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# DAILY NEWS

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The steadily worsening tax situation in the Gulf Islands has caused concern among many people living in the Gulf Islands and the S.S.I. Chamber of Commerce has sent the following chart and letter to the Hon. Earle C. Westwood. As the chart and letter explains, our assessments have increased 60%, our mill rate 74% while our school budget has only gone up 30% since 1958. During that period the Government grant has decreased from 68% to 19.5%.

### GULF ISLAND ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

YEAR	TOTAL TAXABLE VALUES	TOTAL SCHOOL BUDGET	GOVERNMENT GRANT	%	SCHOOL MILL RATE	NUMBER OF PUPILS
1958	\$6,511,980	\$179,057	\$121,610	68%	11.46	479
1959	6,931,490	197,912	96,005	48%	15.05	482
1960	8,550,524	230,815	98,038	42.5%	15.15	482
1961	8,988,631	230,849	62,124	27%	17.99	497
1962	10,317,697	269,259	50,010	19.5%	19.90	479

"Dear Sir: Re: 1962 School Mill Rate - Gulf Island Assessment District.

Subsequent to the meeting Wednesday evening we have secured some data on the steadily worsening taxation picture on these islands and are forwarding it for your review.

We are attaching a sheet showing that from 1958 to 1962 our Assessments increased nearly 60%. During the same period, our School budget increased only 30%, but our tax mill rate increased 74%, despite the increased assessment. The amazing feature here is that 1962 pupil enrollment is exactly the same as 1958.

Reading down the declining government grant figures, it is obvious that the Department of Education has simply decided that our Mill Rate was too low, thus penalizing the more economical School Boards to pay the way for the extravagant.

We have had no large capital outlay in these Islands; a new classroom or so, and a couple of teacher-ages have been added over the past four years, but our main consolidated school building at Ganges is, if anything, substandard as compared to other School buildings in the Province.

As you know, we have here on the Islands, a large number of retired people who have moved here because their income dropped upon retirement and they had to get out of the cities into a lower tax area. These people have already educated their children, and paid their share of higher taxes in their areas. In this area, school population is static, but now these folk are being charged, in effect, for education costs in other places.

We are advised that there are other districts in the Province, which have modern facilities and auditorium-gymnasiums, where the mill rate is no higher than ours; if this is so as it seems to be, it indicates that the so-called "equalization" policy of the Department of Education aims to charge us for facilities we do not have, and keep our Mill Rate so high, we'll never get a Referendum to pass new structures.

We would earnestly request your assistance in reviewing this matter with the Department of Education with the view to modifying this serious tax situation.

Yours very truly, Salt Spring Island Chamber Of Commerce, (Signed) C.R. Horel, President."

Even the Hospital Tax situation is a little muddled. Their mill rate has been raised slightly from .89 mills to .91 mills, but since the hospital millrate is figured to bring in exactly \$7,944.14 each year (until 1976), their mill rate should have gone down, due to the increased assessment values.

One of the great unknown factors about this year's taxes is the status of the taxes formerly paid by B.C. Electric in this district. It was quite a chunk of dough and it is not known at this time what adjustments the Government is going to make for this tax loss.

The Salt Spring Island Fire District mill rate dropped from 2.06 in 1961 to 1.48 this year, a lowering of .58 mills.

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duct of a lot of hard work by some pretty talented people. The songs, the play, the dialogue and the odd spoofing of a Salt Spring Island sacred cow provided a worth-while evening for some 600 people at the three performances.

Much can be said for Ed. Richardson, Dr. T. Jansch, Peter Cartwright who wrote, produced and directed the show, and much more can be said for the cast which included; Ben Greenhough, Ken Aquilon, Walter Mailey, Ted Jansch, Fletcher Bennett, Irl Bradley, Wayne Bradley, Bill Trelford, Ed. Richardson, Con Ackerman, John Finnson, Des Crofton, Eric Faure, Gil Humphreys, Tom Low, Fred Luddington, John Stepaniuk and Slim Thorburn. Mrs. M.W. Jones, the pianist and Mr. & Mrs.

Charles Moat, Mrs. Ray Hill, and the Misses Marguerite Gear, Gladys Patterson and Marcia Sober who were the makeup crew, did a marvelous job. Backstage assistants and promoters, shunning the spotlight, were Earl Kaye, Rod Pringle, Jack West and Harold Hoffman. The scenery, as professional as you will ever see, was done by Harold Hoffman.

