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EASTER DAY STORY

Story of Good Friday and Easter Sunday are contained within this magnificently carved byzantine cross prepared by Frank Graham, of Retreat Cove Galiano Island.

The cross is of white holly wood and was carved out with a penknife. Task took Mr. Graham 20 years.

Main cross forms the frame for a picture of Christ in the centre, crowned with thorns. In each of four segments about the centre is a scene from the New Testament story.

Mr. Graham has the cross at home and entertains many visitors during the summer months who come to examine his handiwork. Although he has resided on Galiano for a number of years, Mr. Graham was a plumbing contractor in Victoria when this work was carried out.

The Graham cross has been hailed everywhere that artistry in wood is recognized. At one time it was hung in the Parliament Buildings in Victoria, where thousands of visitors examined it.

The detail and precision of this masterpiece of fine carving are not clear in a small photograph. The workmanship defies description.

Throughout the ages of christianity it has been the ambition of artists and painters and sculptors to express something of the meaning of religion in their particular vehicle. Mr. Graham was seized with the same urge. His execution has been loudly commended by all who have seen it.

It is published this week as a fitting tribute to this chapter of the Christian year by a talented islander whose skill and patience rival those of the old masters of Europe.



...AND HE SAID TO THEM, "DO NOT BE AMAZED: YOU SEEK JESUS OF NAZARETH WHO WAS CRUCIFIED. HE HAS RISEN, HE IS NOT HERE..." — Mark, 16.

TISDALLE HEARS STRONG PROTEST

Salt Spring Islanders are strongly opposed to any provincial plan bringing the Gulf Islands into a regional hospital district centered on Victoria. A Social Credit meeting in Gan- ges on Friday evening brought out a strong opposition to inclu- sion of the islands within the projected Capital Region Hos- pital District.

Speaking against the plan were representatives of various island organizations as well as a number of hospital trustees.

John Tisdalle, member of the provincial legislature for Saanich and the Islands heard a strong protest against publi- shed plans to bring the area within the scope of the Victo- ria area.

Opposition by Victoria dist-

riect representatives last week to the entry of the islands into their district was no stronger than the islanders' distaste for such an association.

A. D. Dane, of Fulford, op- ened the hospital debate by stating that the islands want their own hospital district. Mr. Tisdalle was informed by the meeting that this was the gen- eral view.

He suggested that this could possibly be arranged. Reasons would have to be convincing rather than purely parochial, he warned.

"If you had one of these pulp mills on the islands, you would have no problem," he told the meeting.

The MLA outlined the prob- lems of hospital construction and he asked the meeting to make a very sharp distinction between regional districts and hospital districts. The regional district was concerning it-

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Hospital Meeting Here

BY A DIRECTOR

Subsequent to various news reports and a Social Credit meeting attended by John Tis- dalle on March 18, it appears that the Gulf Islands are to be included in the Capital Region Hospital District.

The executive of the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Com- merce feels that the issue if of such prime importance to the Gulf Islands area that they are calling a public meeting to be attended by Mr. Everett Brown, Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs. It is hoped that a full explanation of this matter will be forthcoming.

Some of the forthcom- ing by the Chamber in calling this meeting are:

1. The possible loss of effective control of Lady Minto Hos- pital, by Gulf Islanders.
2. Greater centralization of hospital construction in the Vic- toria area, with little or no attention being paid to the needs of small population areas. The probability exists that the Gulf Islands would end up with

a hospital discouraging good doctors, good nursing staff, and good community support, result- ing in a deterioration in pa- tient care.

3. Taxes, initially lower, (0.47 mills down to 0.02 mills) would increase after a year or two to pay for construction of new hospital facilities in the Victoria area. Because of im- balance in tax assessments, where the Gulf Islanders have so much higher assessments per capita, our actual dollars paid per capita for hospital con- struction will be three times greater than in the Greater Vic- toria area under the new arrange- ments.

4. The Gulf Islands Hospital District has a fine, modern hospital being paid for by Gulf Islanders. This is the only hos-

pital in the proposed new area being paid for through taxation and past experience suggests that additional facilities in the future could be comfortably handled in the same manner. 5. Will the voters in Greater Victoria, who by their over- whelming numbers hold the destiny of Lady Minto Hospital in their hands, be generous enough to help pay for our future expansion? Our 3000 votes will mean little in deciding their capital building expendi- tures!

There may well be advan- tages to the inclusion of the Gulf Islands in the Capital Re- gion Hospital District. For this reason the executive of the Chamber of Commerce is ask- ing Mr. Everett Brown the De- puty Minister of Municipal Af- fairs to be on hand to explain more fully what the changes will mean to the Gulf Island residents.

The Chamber hopes that re- presentatives of interested groups from the other Gulf Is- lands will be able to attend this meeting.

Hockey

PEE WEE LEAGUE

Captain Philip Kyler's Otters are now in first place after win- ning both their games on Sat- urday. In the first game the score was Otters 3 Beavers 1, stars Philip Kyler, Jimmy Ralph and Jimmy Pringle; the second game Otters 11 Seals 0- stars Rogers Kitchen, Philip Ky- ler and Ian Byron.

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

On Sunday afternoon the Ful- ford team again defeated the North End team with a score of 9-3. The three stars were Paddy Akerman, Finbar Mac- Millan and Herc Roland.

The Friday night game was postponed until later this week.

SENIOR LEAGUE

The second place Hawks played two games last week winning them both. On Tues- day they beat the Barons 12-5, stars Norman Stevens, John Grain and John Marcotte; Sun- day they beat the Chargers 10-6, stars Norman Stevens, John Marcotte, and Don Bates.

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BRIDGE QUIZ (Goren)

Answers to last week's Quiz:

(a) One No-trump. To respond at the two level in a new suit one must have at least ten high card points or eleven points including distribution. With six to nine high-card points the bid is one no-trump. (This does not suggest you want to play in no-trump but shows a minimum hand).

(b) 2 Hearts. With only one bid in the hand it is better to

Partner doubles opening bid of One Heart. What is your response (no intervening bid).

(a) \spadesuit 10 9 3 \heartsuit Q 10 6 4 \diamondsuit J 8 2 \clubsuit 7 5 3

(b) K J 7 2 A 3 Q 10 8 6 3 K 7

(c) Q 8 4 A 10 8 5 K 9 7 Q 9 2


(d) A K Q 10 9 5 3 Q 10 2 K Q 7

(Answers next week)



Lorraine Dods, Ganges, is pictured receiving the Bruce's Groceries Trophy from adjudicator Willard Schultz, after she placed first with a mark of 86 in the class under 12 years that played "Minuer", C. Bohm, grade three, during last week's 18th annual Cowichan Music Festival.

