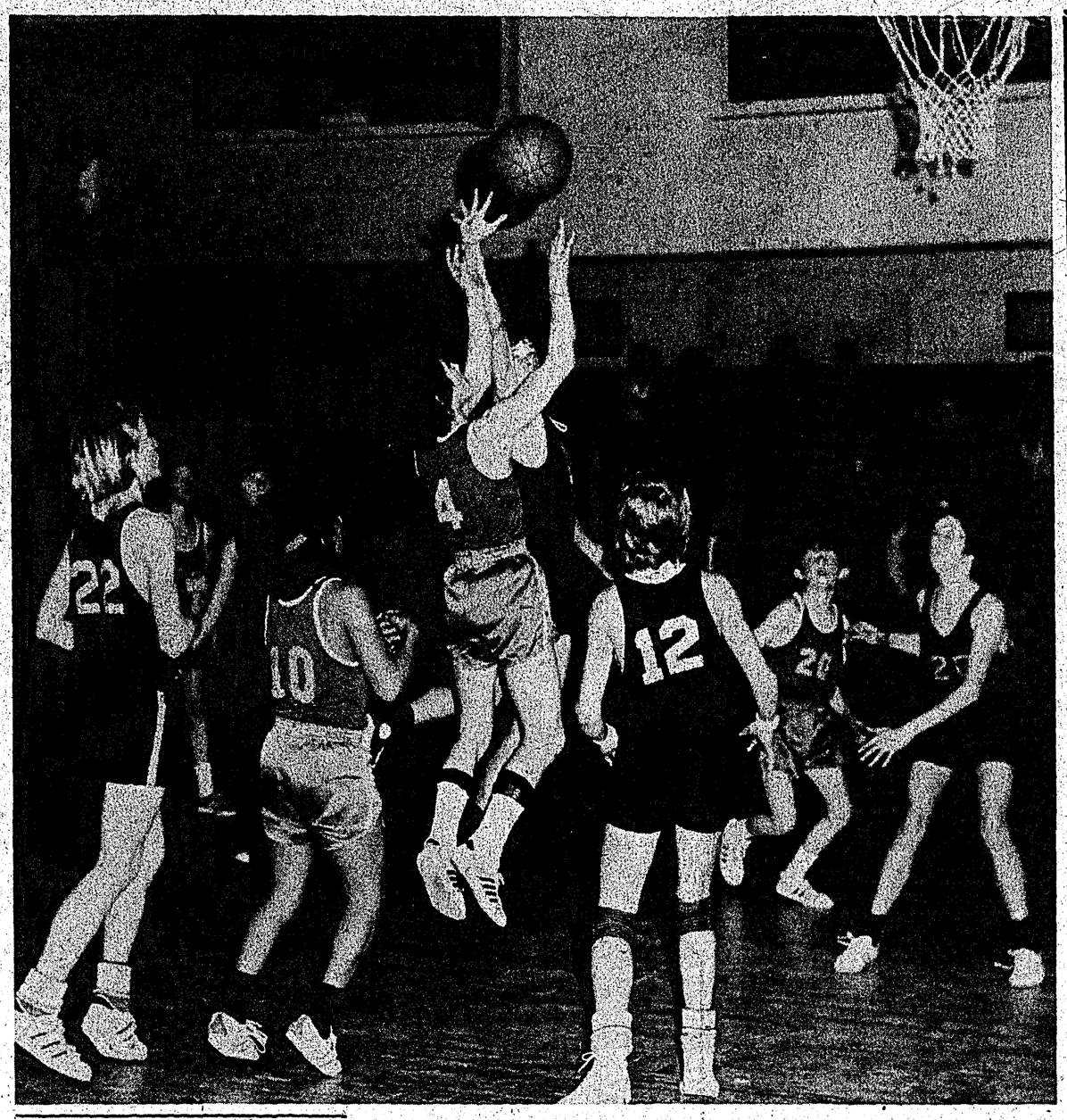
The following persons have joined the club:

Dave and Linda Husby, Ken and Gill Wells of Gibsons, Jean Barry, Wendy, Betty and Lenor Haslan of Wilson Creek and Susan Sutherland of Roberts Creek.

Susan's family has purchased the Chess Day farm. They have eight head of horses and will be using them for trail riding this summer.

The showing clinic is definitely scheduled for May 12. The film and lecture will be held May 11, clinic the following day. This will be handled by Barb Knudson.

Our next meeting will be held on April 4th 8 p.m. at Brushwood Farms, Pratt Road, Gibsons.



KELLY BODNAREK, 4, leaps for the ball during the grade 8 basketball tournament hosted by Elphinstone high school March 26 and 27. In spite of Bodnarek's athletics, Sechelt went on to lose the final game 32 to 24 to Elphinstone 'S'.

Sechelt Lanes

—by Eve Moscrip

SECHELT—Buckskins: Gerald Louie 612 (219, 181, 222); Alan Louie 600 (185, 227, 188); Donna Joe 539 (172, 210, 157); Karen Johnson 482 (145, 179, 158).

Mixed 10 pins: Gordy McCourt, 332 (179); Bob Jones 314 (166); Gene Brem 291 (190); Lil McCourt 324 (187); Diana Keeley 274 (160).

Ball and Chain: Matt Jaeger 662; Bruce Redman, 298, 766; Walter Kohuch, 668; John Kelly, 709; Roger Hocknell, 311, 666; Tim Frizzell, 605; Gail Redman, 260; Carl Kohuch, 293, 724; Glenn Phillips, 621.

Happenings around Elphinstone . . .

Elphie 'S' team grabs grade 8 hoop honors

—by Joan Blomgren

ELPHINSTONE 'S' captured top honors at the grade 8 boys basketball tourney last Thursday and Friday at Elphinstone gym.

The tournament was the finale to a season of hard work and practice by each of the five teams involved in the grade 8 league. Organized by Harry Turner and now finishing it's second year of operation, the league plays an important part in developing potential for future Elphinstone basketball teams.

Sechelt Elementary overpowered Gibsons Elementary in the tourney's first game, Thursday. Kelly Bodnarek was a strong factor in Sechelt's 46-27 win, scoring 14 points, while team mate Craig Rodway added 10. Sechelt had won all six of their league games and coach Bob Gray was afraid they might have a letdown during their first tournament game. However, everyone played really good games, especially Gordie Water and Bradley Joe. High scorers for the Gibsons squad were Randy Smith 15 and Wally Nygren 4.