It has been announced that the Hon. Howard Green, Minister of External Affairs will be on Salt Spring Island on Tues. May 29th. He will address a public meeting at Mahon Hall at 8:00 p.m. He will be accompanied by W.F. Matthews, P.C., our present Member of Parliament who is running for re-election.

While not much excitement has been generated by a good case of election fever, there has been some activity on Salt Spring Island. The Liberal candidate, Jack Saywell, was here and will be returning. Mr. Colin Cameron, the NDP candidate, was in the Gulf Islands last week and will be making a major speech here sometime soon. A major event will be the appearance of the Hon. Howard Green, P.C. on the 29th.

The Social Credit organization held a "Public Information" meeting here last Wednesday with the Hon. Earle C. Westwood and Mr. H. Bruch of Esquimalt answering the many questions put (Cont'd to Page 8)

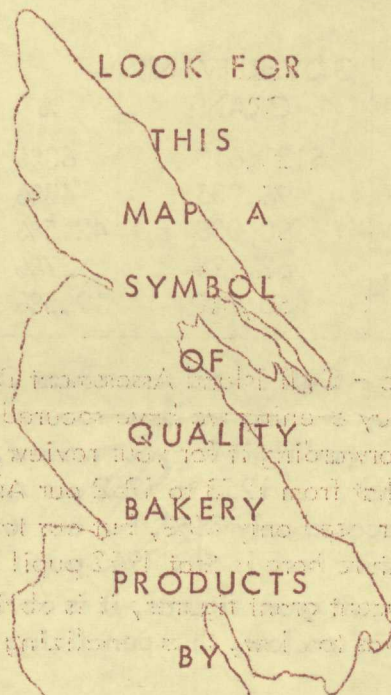
The Victoria Day parade, next Monday, May 21st, will form between the Ganges dock and the Cenotaph at 12:30 p.m., with Bob Atkins as Parade Marshall. The parade leaves at 1:00 p.m., goes across McPhillips Ave., on to Jackson Ave. and across Rainbow Rd. to the school grounds. The May Queen ceremony begins at 1:30 with the sport events following.

The children's parade will assemble on the school grounds at 12:30 where prizes will be given to the best costumes and best decorated bicycles, tricycles, wagons and doll buggies. In case of rain, the children's parade will be held in Mahon Hall, but no animals will be allowed in the hall. (Some children have decorated lambs, pups, pigs etc. in their doll buggies and wagons.) The midway, on the school grounds, will have games of skill, hot dogs, ice cream etc. Tea will be served in Mahon Hall. Entrance to the school grounds will be 25¢, with a gate prize being given away.

A dance will be held at Fulford Hall on Monday night. A five-piece orchestra from Nanaimo will play. Admission is \$1.25 with dancing from 10:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.

All horseshoe players, entering the tournament should meet at the DRIFTWOOD office at 10:30 a.m. Double play only, with the two members of the winning team playing off to determine the champion.

Whether you are a "joiner" or not, you just have to admire the S.S.I. Lions Club. Not only do they do yeoman work on the ambulance, give quiet assistance where need is great, but they provide a good brand of amateur entertainment. Their 3rd. Annual show, "Misguided Adventures" last week-end was the pro-



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THE GROWING AND  
 CARE OF TOMATOES

**Plant Characteristics:** The tomato plant will root deeply in a long - season environment unless it is prevented by hardpan, poor drainage, or other factors. Because of the usual transplanting procedure, the primary root is damaged, and a dense fibrous system of lateral roots is formed. These develop rapidly and, in mature plants, may spread several feet. The major portion of the root system occupies the first 8 - 10 inches of soil, but occasional roots will penetrate quite deeply.

The root system is also very sensitive to soil moisture, an uneven supply being conducive to blossom-end rot and an excess or deficiency resulting in a stunting of growth. The tomato is sensitive to cold and should not be planted until danger of frost is past. It requires 65 - 85 days from seed to bearing, but about a third of this period can be spent under glass. Low temperature when the flower clusters are small is a cause of rough fruit.

During the growing period of the tomato plant many things must be taken into consideration. It is very important to produce a large plant which will have many blossoms; adequate soil nutrients or fertilizer constituents, irrigation and many other factors all affect plant growth. The right weather during pollination, and fruit setting temperatures

are an important factor where blossoms fall from the plant without forming a fruit.

