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FACTS, FABLES, & FOIBLES. . . .

The Nanaimo Liberal supporters of Doug Greer and the Lake Cowichan-Duncan enthusiasts for Jack Saywell wouldn't listen to reason and defeated S.S.I.'s Candidate, Gil Humphreys at the Liberal nominating convention last Saturday. Voting strictly for the home town boy, the convention overwhelmingly elected Jack Saywell, a school principal. This was in spite of the outstanding campaigning by the small S.S.I. contingent and the electrifying speech by Gil Humphreys. It was good, clean fun, democracy in action and all that, but it turned the planned gala victory party into a gala, wonderful wake. Oh, well, the upcoming campaign would have been more fun with a local S.S. Islander hitting the hustings. Maybe the Socreds or the Communists will be running a candidate from this Island. They, too, would rate a front-page write-up in DRIFTWOOD. To go from politics to garbage, we want to make an appeal in behalf of our local "Sanitary Manager", Mr. Wally Rogers. He asks the cooperation of the people in keeping the bottles and cans separated from the regular kitchen garbage. He would appreciate it very much. A gunny sack is a good receptacle for the cans and bottles. . . . That golden flash, seen streaking to the Vesuvius ferry is Pete Frattinger tooling along in his new racing Jaguar. . . . Sometimes it is pretty tough to get a good fire going in piled up beach logs, but it was even tougher for a Fulford resident last week; A lady in a boat, spotted the fire and sent the Fire Dept. to put it out. . . We apologize to little Miss Cheryl Horel for not having her listed as the winner of the Kiwanis Bursary in the Duncan (Cont'd to Page 2)

FERRY CHANGES PLANNED

The ferries Sidney and Tsawwassen will be shifted to full-time service on the Nanaimo-Horseshoe Bay run April 19 as the B.C. Toll Authority shuffles its boats for increased summer service.

The Sidney and Tsawwassen, in service now on Swartz Bay - Tsawwassen link between Vancouver and Victoria, will be placed on the Nanaimo run April 19.

The new City of Victoria and City of Vancouver will take over the Swartz Bay-Tsawwassen route and on May 1, when hourly sailings are begun there, will be joined by the former Black Ball boats, Kahloke and Chinook.

The Swartz Bay-Tsawwassen service, now running every two hours each way on the odd hours, will be stepped up to an hourly service May 1. At that time sailings will begin at 7 a.m. and the last will leave at 10 p.m. The last boat now leaves at 9 p.m.

The new boats now under construction at Victoria Machinery Depot will replace the Kahloke and Chinook on the Swartz Bay-Tsawwassen run next year.

At the First Annual Meeting of the S.S.I. Recreational Holdings, Ltd., (owners of the Golf Course property) held on Tues., March 27, the Board of Directors was increased from five to ten members. The five members of last year's Board were re-elected for another one year term. They were: Frank Trethewey, Mac. Mouat, W.H. Bradley, C.R. Horel, and W.M. Mouat. The five new members are: Doug Cavaye, Brian Markham, Sidney Quinton, Ed. Richardson and Rod Pringle.

At the meeting it was indicated that the building of grass greens, to replace the old sand greens, will begin as soon as the ground becomes dry enough. Temporary grass greens will be installed, to be used this summer, while the permanent greens get a chance to grow. It was also indicated that it might be possible to start on the club house project during this fiscal year.

A concentrated drive to sell more shares, to provide more recreational facilities, will begin in the near future.

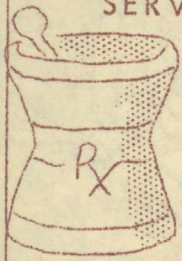
The Company now has 218 shareholders, of whom over fifty are non-resident. These people own 375 shares with a par value of \$18,850.

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The S.S.I. Volunteer Fire Department has announced the prize for the lucky ticket holder to the 2nd annual Fireman's Ball will be a free trip, for two, including transportation, hotel, meals, tickets to fair grounds and exhibits, and incidental expenses, to the World's Fair. The Firemen's Ball will be held in Mahon Hall on Friday, April 22nd. Tickets are \$1.25 each. It is NOT necessary to attend the Ball to win the trip.

As you all know, we have one of the best Fire Departments and it is comforting to know that these men are ready to serve the Island at a moment's notice. To make it an even better Fire Department, the men need more equipment for their training room. The only way they can but this type of equipment is by such endeavours as the forth-coming Firemen's Ball. Give the Firemen your support, as they give you their support in time of need. Who knows? You may be lucky. A handy coupon is on page five of this issue. Mail it today!

