

Spotlight

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MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYBODY!

EDITORIAL

The Spotlight is glad to be able to wish Merry Christmas to two more islands which have come into our circulation group - Thetis and Kuper.

We visited both islands. The roads on Thetis are paved with shell which gives an attractive look. The store is run by O.T. Cassidy, and the prices in the store are very reasonable indeed. Like all the Gulf islands stores, it is very clean and neat, and when we were there the new addition had just been opened up for the sale of Christmas toys. There are many young children on Thetis and they have a one-roomed school.

On Kuper, we were received by a large crowd of very friendly and polite children at the Mission:

and they came from all parts - Saanich to take one example.

The Mission there - it seemed to us - is made of brick; they have their own boat service and electric light plant.

We saw Father LeClair and he told us that he had once run a church paper, preparing it for the press. So he knows the troubles your editor goes through each issue!

We had to leave quickly because a storm was coming up, so we had no chance to see the inside of the school as we would have liked to.

At the wharf we ran into some of the chaps from Polier Pass who had just come in and after chatting with them we went home to be in time for the hospital dance.

Our sub-editor - we must explain to our new readers that our sub-editor is a Spaniel - was unfortunately not able to accompany us on the trip. She was saying goodbye

to one of her grandchildren who was leaving to take care of a family who lives near Duncan.

GROUND OBSERVER CORP

A Rally was held at the Rex Theatre under the auspices of Capt. V.C. Best, & Flight Officer Johnson. Films illustrated the lecture by Flight Officer Johnson stressing the importance of immediate reporting of aircraft. Radar cannot see over the curvature of the earth.

Quick reporting can save a city, or the life of a friendly pilot.

Captain Best is Regional Director and Desmond Crofton is Assistant Regional Director.

The FULFORD PTA regular meeting was held on 17 Nov. with Mrs F.L. Jackson in the chair. It was decided to hold over the discussion of projects for 1953 until the January meeting.

A donation of \$10 was sent towards the Christmas Treat in the Ganges School.

The meeting closed with refreshments served by Mrs Fergus Reid and Mrs Walter Bridgen.

SPECIAL POSTAL delivery will be made on Ganges RR1 and RR2 Friday 19 Dec.

The ROD AND GUN CLUB annual banquet was held in Harbour House with 56 members present. (Total membership 112). The guests were Inspector Stevenson of the Game Department, Game Warden Jones and Dr. Larry Giovando M.L.A.

The prizes were; for biggest salmon Dave Conover 12 lbs. 10 oz. Vic Bettis 11; 4. Walter Mailey 10; 10. Geo. Gyvie, Buzz Brown; For best set of horns Norman Walters, for heaviest buck Cliff Sampson. The Consolation Prize was won by Johnny Chantelu.

A special prize was awarded to Jack Brooks for the biggest fish of the year, a 56 lb. ling cod. A small fishing spoon in its case was packed
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Dr Larry Giovando M.L.A.

wishes everybody

a Merry Christmas and Prosperous

New Year.

Merry Christmas
TURNER'S
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MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND HAPPY NEW YEAR !

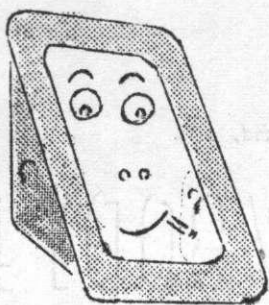
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best wishes to all for
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THE STORY OF THE SPOTLIGHT