Despite an outstanding 21 points performance from Sechelt Residence's Calvin Sparrow, Elphinstone 'S' took the victory 37-31 in the next game. It was a great team effort for the Elphinstone squad, which is coached by Bill Sneddon. On defense the club played a sagging man-to-man that quite effectively stopped the Residence offense. High scorers from Frode Jorgenson or Jim Gray at for the winners were Bruce Hansen 16, Andy Alsager 13 and Brad Quarry 6.

Thursday's final game found Sechelt Elementary again on the court, this time against Elphinstone 'T'. Kelly Bodnarek had 12 points and Bradley Joe 10 for Sechelt's final 36-28 triumph. Eric Clark scored 10 and Gordon Currie 7 for Turner's Elphinstone squad. Described as a "grade 5 sensation" by Coach Gray, Sechelt's Brad Rodway was just that. By far the shortest player in the tournament, he says he's 4'2", Brad more than compensated for his lack of height with a great display of hustle and determination.

Gibsons Elementary chalked up its first victory of the season by defeating Elphinstone 'T', 26-18, Friday. Gibsons had a lot of hustle, good offensive rebounding and played a sound man-to-man defense game, according to their coach John Lowden. They also tried to keep the ball away from Elphinstone's big man, Eric Clark, limiting him to only 6 points. Raymond Boser led Gibsons with 13 points and David Brackett added 4. Bruce Brannan was Elphinstone 'T' highscorer with 7 points.

Gibsons Elementary met a strong Sechelt Residence team in the following game. It was Gibsons second game in a row but they put up a good effort against the much bigger and faster Residence

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CONTINUING to carry the sports name of the Sunshine Coast far and wide are members of the Sechelt Chiefs soccer club who Saturday beat third-division Mainland League team North Shore Saints, 3-1. The Chiefs are in fifth division. Provincial cup play continues when the Chiefs head to Vancouver Saturday to take on another team. These pictures show that the Saints goaltender has a busy day as the Chiefs pumped a lot of soccer balls towards him. In the picture above, Teddy Joe (white head band) keeps the netminder on his toes.

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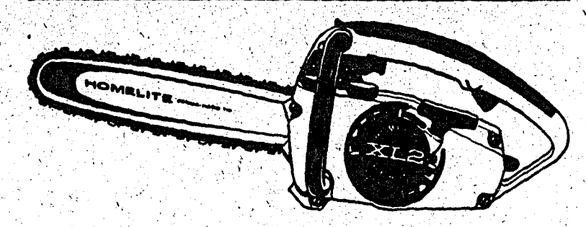

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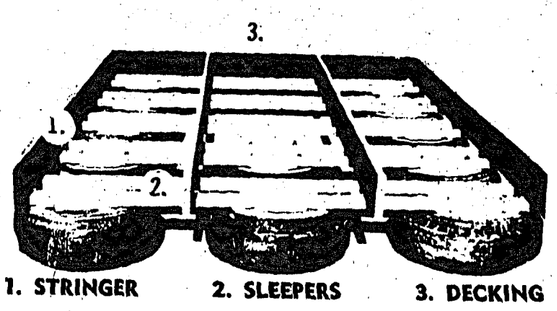

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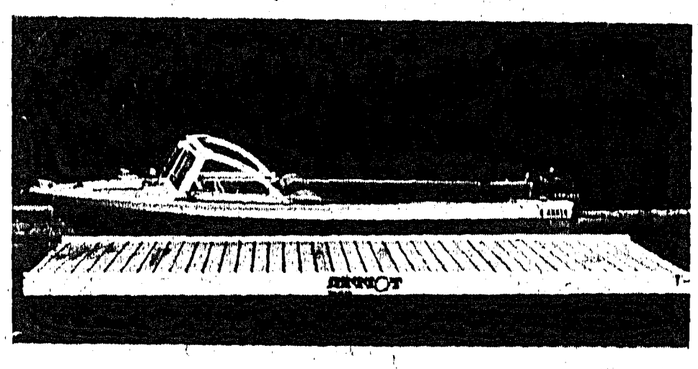

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MORE ABOUT...

• Elphie 'S' team

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team. Calvin Sparrow had 16 points and Eugene Dick and Willard Wallace scored 6 apiece for Sechet Residence's final 45-26 win. Raymond Boser paced Gibsons Elementary with 8 points while Wally Nygren, David Brackett and Kyle Nygren hooped 4 points each.

In the final championship game Elphinstone 'S' downed Sechelt Elementary 32-24. Elphinstone again used a sagging man-to-man defense, using one of their bigger players, Bruce Hansen, to effectively cover Sechelt's top scorer, Kelly Bodnarek. The game was quite exciting in the second half as Sechelt drew close several times only to have Elphinstone score a key basket. "Andy Alsager contributed quite well to the team, as usual, despite a sprained wrist", remarked Elphinstone coach Bill Sneddon. Bill was captain of Elphie's senior boys basketball team and has done a great job of coaching his own club. Andy and Bruce both netted 12 points and teammate Brad Quarry scored 4.

Sechelt high scorers were Kelly Bodnarek 10 and Rob Joe and Gordie Waters with 4 apiece. Each member of the winning Elphinstone 'S' team received a small crest from Tournament organizer Harry Turner.

Thanks go to the timer, scorers, referees, and all persons who came out and supported the teams.

MORE ABOUT...

• Gibsons by-pass

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Chairman Lorne Wolverton referred the matter to the Area 'E' advisory planning committee.

Director Frank West suggested a copy of the Sechelt firearms bylaw should be made available to the committee.

Sechelt representative, Ben Lang, said their bylaw had proved successful and there had been no problem in enforcing it.

The Sechelt bylaw was patterned after one employed in West Vancouver, he said.

Areas 'E' and 'F' advisory planning committees will be asked to consider the possibility of a plebiscite on lighting in the Gibsons Heights area.

A letter from the Gibsons Heights Ratepayers Association spotlighted the need for additional street lighting in the area.

