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## SPEC

LEGISLATION IS ONLY ANSWER  
SALT SPRING MEETING IS TOLD

Only hope for relief from world pollution is by legislation.

The Gulf Islands cannot fight pollution of the sea without outside assistance, a meeting of about 60 people was told on Friday evening at Ganges.

Kurt Horn, president of the Cowichan-Malahat Chapter of SPEC, recalled the island protests against discharge of partially treated sewage into the sea from Maliview Subdivision.

"It is a battle you have lost," he commented, "but it is one which will come up again."

With his vice-president James Egan, Mr. Horn came to

Ganges at the invitation of DRIFTWOOD to explain the purpose and the function of the Society for Pollution and Environmental Control.

Unless radical changes are made in the near future in the terms of worldwide pollution of nature, the earth will be uninhabitable in 10 years, said Mr. Horn.

He referred to the widely publicized prevalence of DDT, which has infected the entire earth in recent decades.

"Everyone in this room has two and one half times the maximum safe dose of DDT in his body," stated the speaker.

He added that the eagle, once the sovereign of the skies over North America, is now finding its last refuge over the west coast area, and appended a list of the birds now disappearing from North American skies.

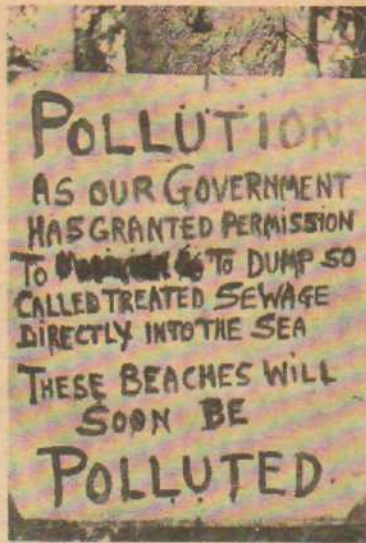
Despite the fact that DDT is already a proven killer, its manufacturers have gained court injunctions permitting them to produce it, he told the meeting. The ban on producing DDT was lifted by the courts.

Pesticides and deodorants are the chief offenders for the fact that they do not readily disintegrate. There is no ready means of eliminating them.

Brush and weed killer, 2-4-5-T is listed in the United States as "probably hazardous," explained the Duncan chairman "Yet the BC Hydro insists on us using it." The Hydro, in all

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### PROTEST



Sign on the roadside on Walker Hook Road is a permanent protest.

### NEW PROCEDURES

## PATTERN OF PLANNING

—FOR ALL ISLANDS

Advisory planning commission have been set up for the islands, Personnel have not yet been named.

There will be one commission for Salt Spring Island, a second will cover all the outer islands. The Salt Spring planning commission will consist of four members, while the outer islands will include five.

In each case the Director of the Capital Regional District will serve on the advisory planning commission. Members will be named by the Regional District.

The outer islands commis-

ion will include Miss Joan Purchase, Director of the district and a nominee from each of the four islands. Director M. H. Holmes will serve on Salt Spring Island with only three others.

The provision of planning commissions was decided at a Capital District meeting on Wednesday of last week.

Members of the commission will serve for a two-year term.

When the Regional District recommended that the planning commission decisions not be made public until the Capital District has received them, the Salt Spring Director protested.

It is unfortunate to cut off publicity, said Mr. Holmes, because the district needs public support in such matters.

Chairman Hugh Curtis, Mayor of Saanich, replied that this was the system long in use in the municipalities of the province.

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

World Day of Prayer will be marked among the islands on Friday as people here gather to join in the international series of services.

On Salt Spring Island the service will take place in the United Church at Ganges at 2 pm.

On Pender the service will be in the church of St. Mary Magdalene.

### BOOKKEEPER CONVICTED

## THREE COUNTS OF FORGERY

John L. Carter, Ganges, was convicted in Ganges Provincial Court on Monday on three counts of forgery. He was remanded for sentence.

It was stated that Carter was engaged as bookkeeper by Gulf Coast Holdings Ltd., last July. His employment terminated in November. Subsequently to his dismissal he cashed three cheques on the company's account in the amounts of \$50, \$100 and \$250.

It was the practice of the company to leave him a number of blank cheques for payment of accounts while the principals, W. J. Mollison or Robert Mollison were away, Jim Mollison told the court.

He was dismissed on November 21 and the cheques in question were presented on December 4 and December 9.

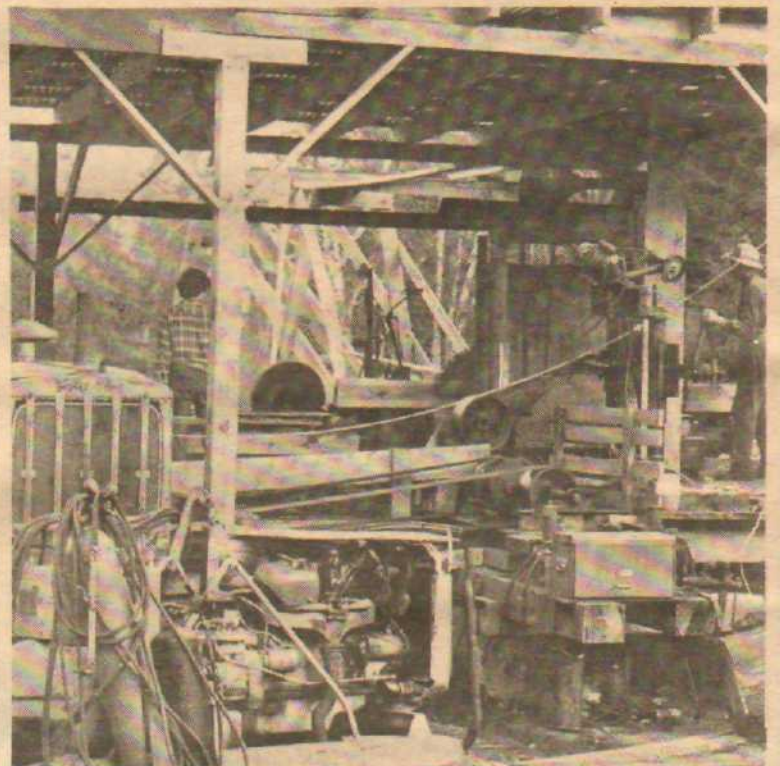
Trial continued until late afternoon, when Judge M. F. Peiler found him guilty on all three counts.

The judge asked for a pre-sentence report.

### BROWNIES MARK THINKING WEEK

It is Thinking Week for Brownies. On Sunday Salt Spring Island Brownies attend the Catholic church of Our Lady of Grace in Ganges to mark the event.

### NEW SAWMILL ON BEDDIS ROAD



New sawmill is in operation in Ganges.

Ralph Magee has erected a portable mill on Beddis Road. Already in operation is the saw and the planer will be running in the near future.

