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I cannot seem to remember where we left off, but I know I haven't told you about my operation. Since this subtraction from my innards has become a great addition to my store of sure-fire, highly-entertaining conversation pieces, I am not the one to pass up modestly the rare opportunity that I have --ten pages of a newspaper and 900 subscribers who must be breathlessly awaiting all the details such as the number of hours on the operating table, the length of the incision, and the hilarious things I said while under the influence of ether. Oh, my yes, a vivid, well-worded description of the unique, minor miracles that puts MY operation on an exciting plane must be of much interest to you; more so than the ordinary kitchen garden variety of operation that has bored you in the past.

Now that I have your nimble mind leaping forward to catch the next few thousand words of this deathless prose, I want to change the subject a bit and tell you about that wonderful, wonderful institution, the Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital.

Being what most doctors call a "medical coward", I have never had much to do with hospitals before. But after 21 days of fabulous treatment and tender loving care by some mighty nice nurses and nurses aides, I am willing to go back anytime. The Lady Minto Hospital, under the firm but fair guidance of the matron, Miss Catherine Ferguson, must, by now, be one of the finest small hospitals in B.C. Not only is it well equipped, has a dedicated staff, good management and a strong W.A., but it seems to have a philosophy of patient care that must be missing in the bigger hospitals of the cities. Somehow, during the patient's most distressing times, it seems that the nurse and the nurses aide are spending all their time watching, hovering and administering to the patient's well-being. When they find time for the other patients, I don't know--I had the comforting impression they never left my side.

Yes, if I must go back to a hospital it will be to the Lady Minto. If for nothing else but a fine vacation. The place has everything; a beautiful view, better service than most resorts and fine food worth more than the price of admission alone.

We of the Gulf Islands are fortunate to have such a hospital, and fortunate to have such a dedicated staff. (Sorry to butt in here, but as Temporary Editorial Board, we have decided to delete the rest of Mr. Fisher's report. It was nothing but a long-winded version of a rather dull operation.)

As someone once said, the editorial "we" can only be used by two types of individuals--an editor and a man with a tape worm. That lets "we" out as far as I am concerned, since they won't let me work enough to qualify as the editor of this week's edition and secondly, my tape worm, if I had one, must have been taken out with everything else. I beg your forgiveness for all the "I's" on this page.

But mostly, I want to take this opportunity to thank a bunch of wonderful people for keeping this old scandal sheet (not big enough for a fish wrapper) agoing during my enforced lay-off. A special thanks to those two old pros, Jack Scott and John Sturdy and to Mrs. Elsie Worthington of the Sidney Review and to Mrs. Ray Hill, Chuck Horel and all the rest who took time to contribute articles and news. A special thanks, also, to Harold Hoffman for selling advertising and to the DRIFTWOOD staff, past and present, which included Duncan Hepburn, Mrs. Arlene Ward, Miss Joan Bidwell, Miss Bea Hamilton and Brian Beech.

I sincerely and deeply appreciate all of their efforts, even though they once again proved that "the indispensable man isn't".

### SCHOOL BOARD WINS APPEAL OF COURT CASE

Last week, in Victoria, the Court of Appeal reversed an earlier County Court decision and ruled in favour of the Board of School Trustees of the local school district, who were defendants in a friendly test case instigated by Mr. Jack Evans, principal of the local school.

This unanimous decision of the three judges of the Appeal Court may have a far-reaching effect on salary negotiations throughout all of British Columbia because, for the first known time, a court has ruled that increments can be paid to teachers for better performance as judged by a school board. This, in effect, does allow the paying of teachers on a merit system, something the B.C. Teachers Federation, powerful union of the teachers, is known to be opposed to; and something that most school boards have been trying to establish for many years.

In interviewing Mr. Gil Humphreys, Chairman of the School Board, he stated, "This confirmation of the Board's interpretation has established that increments in teachers' salary scales are incentives to better performance and need not be granted unless such improvement is evidenced by reports and to the satisfaction of the Board of School Trustees."