**Failure of the Pollen to Germinate:**

Night temperatures below 50 deg. F. for several hours tend to prevent fruit setting. Yields depend upon fertile soil, proper cultural practices, length of harvesting season, prevention of damage by insects and diseases. The tomato crop should not succeed itself on the same ground, and it should not follow potatoes, because of disease factors.

Transplanting solutions and the use of the proper fertilizers during the growing season are very important. Too much nitrogen early in the season may result in excessive vine growth, soft plants and a delayed maturity. An olive green color foliage indicates a healthy plant.

The 1st Ganges Sea Scout Troop is going to miss Phil Williams, their Scoutmaster for the past seven months. Mr. Williams, having passed the recent examinations for his Commission as a B.C. Land Surveyor is moving to Victoria with his family in the near future. Ray Hill, who for the past two years has been an Assistant Scoutmaster, has agreed to take over the Troop, pro tem, until a permanent Scoutmaster can be found. Adrian Wolfe-Milner will continue to act as Assistant Scoutmaster.

Target shooting by those of the Scouts interested in this sport was resumed recently following the Easter holidays, and was marked by Brian Rogers getting his second possible of 100. The only other Scout to have shot a possible was Patrick Wolfe-Milner who made his some time ago. However, several of the boys have been making good progress towards their Maple Leaf Badges awarded by the Dominion Rifle Association. All have won the Bronze Maple Leaf requiring 5 targets (Cont'd to Page 4)

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(Cont'd from Page 3) with a score of 80 points or better, Wayne Mout and Patrick Wolfe-Milner have their Silver Maple Leaf requiring 10 targets of 93 points or better and Patrick Wolfe-Milner has his Gold Maple Leaf requiring 10 targets with a score of 98 points or better. While several others of the boys are well on the way towards the targets necessary for their Silver and Gold Maple Leaves and should obtain them in the course of the shoots before the summer holidays.

Jobs for our graduating students will be discussed at the May meeting of the P.T.A. Mr. J. Sharples, Supervisor of the Special Services Unit of the Unemployment Insurance Commission will be here from Victoria to talk about the employment situation and to explain where students may obtain further training. He will speak to the students during the afternoon of May 22, and will be pleased to talk to any parents who would like to arrange an interview, either in the afternoon or after the P.T.A. meeting. Please notice the change of day for the meeting which is on Tuesday for this month only.

The regular monthly meeting of the Anglican W.A. was held in the Parish Hall on May 11th with the president, Mrs. G.H. Holmes in the chair. Fourteen members were present. Archdeacon and Mrs. Holmes took the devotional period. Mrs. Holmes read excerpts from the bulletin. It was decided to send \$5 to the Caroline Macklem Home Garden Fete. On June 19, a luncheon will be served for 150 friends of the Silver Threads Club. Mrs. Saunders is to convene, and her committee includes Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. H. Price, Mrs. G. Laundry and Mrs. E. Worthington. The Parish Fete will be held on August 1st. A committee meeting about it will be held on May 18. Tea hostesses were Mrs. W. Eagles and Mrs. Saunders.

### FULFORD NEWS by Bea Hamilton

Visiting Captain and Mrs. Edward Lacy last week end were Mrs. R. Darby and Mrs. G. Simmons of Victoria. . . . Mrs. V. McClaron was a guest of Mrs. B.E. McEwen and Margaret in Victoria last week. . . . And returning from a few weeks' visit

to Trinidad and other parts of the West Indies, are Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Alton, arriving home last Wednesday. . . . Miss Betty Gault was the guest of Miss V. Salliss last week-end. . . . The lovely little Purple Finches that were here during the winter months are still with us - a pair are nesting in the bushes at Dromore, and clucks, squeaks, peeps and twitterings come from the Cedar hedge as every kind of bird seems to be nesting or just visiting each other. . . . Even Papa Quail shouts out his cry of "Tobakko-tobakko" every now and then. . . . don't know whether he's for or against it but it's his warning cry. . . . The latest tale against the black Ravens is that they are killing chicks by the dozen in the Saanich area - they peck the chickens' heads off. They are definitely not good neighbors.