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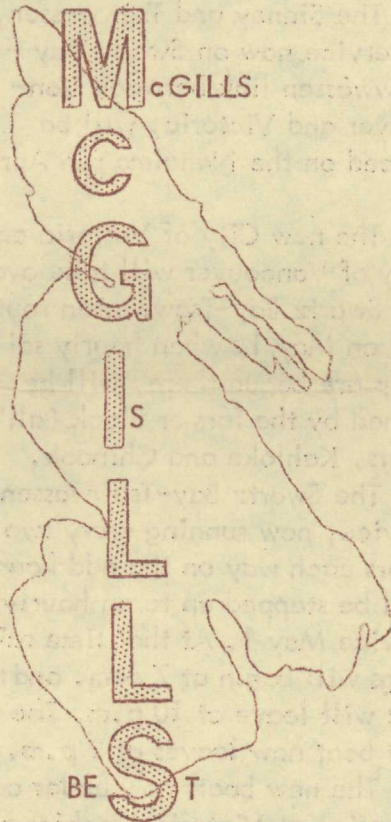
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR DEPT.
"Dear Sir: We have obtained more information on the stone hut near Southey Point.

When Mr. Stark was a young lad of 8 years he was out looking for his fathers cattle about 95 years ago, when he came upon the remains of an old stone house. The peaked roof was held in place by wooden rafters. When the rafters rotted away the slab roof held itself for

(Cont'd From Page 1) . . . Music Festival. She won it as she did the rose bowl and other assorted prizes for her outstanding playing. . . . Sgt. Ken Byron of the Black Watch regiment is now in Germany after a rough crossing of the No. Atlantic. . . . There is no bingo at the Beaver Point famous Bean Supper this coming Saturday. We made the mistake in the ad and the write-up, thinking that things were like they used to be. . . . Jack West, popular local Bank Manager, was the recipient of a surprise birthday party on Tuesday morning by a group of over-drafted, loan-hungry Failures who brought favour-producing gifts and a cake decorated with red dollar signs. The gifts, that surely would melt the heart of the hard-heartedest of bank managers, included a bottle of red ink, a real rubber cheque, burglar alarm (mouse trap), a china piggy bank entitled "My Bank" (complete with the first penny), a grade one arithmetic book, and a giant 3-foot paper mache dill pickle. . . . If the lady who owns the unclaimed slacks at the DRIFTWOOD office is too embarassed to claim them, she will be able to buy them back at the Hospital Bargain Sale this coming Sept. . . . The



awhile.
Mr. Jones was the name of the man who was getting out rock or sandstone from near by and lived in the house while working there. He was later killed in San Francisco. Mr. Jones and his helpers made a grindstone with a square hole in the center. The Collins Bros. have this stone now.

There was said to be a small window in one wall. It was made by cutting a hole in the center of a rock and then placing it in the wall.

Amongst the stones of the old building we have found a rock splitting wedge, a few pieces of clay pipe stem with the words McDougall, Prindle and Carlisle.

(Signed) Bruce Hildred, Gr. 6, and Brian Hayward, Gr. 9."

"Dear Sir: I have just finished my March 8th copy of Driftwood in a perfect tizzy of delight. I really didn't realize our G.O.S.S.I.P. organization had a chapter in Salt Spring. Our own school system has been guided by its principles for many years, with the result that we now have the best adjusted delinquents in the whole of the United States.

Through G.O.S.S.I.P.s constant demands our academic standards are constantly striving for a happy medium of mediocrety, the more advanced students being held back to the level of the poorer ones so no parents need to be ashamed of their offspring.

Our latest achievement has been in getting the release from classrooms those high school children who instead of athletics on the playgrounds wish to take up bowling. Now not only do these students get excused from classes for the last period, but they are given grades on their bowling scores. This course is also classified as on the job learning, since children who pass the required scores may become, if

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grade 12 students have embarked upon a campaign for funds to pay for their graduation activities. To raise these funds the girls will do your Spring housecleaning, weed gardens, baby-sit, etc. and the boys will chop wood, do odd jobs or whatever. Help them out a bit while they help you. Phone 43-Q (Kathie Morrison) or 217-B (Jean Galbraith) after 5:30 p.m. . . . Don't wait until the last minute to buy your tickets to the C. of C. Banquet or you will miss hearing Tony Emery. Tickets are \$1.75 and are available at Salt Spring Lands or Ganges Pharmacy. Those who have heard Tony Emery before will not miss hearing him again. Those who haven't should not pass up the opportunity. . . .