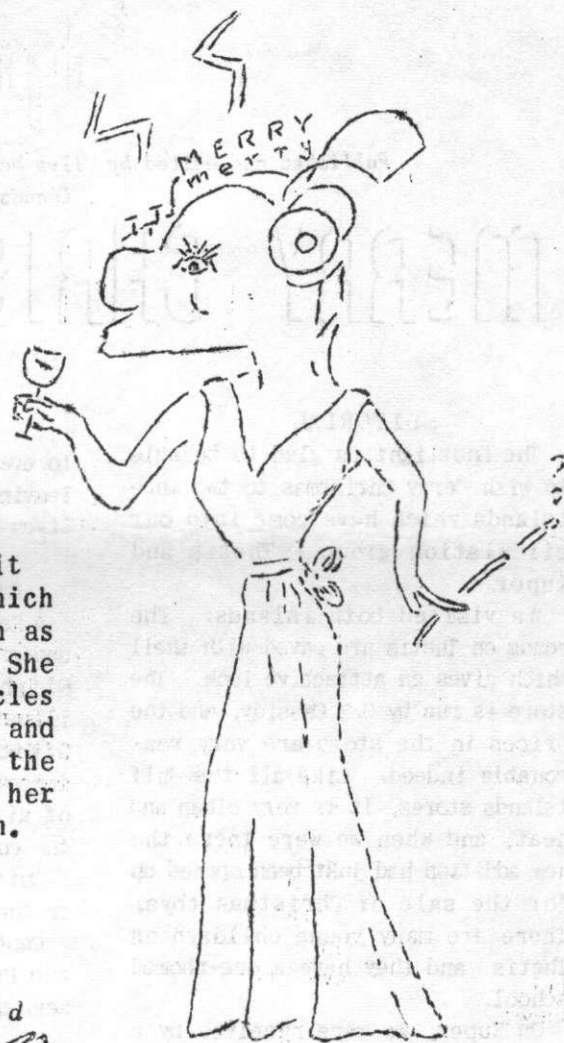
Aladdin

If somebody hadn't left that pair of boots in your editor's delivery box the Spotlight would never have been started, but, as the owner of the boots had to be found, a newspaper was the logical solution.

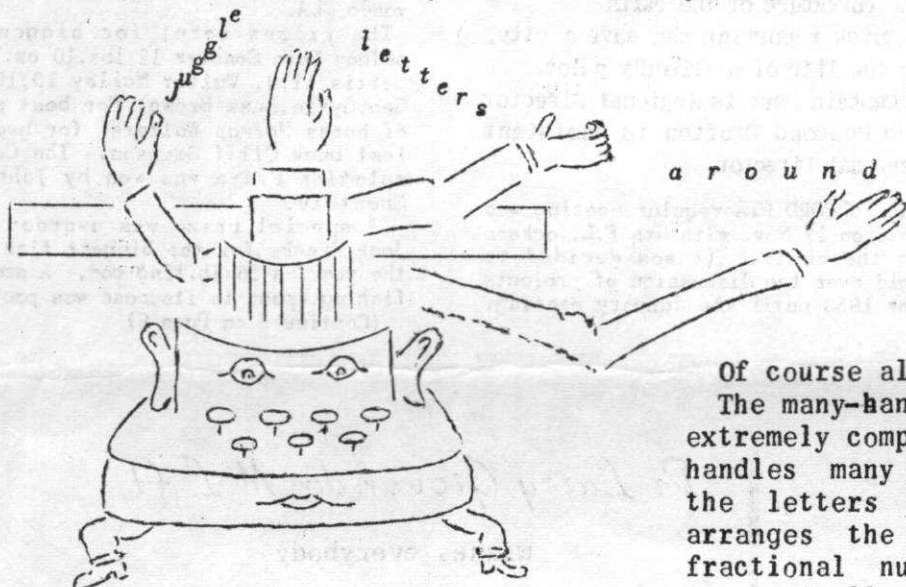
So, the Spotlight was born!

We started off with an old portable typewriter & a machine turned by hand for printing but after we turned the handle a quarter of a million times we decided to buy modern machinery.

Aladdin, on the left, is double jointed, though it doesn't show in the picture. He is the machine which shows up the mistakes in copy. He doesn't miss much as you can tell by his ogling of Speedy, on the right. She is a very fast gal and can type faster than human muscles can move. She also has a mechanical memory of sorts and it is somewhat disconcerting when turning her on in the morning, to find her following instructions left with her the night previous and which you have entirely forgotten.



Miss Speedy is a very fast gal



Magician

Of course all the machines are electric.

The many-handed Magician, on the left, is an extremely complicated gentleman, who not only handles many different kinds of type, spaces the letters close together or far apart, arranges the lines in varying numbers or fractional numbers to the inch, but also automatically evens up the right-hand margin.

