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REV. HUGHES ELECTED PRESIDENT — B.C. CONFERENCE

Rev. Norah L. Hughes, DD, minister of Ganges United Church was last week elected president of the British Columbia Conference of the United Church of Canada. This high honour was bestowed on Dr. Hughes at the 38th annual meeting of the B.C. conference held in the First United Church in Victoria. She was elected president by a majority of 450 B.C. ministers and laymen attending the conference, and succeeds Rev. A.L. Anderson of Vancouver. She is the first woman ever elected to this office.

"It will mean leaving Salt Spring Island more often and travelling around the province. I regard it as a challenge and an adventure," she said.

Formerly minister of Victoria West United Church, she has been at the Ganges church since 1960.

That dangerous little dip in the Vesuvius-Ganges Road, at the intersection of Baker Road, was the scene of a bad smash-up last Saturday night. Apparently, the driver of the car, Gordon Tews, a new resident of S.S.I., and not aware of the stupid little dips, twists and turns we have in our major highway, attempted to pass a car while driving South. Unfortunately, he could not see the pick-up truck coming up the hill in the opposite direction. Mr. Tews, in an attempt to prevent a head-on collision, lost control, skidded, turned over and wrapped his car around a light pole. The car was a total wreck, the pole was broken about 20 feet off the ground and it was lights out for the people living on Baker Road. (Cont'd. to page 2)

Much different from last year, the rain held off for the big Victoria Day Celebration held last Monday in Ganges. This yearly event, sponsored by the Fulford Hall Committee, was, as usual, filled with fun and frolic. The day was highlighted by a parade and the crowning of the May Queen, Miss Nancy Reynolds.

First prize, for the best float in the parade was awarded the Royal Canadian Legion for "Ol' Bill & Alf in the Space Age". Second prize was awarded the Beaver Point Community for their "Beach Scene". Third prize went to the McGill Bakery float which was a giant loaf of bread. All the floats were outstanding and these included the Rod & Gun Club, Sea Scouts, Credit Union and the "King Norman" float which deserves a special mention. This hilarious, well-done entry was by a group of teen-agers who elected a "May King" as counterpart to the usual "May Queen". The well-decorated car, with its throne and Norman Twa as king, even had its own motorcycle escort, Don Sharp and his motor bike. Other participants in the float were Bruce Murakami, John Sturdy and Robin Harrison.

The parade also featured several horse-back riders in costumes, the fire truck, a cement truck and little Janet Wood and Johnny Marcotte representing Shell Service, pulling a decorated wagon full of candy which they tossed to the children along the parade route.

The Queen, accompanied by her princesses, Misses Jean and Pat Galbraith, Lynn Akerman and her page boy, Victor Jackson, rode on the beautiful Hydro Authority float. (Cont'd. to page 2)

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The Salt Spring "Salties" have continued their winning ways and are now considered one of the top powers in the Vancouver Island Softball League. Last Sunday, they knocked over the highly-rated Glenora team in two games played at the local field. The first game, a ten innings affair, was 6-5 and the second game was won 15-7. Ted Akerman, iron man of the pitching staff, won both games.

An exhibition game was played on Monday and the "Salties" handily whipped the B.C. Telephone team 21-10. The next league home game will be on June 10th.

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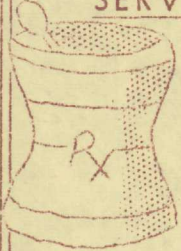
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did a brisk business as did the tea which was
served in Mahon Hall. A dance, The May
Queen Ball, was held that evening at Fulford
Hall.

FRANS WILHELM FREDERICKSON

A 24-year resident of the Gulf Islands, Mr.
Frans Frederickson, passed away on May 15th at
Dr. Francis' Nursing Home. Mr. Frederickson,
who only last year completed a trip back to his
native Sweden, was born in 1877. He has lived in
Canada for 59 years.

He is survived by his wife, Jessie, of the home
on Churchill Rd. Services were held on May 17th
at the Ganges United Church with Dr. N. Hughes
officiating. Goodman Funeral Home was in charge
of arrangements. Cremation followed. Pallbearers
were: Ed. Lumley, Bernard Krebs, Kello Wilson,
Fred Goddard, Lars Olson and Victor
Erickson.