The lower court had ruled (Cont'd to Page 7)

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**S.S.I. CHRYSANTHEMUM SOCIETY SHOW.**

Mrs. A.K. Wilson was the winner of the S.S.I. Chrysanthemum Society silver tray for the high aggregate score in all classes at the 1962 show and also took the Scott and Peden Trophy for the best bloom in the show. Mrs. Wilson was the winner of a new class for this year - the best arrangement in the show. Mrs. D. Fanning won the Mr. & Mrs. C.J. Freeborn trophy for the best club bloom.

The show was held Saturday afternoon at Mahon Hall and was officially opened by Mrs. Earle C. Westwood. The Hon. & Mrs. Frank Richter, Mrs. Wesley Black and Mrs. Ray Williston accompanied Mrs. Westwood to the show.

N.C.S. Certificates of merit for Class 1 and Class 2 were both awarded to Mr. J. Wallis.

The blooms displayed the autumn colours in a brilliant array in the hall, with a record number of entries. The decorative section had many interesting and artistic entries and were given wide attention.

Judges of the show were Mr. & Mrs. C.J. Freeborn, Mrs. E. McCabe and Mrs. S. McMinn all of Victoria.

Prize winners were: Class 1: 1st. Mr. J. Wallis, 2nd. Mrs. A.K. Wilson, 3rd. Mrs. D. Fanning; Class 2: 1st Mr. J. Wallis, 2nd. Mrs. A.K. Wilson, 3rd. Mr. W.E. Dipple; Class 3: 1st. Mr. J. Wallis, 2nd. Mrs. A.K. Wilson; Class 4: 1st. Mrs. A.K. Wilson, 2nd. Mrs. D. Fanning; Class 5: 1st. Mr. J. Wallis, 2nd. Mr. W.E. Dipple and Mrs. E. Worthington (Tie); Class 6: 1st Mrs. E. Worthington; 2nd. Mr. J. Wallis, 3rd. Mrs. D. Fanning; Class 7: 1st. Mrs. D. Fanning; 2nd. Mrs. M. Sober, 3rd. Mrs. A.K. Wilson; Class 8: 1st. Mr. J. Wallis, 2nd. Mrs. A.K. Wilson; Class 9: 1st. Mrs. A.K. Wilson, 2nd. Mrs. D. Fanning, 3rd. Mrs. J. Catto; Class 10: 1st.



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Convenors for the show were Mr. W. Rogers and Mr. P.G. James. Tea convenors were Mrs. S. Claibourne and Mrs. D. Atkins.

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"Dear Sir: I've got acne. I have tried all kinds of ointments, lotions, pills, diets and creams, but nothing helped. I decided to come to Salt Spring to see if fresh air and country living would help me. I hiked, I went for a swim every morning, I bicycled, I climbed Mt. Maxwell, and I still had acne. Then I made the most wonderful discovery: Salt Spring Cider!! I want everyone to know what wonderful relief it has given me. I drink pints and pints of hard cider every day. I've still got acne, but I don't give a darn. (Signed) Apple masher."

"Dear Sir: Much has been written and discussed regarding the school referendum proposing a new gymnasium-auditorium and science room for our school. I would like to present a point of view which I consider a most important argument in favour of the referendum.

My family and I live in this community and we are vitally interested in its health and welfare. This includes three aspects of health: the physical, mental and sound well being of its individuals. All these aspects are interchangeable. That is to say, an individual's mental health largely depends upon his physical health, and the social health of a community depends largely upon the physical and mental health of its individuals. Furthermore, the social attitudes which that same community holds, helps to mould the physical and mental health of its individuals.

When the younger generation is denied the opportunities to enjoy the physical and mental outlets which it needs and which a community is able to offer, that community in effect is saying: "We don't care about you - you can go out and fend for your-

self with whatever resources you can use." This is fine if your youths have the groundwork and correct attitude to fend for themselves. But when a community denies this groundwork to its boys and girls it denies the progress of itself in this ever changing world.

The Gulf Islands are now confronted with a decision to make on behalf of its school age citizens. It is one which requires the expenditure of a considerable amount of money - but it is a bargain. The small amount we as individuals in the community are asked to invest in the building of these school additions will be well worth the effect it has upon the future citizens of our community who are still going to school.