There are a thousand and one gadgets to

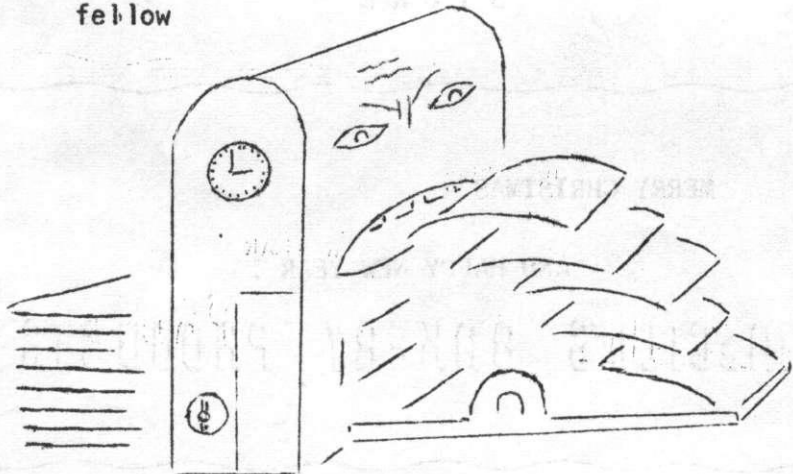
remember, and he is quite beyond the Spaniel's ability to operate.

The Printer, below, looks anxious because he not only has to deal with paper varying in thickness from cardboard to newsprint, but has to ink the paper evenly and well, count the copies, and turn himself off at the exact number required. Should he not have sufficient paper for the count, he stops printing, and throws himself out of gear.

The process of printing is a silk screen running over a series of rollers moving in different directions. The ink is fed through sixteen jets and there is an arrangement to see that the ink dries. Otherwise, each page would blot off on the back of the following page.

The folding is done by hand and it takes three people four hours to fold one Issue. This

Printer is an accurate fellow



is a small proportion of the time expended in compiling an issue of the Spotlight.

Our business is to serve the community by giving accurate news in an interesting way. We thank the many people who have helped us by sending us news by advertising in the Spotlight by giving criticism, and by giving us orders for job printing.

The way we repay this is to make our work better & better in your service.

These are the machines which work for you. Then there are the humans, & of course, the Spaniel.



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and a
bright & prosperous
New Year

PROGRESS

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THE INNOCENT IS ACCUSED

by
E.H. LEVY

The prisoner was accused of murder. Jurors were being selected to be sworn in. The prisoner was challenging each man in turn, as he came forward to serve on the jury. At last the prisoner whispers into the ear of his Counsel standing nearby; 'See that guy sitting up there?' pointing to the Judge. 'Challenge him; he doesn't like me; he once sentenced me to two years.'

But, seriously, what is a jury? And, why?

I can best illustrate it by letting you suppose you are standing on the wharf at Ganges. The 'Princess Elaine' has just arrived from Vancouver. Lots of people are milling about as usual. All of a sudden a man, - we'll call him 'X' - whips out a revolver from his hip-pocket and, pointing it at a friend of yours, shoots him dead. Everybody is stunned.

Amongst the spectators of this tragedy is your genial editor, Miles Acheson. We will assume that he had plenty of space left in his excellent little 'Spotlight', so he goes straight home and, reporting the incident, circulates the story; 'X' committed a murder'. Evrrybody who saw it would say, probably, 'Yes, I

saw him do it; it's true'. And, yet would it surprise you to learn that Mr. Acheson (mind you, I don't think he would be so reckless, do you?) might find himself in jail for so doing, and you might be asked to bail him out! It wouldn't be the first time an editor of a newspaper was committed to jail for contempt of court!

For, in the eyes of the law, 'X' was not a murderer at all!

Naturally, he would be charged with murder; but that is a far different thing. He would always be referred to as, 'the accused'. For only a jury consisting of twelve ordinary average men and women, after hearing such evidence as the Judge would admit, and after being instructed by him as to the law of murder - only they could say that 'X' is a murderer, by pronouncing the fatal word 'Guilty'.

Up to that moment, 'X' is still, an innocent man. For though accused by the Crown, he might easily turn out to be insane after an enquiry into his mental state - or it might be a case of justifiable homicide or it might be manslaughter.