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PRISONS GETTING BETTER

Conditions in British Columbia institutions are steadily improving, according to minister without portfolio, the Hon. Isobel Dawson, of Mackenzie. Mrs. Dawson was speaking at Social Credit meeting in Ganges on Friday evening. Some of the work accomplished in provincial institutions has been played down, she asserted, while overlap has been given to crowded conditions.

ST. PATRICK'S DINNER FOR LEGION LADIES

Dinner was enjoyed at Harbour House, St. Patrick's Night by the Ladies' Auxiliary to Royal Canadian Legion to honor past presidents, charter members, and the 1967 executive of the L.A.

Attractive arrangements of irises, mums, and daffodils centred the dinner table in a low green bowl. Covers were laid for 20.

Grace was said by Mrs. R. T. Cook. Mrs. Deane Freeman gave an interesting talk after the dinner.

Those present were Mrs. J. B. Acland, Mrs. Deane Freeman, Mrs. F. Hodges, Mrs. C. W. Archer, Mrs. F. W. Kirkham, Mrs. H. A. Emerslund, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. P. Cartright, Mrs. I. B. Devine, Mrs. W. A. Mailey, Mrs. A. Francis, Mrs. H. Saunders, Mrs. Trudy Jackson, Mrs. W. Jameski, Mrs. K. Ralph, Mrs. Libby Marcotte, Mrs. Mac Mout, Mrs. H. Skelton, and Mrs. Ellen Byron.

HEAR OF DEATH OF MRS. LE FEVRE

Gulf Islands friends will hear with regret of the recent death of Mrs. W. T. LeFevre in Kelowna.

Mr. and Mrs. LeFevre opened the flower shop in Ganges in 1952.

They retired in 1956 and a few years later moved to Kelowna.

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Conditions in the juvenile detention centres are good, she asserted, and no parent whose children have to go to these places has any cause for worry.

Mrs. Dawson spoke of her own constituency, 400 miles long and reached by boat in many places along the deeply indented B. C. Coast.

★ GRATEFUL FOR SUPPORT

Ganges Incorporation Committee has expressed gratitude for Dr. Whitbread's firm stand. The committee is still short of about a dozen signatures on the petition asking for a poll to decide whether Ganges shall be incorporated.

SHE CAME 500 MILES TO ATTEND ANNIVERSARY

A happy atmosphere prevailed in the Royal Canadian Legion Hall on March 17, when the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Royal Canadian Legion (Branch 92) held their 20th anniversary of the auxiliary's charter.

Mrs. M. Deane Freeman, provincial president of the Legion Auxiliaries in 1947, who installed the local charter members 20 years ago, was guest of honor at the party. Mrs. Freeman who resides at Bridge River, in the Cariboo, was accompanied by Mrs. Florence Hodges of Quesnel, who travelled 500 miles to be present for the occasion.

Mrs. C. W. Archer, president of the L.A., welcomed the guests. Mrs. Cecil Springford first president of the L.A. and Mrs. J. B. Acland, second president, were special guests as well as other past presidents and charter members.

Eight of the past 12 presidents of the L.A. who were present were Mrs. Springford, Mrs. Acland, Mrs. A. M. Brown, Mrs. A. W. Wolfe-Milner, Mrs. E. Booth, Mrs. A. Ashby, Mrs. F. W. Kirkham, Mrs. H. A. Emerslund. Other past presidents unable to attend were Mrs. Colin Mout, Mrs. Peter Cartright, Mrs. Audry Jackson and Mrs. Lacy Campbell.

Charter members present at

Hospital Protest

Public meeting will be held in Mahon Hall, Ganges, on Wednesday evening, March 29, to discuss entry of the Islands into the Capital Region for hospital purposes.

Deputy minister of municipal affairs, Everett Brown will be guest speaker.

Meeting has been called by the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce to protest the government's plans to include the area in the region.

Every Islander has been urged to attend the Wednesday meeting.

the party were Mrs. Acland, Mrs. Springford, Mrs. A. Francis, Mrs. W. A. Mailey, Mrs. A. E. Duke, Mrs. I. B. Devine, Mrs. Mac Mout and Mrs. R. Eberts, Victoria.

Mrs. R. T. Cook was convener for the successful and enjoyable anniversary party. Mrs. N. Skelton, at the door presented each charter member and past president with a dainty yellow daffodil and bluebell boutonniere.

SHORT COURSE

The Salt Spring Island Garden Club is sponsoring a short course in flower arranging, starting prior to the Spring Flower Show on April 15 at Fulford Hall.

Classes are:
April 3, 2-4 p. m. instructor, Mrs. Hilda Wilkins, Victoria;
April 11, 2-4 p. m., instructor, Mrs. Dorothy Eveleigh, Victoria;
April 18, 2-4 p. m., instructor, Mrs. Theo Wiggan, Victoria;
April 25, 2-4 p. m., instructor, Miss Gwen Ruckle, Beaver Point.
Phone Mrs. A. M. Brown, 537-5360 or Mrs. E. Worthington, 537-2040 if interested.

It was voted that all monthly meetings be held on the fourth Wednesday of each month starting in April; although it will be necessary to hold one more monthly meeting March 29 to finalize plans for Spring Show.

During last Wednesday's meeting, Mrs. Ena McCabe, vice-president, Victoria Chrysanthemum Society, again came to the Island and gave a lecture on growing dahlias for show and showed slides of many new varieties which members were most anxious to learn about.

Later there was a question and answer period.

FERNWOOD NEWS

By Jessie Sayer
son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. Sampson of Cedar Hill Road.

Bill deLong is happy his Central Hawks won, against Soupy Chargers 10-6 on Sunday March 19.

Recent visitors to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Blais of North Beach Road were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vietenheimer and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Morris of Sovereign, Saskatchewan. Also were Mr. and Mrs. Ron Desbrais of Haney.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. T. F. McColm (nee Margaret Sampson) of 1444 Edgeware Road a son Troy Thomas at St. Joseph's Hospital, 8 lb. 7 ozs.

Great grandmother, Mrs. E. Sampson of Fernwood has returned after a holiday in Victoria spent at the home of her

BRIDGE

"B" Section Winners: Mrs. Arthur Jobin and Mrs. Alice Hammett.

"C" Section semi-finals: Mr. and Mrs. Cruickshank play Mr. and Mrs. Goodman, Mrs. Cecile Atkins and Col. F. M. Peiler play Mrs. C. Springford and Mrs. Hazel Knox.

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SEWERS AND VILLAGES

How urgent is the need for sewers?

We asked this question in respect of Ganges several weeks ago. Last week we had our answer when a child here was stricken with infectious hepatitis.

This week we have another answer when the medical officer of health for the Greater Victoria Metropolitan Board of Health replies with the solemn warning that the danger point is approaching.

The need for a sanitary sewer system here is urgent indeed.

Only question remaining is that of the manner of its implementation.