It has been adequately proven that our facilities are sub-standard and that our schools have been forced to deny the full advantages of education as compared with the rest of B.C. There are not even the facilities I had - and cherished - when I went to high school over twenty years ago in a small community. It would seem to me that this reveals a backward trend and this should be opposed vigorously by all of us.

Our pupils are entitled to excellent science facilities so that they may learn the fundamentals of this very important and expanding field and to facilities where they may expend their energies and build their bodies physically in individual and group physical training and sport. Do not consider sport as an unnecessary luxury. It teaches young minds to play together and work together cooperatively as a team and at the same time to value and obtain individual prestige. It therefore helps the morale of a young mind. Even the armed forces recognised this need by providing and encouraging facilities for (Cont'd to Page 4)

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and individual sport in each camp.  
The present buildings in our school area are grossly inadequate for any such programme. Help your youths obtain the necessities of education - which go far beyond the 3 R's. Vote YES on your referendum ballot. Remember that the cost is small for the bargain and benefits involved.

(Signed) T.L. Jansch, MD.

"Dear Sir: I would like to comment if I may on the splendid Editorial by Jack Scott on "Progress" appearing in your issue of Sept. 13th and he is so right.

Seventeen years ago my wife and I settled on a then beautiful spot on the Island called "Southey Point" thinking that at last we had found refuge and a haven away from the Maddening Crowd, but this was not to be. Soon after building our modest home the government put in a road and in no time at all city folk were coming in with their light plants that would beat a constant tattoo into the early hours of the morning. Soon bridge parties were organized and all night revelry would turn the night into a nightmare. Motor horns would contribute to the din with blasts that would fray the nerves of those who were trying to get a few hours sleep. During the day games of Horseshoes were organized whereby the participants would bellow their approval with great gusts from strong lungs with weak mentality that could be heard for miles around. The chain saw and Bulldozer have also taken their toll leaving a shambles of devastation and rubble in their wake.

Yes indeed, "Progress" has made itself felt in this one time paradise of Southey Point. Perhaps the Moon is not so hostile after all, maybe for those seeking peace and quiet may find a sanctuary, I

"Dear Sir: I am glad to know that you have come through your ordeal with flying colours and that you will be back at work before it runs wild.

Our twin writers Jack or John Sturdy Scotts have occupied your front page, others have added their modicum. September 20th was evidently your school and recreation edition. Sidney Quinton for the outside with a clubhouse, when games are over the school principal for indoor recreation and gymnastics, both of whom are after your money. But Mr. Evans takes your time as well, as I am quite sure that most of us having only elementary education, must read his high faluting chant about the Chant report which most of us haven't seen, has to be read very slowly then re-read to digest unnecessary long words, when all he wants is at the finish, Vote for the money for new buildings. Then came the statistics for grade seven, which seem an improvement since Mr. Evans came here. Yet there seems to be high lights picked out, and to me three of the times are almost the same subject, but it is gratifying to know that arithmetic and science were included.

Perhaps if education continues to improve here we shall some day have winners of Governor Generals and other prizes to boast about. (Signed) W

"Dear Sir: When Woody raises his voice against that old devil Progress, we can all relax, knowing that the old Massa of Tumbo Island has been softened by exposure to the materialistic amenities of Salt Spring Island; he is not about to throw out his refrigerator, tear the paving up in front of his house, or revert to shaving with a sharp clam shell. However, when Woody is reinforced by such a (Cont'd to Page 5)



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LETTERS-TO-THE-EDITOR (Cont'd from Page 4) formidable ally as Jack Scott, someone should speak up lest we are faced with a coalition of philosophers who will replace our ferries with hand-poled rafts, and deliver the mails with a bullock cart.

We do have a unique and restful atmosphere in the Gulf Islands, that is a fact obvious to visitors, and a part of the fabric of our lives; the question seems to be whether "Progress", as typified by paved roads, power, water in a pipe, penicillin and detergents, must, per se, destroy that tranquillity and serenity enjoyed by us all. I doubt that anyone would agree that converting Rainbow Road into a muddy quagmire would tend to make Scott's Towers any more tranquil than at present, rather I fear for the safety of the household when father thrashes in, unharnesses a mean piebald, manhandles the buggy out of the way, gropes into the house and sits in darkness all evening because he forgot coal-oil for the lamps.