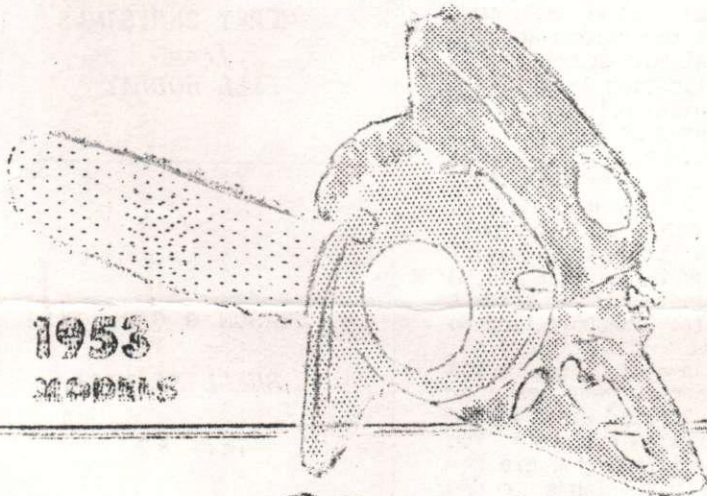
It is a unique situation in the British Commonwealth of nations, and those countries which have copied British law, that every man is deemed to be innocent until he is pronounced guilty by due process of

law, of which the jury forms an integral part; no matter what YOU may think. Even if the accused, when charged, refuses to deny it or make any statement at all, he is still an innocent man and no man may say or write that he is guilty. Indeed, even if 'X' confessed to the murder the Judge might not admit the so-called confession in evidence, because of the circumstances in which it was made, or for other reasons.

Very often you hear people criticize a barrister for defending a criminal when he must know that his client is guilty. But these critics are wrong. We all live under the rule of law in a democracy, and under that rule, 'A MAN IS INNOCENT UNTIL A JURY PRONOUNCES HIM GUILTY'.

How then, can Counsel be said to KNOW that his client is guilty?

He can never know it really nor is it his business to know it. Accused's Counsel is there to assist the court in bringing to its notice at the trial every point tending to maintain the accused's present innocence and to assist the accused in getting a fair trial, after which only, can anybody know whether a man is guilty or not. Not even the judge himself can 'know' it until then. Because it is a matter entirely for those twelve plain ordinary men and women to whom the prisoner, is committed.

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FULFORD
GARAGE

attractively in a larger box with a well chosen assortment of carrots, potatoes and burnt out electric light bulbs. Jack Brooks also won the door prize of a box of chocolates.

Cyril Wagg was given a present in token of his many years of hard work for the Club.

The meal was a game dinner and the decorations on the table were little tableaux of pheasants, cranes etc. round pools surrounded by moss. Stan Critchley did most of this.

The Salmon Derby starts 4 Dec. 1952 and is good till the Banquet in 1953.

Those helping with the banquet organization were Mrs Hougou, Bill & Mrs Hobday, Jack Brooks, G. Parsons, N. Ruckle, Mac Mouat, Laurie Mouat.

The S.S.I. CHRYSANTHEMUM CLUBS first meeting was held in the Log Cabin 10 Dec. This is a new 'branch' of the Affiliated Amateur Chrysanthemum Growers Association, which fosters the growing of these flowers by amateurs in an endeavour to make the flower better known and liked.

The elected officers were, as President, the Instructor of the Group, A.S. Huntingford, Vice Pres. E.E. Dipple, Treas. A. Wells, Sec. Mrs. L.A. Bittencourt.

At present membership is limited because the stock supplied by the present body is valuable and until more people are experienced only one greenhouse is suitable for it.

VEUVIUS CROFTON FERRY. There has been no change in the original plan of putting this ferry into opera-

tion next summer. There was a temporary difficulty in getting the boat under Canadian flag which was overcome. Mayor Westwood of Nanaimo with representatives of the other Vancouver Island communities concerned and a couple of delegates from the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce - probably Des Crofton and Art Young - are seeing Hon. P. Gagliardi, Minister of Public Works about this today.

GANGES UNITED CHURCH Women's Auxiliary elected Mrs Zenkie, President, (6th term of office); Mrs J.D. Reid, as Vice Pres; Mrs A. Hogg, Sec; Miss Mary Lees, Treas; Miss Helen Dean, Devotional Sec; Mrs. W. Byers, Refreshment Convenor; Mrs. Jack Foster, Dorcas Sec.

Two hundred and fifty dollars plus another \$100 donated anonymously was handed to the Church building fund.