The new operation is the second to be set up in the past two years. At Beaver Point Gavin Reynolds has been sawing logs, and keeping busy.

Sawmills, once a basic industry on Salt Spring Island, have almost disappeared from the scene.

Mr. Magee grew up with sawmills and is completely happy with his new operation.

As soon as the planer is completed, he plans to produce finished lumber for the island building trade.

## Indian MLA To Speak

Frank Calder, only Indian to sit in the Provincial Legislature, will speak at Gulf Islands Secondary School on Wednesday, March 11.

Mr. Calder will be the guest of the Students' Council.

The MLA is a resident of the Atlin area and sits in the house as its member. He is a member of the New Democratic Party.

He will speak at 10:30 in the morning and his topic will be the Indian people and problems facing Canada in respect of his people.

Students' Council has extended an invitation to all island residents to listen to Mr. Calder.

### OPEN HOUSE AT SCHOOL IN GANGES TO BE HELD IN TWO WEEKS

Open house will be held in Salt Spring Elementary School during the week of March 16 - 20.

An afternoon open house will be combined with an evening concert, and the date will be confirmed when arrangements are made for the use of the Secondary School auditorium.

It is necessary to use the auditorium because of the size of Mahon Hall.

### COIN CONTEST AND JOHN FRENCH OF FULFORD HARBOUR

Coin Contest closes April 30.

John French, at Fulford, knows the significance of the contest. He is a competitor. Few other islanders have even heard of it.

Yet, there is a contest for the design of a Centennial Dollar to mark B.C.'s Centennial 71.

Mr. French has submitted his design. Top prize is \$3,000, with three awards of \$500. Winning design will be commemorated in the silver dollar.

## Amalgamation Or No?

—TRUSTEES VIEWS AIRED

Amalgamation of school districts, forming a large district where previously two or more small operations had flourished, has been promoted by Education Minister Donald Brothers.

Board of trustees of Gulf Islands School District has offered the following summary of amalgamation for the interest of rate-payers in the school district.

For some time now the amalgamation of smaller district with larger ones in the Province of British Columbia has been underway. To date four or five districts have been amalgamated and two others are in the process. This turn of events has caused the Board of Trustees to explore the matter of whether or not this District could benefit from amalgamation.

Two specific questions come to mind. The first is, would this District have to pay higher taxes if amalgamation took place. It would seem that higher taxes would result, as the mill rate of School District No. 64 (Gulf Islands) is lower than any of the neighbouring districts with which it might be amalga-

mated. The second is, would education in the District improve following amalgamation.

The answer would seem to be that it would not. The ratio of teachers to pupils in this district is such that the Board feels it is giving the best opportunity to students that can be achieved.

## Credit Cards Here

Mouat's have scored another first.

The Salt Spring merchandizing company is the first island company to institute its own credit card system.

In future credit customers will be encouraged to use the credit cards in an effort to simplify the keeping of accounts. Card is white with the name of the company in green.

## Veteran Of Three Services

Veteran of three services died in Lady Minto Hospital on Saturday. He was Robert Venn Coels, of Ganges. Mr. Coels had served in the Royal Navy during the First World War. In 1940 he enlisted with the Second Battalion, Canadian Scottish, transferring in 1945 to the

Marine Division of the RCAF. He leaves his wife, Alice, at home; three sons, Wilfred Venn, Vancouver; Clive and Mark, Ganges; eight daughters Mrs. Harvey (Ruth) Silvester, Vancouver, Mrs. Harvey (Connie) Smith, Vancouver; Mrs. Thomas (Julie) Weeks, Pentic-

ton; Mrs. Frank (Joyce) Bennett, Ladysmith; Mrs. Greg (Irene) Ross, Prince George; Misses Linda and Mary Alice, Vancouver and Roberta, Ganges and 12 grandchildren.

Funeral services were observed on Tuesday afternoon at St. George's Church with Rev. T. F. Wright officiating. Goodman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## JUNIOR GIRLS SUFFER SET BACK WHEN IN CAMPBELL RIVER

Gulf Islands Junior Girls basketball team returned home Sunday after taking part in the fourth annual Coette basketball tournament in Campbell River.

After beating Cumberland in the first round 28-10, Gulf Islands was beaten in the semi-

finals 41-28 by Sutherland Junior Secondary from North Vancouver, and later that evening lost out in a play-off for third place by a score of 31-26 to McPherson Park of Burnaby.

Maureen Gurney was selected to the first all-star team and Marney Jarman was placed on the second team.

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## O A P O

BY ELSIE THACKER  
St. George's Hall, was almost full again when Branch 32 of the Old Age Pensioners Organization held the regular meeting on Thursday afternoon February 26.

Archdeacon G. H. Holmes chaired the meeting and asked for two minute's silence for: M. Stewart and Ruth Crawnes, deceased since the last meeting, their names are entered in "Our Book of Memory."

Geo. Truefitt and Mrs. Hazel Truefitt, were named to attend the Annual Convention at the Towers Hotel, New Westminster June 17, 18, and 19 as delegates for the Branch.

Mrs. Elsie Thacker will attend as director of the Provincial Board. Delegates from all over B. C. will be in attendance.

The Local Branch was asked to submit resolutions. They will be considered at the next meeting.

It was also decided to purchase two long tables and 10 chairs to add to those already in St. George's Hall for use at large gatherings, bazaars and other functions.

Mrs. Ledger gave a report on Hospital visits. The branch looks after the elderly, members or not.

A game followed "Sock it to me".

Mrs. Truefitt and her committee served refreshments.

When Anna, duchess of Bedford, felt an energy let-down late in the day, she served hot tea and cakes. Her guests, liking the idea, imitated this hospitality. Soon the English custom of 5 o'clock tea was established.

## THE

# Laura Secord

## STORY

by B. K. Sandwell

Early in the morning of a very hot day in June, 1813, a scant year after the outbreak of the War of 1812, a woman "of slight and delicate frame", then in her 38th year, set out from Queenston, on the Canadian side of the Niagara River just below the escarpment on which Brock's Monument now stands. Thus began a long day's journey on foot, through the enemy lines, which was destined to write her name for all time on the pages of Canadian history.

She was Laura Secord, wife of James Secord, a respected citizen of Queenston. She was born an Ingersoll of Great Barrington, Mass., daughter of Major Thomas Ingersoll, who fought on the Continental side in the Revolutionary War but later removed with his family to Canada. The date of their arrival in Canada is not exactly known, but was probably around 1795.

At the time of Laura Secord's journey the Canadian side of the river, for several miles inland, was in the possession of the American invaders. James Secord had been dangerously wounded in an earlier battle around Queenston, and his wife was allowed to tend him within the enemy lines. Here, on June 23, she learned of the American plan to surprise a British detachment at Beaver Dams, some distance further west, under command of Lieutenant James FitzGibbon. She determined that if possible she would convey a warning to the imperilled troops.