No, it is not the progress we deplore, it's all the other humans who bustle in and "find" the place, after we've screamed for new ferries and paved roads for our own convenience. It's the people who fill our quiet beaches, blow their horns under our windows and snort around the bays in their outboards who destroy our tranquillity.

Having established that it is people, not Progress, the philosophers oppose, might it not be possible to enforce some form of quota for immigrants and tourists to our Islands? We could then retain all our amenities for ourselves. Perhaps another way of discouraging would-be settlers would be to make them second class citizens - have them do all the menial tasks in the community for their first three years, such as serve on the School, the Water Board and the Hospital Board. Any more for the next raft? (Signed) C.R. Horel."

The S.S.I. Golf & Country Club will hold their Annual Fall Tournament, with qualifying rounds of 18 holes to be held on Sat. & Sun. Oct. 6 & 7th. The handicap cup, which is a 36 hole affair, will be on the score of the qualifying round and an additional 18 holes to be played on Monday, Oct. 8, Thanksgiving Day. The Ladies Tournament, which also features a handicap cup will have a qualifying round of 18 holes. This round will decide the winner of the handicap cup.

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UNITED: Ganges - 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.  
ROMAN CATHOLIC: Our Lady of Grace, Holy Mass - 10:45 a.m.  
CHRISTIAN SCIENCE: Mahon Hall - 11:00 a.m.  
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COMING EVENTS: FRI. SEPT. 28: Blood Donor Clinic - Mahon Hall.  
SAT. SEPT. 29: Roller Skating - Fulford Hall - 2-4 p.m. & 8 - 10:30 p.m. MON. OCT. 1: School Ref. Public Meeting, Mahon Hall - 8 p.m.

**SCHOOL BOARD WINS APPEAL**  
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 the School Board had to pay increments and that the Arbitration Board had awarded the teachers involved an added increment and that it was to be paid from Jan. 1 rather than the following Sept. 1. The Appeal Court judgement as reasoned by the Hon. Mr. Justice Wilson, read, in part, (Quote)

"The purpose of the plan . . . . . seems clear. From Jan. 1st the incentive of an increment is before the teacher, and the opportunity to study his work to decide whether he is worthy of it is before the Board. On June 30th, if the Board has not in writing refused the increment, it becomes mandatorily payable on Sept. 1st., to teachers who remain with the school, an inducement to the satisfactory teacher to continue his employment. If the increment is withheld, the teacher has the two vacation months in which he can, if he desires, seek other employment." (End of Quote).

Mr. Humphreys stated that the local School Board is the only one in B.C. to have this particular clause in their contract. He also said, "The Teachers' Federation has fought this matter by instructing one of our local teachers (Mr. Evans) to bring suit against us, trying at the same time to establish salary increments as automatic pay increases." He added, "The Court's decision also underlined the correctness of not paying these salary increases until the September start of the school year, and not as of January 1st, as desired by the Teachers' Federation."

Mr. Humphreys went on to say, "This enlightened approach to salary contracts was due, almost in its entirety, to the efforts and intelligence of Mr. James Campbell of Saturna Island, the Board's Vice-Chairman. Mr. Campbell will be a candidate for the executive of the B.C. School Trustees Association at their coming convention, and it is hoped that on perusing the results of this Appeal Court decision that the Trustees all over the Province will seriously consider electing him."

When Mr. Evans was asked if there was to be an appeal to the Supreme Court, he said, "The Central Executive of the B.C. Teachers' Federation, after consultation with the lawyers, will make the decision

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We are urged to give freely for the support of this work. Let us also give in thankfulness. Our national Thanksgiving Day is drawing near; what better way could we find to express gratitude for our own precious eyesight than by helping those who have been deprived of the gift of light? Let us give freely. Who knows? The gift may (Cont'd to P. 8)

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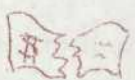


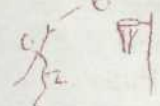


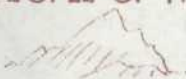


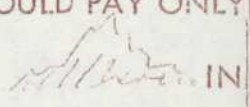


The annual C.N.I.B. tag day for Salt Spring Island is being organized by H.M.S. Ganges chapter I.O.D.E., assisted by members of other local organizations. Mrs. V.C. Best and Mrs. M. Fellows are in charge of arrangements.