LADIES LEGION AUXILIARY. Mrs. Colin Mouat was in the chair. The Treasurers report showed a balance.

Mrs Acland and Mrs C. Springford are the Nominating Committee for this year's election of officers.

The contest conducted by Mrs H. Bradley and Mrs P. Cartwright made \$119.75 and the leather purse won by Mrs W.R. Bradley of Vancouver. The money went towards the expenses of Christmas parcels for veterans.

Mrs. Francis was in charge of the sale of poppies at Ganges, and Mrs Hippisley at Fulford. \$253.27 was realized.

In a contest, a prize of a baby's quilt, was made, donated and won by Mrs E.D. Smith. This she donated to the Queen Charlotte Hospital Laying or other welfare work.

Money was sent to Mrs. Inglis for local patients in the Veterans Hospital, Victoria.

Evening meetings will be changed from the 1st Tuesday in the month to the 1st Monday, beginning February.

GULF ISLANDS IMPROVEMENT BUREAU

We received a telephone message from the Secretary of the Gulf Islands Improvement Bureau, saying that he had sent a letter to a local newspaper and asking whether we would reply. We said, 'Sorry, not interested', but if he sent the letter to us we would publish it.

The letter was written as a communication from the Bureau and was read at the last Bureau meeting.

'As your publication is delivered free to all householders in the Islands represented by this Bureau it can be presumed that it is widely read in these parts. For this reason might I suggest to you that, when writing on the subject of transportation, you are a little more careful of your facts, and also that you do not confuse transportation to Salt Spring Island with transportation to the Gulf Islands.

'That in the name of Heaven do you mean when you say in your issue of December 1 that 'Island after Island has been dropped from the run'? You must know, and if not you are the only one on the Gulf Islands who does not, that the only Island which is going to be dropped is South Pender. We feel sure that this Island will be taken care of when the bridge connecting the two Penders is built, and that time, and very little of that, will show how wrong you were in your issue of November 15 on this subject

'As a shareholder in the proposed Vesuvius-Crofton Ferry Company you are naturally interested in creating business for that undertaking, but please do not make it appear that that is the main force that motivates you when dealing with trans-

Dear Folks,

We hope you are all enjoying your holiday preparations. Christmas is bursting out all over our shop with the gayest of decorations for your home and table and mantel.

Come select your Christmas corsage from our driftwood tree and see how much gayer you feel.

Please, if you are going to want flowers or plants for Christmas, - help us by giving a ring or dropping in with an approximate idea of what you want. We don't want any of you to be disappointed, but we do need help in our buying this first Christmas with you.

We hope you will all make a visit to the flower shop part of your Christmas festivities.

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portation.

In the fourth paragraph of your editorial you state; 'This' (Island after Island has been dropped, etc) 'is not an argument that a change to the Vancouver Island connection is desirable', and then you go on to try and prove, or at least suggest, that it is.

'The expressed desire of all the organizations on the Islands represented by this Bureau, backed up by the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce, and the Village and Chamber of Commerce of Sidney is that we have a direct connection between Sidney and Vancouver, calling in at the Gulf Islands. Any other suggestion which is advocated either by act or insinuation runs contrary to the wishes of all concerned.

(Sgd) Ivan G. Denroche"

1. The Spotlight will continue to publish the facts so that everybody, as opposed to a privileged few, may know exactly what is going on and act accordingly. This is the reason for freedom of the press.

2. The Spotlight will continue to publish opinions of interest irrespective of who may disagree with them and whether your editor disagrees with them. This is freedom of speech for everybody.

3. There is no proposed Vesuvius-Crofton Ferry Company. Your editor, as a private individual, is a minor

shareholder both in the CPR and Gulf Islands Ferry Co. (1951)Ltd.

GALIANO LIGHT & POWER CO. ANNUAL dance, was a very cheerful affair even though a terribly rough sea prevented the orchestra & many guests from attending.

The Community Hall was beautifully decorated, and the Grand March was played because it was Fred & Mrs Robson's Wedding Anniversary.

Fred Weaver supplied the music; Mrs G.W. Georgeson won the table lamp, Mrs Franks the iced Christmas cake, Hugh Walters & Miss Carol Robson the Contest Prizes. There were also the spotlight prizes.

Over 60 people attended.