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The regular monthly meeting of the Guild of Sunshine was held in the Board Room of the Mahon Hall on Mar. 20th., with 22 members present. The President, Mrs. W. Norton was in the chair.

Mrs. B. Krebs gave her report on the visit to Dr. Francis Hospital and Mrs. D. Cousineau reported on the Recreational meeting.

Arrangements were made for the tea and sale of work to be held on April 27th., with Mrs. W. Jameski as tea convenor.

Tea hostesses for the afternoon were Dr. N. Hughes and Miss A. Herd.

Mrs. L. Hanke entertained at her home on the afternoon of March 23rd with a tea with a tea in ho-

nour of Mrs. Bishop Wilson and Mrs. Warren Hastings, both of whom will shortly be leaving the island; Mrs. Wilson who will be taking up residence elsewhere, and Mrs. Hastings who will be leaving on an extended visit to England. Floral decorations of pink and white graced the tea table which was presided over by Mrs. O.L. Stanton and Mrs. A.J. Eaton who served the many friends who attended.

Mrs. D. Cayave has received word from the Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society, Vancouver, that an anonymous donation of \$500 has been received from someone on this Island towards research of arthritis and rheumatism. Those who recently canvassed the Island for C.A.R.S. will be very gratified to hear this.

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To be fertile a mineral soil must contain an adequate amount of organic matter which in an advanced stage of decay is known as soil humus. Clay soils are high in potash but generally deficient in phosphates, while sandy soils are relatively low in potash.

Muck soils are well supplied with nitrogen because of their organic nature but low in phosphate, potash and other minerals.

There is probably no better source of organic matter than well-decomposed barnyard manure; however, in localities where barnyard manure is not available the organic matter of the soil should be maintained by some system of green manure cropping, such leguminous crops as clover, peas, soybeans and fall rye. Another very important factor is that no crop should be grown too frequently upon the same piece of land and some system of rotation should be followed. Crop rotation is also important in maintaining soil fertility.

Plants differ in the feeding capacities in that they

take various elements from the soil in different amounts. Chemical fertilizers supplement organic matter as a source of plant food but are not a substitute for organic matter or sound cultural practices.

Fertilizer Recommendations:

Potatoes - Main crop - 11 - 48 - 0.

Potatoes - Early - 13 - 16 - 10.

Place fertilizer in bands just below and 2 to 4 inches to the side of the seed piece.

Vegetables - 10 - 20 - 10.

Place fertilizer in bands on either side of the row but not in contact with seed or plants.

Vegetables in peat and muck soils 4 - 10 - 10.

Flowers - Blood and Bone - 2 - 7 - 11.

Water small plants with Alaska fish or Liquid Blue Whale solution.

ONION PLANTS

We are growing a specially selected strain of Sweet Spanish Onion, a variety known in the Okanagan as Walla Walla Sweet Spanish which matures in July.

The foundation seed was planted last August and the young plants are now ready to transplant. If anyone is interested in obtaining some of these plants we are now taking orders.

The Anglican W.A. held a Special meeting last Fri., Mar. 23, at the

Parish Hall. Mrs. G.H. Holmes was in the chair. The members attending voted to have the Wayside Sale & Tea on April 12th.

Mrs. G. Laundry and Mrs. H. Ashby, delegated to the annual Diocesan Meeting, gave very interesting reports of the meeting.

After the meeting a Donation Tea, convened by Mrs. W. Norton, was held.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schwagly have announced the forthcoming marriage of their eldest daughter, Maryke to Lt. Bram Oudshoorn (R.C.N.) on Sat. April 28th, at St. Andrews Cathedral, Victoria, B.C.

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A very special Teen Tempo Dance will be held on Friday, March 30, from 9:00 p.m. until 1:00 am. The feature of the evening will be the recording artist, Don Thompson, who will sing some of his songs and will be accompanied by "The Phantoms", an orchestra from Duncan, who will supply the music for the evening. The admittance prices are \$1.00 single, \$1.75 per couple. The proceeds from the dance will go to the fund in aid of Graduation.

Thomas W. Mouat, Jr. with son Robert and Gavin H. Mouat with sons, Peter and Gerald visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Mouat, Sr. at Welbury Bay recently.