The following poem was written by a lady in the Lady Minto Hospital while recovering from a serious illness; the inspiration being a bouquet of yellow rose-buds, received from a friend.

### "ROSE BUDS"

Pushing back old memories curtain,  
Rose buds on my window sill  
Take me back across the years  
to a garden, quiet and still.

I see again the fence of pickets  
And the bounding Puget Sound,  
And the rose bush that trailed on a tree,  
Climbing thro' its branches round.

Beyond a small green cottage,  
I see the white open gate;  
Many miles from there I've wandered,  
Led afar by the hand of fate.

Yes, memory weaves a golden halo  
O'er those days of long ago;  
Then our hearts were young and happy  
Now our steps are old and slow.

Rose buds on the window-sill give promise  
That Sunshine follows after pain.  
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**THE LION'S SHOW-ed US** by Bea Hamilton

Presenting their third annual show, "Misguided Adventure" on Thursday, May 10th at the Fulford Hall, the members of the Salt Spring Island Lions Club gave the new Memorial Stage a good start.

A large crowd gathered in the Hall and were most impressed with the gold curtains and colored lighting on the new stage. This was a sort of unofficial christening of the stage and in his opening speech of welcome, Bill Trelford, president of the Lions, expressed their pleasure at being the first to use the stage and it was a very good one to work on. He wished the Fulford community the best of luck. The members of the Lions then presented their fast-moving play - a "Misguided Adventure", which really turned out to be a well guided adventure, from the audience point of view. It is true the play took the actors from Salt Spring Is. to France (supposedly) but they somehow all landed in the Ozark Mountains, at a place well named "Sleepy Corners". In an amusing scene, the Island men met "them fellers from the Ozarks, drank their corn likker" - with the inevitable results - they became so relaxed that they forgot such a place as Salt Spring ever existed! It would be safe to say here that the audience had never seen the prominent business men from the Island so relaxed!

The whole show was well timed and not too long. The play and songs were written, produced and directed by Peter Cartwright, Dr. Ted Jansch and Ed Richardson. The pianist was Mrs. M.W. Jones, who was presented with a corsage by Mrs. M. Gyves, on behalf of the people, for her excellent music. The songs were well sung and every chorus splendid. Conducting in turn were Mr. Cartwright and Dr. Jansch.

Mr. A.D. Dane expressed the appreciation and thanks to all who had helped to build the new Jack Graham Memorial Stage. The response from the people had been wonderful, he said, and the ladies who had made the curtains, had done an excellent job. "He doesn't know how many times the blessed things puckered and went wrong before we could get them right!" muttered Mrs. Nancy Patterson.

The Lion's Show was tops! We shall look forward to their next Annual Show.

Mrs. I. Kitagawa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. Murakami, has returned for a two-week visit. She has been teaching at Kitsilano Secondary school in Vancouver for the past three years. Her husband will also be here shortly, for a visit.

Lisa Jane was the name given to the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Mollison, christened on Sunday, May 6th at North Pender Island United Church. The ceremony was conducted by Dr. N. Hughes.

Mrs. Edith M. Cantrill wishes to announce the marriage of her daughter Marilyn Eleanor to Mr. Philip John Tamboline, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Tamboline of Ladner, B.C. The wedding will take place on Saturday, June 16th at St. Georges Church in Ganges.

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C.W.L. Bingo will be held at the Mahon Hall May 25th, 8 pm Jackpot - \$66.

**IMPORTANT MEETING**  
A meeting, in Board room of Mahon Hall on Tuesday, May 22 at 8 p.m. for all those interested in Government land clearing. A government representative will be present. S.S.I. Farmers' Institute.

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UNITED: Ganges, 11 a.m.  
ROMAN CATHOLIC: Our Lady of  
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**COMING EVENTS**

Thurs. May 17, OAPO meeting, Parish Hall, 2 p.m.  
Mon. May 21, Victoria Day, Parade, games, dance  
Tues. May 22, P.T.A. meeting, Home Ec. Rm.,  
School, 8 pm (special speaker)  
- Land Clearing meeting, Farmers Inst.  
Bd. Rm. Mahon Hall, 8 p.m.

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:**

Dear Sir, Last Saturday I went to Fulford by the 11 a.m. ferry and bought a book of commuter's tickets from the Ferry officials before we boarded the ferry. After the ticket had been taken out of the book, I happened to count the remaining ones and found there were only eight. I called this to the attention of the man taking the ticket. He said it was a mistake and that some of the new books had been distributed without being checked to see that they contained ten tickets. He put it right by giving me another one.