Original plan called for the establishment of an improvement district to install sewers in the Ganges area and for no other purpose. Subsequent discussions revealed the likelihood that incorporation of the area into village municipality would bring added revenues to the sewer area and give the ratepayers of the community added strength in demanding that all connections be made to the sewer system.

Examination of the figures indicates that there would be a saving to the community in acquiring a sewer system if it first incorporates.

These problems are of no consequence to Dr. Whitbread. He wants a sanitary sewer system here to eliminate a serious threat to health. Exactly how it might be accomplished is not of the slightest consequence to his office.

Dr. Whitbread has warned that conditions are getting rough here.

It is difficult to conceive of any adult resident of the community accepting this warning with indifference. It is likely that the majority afflicted by this disease of filthy ditches will live. The unfortunate few will possibly regret that they did. Of course, such an epidemic may never strike. Is that what we are gambling on?

Let us not close our eyes to the fact that Ganges is a legacy from the past until its people accept the lessons of medical science. Village incorporation appears to be the obvious pattern, but let us not stand in the path of a sewer system on the grounds that we do not want a village. If there is a better way, let us hear it. If not, then let us embrace this one. We must have sewers here, and very soon!

Letters to the editor

REQUEST EVADED

To those of us who attended the political meeting at Ganges, Friday March 17, it was made abundantly clear that our wishes in the matter of regions, regarding hospitals, will be considered secondary to the decisions of the politicians. This, of course, is typical of politicians.

For some peculiar reason we were treated to a record of funny, little happenings related by the guest speaker. There was no possible connection between her talk and the question on hand. We do not want to be forced to pay higher taxes--many of us cannot afford to--in order to pay for costly improvements in other areas. This pro-

posed regional hospital is a wedge, a political wedge. Once it is an accomplished fact--watch out! We will then be forced to pay for new water systems, bridges, roads (we need one right here to Beaver Point) rest homes, etc. in other regions.

Each taxpayer on Salt Spring is a potential vote. If our taxes are to be prevented from going higher, then, let us make it known by letter, petition or just our signatures that we do not want to be lumped all in with another region. Let's keep our present satisfactory status at our present tax rate.

Lillian Horsdal,
 Fulford Harbour,
 March 19, 1967.



HI-LITES OF ISLAND LIFE

- WEDNESDAY, March 29 - 8 p.m. Garden Club Meeting, United Church Hall
- WEDNESDAY, March 29 - 2 p.m. Silver Tea, St. Mary's Guild Fulford Hall.
- FRIDAY, March 31 - 2 p.m. Wayside Sale, Anglican W.A.
- SATURDAY, April 1 - 2-4 p.m. C.W.L. Spring Tea and Bake sale, Our Lady of Grace Church Hall.
- SATURDAY, April 1 - 8 p.m. Giant Bingo, Legion Hall, Branch 29, Royal Canadian Legion.
- SATURDAY, April 1 - Up-side-down card party, Nan's Coffee Bar, Fulford
- FRIDAY, April 21 - 10-2 a.m. 7th Annual Firemen's Cabaret' School Auditorium.

ISLANDERS MUST GET CLOSE MEETING TOLD

Salt Spring Islanders must learn to communicate and to show concern for strangers in their midst, asserted a speaker at Friday evening's Social Credit meeting in Mahon Hall at Ganges.

G. Spargo stated that he was

NEW OFFICERS ARE INSTALLED

The installation of officers for Trincomali Chapter #93, Order of the Eastern Star, was held Saturday March 18 at Ganges.

This occasion brought many weekend visitors to Salt Spring Island from the Lower Mainland and many points of Vancouver Island.

The beauty and hospitality of Salt Spring were appreciated.

CANADIAN HERO

Canada's Centennial should be an opportunity to redress the wrong done to the memory of one of Canada's greatest heroes, Norman Bethune, the wrong of neglect.

For his faults it may be said that he was, in his earlier days: somewhat immoderate in his ways. If so, he shared this fault with other great men. Later he gave himself without stint for his fellow-man. He did wonders in lung surgery at Sacre-Coeur Hospital in Montreal. He organized a blood-transfusion service for the Spanish Republican Army. Almost alone he tended the wounded of the Chinese Communist Army and finally died from blood poisoning for lack of adequate facilities.

He seems to have been condemned to dishonour by neglect because of his Communist connections. How long are we to allow the Communist bogey or "Guy Fawkes" dummy to warp our judgment?
 F. H. A. Collins,
 Box 51, Ganges, B. C.
 March 9, 1967.

sick for three weeks over Christmas. During that time not one person came to see him or to enquire of his health, he told the meeting.

"I was obliged to rise from my sick bed to get milk," he stated, "and that was my only sustenance for three weeks."

It gives an idea of how lonely an island of this kind can be explained the elderly retired man.

"We've got to get much closer," he concluded.

CHURCH SERVICES

EASTER WEEK - MARCH 24, 25, 26

ANGLICAN

March 24 Good Friday	St. Mark's Central	Three hour service	12 noon
March 26 Easter Day	St. Nicholas' Vesuvius	Holy Communion	8:30 a.m.
	St. Mark's Central	Choral Communion	9:30 a.m.
	St. Mary's Fulford	Choral Communion	(Dr. Holmes) 11:00 a.m.
	St. George's Ganges	Choral Communion	11:30 a.m.

UNITED

March 24 Good Friday	Ganges	Meditation	7:30 p.m.
March 26 Easter Sunday	Ganges	Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
	Ganges	Divine Worship	11:00 a.m.
	Burgoyne Bay Service	withdrawn in favor of Ganges	2:30 p.m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

March 23	Fulford Ganges	Holy Mass	6:30 p.m.
		Holy Mass followed by all night Adoration	8:30 p.m.
March 24 Good Friday	Fulford Ganges	Way of the Cross Adoration and Holy Communion	12:30 p.m.
March 25 Holy Saturday	Ganges	Easter Vigil	11:00 p.m.
	Ganges	Midnight Mass	12:00 a.m.
March 26 Easter Sunday	Ganges Fulford	Holy Mass	9:00 a.m.
		Holy Mass	11:00 a.m.

COMMUNITY GOSPEL CHAPEL

Easter Sunday	Ganges	Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes	10:30 a.m.
	Ganges	Evening Service	7:30 p.m.

GALIANO ISLAND

Easter Sunday		Holy Communion	8:00 a.m.
		Holy Communion	11:00 a.m.

MAYNE ISLAND

		Holy Communion	9:30 a.m.
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DON'T SIGN IN HURRY WITHOUT MAKING SOME COMPARISONS

There have already been reports from readers of salesmen in the islands selling roofing and siding contracts. No salesman will object to a customer checking his credentials and any reader invited to sign a contract for house repairs, or for anything else at the door, will do well to check with the chamber of commerce or any reputable merchant in the community.