"A motion was put forward at our recent general meeting to seek street lighting at some five intersections in our area," said J. Gurney, ratepayers association president.

First priority, he said was lighting at Cemetery and North Roads. Chamberlain at North Roads ranked second on their list followed by Gilmour at Cemetery, Chamberlain at Reed, Stewart at North and Stewart at Reed.

Gooding said, in view of this request, it might be worth considering a plebiscite on lighting in the area.

West said they should look into the density of housing and other related factors before making a decision.

The board referred the matter to the relevant advisory committees.

COACH IAN JACOB has good reason to look pleased with the performance of his Langdale Elementary girls volleyball team. Captain Susan Martin holds the first-place trophy the team won at a recent tournament at Queen Elizabeth High Schoool in Surrey. Team members are, back row, from left, coach Ian Jacob, Barbara Lyttle, Colleen Hoops, Lynne Wheeler, Leora Jamieson. Front, Sigrid Petersen, Ingrid Petersen, Susan Martin, Deanna Paul.

Madeira Park Happenings

— by Ernie Kingston

HOUSE II is still leading in the noon hour games with 40 points. House III is second with 39 points, House I third with 36 points, and House IV with 29 points. A close race is developing between Houses II and III.

STUDENTS vs TEACHERS

Students playing the teachers softball on Friday. The score was three to two for the teachers, Kerry Wark pitched for the students and Mr. Rees pitched for the teachers. The series is tied up one game each.

ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

Senior class is busy moving equipment and digging holes for the adventure playground. The poles for the various projects are piled at the back of the school. Mr. Rees and Mr. Wishlove are planning out where all the equipment is to go.

GET WELL

Mrs. Lee, our school secretary, is in the hospital for April. We wish her all the best and to get well soon. The same wishes go to Lhevinne Talento who is in hospital in Vancouver.

EASTER EGG HUNT

We will have an Easter egg hunt at our school for the kindergarten and primary grades on Thursday, April 19. Some of the mothers: Mrs. Duff, Mrs. Kammerle and Mrs. Kobus are helping to organize and run it. We would like to thank these parents as well as the Pender Harbour Lion's Club and the Community Club for their donations.

MERALOMAS PLAYER puts Gibsons rugby team on the defensive Saturday as he prepared to boot the ball into enemy territory. In spite of some solid plays, Gibsons went down 20 to 12 in one of the closest-fought games this season. Scorers for Gibsons were Bill Sluis and Art Dew. John Crosby converted both tries.

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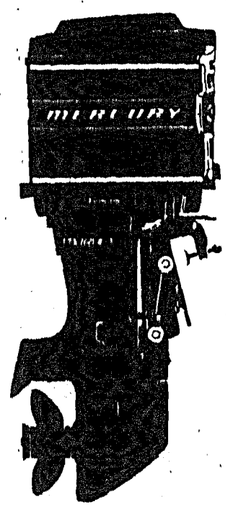
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SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT

BY-LAW No. 77

The "Construction, Operation and Maintenance of a Recreation Centre including an Ice Arena By-law No. 77, 1973".

By-law No. 77 provides for the submission of a question to the Owner Electors of Electoral Areas B, C, D, E, and F of the Sunshine Coast Regional District in the matter of their Electoral Area participation in a function which would undertake the construction, operation and maintenance of a Recreation Centre, including an Ice Arena. The question is to be submitted in the following form:

"Are you in favour of the Regional Board undertaking the Construction, Operation and Maintenance of a Recreation Centre, including an Ice Arena under the following terms and conditions:

(a) The capital cost of construction and development shall not exceed $500,000.00;

(b) Apportionment of the cost of the function among the participating member municipalities and Electoral Areas shall be on the basis of assessment which may be taxed for school purposes for the current year in the Electoral Areas and for general municipal purposes in municipalities;

(c) The annual cost of the said function shall not exceed the product of a levy of three mills on the net taxable assessed value of land and improvements referred to in clause (b).

Yes or No?".

The Village municipalities of Gibsons and Sechelt have agreed to submit a similar by-law to their electors on the same day.

TAKE NOTICE that the above is a synopsis of a by-law which may be inspected at the Sunshine Coast Regional District office, Davis Bay, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, and that the synopsis is not intended to be and is not to be deemed to be an interpretation of the by-law.

A by-law to authorize the submission of the question therein set forth for the assent of the owner-electors of the Regional District and upon which question the vote will be taken at:—

Electoral Area Covered	Location of Poll
B	Halfmoon Bay Elementary School
B	West Sechelt Elementary School
C	Davis Bay Elementary School
D	Roberts Creek Elementary School
E	Elphinstone Secondary School, Gibsons
F	Langdale Elementary School

on the **14th day of April, 1973, between the hours of eight (8) o'clock in the forenoon and eight (8) o'clock in the afternoon,** and that Mrs. G. T. London has been appointed Returning Officer for the purpose of taking and recording the vote of the electors.

An advance poll will be conducted at the Regional District Office, Davis Bay, between the hours of nine (9) o'clock in the forenoon and five (5) o'clock in the afternoon on the 12th day of April, 1973, and those permitted to vote at the advance poll are only those who, being duly qualified owner-electors, sign a declaration that:

(a) they expect to be absent from the Regional District on polling day;

(b) they are for reasons of conscience prevented from voting on polling day;

(c) they through circumstances beyond their control will not be able to attend the poll on polling day.

Subject to the exception hereinafter recited, persons entitled to vote on this question are only those owner-electors whose names appear on the 1972-1973 List of Electors as prepared by the Regional District for the several electoral areas.

An owner-elector whose name does not appear on the List of Electors but is otherwise qualified may apply to the Secretary of the Regional District for a certificate that he is entitled to vote and the Secretary may, upon production by the applicant of satisfactory written evidence of ownership, give a certificate under his hand entitling him to vote. The applicant shall be required to execute the appropriate declaration under the provisions of Section 46A of the Municipal Act before a certificate is issued. A certificate may be procured at any time during office hours between the date of this notice and polling day. On polling day a certificate will be obtainable only between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. at the Regional District Office, Davis Bay.

Where more than one poll is held in an Electoral Area, an elector may vote at only one poll.

Dated at Davis Bay, this 31st day of March, 1973.