I am writing to your paper about this incident in case other purchasers of books may also be given one that had not been checked.

In other words, count your tickets as well as your blessings. (Signed) "A Visitor"

The Saltspring Group of Seven, an all female group of amateur artists, held their first exhibition Monday evening at the home of Mrs. A. Hepburn, one of the members. A large crowd was on hand to view over 100 paintings done at their once a week meetings. Though these hard-working ladies are no great masters, they proved once again that talent abounds on our island. There were seascapes, landscapes, figure studies, abstracts, expressionists, still life and, being no art critic, probably a lot of other types that we didn't recognize. The paint-

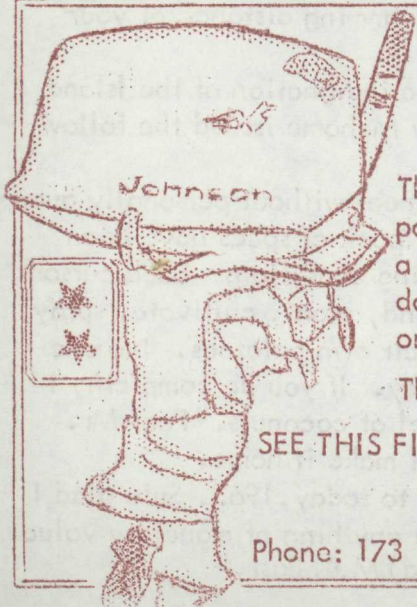
ings were not signed by the artists, and every viewer played a guessing game trying to figure them out. Colours dazzled sun-bright in "Cottonwood River" and in great globs in "Paris in the Spring". A stormy sea crashed on the shore in "Seabird Rocks" and gleamed quietly in "Tidal Pool". Flowers and fruit were delicate in the still life and "Granite Bay" was quiet in the fragile blue of twilight. "Collage" took cereals, seeds, spaghetti, tea, cloves and other ingredients off the kitchen shelf to create new textures in a landscape. Though most of the artists stuck with the traditional, they were not afraid to experiment with something new. It will be interesting to see how this group progresses when their new session starts next fall.

The seven artists are: Mrs. A. Hepburn, Mrs. J. Evans, Mrs. W. Seymour, Mrs. M. Wells, Mrs. R. Desmarais, Mrs. H. Shopland, Mrs. D. Fraser.

**C.A.R.S. ANNUAL AWARDS**

Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society is once again offering financial aid to B.C. students qualifying for courses in physical medicine therapy. Now that the School of Rehabilitation Medicine is in operation at the University of British Columbia, B.C. students can train for a career in physical and occupational therapy on their own doorstep.

There is a great shortage of well qualified physiotherapists in Canada - C.A.R.S. is running on a very restricted staff at the moment trying to keep as many branches as possible in operation. In the eventual hope of recruiting new members for their staff, C.A.R.S. is offering up to \$500 bursary-loans for Grade XIII students to attend UBC or, in some cases, one of the other (Cont'd. to page 10)



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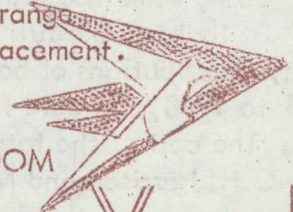
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(Cont'd from Page 2) forth by members of the audience. The questions ranged from pot-holes in roads to the B.C.E. take-over, from ferry tickets to taxation. Mr. Bruch and Mr. Westwood smoothly fielded all the questions tossed-up and quelled any incipient uprisings. To this reporter, the mood of the public was more hostile than usual, with a great number of them highly aggravated by the tax situation in the Gulf Islands.

For some unknown reason, maybe because the health of Gulf Islanders is improving, the number of patient-days at the Lady Minto Hospital declined over 400 in 1961 compared to 1960. This fact was reported at the annual meeting of the Hospital District held at Mahon Hall last Monday. Only 14 people were present for this important meeting where three Board members were up for re-election. Mr. J.D. Reid, present Chairman, Mr. Ed. Richardson and Mr. G.S. Humphreys, the three members whose terms were up, were the only ones nominated and were re-elected for three year terms.