It is a golden rule to sign nothing in a hurry. Many homeowners have regretted signing a contract at the door. Islanders who make a check on the job and the price and the circumstances will never regret making a sudden purchase at the door... they will probably never make one.

MOTION TO USE FERRIES FAILS TO GET OFF FLOOR

When a motion was proposed from the floor at Friday evening's Social Credit Meeting in Mahon Hall at Ganges that the government be asked to provide free ferry transportation for a Social Credit picnic, Chairman P.A. Philipchalk declined to accept it.

DAFFODIL TEA IS PLANNED BY CATHOLIC GROUP

Catholic Women's League will hold a Daffodil Tea, April 1 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the lower hall of Our Lady of Grace Parish Church, Ganges.

Msgr. M. O'Connell will open the affair. Mrs. Fred Rhodes will convene the tea.

The following are in charge of the various stalls; sewing, Mrs. J. H. Lamb; homebaking Mrs. W. Jameski and Mrs. F. Bonar; plants, Mrs. George S. Denis and Mrs. E. Groff. A silver collection will be taken.

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FULFORD HARBOUR

By Bea Hamilton

The Senior 1st Fulford Sea Scouts, about eight of them, took off on a week end camp last week. There was full sunshine so they figured this was Spring and off they went; with full packs and determined to enjoy the jaunt, which they did so we hear. They got busy and showed how one can live on clams and oysters, gathering them fresh off the beach at Isabella Point.

The boys were on their own, no leaders to check them, though Scoutmaster Jimmy Stewart and his assistants did check them each evening and morning to see that everything was ship shape, and all that.

By the way, half the boys' meals were from the shell fish cooked by themselves. Their leaders reported that the boys did very well on their own and their tents and bed rolls were in excellent order when they were inspected. The first night was cold though and the boys phoned in for extra blankets. Outside of that, they had no troubles and a very good time over the week end.

Saturday night is Smorgasbord night with Bingo after supper at the Fulford Hall. This is a Sea Food Smorgasbord supper, oysters, clams, fish, - you know, the works!

The bingo will be fun too after supper is cleared away.

The Hall side entrance is the place to enter - don't forget.

The roller skating for that night - Saturday March 25, will be cancelled in the Fulford Hall - can't have youngsters rolling around when food is being set up.

Birthday congratulations and good wishes go to several this month - Mrs. A. Ruckle, 94, Dave Maxwell, 95 (going on 96?) and W.E. Taylor, 93. These people, with Tom Mouat 92, and Mrs. Norman Wilson, 95, have seen a lot of history made, over the years, and all have added their share to the Island development and culture.

The Centennial Park is beginning to look interesting and will be a great addition to the Island culture and recreation for '67 and into the future.

We had a good time at the coffee party given by the L.A. to Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 92, on March 17, at the Legion Hall. Mrs. Archer, president, was a most charming hostess, and it was good to see Mrs. Myra Deane-Freeman, who was here to "put the L.A. together" on their inaugural date 20 years ago. Mrs. Deane-Freeman and Mrs. Florence Hughes came some 500 miles especially for this, from Bridge Lake, and Quesnel. The first presidents of the L.A. lined up for a picture (hope to have it out for next issue) from Mrs. C.W. Springford, 1947, to Mrs. Archer, 1967.

The coffee table was a sight with its silver candlesticks, and spring flower decorations, not to mention the ladies who poured the coffee during the session.

The Anniversary cake was lovely and was banked by spring flowers on a side table. Tasted good too, after Mrs. Archer and Mrs. Deane-Freeman presided over the first cutting ceremony. There was

only one thing that didn't pan out - we couldn't get all the Legion girls together for a picture - they were as lively and elusive as that "demned Scarlet Pimpernel," that we read about...

Wednesday, March 29th, will be the Guild silver tea and home cooking sale at the Fulford Hall at 2 p.m. Mrs. R.B. Horsefield will be opening the tea.

The lawns and trees just sparkle with jewels whenever the sun comes out after the rain. It is gorgeous this morning (Monday). I see the Snow birds are still around, some of them anyway. Signs of spring - my sister digging in the garden and the banks and lawns blue with the glory of the snow - Oh, why do I sit and write? I'd rather be a fairy dancing over the green... There's Frank Pyatt down there with the mail, and other sister is cooking lunch - smells good!

INSTITUTE PLANS

PARTY AT FULFORD

Meeting of the South Salt Spring Island Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. W. Mossop on Thursday afternoon, with ten members present. Final arrangements were made for the Upsidedown Card party at Nan's Coffee Bar on Saturday, April 1 at 8 p.m.

Members decided to donate \$50 towards the Fulford Hall entrance fund, and to hold a tea and home cooking stall on April 28 to further aid the fund.

"We should give the committee all the encouragement and help we can as it is a big undertaking and means a lot to the Island," said Mrs. R. Lee, past president and present secretary.

"I will be very happy to be able to take the good news back to the hall committee" said Mrs. M. Gyves, who is on the hall executive and W. I. president.

"Our Institute started the first Fulford Hall in 1920, and have supported the Hall ever since," said Mrs. A. Davis. It was noted that the side door is the official Hall entrance for the next few weeks while the renovation is going on.

A letter was received from the Brentwood W.I. inviting members to attend their tea on Saturday, which had to be declined with regret. Tea and refreshments were served after the meeting.

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As a centennial project for '67, the Fulford Hall Committee are putting all their energies into the building of the new entrance to the Fulford Community Hall and they are well away on the job.

As the hall concerns so many people, this is a good choice as a project, to be shared by the community. At the moment, it is looking a little shattered and messy around the hall but the foundations are fast becoming fixtures.

Help, financially, has been received from the Recreation Commission, \$140, and a \$50 donation from our W.I. with a recent donation from the Beaver Point Community Association of \$25, all adds up and is encouraging.

Other donations will come in and the boys are working hard for the next five or six weeks, when they will discontinue work until the Fall.

St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church is also a Centennial project for the South end.

As the oldest church on the island, built 1880 and completed in 1885, St. Paul's is a historic landmark at Fulford Harbour.

The outside walls and roof have been renovated and next they are going to start on the inside, with Nu-Stone finish, Norman Shaw is in charge there.

So it seems things are stepping up for the final Centennial year, with the whole of Salt Spring Island doing its best to celebrate fittingly.

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The tea table was very attractive centred with a lovely floral arrangement featuring Lenten roses, donated by Mrs. J. Catto and backed by a very fine panel donated by Mrs. Scot Clarke and painted by her husband, on which was depicted a large green harp.

The decorating committee had made the walls of the room most eye-catching with Irish-motif panels and the South Seas panels so cleverly fashioned by Mrs. Gilbert and donated by her for the sale.