A NATIVE NURSE, Miss David from Vellore, South India will take a 2 year post graduate course at Toronto at the expense of the IOE. Regent Mrs V.C. Best told members of the local Chapter recently.

At the same meeting, the Educational Secretary Mrs Simson reported that candy & Christmas favours had been sent to the adopted school at Tatlayoko. The Chapter voted to send also an album of gramophone records suitable for children.

Mrs Cecil Abbott, Hon. Vice-Regent, wrote enclosing a donation, and Mrs John Johnston read a paper on the St. Laurence waterway.

The Turkey contest was won by Mrs Walter Mailey & George Heinekey won 2 chickens.

SOUTH PENDER BRIDGE. We are informed that the proposed bridge will not be included in this year's Estimates. (See Spotlight 15 Nov. reporting likely delay and Gulf Island Improvement Bureau letter of this issue stating this 15 Nov. report was incorrect.)

A delegation from the Bureau composed of Mrs Hume, Capt. Beach, J.M. Campbell & Capt. I. Denroche will see the Government to try to get this project included in next year's Estimates. Dr. L. Giovando, MLA, is doing all he can to help.

WHARVES & COMMUNICATIONS. The GII Bureau has received information that the contract for Saturna Wharf has been let. It is hoped that the Galiano & Port Washington Wharves will be ready by 21 June.

The Bureau will write to the CPR to find out what they intend to do about these islands. That is what everybody wants to know.

The Liquor Board will receive none but certified cheques, and the Bureau is writing to it to point out the impossibility of complying with these regulations in places where there is no bank.

SATURNA. Three men with a truck are working steadily on the roads which are at last being got into proper shape.

HOSPITAL DANCE. GANGES. The entertainers were; Testar's orchestra, Mrs W. Hastings pianist; the Male Quartet; W.H. & I.W. Bradley, A.G. Lett and Dr Boyes; Jay Van Buskirk; Diane & Marie Tibbett.

Van Buskirk, who had the sure hand of the professional, played first on the electric guitar (you plug it in to the power), and then on the banjo giving an imitation of two banjos playing, variations of a melody and so on.

The Tibbetts (aged 14 & 7) wore cloth dresses, and not the spangly clothes they wore at Fulford on 24 May. They went through their astonishing acrobatic routine with zest, twisting and bending from one graceful shape to another in the

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to

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Bill Trelford

and

George Hurst

ISLAND GARAGE

Telephone 84

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intricate rhythm of the dance.

The decorations were very good, and tables were ranged along the walls.

A presentation was made to Mrs Hastings, the President, who thanked Mrs. A. Kropinski for her organization of the dance.

Your editor was a guest, and had a very pleasant evening. At one time he had to hold the cash box which contained some \$300.

The weather was so rough that the Tibbetts couldn't get back that night and had to stay over to the next morning.

Among the many who helped were; Mrs W. Hastings, Mrs A. Kropinski, Mrs C. Wagg, Mrs C. Reynolds, Mrs J. Coels, Mrs D. Wells, Mrs M. White, Mrs A. Nobbs, Mrs A. Francis, Mrs D. Jenkins, Miss S. Crofton, Miss M. Lees, Miss F. Lees, J. Fraser, C. F. Mouat, Mrs A. R. Price, Mrs C. Springford, Mrs J. Mitchell, Mrs A. M. Brown, Mrs T. A. Millner, Mrs J. Eberts, A. M. & Mrs Brown, Group-Captain A. R. Layard, Miss J. Mitchell.

The Hospital Contest winners were: Mrs Norman Wilson, J. Grosart, Mrs C. Lockwood, K. Wilson, R. Dodds, Mrs G. Akeman.

The Chamber of Commerce Contest winners were: Ed Banks, George Heinke, Mrs W. Stewart R. R. 2 Fulford, John Richardson c/o Ganges Pharmacy.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GOLF Club elected V. C. Morris Pres; Reg Price Vice-Pres; Joe Plumb Mens Capt J. W. Brooks Vice-Capt; Mrs Carlyle Ladies Capt; Mrs Hobday Vice-Capt; Nels Degnen, W. H. Bradley Committee.