According to the Chairman's report, the operation of the hospital in 1961 showed a small surplus and is one of the few hospitals in B.C. that has kept within its budget. He praised the efforts of the Administrator, the matron and staff and doctors, with a special praise for the Women's Auxiliary to the Lady Minto Hospital.

The Trustee's meeting, which followed the Hospital Board meeting, elected Mr. W.F. Thorburn as a Trustee to fill the vacancy created by the death of the late Mr. Gavin C. Mouat. The meeting passed a resolution to have the Trustees investigate the tax mill situation and if they are not satisfied with their findings to register a complaint with the Government.

An interesting and heated discussion was precipitated at last week's School Board Meeting by a motion to have the School District undertake to pay the full costs of "back pay" for the pension fund (to 1958 or date of employment) for non-teacher employees (bus-drivers, janitors, etc.). Employees and employers participate in this pension plan, and it was felt by some Board members

that to take full advantage of this pension plan, contributions of both parties had to be paid back to 1958, the date the plan went into effect in B.C. The cost of the total back pay is about \$5,000. Mr. C.H. Harrison and Mr. Geo. Heinekey argued strenuously against the motion, claiming the employees should pay their own share of the "back pay" and the School Board was being too generous with the

taxpayer's money. Proponents of the motion, Mr. G.S. Humphreys and Mr. J.M. Campbell, argued that superannuation plans, medical plans, etc. are now terms of employment and the Board was morally obligated to pay the full cost, for not starting the plan earlier.

The motion passed with Mr. Harrison and Mr. Heinekey voting against.

The Salt Spring Salties were the leaders of their league for a few short minutes last Sunday when they defeated the Duncan Legion Team 14 - 12 in the first game of a double-header. The second game saw the Duncan team clobber the local team by a score of 19 - 9. The Salties record is now 2 games won and one game lost. Another game will be played here this coming Sunday at the School grounds; game time 1:30 p.m.

Election of new officers for Salt Spring Island Lions Club resulted in Dr. Ted Jansch being elected President for next year. Other officers elected were Harold Hoffman, Rod Pringle and Ed. Richardson as Vice-Presidents; W.T.D. Jones, Treasurer; Eric Faure, Secretary; Walter Mailey, Tail Twister; Ken Aquilon, Lion Tamer; and Earl Kaye, W.F. Thorburn, Peter Cartwright and Dennis Deacon as Two-year Directors.

LETTER-TO-THE-EDITOR. . . . "Dear Sir:

Let's back up 75 years to the good old days of the Barter system.

Mr. Worley was not boss man of the canoe fleet then. Somebody told me the boss man's name was Mr. Row Mehoma. The fare by canoe to Cowichan Bay or Deep Cove was one peck of Potatoes aboard the boat. Actually you didn't let go of the peck until you were within swimming distance of your destination.

Can you imagine the indignation of the Island residents when Mr. Row Mehoma issued the following order:

"No one rides my canoes without personally guaranteeing that his or her peck of spuds have been grown under the following conditions: Each person must dig their own ground, plant, cultivate, spray, debug, dig and sack their own potatoes. No one must complain or ask why. If you do complain, I will charge you a bushel of coconuts." Poor Mr. Row Mehoma, he didn't make it home.

Well let's get back to today, 1962. Sure glad I live in a country where anything of monetary value is transferable. (Signed) M.B. East."

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FACTS, FABLES & FOIBLES. . . . We see that according to the "Colonist" of May 5, 1862 that word from Salt Spring Island stated that nearly 100 head of horned cattle had died since January, due to the severe winter, and that a settler named Elliot had shot a huge wolf which had been preying on hogs. If word of that winter didn't reach Victoria until May 5th., it must have been a tough winter and the weather has improved, somewhat, in the past 100 years. . . . The Lions Hill-billies were all superb, but especially enjoyed Eric Faure's toothless portrayal and Johnny Stepaniuk's Polish version of a hill-billy dialect. . . . Jack Scott has returned from Siesta Land and with a head start on his summer suntan. . . . As one taxi driver said, after a day on our bumpy, graveled roads, "I wonder how many people know that S.S.I. had more black-topped roads 15 years ago than we do today." . . . Fishing has picked up with catches reported at Captain's Pass, Polier Pass and the secret fishing hole of Dr. Elwood Cox, of Vesuvius, produced a couple of fine bluebacks last Sunday. A whopper trout and some bass were caught in St. Marys Lake last week-end. . . . Some ad-mah mad-man has coined a new vulgarism, "Freshivates", as in "Fanta, the drink that freshivates". Enough to make you regurgitate. . . . Pete Frattinger's Scott Point Marina fresh water heated swimming pool will be open to the public beginning the week-end and until June 30th. . . . And have fun on Victoria Day, Empire Day, and the May 24th Celebration this coming Monday, May 21st. . . .