The annual elementary and high
school Track Meet was held on Wed.
May 16th. The well organized events
lasted from 9 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. with
nearly everyone participating. While
it is impossible to list everyone's name,
the high scorers for the different classes
were: Sr. girls -Kathie Morrison,
Sally Alexander and Elizabeth Beech;
Inter. girls -Sandra Smith, Jane Harr-
ison; Jr. girls -Jane Bambrick, Lorelei
Nitsch; 12 yr. girls -Cathy Akerman,
Roberta Smith; 11 yr. girls -Lynne
Perry, Carol Burge; 10 yr. girls -
Kathy Baker, Carol Moulton; 9 yr.
girls -Andrea Harkema, Dawn Kyler,
Darlene Byron; 7 yr. girls -Susan
Byron, Barbara Byron, 6 yr. girls -
Jane Deacon, Sheila Newman, Judy

Reynolds; Sr. boys -Ron Bonar, Fred Hanke, Tom
McColm; Inter. boys -Oliver Sholes, Don Morrison,
Brian Beech, Kent Jackson, Don Olsen; Jr. boys -
Mike Bonar, Garry Mouat, Larry Ginn; 12 yr. boys -
Dennis Howard, Earl Rodgers; 11 yr. boys -Glen
Hughes, Fred Nitsch; 10 yr. boys -Wayne Taylor, Nic
Humphreys, Barry Lutz, Flemming Villadsen; 9 yr. boys
-Len Fraser, Norman Mailey, Michael Jarman, Colin
Horel; 8 yr. boys -Ian Evans, Billy Storey, Garry
Moulton; 7 yr. boys -Paddy Taylor, Duffy Brown; 6
yr. boys -Patrick Byron, Harold Harkema, Dennis Kaye.

ACCIDENT (Cont'd. from page 1).

Miraculously, Mr. Tews suffered only a possible
broken nose and lacerations. A passenger, Brian
Beech, escaped with only minor cuts.

It was just a year ago that a young girl was
struck by an unseen car approaching out of that dip.
She received a broken leg. Residents living on
Baker Rd. live in constant danger
every time they drive out onto the
main highway. It is only their use
of extreme caution, of stopping to
roll down the window to listen, that
has prevented a fatality occurring
there.

It would be a different story if
there was an extreme engineering
problem involved in removing this
danger. All it needs is the lower-
ing of the crest a few feet and fill-
ing in the dip. This would give a
clear view of the intersection and
the hill. Even a large warning or
"slow - danger" sign would be some
help.

Admittedly, there are many dan-
gerous spots in our highways and they
all should be eliminated. But to do
nothing about little dips, such as
this one or the one in front of St.
George's Church, or any number of others, which
wouldn't take much time or money to remove, is
inexcusable.

It is time somebody got to cracking!

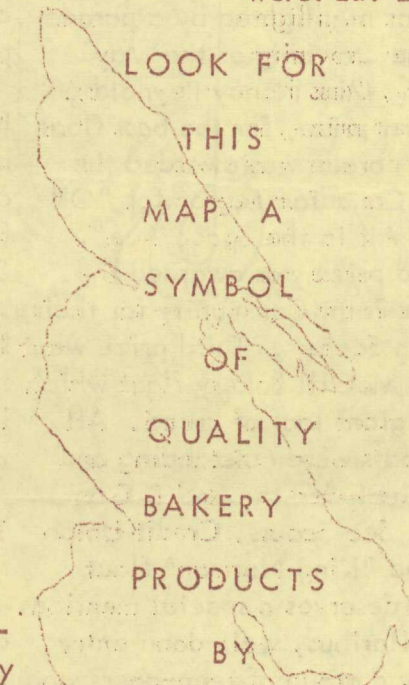
VICTORIA DAY (Cont'd. from page 1).

Winners of the outstanding entry in the Child-
ren's parade were the six girls of Mr. and Mrs.
Ernie Haigh, who were dressed as "cavemen".

Other winners were Patricia O'Donnell, Linda
Slingsby, Joanne Buitenwerf, Don
Kyler, Jeffery Lacy and Amanda
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They require a warm, but not extremely hot, growing season. Winter types, in general, require a long growing season; summer types, because they bear earlier and are used chiefly in the immature stage, can be grown where the season is relatively short. Pumpkin, squash and marrows, and also cucumber vines, though easily damaged by fall frosts, continue to develop good-quality fruits under conditions that are too cool for muskmelons or water-melons.