After the business meeting, the cups were presented; Men's Championship Crofton Cup, Fred Morris; 2 J. M. Napier; Schwenger Cup Joe Plumb; 1st Flight, R. T. Britton, 2 V. C. Morris 2nd Flight, W. M. Bradley; 2 Nels Degnen; 3rd Flight E. C. Bailey; 2 Dr Lockhart. The Ladies Cups were: McAfee

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Jay Van Euskirk played and helped entertain the members present - - about 35 in all.

THE NORTH SSI WATER DISTRICT

trustees, W. Wickens, Gavin Mouat, Colin Mouat, Paddy Crofton, Capt. A. Millner (and P. Cartwright Manager & V. C. Morris Secretary, who after 22 years service as Manager has retired entertained Hon. P. Caglardi, Minister of Public Works, E. Jones Deputy Minister and Engineer E. Nesbitt, and Alec Robinson at luncheon in Harbour House.

Hon P. Caglardi turned on the tap (near Wicken's place) connecting Vesuvius to Maxwell Lake, a ten mile service. He made a short speech congratulating the district. About 43 people were present at the ceremony. The weather was terrible!

MAYNE. The regular monthly meeting of the Mayne Island Community Association was held 10 Dec at the Community Hall - A week earlier than usual to avoid clashing with activities of the Christmas season. The recent marked improvement in attendance is being maintained.

Correspondence read from the Ministry of Transport seemed to indicate favorable consideration of the request for a suitable airplane float to be placed on the north side of the new wharf as recommended by the Department of Public Works; the present arrangement of the airplane float has proved quite useless.

Capt. I. G. Denroche attended this

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meeting as a visitor, and on invitation gave an informative address on the work carried out by the Gulf Islands Improvement Bureau. He received a hearty vote of thanks.

MAYNE. The Annual Meeting of the Mayne Island Community Club was held in the Community Hall 9 Dec. with 20 members present. The officers elected were Pres. W. Morson; Vice Pres Leslie Garrick; Sec. Treas. W. Higginbottom & Building Committee Chairman, Eric Gudmunson. The 3 officers mentioned above who will also serve as trustees of the Hall will handle all social events.

Dances were planned for 20 Dec. & New Year's Eve.

The financial report showed a balance on the right side. Several new members joined up. Improvements to the Hall are planned for the coming season.

PENDER. The Annual Bazaar of the Women's Institute was recently held in the Hope Bay Hall. Mrs Don Cousineau had charge of the Needlework Stall, Mrs Percy Grimmer & Mrs J. Allan took the Home Cooking, Mrs Ray Erackett, the Post Office for children. Mrs Scott provided the Mystery Contest, Mrs L. Odden made and donated a Norwegian cake. An afghan made by the members of the W.I. and a linen tablecloth were donated. Mrs Audrey Taylor, Mrs Hogarth & Mrs Dennis were in charge of the refreshments. Peter Taylor & Barbara Hogarth helped with the serving.

PENDER. The Ladies Legion Auxiliary was held at the home of Mrs C. Hogarth. Christmas parcels were arranged to be sent to a blind veteran at Hycroft Veterans Home and also a birthday parcel as his birthday is on 24 Dec. Two parcels were sent to Korea, one to an adopted soldier and one to Wesley Hollinghead on the Naval Barge Athabasca that anchored in Redwell Harbour in the summer.

PENDER. The Women's Institute meeting was held at the home of Mrs H.G. Scott, the President. A Christmas party, to be held Dec. 19, was discussed. The election of officers for

the coming year was; Mrs Hogarth, Pres. Mrs H.G. Scott, Vice Pres. Mrs. Ray Brackett, Sec. Treas. Mrs L. Odden Mrs J. Allan, Mrs H.G. Scott. Mrs A.H. Menzies residing in Vancouver was remembered as a charter member.

PENDER PTA. At the annual meeting the officers elected for 1953 are; Mrs Nep Grimmer, Hon. Pres. Mrs Don Cousineau, Pres. Mrs Derwent Taylor, Vice Pres. Mrs D. Dennis, Sec. Treas. Mrs Fred Crisp, Membership Convener.

IT HAPPENED IN 1921.

The regular monthly meeting of the South Salt Spring Island Women's Institute was held in the Burgoyne Pay School on Aug. 13; the President Mrs. Maxwell being in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. A letter from the IOOE was read asking for co-operation in calling a public meeting to discuss steps to be taken towards making a permanent War Memorial for the Island. It was decided to join with them.