### A SCHOOL BOARD ANNOUNCEMENT:

We the School Board of District #64, have gone thoroughly into the matter of a new science room and a gymnasium-auditorium for the Ganges Elementary-Secundary School, and have unanimously approved the holding of a referendum on this matter.

These buildings will cost the taxpayers of the Province up to \$150,000 with direct charges on this District of \$75,000. Spread over a 20-year period, this would approximate a yearly cost of \$6500, or on our present assessment, 3/50ths of a cent per dollar of assessment, which sum includes interest.

It is the majority opinion of the Board that without these additions this school is sub-standard, and that these facilities are necessary to bring our students to a more competitive Provincial level.

At no time in our deliberation was consideration given to anything but the education and health of the children in this School District and the feasibility of the costs.

(Signed) G.S. Humphreys, Chairman.

The 26th Annual Hospital Day, held last Friday, was honoured by the presence of Mrs. Ed. Cooley, of Campbell River, Regional Counselor for the Upper Vancouver Island Women's Auxilliary Group.

A large crowd, with many people from the Other Islands, took advantage of the conducted tours throughout the Lady Minto Hospital.

Many donations, cash and otherwise, were gratefully received.

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C.A.R.S. (Cont'd. from page 7) . . . five Canadian universities offering similar courses.

In order to interest high school students in the physical and occupational therapy careers, a prize of \$100 will be awarded by C.A.R.S. for the best job study on physical medicine therapy. Winners of last year's awards were Janey Macaulay of Courtenay High School and Marion Fraser of Prince Charles High School, Creston, who tied for first place. This is the second year running that Prince Charles High School has produced a winner.

Job study entries may be sent directly to C.A.R.S. 645 West Broadway, Vancouver 9, B.C., not later than May 31, 1962. Entries will be judged by members of the Canadian Physiotherapy Association, the Canadian Occupational Therapy Association and the Press.

Recent visitors of the Earl Hardie's, Southey Pt., were Mr. and Mrs. D.H. Campbell of Squamish, Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Hill of Kelowna and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Herron of New Westminster.

Miss Rose Murakami will be teaching the intermediate nursing class at St. Joseph's Hospital in Victoria. She will receive her B.Sc. in nursing in the fall convocation.

LATE NEWS FLASH. . . . The B.C. Toll Ferry Authority has announced, in accordance with the request from the S.S.I. Chamber of Commerce, that, henceforth, the Toll Authority will treat children's commuter tickets as transferable within the same family. In other words, you can buy one book of commuter tickets for all your children under 12 years of age. This change of regulation, by the Toll Authority, will relieve some of the hardship, that has been experienced by large families who, in the past, had to purchase separate books for each child.

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 The "chug chug" from the hidden loaded tugs;  
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 In waves as soft as mist across the seas.

The sun creeps from his nest, reluctant yet  
 To start the day;  
 But fog is blown aside by freshening breeze  
 And then one sees  
 Across the surface of the rippling swell -

Just veering into sight, the towering tugs  
 Fighting the tide;  
 Their heavy booms of logs trail far astern  
 While by the side  
 And overhead, shriek gulls in cloudless blue.

The dull dark days seem over, hushed will be  
 The fog horn's moan;  
 And out of sheltering harbours manifold -  
 - To greet the spring -  
 Will come the little craft of summer time.

"Hemlen" (Ganges, B.C.)

The C.G.I.T. Mother and Daughter Banquet was held on Friday evening, May 11th, with 33 attending.

Lyn Bennett, President of the group welcomed the guests. Margaret Reid proposed a toast to the mothers to which Mrs. L. Townley replied. Two senior members, Louise Lorentsen and Lyn Bennett, were presented with a white lanyard and a Bible. Mrs. Harrison and Miss Adams, C.G.I.T. counsellors from Victoria were the special guest speakers.

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