The tea and sale was officially opened by Mrs. J. B. Stewart president of the Burgoyne Bay U.C.W. and Mrs. McQuarrie made a charming hostess. At the entrance to the tea room Mrs. A. Ashley acted as cashier.

Mrs. J. Catto convened the tea, assisted by the servers, Josephine Overend, Lilla Fendall, Louise Reid and Olive Mouat.

The pouring of the tea was ably handled by Miss Dean, Mrs. L. Holloway, Mrs. Ronald Brown and Mrs. Ray Ashford.

A miscellaneous stall, ably displayed and served by Mrs. M. Soher, showed a diversity of items and realized a goodly sum.

C.G.I.T. girls had a greeting card stall which was manned by Linda Archer and Kim Macdonald.

Mrs. E. Parsons' stall of aprons of her own making was one of the major attractions, of the afternoon, each apron being distinctive.

The used-clothing bar was serviced by Mrs. Les Ramsay and Mrs. A. B. Barber, -Mrs. N. Voden taking care of the children's clothing.

Mrs. Irl Bradley sold garden produce and plants, not the least of which were the bunches of fragrant English violets from Mrs. J. D. Reid's garden.

A very fine hat bar was presided over by Miss Mary Corbett and Miss Sally Mickleborough who also modelled.

The home-baking tables drew a fine crowd who were served by Mrs. Mary Gerbautz of Simcoe, Mrs. J. D. Reid and Mrs. J. deMacedo.

The U.C.W. extend grateful thanks to the numerous and generous donors of food and articles, and to those who braved the weather to have tea with us.

RAVEN ATTACKS NEWBORN LAMB

Nature can be horrible, commented a reader last week.

A new-born lamb lay in the field, while the ewe was recovering from the birth.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the North Salt Spring Waterworks District will be held at 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 30, 1967 in the Mahon Hall, Ganges, B. C.
Business: 1. To receive the report of the Trustees.
2. To elect two Trustees for a term of 3 years.
3. To elect an auditor for the ensuing year.
4. Any other business.
- P. Cartwright, Secretary.

S.S.I. RECREATION COMMISSION Annual Meeting, Monday, March 27, 1967 at 8 p.m. in Mahon Hall.
"SHALL WE APPOINT A PART-TIME PAID RECREATION DIRECTOR?" Opinions of all those interested are sought. Please attend and air your views.

ANNOUNCEMENT

MR. AND MRS. GORDON Scarff, Lower Ganges Road, are pleased to announce the engagement of their elder daughter, Carol Eunice to Herbert William Seatter, Fort McMurray, Alberta. The wedding to take place in the Apostolic Church, Dapp, Alberta, on April 15 at 3 p.m.

NOTICES

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C.D.A. "Dudley" Tweedale was re-elected President by acclamation of the Galiano Golf & Country Club at its annual meeting last Friday evening. He was warmly commended by the membership and his executive committee for the leadership he had given the organization during the past year.

John Rees of Vancouver and Galiano was elected Vice President. Also returned to office by acclamation were Miss Jean Lockwood as secretary and Robert Aston as Treasurer.

The Auditor's Report showed 1966 was the most successful year of operation since the Club was formally re-organized ten years ago. Prior to then, local golfers played for many years on the course which was priva-

tely maintained by Capt. Ivan Denroche with the help of volunteer labour. This year the Club had a membership of 119. Elected to serve on the executive committee for the coming season were Mrs. A. Morissette, Mrs. F.E. Robson, Mrs. C.D.A. Tweedale, Mrs. R. Aston, Mrs. G. Steward, Chuck Webb and John Howard.

Ganges

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. W.K. Halldorson, recently, were Mrs. Halldorson's two brothers and sisters-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. Arnoson, from Elcross, Sask, and Mr. and Mrs. S. Arnoson, from Surrey, B. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Zenon Kropinski returned home Sunday after an enjoyable month's holiday. They spent some time in Mazatlan and Guadalajara, Mexico En route home by bus they stopped off at San Diego, Los Angeles and San Francisco as well as visiting Disneyland.

Visiting Rev. E.W. MacQuarrie and Mrs. MacQuarrie for Easter are their daughters Miss: Marilyn and Margaret MacQuarrie, Victoria, and also Dr. and Mrs. E.L. Jarvis and family of Seattle.

Mrs. R. Eberts, Victoria, returned home after spending a few days with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Harry Loosemore, Churchill Road.

Mrs. M. Deane Freeman, Bridge River, Cariboo, was the guest for several days of Mrs. J.B. Acland, Baker Road.

Wing Commander John Crofton, R.C.A.F. and Mrs. Crofton, Edmonton, with their three sons Desmond, Kevin and Neil arrive Wednesday to spend a week with Wing Commander Crofton's father, Lieut. Col. Desmond Crofton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hall, North Vancouver are spending the Easter holidays with Mrs. Hall's mother Mrs. Gladys Bidwell.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. H.A. Emerslund, Seaview Ave. for a few days was Mrs. F. Hodges

PENSIONERS OFFER SAFETY ARMBANDS TO ELDERLY AND OTHERS FOR NIGHT WALKING

There were 47 members at the regular meeting of Branch 32, O.A.P.O., in St. George's Hall on Thursday March 16 at 2 p.m.

Plans were made for a bake sale to be held on April 20, Mrs. E. Krebs and Mrs. E. Barber will be in charge of the tables. Proceeds are to help defray expenses of sending two delegates to the annual convention, June 20, 21 and 22 at Williams Lake.

Mrs. E. Thacker will attend the meeting of Island Council as delegate on April 14 in the Legion Hall at Nanaimo. She will be accompanied by seven visitors, members of Branch 32.

Mrs. Macham entertained on the piano for a sing-song of "the old fashioned kind," with toe tapping and clapping.

Tea was served by Mrs. E. Krebs, Mrs. A. Kitchener and Mrs. J. Hayward.

BINGO WINNERS ARE LISTED FROM FRIDAY EVENING

Large crowd of players attended the Friday evening bingo at the Catholic church of Our Lady of Grace in Ganges.

Winners were Mrs. C. Lengyel, P. Valcourt, Mrs. J. Lamb, Mrs. H. Alexander, Mrs. F. Westcott, Mrs. M. Patchett, Mrs. C. Sampson, Mrs. A. McDonald, Mrs. I. Hartley, Mrs. G. Rose, J. Ramsey, Mrs.

The branch has arm bands for sale. These are a protection against on-coming traffic, in fog or at dusk, for elderly people.

REGRET BUT NO CRITIC

Opposition to the former national leader of the Social Credit party gained brief recognition in Ganges on Friday.

In reply to a motion expressing regret at the resignation of Robert Thompson as national leader, Mr. Spargo, of Ganges was bitter. He was there to bury Thompson, not to praise him.