Starting before daylight of one of the longest days of the year, and prevented by the large number of American sentries from taking the direct route, she walked all day and well into the evening before coming to the encampment of the party of Indians who formed part of FitzGibbon's forces. Exhausted by the journey and alarmed by their signs of hostility and suspicion—she came from the American lines and they took her for a

spy—she had the utmost difficulty in persuading the Indians to take her to FitzGibbon's quarters. According to one account it was well on into the next morning before she had her meeting with him and communicated her news; but at any rate it was in time to allow FitzGibbon to dispose his troops in the best manner to meet the situation. When the Americans came up about ten in the morning of June 24 expecting to surprise their foes they were themselves completely taken by surprise and the whole force, consisting of upwards of five hundred men with a fieldpiece and fifty dragoons, was captured.

This was one of the turning points of the war. But for Laura Secord's exploit the whole history of North America since that time might well have been different. As it was, the American invasion of Canada, while not entirely repulsed, was prevented from spreading during 1813, and the war came to an end with no changes in the territory on either side. Since 1814 the boundary between the two nations of North America has remained undefended, a tribute to the good relations existing between the two countries.

Two monuments have been erected in memory of Laura Secord's achievement, one at Queenston by the Canadian government, and one at Lundy's Lane by the Ontario Historical Society, but she did not live to see either of them. For forty years her exploit went almost unrecognized. A magazine article of 1853 was the first printed mention of it. In 1860 the then Prince of Wales, later King Edward VII, visiting Canada to lay the foundation stone of the Ottawa Parliament Buildings, spent some days at Niagara Falls, and learning of Laura's story sent her a cheque for one hundred pounds. She died October 17, 1868, and is buried with her husband at Lundy's Lane. "Her name has become for Canadians a synonym for courage, devotion and loyalty."

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## MARIJUANA

Editor, Driftwood:

I would like to add a few facts to Constable Dan Steen's speech on drugs.

He stated that "the harmful physical effects of marijuana and hashish are unknown to doctors, although their greatest dangers are their trend towards stronger drugs. The user of pot or hash will turn to chemicals and ultimately to heroin if he is looking for a greater effect than he has been getting."

Joseph S. Oteri, 39, partner in the Boston law firm of Crane, Inker and Oteri, established a local reputation as a defender of the civil rights of policemen, then leaped to national prominence in 1967 as attorney for two students accused of marijuana possession. Oteri's defense was the most meticulously planned and massive legal assault ever mounted against the constitutionality of the American anti-pot laws; and the transcript of the trial is considered by experts the most complete single review of pharmacological, psychological, sociological and legal aspects of marijuana usage.

On exactly the same statement Steen made, he commented: "I'd like to see somebody prove that. In our Massachusetts test case, the testimony of our experts and the cross-examinations of those testifying for the prosecution establish that there is no evidence whatever of a casual relationship between pot and the true narcotics. The fact that things sometimes occur in sequence does not prove cause and effect. The figures cited (about 100,000 heroin users) say nothing about the greater number of marijuana users, in the millions, (between 12,000,000 and 20,000,000 in the States) who never use hard drugs. And if

Americans were asked to be completely honest about their drug usage, we would probably find that alcohol and tobacco were the first illegal drugs, with some of them moving on later to marijuana and then a few moving to heroin. Does that prove a casual relationship between alcohol and heroin? I'm sure that 100% of heroin addicts drank either mother's milk or synthetic formula in infancy, but that doesn't prove a thing either."

There are, the World Health Organization has estimated, at least 250,000,000 regular cannabis users in the world, about 8% of the population. Pot incidentally, isn't even the most popular illegal drug. To be perfectly accurate, tobacco and alcohol are illegal for most adolescents in Canada, and their widespread use by this group is much more prevalent than the use of grass. Marijuana is definitely no longer the drug of such excluded minorities as the blacks and the Spanish Americans; it's smoked by people of all social classes, races religions, occupations and ages.

There isn't a shred of evidence that marijuana in itself provokes violence. There are probably countless people walking the streets today who have been prevented attacking others because they sat down and smoked a joint instead and it pacified them.

Like any other drug, marijuana produces the effect that different and usually more dangerous responses occur, when used in excess. Also as with other drug there are people who abuse the use of it.

I believe that if Marijuana was legalized there would be fewer people turning to harder drugs. Why? Because marijuana is just as illegal now as heroin and therefore there is no greater risk legally to take heroin. Also, the government is keeping facts from the public which will have to be revealed sooner or later, for, marijuana like alcohol is going through its prohibition and the "other side" of the story will have to be told when it is legalized.

Eric Booth  
RR2, Ganges,  
March 2, 1970

STRAIT GULF

Editor, Driftwood.

In reply to Mr. McLennan's letter of Feb 26th, I should like to mention that the gremlins evidently had a go at my letter of Feb 19 - between the writing and publication, as not only did "Georgia" gain an extra "e" but my middle initial became "S".

I am aware that "Strait" is the correct designation, but as Mr. Davis had used "Gulf" - doubtless because he felt it a more familiar term to the majority of his audience, I did like wise.

I am quite sure the proper name will be used when the bill is presented to Parliament. The main thing is to let the federal government know one's opinion of the proposed national under-seas park.

(Mrs.) G. B. Waterfall,  
R. R. 1, Ganges,  
Feb. 27, 1970

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## POLLUTION AND UNDERGROWTH

Pattern of control of vegetation has been simple in recent years. A thorough spraying with wonderful new chemicals has seen the overgrowth of undergrowth eliminated instantly.

Last week Salt Spring Islanders interested in the problems of environmental collapse heard reports that the popular chemical in use for the purpose has a dangerous effect on animals and is listed in the United States as being hazardous.

The B.C. Hydro has blithely used the spray in the past, assuming that so small a voice of criticism could scarcely have substance against so large an undertaking as B.C. Hydro.

Few islanders are well versed in the effects of chemicals on the environment. It is probable that few members of the Hydro staff are well versed in the area. The only difference is that islanders will be warned and they will refrain from using it if there remains any doubt. In past years the Hydro has shown no such hesitation and has used the spray recklessly at its whim.

This irresponsibility in a Crown corporation can only mean that the government is immune from the common ills or that the government is convinced that the problems facing ecologists are of no consequence.

If it is dangerous, the B.C. Hydro must not spray the islands with such a preparation. If it is safe, we'd like to have the assurance in writing.

### MORE LETTERS — from page three

#### OXYGEN

Editor, Driftwood,

How many people have noticed the number of TV programs and magazine articles that mention the fact that that vital stuff, oxygen, is now less plentiful in the atmosphere than it used to be? Whatever it is that kept the oxygen in the air at 20% of the total atmospheric gases is not doing its job as well as it used to.

Well, do we need to worry about this? Is as little less oxygen in the air going to hurt us much? Now that oxygen content of the air is reducing, will it continue to drop until ---(you guess the rest).