The 2nd Annual Legion Auction Sale will be held next Wed., April 4th at Mahon Hall beginning at 12:30 p.m. A partial list of the items available is listed on the Classified Page.

Recent week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. C.J. Marcotte were Mrs. Marcotte's aunt, Mrs. Esma Forgue and her friend, Mrs. P. Johnson of Victoria.

Members of Gulf Islands Camera Club enjoyed a workshop on "Indoor Photography" at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Richards, Fernwood, last Saturday, under instruction of Marshall Sharp, president.

Combined regular meeting and workshop for April will be held April 14 at the home of Mrs. E. Worthington, Ganges Hill, when V.A. Bishop will present a showing of colored slides.

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. W.J. Mollison on the birth of a baby daughter on March 27th at Lady Minto Hospital. The baby, their first child, weighed an even 7 lbs and was named Lisa Jane. Baby and Mother doing fine.

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NOTICES

Will the party who damaged my fence-post and gate Sunday morning after church services come forward and make restitution. Mrs. Trudy Jackson.

Blue Gables Coffee Shop, opening April 1st. Hours: 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Turkey Shoot - S.S.I. Rod and Gun Club, Sun. April 1st, 12:30 p.m. at range. Prizes, refreshments and entertainment for everyone.

Annual General Meeting of the S.S.I. Golf & Country Club will be held on Saturday, March 31, at the Legion Hall at 8:30 p.m. Prize giving and Social hour after meeting.

Portraits, children a specialty. Weddings, passports, old pictures copied. See the aerial photographs of Salt Spring at Driftwood. MARSHALL SHARP.

CHURCHES, Sunday, April 1st.

ANGLICAN:

ST. Mark's - Matins and Holy Communion, 11:00 a.m.
ST. GEORGE'S - Evensong, 7:30
ST. MARY'S, Evensong, 2:30 pm
UNITED: Ganges, 11:00 a.m.
ROMAN CATHOLIC: Our Lady of Grace, Ganges, Holy Mass, 10:45 a.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE GROUP

Mahon Hall, 11:00 a.m.
JEHOVAH WITNESSES, Mahon Hall, 2:00 p.m.
BIBLE CHAPEL: Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service, Mahon Hall, 7:30 p.m.

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WELL DONE, DRIFTWOOD, by Bea Hamilton

This may be a little bit of a shock to the Editor, but I'm going to say something nice about him. And I think it's time. I've been working for his newspaper for two years now - almost from the first issue on March 24, 1960. Do you remember the first issue and the heading "A NEWSPAPER FOR SALT-SPRING!"? Two of the first items were about the "A.E. Duke's Golden Wedding Anniversary at Vesuvius", and the "Fulford Fire Truck Beats Ganges Truck to a fire at St. Mary's Lake". And in the introductory editorial, the editor said, and I quote, "We hope for three things: that you will like DRIFTWOOD, that we improve with each successive issue, and that we can be of service to Salt Spring and the Gulf Islands", end of quote.

Well, on the first, "We like the Driftwood" is what the people say whenever we ask, so that takes care of that. And on the second, there is a definite improvement in style and in the editorials and the articles. (Mr. P.G. James' "Garden Talk" is most helpful and a welcome addition to readers.) The ads are attractive and well done. The Island news is as good as the community makes it, and reflects the moods and changes which vary with the times. And Driftwood fills a great service to many people. How else would everyone know what goes on? It all comes out in Facts, Fables and Foibles, maybe not always right, but it's interesting. And we all live and learn. Letters to the Editor - there's a corner for you! It takes a spunky paper like the Driftwood to stand up some of the letters that have fallen on the desk like brickbats. But Woody Fisher has shown himself to be a good sport. He turns out a fine little paper that is popular wherever it reaches. So instead of a brickbat, I'm handing the Editor a bouquet - just a small one, from a

committee of one. So far it has been fun working for Driftwood - especially when the Editor makes a boo-boo in the Fulford news at times. Like saying there is BINGO at the Beaver Point Bean Supper next Saturday, when there isn't; and that Mhora and Duncan Hepburn are the "only brother and sister act" at U.B.C. What about Kathy and Charlie Butt, also of Beaver Point? They are at the U.B.C., pitching away since 1962 started. (Oh dear, how did that little bee sting get in my bouquet?)