Supplies for the Fall Fair included 8 gallons of icecream and 300 cones. It was decided that the vegetables etc. of those who were agreeable should be donated to the Lady Minto Hospital. The dance doors are to open at 8 pm; admission Gentlemen \$1.00, Ladies 50¢.

With the nomination of the various Committees the meeting was adjourned on the motion of Mrs C. Millet seconded by Mrs Akerman.

ROY COLEMAN of the Fulford Inn has gone to Shaughnessy Hospital as a result of injuries sustained in aircraft during the war.

THE ISLANDS HELP KOREA.

Sixty children in Korea will be given hot milk for three months, because the canvass so far has resulted in donations of \$90.00 - also 100 pounds of warm clothing. Only forty homes have been visited as yet and the canvass will be continued after the holidays. These donations have already been sent to the Vancouver office of the Unitarian Service Committee and when the Island has been covered, official receipts will be sent out. This work of canvassing is voluntary - there are no salaried workers in the organization in Canada and the U.S.A. Expenses of collection, express charges etc. are defrayed by the workers.

GALIANO LITTLE THEATRE. The next play to put on will be the Ghost Train.

The last play was Eliza Comes To Stay and was very well received. It so happened that the lighting plant at the Community Hall had

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A Public Meeting for the purpose of forming the above Guild will be held early in the New Year. Watch for further announcements

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failed on that particular evening, and the Galiano Light & Power Co worked like Trojans to get the Company Power into the Hall in time.

Incidentally, we hear that the last pole for the new power line has just been put in.

TRANSPORTATION. As an example of the trials and tribulations suffered by business men owing to our meagre transportation system we give the story of Bettiss & Harker on their way to instal the pump and water intake system in Galiano School.

Of course it was very stormy, and after they had got about three miles out in a boat loaded with truck and equipment, they had to turn back on account of the weather. So the next day they got a larger boat, but by this time the weather was so bad that they couldn't get it loaded so they had to wait around all day till the weather cleared enough for them to get over.

Of course in this weather the air service cannot function either, and the rest of Canada and the U.S.A. are, except by phone and radio, completely cut off from the Gulf Islands!

VESUVIUS CROFTON FERRY. A delegation to see the Minister of Public Works, Hon P. Gaglardi at 3 o'clock is meeting in the Empress Hotel at 2 today. According to our latest news, it consists of Mayor Ragg of Duncan, Mayor Westwood of Nanaimo, the President of the Nanaimo Chamber of Commerce, Alderman Wilson, perhaps Reeve Beasley and the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce delegates: Art Young, H. Bradley, Howard Chalk. The Salt Spring delegates were appointed by a sub) Committee meeting held on Friday at 3 pm.

SOUTH PENDER has been proposed by the Gulf Islands Improvement Bureau as a summer port of entry for yachts from the United States. The entry to Sidney in rough weather is sometimes very difficult for small boats.

A READER who saw this issue before it was printed said he liked the article on the Spotlight machines but he wanted to know what the humans and the Spaniel did. Well, after the advertising & so on has been laid out; the news comes in, and has to be checked to avoid misinformation -- anybody can make a mistake. It is then edited and typed on Speedy (this is Speedy, the letters are all the same distance apart so the right hand margin is uneven) and cut to fit in the space available.

It is then set up on Magician (on the left, note the distance between the letters varies to make the right hand margin even). Space is left for last minute news or advertisements your editor has forgotten to enquire about like the Fulford New Year's Dance below - incidentally the contractors are starting installing modern sanitary facilities in the Hall today - and after that has come in, we go to press. Proof reading is done on Aladdin.

That's the theory. But in practice everything happens at once and for some days the air is filled with a snow storm of paper going to one file or another and a strange medley of sounds from humans, dogs and machines all working at high pressure.

Then there is silence. It is finished. We go out with the Spaniel to chase somebody's cows out of our field. And in a few days time, it begins all over again.

THE BPOE (Elks -Ed) had a social evening at the Golf Club with a number of members & guests. Mrs Joe Lautman won a turkey, and Cyril Wagg* There was dancing and singing and some played cards. A good time was had by all. The next social evening will be the second Friday in January.

*won a ham.

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