Plant Characteristics: The plants are of two types, vining, and bush or semi-erect. In the latter, the internodes are shorter, and tendrils are absent. In the former, 3-8 lateral branches arise from as many nodes near the base of the stem axis and extend outward for many feet. The growth of stem and leafage within the growing period of four months is probably unequalled by any other annual herbaceous plant family. Any soil that is well supplied with humus or otherwise fertile, not extremely acid or alkaline, and not in a frost pocket should produce good yields of suitable varieties of these vine crops. When the growing season is comparatively short, lighter soils may give best results. A P.H. soil reaction of at least 6.0 is necessary for optimum results. Manure

is beneficial, especially well rotted. Additions of potash and phosphorus are helpful on many soils. Seeding should be delayed until the soil warms up. Some 5-6 seeds are sown per "hill", and these are later reduced to 2-3 plants. Thinning to one plant per hill may result in larger fruits, but probably causes somewhat later maturity and a lower yield. Depth of seeding 1 - 1 1/2 inches.

Cultivation should, in general be shallow. It should start early to control weeds and keep the soil surface loose. No advantage is gained by pruning the leaves or vines. Cutting off leaves reduces the manufacturing area of the plant and limits the size and number of fruits the plant can bear.

The monthly meeting of the Guild of Sunshine was held in the Board Room of Mahon Hall on May 15, with the president, Mrs. Norton in the chair. There were 17 members and one visitor present. Mrs. Krebs gave her report on her visit to Dr. Francis' Hospital and stated that Easter treats had been taken to all the patients. The June meeting will be in the form of a picnic to be held at the home of Mrs. Newnham, with Mrs. S. Wagg in charge of transportation. The hostess for the afternoon were Mrs. C. Wagg and Mrs. Lumley.

On May 17, members of Branch 32 O.A.P.O. met at the United Church to attend the service for the late Mr. Frank Fredrickson. Following this the gathering attended the regular meeting in St. Georges Hall where tea was served. The speech to be given by Mr. R. Thompson had to be cancelled due to the sudden illness of Mrs. Thompson. Many gifts were received at a "Parcel Post", and Mrs. P. Gunterman made an excellent Past Mistress. A plaque containing the Golden Rule in the OAPO colors, the work of Mr. F. Hayward, was presented to the Branch.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir, Re the School Referendum. Your current issue includes three points of especial interest concerning the coming referendum.

(1) The government "equalisation" scheme appears to penalise the more economical districts, and thus encourage further expenditure on the schools. Harrassed taxpayers may remember this at the next provincial election, but meanwhile they may feel doubtful about any further expenditure such as that suggested for a gymnasium-auditorium and science "room". However, since prices tend to rise each year, delay in providing these buildings may cause a large increase in the final costs.

(2) It seems possible that the referendum will be drafted as a single question seeking approval of the two buildings together. In that case both might be blocked by voters who favoured one or other, but wished to reduce the total cost. It would therefore seem of great advantage to put the two proposals as separate questions, with approximate costs, one concerning only the gymnasium-auditorium, and the other dealing with the less expensive science laboratories.

(3) In the Board's announcement the words "science room" are used. Does this mean that only one room is proposed for Physics, Chemistry, and Biology, although these cannot be taught efficiently without separate laboratories, (not separate buildings)? The expenditure needed for

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separate rooms is not large, and all three are "hard-core" subjects of great value to the rising generation. Our schools should prepare children for the complex life of the coming decades, not for the simpler life of the past. Without scientific knowledge their earning power and prospects must be sub-standard. (Signed) R.B. Bourdillon, H.A. Bourdillon.

Dear Sir, An examination of the tabulation submitted over the signature of Mr. C.R. Horel, brings further information to light:

The average annual increase in Total School Budget; from 1958 to 1962 is \$53,151. and the average annual decrease in Government Grant for the same period is \$45,066. in round figures; or we have lost in Government grant \$180,263. which would have gone a long way to help pay the total increased school budget of \$212,607 for that period.

Perhaps this money was required by our rapacious government to transport coals to Newcastle or gravel from Isabella Point Road to Southey Point; perhaps to black top a road from Vesuvius. Whatever the view, it stinks (from the Crofton mill of course), and there is a public nausea.

It seems our provincial government, likes inflation, likes increased municipal debts, likes high costs, high wages, and high valuations, which pay higher taxes, but the result of these "progressive" (cont'd. to page 5)

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LETTERS (Cont'd. from page 4). . . ideas is a cold war waged by the buyers upon the sellers. This cold war is a disease. It disrupts the flow of wealth to the coffers of any extravagant government, and our sacred government is now aware of that fact.