"I know Robert Thompson personally," he told the meeting, "and he's been an absolute failure as far as Social Credit is concerned. I wouldn't move a vote of confidence in him."

"We are not here to criticize anyone," interposed Chairman P.A. Philipchalk. "At least you'll have the liberty to vote for a new leader."

Mr. Spargo expressed a dissentient vote when the motion was presented, but his further views were lost amid the entrance of MLA John Tisdalle.

O. Wallace, Mrs. P. Lazenby, Mrs. F. Quesnel and Mrs. J. Campbell.

GIRLS' LEADERS ATTEND COURSE IN VICTORIA

Regional C.G.I.T. three-day session for Leaders and seniors held in Victoria March 3, 4, and 5 were attended by Mrs. E.W. MacQuarrie, leader of the Salt Spring Island C.G.I.T. group accompanied by the following seniors, Audry Scarfe, Marilyn Brigden, Jonica Buitenwerf, Rosemary House and Linda Archer.

April 4th is Film Night at the United Church, Ganges, at 7 p.m. for C.G.I.T. and Explorers. A centennial film will be shown.

The C.G.I.T. will undertake the Cancer Drive Fund for Salt Spring in May.

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of Quesnel.

Mrs. R.T. Cook, Vesuvius Bay, is spending a week in West Vancouver with her brother-in-law and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. C.N. Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Maxwell, West Vancouver, are spending Easter week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Graham Shove.

Mrs. Mary Gerbautz, Simcoe Ontario, returned home after spending a week with her brother and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Michael Sober, Beddis Road.

Over from West Vancouver for Easter week end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Gil Humphreys, Vesuvius Bay, is their daughter Miss Gillian Humphreys.

Salt Spring Island Lions attending the Lions Spring Conference at the Royal Towers, New Westminster were Mr. and Mrs. Hart Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Irl Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sage, Mr. and Mrs. E.H. Gear, Desmond Crofton, Eric Faure, Percy Jones, Fred Rhodes. They were joined by Jake Barker, Burnaby, who is still a member of S.S.I. Lions.

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But they weren't all wrong numbers, young lady! Here are the two happy winners who divided the spoils. Mrs. Rod Kitchen and Andy Wood, of Beaver Point, split the \$100.

PLAN IS UNDER FIRE

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self with municipal affairs and had no connection with hospital construction, warned the speaker.

New legislation provides for a sharing of hospital construction costs on a 60:40 basis between the local community and the provincial government, explained the speaker. This division holds good until hospital construction costs reach four mills. The sharing formula at that point becomes 80:20, with the government assuming the greater part of the cost.

Speaking of the island situation, Mr. Tisdalle explained that he did not know the picture well enough here to offer an opinion. He has represented the islands only since the last provincial election in the fall.

Charles Horel spoke warmly in favor of an island district.

"The island group is quite unique," he told the meeting, "and there is very little a regional district in Victoria or Duncan can offer us."

"We have a hospital district. We have a school district... you can't give us sewers... you can't give us water." He could not see incorporation of the islands into a tax district with either Victoria or Duncan offering any benefit to the community here.

"I am very much opposed to the Gulf Islands' being associated with any other regional district than our own," he concluded.

"Can we depend on your support," asked Maurice Atkins, "if we can prove a preference here for remaining with our own hospital district No. 9?"

Bringing out the facts of the case in the best possible manner, urged Mr. Tisdalle.

He recalled that when the larger school districts were formed, following the 1947

Cameron Report, many expressed strong opposition to it. Yet, the school district proved to be right, he noted.

When Mr. Tisdalle was asked whether the projected establishment of hospital districts would be law this session, he replied that it would. He then modified his stand when the Hon. Isobel Dawson, minister without portfolio, explained that the legislation would be passed, enabling the government to establish these districts. Boundaries would be drawn at a later date.

J.G.Reid warned the MLA that life on the islands is a different life.

"We have no council. The majority do not want industry. The islands are adapted to retirement," he stated.

Trustee of the Gulf Islands Hospital District, Mr. Reid rhapsodized about the hospital.

"Our hospital is a very good hospital," he reported, "But it can't handle larger cases. These are sent to larger hospitals. There is not a resident of the islands who would not be happy to pay his share of the costs involved of going to a city hospital in an emergency."

Mr. Reid quoted the instance of school districts overlapping and the provision for charging fees for a student residing in one district and attending school in another. Such a system could be set up for hospitals, he urged.

"There is no reason why acute cases could not be billed by one district to another," he continued. "We are not asking for something for nothing. We have a school district covering all the islands and the hospital district covers all the islands."

Sharp refutation was offered by J. Spargo.

"The Lady Minto hospital is

far too small," he charged, "It is so crammed that we have to go to Victoria."

If the Islands were to become a hospital district would they be able to use Victoria hospitals, Mr. Tisdalle was asked.

This would present no problem, he told the meeting. The service is provided by the B.C. Hospital Insurance Service.

Operating costs of the hospitals are borne by the insurance service, explained Mr. Tisdalle. The proposed hospital boards are to be set up to provide the costs of construction and other capital, or purchasing costs.

The new scheme calls for the inclusion of every part of the province into a hospital district so that every area of British Columbia has the opportunity of providing its own hospital.

There would be no change in administration if the islands were alone, observed Mr. Atkins, also a hospital trustee. "We have the privilege now of sending patients to other hospitals."

There is a higher percentage of population here over 65 than in any other district in B.C., stated Les Ramsey. A big tax burden would exert a big hardship; on the people of these islands, he asserted.

Tax burden would probably amount to two mills, replied Mr. Tisdalle. He asked for a broader outlook. "Can you look at this objectively?" he asked.

He promised that he would arrange an interview with the minister of health or his deputy and representatives of the islands.

There is talk of a new Rest Haven hospital, commented Mr. Dane.

"Would we be taxed for that?" he asked.

Mr. Horel looked askance at

the future of the islands' voting strength.

"This area, as far as its voting will be ignored," he observed. "The board will control hospital construction throughout the area."

Chronic care facilities would then be provided in Victoria and not here in the islands, he added.

"Our hospital will be looked on as a second-rate first-aid station," he charged. "I doubt whether the regional district is going to serve it. It's going to result in a poorer set-up than we have now."

It could work the other way, cautioned Mr. Tisdalle. Votes

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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER ST. PATRICK'S DAY!

It is one heck of a problem getting from here to Salt Spring and we thought we had it all figured out to get our news over there by Tuesday but somepin slipped last week.

In a simple matter like this we have problems BUT now the Government wants to tie us all in to Duncan as a provincial district, Prince Rupert or Albert Bay would make as much sense. But how can we expect any sense from anyone not living in our Gulf Islands?