The Directors of the Island's Farmers Institute held a meeting recently at the home of Mr. T. Butt. A Brief from the South Saanich Farmers Institute to Dr. J.L. Whitbread, Medical Health Officer in Victoria, was endorsed in principle as regards the inspection of meat on a Federal standard and the building of Public Abattoirs on a cost sharing basis between the Province and the Federal Government. The Directors have also registered a protest with the Hon. W.A.C. Bennett, Minister of Finance, and the Hon. Frank Richter, Minister of Agriculture, regarding the cost of education being charged against land rather than on some ability-to-pay basis. It was felt that the cost of education should be shared by the Federal Government and that

a Royal Commission on Taxation should be set up. Mr. P.G. James gave a brief report on the Agricultural Exhibit at the P.N.E. and put forth the suggestion that perhaps next year Salt Spring and the outer Gulf Islands could enter an exhibit. This, and the matter of resumption of the Island's Fall Fair, will be dealt with at the Annual Meeting. Mrs. Sidney McNulty was appointed to the position of secretary-treasurer replacing Mrs. Audrey Jackson who resigned on leaving the Island.

The monthly meeting of the Guild of Sunshine was held in the Board Room of the Mahon Hall on Sept. 18th with fourteen members present. Mrs. Norton, the president was in the chair. Mrs. Catto was appointed Treasurer in the place of Mrs. W. White who has left the Island temporarily. A donation of twenty dollars was made to the St. Joseph Hospital fund. Mrs. Krebs reported on her visits to Dr. Francis Hospital. The annual Fall Sale will be held on Sat. October 27th.

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THEY WERE NOT THERE by Bea Hamilton. . . . .

The members of the School Board, of School District No. 64 (Gulf Islands) faced an empty Fulford Hall on Tuesday evening, the time picked for the discussion of the pending Referendum re the question of voting for a gymnasium-auditorium and Science room. Oh, yes—there were half a dozen of us there—three from Isabella Point, one from Beaver Point and three from Burgoyne Valley. And the School Board outnumbered us—almost. It was a little depressing for us. The chairman of the Board, Mr. Humphreys, and the other members, with the principal of the School, Mr. Evans, all took it in good part, and hoped that the lack of interest in a meeting of so great importance, would indicate that the people were in favor of the Referendum. And that is the big question. Are they in favor? Some of us have no one in the School—but we have friends there—many young people growing up into a new world of advanced scientific research. These young people who will be here long after we are gone, are going to need all the help they can get to prepare them for the puzzling, exciting and perhaps difficult life ahead. The young people on S.S.I. are keeping their fingers unscientifically crossed, hoping that you and I will vote yes on Friday, Oct. 5th. Will we? I hope so. You see, we have had our fun in the past, and now we can sit back and watch the advancing age and perhaps put ourselves in the shoes of the young people for a moment (but don't keep them on too long or they may tire you, if they don't frighten you! These young people are facing hazards of unknown Scientific experiments, and they will have to study hard to keep up with these pro-

blems. As Dr. Jansch said, the youngsters have to be physically fit to be mentally alert, or that's what he inferred. And to be physically fit, they need a Gym-Auditorium. There is too much ill health in the world today both in the young and old. This may be from the lack of physical exercise. The youngsters of today do not work like our generation did—they were not the trail-blazers as the pioneers were—they don't even walk like our people did—they ride in cars, they watch television. They dance and roller skate at Fulford, it is true—but all the children need trained instruction in healthy exercises. With a gymnasium-auditorium, they can have it. They can then tackle those old Scientific subjects with "wim and wigor"—mentally and physically fit. Don't you wish you were back there in School? It would be nice to think you had done your bit to help the young people by just a little vote. They are going to get their Gym-Auditorium eventually—why not now? Advance with the new age. Thank you, all the members of the School Board who were so kind as to come down to talk to us. Sorry were not all there. And good luck, kids, on Friday, October 5th.