Oxygen is set free into the air by the plants of the land and the ocean as a by-product of their building process, photosynthesis. The oceans occupy a greater part of the globe than the land, so it is safe to say that ocean plants (particularly phytoplankton) contribute much more oxygen than land plants, perhaps as much as 70% of the available supply.

For the past 23 years that wonderful insecticide DDT and others of the same class, has been washing off our crops and

gardens into streams and thence to the oceans where it has come in contact with the marine plants. Its effect on them is a slowing down of photosynthesis, which means, it also slows down their oxygen production. This means there is a lessened amount of oxygen in the ocean water as well as in the atmosphere above. The oxygen-starved water will support fewer fish.

We, walking around on the land, have ever increasing competition for the atmospheric oxygen as more automobiles come off the assembly lines, larger aircraft are put into service, and all the furnaces continue to burn oil and gas. The amount of oxygen needed to operate one human being is much less than that used to operate one powerful automobile.

For years it has been our habit to dispose of any unwanted liquid, or solid, by flushing it down the toilet or dumping it into the sea. When the marine plants finally give up growing, how well will the earth's population manage with only that shrinking 30% oxygen supply that comes from the land plants. I've heard an estimate that 90% of the earth's population will die within a week. As a recent



MacLeans Magazine article says "Where Will Your Children Be When The Air Gives Out?"

Connie Arnell,  
R. R. #1,  
Ganges  
March 2, 1970

#### WATER POLLUTION

Editor, Driftwood.

There's much comment in your paper about air and water pollution with particular emphasis on the dangers of spill oil. No one who reads the newspapers needs to be reminded of the short and long term effects of leaks from offshore drilling or grounded tankers but, for Gulf Islanders, isn't this a narrow view? Surely the basic issue is whether or not the islands are to be industrialized offshore oil wells must in turn rely on shore facilities - tanks, docks, tanker terminals - which certainly do not fit into the vision most of us have about the future of the Gulf Islands as a recreational and retirement haven - not only the finest offshore cruising waters in north-west America, but among the finest in the world; close to heavily populated areas destined to become more so; the most equable climate in Canada.

My second point is to do with the involvement, or lack of it, mentioned by Ada Ryan in her letter. There is one man who should be heard from soon or else we shall assume that he sits on the same side of the fence as Mr. Richter, the B. C. Minister of Mines who has said repeatedly that he is in favour of offshore drilling.

Mr. Tisdalle, where do you stand on the subject of water pollution in general and offshore drilling in particular?

Peter West,  
1106 - 1501 Queensway  
Prince George, B. C.  
Feb. 23, 1970

#### POLLUTION

Editor, Driftwood

May I, through the medium of your own paper, congratulate you for your initiative in bringing SPEC officials from Duncan to speak to residents on pollution and what can be done to combat it.

Mr. Horn stressed the "run-around" given anti-pollutionists

by government and industry, both by officials and their so-

## CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY MARCH 8, 1970

ANGLICAN			
St. Nicholas	Vesuvius	Holy Communion	9:00am
St. George's	Ganges	Holy Communion	11:00am
St. Mary's	Fulford	Evening Prayer	2:30pm
St. Margaret of Scotland	Galiano	Holy Communion	8:00am
	"	Holy Communion	11:00am

UNITED CHURCH			
Rev. Fred Anderson	Ganges	Informal Worship for families	9:30am
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ROMAN CATHOLIC			
Our Lady of Grace	Ganges	Holy Mass	9:00 am
St. Paul's	Fulford	Holy Mass	11:00 am

COMMUNITY GOSPEL CHAPEL			
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"	"	Evening Service	7:30 pm

INTERDENOMINATIONAL			
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More About **Pollution** (From Page One)

probability, has the intention of spraying Salt Spring Island with it this year, he warned.

Untested food additives, hazardous hair sprays and phosphates were listed by the speaker. Although oxygen is the most critical situation facing the earth, it is water pollution and not air pollution which is paramount.

Mr. Egan explained that the earth takes about 30% of its oxygen from plants on land and about 60% from the sea, where the minute plankton produce oxygen.

Discharge of chemicals and particularly of DDT into the sea is jeopardizing the survival of the plankton, said Mr. Egan. If its use is not controlled and the plankton are destroyed in increasing numbers the sea will no longer support life.

In seven days the seas would change from the clean and swarming waters today to a filthy, stinking turgid mass of death, he forecast. Within that seven days every oxygen-breathing creature would be destroyed.

There are 60 million gallons a day of colored water discharged by Crofton Mill. The discoloration breaks down the process of photo-synthesis and further reduces the available oxygen supply.

"Substantial part of our oxygen comes from the same Pacific Ocean we are trying so hard to kill," repeated Mr. Horn.

Mr. Egan dwelt on the problems of the pulp mill at Crofton

For 12 years the mill has been going to take action against pollution," he recalled, "They have done nothing and the pollution problems continue.

In 1954 holding tanks were recommended for the mill, said Mr. Egan. These would have eliminated the discharge of six tons of solids daily into the sea. It would also have contributed to the reduction of effluent temperature. Provision of holding tanks at Crofton could bring back the oyster industry to the area, long lost to industry, suggested the biologist, because toxicity of the discharges would be appreciable lower.

"These tanks are still not contemplated, apparently," he reported. There is a close link between pollution and politics, continued Mr. Egan. The government appears to have seen the writing on the wall, he suggested and it is already moving forward.

The federal government's fisheries act covers most aspects of pollution, continued Mr. Egan. This act could control all ocean pollution in Canada if it were enforced, he stated. It is not enforced and as a result the

sea is becoming progressively less able to support life. Speaking of the problems of sewage disposal, Mr. Egan referred to the routine in England, where sewage is passed through a series of lagoons and the liquid is ultimately permitted to run off. The solids are used as a compost disposal system. By this means the system can make profit from the sale of the compost.

**CHURCH TAKES NEW LOOK AT CHILDREN'S NEEDS**

Many current song hits reflect a lot of spiritual truth - like one of the latest called "To Love is to be Free." Families will be talking together about this at Ganges United Church on Sunday at 9:30 a. m.

This is part of a new experiment in family worship held on the second Sunday of each month.

It's not a dress-up affair, and parents won't have to worry about children who can't sit still and be quiet. In fact, Fred Anderson, the minister, says, "We may have a lot to learn from the kids about both loving and being free."

This is not a happening just for children though. It's intended that the whole family should share in the experience.

Minimum treatment before discharging sewage into the sea should be tertiary, asserted the biologist.

Various aspects of pollution were discussed during the ensuing question period.

There are three forms of pollution from the Crofton Mill suggested Guy LaFlam, the stacks, effluent and chips. In Washington the stacks are equipped with a re-burner, he observed and effluent is treated chemically before it may be discharged. At Crofton the handling of chips is careless, he added.