Mr. and Mrs. Kronkite, of Vancouver, up making arrangements to put a trailer on their property next week. Benny Begon and his boys are home after a week on Salt Spring! The Headshrinkers had a heated discussion last week over "Family Relations". Everyone has a different opinion on this matter, so if our small group can come up with such a delightful variety of beliefs what can a poor old bunch of school trustees hope to accomplish? The LADIES had their weekly ridge battle at Ann Bavis' home. The men still think they could beat their best?

One of our sprightly Islanders Andy Ritchie, has always refused to eat rabbit food, namely Lettuce. Andy claims it's no good boiled, broiled, fried, baked, stewed, frozen, hot, etc. He has tried it?

more about

HOSPITALS

(Continued from Page Eight) for hospital and school construction are usually borderline, he noted.

"Your vote could defeat a hospital vote for the rest of the region," he suggested.

Lady Minto has 21 beds with four in reserve, the meeting was told. Maternity ward has four beds, of which two have been brought into general use. The hospital is financed out of a bond issue not yet paid up. In the event of the islands entering a major district the indebtedness would be shared among all components of the district, as future expenditures would be shared over the entire area, irrespective of where the money might be spent.

"If we call a public meeting in each of the islands and get an expression of the wishes of all islanders, will you give it your support?" asked Mr. Reid.

"Certainly," replied Mr. Tisdalle, "provided it is founded on fact and not on prejudice."

PICTURE WAS IDENTIFIED

Picture of a group of distinguished figures from the past, published in Driftwood last week brought a number of replies.

The group, recognized readily by many old-timers here, was Sam Matson, at one time publisher of the Daily Colonist in Victoria and one of the sponsors of the ferry service between Fulford and Swartz Bay; Mrs. Tolmie stands next to her husband, Dr. S.F. Tolmie, then Premier of British Columbia; man with the beard is the late H.W. Bullock, of Ganges and the tall man at the right is Julius Brethour, of Sidney, one of four brothers who farmed the area before a community was built there.

Picture was taken some 40 years ago.

Donna Begon had another pottery class and if the beginners don't learn anything it sure isn't Donna's fault. The ANNUAL meeting of the Community Club will be announced by a notice on the bulletin Board this week. Come on out and give us at least your moral support. Well as next weekend will see an influx of friends and relatives this epistle is like the lull before the storm. Well, Popajohn went to the kirk this a.m. and got to ring the bell so was quite proud of meself until we noticed Lorraine Campbell's happy face and realized that it takes Lorraine over an hour's walk over the hill to get here. What a perfect alibi going to waste. (Padre we actually do like your service!)

LADIES GUILD MEETS AT PENDER ST. PATRICK'S DAY

On St. Patrick's Day, the Ladies' Guild of St. Peter's held their March meeting at the home of Mrs. R. Beech, with 17 members present.

They planned the spring tea and the Easter decoration of the church.

A very enjoyable afternoon was concluded with refreshments served by the hostesses.

QUADRUPLET LAMBS AT SALT SPRING FARM SURVIVING SO FAR

Four lambs were born last week to a sheep at the Salt Spring Island farm of J. H. Harkema. The mother was looking after her quadruplets initially and the owners were hopeful of raising them.

Mayne Island

BY ELSIE BROWN

We extend a welcome to newcomers to the island, Mr. and Mrs. Hank Shaw and family, Darlene, Angus, Heather, Pauline and Catherine. The Shaws are from Vancouver and now reside on Dickson Road.

Ivy Slinn was off the island for about 10 days visiting friends at Nanaimo. She also visited a son and daughter-in-law and family at North Vancouver.

Stu and Betty Fry, of Coquitlam, are spending a few days at their summer home on Cherry Tree Bay. Betty was dispensing hospitality to other Cherry Tree Bay residents on Sunday. She has done a good job of covering the sofa with gay chintz.

Assistant lightkeeper Rudy Grunert and his wife are away

on holidays. Don Vigurs is relieving in his absence.

Gary Galant, of Richmond spent a few days recently at his summer home on Bayview Drive.

Mary Kline and Mrs. Phyllis Scriabin, of Bennett Bay, plan to attend the Teach In held at Victoria University next week. Vietnam will be the topic. Should be very interesting.

Lots of activity on the island in preparation for the Easter Bazaar to be held Saturday March 25. Better be there early or all those adorable rain hats will be gone.

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Galiano-Gossip

In last week's Driftwood there was a story about two girls on Mayne Island finding a bottle containing a message which had drifted onto their shore, but the girls could not decipher the words which were in a foreign language.

This week Galiano has a tale about a bottle.

In this column we reported during the winter that while on their round-the-world cruise Eddie Bambrick was busy throwing bottles containing messages overboard in hopes that one might float back to B.C. or something.

On Monday this week Eddie received a nice letter from Jovesa Nacabe, of Kadavu Island in the Fijis, acknowledging receipt of a water-borne

message, and sending all his love to Eddie's family.

Eddie figures this was one he tossed into the Pacific near the equator about three months ago. What interests us most is the fact that the Fijian native could decipher Ed's handwriting, which is more than most of us around here can do at times.

Reminder: folks donating useful household articles to the auction on April Fools Day are asked to have their things at the local hall by Friday afternoon, the preceeding day. If they need help transporting them, call Mrs. Ches Williams or Mrs. Fred Robson and leave a message and the fire dept. boys will arrange pick-up.

SILVEY BROTHERS COME OUT ON TOP AT SHOOT

It was a good day for the Silvey boys, on Sunday, Mar. 19, when Ken and Sanford carried off top honours in the Galiano Rod and Gun Club's trap shoot.

There was an excellent turnout of members and friends, and president Hilding Frederickson had affairs well in hand for the day. Archie Georgeson was in charge of scoring.

Ken Silvey carried off two awards, the doubles and high overall, and Peter Denroche won the wingles. Sanford Silvey won the handicap competition in the eventful afternoon.

Donors may also put a tag on their donated articles stating a floor price, so we won't have any more brand new mattresses going for 50¢ for instance like we did last year, although that was near the end of the day when everybody was broke anyway.

New neighbours: Miss Gilliar Clarke (friend of Hoppy's) was over last week from Victoria working on her lot near the school. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hillier and daughter from West Van over on the weekend to inspect their new summer home which they recently purchased from Tuffy and Janet Georgeson. The Billie Cottrells busy this week moving into their home on the corner of Burrill Road as their Cain Drive house was sold to Dr. and Mrs. George Snell of Vancouver who will be taking up residence there April 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lantinga and son from New Westminster were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Partlo on Bellhouse Road.

Mrs. Isabel Murphy has had her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. G. Tulley of Chilliwack, visiting her for the past week.

Jane Bambrick of Victoria was over to spend the weekend with her parents on the island.

George Sidders has had his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ward, visiting him for several weeks from Montreal.