The war prosperity is gone and we are back to the days when governments cannot govern by bribing the public vote, or by mortgaging the earning power of generations yet unborn.

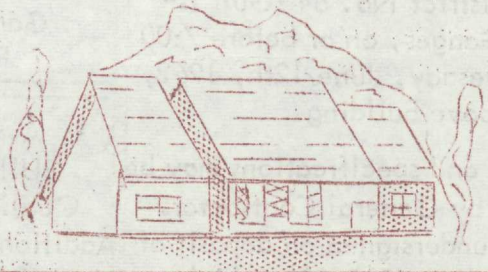
A return to sanity is overdue. (Signed)
 D.S. Morrison

"Dog Star? Hoot Mon! says Jock"
 by Bea Hamilton.

Jock and Lassie, and young King, three Border Collies belonging to Bill Evans, starred in a sheep herding and field role on Thursday, when the C.B.C. T.V. cameras picked up the story on Salt Spring Island. Two T.V. Trucks from Vancouver, in the charge of Pat Brennan, passed through the Island, stopping at sheep farms en route. They were met and hosted by Norman Mouat, who is an expert in handling sheep and dogs. "Norman put on a wonderful show for the cameras," said Bill Evans, a veteran in sheep dog training and sheep herding, as all know. Mr. Evan's dogs, Jock and Lassie, are also veterans on sheep herding and on T.V. and have won many honors in this field. Jock, who is getting on in years (he must be about 9 years old, and Lassie is a year younger) has a wonderful record behind him. Jock was the first Border Collie that Bill had, and he came as a pup of eight weeks, from a dealer in Matsqui, B.C. Then Lassie was bought and when she started having litters, there was a long waiting list for her pups. Lassie is quite a ham and loves the T.V. cameras, and thinks shutter-bugs are wonderful, and a big crowd to watch her perform, gives zest to her day. But old Jock - hoot, mon! He HATES a crowd and couldn't care less for T.V. and as for shutter-bugs he'll no ha' anything to do wi' em! "Dinna ye get too wild wi' those T.V. cameras glaring at ye, laddie," Jock warned young King, and because King is a real Scotsman, with his parents born and brought up in Scotland, the young Border collie looked wise and answered "Ay!" And he promptly went and stole the whole show - a canny trick that! And Bill Evans thinks that young collie is going to be the best sheep dog he has had yet. King came from Ontario. These pictures will be shown on (Cont'd to Page 7)

A gruff old Salt Spring chap hired a bulldozer and cleared several large stumps off his property. A nice little old lady passing by noticed the stumps were gone and asked how in the world he managed to get rid of them. The old boy snapped his braces and said, "Just drove 'em in to the ground, lady, just drove 'em in to the ground!"

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The annual meeting of the Salt Spring Island Lions Club activities society will be held at the Harbour House Hotel on the 7th day of June, 1962 at 8:30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the President's report and approving the financial statement. (Signed) R. Pringle, Secretary.

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(Cont'd from P. 5)
 C.B.C. Country Time programme, on Saturday at 6 p.m. in about three weeks - a tentative date for one show is for June 9th. It will be shown in a series of two or three pictures and should prove most interesting to local viewers. Pat Brennen interviewed Bob Akerman, and many aspects of sheep raising and shearing, selling and buying, and rangeland grazing, and problems of sheepmen, were discussed. If it could be told, Bob and his sons must have quite a story, as their sheep range over the slopes and hills of the South end of the Island, from Mt. Tuam to Mt. Bruce and there have been some wild and woolly adventures with cougars.

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FULFORD NEWS - Bea Hamilton
 LIZZIE CARTER LEE

The funeral of an old timer was held at St. Mary's Church on Saturday, May 19th. Mrs. Lizzie Carter, 87 years old. Mrs. Lee had been a resident of Salt Spring Island for 70 years, was born in Ontario, came to Fulford, and has lived here all these years, seeing others come and go and watching the changing times. She leaves her sons, Ronald and Clifford, seven grandchildren and one great - grandchild, one brother, P. Charles Mollet of Deep Cove, B.C. Many lovely flowers at the service in St. Mary's, paid a loving tribute to her memory - the hymns Nearer My God To Thee, and Lord Be With You, and the twenty - third Psalm were sung, with Mrs. P. Middlemiss at the organ. Venerable Archdeacon Holmes took the service and the pall bearers were the following: Dave Maxwell, W. Patterson, H. Ruckie Sr., Peter Stevens, Harold Price and Reggie Price.