Such controls can only be achieved by government, said Mr. Egan. A company may be eager to correct the ills of its plant, but in a competitive field it cannot afford to go it alone. Once a mill has spent millions on such improvements it can no longer compete with another mill whose owners are indifferent to the damage they do.

There must be legislation, reiterated the biologist and it will only come after enough pressure is exerted on the government.

The situation is serious, asserted Jim Egan. At any time we could wake up one morning to learn that disaster has already caught up. Death of millions of fish or swarms of birds could occur anytime now, as their natural food is diminishing and contaminated. The balance of nature is upset. Purpose of SPEC is to ensure that it does not collapse, he noted.

In respect of automobiles Mr. Horn suggested that people will have to change their methods of transportation.

At the conclusion of the meeting Frank Richards undertook to call a second meeting in about two weeks' time when interested islanders will have the opportunity of forming a chapter of SPEC on Salt Spring Island.

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**NOT SO PEACEFUL AT PEACEFUL VALLEY**

Fire, water, telephone and people were all mixed up in Peaceful Valley.

The noise on the roof was not the two cats tearing around. It was fire. Call after call found no one in at the usual places.

After trying several places in the village, near to where the firehall is situated, we did get Mrs. Barry Smith at Galiano Lodge.

Mrs. Smith ran up to the fire siren, and with some help, set it off, Vic Deurden, Maury Lupton and a friend, in the meantime, learned the location of the fire, and came driving in their own cars. They were promptly up on the roof, and by this time, most of the real danger was over.

By this time the fire-engine was also on its way to find the fire already under control.

It was chance that the volunteer firemen were not around, no one expects them to sit around expecting a fire to happen. And as we know, they are always ready to drop whatever they are doing to go to a fire.

We are fortunate that Peaceful Valley ranchhouse did not burn down, and are deeply grateful to those who came running to help.

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**DEATH OF MISS PHYLLIS ROSS IN VANCOUVER**

Miss Phyllis Ross, of Ganges, died in St. Paul's Hospital, Vancouver, on Saturday, Feb. 28.

She leaves two brothers, John, Surrey and R. H. Ross,

New Jersey, USA: two sisters, Mrs. E. S. Larmour, Ganges and Miss Hilda Ross, Richmond.

Services were held on Wednesday afternoon, March 4, in St. George's Anglican Church. Archdeacon R. B. Horsefield officiated and Goodman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**GALIANO**

**BY MARY BACKLUND**  
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bickertor from Huston, Texas, are spending the next six weeks at their home on Galiano. This is their first trip up at this wintertime of the year, they have always been coming up for summer time holidays, so we are right proud to show off our "gentle winter time" to our neighbours from Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Bambrick have arrived back to their home on the Island after an extended holiday in Mexico.

Mrs. George Georgeson spent the past few days visiting relatives in Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Neale, of Vancouver, spent the weekend at Peaceful Valley, they are now busy overseeing the building of a cottage on their property at Montague Harbour and will soon join the "every weekend" commuters, and so

not manage to get their names in the paper every weekend, either.

Miss Tanta DeStaffany, of Victoria, spent a few days visiting Dr. and Mrs. H. D. Barner, at "The Haven".

Mr. and Mrs. George Elliott and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Freddy Elliott, and family, spent last week end visiting Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Head, and helped celebrate Mr. and Mrs. Head's first wedding anniversary.

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iversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hanley are spending several days in Seattle. President of Galiano Rod and Gun, Hank Knudson, tells us that there will be an Easter Ham shoot at the range on March 7, and all are welcome.

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**BY GERTRUDE WATERFALL**  
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The fine weather of February brought out some pleasure craft, including the Mount Ross, which several times carried a large group of Scuba divers to Panther Point where they explored the old wreck and other wonders of the deep.  
A few salmon have been caught here including a 12 lb. spring near Wallace Island.

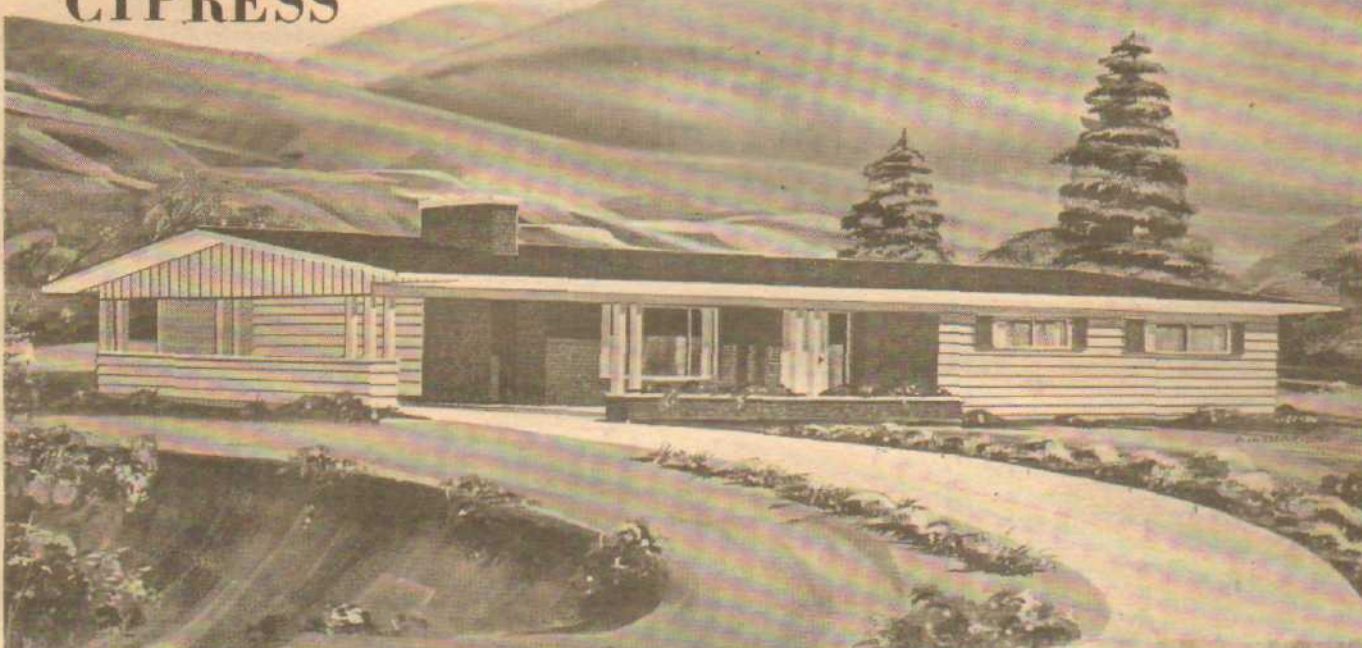
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BY ELSIE BROWN

The calendar for March will include many events which are worth noting.