CHARLES F. GOODING,
Secretary

ADVENTUROUS GROUP of pupils from Sechelt Elementary are among the first to enjoy the outdoor joys of the Sunshine Coast Recreation Centre following placement of directional and botanical signs March 20. A group of 70 pupils, under the watchful eye of Jim Gray, spent the afternoon March 27 meandering along trails, crossing pioneer-style bridges and generally enjoying being out of the classroom. Gray told The Times he hopes to organize more nature study expeditions to the centre.

Primary concert held in Gibsons School

GIBSONS—A busy week in Gibsons Elementary ended Friday with the primary grades concert in the gym.

The afternoon kindergarten classes accompanied by Mrs. Faye Birkin began the program with a group of four songs which they enjoyed as much as the audience of parents and friends.

First-year classes each presented an action song; Miss Louie's told about a pond and a scarry red snake and Mrs. Romberg's a dance and a group recitation. The children in Mrs. Comb's class performed a quaint folk dance and a choral recitation. With great verve the children of Miss Atkins' class recited a poem about the positive qualities of 'yes' and the third-year class instructed by Miss Fuoco sang a group of three songs in two parts. In their calyso number the children made effective use of West Indian rhythm instruments. The audience was most appreciative of the work of the teachers and their pupils.

On Wednesday evening the pupils in the intermediate years were hosts at parents' night. Throngs of parents and friends visited classrooms with their children to examine notebooks and other pupil work and to watch and hear pupils busy at their science experiments, practicing in the band or going through regular class activities in physical education. Art work in ceramics, flatwork, puppets was also on display. Math problems and puzzles were there to try the rusty ingenuity of the adult mind.

Over half the school visited the nature trails at the recreation centre park in Roberts Creek during the week, many by hiking. They reported well-marked trails with many trees labelled.

Next event at the school is the annual concert when the school choir, the school band, the drama club and the physical education gymnasts will perform. The date is Wednesday April 18 at 7:30 in the gym.

Halfmoon Bay Happenings

—by Mary Tinkley

IN LAST week's column it was erroneously stated that last Thursday's film show was the last of the season. There is still one more show, tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. at the Welcome Beach Hall when four excellent Italian films will be shown courtesy of the Italian Tourist Bureau.

On Saturday, there will be a plant sale at the Welcome Beach Hall between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Donations for the sale will be gratefully received and the convenor, Mrs. Janet Allen would appreciate plants being packed ready for sale. Please wrap roots in damp newspaper and then plastic bags. Donations can be left at the hall on Saturday morning from 10:30 a.m. or on the porch if nobody is in attendance.

The last social evening of the season will be on Saturday, April 14 at 7:30 p.m. at the Welcome Beach Hall. With everybody busy in their gardens, carpet bowling wound up last Wednesday after a very successful and interesting season.

After being closed for five weeks for renovations, the Halfmoon Shell coffee shop reopened on Saturday glowing with fresh paint and attractive new furnishings, including a new juke box. Marianne Kieselbach is the little lady in charge of the coffee shop and we hear that son Andy is shaping into a pretty good cook too.

Mrs. Greta Jorgensen has sold the house at Halfmoon Bay which has been her home for more than 20 years and where her famous garden has always attracted so much admiration. She is at present the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Andy Hansen, and her many friends are happy to know that she is not moving far away. She plans to instal a mobile home at West Sechelt. The new owners of the Jorgensen home are Bill and Jessie Harpnick.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hoffar are home at Secret Cove after a holiday in Mexico. They had a really good time, made many friends and crammed quite a number of experiences into a short two-week holiday. They flew from Vancouver nonstop to Guadalajara where they spent a few days, hiring a guide who took them to many places of interest. They visited Tonala, the famous pottery centre on market day and shopped at the Plaza del Sol, a modern shopping centre just outside Guadalajara, with American-type department and grocery stores and very fine Mexican crafts. Continuing on to Chapala, they stayed at El Camino Real at Ajijic and a motel at Chula Vista behind the village of San Antonio. Renting a car they drove between 500 and 600 miles, exploring the country around. When they attended church at Chapala, they were surprised at the way people got up and walked around and at the children who came through the church selling chewing gum. On Sunday night they saw the girls and boys walking the Plaza, the boys in one direction and the girls in the other. At Ajijic, in a lovely setting beside the serene and peaceful Lake Chapala, they had the noisiest night of their trip with clanging of bells and the banging of firecrackers as the people of Ajijic celebrated the Fiesta of their patron saint, San Andres.

Generally, the Hoffars found the hotels quite expensive, but however expensive and beautiful they were, there were always things that did not work, such as the elevator, or the plumbing, and the electric power would fail at fairly regular intervals. At some of the hotels there were many interesting events organized for the guests, such as cocktail parties, luncheons and orchestras. They think the best way to spend a holiday in Mexico would be with a trailer and facilities for cooking their own food. The Mexicans, from the richest to the poorest, they found to be delightful people, friendly and helpful and delighted when the Hoffars with a fairly limited vocabulary, talked to them in Spanish.

One disappointment was that it was Lent during their visit, a time of austerity in this Catholic country, and so they were unable to see some of the attractions to which they had looked forward, such as the Folklorico in Guadalajara and the Mariachi Mass at Ajijic.

Christmas Seal giving up 6 percent on Peninsula

SUNSHINE Coast residents increased their contribution to Christmas Seals by more than 6 per cent this year, according to final provincial tabulations.

Announcement was made in Vancouver by James D. Helmcken, president of the B.C. Tuberculosis-Christmas Seal Society, who noted that Sechelt Peninsula totalled $2,467 for the 1972-73 campaign. Contributions for the previous campaign totalled $2,309.

By way of comparison, the province-wide average increase was 15.6 per cent. British Columbians this year gave $473,849 —up from the previous high of $409,810.

Campaign chairman for Sechelt was Mrs. Pat Murphy, of Halfmoon Bay.

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BY-LAW No. 118

A By-law to authorize a submission to the owners of land within Municipal boundaries of the Corporation of the Village of Sechelt on the question of participation in the function of "Construction, Operation and Maintenance of a Recreation Centre, including an Ice Arena".