FULFORD NEWS by Bea Hamilton. . . Mr. & Mrs. E. Brenton Jr., of Vancouver, were visiting their people on S.S.I. last week-end. . . . . Mr. & Mrs. F. Reid of Victoria, spent the week-end on the Island and visited friends at Fulford. . . . . Mrs. M. Ross is a guest of her brother, Mr. Hugh Smith. . . . . Mrs. W. Niles, (Mrs. A. House's mother) celebrated her birthday on Sunday. Pat Lee was home and also celebrated his birthday before returning to Point Grey (Cont'd to P. 10)

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**FULFORD NEWS** (Cont'd from P.9) Vancouver. Young Jeffrey Lacy celebrated his 7th birthday last week with a lovely birthday cake and party games. Grandma, (Mrs. A.O. Lacy) was present, with Mrs. R.R. Alton, Mrs. E. Neff, Mrs. Mary Mollet, Bobby, Teddy & Anna. . . . Mr. Don Morton of Duncan has been doing a good job of taking the United Church services on the Island, during the absence of Dr. Norah Hughes, who was attending the United Church Conference in London, Ontario. . . . Mr. & Mrs. Harkness of Victoria were guests of Mrs. Edie Wilson last week-end. . . . There will be a card party at the Bob Akerman's on Friday night, 8 p.m. This is to raise funds toward the new floor for Fulford Hall. It is hoped that everyone will come and enjoy a social evening. . . . The meeting of the S.S.I. Social Credit League was held at the Legion Hall in Ganges on Sat. Sept. 22nd. Mr. A. House, president, chaired the meeting. Plans for future activities and social get-togethers were outlined by A.D. Dane, president of the Constituency Assoc. of the Social Credit League for Nanaimo & the Gulf Islands riding. Backed by a strong executive-C. Dawkin, of Nanaimo, W. Coats of Gabriola Island, & Al House-Mr. Dane feels confident that they will be able to fulfill an active and interesting program. The young people are becoming increasingly interested in the S.C. Movement and more activities for the young are needed. Two of the oldest S.C. members were present, from Vancouver, Mr. & Mrs. L.D. Griffin. Mr. Griffin gave an interesting talk on some of the work done by the S.C. Government. . . . Mrs. Mary Hersey entertained at an afternoon tea party on Sun. afternoon, at her cottage at Dormore. . . . We are glad to know that Mr. H. Townsend is improving in health after being rushed to the Lady Minto Hospital last week. Mr. & Mrs. Townsend have recently been receiving congratulations on their Golden Wedding anniversary, which they celebrated by visiting their people at Sooke, Mr. & Mrs. W. Douglas. We add our belated congratulations and good wishes to the grand old couple.

**FERNWOOD NEWS** by Doris DeLong. . . . Mr. & Mrs. L.W. Griffin of Vancouver had a short visit with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. & Mrs. W.S. Anderson of Walker Hook. . . . Mrs. E. Sampson returned home after spending a weeks visit at Lasqueti Island with son and daughter-in-law, Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Sampson.

Bill Evans won again at the Matsqui Assoc. Sheepdog Trials on Sat. Sept. 22nd, at Matsqui, B.C. Nine dogs entered. The sheep were very tough and every dog had a hard time, and not until the last dog which was old Jock was there a decision made. But Jock completed the course in 4 minutes which is just about a record. It was a case of the old dog and experience that marked him out over the younger dogs. Each dog is allowed 12 minutes and every dog has 4 new sheep. Some dogs take as high as 17 minutes. Jock also won a cup for making the best pet in the show.

Whatever you are doing these next few days, we heartily recommend, if you can, give blood to the Red Cross Clinic tomorrow, Friday; attend the public meeting at Mahon Hall on Monday, October 1st. at 8:00 p.m. where the School Trustees will conduct a full discussion on the Auditorium-Gymnasium-Science Room question; and, whatever you do, go out and vote on the referendum on Friday, Oct. 5th.

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