Friday, March 6: World Day of Prayer at St. Mary Magdalene church. 2 p.m. Tea will be served at the rectory following the service.  
 Saturday, March 14: Dick Randall will show slides, Hobby Show, at the hall, 7 p.m. For further information contact Mrs. Vic Haggart.  
 Saturday March 31: lecture on gladioli and dahlia culture by Mr. and Mrs. P. G. James (postponed from last Saturday.) 1:30 at the hall.  
 Saturday, March 28: rummage sale, sponsored by the Community Association, at the hall. 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Contact Mrs. Kay Carpenter or Mary Kline.  
 Sunday, March 28: Easter Egg Hunt for pre-school and school children. School grounds, 11 a.m. Mrs. Edith Imrie in charge.

Due to rough seas and consequent interrupted ferry schedule Mr. and Mrs. P.G. James, of Salt Spring Island, were unable to get over to Mayne Island last Saturday afternoon when they were slated to lecture on gladioli and dahlia culture. The date for this event has been re-slated for March 21 at the hall, 1:30 p.m. Tea will be served.

Harry and Mary Redman, Bennett Bay, have returned to the island after a visit of over two months with their family, Cpl. and Mrs. Charles Redman, Ronnie, Bobbie, Kenny and Shirley of Greenwood, Nova Scotia. Their journey was made both ways by train. While there, they attended the annual Carnival sponsored by the Armed Forces, each Province participating. Mary reports the snow sculpture was particularly interesting. The weather was ideal for the celebration - not too cold but enough snow to make it exhilarating. The Redmans spent some time in Halifax before returning home. Harry has plans to build on to their home and Mary will find lots to do in the garden no doubt. Welcome back to the island!

Mrs. Jennie Botterill, Fernhill Road, has returned after a visit to Seattle where she picked up a bad dose of the 'flu'. Still feeling a bit under the weather but able to be out and around.

Mrs. Don Vigurs, Dickson Road, was a recent patient at Lady Minto Hospital. We wish

her a speedy recovery.

Welcome to new property owners Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, of Vancouver.

## SQUARE DANCING

BY JOHN MCKEE

We are looking forward to dancing to Norm Graham on March 20, but this time it will be in St. George's Hall at the usual 8:30 p.m.

Norm comes with a first class reputation as a caller from the Travelling Squares in Nanaimo. We expect our usual crowd of square dancers who gave Howard Eames such a warm reception.

The quality of square dancing is improving all the time and this adds to your pleasure.

## Matthews is Named

Gordon S. Matthews, painter and explorer, is the new president of Gulf Islands Community Arts Council.

His former office of treasurer has been filled by Mrs. E. Underhill, who will also serve as secretary.

Annual meeting was held in Harbour House last Wednesday afternoon.

There were about 40 members present, from Salt Spring, Galiano, Mayne and Pender.

Biggest project of the council has been the annual display of arts and crafts each summer in Mahon Hall. Aircraft 70 is already in the planning and all islanders will be invited to exhibit their work.

The council also expressed an invitation to islanders to

join and to take part in its activities.

Serving with Mr. Matthews

and Mrs. Underhill are, vice-president, Mrs. M. Robson; directors, Mrs. G. Clayton, Mrs. E. Crosby, Mrs. Jack Russell, Mrs. Lorna Tweedale, and Mrs. Joyce Mitchell.

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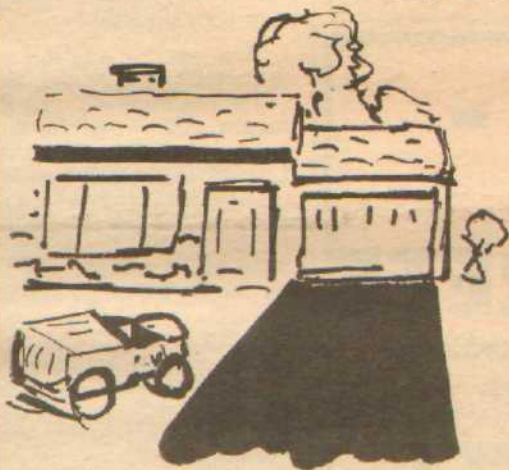
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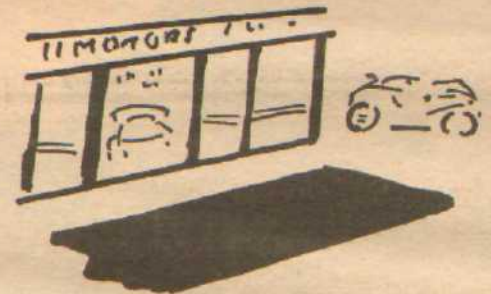
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### GIRLS ROLLER HOCKEY NEWS

BY ALLISON FOULIS  
On Wednesday of last week an exciting game took place between Fulford and North End. Referee was Linda Anderson.

First goal was scored by Cathy Roland, with Dawn Kyler making the second. It was a close game with North End taking the final score.  
Stars were Leigh Langdon, Marlene Moulton and Barbara Byron.  
Second game was played on

Sunday, between North End and Ganges. Ganges team had four girls show up for the game and they were obliged to stay with it throughout the play. Nicola Toynbee made the first goal and Marie White scored the second. Referee was Rob Dunn.  
Ganges took the game with a 6-2 score. Stars were Terry Anderson, Marie White and Barbara Byron.

Come on, Ganges! Support your area. Practices are on Tuesday.  
Fulford practice day is Friday and North End, Thursday. Let's see a few more kids out to these practices!

### BASKETBALL GAMES ARE SET FOR FRIDAY AT SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Mid-Island Jr. Girls basketball play-offs will be held at the Gulf Islands Secondary School during the afternoon and evening of Friday, March 6.  
Gulf Islands, who completed their league schedule unbeaten, will play Ladysmith at 3:00 p.m., and at 4:15 Chemainus plays Mount Prevost of Duncan. In the evening the losers will play at 7:15 and the finals will start at 8:30. The winner of this tournament advances to the Vancouver Island championships the following week end in Nanaimo.

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### HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

## REPORT PRESENTED

Mrs. E. A. Jarman recently presented her report of the past year's operations of Lady Minto Hospital Auxiliary. Verbatim report follows:

It is my pleasure to submit the 33rd Annual Report for the year 1969 of the Women's Auxiliary to the Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital.

During the past year the success of activities is due to the hard work of the auxiliary members and the excellent co-operation of the residents and business people of this hospital district.

In 1969 we had seven regular meetings and one social meeting in the form of a coffee party. We had 49 members and two life members.

The annual Hospital Day was held on May 16. Members of the auxiliary toured visitors through the hospital and served tea in the board room.

The 14th annual bargain sale was held on September 13. For the first time we had the use of the high school auditorium which greatly improved selling as well as buying conditions. As in the past we were concerned that we didn't have enough items for the sale, particularly with use of the much larger sales area. Again we were proved wrong and our grateful thanks to all those who donated so willingly. Donations for raffles at the sale were received from Woodward's, Eaton's, the Bay, Mr. Peter Lazenby and Mrs. Ted Parsons for which we were most grateful.