So you see, we have fun writing - most of the time anyway. It couldn't be otherwise with such wonderful people in the communities of Salt Spring Island. And as for Mr. Fisher, well, I couldn't be writing for a more considerate and sincere Editor.

So congratulations to the DRIFTWOOD for a fine two-year performance under difficult circumstances - may this third volume be seasoned with good wishes and courage, and may it's "woody" structure withstand all weathers in the future as staunchly as in the past. Well done, Mr. Fisher.

FULFORD NEWS... An impromptu dance party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Akerman was held on Saturday night in honor of the celebrated singing and recording artist, Don Thompson of Seattle and Hollywood. Don, who is currently the guest of Mrs. V. Grant of Beaver Point, was able to meet about 30 of the young people and had a good time at the party. Hosting the affair were Miss Lynn Akerman and Mr. Jimmy Hippisley. The guest of honor expects to be on Salt Spring for a few more days before he returns to the U.S. In the meantime, he is making a lot of new friends and enjoying the hospitality of the Island people. Don spent a few days in Victoria last week... (Cont'd. to page 8)

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This Company wishes to announce that due to changing conditions, commencing April 2nd 1962, we are eliminating our two price system and in future all types of merchandise which previously have been double priced will now be marked at a cash price.

Our present charge accounts will continue to receive this credit accommodation at the lower prices; any accepted new accounts will receive the same consideration.

We however have no alternative but to make the reservation that all accounts must be paid by the 10th day of the month following purchase and all accounts not paid by this date will be subject to a straight 5% service charge.

A delivery charge of 10¢ will be made on all deliveries whether charge, cash or C.O.D.

We hope to have the opportunity of serving you in the future as we have in the past.

Salt Spring Island Trading Co. Ltd.

FULFORD NEWS (Cont'd. from page 7) . . .

A crowd of over 70 people attended a shower in honor of Miss Lois Lee on Saturday night, at the Fulford Community Hall. Many lovely gifts were arranged in a decorated container and a forest of small fir trees made a pretty sylvan setting for the popular young bride-to-be. Lois was led to a decorated chair on her arrival and presented with a white carnation corsage. She was assisted in opening her gifts by her mother, Mrs. R. Lee and her sisters, Ronda and Elizabeth, and some young friends. Young Diane Kyler won hands down in a guessing the right cake contest, winning over the more experienced cooks present. A lovely white decorated cake was cut by the bride elect - the cake was made by Mrs. M. Gyves, who was the convenor of the delightful shower. A word of thanks from Miss Lee ended a very pleasant evening, after the ladies in the community served delicious refreshments and coffee. . . .

The construction of the Jack Graham Memorial stage, which is being added to the Fulford Hall, is progressing favourably under the management of Mr. M. Sober. Volunteer workers will be appreciated at any time, and if any one desires to come across with a donation financially, well, that would be wonderful. Any donation would be welcome and it can

be left with Mr. J. West, manager of the Bank of Montreal at Ganges. The workers are trying to get the stage built in time for the big Lions Club show which is scheduled in the Fulford Hall in May.

COMING EVENTS:

- Fri. Mar. 30 - Bingo, Catholic Church Hall, 8:15 pm
- Teen Tempo Dance, Mahon Hall 9-1
- Sat. Mar. 31 - Bean Supper, Beaver Pt. Hall 6-7:30
- Golf & Country Club annual meeting, Legion Hall, 8:30 p.m.
- Wed. Apr. 4 - Legion Auction Sale, Mahon Hall, Beginning 12:30 p.m.
- Mum Soc. 8 p.m., A.K. Wilson res. Mrs. McCabe, speaker.

The second round of H.M.S. Ganges I.O.D.E. elimination bridge resulted in the following winners: Dr. O. Stanton & H. Giegerich; H. Alexander & Mrs. J. Sturdy; J. Lamb & J. Bond; Mr. & Mrs. H. Hoffman; Mr. and Mrs. J. Reid; Mrs. Flewin & Mrs. F. Lepsoe; Dr. & Mrs. I. White; V. Case Morris & Mrs. C. Springford; Mr. & Mrs. G. St. Denis; Mrs. S. Clarke & Mrs. Cl Leggett; Mrs. F. Agnew & Dr. E. Cox; Mrs. E. Richardson & Mrs. D. Cavaye; L. Musclow & T. McIntyre; Mr & Mrs. F. Morris; Mr. & Mrs. J.C. West; Mr. & Mrs. W. Fisher. The third round will be played March 26 to 31.

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