WHEREAS the Regional Board of the Sunshine Coast Regional District has been requested to undertake the "Construction, Operation and Maintenance of a Recreation Centre, including an Ice Arena" as a function of the Regional District for the member municipalities and Electoral Areas;

AND WHEREAS the member municipalities of the Village of Gibsons and the Village of Sechelt have agreed to submit to the owners of land within those municipalities the question of participation in the proposed function concurrently with, and in similar form, to that submitted to the owner-electors within the Electoral Areas;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the Village of Gibsons in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. A poll shall be taken of the owner-electors qualified to vote within the Village of Sechelt in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Act, to determine whether or not the owners of land wish to participate in the function of the Regional District of "Construction, Operation and Maintenance of a Recreation Centre including an ice arena".

2. The poll shall be taken on the 14th day of April, 1973, between the hours of 8 o'clock in the forenoon and 8 o'clock in the afternoon.

3. An advanced poll shall be conducted at the Municipal Office, Sechelt, between the hours of 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 5 o'clock in the afternoon on the 12th day of April, 1973, and those permitted to vote at the advanced poll are those who, being qualified to vote, sign a statement that they expect to be absent from the area on polling day or they are for reasons of conscience prevented from voting on polling day.

4. The question on the ballot shall read:
"Are you in favour of the Village of Sechelt participating in the function of the Regional District of constructing, operating and maintaining a recreation centre, including an ice arena, under the following terms and conditions:

   (a) The capital cost of construction and development shall not exceed $500,000.00;

   (b) Apportionment of the cost of the function among the participating member municipalities and electoral areas shall be on the basis of assessment which may be taxed for school purposes for the current year in the electoral areas and for general municipal purposes in municipalities;

   (c) The annual cost of the said function shall not exceed the product of a levy of three mills on the net taxable assessed value of land and improvements referred to in clause (b). Yes or No?".

This By-law may be cited as "Construction, Operation and Maintenance of a Recreation Centre including an ice arena By-law No. 118, 1973".

READ A FIRST time this 7th day of March, 1973.

READ A SECOND time this 7th day of March, 1973.

READ A THIRD time this 7th day of March, 1973.

RECONSIDERED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of March, 1973.

BEN J. LANG,
Mayor

N. SUTHERLAND,
Clerk

Certified a true copy of By-law No. 118 this 22nd day of March, 1973.

N. SUTHERLAND,
Clerk.

N O T I C E

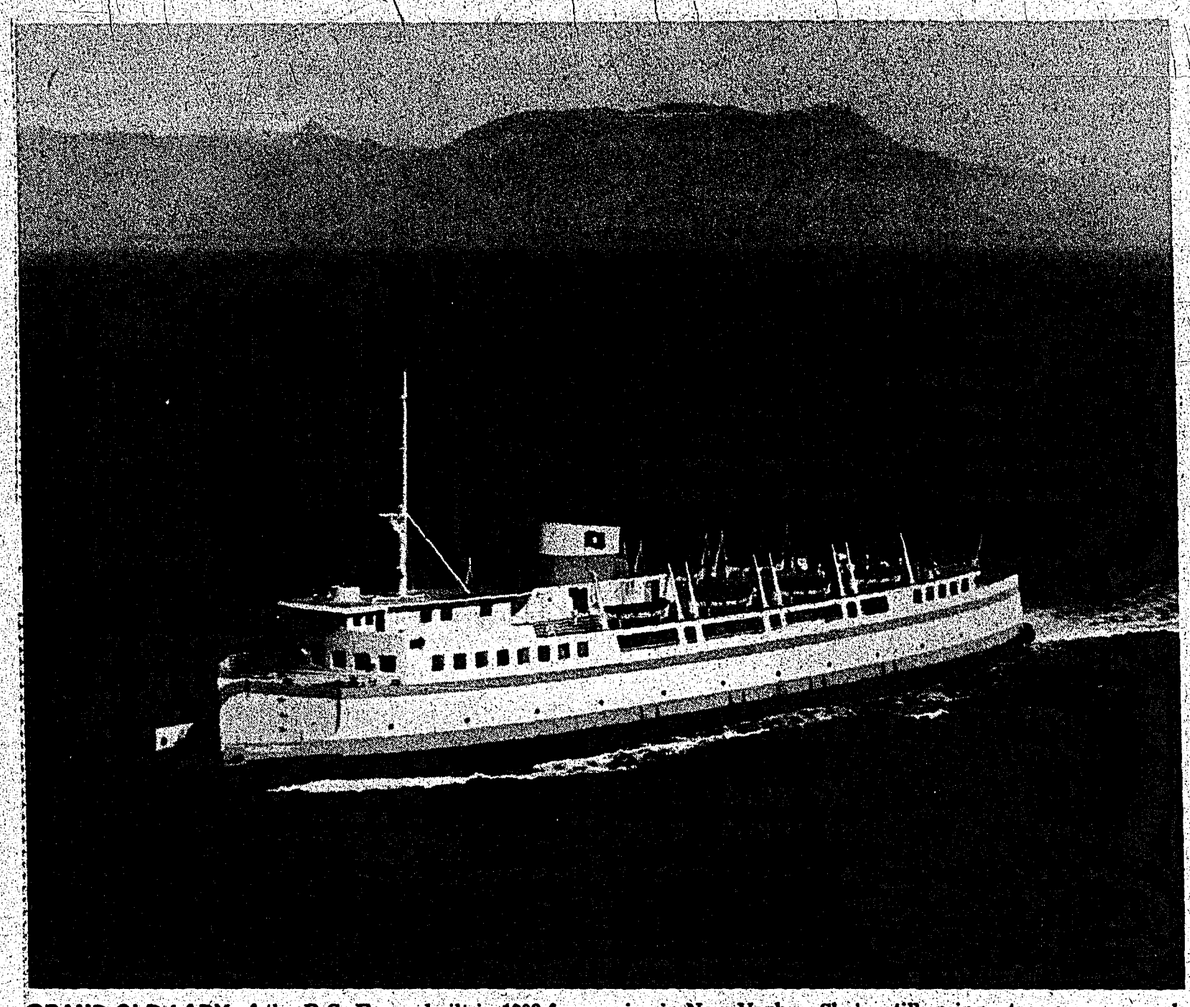
Take notice that the above is a true copy of the by-law authorizing the submission of the question therein set forth for the opinion of the owner-electors of the Village of Gibsons and upon which question the vote of owner-electors of the Village of Gibsons will be taken at the Municipal Hall, South Fletcher Road, Gibsons, B.C. on **Saturday, April 14, 1973,** between the hours of eight o'clock in the forenoon and eight o'clock in the afternoon.