Our one day sale this year grossed \$2,228.00 and our total expenses \$169.00. All this money will be used for the benefit of patients and staff of the Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital.

Articles purchased during 1969 have been a Spectrophotometer for use in the Lab. at the cost of \$450.00, new table and chairs for the staff dining room costing \$350.00, a new bath stool, a new shower stool, and curtains for the staff dining room. We have also approved 60 pairs of blankets for the patient beds and new metal shelving for the kitchen store-room. A television set donated to the auxiliary, not in working order, was repaired and placed in the children's ward. It was hooked up to the cablevision which we also provided in the nurse's residence and the patient's sunroom.

The patient's trays, on the different holidays throughout the year, have been decorated, and at Christmas we also provided a small gift for each patient. Gifts were also presented to each staff member at Christmas.

Members of the auxiliary have been to the hospital daily during the past year to care for the patient's flowers. At Christmas they decorated the hospital and placed a tree in the main entrance hall.

On December 31, 1969, our

bank balance was \$3,365.03 and a \$500.00 bond. During 1969 we spent a total of \$1,445.85. This is not as much as in previous years as we have been convinced by the Administrator that there will be some rather large expenses in connection with the new wing. We are hoping to have enough funds to help in whatever way we are asked.

In concluding this report we would like to thank the Board, the Administrator, the Director of Nursing, the Nursing Staff, and all the other Staff, for their co-operation during 1969.

I wish to thank the Executive Committee heads, and members for their willing assistance during this past year. I would particularly like to thank Mrs. Worthington, the outgoing secretary and Mrs. Sproule, the outgoing treasurer for all their hard work and assistance to me.

## GANGES

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Abolit returned home last Friday after a three week motoring holiday to Arizona.

Mrs. Stuart Hawkins and young sons Jimmy and Johnny, Duncan, have been visiting Mrs. Hawkins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Carlin for the past ten days.

Mrs. Joe Ortman and young daughters Mia and Megan have been staying at the home of Mrs. Ortman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bradley for the past week. Mr. Ortman joined his family from Vancouver for the weekend and they returned to their home in Powell River last Sunday.

Guests over the week end at the home of Mrs. T. W. Mouat, Welbury Bay, were her daughter-in-law, Mrs. T. W. Mouat of Vancouver; her granddaughters, Mrs. Keith Grant of Coquitlam, Mrs. Terry Clement, Misses Elizabeth Mouat and Wendy Pow of Vancouver; and her two great grandsons, Tommy Mouat and Keith Grant.

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## THE LIGHT TOUCH BY H.J. CARLIN

"It's just a suggestion, gentlemen," said the Chairman of the Board, "but let's not forget who's making it."

A pat on the back develops character, if administered young enough, often enough and low enough.

Overheard dialogue: "I had a wonderful time, after the third day out the weather was so awful that George had to be lashed to the bar!"

An exasperated mother to child at dinner table: "Eat it, dear — pretend it's mud."

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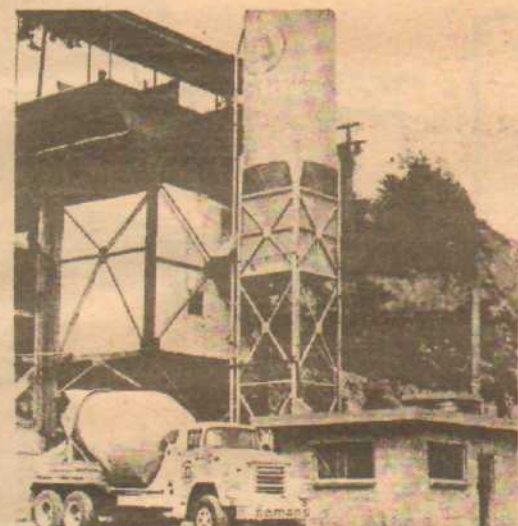
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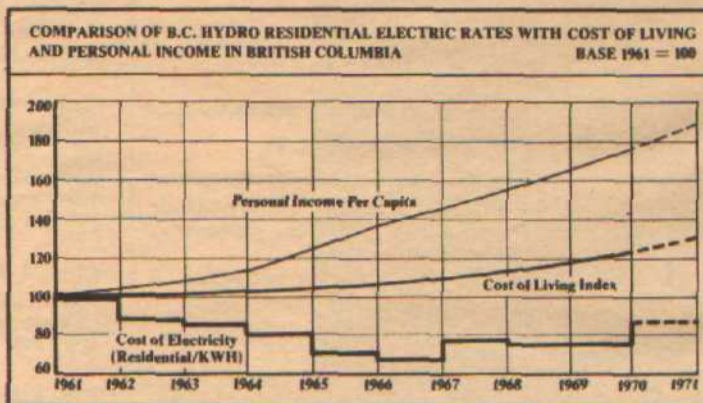
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# WHY an electric rate increase is necessary.

## Inflation Mainly to Blame

Inflation is something everyone has learned about the hard way. The cost of food, housing, services, in fact almost everything in the family budget has risen to record levels. Dominion Bureau of Statistics records show that the cost of living has risen 20% since 1961.

One of the few exceptions in British Columbia during this period of rising prices has been the cost of electricity. According to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, the consumer price index (1961 = 100) for domestic urban electric rates in July 1969, reached a level of 112.4 for Canada. For British Columbia, using the new rates, a comparable index would be 91 — the reverse of the national trend.



## Inflation Has Caught Up with B.C. Hydro, too.

Like other major utilities throughout Canada and the United States, we are caught in an unprecedented inflationary squeeze.

## Cost of Money

One of the big factors contributing to the need for a rate increase is the cost of money that must be borrowed to pay for new generating plants, transmission lines, substations and distribution facilities to serve new customers. The following table, taken from Bank of Canada Statistical Summary for the month of January 1970, shows the rapid rise in interest rates paid since 1965 on selected Provincial bond issues:

DATE	INTEREST RATES
December 1965	5.90%
December 1966	6.63
December 1967	7.29
December 1968	7.92
December 1969	9.19

## Wages Up

Salary and wage rates (including fringe benefits) faced by B.C. Hydro have increased over 50% since 1962. As an example of this trend, the following table shows how a journeyman lineman's hourly rate has changed since April 1, 1967.

DATE	WAGE RATE	FRINGE BENEFITS
April 1, 1967	\$4.08/hr.	\$1.07/hr.
June 1, 1967	4.35	1.07
April 1, 1968	4.65	1.36
April 1, 1969	5.04	1.49
January 1, 1970	5.39*	1.59

\*The equivalent rate in Seattle is \$5.28.

Hourly rate increases, effective April 1, 1969, and January 1, 1970, for a B.C. Hydro journeyman lineman, amount to 15.9% over the nine-month period.

Other Hydro labour costs also have risen steadily.