A full house at the Wilfred Grahams on the weekend with their daughter and her family in residence, and the following visitors from Victoria: Misses Rene Letellier and Denja Strang and Messrs. Wayne Christian and Lloyd Stevenson.

Mrs. M.E. Backlund spent a day at the provincial legislature last week and enjoyed luncheon with our M.L.A. John Tisdalle.

An average of 20 units of whole blood is needed for every case of open heart surgery.

GALIANO PROJECT IS APPROVED BY BOTH SENIOR GOVERNMENTS

Centennial project for Galiano has been approved by the senior governments.

Island project consists of a carved relief map of the island to cost an estimated \$1,200. Of this total, \$608 has been raised by islanders while the provincial and federal governments have contributed \$592.

PENDER

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Estelle have been spending the weekend in Victoria, visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Wilson, and family, are at Shangri-la, with Mrs. Walter White as their house-guest, also from Victoria.

Sorry that Mrs. E.G. Fralic is a patient in the Gorge Hospital, Victoria. We all hope she will soon be feeling better.

On South Pender, H.A. Spalding, and son, John, have gone to Summerland, to stay with the David Spaldings there

ISLANDERS ARE INTRODUCED TO NEED FOR CLOSE CONTROL OF LAND HERE

On Thursday evening, Mar. 16, the Pender Island Farmers' Institute meeting was open to all interested persons, when Alan Brook, as guest speaker, put on an exceedingly informative and most entertaining program of colour-photographs of wild life on this Island, and also in Kew Gardens, London England, (supplied by the Film Board of Victoria Library).

Mr. Brook was introduced by the president, John Smith, and his pictures were accompanied by a running commentary.

Mr. Brook stressed the value of the first clearing work done on the Island by the pioneers, and pointed out the need for conservation of the field and forest areas that they had set aside.

Some of the cleared fields, he said, were being allowed to become overgrown by bush, and should be recovered. He also pointed out the value and beauty of Island forest growth, and urged that valuable trees, particularly maples, should be retained.

Pictures of wild animal life of birds and small Island wildlife were breath-taking in their dramatic beauty.

Part two of his program showed the World Garden, at Kew, in England and the continuous research carried on by botanists there in cataloguing species of vegetation from all over the world.

Finally he spoke of the dangers, even here, of air pollution, and deplored the panic caused to cattle by low-flying jet planes.

Mr. Smith expressed the gratitude of all present, for Mr. Brook's program, and the evening closed with refreshments.

THREE ARE NAMED

On March 13 members of the Pender Island hall executive held a general meeting and election of officers.

President P. H. Grimmer, was in the chair with Mrs. Max Allan, secretary, and Miss J. Purchase, treasurer.

Mr. Grimmer reported on recent repairs carried out, and

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thanked the members of the executive for their work during the past year.

He then called on J.B. Bridge to take the chair for the election of officers. Mr. Grimmer, Mrs. Allan and Miss Purchase were unanimously re-elected.

A committee of three was elected. Norman Haslam, Mrs. E. Bowerman and Mrs. W. Bradley; and Mr. Bridge will continue to serve as auditor.

They then discussed the question of raising the hall rental fees. This would allow some money to be put on one side for the cost of the new hall when built.

Mrs. Grimmer moved that there be a surcharge of 50¢ on all rentals, and that large functions would be \$5 in future.

Mr. Grimmer proposed that a percentage of the proceeds of the next rummage sale be allotted to the fund towards new building.

It was moved by Miss M. McKechnie that the next annual meeting should determine the percentage of the surplus to be set aside for this purpose. The meeting adjourned at 9:15

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Danger of Epidemic is Facing Ganges "Village"

— Hazard High Warns Whitbread

SHE CAME SECOND IN CLASS

Report of the Cowichan music Festival last week failed to accord all her honors to one young Island winner.

It was stated in Driftwood that Georgina McCall had gained a centennial dollar for her accordion entry. Not reported at the time was the fact that the same young lady took second place in the instrumental class in the festival.

HEAT WAS ON EARLY SUNDAY

The heat was on on Sunday when a Salt Spring Island lady set out for church. Almost on the threshold of the Ganges church, her car started to smoke furiously and burst into flame.

Alarm was sounded for the fire department and immediate aid was rendered by observers. Owner of the car, the husband of the driver, had wrapped the engine in a blanket when he put the car away. The driver had left home without removing the blanket. Little remained of that blanket after the fire. It had not been evident until the hood was lifted.

It was a chapter of errors. Alarm gave too vague a description of the location for the firemen. The result was that while the fire was attacked by prompt helpers, fire trucks were tearing around the Ganges community looking for a fire.

Senior medical officer of health for the Greater Victoria Metropolitan Board of Health, Dr. J.L. M. Whitbread has taken a strong stand on the sewer situation in Ganges. Tests show that surface water and lower lying areas are now being polluted by discharge from septic tanks and tile fields, reports the doctor.

Dr. Whitbread's statement is published in full as follows:

"For many years, the Metropolitan Board of Health have been urging the residents of Ganges to provide a system of sewage disposal for the unincorporated area known as the Village of Ganges. Several surveys have been carried out,

and the last one indicated that the need for a sewerage system was urgent, as pollution of surface water and low-lying areas was taking place from the existing septic tanks and tile fields.

"In certain parts of this Metropolitan Area, epidemics of infectious hepatitis have occurred as a result of inadequate household sewage disposal facilities. We would like to point out that although only one case of infectious hepatitis has been reported in the Ganges area, the possibility of an epidemic with existing conditions is very high. We would, therefore, urge that an approach to a solution of this problem, either by incorporating as a village, or by other means, should be taken as soon as possible, in order that a sewerage system can be constructed.

"We hope that your Committee will be successful in their efforts to remove the dangers presently existing in your community."

BANK TO START NOW

Construction of new premises for the Bank of Montreal's Ganges branch will be started immediately, James Merston, the manager, has announced.

Mr. Merston said the B of M's new building will be erected in two stages. The first part, expected to be completed in July, will house the branch's operations while the existing office is demolished to make way for construction of the second portion.

Overall completion of the project is scheduled for September.

The interior will feature a streamlined counter with five tellers' wickets and three private coupon booths for safety-deposit-box customers. The present office has three wickets and a single booth.

The 2,900-square-foot building will have a steel-and-reinforced-concrete vault on the ground floor.

To be fitted with an acoustic-tile ceiling, fluorescent lighting, walnut woodwork and rubber-tiled flooring, the office will be fully air-conditioned.

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	1325	9.3
	2050	2.3
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	1000	7.3
	1450	9.4
	2140	2.7
25	0445	10.7
	1030	6.1
	1610	9.6
	2220	3.4
26	0505	10.8
	1115	4.9
	1715	9.6
	2300	4.5
27	0525	11.0
	1155	3.7
	1825	9.8
	2350	5.9
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