Further, that an advance poll will be held on **Thursday, April 12, 1973,** from **nine o'clock** in the forenoon to **five o'clock** in the afternoon, for those who expect to be absent on the regular polling day and sign the declaration provided;

And that Mrs. Joan Korgen has been appointed Returning Officer for the purpose of taking and recording the vote of the owner-electors.

Dated at Sechelt, B.C. this 20th day of March, 1973.

NEIL SUTHERLAND,
Municipal Clerk.



GRAND OLD LADY of the B.C. Ferries, the Langdale Queen, still plies the waters after 70 years. She was built in 1903 for service in New York-New Jersey and later she sailed San Francisco Bay and Puget Sound. She's still going strong as a workhorse for B.C. Ferry Authority.

She's 70 years old . . .

Langdale Queen is grand old lady of international ferry services

B.C. Ferries' Langdale Queen can lift her skirts and step along with the best of them but like a true lady, she doesn't show her age.

The speed queen of the B.C. fleet is 70 years old. She was built in 1903 as a fast Sandy Hook excursion steamer in the New York-New Jersey area and sailed in San Francisco Bay as the San Francisco-Vallejo ferry City of Sacramento and later on Puget Sound.

She was built as the Asbury Park at Philadelphia for the Central Railroad of New Jersey. This was when elegant day and night steamers competed with trains for vacation business to Sandy Hook.

Her cabins were finished in fine wood and an elegant stairway, worthy of a trans-ocean steamship, was her architectural centrepiece.

At the time, Charles N. Hatch and sons were building a fast ferry line on San Francisco Bay, developing a property formed by the late Zephenia Jefferson Hatch. The elder Hatch had a steamboat named Monticello after his birthplace in New York. The ferry was plying the waters of Puget Sound where she was built in Ballard and Hatch brought her to San Francisco Bay and inaugurated the successful San Francisco-Vallejo run.

When World War I shipyard activities swamped the ferry line the Navy asked the company to find larger vessels. On the east coast the Asbury Park was not doing well and the railroad was happy to sell her to the Hatch concern in 1918.

As originally built she was a coal burner with two massive stacks. Upon arrival in San Francisco Bay, one stack was removed and she was reboilered to burn oil. She entered Vallejo service in 1919 and was so fast the waves of her wake caused the battleship California to rock back and forth and break loose from her moorings at the naval shipyard.

The ferry was rebuilt in 1922 to transport automobiles and in 1925 was renamed City of Sacramento during a gala celebration at Vallejo. Shortly thereafter she was remodelled again.

This time her sharp bow was removed and replaced by a garage door-like design for speedier loading of automobiles. In order to provide an area on the deck for auto loading, it was necessary to build that strange-shaped curve in the hull that still is visible today. The grand staircase was retained.

The Hatch family realized that great bridges would soon doom the ferries. In 1927 they sold out to Golden Gate Ferry Co. which specialized in the transport of motor vehicles. That company was merged into Southern Pacific Golden Gate Ferries Ltd. in 1929 the largest automobile ferry operation in the world.

SP train service had all but disappeared from Vallejo by this time. The electric road continued and new highways continued to funnel automobiles to the fleet until the Carquinez Bridge spanned the straits.

On Sept. 12, 1937, the ferry route was suspended and the electric interurban ceased on Sept. 20. The City of Sacramento joined the long line of idled ferries on Oakland Estuary and was offered for sale along with her Vallejo run sisters, the Napa Valley and Calistoga.

On April 24, 1941, all three Vallejo ferries were purchased by Puget Sound Navigation Co., known as Black Ball Lines, to generations of Seattlites and British Columbians. But warclouds threatened and the Navy kept the ships on the bay ferrying shipyard workers.

The Calistoga didn't go north but the Sacramento and Napa Valley arrived on Puget Sound in 1943 and went into Seattle-Bremerton service—carrying loads of familiar cargo—workers and sailors to the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard. The Napa Valley was renamed Malahat and was retired about 1951.

The City of Sacramento was not renamed and when Black Ball sold its operations to Washington State Ferries in 1951, the old veteran was taken to a new Black Ball operation in B.C.

She was completely rebuilt as the diesel-electric ferry Kahloke (White Swan).

Peter Finlayson, present terminal manager at Langdale, sold the first ticket on the Kahloke's maiden cruise from Nanaimo to Vancouver on June 27, 1953, his birthday. Aboard the ship as mates were Capt. Allan White of Gibsons, presently captain of the Sunshine Coast Queen and Capt. John Bunyan, now retired and living in Sechelt.

After the ship was rebuilt, only the hull of the old Asbury Park survived.

After Black Ball Lines was purchased by the B.C. government, the ship was renamed the Langdale Queen.

The Queen doesn't rest on her laurels, however. She is running a full shift from Nanaimo to Horseshoe Bay while her younger sisters are being stretched. The Langdale Queen fills in the Langdale-Horseshoe Bay run as a spare and in the summer, if engineering crews can be found, she will take her place alongside the Sunshine Coast Queen and run seven days a week, 16 hours a day.

Quite a work load for and old lady.

Handling gun without due care nets fine

GIBSONS—A Vancouver man was fined $50 at provincial court, Gibsons, when he admitted handling a firearm without due care and attention.

Court was told the charge arose when RCMP investigated gunfire near Gibsons power line March 25.

Michael Donald Ashford admitted firing a number of shots between 10 p.m. and 11 p.m.

In addition to the fine, accused's rifle was forfeiting to the crown and he was barred from obtaining a hunting licence until he takes a course on firearm handling.

In other court news, John George Sterloff of Burnaby admitted a charge of impaired driving. He was fined $300 and banned from driving for one month.

Robert Pauloski of Gibsons was fined $100 for salvaging logs during prohibited hours.

One charge led to another for Gibsons youth Johnny Joe Phare. He was fined $50 for being in possession of alcohol while a minor, and probation officer Ted Peters said he would be further charged with breach of probation as a result of this conviction.