## Other Costs Up, too

Inflation has affected practically everything B.C. Hydro buys — wire, poles, trucks, office supplies and other equipment and services.

School taxes and grants paid by Hydro to cities and municipalities also have risen sharply — from \$7.1 million in 1962 to \$15 million in 1969.

## Rates Favour Residential Customers

Rates are being increased for all classes of customers — residential, commercial and industrial. Rate structures have and will continue to favor residential customers but revenues now have fallen considerably below the costs of providing service to them. The volume and pattern of electrical use in households makes it relatively more expensive to serve residential customers than other classes of customers. Fixed and operating costs alone (including billing, records and meter reading) average about \$4 a month for each residential account before any electricity is used. **Bills to many residential customers do not even cover these costs.**

## How Our Rates Compare with Other Areas

Even with the announced increases, B.C. Hydro residential rates will be below the average across North America. There are as many areas with higher rates as with lower rates. Naturally, most critics select the latter. Such comparisons are meaningless unless all the factors affecting rates are considered — just as it would be meaningless to compare B.C. Hydro rates with those in areas where electricity costs more.

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COMPARISON OF RESIDENTIAL RATES			
Monthly Consumption (kilowatt hours)	Monthly Bill 1961 Rates	Monthly Bill New Rates	Monthly Reduction or Increase Compared with 1961
40 kwh	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	
70	3.50	2.10	\$1.40 Reduction
100	4.25	3.00	1.25 Reduction
200	6.75	6.00	0.75 Reduction
400	10.07	10.10	0.03 Increase
700	12.77	13.40	0.63 Increase
1000	16.19	16.70	0.51 Increase
1500	22.44	22.20	0.24 Reduction
2000	28.69	27.70	0.99 Reduction

New electric rates (effective March 1, 1970) will be applied on bills after April 30.

## A Few Facts

1. No power is exported to the United States on a firm basis except very small amounts to the isolated communities of Point Roberts, Washington and Hyder, Alaska.
2. During the past five years, B.C. Hydro has imported from the United States far more power than it has exported.
3. Columbia River projects have been financed to date entirely out of funds received from the United States under the terms of the Columbia River Treaty. The Columbia projects have had no effect whatsoever on B.C. Hydro's operating costs.
4. Over 50% of the electrical energy used by Hydro customers today comes from the Peace River project.
5. Electric rates are increasing throughout North America. Utilities in Quebec, Ontario, Alberta and other provinces and electric companies in many American cities, including Portland, Chicago, San Francisco and New York, have announced or are planning rate increases.
6. Approximately 50,000 of B.C. Hydro's residential customers have been paying less for electricity than they would have on Toronto, Winnipeg or Seattle rates.
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Mary Backlund... Tom Carolan

I WISH TO THANK DR'S DIXON Thomson and the staff of Lady Minto Hospital for their kindness to me and also friends and neighbours for their well wishes and cards. Special thanks to "A" watch on Queen of the Islands for the lovely gifts. Connie Ramsey

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Take notice that Pender Holdings (1967) of 1489 West Broadway, Vancouver, B.C., occupation, Land developer, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:-

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-Pender Holdings (1967) 6-4

Erskine Heights Water and Development Co. Ltd.  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given by Erskine Heights Water and Development Co. Ltd., that an application is being made to the Public Utilities Commission of British Columbia for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the proposed construction and operation of a waterworks distribution system to serve residents in the area of Sections 1 to 20 North Salt Spring Island, Cowichan District.

Any person wishing further information in connection with this application are to be forwarded to Randall Logging Ltd., Box 349, Ganges, B.C.

By direction of the Public Utilities Commission, any objections to this application are to be forwarded to the Secretary Public Utilities Commission, 620 View Street, Victoria, B.C. to be in his hands on or before March 13, 1970.

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# Letters

(From Page Four)

is that "means are available-"  
The same magazine notes that "A study is under way into the effects of the increasing discharge of heated effluent into the Great Lakes by power stations, industries and municipal facilities in Ontario and the States bordering the lakes." This assignment was awarded by The Canada Centre for Inland Waters of the Federal Department of Energy Mines and Resources.

It is to be regretted that the Federal Government is spending taxpayers' money to obtain this information when at least some is already known to the chairman of our Hydro, Dr. G.M. Shrum, who stated recently that raising the temperature of Cowichan Bay by waste water from a nuclear power plant would not affect the ecology. As a senior crown company official who has the

confidence of the premier, he must know what he is talking about, or what he has been told to say. (Or does he?)

Paul Layard,  
R. R. #1,  
Ganges,  
March 1, 1970

**BOTTLENECK**  
Editor, Driftwood  
Following is a copy of a letter sent to Salt Spring Island Community Planning Advisory Committee. The subject matter may be of interest to your readers.

May I urge you, when compiling community planning recommendations for Provincial authorities, to give earnest consideration to the need for a second road leading South from Ganges Village.

I am sure you will agree that the section of Fulford-Ganges Road, from the Village to Beddis Road is a bottle-neck. In the past three or four years traffic has increased at an alarming rate on this section of road. The considerable number of large industrial trucks going to and from the Village is a matter of some great concern to

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TO JOHN AND ROSALIND Rector (nee Hildred) of Bemidji, Minnesota, on Jan. 27, 1970, a son.  
To Bruce and Gwen Hildred of Ganges, on March 1st, a son.

local residents, who realize that an accident to, or breakdown of, one of these huge vehicles could mean a serious blockade of the road. The Island would be virtually cut in half for transportation purposes. Worse still, no passage would be available for fire equipment, or ambulance and this could mean loss of life.

If a road on the North side of Ganges should become blocked there are alternate routes leading to Vesuvius, and the North End, e.g. McPhillips, Hereford, Rainbow, Robinson, etc. The same is true once Beddis Road is reached. A detour to Fulford is possible via Beddis, Cranberry Divide, Blackburn and Cusheon Roads.

It seems logical too, that another road from Ganges would help to relieve traffic congestion slowly building up in the Village.

Eventually something will have to be done to correct these problems. An easy solution is not apparent, but the sooner some solution is found and acted upon, the less it is likely to cost in lives and money.

(Mrs.) E. Worthington,  
R. R. #2, Ganges,  
Feb. 25, 1970

## FULFORD TIDE TABLE

DAY	TIME	HT
6	0505	10.6
	1005	7.7
	1455	9.8
	2200	1.8
7	0520	10.6
	1940	6.5
SA	1605	9.8
	2240	2.7
8	0535	10.6
	1135	5.3
SU	1720	9.7
	2320	3.8
9	0555	10.7
	1215	4.2
MO	1825	9.5
	0005	5.2
10	0620	10.7
	1300	3.3
TU	1945	9.4
	0045	6.5
11	0640	10.6
	1345	2.7
WE	2105	9.4
	0130	7.7
12	0855	10.4
	1425	2.5
TH	2235	9.5

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