Jim Longbridge, a young visiting scout from Shawnigan, suffered a concussion and severe abrasions, the result of a nasty fall from a speeding bicycle on Lee's Hill last week. After a night in the Lady Minto Hospital, the young lad was sent to a Victoria hospital for further observation. . . . Ted Akerman has been away on a cougar hunting trip with Jimmy Dewar, up Vancouver Island. . . . Mrs. E. McCabe of the Victoria "Mum Society", was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. A.E. Roddis last week. Mrs. McCabe paid a quick visit to several members of the Chrysanthemum Club while she was at Fulford. . . . It didn't take a hummingbird long to find the hole in the conservatory where a pane of glass is missing - the (Cont'd to P.8)

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(Cont'd from Page 7) tiny bird darts in and out all day, sipping the honey from all the flowers - her favourite seems to be the scented Geranium. . . . The lucky numbers drawn for the Empire Day Gate tickets are No. 146 and No. 370 - to date, these have not been claimed. Owners of those numbers have until after Saturday to claim the prizes - new numbers will be drawn after the week end. Winners can phone Mrs. A. House at 183-Y.

It is learned that at a recent meeting of the Directors of the S.S.I. Recreational Holding Company an informal survey of the property is being made to determine the areas suitable for activities other than golf. There is a considerable area available for tennis courts, bowling green, shuffle boards, croquet and it is hoped that as the several groups become organized they will present their plans and suggestions to the Holding Company. However, whatever recreational activity is pursued, whether tennis, golf, bowling the most pressing need at the present time is for a club-house. This would weld the whole field of recreational activity together and provide a very essential cohesiveness among the several groups. Without it the core of the whole enterprise is missing. There is considerable interest being shown at the present time in the erection of a moderate club-house and it is hoped that some definite action in this regard will soon be launched.

COMING EVENTS

- Fri. May 25: Bingo, Mahon Hall, 8 p.m.
- Sat. May 26: Camera Club, Spec. Showing, home of Mrs. W. Seymour
- Tues. May 29: Hon Howard Green, Public Meeting Mahon Hall 8 p.m.
- Wed. May 30: St. Mary's Guild Ann. Tea, 2:30 pm home of Mrs. A.E. Roddis
- Thur. May 31: I.O.D.E. Scholarship tea, Parish Hall, 2 p.m.

CHURCHES, Sunday, May 27
 ANGLICAN: St. Mark's, Evensong, 7:30 pm

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- St. George's, Evensong - 3:00 p.m.
- St. Mary's - Matins with Holy Communion, 11 a.m.
- St. Nicholas - Holy Communion, 9 a.m.
- UNITED: Ganges 11 a.m. Burgoyne Bay 2:30 p.m.
- CHRISTIAN SCIENCE GROUP, Mahon Hall, 11 a.m.
- JEHOVAH WITNESSES, Mahon Hall, 2 p.m.
- BIBLE CHAPEL, Sunday School 10:30 a.m., Evening Service, Mahon Hall, 7:30 p.m.

IN APPRECIATION

Mrs. Margaret Carlyle wishes to thank all her friends who so kindly sent her cards and good wishes, during her recent hospitalisation and a very special thank you, to the Matron - Miss Ferguson and all her staff.

I wish to convey my grateful thanks to Dr. A. Francis, Dr. T. Jansch and nursing staff of Dr. Francis' Hospital for their constant care, both surgical and medical, and the kindness to my dear husband. Also to Dr. Norah Hughes for such a beautiful comforting burial service; to Mrs. J. Tomlinson who played the hymns so beautifully; to Archdeacon G.H. Holmes and friends and neighbours visiting him and providing transportation for me to visit him. May the Dear Lord bless you all. Mrs. Jessie Frederickson

Madeline Baker, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Baker of Ganges, and Don Reynolds, second son of Mr. and Mrs. G.L. Reynolds of Fulford were united in marriage at a quiet wedding ceremony held in Victoria recently.

Miss Irene Ross of Victoria and Mrs. T. Stack of Sierra Madre, California were guests of Miss B. Gault last Wed. Visiting Mrs. T. Carlyle of F Vesuvius is her sister, Mrs. D.T. Robinson of Vancouver.

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