William G. Lewis, Gibsons, admitted being in possession of alcohol while a minor. He was fined $25.

John Aubrey Austin was sentenced to one year's probation on a charge of committing an indecent act.

Tax reform and the taxpayer

—by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of B.C.

SOVIET citizens who receive permission to emigrate to a capitalist country have to pay a departure tax, which is designed to reimburse the state for the cost of their education.

Canada also has a tax on emigrants—but in a different form.

Our new tax laws provide that a taxpayer who ceases to be a resident in Canada shall be deemed to have disposed of all his capital assets at their fair market value.

The Canadian departure tax is an attempt to ensure that people who have lived in Canada do not leave without paying tax on unrealized capital gains accrued to date of departure.

Some assets will not be subject to the deemed disposition rule. These are assets that will continue to be subject to Canadian tax even though the emigrant becomes a non-resident.

This could include real property situated in Canada, shares of Canadian private companies, assets used in a Canadian business and interests in most types of retirement or pension plans.

All other assets that could give rise to capital gain or loss are deemed to be disposed of at fair market value on emigration. A departing individual is allowed an exemption of up to $5,000 of capital gains ($2,500 of taxable capital gains).

A departing resident may deal with the Canadian departure tax in any of three different ways. He may, of course, pay the whole amount of tax on departure, or he may pay the tax in six equal annual instalments, or he may elect to defer the tax upon presentation of security "acceptable to the Minister". Acceptable security would probably mean a government bond or other security charged against property situated in Canada.

Persons leaving Canada in 1972 or 1973 would probably not be subject to very much additional tax as a result of the new deemed disposition rule because only those increases in values arising since Jan. 1, 1972 would be taxable.

Once post-1971 increases in asset values build up to sizeable amounts, would-be emigrants will face a considerable tax obstacle at the Canadian border.

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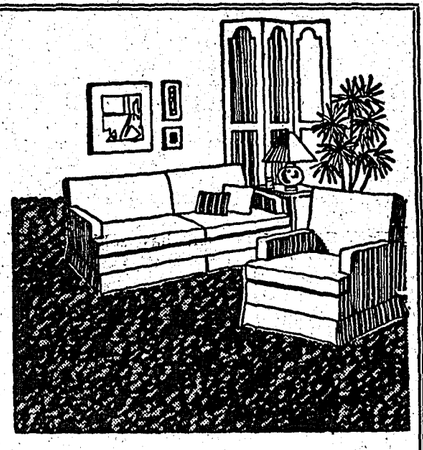

SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT
WATER AUTHORITY

1973 WATER BILLING

The Provincial Government have instructed the Regional District that effective this year the "land charge" element of the annual water bill may be included on the annual Provincial Property Tax Bill. This will enable qualified property owners to apply the Home Owner's Grant to this charge.

These instructions were received at the time the water bills were being processed, therefore the only action that could be taken was the cancellation of the charge on the bill with a brief note stating that the charge would be collected with the Provincial Taxes. Thus the property owners on the Regional District system which receive bills or notices as follows:

1. If he is a "user", a notice on the bill advising him that the "land charge" will be included on his tax bill and the regular "user" charges shown applicable to his property. Therefore, the only charges payable directly to this office (or to local banks on behalf of the District) will be the "user" charge.

2. If he is the owner of vacant land, a notice on the original bill advising him that the "land charge" will be included on his tax bill.

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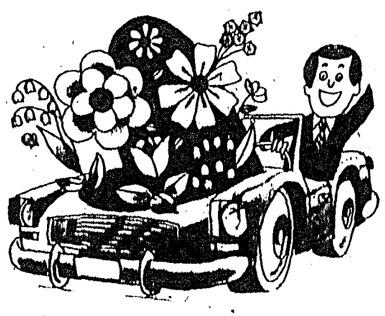

Senior citizen Assn. notes

— by Robert Foxall

SECHELT members of the Senior Swingers group of the Senior Citizens Association, Branch 69, Sechelt, brought their wintertime activities to a close on March 27 with practically every member present.

Their numbers were increased by the attendance of the Scottish Dancers from Roberts Creek and Gibsons area who pleased the audience greatly with their demonstrations of Scottish dancing and who in turn found enjoyment in participating in our waltzes, one-steps and other dances.

All hope that this will lead to more exchanges of this type when activities are resumed next fall. At the tea break, Bob Foxall, called Emery and Gracie Scott to the stand to advise them that there had been some talk of having them charged with "Contributing to Adult Delinquency" inasmuch as they had caused many seniors to desert their easy chairs, forget and abandon their TV sets and cavort on the dance floor every Tuesday afternoon in a manner not considered normal for people who had reached an age of dignity and decorum. However, as so many people had found the winter so greatly enlivened, had made so many new friendships and had even found they were a little more limber than they had started they had decided on forgiveness.

Hearing that the Scotts were going to Reno, Nev., with the seniors of Sechelt charter trip, a number had broken into their piggy banks and gathered together a number of nickels which they asked the Scotts to invest in the one-armed bandits at Reno. If they should win a "poke" would be required to bring back the loot. The poke turned out to be a purple flannel draw-string bag which at one time had contained a popular product from a well-known government emporium.

I the Scotts should find more in the purse than might be expected at the rate of a nickle per member they were asked to accept the surplus as a token of the affection and appreciation of all for the time they had spent, and the trouble they had taken to make No. 69 a happy bunch of Senior Swingers.

While this event marked the end of the winter activities, it did not mean that the seniors were going to have a lazy summer. March 31 saw a bus load of 35 seniors leave for a week's trip to Reno, overnighting at Eugene, Oregon on the way down.

May 8 will see a two-day trip to Victoria, B.C. with the Empress as the overnight resting place. In May, with the day yet to be set we expect to have a visit from the seniors of Powell River. Besides the luncheon it is hoped to stage an exhibition of arts and crafts executed by seniors. We know that Dave Hayward will be seeking out other trips for later in the season.

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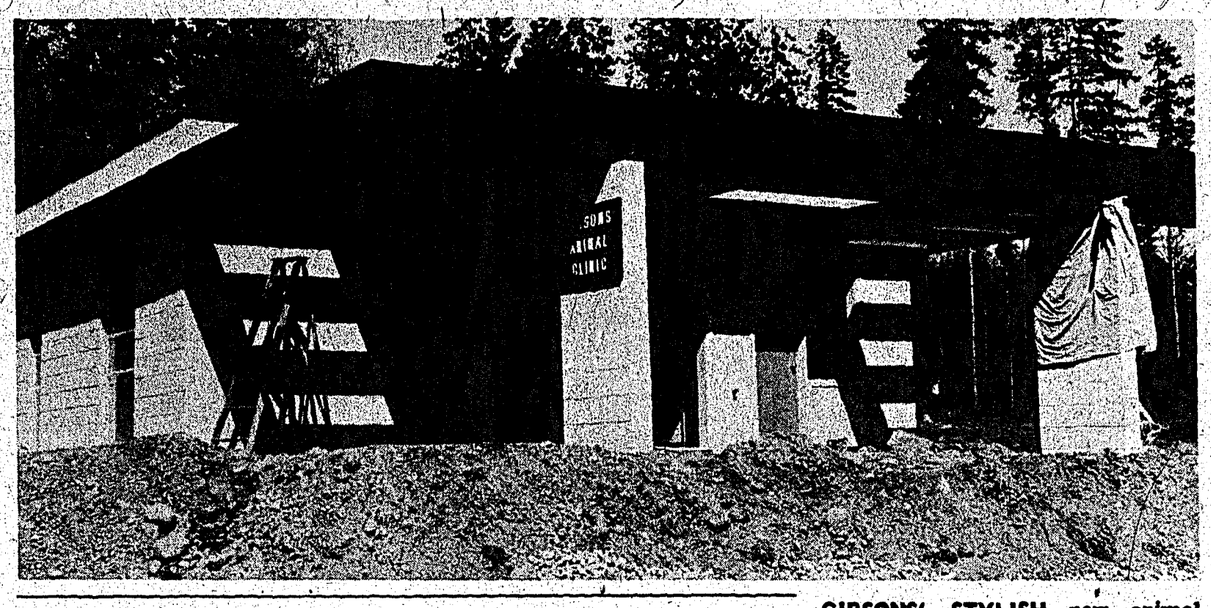
Radcliffe ones watercolor display

SECHELT—A display of water colors by Don Radcliffe of Halfmoon Bay will open at the Art Gallery Shop in Sechelt today and stay until Saturday, April 14. The display will be open today from 1 to 4 p.m. and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. other days.

Radcliffe, who has been on the Peninsula for three years since leaving his native Scotland, shows great strength in his land and seascapes and uses exceptionally bright colors.

Radcliffe who came to Canada after 12 years in the merchant navy and is now captain of a charter yacht, finds inspiration for both his views of the sea and the land from his trips along the coast, and favors local scenes.

It was in May 1967 that the Art Gallery Shop, the first activity on a continuing scale of the Sunshine Arts Council, opened its doors and brought to the artists and craftsmen of the Peninsula a central outlet for their skills. Some of the volunteer workers have been with the shop since its opening.



GIBSONS' STYLISH, new animal clinic opened its doors to pet-owners April 2. The building is conveniently located on the Sunshine Coast highway just outside the village, and replaces Dr. James Perry's former premises in the Harris block.

Decanters and glasses for that relaxing moment when you can enjoy something cool and smooth—Miss Bee's, Sechelt.

Avert serious injury . . .

Remember safety rules when flying your kite

FLYING a kite is great fun, but keep it well away from electric powerlines, poles and towers, warned J. V. Milburn, manager of B.C. Hydro's safety engineering department.

Only last year a Lower Mainland man was fatally injured while attempting to free a kite from a high voltage powerline.

"Never try to remove a kite from a powerline, pole or transmission tower," said Milburn. "Only experienced linemen have the knowledge and equipment to work near high voltage lines in safety.

"Even a damp cord can act as an electrical conductor if the cord brushes a powerline. So play safe. Better to lose a kite than risk very serious injury."

Each year kites cross powerlines, often causing widespread power interruptions and inconvenience to the public, as well as danger to the youngsters flying them.

B.C. Hydro urges all parents to cut out the following kite flyers code, and impress on their children the necessity to observe these simple safety rules.

1. Fly kites only in an open field or park, well away from powerlines, transmission towers and poles.
2. Use perfectly dry string, never wire or metallic string.
3. Never try to remove a kite should it catch on a powerline, tower or pole. Release the cord immediately.
4. Don't use any metal in making a kite.
5. Don't fly a kite on or near a road or highway.
6. Never fly a kite in wet or stormy weather.
7. Have fun—but always remember the safety rules!

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Most residents were mailed a packet of bingo cards. To validate their cards, residents must sent one dollar for each bingo card or $6 for all eight in packet. When sending in cheque or money order, include the serial number at the top of the card. All cards must be sent to the B.C. Association for the Mentally Retarded, PO Box 8900, Vancouver 3.

Cash prizes of $5,000 will be distributed equally amongst the winners of each game. The game starts at 11:30 p.m., Friday, April 13 on Channel 8 or 6.

Television bingo helps the work of the B.C. Association for the Mentally Retarded, said A. M. Schmand, president.

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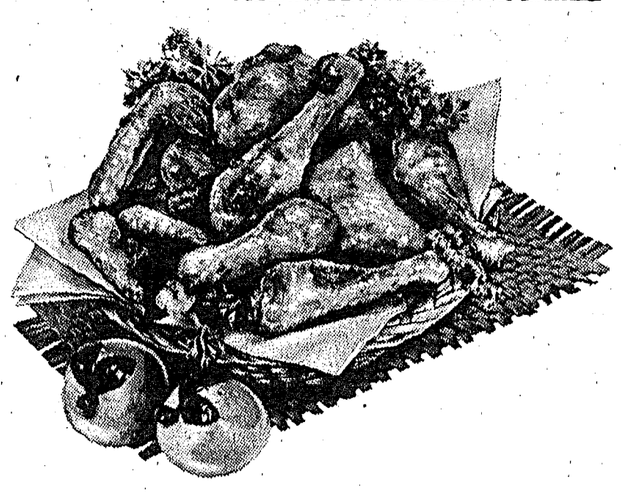

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